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As part of the Jewish Cultural Series 2011, the Jewish Federation of the Quad Cities is presenting Jerusalem Rabbi Jonathan Porath as a Scholar In Residence. He will be speaking at three different locations around the Quad City area on several different topics.

On Monday, May 23rd, 7:00 PM at Moline Library, 3210 41st Street in Moline.

Topic All of Jewish History From Abraham Until Today in One Hour An epic and engaging presentation covering the flow of Jewish history for the past 4,000 years, with special emphasis on Jewish life around the world today and the State of Israel. The presentation if free to the public.

On Tuesday, May 24th, 12:00 noon, Temple Emanuel 1115 Mississippi Ave,

Davenport
Topic Creating Caring Hearts & Loving Souls For Ourselves & Our Children How do we go about instilling values and positive feelings in those closest to us? What can we do the make a difference in their lives--and in our own as well?
Lunch is $5.00
RSVP required 793-1300.

Tuesday, May 24th, 7:00 PM HomeRidge Inn and Suites (formerly Holiday Inn), 909 Middle Road,

Bettendorf
175 Trips to the Jews of Russia Rabbi Porath has been traveling to visit the Jews of Russia and the Soviet Union for more than 45 years. How has Jewish life changed over the years and what lessons can we learn from their dedication and fortitude?—Presentation is free to the public.

Rabbi Porath is an inspiring and passionate Jerusalem-based rabbi, educator and speaker who makes Jewish texts and values come alive. He received his BA from Brandeis Unversity, his MA from Columbia University, and was ordained a Rabbi by the Jewish Theological Seminary. Rabbi Porath recently completed 15 years as a senior staff member of the Russian department of

the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC). He specializes in conveying Jewish pride and always speaks from the heart. He is the 18th generation Rabbi in his family. Rabbi Porath is married and has five children and three grandchildren.

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