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Sunday, 12th February 2023



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This year JNF Australia's Green Sunday is

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JNF is proud to share this year's Green Sunday project for a cause that is near and dear to our Australian hearts...

Israel Life Saving Federation's Nippers Program.

The beaches in Israel's south are some of the best in the country but there are major concerns for ocean safety and pollution.

Only 3% of the beaches are supervised, resulting in drownings and near-drownings that could-have and should-have been avoided.

The Israel Life Saving Federation (ILSF) is a registered, non-profit volunteer organisation who base their education goals and methodology on those of Surf Life Saving Australia by providing highly engaging educational water safety and environmental programs.

With the support of JNF Australia, ILSF is introducing their Nippers program on the beaches of Ashkelon in Southern Israel.

The ILSF Nippers program aims to deliver a safe, enjoyable space for the children of Israel's southern region who have endured so much trauma.

At Nippers they can focus on learning about ocean safety, beach and wave awareness as well as proactive ways to care for local beaches and environment.

The program has a strong focus on environmental education, conservation, and action in ensuring the beaches of Ashkelon are clean and pollution free.

Your contribution to this year's Green Sunday campaign will help the most vulnerable communities near the Gaza border by bringing them the joy of the ocean and ensure a clean, sustainable, and water-safe future.

Together JNF and the Community can help protect Israeli lives and the environment.

But it cannot do it without you – show your support for Israel and its people – donate to this wonderful project.

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247 billion pieces of plastic float in the Mediterranean Sea, much of which ends up on Israel's shores

The plastic breaks down into **2 million tons** of microplastic waste that is toxic to the environment, marine life and human health

ILSF Nippers help combat ocean pollution by taking **3 pieces** of rubbish each time they leave the beach

TAKE 3 FOR THE SEA

Nippers learn ocean safety, beach and wave awareness and ways to **care** for local beaches and the environment

Supporting **environmental** education, awareness, conservation & **action** on the beaches of Ashkelon

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ANTI SEMITISM

The threat of rising anti-Semitic incidents must not be ignored



Rabbi Gabi Kaltmann and his Zaida (grandfather), Joseph Kaltmann.

THE AGE

BY RABBI GABI KALTMANN

AS A CHILD, I REMEMBER THE WEIGHT OF INVISIBLE RELATIVES WHO WERE MURDERED DURING THE HOLOCAUST.

My Zaida (grandfather) Joseph Kaltmann was the sole survivor of his family, losing his 17-year-old sister, Renee, his 16-year-old brother, Poldi, his mother, Pesil, and his father, Max. Their photos dotted his living room, copies of originals saved from the fires of the Holocaust by a gentile neighbour who had stored some of the Kaltmann family's most precious assets.

The bittersweet nature of survival was ever present in my childhood. In Ashkenazic Jewish tradition one does not name after people who die young, deeming it bad luck, which means not one of his tens of grandchildren was named after his brother and sister who were murdered. It's what Zaida wanted, but I'm sure, on some level, it was devastating not to be able to perpetuate their memories in the most tangible way on earth.

I once asked Zaida, "What colour were Renee's eyes?" I was in primary school

and was completing a research project on the Holocaust. I still remember as Zaida's big blue eyes, shared by so many of my siblings, thought through my question carefully, before responding with tears in his eyes "I don't remember." My grandfather never complained about the hand he had been dealt, but I know he made a point of extolling his gratitude to Australia.

"This is the Goldene Medina" he would say, using a Yiddish expression describing Australia as the 'golden country'. No matter how many decades he lived here, Zaida certainly didn't take for granted the ability to openly practice Judaism in peace and serenity with his neighbours. My grandmother, Shulamit, may she be blessed with a long life, was a calming balm for Zaida. She grew up in the orchards of Shepparton and was born in Australia to a Jewish family that had left Russia.

The contrast between them due to their childhoods was stark. Zaida was the survivor of six concentration camps and unable to sleep at night always jumping at small sounds. But Bubba, having grown up here, far from the rages of war and tragedy, was cool-headed and calm, humming softly to herself as she spent hours caring for her plants and fruit trees. Once a country girl, always a country girl.

Australia has always been seen as a haven for Jewish people. One of the reasons so many Holocaust survivors settled here is because it was seen as the furthest place possible away from the atrocities of Europe. They were largely right. For decades Jewish people have flourished and prospered here.

But of late, I wonder what my grandfather would have thought about the unsettling feeling that is besetting many Jewish people in Australia.

Anti-Semitism is on the rise. According to statistics compiled by the Executive Council of Australian Jewry, incidents in 2022 were at their highest in a decade, with 478 reported incidents, a 6.9 per cent increase from 2021, when reported hate incidents were up by 35 per cent.

It's a worrying trend, one that leaves me feeling insecure and at times scared. In Australia, while we are blessed to have the support of the government who rigorously enforces penalties against hate crime, it's sobering to hear the head of ASIO say that the rise of right-wing extremists is a real and growing threat to Australians. Each week, it seems that there are new anti-Semitic incidents. The vast majority of Australians are good people, who want to live in peace with their neighbours. This threat must not be ignored.

This month, we commemorate International Holocaust Remembrance Day, dedicated by the United Nations to remember atrocities committed against Jewish people in Europe during World War II. As a rabbi, it's the first time I remember feeling so uneasy. Each year, when the Holocaust is commemorated, we repeat "never again." I'd like to think

"never again" is possible, but as the grandson of a survivor and a community leader, the anxiety that so many in my community are feeling is evident in my conversations with descendants of survivors.

We must continue to educate the next generations so that people are aware how hatred can lead to racism and dehumanisation. How it can all start with hate speech, memes and vilification. We must educate average Australians that Nazi costumes are no laughing matter for a fancy dress party.

Soon, Australia will be one of the only countries in the world that will have Holocaust Museums in every state and territory. State governments are investing in Holocaust education for all public school students. In Victoria and NSW the Nazi swastika was recently outlawed, with further legislation on the cards in other states.

Our parents and grandparents told us never to be complacent, to never forget what happened and to be proud of who we are as Jews and not hide our identities.

I'm worried, but I echo my grandfather's sentiment: This is truly a Goldene Medina. An incredible country to live in and raise my children. Long may that last.

Gabi Kaltmann is a rabbi at the Ark Centre in Hawthorn.



Chanukah lights up Brisbane City

After the past three years of Covid and inclement weather, which prevented 'Chanukah in the City' from being celebrated in the Brisbane city centre, this wonderful celebration came back to the City on Sunday 18 December 2022 with full force, and the most beautiful Chanukah celebration, on the first night of Chanukah. It attracted hundreds of individuals and families to the Brisbane's City Centre, at Queens Gardens Park, where the beautiful large Menorah had been proudly erected in the corner of the Park at a prominent city intersection for the lead up, and duration of Chanukah.

The event has been staged in various Brisbane City locations, since the Lubavitcher Rebbe first called for Menorah lightings in public spaces, and it has since evolved into Queensland's largest annual Jewish event.

Chanukah in the City is supported by the Brisbane City Council and the Qld Government and is a project of Chabad Brisbane.

The magnificent Menorah was designed and built by G James Glass and Aluminium in loving memory of the late Joe and Pearle Saragossi OBM, great philanthropists, who's legacy is being graciously perpetuated by their family.

The MC for the was David Boyar, CEO of Change GPS, who introduced the children to come up to the stage to recite the 12 Torah Pesukim, to the great delight of their parents, family members and the whole community.

Speakers on the evening included a Chanukah message by Rabbi Levi Jaffe, Director of Chabad Brisbane and Rabbi of the Brisbane Synagogue, State Minister Hon Mark Furner MP, representing the Queensland Government and Libby Burke, representing the Queensland Jewish Board of Deputies.

Noga Erlbaum, a dedicated communal activist, was honoured with the lighting of the large Menorah, which was followed by a dramatic fire show and lively music and dancing, by the Byron Bay based Shai Shriki Band, which compelled everyone to join in the exciting Chanukah spirit.

The spirit of the event was enhanced by two amazingly energetic Yeshivah Gedolah Shluchim from Melbourne, Avremel Feldman and Mendy Kramer, who were instrumental in helping many people put on Tefillin, distributing Menorah's and candles and other Mivtzoim, in addition to injecting much Simchah into the event.

The success of the event was thanks to the many dedicated and committed communal volunteers who, year and year, come out in force in support of this most wonderful event, which attracts more people every year, from all walks of life.



Click here to see a video clip of the event: https://youtu.be/5b8P3v_nV18

OPINION

Neither total exclusion and unqualified acceptance: The meaning of Hanukkah in a multifaith society



It is important for the continued flourishing of Judaism in the modern world to steer a middle position between the two extremes of total exclusion and unqualified acceptance of external ideas. (Lisa Maree Williams / Getty Images)

ABC RELIGION AND ETHICS

BY DR BENJAMIN ELTON

Chief Minister and Senior Rabbi of the Great Synagogue, Sydney.

ALTHOUGH HANUKKAH HAS BECOME THE MOST INTERFAITH FRIENDLY OF JEWISH FESTIVALS, WITH LIGHTINGS IN PARLIAMENT, MESSAGES FROM POLITICIANS, MENORAHS IN PUBLIC SQUARES AND EVEN ON TOP OF CARS, ITS FUNDAMENTAL MESSAGE MIGHT BE TAKEN TO BE RATHER DIFFERENT.

One reading might be this: Hanukkah is a rejection of the Greeks and Greek wisdom; it is a repudiation of any external, non-Jewish ideas and influences. The Hellenists had to be fought, defeated, and driven out so that the Temple could be purified, restored to its pristine condition both physically and religiously. By that example, we should

maintain our enmity towards all non-Jewish ideas, and do our best to keep them out of our lives and minds.

I think that would be the wrong approach, which becomes clear when we look a little deeper at the Hanukkah story. How did the Land of Israel become Greek in the first place? In 332 BCE Alexander the Great conquered the Land, and was welcoming and highly regarded by the Jews. Alexander remains a Jewish name to this day for that very reason. During the time of Greek rule there was some cultural assimilation, but the Greeks left the Jews alone as far as religion was concerned.

It was only after a period of unrest in the 160s that Antiochus IV required Jews to eat pork, break Shabbat and desist from circumcising their sons. The Temple was taken over as a centre of a new religion, fusing Judaism with the Greek gods. All of this was obviously abhorrent. This is when the Maccabees rose up and overthrew the Syrian Greeks and their Hellenised Jewish allies.

After that, not universally, but certainly in parts of the Jewish tradition, the mutual tolerance and fruitful interplay of Greek and Jewish ideas re-emerged, from Philo of Alexandria, to Maimonides who admired Aristotle, to Solomon Ibn Gabirol, a philosopher ultimately inspired by Plato.

The Talmud even found a source for this positive symbiosis: "God will enlarge Yafet and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem." Yafet symbolised the Greeks, and the Rabbis taught that their culture could coexist fruitfully with Jewish ideas. Rabbi David Tzvi Hoffmann, the greatest Jewish religious authority in early twentieth-century Germany, expanded on this idea when he wrote:

our Sages intended through this statement to allow entry of the entire range of culture and learning, insofar as they ennoble humanity, into the tents of Shem, i.e. the Jewish houses of study. This has always been the approach of the great men of Israel. Jewish law and belief wish for and expect not the stupefaction but the enlightenment of their true believers and adherents.

Jews should indeed hold out against ideas incompatible with Judaism, just as the Maccabees held out against the Greek pantheon over two thousand years ago, but that does not mean a stop to thinking, investigating, and exploring. If that happened the Jewish tradition would be immeasurably poorer — indeed, it would be missing most of medieval Jewish philosophy. The Jewish People would ossify and stagnate. Yes, there are pitfalls, but as the leading American Modern Orthodox Rabbi of

the twentieth century, Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik, said “sometimes plane crash, but people still fly”.

It is vitally important for the continued flourishing of Judaism in the modern world to steer a middle position between the two extremes of total exclusion and unqualified acceptance of external ideas. If it was decided that anything goes, in Jewish life or in Jewish thought, then there is no more Judaism. At the same time, any attempt to build up the walls of the intellectual ghetto that came crashing down with the arrival of modernity, will create enclave Judaism, which might suit some — and might even be beneficial to some — but will not be a suitable for the vast majority of Jews in the world today. It will only serve to shrink and weaken the Jewish People.

The Jewish task is to remain committed to tradition without fleeing from modernity, to find a way to bridge those two poles, but uphold the legacy of Hanukkah and also of Maimonides — and above all to remain a living and relevant religious force, now and in the future.



ASK THE RABBI

Bill Gates & Charity



RABBI RAYMOND APPLE

Rabbi Raymond Apple was for many years Australia's highest profile rabbi and the leading spokesman on Judaism. After serving congregations in London, Rabbi Apple was chief minister of the Great Synagogue, Sydney, for 32 years. He also held many public roles, particularly in the fields of chaplaincy, interfaith dialogue and Freemasonry, and is the recipient of several national and civic honours. Now retired, he lives in Jerusalem and blogs at www.oztorah.com

Q. Microsoft founder Bill Gates was recently reported to have given most of his billion dollar fortune to his charitable foundation. In Judaism, what is the best way to give charity, who should it be given to and how much should be given?

The Jewish view is that wealth is a privilege given by God and an opportunity to do something for the community.

The Torah says, “If there be among you a poor man, one of your brothers, in any of your gates... you shall not harden your heart or withdraw your hand from your poor brother” (Deut. 15:4-8).

The priorities are set out in the Sifre to this passage: “A poor person’ the one most needy takes precedence. ‘In any of your gates’ the poor of your city take precedence over the poor of another city.’”

In other words, there are priorities when it comes to allocating charity funds: help should go to the most urgent cases, and your charity should start (but not finish) with your own community.

How should the funds be given?

Preferably anonymously; the Temple had a “lishkat chashaim”, a chamber of the silent, where someone in need could

go quietly and take what they needed without donor or recipient being aware of each other’s identity.

Maimonides, in his famous Eight Degrees of Charity (Hilchot Mat’not Aniyim 10:7-14), adds that even better than giving in time of need is to create the conditions for people to become self-reliant.

How much should be given?

As much as you can afford, but not so much as to impoverish yourself and render you in turn dependent upon others. The best way is to give one-fifth; less than one-tenth is ungenerous. Whatever is given it should be willingly and cheerfully, and if you encourage others to give also, your spiritual reward is all the greater (Shulchan Aruch, Yoreh De’ah 247-259).

If I were Bill Gates, how much should I give? That’s not the question. The question is, even though I am not Bill Gates, should I not be giving more than I do?



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The JNF of Australia is a prominent and trusted communal organisation celebrating over 120 years of life-changing, environmental and social welfare projects, and building communities in Israel all the while maintaining a tangible link between the Jewish People and Israel.

Today JNF Australia is working to ensure that the people of Israel who live in the underdeveloped periphery of the country, particularly in the Negev, have a brighter future and can also share in the Israel's success story and ensure its ongoing sustainability.

JNF Australia is a separate entity and independent of JNF organisations in other countries, including in Israel.

However each JNF organisation wherever situated are linked, by a shared history, emotion and mission to further their mutual purposes and objectives for the people of Israel.

As David Ben Gurion said, **“JNF is an everlasting Jewish fund for the entire Jewish people. It lives and lasts not because of work well done in the past, but because of vital work in the present and, even more importantly, because of the great, important tasks still awaiting it in the future.”**

Every JNF project is a unique and wonderful way of identifying with Israel and its people and provides all of its supporters an opportunity to solidify their link with the people of Israel.

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Condolences



The Jewish National Fund of QLD (JNF) wishes to express its sincere condolences on the recent passing of SHEILA CATTERALL on the Gold Coast.

Sheila so well respected in the community will be remembered as a JNF stalwart and worker having been JNF Chair on the Gold Coast a JNF QLD Vice President and an Australian national Blue Box worker of the year for her tireless support of Israel.

We wish Sheila's family Long Life and may her memory always be a blessing.

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On behalf of the Jewish Community we wish to express our most sincere condolences on the recent passing of BERT (BARTHOLOMEW) KLUG.

Bert will be always be remembered for his service to family and community and his generosity to all those around him.

Bert Klug was a highly respected Medical Practitioner and Psychiatrist for over 60 years. He lived to nearly 101 and retired at 95 years of age.

He was the loving Husband of Eva (deceased) and devoted Father to Michael, Peter and Ian, and Grandfather of 9 and Great Grandfather of 8.

He and Eva emigrated to Australia in 1947 as Holocaust survivors from Czechoslovakia.

We wish all of Bert's family Long Life and may his memory always be a blessing.

The closure of a generation

Henry Huppert

With the passing of "Bertzie" Klug, another chapter in the history of the Brisbane Jewish Community has reached closure.

While not a "Lost" or "Forgotten" generation, it certainly was a "unique" generation.

It was a generation of "refugees" who arrived in Brisbane from 1936 onwards.

A generation who retained their European culture, who adjusted to a strange way of life in their own individual way.

It was not easy financially or with language and customs.

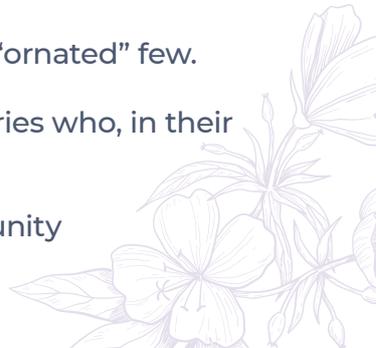
There was a group who met every week at the Old Vienna Coffee Shop, in the Brisbane Arcade, owned and run by Magda Wolner.

They attended concerts, opera and plays together. Some of these were the Huppert, Rappaport, Wolner, Peretz, Klug, Hearsch, Hirsts, Cameron and other families.

They had a nominated table and nobody was allowed to sit there except the "ornated" few.

There were other groups of refugees, from Poland, Romania and other countries who, in their own way, contributed and influenced the Jewish Community of Brisbane.

Bert will always be remembered and his contribution to the Brisbane community never forgotten.





The Courage to Care Program (CTC) aims to promote social harmony and reduce prejudice by inspiring/empowering children and adults to be UPSTANDERS rather than bystanders, when they witness discrimination.

CTC uses stories of rescue during the Holocaust to plant the seeds of awareness, understanding and empathy for others.

2023 promises to be a very busy and productive year for our Queensland Courage to Care (C2C) team. We have solid school bookings, commencing February.

Leading and guiding our team is the QLD Executive made up of Kayla Szumer - Team Leader and Astrid Wurfl, Lee McNamee and Maxine Cheilyk - Executive Members and their profiles are included here:

Kayla Szumer

Courage to Care QLD Team Leader

On retirement from her professional life as a social worker in Sydney, Kayla moved to the Sunshine Coast. With her passion for human rights and social justice she joined Courage to Care (C2C) in 2005. She, with her late husband Adam, a Holocaust Survivor, were responsible for the six-week exhibition on the Sunshine Coast in 2007. Kayla then coordinated many exhibitions in NSW, and then in Qld in 2013 & 2014. Kayla was responsible for bringing together a team of dedicated volunteers in Brisbane who have become the backbone of the C2C in the Classroom Program, which Kayla initiated in 2015.



Kayla is Team Leader of C2C Qld, which now visits over 35 schools. She is also responsible for Marketing, Liaising with schools and on school visits acts as a Coordinator and often is a Storyteller of Adam's Holocaust testimony.

Kayla was born in Sydney to Russian immigrant parents. She is the proud mother of three sons and seven grandchildren.



Astrid Wurfl QLD Executive Member

Born in the USA, Astrid grew up in South Africa and moved to Australia in 1989. She is a researcher at the Queensland University of Technology and works in the area of helping teenagers cope with stress and build resilience. She is married and has three children.

She is a long-term Courage to Care volunteer and Qld Executive member, assisting where she can and principally involved in training and mentoring the Facilitators. She feels that hearing survivor stories is a real privilege and an excellent way to honour their resilience as well as remind us all of the difference that a single individual can make to a person's life.

Maxine Cheilyk

QLD Executive Member

Maxine has had a long association with Courage to Care as a volunteer, principally facilitating and coordinating and she is a member of the Queensland Executive. Maxine joined the Board of Courage to Care NSW in 2022, representing Queensland. She is passionate about educating against discrimination and intimidation.

Born in South Africa, Maxine has lived in Australia since 1978. She was a National Fashion Buyer for Myer and ran her own fashion label for 11 years. A return to teaching, led to work as a facilitator within the Retail industry, which in turn led to a role as National Marketing Manager. Maxine has participated in many activities as a volunteer over the years. She and her husband, Gideon, are fortunate to have both of their children and their families, especially their adored grandsons, live in Brisbane.



Lee McNamee

QLD Executive

Lee is responsible for Co-Ordinating, Rostering and Training. Recently retired from managing 2 busy Allied Health Clinics, she focuses on balance between family, friends and volunteer work.



She sits on various Jewish organisation boards and is involved in the community in a variety of roles since moving to Brisbane in 1988. With experience in business and staff management, accounting, communication and public relations, Lee contributes to Courage to Care (C2C) in various roles wherever she can. She holds training workshops for C2C volunteers in presentation and guiding skills and gives presentations and guided tours around the Queensland Gallery of Art and Modern Art. She is passionate about C2C's active role in educating the youth to be upstanders and have a voice against discrimination.

As we continue to grow, we are always looking for committed and passionate people to undertake training to join our professional band of friendly volunteers. If this all sounds interesting and inspiring please contact us for further information at:

queensland@couragetocare.com.au



Primrose Kombanie (left) welcomed us in her home - Suzi Smead (2nd left) and Kayla Szumer (2nd right).

We had an unusual request from Primrose Kombanie, the teacher we liaise with from Glasshouse Christian College on the Sunshine Coast, to present our program at her home, to her Bible Study group. We did this on Monday 5th December 2022. It was a very interesting morning. The group of 30 consisted of both adults and some of their children. We broke them into 2 groups for facilitation - younger and older and had great interaction with many issues raised including those relating to how homeless people are dealt with when they attend church related activities. The group was very multi-cultural with people from Zimbabwe, Nigeria, Ethiopia, South Africa India and Aussie born. Suzi Smead gave her Survivor testimony which moved them greatly. They asked many questions during our Q&A.

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Saturday evening:

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Kabat Shabbat 6:30pm

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Shacharit 8:00am

Mincha 17:30 followed by Shiur until Maariv

Maariv 7:00pm

Shacharit 7:30am

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NCJWA Meeting	3rd Monday 7:30pm

GOLD COAST - REGULAR EVENTS

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	Oneg Shabbat 2nd Friday each month
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