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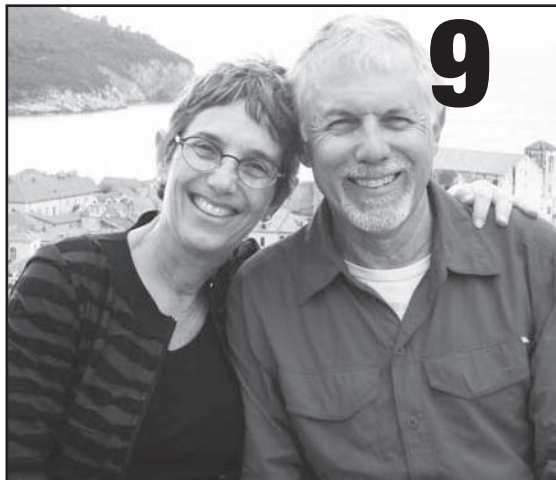
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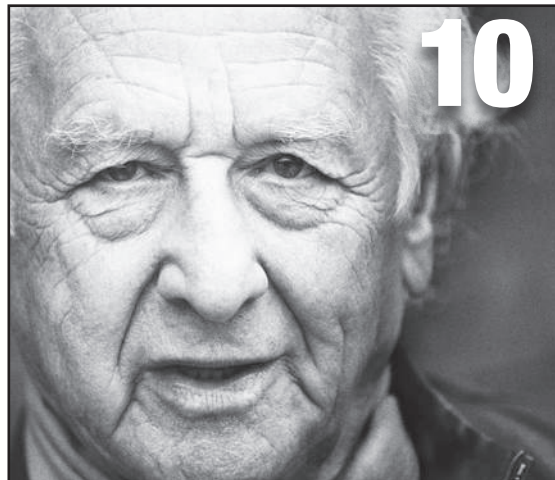




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## Meeting Adversity As a Community, WITH OUR COMMUNITY

These last few months have been very tough for Israel and for the Jewish people. We have watched as thousands of missiles were rained down on Israel, young Israeli soldiers were once again sent into combat in Gaza, and tragic images of civilian casualties in Gaza were broadcast into our homes— cynically used by Hamas as human shields but tragic and gut wrenching nonetheless. Once again, the press coverage seemed biased against Israel.

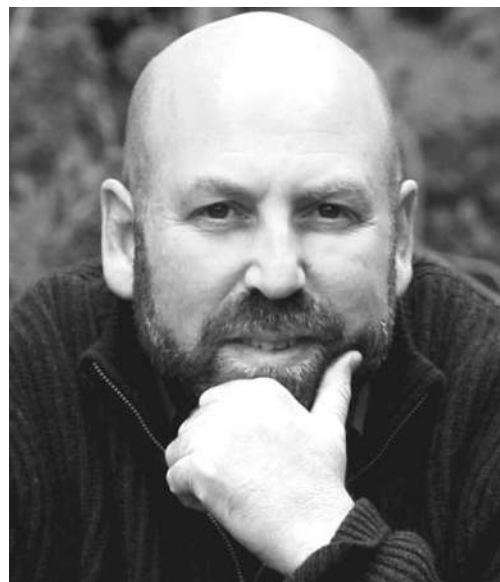
It all happened against the backdrop of our community's happy and peaceful life in Sacramento, far from the traumatic events of the Middle East, where anti-Semitism rarely rears its ugly head. The exception seems to be when the issue of Israel and the Palestinians comes up and then, it seems, anti-Semitism is everywhere. Demonstrators marched in America's major cities demanding "death to Zionists." Some of the demonstrations turned violent, including one in Los Angeles, where pro-Hamas demonstrators attacked pro-Israel demonstrators and the police fired shots at the fleeing suspects. In Europe, the situation was much, much worse. Synagogues and Jewish businesses were torched in France. In Germany, no less, demonstrators chanted "Gas the Jews."

Israel is long past being an exotic outpost where intrepid Zionists are crafting a country from scratch. Nearly half the world's Jewish population lives there now, with that percentage increasing every year as Jewish communities in the diaspora age and shrink. So when missiles are being launched at Israel, the Jewish people are under an existential attack and all of it made us feel vulnerable and isolated.

In response, the Federation rolled up its sleeves and we did what we needed to do. We came together as a community

to show our solidarity with Israel and to let the outside world know that we stand shoulder to shoulder with Jews wherever and whenever they are under attack. With just a few days' notice, Federation mobilized a standing-room-only crowd of nearly 600 at Congregation Beth Shalom for a Community Solidarity Gathering. Rabbis and cantors from our congregations led us in prayer and song; State Senator Darrell Steinberg and Israel Consul General Andy David informed and galvanized us; Jewish Community Relations Council Chair Ryan Pessah told us what we can do to take action now; and as a community, we felt the strength that comes with meeting adversity head on. We ran ads in *The Sacramento Bee* asking our fellow Sacramentans to put themselves in the place of the people of Israel, to ask, "What would you do?" if thousands of missiles were being fired at our city.

I am proud of our community and proud to be a part of a Federation that will always stand up when adversity strikes and our voice must be heard.



Barry Broad is the President of the Jewish Federation.



# Is Anti-Israel the New Anti-Semitism?

I have been living in a bubble of naïveté. I believed that I was part of the fortunate generation who only knew of stories, stereotypes, and jokes in poor taste. I have always known the State of Israel and have imagined the Jewish community to be unquestionably strong and secure. But this summer, my bubble, which had already grown quite thin, was smashed. It seemed as if we were back in the late 1930s.

Many say that one must intellectually separate “debate” about Israel’s policies, tactics, etc. from anti-Semitism. Israel is not really an intellectual conversation for us, however. It is an extremely emotional one. It is a conversation about our core identities and when attacked, it is difficult to engage in intellectual debate. Israel is a source of tremendous pride and faith for us. It took us from a place of total despair and became a safe haven for Jews around the world. Israel symbolizes our commitment to collective responsibility and our shared history. Israel transcends religion and offers peoplehood.

So when protests and riots about the situation in Gaza boast signage that says, “Gas the Jews,” how can you say it is not anti-Semitism? There was a curious rise in anti-Semitism across Europe with the outbreak of the second intifada in 2000. Was it not connected?

With attacks on the Jewish community in Germany and France, cancellations of Jewish film festivals in the UK, leaders in Turkey calling for the end of the Jewish State, a rabbi being murdered in Florida, and numerous anti-Israel protests of Jewish events in our own backyard, how are we not to think that anti-Israel is simply a cloak for the new middle class value called anti-Semitism?

When a place where half of our small tribe lives and a shared identity thrives is under attack, both from rockets and the world media, we instinctively come together. No matter what our politics, there is a sacred, almost indescribable need to stand as one and show our collective strength.

It is at times like this, that I feel fortunate to work for the Federation. We have the network and ability to mobilize like no other, be it solidarity gatherings across the country, intensive campaigns to educate our interfaith partners and media, or raising \$20 million of emergency funds in 10 days.

We don't have the luxury of being bystanders. While it is not easy to be on the front lines of this new anti-Semitism, I'm hopeful that our work will ensure that the late 1930s will remain in the past. The more of us that engage, the greater success we will have. Our strength is in our unity and voice. We continue to prove that.



*Melissa Chapman is the Executive Director of the Jewish Federation.*

## THANK YOU

Nearly 600 people gathered together at Congregation Beth Shalom at a Community Solidarity Gathering organized by the Jewish Federation and the Jewish Community Relations Council. Community and regional leadership addressed the standing-room-only crowd; prayers were led by our rabbinic leadership; and our community cantors led selected songs. Following are selected remarks:

**Rabbi Nancy Wechsler-Azen,  
Congregation Beth Shalom**

“To see all of you gathered in solidarity and standing tall, as Jewish people, as friends of Jewish people, and all supporters of the State of Israel, is a blessing. This hour is an hour for guidance amidst the storm and a place to reflect on the heartache of our losses. This meeting is one of prayer, fortitude, and unity with Israel. We have been filled with worry and fear, longing to help but unsure what to do. The hate-filled slashing has tried to negate our existence, and to make us cower in fear. We have every right to be here, to gather as one community, to absorb not only accurate information and ways to help, but to gain strength and healing in being together. Let our presence bring strength and sustenance to one another, to our people throughout the world, and above all, may G-d hear our prayers and allow them to reach the hearts and minds of our brothers and sisters in Israel. As always we pray for peace.”

**Barry Broad, President, The Jewish  
Federation of the Sacramento Region**

“I asked myself today, ‘What is it that we are feeling?’ It comes down to this: When roughly half the world’s Jewish population is under missile attack in Israel, weeks and weeks of unrelenting missile attack— and thank G-d for the Iron Dome because but for that system there would be mass casualties in Israel— that’s the threat. When you’re under that kind of threat it’s an existential threat. It’s a threat to the existence of the Jewish people. We all know that, we all feel that. It’s very scary. It’s at odds with our experience living here in Sacramento, in California, at a time when we face the least amount of anti-Semitism than probably any Jewish community has ever faced in the world. And yet, we feel this fear, this fear that once again, we’re on the edge of the abyss. There are people out there who want to extinguish us. Make no joke about Hamas. I read the Hamas charter today. It makes things very clear. And if it’s one thing the Jewish people have learned, we take people who hate us at their word.”



# TO THE NEARLY 600 PEOPLE WHO STOOD WITH ISRAEL!

## **Darrell Steinberg, Senate President pro Tem**

"Let us not confuse nor let others confuse those big picture questions with what is going on between Israel and Hamas today for there is no moral equivalent between Israel and Hamas. A brief glance at its covenant, its unaltered constitution literally speaks their truth. 'Our struggle against the Jews is very great and very serious.' We all ask why no real negotiation? Their constitution provides further clarity. 'There is no solution to the Palestinian question except through  *Jihad* .' Their actions confirm their words... We must pray and commit to Israel's survival. We must speak out against anti-Semitism in Europe and around the world. And we must never give up on the prospect of peace."

## **Rabbi Alan Rabishaw, Temple Or Rishon, Chair, Sacramento Area Board of Rabbis**

"We gather today as one Sacramento community. I can assume that among our group there are diverse ideas, diverse opinions, yet we gather here in support of the State of Israel showing our solidarity with the people of Israel. We affirm  *Am Yisrael* , the people of Israel,  *lev echad* , one heart, with an absolute undying love and attachment to our people. We are here in our diversity yet we come here in one heart and I know all we want is peace,  *shalom* . We yearn for a peace that is lasting and strong, a peace that is just, a peace that allows our people to live without sirens, without missiles, and without baseless hatred and senseless

brutality. We want a peace that is free of injury and grief and death from an enemy. We want a peace where parents no longer have to worry about their children going off to school or off to war... Let us respond together by protecting our people and standing up for that land we love."

## **Dr. Andy David, Consul General for Israel to the Pacific Northwest**

"Ladies and gentleman, as we are gathered here tonight in Sacramento, thousands of Israeli soldiers are fighting in Gaza and millions of Israelis are in bomb shelters, hiding, trying to be safe. Israel's army is defending our country against the firing of rockets against our cities and against terrorists tunneling under our borders to massacre and kill our civilians. But what is at stake here is not just a battle between Israelis and Hamas, it is a battle between a democratic society that seeks peace with all of its neighbors and a terror organization whose charter calls for the destruction of the Jewish State and for genocide of all Jewish people... Imagine what the United States would do if 2,500 rockets were fired by a terror organization in contiguous territory and 230 million Americans had to rush to bomb shelters day after day. Does anyone seriously think America would use less force?"

## **Rabbi Reuven Taff, Mosaic Law Congregation**

"More than 50\* Israeli soldiers have gone to their eternal home protecting the freedom of every single Israeli citizen. Max Steinberg, a young man who grew up in the city of Los Angeles, fell in love with

Israel on a Birthright trip. That Birthright trip so infused him with a love for Israel, that he decided to make  *aliyah* . And after he made  *aliyah* , he joined the Israel Defense Forces. He was one of the first casualties of this war. 30,000 Israelis came to Mount Herzl in Yerushalayim to attend his funeral. Max Steinberg was a  *Chayal Boded* , a Lone Soldier. He had no family in Israel. 30,000 people came to his funeral. Why? Because he was, in all of those 30,000 people's eyes, a member of their respective families."

## **Ryan Pessah, Chair, Jewish Community Relations Council**

"I'm really pleased to see such a great turnout and such broad support for Israel here in my Sacramento community. We need to bring a voice and a face to what's going on in Sacramento and how we're supporting Israel... I think it's important that we, as a community, stand up and advocate that we have a voice and we are here to support Israel."

## **Rabbi Mona Alfi, Congregation B'nai Israel**

"During the Civil Rights Movement, Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel marched for civil rights in the south. He was asked after one of the marches how he felt. He said, 'I felt like my legs were praying'... Tonight we pray with our words, we pray with our hearts, we pray with our bodies. We can show words mean something... our prayers mean something."

*\*Current as of August 5, 2014.*





# Can the Next Generation Stand Up for Israel?

One week before my daughter was leaving to begin her freshman year at college, I found out that an anti-Israel billboard sign was discovered looming over the skyline of the city she will call home for the next four years. I was angry but more than that, I was shaken. It was the first time that this sleepy college town had encountered such blatant anti-Israel (and, let's face it, anti-Semitic) sentiment, meaning the venomous message of hatred that is being seen nationally had seeped into places heretofore safe from the verbal assaults that large cities— and especially college campuses— experience daily. Operation Protective Edge, it seemed, had landed in my own backyard and I was mad.

My kids are products of Shalom School, Yachad/Midrasha, and United Synagogue Youth (USY). They participated in the Jewish Community Relations Council college-bound program in the spring that provided information and resources for high school students heading to college. They've been aware of Israel as far back as I can remember, listening to stories about when I lived on a Kibbutz back in the day. Still, I had to wonder, is my

daughter prepared to defend her homeland? I don't think so. Furthermore, I can count on one hand the number of her friends that I feel really could stand up to the hatred they are likely to encounter as they begin this new chapter in their lives. This just adds to my frustration, concern, and, frankly, my sadness.

This issue of *the VOICE* is dedicated to Israel. You'll read statements heard at Federation's Community Solidarity Gathering noting that diverse opinions exist about Israeli policies; in our feature spread, "A World Without Israel," you'll learn about the remarkable accomplishments of a land only 66 years old; and you'll (hopefully) feel the spirit of *Am Yisrael* as Rabbi Joel Zeff tells the story of his son who was called up to fight and the devotion of a young Sacramento woman who chose to become a Lone Soldier, a program supported by our dollars through the Jewish Agency for Israel.

I am a realist. I know that *the VOICE* readership does not include the sought after millennials, a generation that studies show are less connected with the Jewish State than any generation before them. So how do we reach them? How do we get through to them that Israel is theirs and is there for them should the world, once again, turn against us as it is

doing in France, Germany, and elsewhere? And how can we arm them with the tools they need to defend the Jewish State? This is the challenge, a challenge we are facing here in the Sacramento region and throughout the country.

I fear that I have failed my children and that frustrates me so I invite your help. If you have ideas about how to actively engage our youth with Israel, please contact the Federation. We must be as proactive as our enemies and meet this challenge because, I have no doubt, that a billboard is coming to a city near all of us— and our children— very soon.



Elissa Provance is the Assistant Director of the Jewish Federation and Managing Editor of the *VOICE*.

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# When the Community Speaks, JFS Listens

Exactly two years ago I came to work for the Jewish Federation as the Resource and Referral Coordinator. My job was to answer calls from members of the community in need of referrals to community services. My first phone call was from a young man who was hoping the Federation could offer him individual counseling. He had seen a therapist, but wanted someone who understood his cultural needs as a young Jewish man. I had to refer him to an outside agency. Since that original call, I received many more calls from individuals looking for individual and family therapy from within the Jewish community and as with that first call, I had to refer them elsewhere.

Two years later, my role at the Federation has expanded from responding to calls from community members and referring them to other agencies to providing more direct services for Jewish Family Service (JFS). My position allows me to listen to the needs of the community and assist in the development of

additional JFS programs. It has always been our goal to see individual and family therapy offered to the community at an affordable rate and to have a resource available of other Jewish therapists in the community. JFS is excited to announce that, beginning in October, we will begin to provide affordable short-term individual and family therapy to the community. JFS is able to offer my services as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker as well as the services of Rabbi Joel Zeff, who will intern with JFS as a Pastoral Counselor. Rabbi Zeff currently is enrolled at the San Francisco Theological Seminary in the Pastoral Counseling Doctoral program.

In addition, we have been reaching out to mental health professionals in the community to create a referral network of therapists and psychologists in private practice. JFS hopes to connect community members in need of therapeutic services with Jewish therapists in the area. The response from therapists has been positive and they are eager to

connect with members of the community; as importantly, individuals that have been offered this service have been happy to connect with Jewish therapists. If you are a mental health professional interested in joining our Therapist Referral Network, please download and complete an application found at [www.jewishsac.org/jfs](http://www.jewishsac.org/jfs) and return it to Federation Assistant Director Elissa Provance at [eprovince@jewishsac.org](mailto:eprovince@jewishsac.org). If you have any questions about our new individual and family therapy program, please contact me at 916-205-0688. As always, strict confidentiality is maintained.



*Alicia Mittleman, LCSW, is Federation's Community Social Worker.*

## JFS SHOWS ITS IMPACT

**“Our donation to the Jewish Federation was given with deep gratitude to the Sacramento community that has been so good to us and our family for many years. When my husband Pete (z”l) read *the VOICE*, he said he wanted to help with Jewish Family Service, which provides services to people of all ages and strengthens the lives of children, adults, families, and seniors throughout the Sacramento area.”**

—Sylvia Greenstein



**Jewish Family Service**

A program of the Jewish Federation of the Sacramento Region



# Sacramento JCRC Thwarts Anti-Israel Efforts

by Jessica Braverman Birch,  
JCRC Director

In its role to educate and advocate on behalf of Israel, the Sacramento Jewish Community Relations Council, a division of the Jewish Federation, oftentimes works behind the scenes to identify and act against anti-Israel events in the general community. At the center of many of these activities are proponents of the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement, including Jewish Voice for Peace (JVP, included on the Anti-Defamation League's top 10 list of anti-Israel groups). BDS is a global network of individuals and organizations whose aim is to isolate Israel politically, economically, and culturally. Its overall objective is to challenge Israel's right to exist as a Jewish State. In the U.S., JVP has spearheaded the BDS coalition, "We Divest."

Three isolated, yet related anti-Israel events, were addressed by JCRC during the summer months:

#### **Sacramento City Council Contract:**

At its August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Sacramento City Council unanimously approved a more than \$500,000 contract with Motorola for the purchase of radio equipment, parts, and software that will allow the City to transition from an analog to a digital radio system. The contract was accepted despite opposition from anti-Israel groups such as Friends of Sabeel, JVP, and the Sacramento Regional Coalition for Palestinian Rights.

**Capital Public Radio:** Following the start of Operation Protective Edge, Israel's response to the constant barrage of Hamas-fired rockets, a JVP representative was one of three invited guests to speak about the situation on the Capital Public Radio show *Insight*. Concerned that the pro-Israel voice was not represented, JCRC contacted the station and facilitated the appearances of Federation President Barry Broad and Rabbi Reuven Taff of Mosaic Law Congregation on *Insight's* next day program.

#### **United Nations Association of the United States of America:**

Broad also spoke on a panel earlier this summer after it was discovered that JVP, along with Syrian-American Yassar Dahbour and representatives from the University of California, Davis, chapter of Students for Justice in Palestine were the only panelists invited to speak about the Israel-Palestinian conflict at an event hosted by the United Nations Association of the United States of America (UNA-USA), a membership organization dedicated "to inform, inspire, and mobilize the American people to support the ideals and vital work of the United Nations." Due to JCRC's efforts to ensure a balanced view of the topic, Broad was invited to participate as a pro-Israel representative.

The Sacramento JCRC has previously defeated efforts by BDS proponents to boycott the sale of Israeli-made products at the Sacramento and Davis Food Co-ops and to block a vote in support of Ashkelon, Israel becoming Sacramento's 10<sup>th</sup> Sister City.

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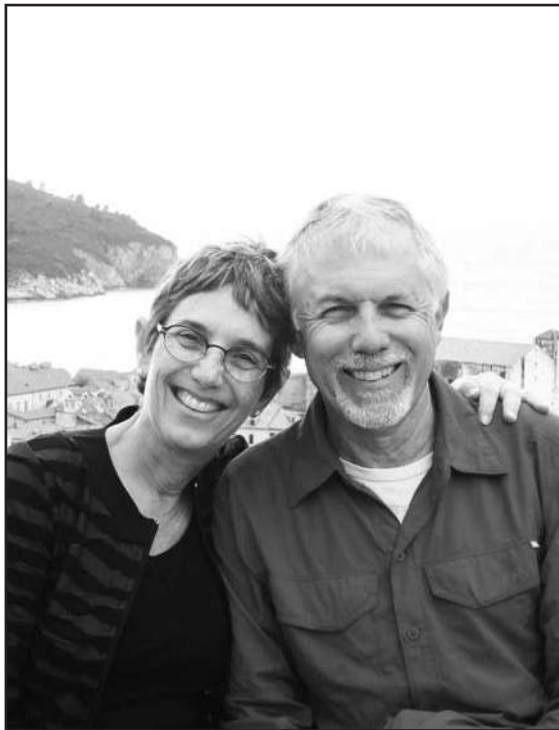
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# Family's Generosity Helps Close the Senior Transportation Gap



Marion and Stan Leff

*"I need a ride to the doctor."*

*"I'd like to go to services on Shabbat."*

*"I can't get to the grocery store since I gave up my driver's license."*

Sacramento's seniors have spoken and Drs. Marion and Stan Leff have listened.

Thanks to their "Transportation Support for the Jewish Elderly" grant at the Jewish Community Foundation of the West, one of the greatest unmet community needs can now be addressed: transportation for seniors. Jewish Family Service, a program of the Jewish Federation and the grant recipient, will begin offering a variety of opportunities to address this ongoing need.

The Leffs, members of Congregation B'nai Israel, are no strangers to the challenges seniors face, both in their professional lives as primary care physicians and in various leadership positions they have held. Marion

has served on the Federation Board as well as the Board of the Albert Einstein Residence Center and currently serves on the Board of the Trust Fund for the Jewish Elderly. Stan served as President of Jewish Family Service (JFS) in the 1980s and also served on the Federation Board.

"We see a lot of aging patients and hear their stories," Marion explained.

"Transportation is a big problem. Some seniors can't even get in to see us. We also have aging parents who have had their driver's licenses taken away or have 'retired' from driving. When that happens, you have to give people alternatives. We were very impressed with the grant from JFS. It was great to see several tiers of choices."

Stan, who noted that he and Marion often provided rides for the elderly in the community, agreed saying, "In a place like Sacramento, without a car you are landlocked."

JFS will begin offering the following transportation options, each of which has recommended uses and criteria. The needs and circumstances of each senior will be individually assessed by Federation's Community Social Worker, Alicia Mittleman, to ensure the best choice.

1. Taxi Gift Cards
2. Paratransit Vouchers
3. Regional Transit Passes

"We are so grateful to the Leffs for having the foresight to create this fund," said Federation President Barry Broad. "It is a testament to their commitment to our community and validates the work we have been doing since re-establishing JFS in 2012."

Stan explained how their fund was purposely created as a non-individually named fund designed to plant seed money and encourage others to contribute in order to help even more seniors.

"I'm very interested in social services for our community, the Jewish community," he added. "It's helpful if it's focused. Others

in the community do that, for example, the Asian community. We have to take care of our own unique cultural needs that are not always recognized by general social service agencies."

A self-proclaimed "Federation brat," Marion expressed how she has always been connected to the community.

"It's part of my upbringing," she said, "and my career choice involved giving back to the community. I remember one Federation Director who talked about 'Jewish dues.' The Catholics won't support our organization. The Hindus won't help us. We have to support our own."

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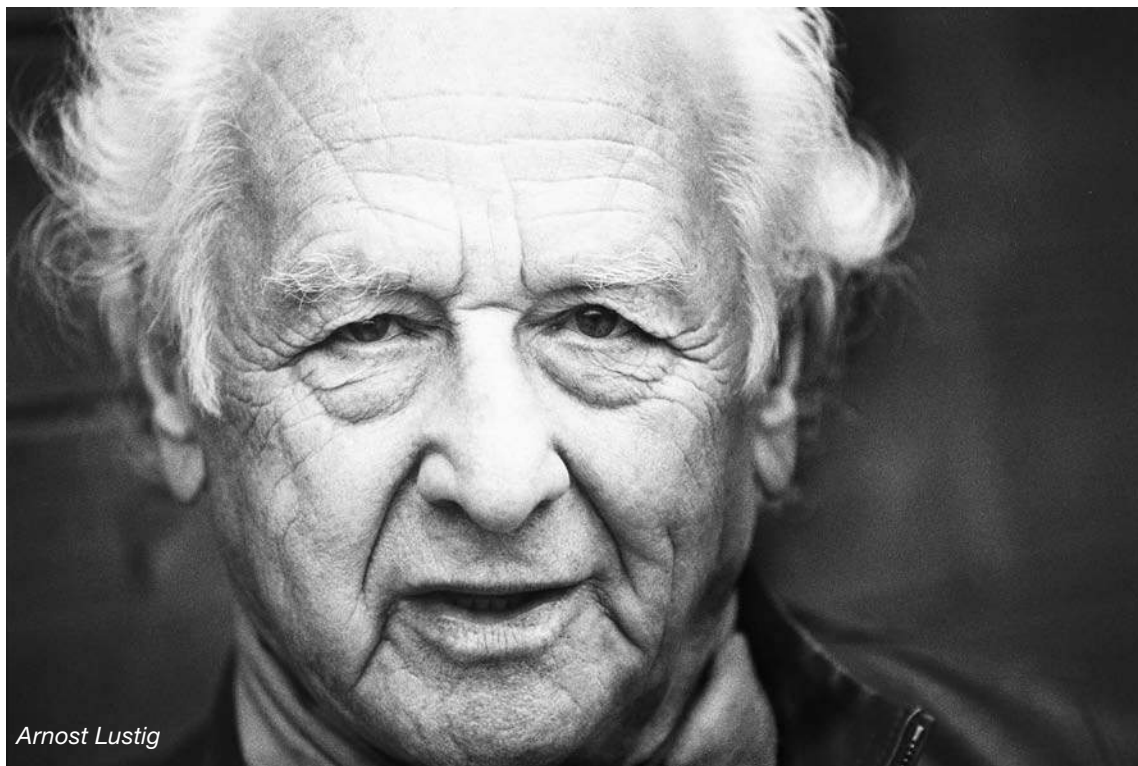
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## “Let’s Never Forget” Series Honors Arnost Lustig, Survivor, Author, and Screenplay Writer



Arnost Lustig

*“Everyone has plenty of masks. But in a concentration camp, a person is really himself.”*  
—Arnost Lustig

A chance meeting between an Auburn City Councilmember and the daughter of a Holocaust survivor has turned into a 3-day educational series entitled, “Let’s Never Forget,” honoring Arnost Lustig, a survivor of three concentration camps, and a Pulitzer Prize-nominated author, journalist, and screenplay writer.

“It’s really serendipitous,” said City Councilmember Dr. Bill Kirby of the meeting between him and Eva Lustigova, Lustig’s daughter, at a family wedding in the city more famous for its Gold Rush history than World War II history. “Eva told me she made a movie about her dad and that she would like to show it here. It went from being a movie showing to an amazing 3-day event.”

Lustig, who passed away from Hodgkin’s lymphoma in 2011 at the age of 84, was born in Prague in 1926. In 1942, he

was sent to Theresienstadt and then transported to Auschwitz and Buchenwald. He escaped from a train that was taking him to Dachau after the engine was destroyed by an American fighter bomber. After returning to Prague and participating in the 1945 uprising against the Nazis, Lustig studied journalism and rose to success, becoming the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award by the American Academy of Arts and Science; the Franz Kafka Prize; numerous American Jewish National Awards; an Emmy Award for best television film based on his screenplay; an award at the International Film Festival in Cannes; and numerous international awards for films based on his screenplays. He was also a nominee for the Pulitzer Prize; National Book Award; Man Booker Prize for lifetime contribution to literature; and several short listings for the Nobel Prize for Literature.

“He was authentic,” explained his daughter, a Program Manager who works in the international health field, and writer and director of *The Presence of Arnost Lustig*.

“It was his authenticity that allowed him to be who he was and to reach his full potential. He was so very much alive. Every human story fascinated him to the core. He had the recipe for getting as much from life as you can.”

“Let’s Never Forget” runs from September 4-6, 2014 and is being presented by PlacerArts, a non-profit arts organization in Placer County. The event includes a welcome reception with Douglas Van Howd, former White House artist and world-renowned sculptor; a gala that features a viewing of *A Bite to Eat* (adapted from one of Lustig’s short stories and based on his autobiographical short story, *The Second Round*) and selected artwork as well as an opportunity to meet Lustigova; an afternoon of films and readings followed by a discussion; and a panel presentation with a video introduction by Madeline Albright, former U.S. Secretary of State. Several dignitaries will be in attendance including Jonathan Brent, CEO of the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research; Lesley Weiss, Chair of the U.S. Heritage Commission; Irene Weiss, a Holocaust survivor and U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum Volunteer; Alex Zucker, Editor and American Literary Translator; and Desson Thomson, an Obama administration speechwriter and former movie critic for *The Washington Post*. In addition, a specially designed curriculum for grades 4-12 is being developed, one that Kirby said will resonate with students and impart lessons about bullying and overcoming adversity.

“He had an amazing life after escaping the camps,” the Councilmember noted about Lustig. “His life is a real tribute to overcoming adversity. Eva brought a whole new look at history and the positive things that come out of it.”

Added Lustigova, “This series is about the sensitivity of the human soul and how it can descend and still fly.”

For more information about the “Let’s Never Forget” series, contact Kirby at 530-906-9405.



## Jewish Filmmaker Debuts at Local Film Festival



Limousine driver, Rodney, enters into an unlikely friendship with Jewish widow Gloria Steinberg in *Bereaved*.

As a self-proclaimed “weird” kid who was bullied for everything from being Jewish to wearing the wrong clothes, Ilana Hack coped by reading a lot of books and watching a lot of movies on DVD.

“I could recite lines from every movie, from *Toy Story* to *Lord of the Rings*,” Hack said. But what really interested the 23-year-old Miami native were the special features.

“I loved knowing what happened on set,” she said, noting how her newfound fascination for the behind-the-scenes choreography led her

to begin creating Anime Music Videos— clips of movies set to music— and a passion for the editing process.

Now Hack is about to enter the editing room on her own movie project, *Bereaved*, selected as 1 of 10 films to premiere at Access Sacramento’s “The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual A Place Called Sacramento Film Festival” on October 5, 2014 at The Crest Theatre. The University of Central Florida graduate recently wrapped up filming, mostly at Home of Peace, Sacramento’s Jewish cemetery, with local Jewish community members as film extras. The 10-minute short film tells the story of a limousine driver named Rodney and a bereaved widow named Gloria Steinberg.

“Rodney, who is not Jewish, drives a limousine for Jewish funerals,” Hack explained. “He is like a fly on the wall. No one pays attention to him. He is driving Gloria home from her husband’s funeral. Her family did not show up and this leads to interesting conversations between them.”

The film, Hack acknowledged, was inspired by her own “bubbe’s” funeral.

“I remember the limo driver and bizarre conversations we were having, like my dad saying the limo wasn’t big enough and who was going to sit in the front seat,” she recalled. “I wondered, ‘What was the driver thinking about all of this?’”

Gloria is the product of Hack’s imagination who came to life during a college scriptwriting assignment. Her teacher showered praise on the three pages of dialogue his student had submitted and the ‘someday’ that Hack thought she would turn it into a movie script arrived.

“You wait for something to happen and it does and now you have to do it!” the filmmaker exclaimed when she learned her script had been accepted in the local film festival.

Hack is already thinking about her next project, one she described as “more complicated” and involves children on a school bus. Loosely autobiographical, it tells the story of being bullied but from the bully’s perspective. This, like *Bereaved*, will likely have Jewish themes running through it but will not present the stereotypical Jewish movie characters.

“I’ve always loved Jewish traditions and am attached enough to probe into the development of my Jewish identity,” Hack said, “but I like stories with different Jewish themes.”

As she sits and watches her first movie debut, the young filmmaker will also be watching the audience, commenting, “If they are thinking about what they saw after the credits roll, that is what I would want.”

For more information about *Bereaved*, visit [www.facebook.com/Bereavedshortfilm](http://www.facebook.com/Bereavedshortfilm).

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# What a Catholic School Education Taught Me About Being Jewish

by Kate Provance

When most children get home from school, the usual response to “How was school?” is “Good.” My response often was, “We had mass today,” or “I had a test on the Gospels.” That’s right. In May, I graduated from St. Francis Catholic High School. Many people ask, “Was it hard?” Of course it was hard, and uncomfortable, and awkward. But I learned very quickly that I could hate every day or I could treat each day as a new challenge. I chose the latter and I am so glad I did. Here are the things that I will take with me:

- 1. Ima Knows Best:** I was not the mastermind behind this. My mom instinctively knew that I would have a terrible time in another school. I fought her but eventually gave in. My four years at St. Francis taught me so much about myself and about others. I know it sounds hokey but everything would be different if I hadn’t listened to my mother.
- 2. When You Know Something, Teach Others:** A friend told me that if I was willing, her teacher would love for me to talk to her World Religion classes about my faith. I did and the rewards I received were incalculable. To see the look on my peers’ faces when I told them that I had never eaten bacon, or that on Yom Kippur, I couldn’t eat or drink for 24 hours, was priceless. When you are deeply connected with something, as I am with my Judaism, use it as a tool to teach others.
- 3. Blessings Come in Many Forms:** One of the things I realized at St. Francis is that I am so lucky. On days that we would have

mass, I would see frowns on more than 1,000 faces. These girls looked so sad to be praying together. Because I have been given a strong Jewish education beginning with Shalom School, followed by Midrasha, USY, and a trip to Israel, when I *daven* I am in my happy place. Enjoy the time you have to talk to G-d and make sure that you do it your way.

- 4. Friendship Knows No Bounds:** The friends I made at St. Francis are amazing. They looked passed our differences and we became close. If only the rest of society could be that simple. We laughed together, cried together, and we became a family. I am glad I let them in.
- 5. Stand Up for Yourself and the Things You Find Important:** I was speaking to my own World Religion class when a girl said to me, “If Jews are so into peace and helping others, why is there so much war in Israel?” Trying to keep my voice calm, and let me tell you it was not easy, I tried to explain that yes, Israel is by no means perfect, and that the IDF only attacks when they feel it is necessary for self-defense. I was so upset that I couldn’t show these people the Israel that I had seen when I was there in 2012, but I knew what I could do was stand up for my homeland. When you have a passion or knowledge about something, stand up for it and make it known. Become a resource for people and educate them.

I learned a lot about myself and about what it means to be Jewish in the past four years. I learned that being Jewish and having *chutzpah* is nothing to be ashamed of. I wish you all a *Shana Tova U’Metukah*.

*Kate Provance was a summer intern at the Jewish Federation. She now is a freshman at American Jewish University majoring in Jewish Studies.*

## Sacramento Area Jewish Educators Announces Teachers of the Year!

Sacramento Area Jewish Educators (SAJE), a program of the Jewish Federation, is proud to announce this year’s Teachers of the Year. Jewish Educators were nominated in one of three categories: Madrich/Madricha; Beginning Teacher; or Veteran Teacher. Honorees will be recognized at **Federation’s Annual Meeting on September 4, 2014.**

Read what their nominators wrote about these stellar educators:

### **Madricha: Lexi Nicodemus**

“Lexi is always willing to help and provides a positive and calming presence in every situation... At our family tefillah service on Sunday mornings, she sits with the students and families, and helps the kids follow our service and participate. Many of the parents are new to our religious school environment so Lexi also helps them with questions about the service and do’s/don’ts while in the sanctuary... She is the first to volunteer for a task or project, is always on time, and is constantly striving to improve herself.”

### **Beginning Teacher: Alex Taylor**

“Alex has created an environment where kids love to come. She comes to every Family Service, leads our teens during the High Holidays, and recently helped our teens run a 3-hour social action program on homelessness... Alex found a powerful way to teach and motivate her students with learning issues. They were frustrated and resistant to coming to Hebrew school. These students now love coming and even insist on coming when their parents have other commitments... Alex is open to feedback, and is constantly researching ways to make her classes dynamic and interesting.”

### **Veteran Teacher: Janice Oliver-Iraci**

“Janice is one of the most innovative teachers I have ever had the pleasure to work with. Her classroom is as exciting as her method of teaching. Her students are always actively engaged in learning. She thinks outside the box when it comes to new and creative ways for her students to learn, and she does all of this while maintaining an environment in her classroom that is conducive to learning no matter what type of learner you are... Her students love coming to school and they leave with a Jewish identity that their future teachers can build upon... She is what every Jewish educator should be, a true mensch.”



# New Schwab-Rosenhouse Scholars Honored



Nearly 75 Schwab-Rosenhouse scholars attend a reception in their honor.

The year was 1996. The number one song was *The Macarena*. The Academy Award went to *Braveheart* for Best Movie; Nicholas Cage for Best Actor (*Leaving Las Vegas*); and Susan Sarandon for Best Actress (*Dead Man Walking*). The Dallas Cowboys won the Super Bowl; the New York Yankees won the World Series; and the Chicago Bulls were NBA Champions. It was also the year that the Schwab-Rosenhouse Memorial Scholarship Fund was created.

“Many of you were born in 1996 and have journeyed from your bassinet to crawling and walking and going to school,” Dr. Marvin Kamras, Chair of the Schwab-Rosenhouse Advisory Committee, told nearly 75 scholars who gathered together on July 28<sup>th</sup> at a reception in their honor. “This parallels the journey of our Committee.”

Kamras, along with Advisory Committee members Melissa Chapman, Frank Gumpert, Neil Levy, John Lewis, Rabbi Alan Rabishaw, Julie Small, and Jana Uslan, has been overseeing the \$10 million Schwab-Rosenhouse Memorial

Scholarship Fund since its inception.

“That’s a lot of money,” Kamras noted, “but throughout their lives, education was the most important thing (to Leo and Jeanette). They felt having the Jewish Federation take over the responsibility would make a difference to those who needed help.”

Jewish Federation President Barry Broad said, “Our Federation is proud that we were entrusted by the Schwab-Rosenhouses to administer this program. It’s really a pleasure and joy year after year, to see the cream of the crop in this community.”

To date, 1,569 scholarships totaling \$9.4 million have been awarded to students of all faiths, cultures, and ethnicities. Eligibility requirements include graduating high school seniors who have lived in El Dorado, Placer, Yolo, or Sacramento County for at least two years prior to applying for a scholarship and also meet California State residency requirements. Scholarships are available to students who plan to enroll full-time at an accredited

two- or four-year college, university, or vocational/technical institution located within 100 miles of the Sacramento County Courthouse.

Speaking on behalf of Frank Fernandez who knew the Schwab-Rosenhouses for decades and was their accountant, Rich Goldner told the scholars that Leo’s desire was to attend medical school but he did not have enough money. Then in 1939, he became a chiropractor and worked for the California Health Department. Jeanette worked in a family grocery store alongside her brother during the Depression years.

“They learned the importance of spending money wisely and saving for a rainy day,” Goldner explained, adding, “They were the nicest couple he’d ever known. Education was very important to them. They had no children and they wanted to help future generations. This fund is their legacy and you are now part of that legacy.”

*For more information about the Schwab-Rosenhouse Memorial Scholarship Fund, visit [www.jewishsac.org/schwabrosenhousescholarships](http://www.jewishsac.org/schwabrosenhousescholarships).*

# ***In White America*** Chronicles Jewish Couple's Journey of Interracial Adoption



Paul Barlin

In 1952, Paul Barlin had no idea that his desire to adopt a baby would, more than 60 years later, become the subject of a book. Then again, Barlin and his wife, Anne, a Jewish couple from Los Angeles, had no idea that the journey they were about to embark upon would lead them to becoming the first white couple in California to adopt an interracial baby.

“We learned quickly that adoption agencies wanted to put like children with like families,” Barlin explained from his current home in Colorado while talking about *In White America*, the book he wrote about the experience. “We thought immediately to go to a Jewish adoption agency but no Jewish children were available so we waited. The following year, there were still no Jewish children. The third time we applied, we were both approaching 40 and we knew they wouldn’t give an infant to a 40-year-old.”

The Barlins turned to the Los Angeles County Bureau of Adoptions only to find the same conditions reiterated: A Jewish child for a Jewish family. The couple was willing to wait, and wait they did. Month after month, they contacted the agency only to hear the same answer— no Jewish child was available.

“I got frustrated and angry,” Barlin said, recalling how startled the case worker was when he announced, “We will take a child of any background or ethnic origin!”

Knowing she had 80 children she couldn’t place, the case worker surreptitiously set in motion the steps to a possible interracial adoption, including a visit to the Barlin home by a social worker who agreed that it might be possible for this “strange couple who was willing to adopt a baby of any background” to move forward as long as the case worker took all of the responsibility. It was, after all, still against the law.

Several layers of bureaucracy later—including a change in the law— the Barlins welcomed their son Doug to the family, which included a 12-year-old daughter, Leanne.

“I carried him out of the agency on March 22, 1956,” Barlin said. “There were people shouting to hold the baby higher and to stand on the steps. There were 10 photographers from different media. That made me realize what an event this was. It was quite a moment.”

In the days that followed, the Barlins found their story on the front page of the newspaper and their faces

on television. They also received bomb threats. It was 1956 and the Civil Rights movement was still in its infancy.

Undeterred, the Barlins adopted Michael, another interracial baby, in 1959.

“I must have been naïve,” said Barlin, now 97 years old, “but I didn’t want to raise Doug alone.”

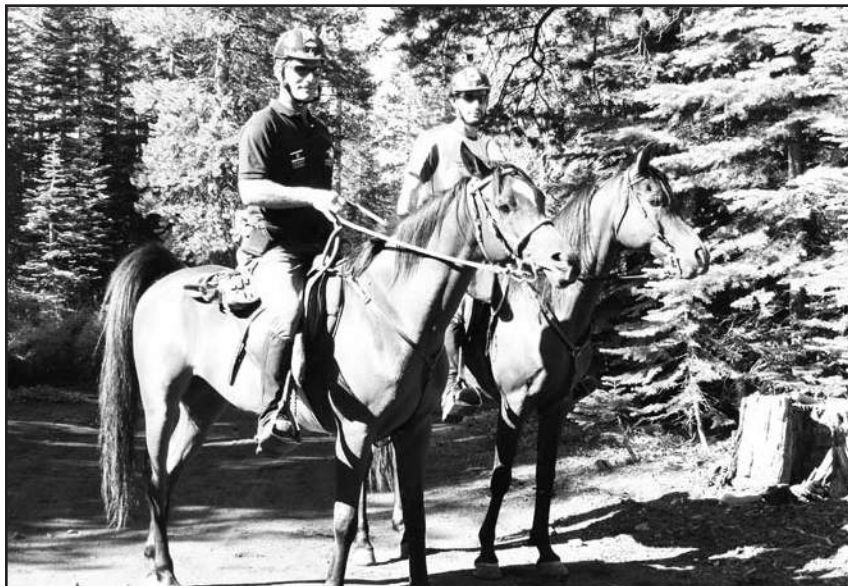
Although the years that followed weren’t easy— name calling and bullying were very much a part of Doug and Michael’s day-to-day existence— Barlin said both boys are happy with their lives. Doug recently retired from the Colorado Department of Agriculture after 31 years and Michael is an audio/visual expert.

About raising his sons, Barlin insisted, “If I was ever tolerant, I became more tolerant and I would absolutely do it all over again. Having lived through the astounding racial prejudice against Jews and African Americans in America and worldwide, I felt Americans should know the history of how we broke the racial code in adoptions and changed the adoption practices forever in America.”

*In White America* is available at Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and iUniverse.



# FIRST ISRAELI COMPLETES TEVIS CUP HORSERIDING COMPETITION



From left, father and son, Ilan and Yam Dvir, compete in the Tevis Cup. Yam was the first Israeli to complete the 100-mile horseriding competition.

Yam Dvir was 5 years old when he rode his first horse. He was 15 when he began competing in endurance rides. And in August, the 24-year-old completed the Tevis Cup, the most challenging competition in the endurance riding section. In doing so, Dvir became the first Israeli ever to compete in the race.

“Horseriding is very popular in Israel,” Dvir, who grew up on an Alpaca farm in Mitzpe Ramon with horses all around, noted. “Endurance is different. It’s a specific field. You have to be very connected to your horse. It’s a challenge for both the horse and the rider. It requires confidence and

trust, which is built up along the many miles they cross together. It is extremely important to fit the right horse to the rider and to have an appropriate training program according to the specific target. It’s the same as training for a marathon.”

The Tevis Cup, organized by the Western States Trail Foundation since 1955, began at Robie Equestrian Park south of Truckee, Calif. The historic 100-mile route— that must be completed in less than 24 hours— took 200 riders (800 team members) through Squaw Valley, sight of the 1960 Winter Olympics, to Emigrant Pass, to the gold and silver mining trails

used in the 1850s. The ride began at an elevation of 7,000 feet with riders climbing as high as 15,540 feet, and descending about 22,970 feet before reaching Auburn. Judges checked the horses every 6-10 miles for dehydration, limping, and other potential ailments caused by the competition’s terrain. Dvir began training five days a week after locating a horse in Cool, Calif. Three weeks before the competition, his father, Ilan, decided to join him. The father-son team finished 77th and 78th. Dvir said, “To finish is to win.”

An officer in Israel’s Special Operations Unit, Dvir decided after his military service that he wanted to be the first Israeli to compete in the Tevis Cup competition and “put Israel on the word endurance map.” He’s already received calls from Israeli media who want to hear about

his story. And he’s already begun to think about the World Championship in Quebec in 2018, having four years to form the first Israeli team to enter that competition.

“It’s very important for me to serve in the special unit because I love my country and wanted to do something special,” he said, sharing how he struggled being in America while Israel was at war, especially having a brother who was fighting in Gaza. “I really feel I’m doing something important here in America to put Israel on the map. I can say I put a positive spotlight on Israel.”

For more information about the Tevis Cup, visit [www.teviscup.org](http://www.teviscup.org).

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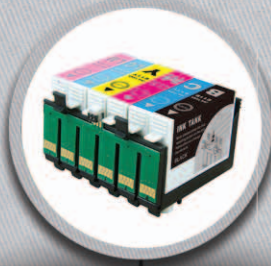


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## THE BIRTH OF A NATION...

### 1948:

- On May 14th, Jewish Agency for Israel head David Ben-Gurion proclaims the establishment of the State of Israel
- U.S. President Harry S. Truman recognizes the new nation on the same day

### 1950s:

- Scientists from the Weizmann Institute develop the first computer in the Middle East
- The solar water heater is developed
- IBM Israel becomes the country's first high-tech firm

### 1960s:

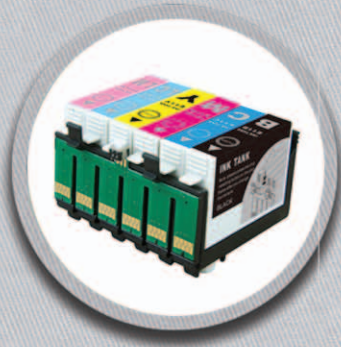
- The world's first surface drip irrigation system is developed
- Ben Gurion University of the Negev opens
- Tel Aviv University professor predicts the quark, one of the elementary particles known in physics

## LEADING THE WORLD INTO THE NEW

### 2000s:

- Development of mass color technology is founded bringing the color printer to every home in the world
- Diamond exports amount to \$9.4 billion
- International Water Association cites Israel as one of the leaders in innovative methods to reduce water lost in the system before reaching the customer
- Israeli scientists are leaders on a per capita basis in the number of articles published in scientific journals related to stem cell research
- Scientists from several European countries and Israel develop a robotic prosthetic hand, allowing patients to write, type, and play piano
- Israeli high school student wins first prize in the First Step to Nobel Prize in Physics competition
- United Nations General Assembly's Economic and Financial Committee adopts an Israeli-sponsored draft resolution on agricultural technology transfer to developing countries
- 5 new Israeli Nobel laureates





## IN LESS THAN 30 YEARS...

### 1970s:

- Israel unveils its first locally manufactured fighter jet
- Scitex, an Israeli company that brought about the digital printing revolution, is founded and becomes a world leader in processing digital color pictures
- Israel Aircraft Industries begins to develop Mini Remote Piloted Vehicles (aka drones)
- Israel develops the modern cherry tomato, with its long shelf life, abundant growth, and disease resistance
- The world's first electronic milk meter is introduced
- Rummikub becomes Israel's number one exported game

### 1980s:

- "EFI" Company for development of mass color technology is founded and companies such as Xerox, Kodak, and Canon become partners to create a technology bringing the color printer to every home in the world
- Epilady, an electronic hair removal appliance, is invented
- Israeli literature is widely translated and several writers achieve international recognition

### 1990s:

- First flash drive invented
- First communication satellite is launched
- "Babysense" monitor is introduced
- The first anti-ballistic missile defense system is created
- AOL Instant Messenger technology developed
- Miniature camera pill is created to visualize and detect disorders in the GI tract
- Robomow, an automatic lawnmower, is released
- Mobileye, an advanced driver-assistance system that can warn you of an impending accident, is founded

## 21ST CENTURY MILLENNIUM...

- announced, making the total 9
- Cell phone technology is developed
- Technion investigators discovered a new physical state between solid and liquid
- An Israeli development allows farmers to irrigate their fields through the Internet remotely
- Israel is one of the first countries to respond after a Pakistani earthquake in 2005 even though they have still not

- recognized Israel as a legitimate State
- An upgraded version of its Centrino chipset is conceived in Intel's development center in Haifa
- Israeli biotech company begins developing a therapy for Parkinson's disease with support from the Michael J. Fox Foundation
- Sales begin for Syneron Dental Lasers, which do away with wires and connections

- Israeli circuit technology engineers play an integral role in developing the chip that powers the Sony Playstation3
- Israel develops voicemail

**CONTINUE**



# LEADING THE WORLD INTO THE NEW MILLENNIUM...

## 2010s:

- Leads the Global Cleantech Innovation Index for the best conditions for clean technology and start-up creation
- First short-range rocket is intercepted by the Iron Dome
- Israel is a world leader in stem cell research, with the largest number of articles, patents, and research studies per capita
- Israel is named the second most educated country in the world
- Following the Haiti earthquake, an IDF Home Front Command rescue team establishes a field hospital near the United Nations building in Port-au-Prince
- Israel announces the discovery of a huge natural gas field in its coastal waters, raising the prospect that the country may be able to reduce its dependence on energy imports
- MR Guide-Focused Ultrasound is named one of 50 Best Inventions of the Year by *TIME Magazine*
- WatchPat, which allows patients to be diagnosed at home, was named one of the 10 best medical innovations by the Cleveland Clinic
- Israel's Emergency Bandage is instrumental in saving the life of U.S. Representative Gabrielle Giffords and others wounded in the Tucson shooting
- Israel develops the 4G Network
- President Obama calls Israel's BrightSource Energy a "revolutionary new type of solar power plant"
- Israel becomes a full member of CERN, the European Organization for Nuclear Research
- A new electronic EpiLert bracelet is developed, providing a signal to people who care for individuals with epilepsy
- A substance that destroys cells infected with HIV is developed
- Israel develops the first smart phone for individuals with visual disabilities
- Israel invents the e-book



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# My Israel



by Lielle Ross

On July 24, 2013 I made *aliyah* to Israel. I went as a member of *Garin Tzabar*, a program for young Jews who want to emigrate to Israel and serve in the IDF. I currently live with a *garin* (group) of 27 people on a kibbutz called *Kissufim*, located next to Gaza. My *garin* members are like my brothers and sisters, and in the first three months of the program we spent almost every moment together. This period was the *perek klitah* or preparation period for the army. We got to know our kibbutz which became our home, studied Hebrew, learned about the Israeli army, and most importantly, became one big family. Once drafted into the army we all were given different jobs. I was assigned to become a medic, which was my top preference.

After five weeks of basic training I started a female combat medic course (the first all-girl combat medic course in the IDF). We studied and trained from morning until night, learning things like CPR, public health, mental health, treating trauma injuries, and more. We practiced putting on tourniquets and bandages, inserting IV catheters and giving shots, all in very extreme situations. I can

confidently say that I know how to insert an IV catheter in almost any situation: in the dark, blindfolded, laying down, wearing giant anti-chemical warfare gloves— I've done it all. After 3½ months, I received the medic pin and became a certified medic.

I am now positioned at a clinic on a base called *Sayarim*, a training base for combat intelligence, located near Eilat. I work in the clinic with more than 20 other medics, three doctors, two psychologists, and one paramedic. My jobs include checking on patients, giving shots, bandaging wounds, and more. The medical staff is like one big family and I have made some strong friendships on base. On the weekends, while all my friends from the army go home to their parents, I go home to my kibbutz. This experience has taught me that friends can become family when you really need them to, and although it's not easy being so far from my parents, I'm able to adjust to the situation and make the best of it.

My experience this past year has been even better than I imagined. I can't say that the army is easy. Last year I never would have thought that I would be able to wake up at 5:30 every morning, sleep in a tent with 20 other girls, eat unappetizing army food every day, or be poked with needles as other people practice on me, but I did all these things and I even enjoyed it. I recommend to everyone, no matter where you are in life, to do something that is outside of your comfort zone. Take a risk and see where it takes you.

*Ross is a native Sacramentan who graduated from Rio Americano High School in 2013.*

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# TORAH WORDS

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by Rabbi Joel Zeff



I write these words in the middle of August as I prepare to return to Sacramento after having spent the summer at home in Israel. Once again, Israel has been forced to defend itself from the onslaught of hundreds of Hamas rockets purposely targeted at Israeli civilians. It has been a traumatic summer and the situation at this moment is volatile. Is there any certain “take home” message from our personal experience?

The Torah exhorts, “When you go to war against your enemies... do

not be afraid of them, because the Lord your G-d, who brought you up out of Egypt, will be with you.” The immediately previous passage deals with the obligation of dealing righteously with each other, especially concerning monetary issues, such as fair competition, truthful testimony in court, etc. We all know how the value of “*Ahavat Yisrael*— love of one’s fellow Jew” seems to be sorely challenged when faced with the prospect of parting with money.

The Talmudic sages were often interested in the message communicated by the Torah’s juxtaposition of topics that seem to be unrelated. Concerning the above-mentioned transition, the ancient rabbis suggested the Torah is telling us that interpersonal righteousness, particularly in monetary dealings, is the key to victory in battle.

On the second day of the war, our oldest son, Aharon, received an emergency call-up order to report to his reserve duty infantry unit in the Israel Defense Forces. He was at work when he received the message. Immediately, Aharon shut down his computer and within two hours was in uniform and on his way to base, leaving behind his wife and three children and their new home, to which they had moved just three days earlier.

After weeks of not seeing his family, the IDF allowed him a short respite for Shabbat. At the conclusion of an especially grueling day of special

training in urban warfare, he began to hitchhike (no car!) home, late at night. A driver picked him up and as they approached an intersection where they were to part ways, the driver asked Aharon as to his final destination. When Aharon explained that he was trying to get home to Tekoa, the driver took out his wallet, handed Aharon 300 shekels (a lot of money) and said, “Please take a cab from here. You should not have to travel home ‘by your thumb.’” When Aharon refused the money, the driver handed him a piece of paper with his phone number and said, “If you don’t catch another ride in the direction of Tekoa within 20 minutes you must call me and I will come from home and drive you to Tekoa. Your wife and children should have their ‘soldier’ back as soon as possible.”

This is a small personal example of the spirit of the People of Israel today. The driver who picked up Aharon had never met him and yet was willing to part with a substantial sum of money and time to help another Jew. The current unity of purpose and mutual support exhibited by the vast majority of the Jewish Nation is a thrilling joy to behold. However, it is more than that. The Torah tells us that precisely this generosity of spirit will lead us to victory on the battlefield. May we soon witness the fulfillment of this divine promise as we usher in a hopefully more peaceful and secure year.

*Rabbi Zeff is the spiritual leader of Keneset Israel Torah Center.*

# ADVICE: Communicating with Your School During the High Holidays

by Dr. Joan Gusinow



As summer winds down and the memories of vacation trips, playing sports, enjoying time with friends, reading, computer games, and relaxing all begin to fade, families begin to prepare for the new school year. As Jewish families embark on the path to the new academic year, they also begin to prepare for the Jewish New Year. How does one explain to school personnel that a child will be absent so that he or she may observe Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur?

Guidance and help with this dilemma can be found by proceeding through the following four steps.

- 1. Send a Note:** By the first week in September, send a note to the Principal and the teacher(s). Here is a sample: "On Thursday and Friday September 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, (child's name) will be observing Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year. The celebration includes daytime and nighttime services, so (child's name) will not attend school on those days and he or she will be unable to do any homework on the nights of September 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> as well as Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>."
- 2. Request an Independent Study Contract:** Such a contract allows the school to still receive its daily allocation

for the education of each child. A sample contract might say: "Since Sarah will be absent on September 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, and will be unable to do any school work on those days, please provide us with an Independent Study Contract. If possible, it would be very helpful if all school work could be provided in advance, so that she might do assignments before the holiday. As an alternative, Sarah is willing to do a paper, or alternate assignment."

- 3. Follow School Guidelines:** If you receive a response from the school, follow the guidelines presented. If there is no response, call and ask what is expected from you and your child regarding the anticipated absence as outlined in the note that you sent.
- 4. Contact the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC):** If none of the above works, please contact me through the JCRC and I will help facilitate the process.

I am confident that if you follow these steps, the process will go smoothly. Once the precedent is set, use steps 1-3 for the other holidays.

Since Yom Kippur is on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, it should not present the same issues as Rosh Hashanah. If your child needs to leave early on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, include that in your note.

Shana Tova. May your year be sweet and may your child's school year be enjoyable and successful.

*Dr. Gusinow is the Education Chair of the JCRC. She is a former school superintendent and the former Head of School at Shalom School. She may be reached by contacting JCRC Director Jessica Braverman Birch at 916-486-0906 ext. 308 or jbirch@jewishsac.org.*

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# CALENDAR

## RECURRING EVENTS

### Sundays

**September 21, 2014.** The Jewish Genealogical Society of Sacramento presents, "Anybody Home? Using Directories in Your Research." Bay Area genealogist Janice Sellers will talk about the value of old directories. Directories were not only for cities. Many counties and rural areas had directories; there are also professional directories, social directories, and more. Janice will talk about what they contain and how they can be used to flesh out your family's lives. Free. 10:00am. Albert Einstein Residence Center, 1935 Wright St., Sacramento. For more information, contact [mortrumberg1@earthlink.net](mailto:mortrumberg1@earthlink.net).

Introduction to the Torah Bookshelf weekly e-learning with Rabbi Joel Zeff. 7:00am. Visit [Noahidenations.com](http://Noahidenations.com), click on "Academy of Shem" in the Education section, select "Introduction to the Torah Bookshelf" (password is a12s, if asked). Open to all. For more information, contact 916-481-1159.

Men's Tefillin Club. Every second Sunday to lay Tefillin, learn Torah, and enjoy breakfast. 9:00-10:00am. Chabad Jewish Community Center, 302 B South Lexington Dr., Folsom. For more information, contact 916-608-9811 or visit [www.JewishFolsom.org](http://www.JewishFolsom.org).

### Mondays

Monthly discussion group led by Rabbi Melamed on the second Monday of every month. KOH Library and Cultural Center, 2300 Sierra Blvd., Sacramento. 1:30-2:30pm. Free. For more information, contact 916-484-7333 or [jacks.dad@att.net](mailto:jacks.dad@att.net).

Derech L'Chaim JACS (Jewish Alcoholics, Chemically Dependent Persons, and Significant Others). 10:30-11:30am. 2nd Floor Card Room, Albert Einstein Residence Center, 1935 Wright St., Sacramento. JACS is based on the 12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous with a Jewish focus. Confidential and anonymous. Please contact 916-591-8608 before attending for the first time.

Jewish Book Club at Temple Or Rishon. Every fourth Monday at 7:00pm. 7755 Hazel Ave., Orangevale. All are welcome. For our reading list, visit [www.orrishon.org](http://www.orrishon.org), select Programs for All Ages, then Book Club. For more information, contact Alison Braverman at 916-988-7110 or [alcinp1@aol.com](mailto:alcinp1@aol.com).

Loaves and Fishes. The third Monday of each month, the Jewish community serves lunch to the homeless at Loaves and Fishes. 1321 North C St., Sacramento. Volunteer at 7:30am to help prepare food or at 10:45am to help serve. For more information, contact [mary@mosaiclaw.org](mailto:mary@mosaiclaw.org).

### Tuesdays

Baby and Me. Program for families with children birth to 2 years. Art, singing, movement, and fun! 10:30am. Temple Or Rishon, 7755 Hazel Ave., Orangevale. For more information, contact Marcia at 916-988-4100 or [educator@orrishon.org](mailto:educator@orrishon.org).

Israeli Dancing. For more information about dates and venue, join [Israelidancesac-subscribe@yahoo.com](mailto:Israelidancesac-subscribe@yahoo.com) or contact Jeanette at 916-799-7213.

### Wednesdays

Shalom Gan K'ton. For children 18 months-5 years. 10:00am. Temple Or Rishon, 7755 Hazel Ave., Orangevale. \$50/10 sessions with scholarships available. For more information, contact [educator@orrishon.org](mailto:educator@orrishon.org).

First and Third Wednesday. Jessie Yoshpe Hadassah Study Group. Study Guide of Jewish Ethics. 9:45am. KOH Library and Cultural Center, 2300 Sierra Blvd., Sacramento. For more information, contact Soni Meyer at 916-383-5743.

### Thursdays

David Lubin Lodge, B'nai B'rith. Third Thursday of each month. 8:00pm. Albert Einstein Residence Center Eatery, 1935 Wright St., Sacramento. For more information, contact Bernie Marks at 916-363-0122.

Jewish Women's Support Group. Led by Zalia Lipson. Chabad of Roseville, 3175 Sunset Blvd., Suite 104A, Roseville. 6:45pm. \$40 per session. For more information or to register, contact 916-624-8626 or [ZaliaL@aol.com](mailto:ZaliaL@aol.com).

### Fridays

Gan K'ton. For young children 18 months-5 years. Sing, play, create, listen to, and taste all the wonders of being Jewish, along with preparing for Shabbat. 10:00am. \$10/class. Enrollment and fees required. Scholarships available. Temple Or Rishon, 7755 Hazel Ave., Orangevale. For more information, contact Marcia at 916-988-4100 or [educator@orrishon.org](mailto:educator@orrishon.org).

Tot Shabbat. Services, Singing, Storytelling, and Oneg for all children, including all who are young at heart. 6:00pm. Temple Or Rishon, 7755 Hazel Ave., Orangevale. For more information, contact Marcia at 916-988-4100 or [educator@orrishon.org](mailto:educator@orrishon.org).

### Saturdays

Taste of Torah. Second Saturday. Learn, laugh, sing, and "taste" the Torah. Free program for families with young children and children of all abilities. 10:30am. Temple Or Rishon, 7755 Hazel Ave., Orangevale. For more information, contact Marcia at 916-988-4100 or [educator@orrishon.org](mailto:educator@orrishon.org).

## GENERAL EVENTS

**September 4, 2014.** Jewish Federation Annual Meeting. Join us for Federation's Annual Meeting and hear from local community members about how their lives have been impacted by Federation programs and services. 5:30-6:30pm. Jewish Federation, 2130 21st St., Sacramento. For more information, contact Federation Executive Director Melissa Chapman at 916-486-0906 ext. 301 or [mchapman@jewishsac.org](mailto:mchapman@jewishsac.org).

**September 4, 11, & 17, 2014.** Preparing Your Heart for the High Holy Days. Through readings, contemplative prayer, and guided imagery, our goal is to achieve T'shuvah - a return to the purity of the soul as we prepare to forgive and be forgiven. Join Deni Deutsch Marshall for this three-session class. Deni, a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, is a certified

Spiritual Director, trained through the Morei Derekh Jewish Spiritual Direction Program. Free. 7:00-8:30pm. Congregation B'nai Israel, 3600 Riverside Blvd., Sacramento. For more information and to register, contact Melissa Grand at 916-446-4861 or [mgrand@bnais.com](mailto:mgrand@bnais.com).

**September 5, 2014.** Shabbat Under the Stars! Come welcome the Sabbath under the stars together with prayer and song. Service led by Rabbi Reuven Taff and Cantor Ben Rosner with the Mosaic Law Congregation Band and Choir. Oneg following the service. For people of all ages and backgrounds. Wear white in honor of the holiness of Shabbat! Free. 7:30pm. 2300 Sierra Blvd., Sacramento. For more information, contact [cantorben@gmail.com](mailto:cantorben@gmail.com) or 916-488-1122.

**September 7, 2014.** Play Date at McKinley Park! Federation's Committee on Inclusion and Disabilities invites you to join us for a play date at McKinley Park's accessible playground! All ages welcome. Snacks, face painting, games, and more. Free. 11:00am-1:00pm. 601 Alhambra Blvd., Sacramento. For more information, contact [inclusion@jewishsac.org](mailto:inclusion@jewishsac.org).

**September 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2014.** Aleph-Bet Class with Lisa Brodkey and Jennifer Kaufman. Introduction to reading Hebrew for beginners. It is designed for anyone who wants to "crack the code" of the Hebrew alphabet. It is also for anyone who wants to have a brief experience in Hebrew learning before committing to a more lengthy Hebrew language program. \$20 for B'nai Israel members; \$25 for non-members. 6:45-8:45pm. For more information and to register (by September 1st so books may be ordered), contact Melissa Grand at 916-446-4861 or [mgrand@bnais.com](mailto:mgrand@bnais.com).

**September 10, 2014.** Leisure League at Temple Or Rishon. Jonah: A Meditation on Yetzer Hatov and Yetzer Hara: "Reflecting on what was Jonah doing in that fish?" Prepare for the High Holidays as Meg McClaskey, a Board certified Chaplain and Clinical Medical Ethicist, guides us through a reflective meditation on Jonah and his circumstances. We will take a look at our own passions, both good and bad, in this interactive workshop. \$5 includes lunch and entertainment. Funded by The Jewish Federation of the Sacramento Region and The Trust Fund for the Jewish Elderly. Noon-2:00pm. 7755 Hazel Ave., Orangevale. For more information about Leisure League or to RSVP, contact 916-486-0906 or [federation@jewishsac.org](mailto:federation@jewishsac.org).

**September 12 & 16, 2014.** PJ Library Playgroup. 10:00-11:30am. Jewish Federation, 2130 21st St., Sacramento. For more information, contact [pjlibrary@jewishsac.org](mailto:pjlibrary@jewishsac.org).

**September 18, 2014.** Leisure League at the Albert Einstein Residence Center. The Mike and Genny show. A musical variety show mixed with games and fun events such as sing-alongs, name that tune, music trivia, name that comedian, and play alongs. Musical styles from swing to rock to musicals, including American standards by the greatest start of all time. \$5 includes lunch and entertainment. Funded by The Jewish Federation of the Sacramento Region and The Trust Fund for the Jewish Elderly. Noon-2:00pm. 1935 Wright St., Sacramento. For more information about Leisure League or to RSVP, contact 916-486-0906 or [federation@jewishsac.org](mailto:federation@jewishsac.org).

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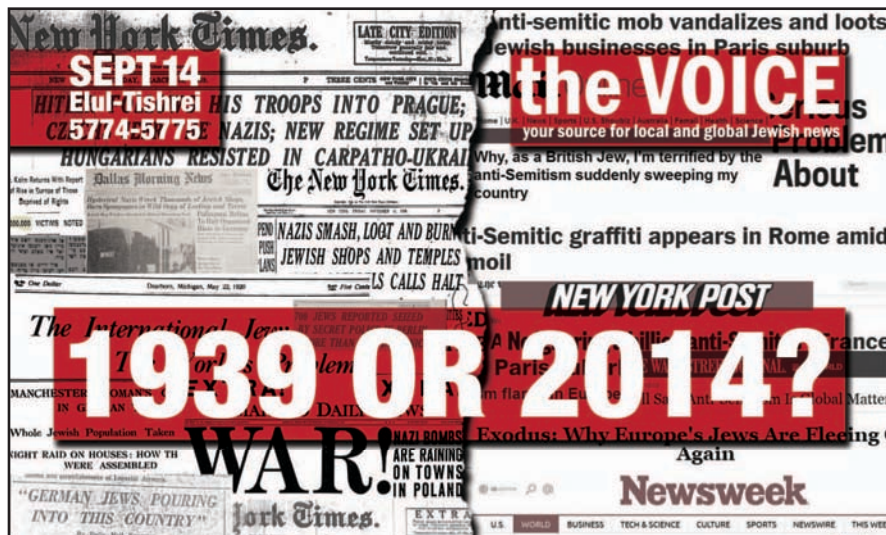
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