

VANCOUVER HOLOCAUST EDUCATION CENTRE

Annual Report 2013



The Vancouver Holocaust Centre Society was founded in 1983 by survivors of the Holocaust. The founders' goal, realized in 1994, was to leave a permanent legacy in the form of the Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre devoted to Holocaust based anti-racism education.

The Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre is a teaching museum and a leader in Holocaust education in British Columbia, reaching more than 15,000 students annually. It produces acclaimed exhibits, innovative school programs and teaching materials, including online exhibits. The VHEC presents numerous public cultural and commemorative events and publishes a newsletter, *Zachor*, three times a year. The Centre maintains a museum collection and archives, survivor testimony project, library, rare books and special collections, and resource centre.

MISSION

The mission of the Vancouver
Holocaust Education Centre is to
promote human rights, social justice
and genocide awareness and to teach
about the causes and consequences
of discrimination, racism and
antisemitism through education and
remembrance of the Holocaust.

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from the President & Executive Director

On a Sunday afternoon in May 2013, the VHEC opened its doors to a group of 20 First Nations students from Behchoko, a community 80 miles northwest of Yellowknife. Although not officially open that day, the Centre could not decline the opportunity to welcome a class of grade 9 students that made a special (and unusually long) trip to visit the Centre as the culmination of a classroom unit about the Holocaust. Their tour of the VHEC, and the feedback received afterward from the students and teachers affirming the singular importance of their visit, demonstrates the impact of our work: the powerful message conveyed by our survivor speakers, the dedication of our volunteer docent guides, and the potential that the study of the Holocaust has for building bridges between communities and historical moments.

This year, the VHEC engaged more than 15,000 student visitors in its programming and built on its reputation for excellence in the presentation of innovative exhibits, public programs and commemorative events, while engaging in a long-term planning process to define the strategic goals and facilities requirements of our Society on a go forward basis. The vital importance of survivor audiovisual testimony and other primary sources is coming increasingly to the fore of our work. This year, the VHEC documented 24 video testimonies, accessioned a number of new items into our collection, and made significant advances in creating a comprehensive inventory of, as well as arranging and describing, our holdings.

The launch of perhaps the Centre's most ambitious exhibit to date, "Enemy Aliens": The Internment of Jewish Refugees in Canada, 1940 – 1943, garnered unprecedented media attention for the Centre and an impressive number of public visitors. The bilingual companion website on the Virtual Museum of Canada has expanded the reach of the project and engaged virtual visitors from across the country. A series of public programs engaged diverse audiences in reflection and discussion about the wartime internment of Jewish

refugees in Canada. Meanwhile, community-wide commemorative programs such as Yom HaShoah, at which local Holocaust survivor Marion Cassirer shared her experiences with a standing-room only audience, demonstrated the VHEC's commitment to promoting remembrance of the Shoah.

Under the leadership of the VHEC's new Education Director, Adara Goldberg, the 8th Biennial Shafran Teachers' Conference and the 38th Annual Symposium on the Holocaust were a tremendous success, and the Centre's district-wide symposia programming grew by 50 percent. As always, the VHEC's dedicated Outreach Speakers demonstrated exceptional courage, sensitivity and commitment whenever called upon to speak to students in person or, increasingly, via Skype. The VHEC staff and board would like to extend a special thank you to the Outreach Speakers for their remarkable work.

Behind the scenes, the leadership and professional staff of the Centre have been engaged in a comprehensive facilities planning study supported by a City of Vancouver Cultural Infrastructure Grant. This foundational process will ensure that the enduring legacy envisioned by the survivor founders of the VHEC will be realized in a manner that strengthens the VHEC's commitment to excellence, integrity and innovation.

Finally, we would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the professional staff, board of directors and volunteers of the VHEC — as well as to all of our members and supporters, for their abiding commitment to Holocaust education and remembrance. Simply put, we could not do the tremendous work we do without you.

Ed Lewin PRESIDENT

Nina Krieger EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

enlivening the past

With the support of significant federal funding, the VHEC launched its most ambitious travelling exhibit and companion virtual exhibit to date.

"ENEMY ALIENS": THE INTERNMENT OF JEWISH REFUGEES IN CANADA, 1940-1943 JUNE 11, 2012 TO JUNE 28, 2013

The "Enemy Aliens" exhibit draws on the rich primary source materials and video testimonies of former internees to make a significant contribution to Canadians' understanding of the immigration and wartime measures that affected Jewish victims of Nazism in wartime Canada

At the outbreak of the Second World War, Canada's discriminatory immigration policies denied entry to those seeking refuge, particularly Jews. In 1940, when Canada agreed to Britain's request to aid the war effort by taking in "enemy aliens" and prisoners of war, it did not expect to also receive approximately 2,300 civilian refugees from Nazism, most of them Jews.

These men, many between the ages of 16

and 20, had found asylum in Britain only to be arrested under the suspicion that there were spies in their midst. After a brief holding period in England, they were deported to Canada and placed in internment camps in New Brunswick, Ontario and Quebec alongside political refugees and, in some camps, avowed Nazis.

Although the British soon admitted their mistake, Canada settled into a policy of inertia regarding the mens' welfare, status, and release. Antisemitic immigration policy and public sentiment precluded opening Canada's doors to Jews, including through the "back door" of internment.

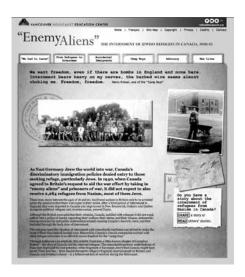
The refugees faced the injustice of internment with remarkable resilience and strived to make

the most of their time behind barbed wire. Meanwhile, Canada's Jewish community worked with other refugee advocates in an effort to secure freedom for the "camp boys."

The internees' journey — from Nazi Germany to refuge in England, imprisonment by Britain and Canada and eventual release — is a bittersweet tale of survival during the Holocaust.

Funded by the Community Historical Recognition Program of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration Canada. With the generous support of: the Oasis Foundation, the Ben and Esther Dayson Charitable Foundation, the Kahn Family Foundation, the Isaac and Sophie Waldman Endowment Fund of the Vancouver Foundation, Frank Koller.

A special thanks to the former internees and their families, who generously shared their experiences and artefacts in the creation of the exhibit.



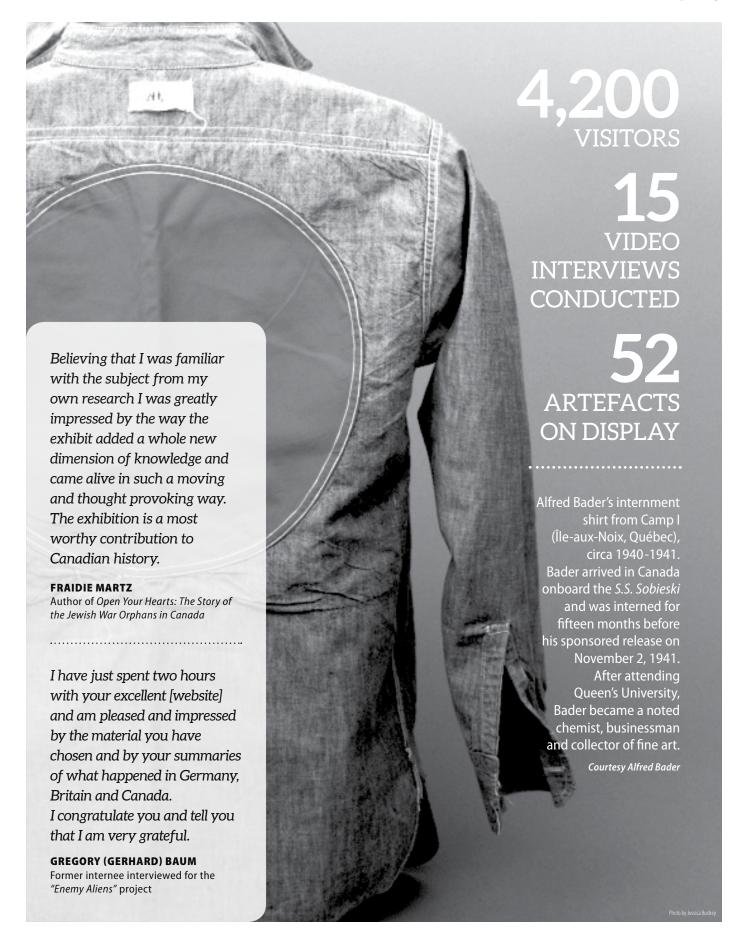
AN ONLINE LEGACY ON THE VIRTUAL MUSEUM OF CANADA

Launched in November 2012, the "Enemy Aliens" teaching website on the Virtual Museum of Canada enriches and extends the reach of the travelling exhibit. For the development of the website's companion curriculum materials, the VHEC partnered with Dr. Peter Seixas, Canada Research Chair in the Department of Curriculum and Pedagogy at the University of British Columbia, where he is the Director of the Centre for the Study of Historical Consciousness.

The website is also an interactive space in which former internees, their families and their friends can contribute related stories and source materials, making the website a living historical document.

The "Enemy Aliens" website joins the growing number of virtual exhibits produced by VHEC, accessible at www.vhec.org. The direct link to the website is www.enemyaliens.ca.

Funded by the Canadian Heritage Information Network and produced in partnership with 7th Floor Media at Simon Fraser University.



engaging students & teachers

"Enemy Aliens": The Internment of Jewish Refugees in Canada, 1940-43

OCTOBER 3, 2012 TO JUNE 14, 2013

Over 100 classes — 3,000 students — participated in the VHEC's school program. The two-part program included an inquiry-based "Enemy Aliens" exhibit tour in combination with "Thinking About Testimony," a workshop that utilized primary and secondary sources to explore the creation of historical narratives and memory. From January to May, 42 classes visiting the Centre heard presentations by a Holocaust survivor speaker.



TEACHER'S GUIDE

The VHEC produced a teaching resource with pre- and post-visit activities to accompany the "Enemy Aliens" exhibit. The guide was made available for download on the VHEC website, ensuring that teachers had easy access to material in advance of their visit and beyond the duration of the VHEC's exhibit.

TEACHER'S EXHIBIT PREVIEW

OCTOBER 3, 2012

Approximately 35 teachers attended a special preview of the "Enemy Aliens" exhibit, led by Adara Goldberg, Education Director.

DOCENT TRAINING

A team of 25 dedicated volunteer docents participated in two docent training sessions in preparation for leading school groups through the "Enemy Aliens" exhibit. The training included an exhibit walk-through, and review of the docent script and interactive workshop, "Thinking About Testimony."

OUTREACH SPEAKERS

This year, the VHEC's dedicated group of Holocaust Survivor Outreach Speakers addressed approximately 7,300 students in 40 schools. Classrooms outside the Lower Mainland engaged in teleconferencing via Skype with local Holocaust survivors on five occasions. Speakers traveled to communities beyond the Lower Mainland, reaching students in such locales as Calgary, Vancouver Island and Kamloops. Speakers addressed more than 1,500 adults across the Lower Mainland, as well as Nevada and Washington.

"Enemy Aliens" school program supported by the Lutsky Mendelson Family Charitable Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Vancouver. Teacher's Guide made possible through the generous support of Debby Freiman in honour of Leonore Ehrlich Freiman.

TLICHO TRIBE STUDENTS NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

MAY 19, 2013

The VHEC hosted a visit from 20 ninth grade First Nations students from Behchoko, a village located near the Great Slave Lake. Northwest Territories. Survivor Outreach Speaker Alex Buckman and docent Dodie Katzenstein hosted the class, whose teachers have developed a semesterlong Holocaust education program. Students expressed great interest in the "Enemy Aliens" exhibit and engaged in dialogue about the Jewish community and survivors of Aboriginal residential schools.

We learned so much and the students returned home to the Northwest Territories with fond recollections of the city of Vancouver, with VHEC being the highlight. Of course, how could it not be, with meeting Alex Buckman and listening to his incredible story! Thank you for the tour of the latest exhibition on "Enemy Aliens"; one can easily see your passion and your dedication to this great cause and subject. Be assured of our thoughts and prayers, and thank you for all the wonderful work you and VHEC are doing. And yes, we look forward to seeing you again next year with a new group of students and visitors.

MICHAEL BOTERMANS

Teacher, Chief Jimmy Bruneau School, Behchoko, Northwest Territories



EDUCATION

ANNUAL SYMPOSIA

Symposia on the Holocaust provide unique opportunities for student engagement with eyewitnesses to the Holocaust and expert historians, and are frequently cited by students as one of the most meaningful learning experiences of their high school career.

38TH ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM ON THE HOLOCAUST AT UBC

MAY 1 & 2, 2013

1,000 senior secondary students from 18 schools participated in the 38th Annual Symposium on the Holocaust at the University of British Columbia. In addition to hearing from historian, Professor Chris Friedrichs, and keynote speaker, Professor James Waller of Keene State College, students viewed the film *World at War: Genocide* and engaged in a panel discussion and Q&A session with Holocaust survivors David Ehrlich and Chaim Kornfeld. Schools in attendance received a copy of Professor Waller's seminal text on genocide and human behaviour, *Becoming Evil: How Ordinary People Commit Genocide and Mass Killing*, courtesy of the VHEC Leo Krell Memorial Book Fund.

Supported by the Edwina & Paul Heller Holocaust Education Fund, the Sophie Waldman Endowment Fund, and the Leo Krell Memorial Book Fund of the VHEC, Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver, the University of British Columbia and with the financial assistance of the Province of British Columbia.

Symposium Advisory committee: Rita Akselrod, Dr. Robert Krell, Robbie Waisman.

I have the privilege of speaking at a wide range of Holocaust and genocide-related conferences and events each year and to an equally wide range of audiences. I'm at a complete loss, however, to remember an event as impactful for its audience as the VHEC's 38th Annual Holocaust Symposium at UBC. To bring in over 1,000 high school students and have them hear from survivors of the Holocaust — and then to contextualize that witness in the historical framework laid out by host and visiting scholars — is a remarkably singular achievement. Students were completely captured by the programming and lives were changed. I left so impressed by VHEC, its staff, and its mission. VHEC is doing incredibly good and important work in fostering remembrance of the past, awareness of the present, and responsibility for the future... I'm an easy "yes" whenever called upon to assist in advancing the work of the VHEC!

JAMES WALLER, PhD Cohen Professor of Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Keene State College and author of *Becoming Evil: How Ordinary People Commit Genocide and Mass Killing*





EDUCATION ANNUAL SYMPOSIA

It was an incredible experience to witness first-hand the testimony of an Auschwitz survivor, especially after having taught about the events of the Second World War and the Holocaust for a number of years. I really believe that yesterday will impact my teaching for the rest of my career.

RYAN PORTH

Social Studies Teacher WJ Mouat Secondary School Abbotsford, BC

Coming here this morning,
I thought there was
nothing more I could see or
hear about the Holocaust.
However, I am shocked
and appalled by things
I learnt today. Seeing
real footage in the video,
and hearing eyewitness
accounts from Holocaust
survivors, gave me a
deeper sense of sorrow
and appreciation.

HISTORY 12 STUDENT

Gleneagle Secondary Coquitlam, BC

DISTRICT SYMPOSIA

The VHEC presented six successful half-day symposia programs — reaching 3,350 senior secondary students — in partnership with school districts across the province. Dr. Jay Eidelman offered historical overviews at each event and participated in a panel discussion alongside the following VHEC Survivor Outreach Speakers.

COQUITLAM

NOVEMBER 7, 2012 David Ehrlich

BURNABY

NOVEMBER 15, 2012 Peter Parker

SURREY

NOVEMBER 20, 2012 Alex Buckman **WEST VANCOUVER**

MARCH 7, 2013 Peter Parker

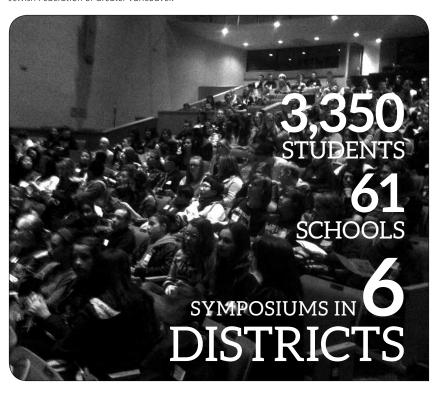
MAPLE RIDGE

APRIL 11. 2013 Robbie Waisman

ABBOTSFORD

APRIL 16, 2013 David Ehrlich

District Symposium supported by the Vaisler Family in honour of Syd and Sari Vaisler & The Lovi Memorial Endowment Fund of the VHEC in honour of Anna (Abrahamsohn) Lovi, Dr. Joseph Lovi & Dr. Maria Lovi; with the financial support of the Province of British Columbia, and funding from the Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR EDUCATORS

Professional development sessions promote best practices for teaching about the Holocaust and provide ongoing learning opportunities for educators to explore new teaching resources and classroom strategies.

YAD VASHEM INTERNATIONAL EDUCATORS' WINTER SEMINAR

DECEMBER 24, 2012 TO JANUARY 2, 2013

The VHEC administered a scholarship to send two British Columbia educators from Jewish institutions to study at the International Educators' Winter Seminar at Yad Vashem in Jerusalem, Israel. During the intensive 10-day program, participants learned from scholars and educators with decades of experience in the field of Holocaust education and research.

DORIN EILON-HEIBER

ANNA-MAE WIESENTHAL

King David High School

King David High School

Supported by the Diamond Foundation and the Canadian Society for Yad Vashem.



I wanted to let you know that I had an amazing time at the Yad Vashem International Educators' Winter Seminar. It was an incredible experience. I learned a lot and it left me wanting to learn more. Thanks again.

ANNA-MAE WIESENTHAL

King David High School

TEACHER TRAINING

The VHEC offered several professional development activities for B.C. educators throughout the 2012-13 academic year. Classroom and student teachers engaged with Holocaust education and VHEC resources, learned about the "Enemy Aliens" school program, and toured the exhibit.

- 2013 British Columbia Social Studies Teachers' Association Conference
 OCTOBER 19, 2012
- UBC Student Teacher Training OCTOBER 25, 2012
- Capilano University
 Student Teacher Training
 APRIL 4, 2013

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR EDUCATORS

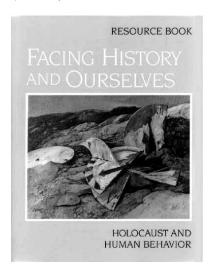
BIENNIAL SHAFRAN TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

MARCH 1, 2013

For its 8th Biennial Shafran Teachers' Conference, the VHEC hosted Leora Schaefer and Jasmine Wong of *Facing History and Ourselves*, Canada, an international organization dedicated to fostering dialogue around the issues of tolerance and civic responsibilities, using the Holocaust as a case study.

Using Facing History's unique sequence of study, participants explored the range of choices that led to the failure of democracy and ultimately the murder of millions of Jews and other targeted groups. The day opened with an introduction to Facing History's pedagogical approach, followed by a session on "Identity and Membership," and then breakout sessions using the Holocaust as a historical case study for teaching tolerance in increasingly diverse classrooms. The closing session, "Choosing to Participate," focused on empowering students to become change agents within their communities.

Forty-eight educators from British Columbia, Alberta, and Washington State participated in the day-long event and exited with *Facing History* resources and teaching strategies for middle and high school classrooms, VHEC guides, as well as the latest series of Holocaust survivor memoirs courtesy of The Azrieli Foundation *Sponsored by the David & Lil Shafran Endowment Fund of the VHEC*.



I am walking away [from the Shafran Conference] with excellent ideas to use in the classroom — I especially loved the connections to learning about the Holocaust and social justice through art and salvaged diary pages. The speakers were very engaging, knowledgable and understanding of real classroom dynamics. Overall, a wonderful day!

ENGLISH AND SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER

KRON SIGAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN HOLOCAUST EDUCATION

A prize of \$500 was presented to two B.C. teachers in recognition of their outstanding commitment to Holocaust education in Prince George and Kelowna, respectively.



GERRY CHIDIACDuchess Park Secondary School
Prince George, BC



KAYLA DOMINELLISpringvalley Middle School
Kelowna, BC
Supported by the Kron Sigal family in memory of Meyer and Gita Kron and Ruth Kron Sigal.

EDUCATION

OTHER INITIATIVES

INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE ALLIANCE

On March 5, 2013, Canada became the Chair of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA), an intergovernmental body made up of government officials and experts from 31 countries. It is devoted to fostering and promoting Holocaust education, remembrance and research around the world. Canada will chair the Alliance until March 2014.

VHEC Executive Director Nina Krieger joined the Canadian delegation to the Alliance and attended two international meetings under the Belgium Chairmanship (Mechelen in June 2012 and Liège in December 2012), participating in the Memorials & Museums Working Group. She is also a member of the Advisory Committee of Dr. Mario Silva, the current Canadian Chair of the Alliance.

In support of initiatives of Canada's Chairmanship, the VHEC promoted Citizenship and Immigration Canada's special Award for Excellence in Holocaust Education. On March 21, 2013, VHEC Education Director Adara Goldberg delivered a presentation, "Thinking About the Holocaust," to 25 students at the Emily Carr University of Art + Design in support of CIC's promotion of Canadian participation in the 2013 Yad Vashem International Poster Competition.



VANCOUVER ART GALLERY ART SPIEGELMAN CO-MIX

NOVEMBER 2012 TO FEBRUARY 2013

The VHEC partnered with the Vancouver Art Gallery to produce educational material for the Art Spiegelman CO-MIX: A Retrospective of Comics, Graphics and Scraps. These included revisions to the VHEC's MAUS teachers' guide and a docent training seminar, "From Sosnowiec to Rego Park: Making Sense of Speigelman's Maus," led by Adara Goldberg, VHEC Education Director.

MAKING CONTACT MENTORSHIP PROGRAM VANCOUVER SCHOOL BOARD

NOVEMBER 2012 TO JUNE 2013

The Vancouver School Board's Making
Contact Mentorship program connects
elementary students with significant
extra-curricular interests with mentors in
the community. Under the guidance of
VHEC Education Director Adara Goldberg,
grade seven L'École Bilingue student Rachel
Bernardo spent six months exploring
threads of Holocaust history. The program
culminated with a public presentation of
Rachel's article for the Spring 2013 edition of
Zachor, entitled "The Longest Walk" and a
guided tour of the "Enemy Aliens" exhibit.



engaging the public

The VHEC presented a wide variety of public programming that enlivened the "Enemy Aliens" exhibit, explored timely topics and engaged new audiences and communities in reflecting about the ongoing resonance of the Holocaust. The Centre had special exhibit openings for public visitors on a number of Sunday afternoons and before several VHEC evening events.

"ENEMY ALIENS" OPENING RECEPTION

JUNE 11, 2012

The opening reception for the "Enemy Aliens" exhibit attracted some 300 guests. Speakers included former internees, Dr. Walter Kohn, Nobel Laureate, and Rabbi Erwin Schild, as well as historian and exhibit writer, Dr. Paula Draper, and exhibit curator Nina Krieger.

B.C. CULTURE DAYS

SEPTEMBER 28, 2012

A behind-the-scenes curatorial tour of the "Enemy Aliens" exhibit with Nina Krieger for this province-wide celebration of arts and culture attracted 15 new visitors to the Centre.

VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER 30, 2012

The VHEC sponsored a sold-out screening of Israeli film *The Flat* by Arnon Goldfinger at Granville 7 Cinemas.

HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR COOKBOOK EVENT

OCTOBER 25, 2012

As part of the Caras Family's World Mitzvah Project, Joanne Caras — author of the Holocaust Survivor Cookbook and its sequel, Miracles and Meals — relayed several of the most inspirational and moving stories offered by Holocaust survivors featured in the books to approximately 30 members of the Jewish community.

Presented by the VHEC in partnership with Chabad of Downtown Vancouver.

LEGACIES OF INTERNMENT: A CROSS-CULTURAL CONVERSATION

OCTOBER 28, 2012

The VHEC presented a panel discussion featuring panelists Vera Rosenbluth, Raymond Culos and Craig Natsuhara discussing the legacies of internment in their respective communities.

Presented in partnership with the Italian Cultural Centre and the Nikkei National Museum.

VANCOUVER JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

NOVEMBER 8, 2012

The VHEC sponsored a film, *The Tree that Grows on the Wall*, by Tomás Lipgot, about a Polish survivor living in Buenos Aires who begins sharing his Holocaust experiences after a return to Lodz.

PUBLIC LECTURE "LAW, JUSTICE AND THE HOLOCAUST: HOW THE COURTS FAILED GERMANY"

NOVEMBER 15, 2012

Dr. William Frederick Meinecke Jr., historian at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, spoke to 120 community members in the JCC's Wosk Auditorium about the decision-making, the opportunities and often the failures of judges in Nazi Germany that helped contribute mass murder.



CHERIE SMITH JCCGV JEWISH BOOK FESTIVAL

NOVEMBER 25 & 29, 2012

The VHEC presented two events for this year's festival: the launch of *Rescuing the Children:* The Story of the Kindertransport by Deborah Hodge, as well as a reading of A Fiery Soul: The Life and Theatrical Times of John Hirsch by Fraidie Martz.

CHUTZPAH! FESTIVAL MUSIC IN INTERNMENT

FEBRUARY 24, 2013

Over 100 people attended a musical evening at the Norman & Annette Rothstein Theatre highlighting pieces originally written and performed by German and Austrian refugees from Nazism in British internment camps, directed by Suzanne Snizek.

Co-presented with the Chutzpah! Festival.

PUBLIC LECTURE "BETWEEN MEMORY AND COMMEMORATION"

FEBRUARY 28, 2013

At a public lecture opening the 8th Biennial Shafran Teachers' Conference, Alicja Bialecka, Head of the Educational Program Section at the International Centre for Education about Auschwitz and the Holocaust, spoke to an audience of 50 on the educational philosophy at the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum.

Presented in partnership with the CENES
Department, UBC and with support from the Polish
Consulate General of Vancouver.



FILM SCREENING "NOTHING TO BE WRITTEN HERE"

APRIL 24, 2013

Over 100 community members attended a screening at the Norman & Annette Rothstein Theatre of a film by Wendy Oberlander tracing her discovery of her father's wartime experiences as an interned refugee in Britain and Canada.

PUBLIC LECTURE "BECOMING EVIL: HOW ORDINARY PEOPLE COMMIT GENOCIDE AND MASS KILLING"

MAY 1, 2013

Professor James Waller of Keene State College, New Hampshire, delivered a public address to approximately 100 community members at the Liu Institute for Global Issues, UBC. The lecture was presented in conjunction with the VHEC's 38th Annual Symposium on the Holocaust at UBC.

Presented in partnership with the Liu Institute for Global Issues, University of British Columbia.



building community

The VHEC partners with organizations and community groups to present a range of programming throughout the year that fosters commemoration and reflection, education and dialogue.

HIGH HOLIDAYS CEMETERY SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 23, 2012

Held annually at the Holocaust Memorial at the Schara Tzedeck Cemetery on the Sunday between the High Holidays, the service affords participants the opportunity to mourn those who perished during the Holocaust at this symbolic gravesite. The program featured keynote speaker Wendy Oberlander and Hesped by Rabbi Hillel Brody.

Presented in partnership with Schara Tzedeck Congregation and the Jewish War Veterans.

Organizing Committee: Jack & Karen Micner.

KRISTALLNACHT

NOVEMBER 4, 2012

The commemorative lecture marks the Nazi state sponsored "Night of Broken Glass" of November 9, 1938. This year, former senior foreign correspondent David Halton delivered the keynote address, "The Holocaust and the Press: A Tragic Failure."

Presented by the VHEC and Congregation Beth Israel, hosted by Temple Sholom and with support from the Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver Fndowment Fund.

Kristallnacht Committee: Cynthia Bluman, George Bluman (Chair), Noah Finkelstein, Debby Freiman, Chris Friedrichs, Richard Menkis, Judy Oberlander, Hannah Ordman.

WALLENBERG DAY

JANUARY 20, 2013

A program in honour of diplomat rescuer Raoul Wallenberg featured *The Angel of Budapest*, a film by Luis Oliveros.

Presented by the VHEC, the Consulate of Sweden and the Second Generation Group of Vancouver, with support from the Swedish Charitable Association, Liberty Bakery.

Organizing Committee: Alan LeFevre, Anders Neumuller, Deborah Ross.

INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

JANUARY 24, 2013

The United Nations-declared annual commemoration marks the Auschwitz liberation date of January 27th. This year's program featured a screening of "Island of Roses: Tragedy in Paradise," a film by Rebecca Samona, and a musical presentation by the Vancouver Italian Folk Chorus.

Supported by Istituto Italiano di Cultura under the high patronage of the President of the Italian Republic and under the auspices of the Consulate General of Italy in Vancouver, Norman & Annette Rothstein Theatre, with the financial assistance of the Province of British Columbia.

YOM HASHOAH

APRIL 8, 2013

The commemorative evening featured a survivor speaker, Marion Cassirer, candle lighting and a musical program by Wendy and Ron Stuart of WRS Productions, featuring Claire Klein Osipov and violinist, Nancy DiNovo. More than 50 Holocaust survivors participated in the candle lighting ceremony and nearly 500 guests attended the program, including City of Vancouver councillors, MLAs, Rabbis and community leaders.

Presented in partnership with the Jewish Community Centre of Greater Vancouver with support from the Gail Feldman Heller Endowment Fund and Sarah Rozenberg-Warm Memorial Endowment Fund of the VHEC, Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver Endowment Fund, with the financial assistance of the Province of British Columbia.

Organizing Committee: Cathy Golden, Ethel Kofsky.



We were incredibly moved [at Yom HaShoah].
The singing and music was exquisite, and hearing the personal experiences shared was unbelievably meaningful and sorrowful.

KARIN KEMENY & CARLOS TESLER-MABE

collecting & connecting

The Centre continues to build its library, archive and collection, and to engage with audiences via social media.

LIBRARY & ARCHIVES

This year, 81 items were acquired through donation and purchase for the VHEC library collection. The archives and collection accessioned a number of new items into the collection this year. Included in the donations are a large number of wartime and post-war documents, photographs and ephemera, as well as several artefacts and artworks. Additionally, documents, artworks and artefacts were donated to the VHEC for the "Enemy Aliens": The Internment of Jewish Refugees in Canada, 1940-1943 exhibit.

This year the librarian continued working on Rare Books & Special Collections, the development of a *Zachor* newsletter index, and management of the VHEC's social media accounts on Twitter and

Facebook. Together, the librarian and archivist began drafting a privacy policy for the VHEC. They also co-supervised a project by a Master of Library and Information Studies student from the UBC iSchool, which will result in a social media strategy for the VHEC. The archives was awarded an Irving K. Barber Learning Centre Digitization Grant, to facilitate the digitization and web exhibition of the Gottfried Collection. This project will create infrastructure for the on-going digitization of the archives and collection, increasing access and usability of the holdings.

We wish to thank everyone who generously donated books and other gifts to the library & archives and collection this year.



VIDEO TESTIMONY PROJECT

The VHEC is currently documenting the video testimonies of local Holocaust survivors, many of whom have not been previously documented. In 2012, the Centre recorded 9 testimonies of local Holocaust survivors, as well as 15 interviews as part of the "Enemy Aliens" project, adding to the 20 testimonies recorded between 2008 to 2010. The initiative contributes eyewitness perspectives to the VHEC's existing collection of approximately 200 testimonies, recorded by VHEC founding president Dr. Robert Krell between 1979-1998.

Project Coordinator: Toni-Lynn Frederick.

Supported by Anita Shafran and Zev and Elaine Shafran, the Province of B.C. and Rabbi Yosef Wosk.

"Enemy Aliens" interviews supported by Community Historical Recognition Program of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration Canada

Volunteer interviewers: Kit Krieger, Debby Freiman, Catherine Kohm and Vera Rosenbluth.

632 FACEBOOK LIKES

907
TWITTER
FOLLOWERS

Jeremy Reid @MrReidWSS

Listening To Alex Buckman a #HolocaustSurvivor from @ VHolocaustCntr via Skype

David Phelan @davidphelan

Returning from Symposium on the Holocaust in #sd43. Thanks to all but especially survivor and speaker David Ehrlich #bced @ HolocaustCntr

35% INCREASE

IN TWITTER FOLLOWERS FROM 2011 TO 2012

ensuring the legacy

The VHEC offers an array of services for Holocaust survivors, and is a focal point for activities of the child survivor and second generation groups in the community.

SURVIVOR SERVICES

A range of services are offered to benefit local Holocaust survivors, whose needs are assessed and addressed. Between the VHEC and Jewish Family Services, approximately 100 survivors received 160 services this year, including: financial aid, group support, referrals for professional counselling, housing and health care advocacy, Holocaust restitution, compensation assistance and social and educational activities.

Supported by the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany.



SURVIVOR DROP-IN

A group of 20-35 survivors meet monthly to socialize and participate in a variety of programs including guest speakers and lively question and discussion periods. Special outings are organized, as well as an annual Chanukah party and Passover Seder. This year's programming included a Purim lunch and entertainment. The closing luncheon is always a special treat that everyone looks forward to.

Volunteer coordinators: Gerri London and Gloria Waisman.

CHILD SURVIVOR GROUP

The child survivor group meets monthly at the VHEC or at members' homes for special occasions. On Chanukah we host a special lunch for members, including their partners and camp survivors. This past year our gracious hosts were Gloria and Robbie Waisman.

The group participates annually in Kristallnacht and Yom HaShoah and lays a wreath at the City of Vancouver's Remembrance Day ceremonies.

Lillian Boraks Nemetz edits "No Longer Alone" in *Zachor*, a section that explores the child survivor experience.

Many child survivor outreach speakers have been addressing out of town schools on Skype. Some are speaking at symposia in and out of town, in addition to our usual speaking engagements at the VHEC and in Greater Vancouver schools.

Executive Committee: Alex Buckman (President), Lillian Boraks Nemetz, Claude Romney, Peter John Voormeij and Tom Szekely.

SECOND GENERATION GROUP

The group meets to discuss issues related to the second generation experience and the Holocaust and to witness each other's life stories. There are 120 members on the email list with whom we share news items, stories, and events, local and international, about the Holocaust. Annual activities include social events, a picnic, a Chanukah party, and a writing workshop.

This year, the group placed a wreath alongside the Child Survivor Group at the Cenotaph on Remembrance Day. The group also coordinates the annual Raoul Wallenberg Day commemorative event.

Coordinator: Alan LeFevre.

HOLOCAUST RESTITUTION

Volunteer lawyers met with more than 20 survivors in the past year in order to assist them with their claims for compensation and restitution. Most of the applications are pursuant to the Article 2 fund. This fund, ministered by the Claims Conference, but governed by eligibility criteria established by the German government, is somewhat restricted and the process (worthwhile as it is) takes considerable time.

Volunteer lawyers: Jack Micner and Stan Taviss

TREASURER'S REPORT

As at December 31, 2012, Net Assets of the Society increased from \$4,185,258 to \$4,235,192. This is an increase of \$49,934 (1%), the breakdown of which is presented in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets. In the year ended December 31, 2012, the Society recorded an overall deficit of \$45,309 compared to a deficit of \$66,163 in the prior year. A change in accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations was adopted retroactively, resulting in an adjustment of last year's reported surplus of \$82,295 to the above-noted deficit. Unrealized market gains and losses on investments are now required to be recorded in the statement of operations, where previously the gains and losses were recorded in the statement of changes in net assets only. There is a note describing this in the financial statements.

Revenues, excluding special projects, increased by \$36,447 (12%) over 2011 revenues. The main reason was that the Gaming grant funds received in 2011 related to 2010. Excluding the Gaming grant, revenues were consistent overall, increasing by \$8,947 (3%). Interest and other investment income increased by \$10,093 from the amount reported in 2011.

Administrative expenses increased by \$30,359 (8%) from last year. About \$17,000 of this increase is due to reporting a full year of investment management fees as an expense. In 2011 there was a transition in the way these fees were reported, where previously, they were netted out of transactions. The remaining increase is mainly due to salaries and professional fees. Net costs of on-going programs increased by \$13,752 compared to 2011, but were more consistent with those of prior years.

In 2012, our investment portfolio performed very well. The market had a good year overall and our portfolio outperformed the market benchmark that was set out. The total return was 7.3%. Gains and losses on sales of investments and on market value changes of investments are now recorded in the statement of operations. This is due to a change in accounting policy, noted previously above, and the 2011 year was restated for comparative purposes. The Society's portfolio is well diversified and professionally managed. The Finance Committee, Investment Manager and Investment Advisor have continued to closely monitor the holdings to ensure that the portfolio remains within the guidelines of the Investment Policy that has been implemented by the Society.

The percentage of the Society's administrative overhead that is covered by investment income was 44% in 2012 compared to 46% in 2011. The balance of the operating budget is covered primarily by grants obtained through the hard work of the staff, and by the much appreciated support of the Society's members through annual fundraisers, pledges, membership fees, and other donations.

Robert Crystal TREASURER

REVIEW ENGAGEMENT REPORT

We have reviewed the statement of financial position of Vancouver Holocaust Centre Society for Education and Remembrance as at December 31, 2012, December 31, 2011 and January 1, 2011 and the statements of changes in net assets, operations and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011. Our review was made in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements and accordingly consisted primarily of enquiry, analytical procedures and discussion related to information supplied to us by the Society. A review does not constitute an audit and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that these financial statements are not, in all material respects, in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Stat Bussell & Company

Sanders, Russell & Company PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS MAY 22, 2013

ABBREVIATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As of December 31, 2012 (Unaudited)	2012	2011	January 1, 2011
ASSETS			
Current Assets - Unrestricted	\$136,392	\$148,399	\$109,720
Current Assets - Restricted	210,004	135,770	-
Permanent Exhibit	-	28,221	-
Property and Equipment	29,195	6,327	8,890
Holocaust Education Centre	678,011	686,325	694,638
Investments	3,235,469	3,243,080	3,259,373
	\$4,289,071	\$4,248,122	\$4,072,621
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS			
Current Liabilities	\$53,879	\$62,864	\$18,438
Net Assets	4,235,192	4,185,258	4,054,183
-	\$4,289,071	\$4,248,122	\$4,072,621

ABBREVIATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

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ABBREVIATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2012	2012	2011
Balance, beginning of year	\$4,185,258	\$4,054,183
(Deficiency) of revenues over expenses	(45,309)	(66,163)
Endowment contributions	22,252	109,017
Permanent exhibit contributions	143,951	60,000
Permanent exhibit expenses	(70,960)	28,221
Balance, end of year	\$4,235,192	\$4,185,258

ABBREVIATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended December 31, 2012	2012	2011
CASH (USED BY) PROVIDED FOR OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$(141,246)	\$58,199
CASH PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Endowment contributions	22,252	108,262
Permanent exhibit contributions	143,951	60,000
	166,203	168,262
CASH USED FOR INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of investments - net	90,643	15,722
Investment in permanent exhibit	(42,739)	(28,221)
Investment in capital assets	(26,702)	
	21,382	(12,499)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	46,339	213,962
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	269,890	55,928
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$316,229	\$269,890

ENDOWMENTS

Selina Alko, Karen and Amber Quiring and Mike and David Yochlowitz	Gottfried Family Kristallnacht Endowment Fund	Rosalie and Joseph Segal Endowment Fund	
Endowment Fund	Sam Haber Endowment Fund	Anita Shafran and Zev and Elaine Shafran Endowment Fund	
Gary and Dianne Averbach and Betty	Gail Feldman Heller Endowment Fund	David and Lil Shafran Endowment Fund	
Averbach Endowment Fund Sam and Frances Belzberg Endowment Fund	Edwina and Paul Heller Holocaust Education Endowment Fund	Ari Shiff and Carla van Messel Legacy Endowment Fund	
Dr. Barrett Benny Endowment Fund	Kitty Heller Memorial Endowment Fund	Silber and Greenhut Families	
Bluman Family Endowment Fund	Sam and Michael Heller Memorial	Endowment Fund	
Larry Brandt and Family Endowment Fund	Endowment Fund	Lee, Bernie, Annie, Jory and Samantha	
Claman-Mielnicki Family Legacy	Kahn Family Legacy Endowment Fund	Simpson Endowment Fund	
Endowment Fund	Leon and Evelyn Kahn Endowment Fund	Phyliss and Irving Snider Endowment Fund	
Lorne and Sylvia Cristall Endowment Fund	Abrasha, Ida, Odie and Sherie Kaplan	Elizabeth Stern Memorial Endowment Fund	
Jody and Harvey Dales Hospitality	Endowment Fund	Dr. Stanley Sunshine Endowment Fund	
Endowment Fund	Leon and Esther Kaufman Legacy	Terry Szajman Education Endowment Fund	
Jody and Harvey Dales Legacy Endowment Fund	Endowment Fund	Ronnie Tessler Archives Fund	
Charles and Dora Davis and Family	Leo Krell Memorial Book Fund	Isaac and Judith Thau Endowment Fund	
Endowment Fund	Emmy Krell Legacy Endowment Fund	Isaak and Bluma Tischler and Aron and Neri	
Gordon and Leslie Diamond	Robert and Marilyn Krell Endowment Fund	Tischler Endowment Fund	
Endowment Fund	Krell Special Program Opportunity Fund	VHCS Endowment Fund	
Charles and Isabelle, Craig and Carrie	Meyer and Gita Kron and Ruth Kron Sigal	Waisman Family Legacy Endowment Fund	
Diamond Endowment Fund	Endowment Fund	Gloria & Robbie Waisman Endowment Fund	
Dr. Arthur and Judith Dodek	Landa and Hector Families' Endowment Fund	Waldman Symposium Endowment Fund	
Endowment Fund	Legacy Group Endowment Fund	Joe and Birdie Wall Foundation	
Mariette and Sid Doduck Endowment Fund	Lewin Family Legacy Endowment Fund	Endowment Fund	
Samuel and Else Dunner Legacy Endowment Fund	Libin Family Endowment Fund	Baruch Weise Endowment Fund	
Eva and Michael Dymant Holocaust Education	Lovi Memorial Endowment Fund	Joseph Wertman and Family Legacy	
Endowment Fund	Jocy and Leo Lowy Endowment Fund	Endowment Fund	
Sid and Sylvia Eibschutz Holocaust Education	Bob and Ralph Markin Endowment Fund	Regina and Leo Wertman Endowment Fund	
Endowment Fund	Marsid Children's Legacy Endowment Fund	Shery and Gerald Wittenberg Endowment Fund	
Erica Fleischer Memorial Endowment Fund	Eugene, Alice and Paul Meyer	Miriam Wosk and Kenneth Wosk Legacy	
Steve and Eva Floris Endowment Fund	Endowment Fund	Endowment Fund	
Abe and Rachele Fox and Family Endowment Fund	Karen and Jack Micner Legacy Endowment Fund	Mordehai and Hana Wosk Family Endowment Fund	
Bertha Fraeme Endowment Fund	Pola and Henry Nutkiewicz Endowment Fund	Morris and Yosef Wosk Publishing	
Max and Margaret Fugman Endowment Fund	Pinsky Family Legacy Endowment Fund	Endowment Fund	
Gaerber Family Legacy Endowment Fund	Leo Puterman Memorial Endowment Fund	Yosef Wosk and Family Endowment Fund	
Edgar and Marilyn Gaerber Endowment Fund	Sarah Rozenberg-Warm Memorial	Zalkow Family Endowment Fund	
Gechman Family Legacy Endowment Fund	Endowment Fund	Henry and Ludmila Zeldowicz	
Irving and Noreen Glassner Endowment Fund	Sacks Family Endowment Fund	Endowment Fund	
David and Aurelia Gold Endowment Fund	Dr. Mark and Tracey Schonfeld and Family		

Endowment Fund

David and Aurelia Gold Endowment Fund

A special thank you to our outstanding volunteers!

OUTREACH SPEAKERS

Janos Benisz, Lillian Boraks Nemetz, Alex Buckman, Marion Cassirer, Mariette Doduck, David Ehrlich, Bill Gluck, Serge Haber, Katy Hughes, Chaim Kornfeld, Robert Krell, Inge Manes, Bente Nathan Thomsen, Peter Parker, Claude Romney, Louise Sorensen, Peter Suedfeld, Tom Szekely, Peter Voormeij, Robbie Waisman; Coordinator: Rita Akselrod

DOCENTS

Alexandra Campagnaro, Rajiv Cowasjee, Pamela Cyr, Reva Dexter, Myriam Dinim, Sylvie Epstein, Brooke Fowler, Debby Freiman, Belinda Gutman, Stefanie Ickert, Arlene James, Dodie Katzenstein, Lise Kirchner, Uma Kumar, Lucien Lieberman, Ivan Linde, David Machat, Ellen Millman, Cathy Paperny, Cynthia Ramsay, Adriana Reynoso, Helen Heacock Rivers, Gita Silver, Rina Vizer, Billy Walker-Lane, Heather Wolfe

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Erika Smith (Master in Museum Education Intern)

Rebekah Adams (Library Studies student intern)

Rachel Bernardo (Making Contact Mentorship Program)

Alex Buckman, Alexandra Campagnaro, Camille Collard, Sophie Cymbalista, Sylvie Epstein, Amalia Boe-Fishman, Annika Friedman, Debby Freiman, Sarah-Jane Kerr-Lapsley, Lise Kirchner, Kit Krieger, Alan LeFevre, Ella Levitt, Gerri London, Jack Micner, Louise Sorensen, Stan Taviss, Kevin Veltheer, Gloria Waisman, Robbie Waisman

GRANTS

City of Vancouver Cultural Infrastructure Grant

Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany Inc.

Irving K. Barber Learning Centre B.C. History Digitization Program

Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver

Province of British Columbia

Young Canada Works in Heritage Institutions and Summer Career Placement

"ENEMY ALIENS": THE INTERNMENT OF JEWISH REFUGEES IN CANADA, 1940 – 1943

Community Historical Recognition Program of the Department of Citizenship & Immigration Canada

The Ben and Esther Dayson Charitable Foundation

The Kahn Family Foundation

Isaac and Sophie Waldman Endowment Fund of the Vancouver Foundation

Frank Koller

Oasis Foundation

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Congregation Beth Israel (Kristallnacht)

Istituto Italiano di Cultura (International Holocaust Remembrance Day)

Norman Rothstein Theatre, JCCGV (International Holocaust Remembrance Day)

Jewish Community Centre of Greater Vancouver (Yom HaShoah)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association of Holocaust Organizations
British Columbia Archives Association
British Columbia Museums Association
Canadian Museums Association
International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance
Lower Mainland Museum Educator's Association
Vantage Point

Our apologies for any errors or omissions.

LIFE FELLOW RECIPIENTS

In recognition of those who have made special contributions to Holocaust education and remembrance.

Rita Akselrod Chaim Kornfeld

Lola Apfelbaum Z"L Robert Krell

Janos Benisz Roberta Kremer

Agi Bergida Kit Krieger

Susan Bluman Z"L Lucien Lieberman

Lillian Boraks Nemetz Gerri London

Alex Buckman Leo Lowy^{Z"L}

Marion Cassirer Inge Manes

Saul Cohn^{Z"L} Reverend Fred Metzger^{Z"L}

Jody Dales Michel Mielnicki

Mariette Doduck Frieda Miller

David Ehrlich Bente Nathan Thomsen

David Feldman William Nichols

Lili Folk^{Z"L} Pola Nutkiewicz^{Z"L}

Ernie Forrai Z"L

Klara Forrai Z"L

Graham Forst

Judith Forst

Izzy Fraeme Z"L

Peter Parker

Rubin Pinsky Z"L

Susan Quastel

David Shafran Z"L

Vera Slymovics

Chris Friedrichs Bronia Sonnenschein Z"L

Bernard Goldberg Z"L

Louise Stein Sorensen

Serge Haber

Edwina Heller^{Z"L}

Paul Heller^{Z"L}

Katy Hughes

Frances Hoyd

Oscar Jason^{Z"L}

Leslie Spiro

Aron Szajman

Stan Taviss

Ronnie Tessler

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Robbie Waisman

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Sophie Waldman^{Z"L}

Ida Kaplan