

JNF QLD
Mitzvah Day
is back for 2023

Come along and join in on sunday
10 september 2023

Mt Gravatt Jewish Cemetery
9.00am



LET'S ALL DO A MITZVAH!



JNF QUEENSLAND MITZVAH DAY

We are pleased to let everyone know that after a break of a few years due to covid JNF QLD Mitzvah Day is back in 2023

JNF QLD Mitzvah Day enjoyed wonderful success over past years and in 2023 THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND OF QUEENSLAND together with MITZVAH DAY INTERNATIONAL AUSTRALIA is once again inviting all members of the Jewish Community and its friends to participate and join in Mitzvah Day

**Mt Gravatt Jewish Cemetery
Sunday 10 September At 9am**

We will generally clean up the areas surrounding the tombstones especially those overgrown with weeds to give respect to the departed the greatest Mitzvah of all.

All who have taken part in our previous JNF Mitzvah Days will recall what a great success they were and how good it made everyone feel – so come along and join in and be part of what has become a tradition for our community.

All are welcome, including all communal organisations.

*Bring gardening tools of all types;
rubbish bags, secateurs, gloves, rakes, brooms, shovels, etc.*

But don't forget to bring most important thing – enthusiasm,
and know that your effort and contribution is appreciated!

For further information, please contact the Mitzvah Day Coordinator:

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JNF AUSTRALIA ANNUAL CAMPAIGN 2023 SOROKA MEDICAL CENTRE

“Build it modestly and make the grounds a healing oasis for the hard-working people of the Negev” *David Ben-Gurion*

These were the instructions given to the leadership of Soroka in the 1950’s. This year, on Israel’s 75th anniversary, JNF Australia is partnering with Soroka Medical Centre to revitalise the grounds of this centre and transform the landscape and outdoor spaces into the beautiful healing oasis that Ben-Gurion envisioned.

Established in 1959, Soroka was a single building, housing only vital medical services for the residents of Be’er Sheva, then a small but growing community. Soroka is now the largest hospital in southern Israel and the primary medical centre for the 1.2 million residents (including 400,000 children) of the Negev. It is a strategic asset of the State of Israel and plays a crucial role as THE frontline hospital of the South, treating soldiers and victims of terror.

INSIDE THE JNF AUSTRALIA PROJECT

Three main areas to be developed:

The main entrance to provide a beautiful, accessible space for all who enter the medical centre

A healing garden at the Children’s Hospital for the benefit of Soroka’s youngest patients

A therapeutic and treatment garden in the Child Development Institute where young patients with chronic issues receive ongoing treatment.

Please show your support and donate at
<https://jnf.org.au/soroka/#blbxqld>

Thank you for your ongoing partnership with JNF Australia.
With your support we are continuing to grow Israel's future—our future –
in the Negev – leaving a mutual legacy for generations to come!

SOROKA'S VITAL STATS

1.2 MILLION PEOPLE

Soroka is the primary medical centre for Israel's South.



250,000 EMERGENCY VISITS

Soroka's Emergency Department is the busiest in the country

17,000 BIRTHS

A bus load of babies are born at Soroka every day.



40,000 PEDIATRIC ED VISITS

Tens of thousands visit the clinics and outpatient facilities of the Children's Hospital.

REHABILITATION OF 3000 CHILDREN

Each year, the Child Development Institute receives 1500 referrals and treats 3000 kids with a variety of needs.



Brisbane Chevra Kadisha



BRISBANE CHEVRA KADISHA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

BRISBANE CHEVRA KADISHA CHAPEL
MT GRAVATT JEWISH CEMETERY

SUNDAY 6 AUGUST 2023, 3.00PM

Members and friends of the Brisbane Chevra Kadisha are invited to attend the
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Please note you must be a financial member of the Brisbane Chevra Kadisha to vote.

AGENDA:

President's report, Tahara and Property / Equipment reports, Treasurer's report
(including presentation of accounts), election of Executive and Management
Committee and appointment of Auditor.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Election of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Tahara, other
Committee members and appointment of Property Officer.

Please consider nominating for Executive and Committee positions.
Positions to be filled (and the current officeholders) are set out below:

President: Graham Eshensky

Vice President: Paul Gould

Secretary: TzuriShaddai (Domenic) DeMartini-Scacheri

Treasurer: Bernie Goldman

Property Officer: Leah Phillips

Committee Members: Ramy Raymond

Past President: Richard Magnus

You may nominate for any of these positions (except of course Past President).
We would welcome additional support on the committee. All committee members
coordinate or support key aspects of the Chevra Kadisha's activities.

To nominate you need to have a proposer (you can self-nominate) and a seconder.

If you wish to nominate for a position, please contact me with your details.

*Don't forget to pay your annual subscription for 2023/4 prior to the meeting as paid up
membership is a requirement to vote or to take up a position on the management committee
(the great majority of you have already attended to this payment, thank you).*

Please let me know if you are coming so we can ensure a quorum.

If you have any questions please *contact me*.

TzuriShaddai (Domenic) DeMartini-Scacheri | Secretary, Brisbane Chevra Kadisha

QUEENSLAND
HOLOCAUST
MUSEUM
OPENS

'Antisemitism is evil. Pure and simple. It's not just a horror of the past – it's still among us today'



*Michael Stein, the son of survivor George Stein, at the museum.
Photo: JRV Photography*

THE AUSTRALIAN JEWISH NEWS

July 2023

The new Queensland Holocaust Museum, the state's first museum to be dedicated to the Shoah officially opened in July 2023, honouring more than 200 Holocaust survivors who made Queensland their home.

The museum was opened by Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk, Minister for Multicultural Affairs Leanne Linard and Councillor for Central Ward, Vicki Howard.

“Antisemitism is evil. Pure and simple. It’s not just a horror of the past – it’s still among us today,” Palaszczuk said.

“That’s why we are opening Queensland’s first Holocaust Museum and Education Centre.”

Visitors to the museum will hear first-hand filmed testimonies from Queensland survivors who tell their stories about life before, during and after the Holocaust. The museum also pays tribute to those Righteous Among the Nations who saved Jewish lives.

Jason Steinberg, chairman of the Queensland Holocaust Museum and Education Centre (QHMEC), said the museum would not have been possible without the support of the Queensland government, from which it received \$3.5 million, as well as \$500,000 from Brisbane City Council.

The federal government has also made a commitment of \$3.5 million, and the Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane is providing the space for the museum.

“We all have a huge responsibility to keep the memory of the Holocaust alive so that the atrocities are never forgotten. Our multifaceted and engaging museum tells the story of the Holocaust in a way that it has never been told – through the voices, stories and artefacts provided by Queensland survivors,” Steinberg, who is also president of the Queensland Jewish Board of Deputies, said.

“Our education programs will resonate strongly with school students and encourage tolerance and strategies to stand up against hate of any kind.”

Stories include that of Eva Klug who survived two concentration camps, fought in the resistance and convinced a Russian Commandant to give her a truck and driver so she could save more than 200 dying people and get them to a hospital in Prague. In 1947, Eva married fellow survivor, Bert Klug, before the couple migrated to Australia in 1948.

John and Ada Lipski, who were married in the Lodz Ghetto are also featured. The pair were separated when they were sent to death camps, finding each other by chance after the war. They arrived in Brisbane in 1950, becoming integral members of the Jewish community.

Along with the physical museum in Brisbane, the QHMEC has created a mobile museum that will tour regional Queensland and a digital museum that will be relevant internationally.

HOLOCAUST

‘I am alive because of upstanders’: Holocaust survivors share stories at revamped museum



Holocaust survivor Peter Gaspar speaks with students who visit the Melbourne Holocaust Museum.

THE AGE

BY JEWEL TOPSFIELD

Holocaust survivor **Peter Gaspar** believes he is alive today because of his father's Christian friends, domestic staff and colleagues, who hid the Jewish family after the Nazis occupied Bratislava in what is now Slovakia.

“We hid in people’s homes for 2½ years in their cellars and attics and roof cavities and in their cupboards and garden sheds,” said Gaspar, 86, who immigrated to Australia with his parents in 1949.

“In 2006, I took my wife, two children and a grandchild to see these people because I wanted them to see who they owe their life to.”

Gaspar is part of an education program in which Holocaust survivors speak to students at the Melbourne Holocaust Museum in Elsternwick.

The museum, formerly known as the Jewish Holocaust Centre, was founded by Melbourne Holocaust survivors in 1984 seeking to combat antisemitism, racism and prejudice in the community.

The museum closed in 2020 for a major redevelopment by Kerstin Thompson Architects and will reopen to the public in October.



Melbourne Holocaust Museum chief executive Jayne Josem in the redeveloped building.

Gaspar said his focus was not on the horror of the Holocaust, but the importance of standing up to prejudice.

“The people who stood up were upstanders instead of being bystanders,” Gaspar said.

“The Holocaust didn’t start with gas chambers and murders and executions. It started with stereotyping, prejudice, discrimination, hate speech; and once people were conditioned to hate, then came the very systematic, industrially organised murder.”

The redeveloped museum will include a dedicated exhibition called Hidden for children aged 10 to 14. It tells the stories of seven Melbourne child survivors who were concealed during World War II.



Dr Anna Hirsh, the museum’s collections manager, with Trude Leipnik’s diary.

The permanent display – Everybody had a name – features multimedia testimonies from people who were forced to live in ghettos or concentration camps.

The diary of Trude Leipnik, who was imprisoned at the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in northern Germany, is exhibited along with an animation depicting a traumatic 10-day journey from one camp to another that she described in her journal.

“We’ve brought it to life through multimedia, so it makes it more accessible for a visitor to understand,” museum chief executive Jayne Josem said.

“It tells of how one woman and her two children were dehumanised and transported from one place to another without any choice or agency.”

Also on display is a haunting sketch of an emaciated prisoner by Australian war artist Lieutenant Alan Moore, who was embedded with the British Army at the liberation of Bergen-Belsen.

“Alan Moore’s drawing of this woman also includes this ghostly image, which if you look hard enough looks like how this woman could have been before all these terrible atrocities,” said Dr Anna Hirsh, the museum’s manager of collections. **“Sadly, she died a few hours after he drew her.”**

Kerstin Thompson Architects included mirrors and views of the outside world – the sky, clouds and rooftops – in its design to provide relief for those affected by the museum’s harrowing content.



*The sketch of a concentration camp prisoner by Australian war artist Alan Moore.
CREDIT: PENNY STEPHENS*

“Stephen Jolson, who did the fit-out for the memorial space which has a view of the sky, said his grandfather, a Holocaust survivor, told him how important the sky was in concentration camps as a connection to nature and to life,” project lead Anne-Claire Deville said.

The museum also features glass bricks, a reference to Kristallnacht – the Night of Broken Glass – when the windows of Jewish-owned shops and synagogues were smashed throughout Germany in November 1938.



A skylight at the Melbourne Holocaust Museum.

Exhausted after years of hiding, Gaspar's parents decided to turn themselves into Nazi authorities in the winter of 1944.

Gaspar's father was forced to work as a slave labourer in the Sachsenhausen concentration camp in northern Germany, while Gaspar and his mother were sent to Terezin, also known as Theresienstadt, a camp in what was then Czechoslovakia.

However, the war ended five months later and they all survived – something Gaspar believes would not have occurred without the families who hid them for so long.

Forty members of Gaspar's extended family, who were arrested in June 1942 and deported to Auschwitz, were killed. Gaspar said it was stimulating and rewarding to speak to students.

“They ask questions I never imagined they would ask. A student asked me, ‘Have you lost your faith as a result of the Holocaust?’ I had to think for a moment and had to answer, ‘No, I haven’t, because I didn’t have any faith.’ We were Jewish but totally non-observant.”

After education programs at the museum, students are asked to write what was memorable about their visit.

“They say, ‘I will remember to be an upstander’, I will remember not to have prejudice’,” Gaspar said.

“It’s making an impression on students. That is the purpose of the museum – to educate against hate.”



JEWISH

CHANGEMAKER

AWARDS 2023

Who will be our next
36 UNDER 36 ?

**Nominate a Changemaker
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*Honouring young people making
a difference in our community.*

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**NOMINATIONS
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CHANGEMAKER AWARDS



This Year's Top 36 Under 36



Shayna Slotar receiving the JNF Sylvia Smaller-Winnikow Award.

THE AUSTRALIAN JEWISH NEWS

The B'nai B'rith and JNF Jewish Changemaker Awards showcase the Australian Jewish community's young achievers under three categories.

Since 2014, the B'nai B'rith and JNF Jewish Changemaker Awards have been showcasing the Australian Jewish community's young achievers.

The awards have three categories: the Joshua Levi Young Professional Award, the Young Adult Volunteer Award and the Youth Volunteer Award. All nominee submissions are evaluated by a panel of esteemed judges. In addition to the prestige of being coined one of the top 36 Australian Changemakers under the age of 36, the winner of each category receives prize money.

The AJN recognises the importance of nurturing and supporting young leaders, and has partnered with B'nai B'rith and JNF to increase the coverage and reach of the initiative.

"This is an excellent platform for our community to showcase our young professionals and volunteers, and for our young entrepreneurs to introduce their businesses to the world," national editor Gareth Narunsky said.

"It is especially meaningful to have an award named after Joshua Levi, who was a much-loved colleague and friend

to all at The AJN."

Changemaker and community stalwart Shayna Slotar said, "We as young adults are the future of the Australian Jewish community.

"My Jewish identity is a very strong part of who I am, and volunteering in the community deepens my connection to it and allows me to grow as a Jewish community member," she said.

"Growing up in a small community like Perth, I relished the opportunity to use my event management skills to help the broader Jewish community engage with its young adults.

"As a result of my ongoing voluntary work, I have ... had the opportunity to go overseas to discuss the future of our global community with leaders from around the world."

Slotar said the best piece of advice she received – which kickstarted her volunteering journey – was **"just to say yes"**.

"And now as an ambassador for the Changemaker Awards, I encourage everyone else to just say 'yes', because you never know what amazing experiences you'll have along the way and how proud you will feel representing your Jewish community.

"Last year was the first year we introduced 36 under 36 in memory of Joshua Levi z"l, and I truly hope the new format will provide a more prestigious platform to honour the amazing Changemakers in our community."

To nominate a **worthy Changemaker** go to the nomination page <https://jnf.org.au/changemakers/>

JEWISH CHANGEMAKER AWARDS

Who will be our next

36 UNDER 36 ?

Nominate a Changemaker NOW!





The Jewish National Fund (JNF) has been Building Israel since 1901.

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.

For more information about JNF go the **JNF Australia website jnf.org.au or contact JNF Queensland President David Jacobs on 0412 578 368**

ASK THE RABBI

Questioning The Meaning Of Life



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

Why are rabbis often so hesitant in answering difficult theological questions, particularly about the meaning of life?

Human beings have agonised over the really hard questions from time immemorial...

What is the nature of God? What does it mean to be created **“in the image of God”**? Does man really have free will? Why do the righteous suffer? What is the meaning of life? What happens after we are dead?

In Hebrew these are called **“she’elot hanetzach”** – “eternal questions”. From at least as early as the time of the ancient Greek philosophers, thinkers have sought final, definitive answers to these questions.

But they were not successful; otherwise, the human mind would not have continued to address these issues.

We can find partial answers, approaches to an answer, but the last word continues to elude us – because, as it has been said, eternal questions are by definition **“questions that cannot be solved short of eternity”**.

“Eternity” may be shorthand for God. We cannot hope to possess the Divine perspective of eternity, but it is axiomatic that God does.

Does this then imply, as the Yiddish phrase puts it, that **“m’darf nicht fregen”** – “one dare not ask?”

Not at all. We feel the problems, they will not let us go, we have to ask. We have to keep chipping away and understanding at least a little, if not everything.

Where rabbis are useful in this enterprise is as resource personnel, able to direct people to the test material and to acquaint them with the approaches that have been tried over the ages, even though the final word is still elusive.

EDUCATION REPORT

The Courage to Care Program (C2C) aims to promote social harmony and reduce prejudice by inspiring/empowering children and adults to be UPSTANDERS rather than bystanders, when they witness discrimination. C2C uses stories of rescue during the Holocaust to plant the seeds of awareness, understanding and empathy for others.

After the June/July school holidays, our team eagerly returned to classrooms to share our program with Queensland school students. We were very pleased to host survivor Judy Bahar from Sydney for our first week back. After a productive three sessions at Brigidine College on 17th July, Dean of Teaching & Learning Nidean Dickson provided wonderful feedback about our team and program:

On behalf of the College, thank you to the Courage to Care Team for their generosity and incredible wisdom, passion and humanity that they gave to us today. Ngaire, Phillip, Leah and of course Judy, will be people our students will remember in the many years to come. As a teacher, I was reminded of the purpose behind the work I am doing and it is through the vulnerability of people like Judy and the heart of the Courage to Care Team, that allows the pulse of humanitarian education to continue. I cannot thank you enough for the opportunity to have you all with us today. This life is precious, and we are so privileged to be in the presence of wonderful people doing extraordinary things.

Nidean is a 2020 graduate of the Gandel Holocaust Studies Program at Yad Vashem, and upon her return established 'Suspend Judgement' at Brigidine College – a program designed to support extension learning about the Holocaust for students in Years 10-12. The 155 Year 10 and 'Suspend Judgement' students attending the C2C sessions enthusiastically engaged with the content and during workshop facilitations.

We were welcomed once again to Parklands Christian College on 18th July where our team presented to 58 Year 9 students. The students were well-prepared and had background knowledge of the content as they have been learning about the Holocaust and studying the novel 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas'. Upon reflection, students commented "I am going to be a nicer person" and "I am going to give people more compliments."

We completed our week with two days at Stuartholme School on 20th and 21st July, presenting to 113 Year 10 students. The students' engagement was excellent and during one workshop facilitation a student remarked that she "felt the responsibility to share Judy's story with her family and others", while another commented that "One small action can lead to bigger changes".

We thank Judy for travelling to Brisbane to share her testimony for the week, and to our team of incredible volunteers for their dedication in sharing our program and empowering Queensland school students to make a difference in their world.

We are always keen for more committed and passionate people to join our team of dedicated volunteers. Anyone interested is invited to observe the program in action and if they would like to proceed then full training and mentoring is provided. If you or someone you know in Brisbane, Gold or Sunshine Coast may be interested in this inspiring volunteering opportunity, please email queensland@couragetocare.com.au.



Survivor Judy Bahar sharing her testimony at Brigidine College.



JNF Australia Nurtures Jewish Leadership

Sixteen selected young adults from across Australia recently returned from a JNFFuture Leadership Delegation to Israel in honour of her 75th birthday. The delegation travelled across Israel to grasp firsthand the country's landscape and communities, achievements and challenges.

From fruit picking in the desert, to startup innovations and Zionist advocacy, participants experienced Israel through a JNF lens. They visited JNF projects across the country, interacted with a variety of beneficiaries and shared a diverse range of experiences and speakers. Eldad Shoham, JNF Victoria's Education Officer says "It's a great privilege to lead young adults in Israel. Her spiritual and cultural sites create an experience you can't feel anywhere else, and it is so important for the connection between Israel and the youth in the diaspora."

The tour focused on strengthening cultural identity, inspiring Zionist values and building strong connections with JNF partners on the ground in Israel and between the delegates. **"These connections serve as a vital network of support and collaboration, facilitating future leadership endeavours,"** JNF project coordinator Etty Ayalon said.

Michael Gurevich, JNFFuture NSW committee member shared that "the JNFFuture Israel trip was an incredibly unique experience, that showed the small, vibrant country in a way that I have never seen before. Taking a trip to all 4 borders and countless JNF-touched communities, provided new insights into the complexities of the region and how we can better support those who live in the harsher climates of the Negev, Arava, and kibbutzim on the border. The ability to connect with young Jewish people on such a personal level, especially those who are passionate about supporting Israel, I believe is the key to strengthening our community and Israel as a whole. I would like to thank JNF for the opportunity to attend and my peers for a surreal experience. I would encourage any young leaders within our community to attend this trip, as it will only benefit you and our community."

JNF NSW executive director Justine Williams said the participants have returned "as JNFFuture advocates". "Israel provides a transformative experience that equips young leaders with the knowledge, skills, and passion to guide and shape their communities," she said. JNF CEO Dan Springer said the organisations "recognises the importance of nurturing Jewish continuity and young adult leadership." "Investing in these experiences today ensures a brighter future, where a new generation of Jewish leaders will proudly carry the torch of their heritage and contribute to a vibrant and thriving Jewish community both here and in Israel."

Join JNFFuture: <https://jnf.org.au/jnfuture/>



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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 86TH HEBREW UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS' MEETING IN JERUSALEM

The 86th Hebrew University of Jerusalem Board of Governors' (BOG) meeting took place mid-June in Jerusalem. It was a fun-filled and informative 4 days filled with formal and informal gatherings, fascinating lectures, moving ceremonies, and entertaining events.

The BOG is not only a time for the university to conduct important business, but it also serves as a meeting place where board members, dedicated partners, and philanthropic supporters from around the world gather to reconnect with old friends and meet new ones.

With this year's theme of Sustainable Planet, the 2023 BOG focused on the Hebrew University's (HU) commitment to a sustainable university and spotlighted the many HU research breakthroughs that are helping to build a more sustainable future. Highlights included Sunday's trip to the Robert H. Smith

Faculty of Agriculture, Food, and Environment on the university's Rehovot campus, which included a visit to HUJI Market, where BOG attendees were able to enjoy some of the ways the Smith Faculty is helping Israel and the world grow tasty, nourishing, and sustainable food. The day's presentation of the President's Report highlighted the university's academic achievements and featured a delicious, sustainability-themed lunch for attendees. The day concluded with a festive cocktail reception where partygoers enjoyed a range of tempting morsels that were developed, grown, and harvested at Smith Faculty facilities.

Also featured was a celebration that honoured HU Benefactors, as well as ceremonies where honorary fellowships and doctorates were conferred. The Australian Friends were proud that our own Professor Leon Mann AO from Melbourne was awarded an Honorary Doctorate for his many years of dedicated



Members of The Australian Delegation to The Hu Bog at The Closing Ceremony

commitment to the Hebrew University and for his myriad of achievements to society in so many areas both in Australia and in Israel.

That evening, the Australian Friends hosted a supper in honour of Professor Mann and the Australians who had travelled to Israel for the BOG.

HU honoured the generosity of its many friends through Wall of Life, Legacy Tree, and Wall of Founders dedications. Australian benefactor, the late Deborah Joselson of Victoria had her name inscribed on the Wall of Life in recognition of her generous bequest to the HU.

After a morning of beautiful and moving ceremonies on the Mt. Scopus campus, BOG attendees travelled to the Edmond J. Safra Campus to witness the presentation of this year's highly competitive Asper Prize startup award to Avertto, a startup in the health field. Finally, the BOG closing ceremony was held that evening on the Safra Campus in the presence of the President of the State of Israel, Isaac Herzog and his wife Michal. The President participated in the laying of the cornerstone for the new Einstein House – a remarkable structure scheduled to open in 2025 that will share Einstein's legacy and achievements with the world. The distinctive building, designed by the world-renowned architect Daniel Libeskind, will highlight the impact of Einstein's discoveries, his involvement in humanitarian and civil rights issues, as well as his deep commitment to Hebrew University, the State of Israel, and the global Jewish community.

The Einstein House will house exhibits of the legacy, work, and research of Nobel laureate Albert Einstein, one of the founders of the Hebrew University, who bequeathed all his writings and intellectual property to it. The House will serve as a centre for scientific and technological education and employ modern display techniques, scientific demonstrations, and original documents to showcase Einstein's immense contribution to science. Visitors will be able to tour a reconstruction of his personal library, his office, and view original documents, including on the general theory of relativity and the manuscript containing the famous equation $E=mc^2$.



Australian friends president Michael Dunkel at the wall of life ceremony honouring the late Deborah Joselson.



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COMMUNAL NEWS

Entebbe Event

FREE EVENT

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ENTEBBE

Hear first-hand from Major Rami Sherman, one of the leaders of the elite Israeli unit that rescued 102 Jewish hijack hostages from Uganda in July 1976

Thursday, 10 August, 7.00pm
(Venue advised on booking)

FREE EVENT

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Wizo Qld held an amazing Fashion Show & high tea | on Sunday 23rd July.

It was extremely well attended with over 75 attendees. Many thanks to Linda Marie and Craig for sharing their beautiful home with WIZO for the event.

Many thanks to Gilli and Natan from Eureka Furniture who donated a \$1000 voucher as the raffle which was won by our hosts parents.

Congratulations to the Cunninghams.






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- The City of David and Kotel
- The Jerusalem Light and Sound show
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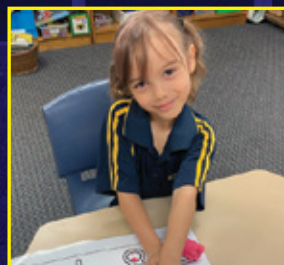
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Notice of Annual General Meeting
Jewish Help in Need Society of Queensland
Tuesday 12 September 2023
At 7.30 pm

Agenda:

- **Welcome/Present/Apologies**
- **Minutes of 2022 AGM**
- **Business from 2022 AGM**
- **Correspondence**
- **President's Report**
- **Treasurer's Report**
- **Election of Officers**
- **President, Directors (2), Treasurer and Secretary**
- **Appointment of Auditor**
- **General Business**

Details of the location of the meeting, membership applications, nomination forms and proxy/voting forms are available on request from the Secretary.

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We remember all the survivors and although many have passed the few remaining provide us with an inspiration **TO NEVER ALLOW THE SHOAH TO OCCUR AGAIN.**

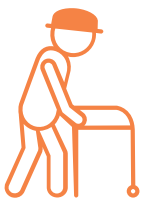


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