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## AFTER 80 YEARS IN CANADA A GRAND REUNION

200 descendants of Czech Jewish immigrants celebrate their families' monumental achievements

STORY BY **STEVEN BROCK**,  
THE HAMILTON JEWISH NEWS

ONE FAMILY'S RESILIENCE was on full display in late September as the descendants of 39 Czech Jews who fled the horrors of the Holocaust met in Hamilton to celebrate the 80th anniversary of their arrival in Canada. More than 200 members of the Popper/Abeles/Ekstein/Brok family gathered at Temple Anshe Sholom for a grand celebration of the family's escape and how they flourished in their adopted homeland. For Annette Richardson and Dave Loewith, who spearheaded the event, this reunion was the culmination of a year-and-a-half of planning.

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ONTARIO JEWISH ARCHIVES

The original group of 39 Czech Jewish refugees admitted into Canada as farmers on the eve of the Second World War. The above photo taken in Mount Hope, Ontario in 1938.



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### A BARRAGE OF LIES

Col. Richard Kemp gives keynote address at Community Campaign launch, saying the lie that Israel is an aggressor state is repeated so often that even some Jews have come to believe it.

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“What I've tried to maintain is the continuity of Jewish tradition.”

Rabbi Mordecai Green left an indelible mark on this community.

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Retired British army officer Col. Richard Kemp was a lone voice in defending Israel at the UN, and has continued to be an outspoken supporter of Israel at the UN and elsewhere ever since.

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During their recent visit to Hamilton Jewish Social Services, Hamilton Hebrew Academy Grade 8 students donated their own toonies and food items, becoming official members of the JSS Chicken Club. Pictured left: HHA principal Rabbi Yaakov Morel (second from right) and students pose with JSS director Carol Krames (second from left).

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By and large, the immigrants and their descendants have done very well in all levels of academia and business” DAVID LOEWITH

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FROM FAR AND WIDE, old and young family members came to meet their relatives, many for the first time, and to share their memories of starting their new life and growing up in a land far from their ancestral home. Today, only four of the original 39 are still alive, and all were in attendance. The timing of the reunion was significant, “while we still have some of the original members of the group and survivors,” noted Loewith.

The eldest at 97, Wilma Abeles Iggers travelled from Buffalo, while the youngest, only 7 weeks old, were newborn twins Oliver and Jonah Loewith. Other relatives came from across Canada and from at least eight US states. Travelling the furthest, was cousin Wally Goliath, who made the journey from Brisbane, Australia. Meeting his family was especially poignant for Goliath, as it has only been within the past two-and-a-half years that he became aware of his North American relatives. “My great grandmother was a Popper and as far as my mother knew, no one had survived the war.”

The story of the family’s journey to Canada began with the 1938 Munich Agreement, when then British Prime Minister, Neville Chamberlain, along with the governments of France and Italy, ceded the German-speaking Sudetenland area of Czechoslovakia to Adolf Hitler, in return for the promise of “peace in our time.”

Recognizing the dangers to his family and to the Czech Jewish population in general, Karl Abeles, with the help of some of his business contacts in the Hamilton area, was able to secure 39 farming permits from the Canadian Pacific Railway. These invaluable permits allowed Europeans to immigrate to Canada on the condition that they farm the land for a minimum of five years. Eight decades later, significant portions of the family are still farming in the Mount Hope area.

The party kicked off with an opportunity to meet and talk with cousins from the various branches of the family. Many brought old photos and family

## Invaluable permits allowed Europeans to immigrate to Canada on condition that they farm the land for a minimum of five years.



The four remaining members of the original 39 Czech Jewish refugees, left to right: Hannah Faulkner, Doris Popper, Hans Schlessner, and Wilma Iggers.



PHOTO COURTESY OF EVA WILSON

Karl Abeles recognized the dangers to his family and managed to secure 39 farming permits from the Canadian Pacific Railway.

heirlooms to display including a large family tree. After lunch with Loewith as emcee, several cousins spoke to the crowd about their fond recollections and the evolution of specific parts of the family.

Keynote speaker, cousin Craig Partridge, then regaled everyone with an even earlier history of the relations. Partridge, a professor and chair of the department of Computer Science at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, was one of the early developers of the technology that led to what we now know as the internet. Using his extraordinary researching skills, Partridge has traced the family back to a 1740 Bohemian family patriarch, Juda Lobl Popper and documented his subsequent descendant genealogy in a comprehensive book. For the reunion, Partridge extended his research back another 110 years to 1630. Expanding on the lives of Juda Lobl, as well as two of other prominent ancestors, Isaac Abeles and Aron Brok, Partridge placed the history of this family into context of the Thirty Years War.

“I think it is interesting to hear what your family was like back

350 years ago,” he said. “These are people that almost everybody in the room is descended from. So, it is a little bit of everybody’s history.”

Loewith muses on the success of the family since coming to North America.

“By and large, the immigrants and their descendants have done very well in all levels of academia and business. They have had major impact in all endeavors,” he said, noting that family members have contributed and been recognized around the world. Among them and aside from Partridge, Wilma Iggers and her late husband Georg were world-class historiographers, pioneering the study of historical writing. Rick Ekstein has a world-renowned company in terms of lumber exports. Karl Abeles and Paul Ekstein have been inducted into the Ontario Agricultural Hall of Fame and Canadian Agricultural Hall of Fame respectively and both are recognized for their contributions to the industry.



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David Loewith holds a copy of the manifest of the Duchess of Athol that departed from Liverpool on Nov. 4, 1938. The Czech refugees are listed as “alien passengers.”

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Riaboy has always felt an affinity for small Jewish communities.

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# MEET JONATHAN RIABOY

JCC and Federation's new program coordinator

BY WENDY SCHNEIDER

HAMILTON NEWCOMER

Jonathan Riaboy went through law school, worked in real estate law, and partnered with a pop-up coffee shop experiment in Toronto, before discovering where his real passion lay. The Thornhill native, who moved to Hamilton with his wife and children in August, 2015, feels like he's finally doing what he was meant to all along, since taking on the position of program coordinator for the Jewish Community Centre and the Hamilton Jewish Federation.



**Jonathan Riaboy** brings a wealth of experience to his new position.

Yom HaShoah (Holocaust commemoration) and Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israeli independence day) programs. A major focus will be on developing outreach programs for the under-40 demographic.

Speaking to the HJN on his second day on the job, Riaboy outlined his plans for the coming year. "We want to organize fun, social programs and events at the JHamilton facility that my friends and I would want to go to, and networking events to help connect the younger crowd with successful business leaders."

Down the road Riaboy will be looking into how tried and true models like Limmud (a volunteer-driven Jewish learning festival) and Jewish TED talks can be adapted to a Hamilton environment. For now, however, he is focused on promoting Federation's Yesod leadership program to his cohort.

"The Yesod program is about connecting back to Jewish values and being the leader when there's no one else willing to step up," he said. It's hard to imagine a better role model than Riaboy himself.

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up the community behind the scenes ... whether it was hosting or helping with different events," he told the HJN. This was what he loved doing, he thought to himself, so why not do it full time?

Riaboy's past experiences, which included running leadership programs for Aish HaTorah and similar programs in London, Ontario made him a very attractive candidate, according to Hamilton Jewish Federation CEO Gustavo Rymberg.

"We were very impressed with Jonathan's past experience with different Jewish organizations," he told the HJN, adding that hiring Riaboy is an important step in fulfilling Federation's goal of promoting more efficiency and resource sharing in the community.

Riaboy is charged with developing adult programming for both organizations, including JCC recreational programs, Holocaust education events and the annual

Riaboy, 32, has always felt an affinity for small Jewish communities, whether it was in Bridgeport, Connecticut, where he attended yeshiva high school, or in London, Ontario, where he and his wife lived for three years while he attended law school.

After their first child was born, the couple returned to Toronto, where Riaboy began articling at a law firm and his wife, Rachel, was hired as an on-site audiologist at Costco. It was during that period that they attended a "Think Hamilton" event, an Adas Israel initiative that promotes Hamilton's Jewish community to young orthodox families. Impressed by what they saw and heard, the Riaboy family moved to Hamilton two months later.

When Riaboy heard about a job posting by the Federation and the JCC for a joint program coordinator position, he thought it sounded like a good fit.

"In all these small communities where I lived, I was always volunteering and trying to build

# PAULA BARUCH INSTALLED AS CANTOR

Formal installation took place on Oct. 14

BY RABBI JORDAN COHEN

AFTER SIX YEARS of serving as cantorial soloist and program director, Paula Baruch is being formally installed as the cantor of Temple Anshe Sholom. The installation celebration follows Baruch's graduation from the Hebrew Union College's School of Sacred Music and her ordination as a Cantor, which took place in New York in May.



Paula Baruch was recently installed as cantor at Temple Anshe Sholom.

The installation ceremony is an established tradition for clergy of various religions. As Baruch notes, "A clergy person is ordained only once but may be installed many times. Each time a clergy member begins a new placement, in a new congregation, they are 'installed', or ritually affirmed to the position of worship leader."

With a background in theatre, music and education, Baruch came to the position at Anshe Sholom following two years as a teacher at Hamilton's Kehila Jewish Community Day School. Following the departure of Cantor Rebecca Moses, Baruch became the Temple's program director and shared the cantorial duties with Anshe Sholom's then Educator, Laura Wolfson. When Wolfson decided to retire from her position at the Temple, Baruch assumed the full cantorial position.

It was with the encouragement of Cantor Moses and Baruch's husband, Rabbi Jordan Cohen, that Baruch applied and was accepted to the four year cantorial certification program at HUC, the Reform Movement's flagship

seminary. The program required study in Jerusalem and New York, along with online classes, cantorial mentoring and voice lessons. Baruch describes the emotional impact of her ordination by saying, "From the beginning, where I wept after my audition, where I would never be accepted, to that moment in front of the open ark at Congregation Emanu-El in NYC with Rabbi Aaron Pankin, the president of HUC, I was embraced into the role of Jewish clergy. I was still 'me' but also different, altered, changed. Two days later Rabbi Pankin died in a plane crash. This sobering and heart-breaking reality will always be remembered as a part of my ordination as cantor."

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“The greatest slur campaign in the history of the world has been launched against the only democracy in the Middle East.” COL. RICHARD KEMP

# SPEAKING UP FOR ISRAEL

Col. Richard Kemp blames social media for “barrage of lies” against Israel

BY STEVE ARNOLD, THE HAMILTON JEWISH NEWS

ADOLF HITLER called it The Big Lie, and it didn’t die with him.

British terrorism expert Richard Kemp sees it every day, especially when it is deployed against Israel by terrorist groups such as Hamas.

Kemp, a retired British Army colonel, who was the keynote presenter at the launch of the annual Community Campaign on Sept. 13, said the situation has only been made worse by the Internet and social media platforms such as Facebook.

“The greatest slur campaign in the history of the world has been launched against the one and only democracy in the Middle East,” he told the crowd of about 100 people at the Adas Israel Congregation.

The lie, that Israel is an aggressor state and its armed forces deliberately target unarmed civilians, is repeated so often by Hamas and other organizations, Kemp said, that even some Jews have come to believe it.

“This campaign is getting its vicious, nasty, lying talons into a lot of Jewish people who are being influenced to turn against Israel,” he said. “It just shocks me that Jews can be drawn into this lie. Every time someone is convinced to question the right of Israel to exist is a tremendous victory for the enemy.”

Kemp’s history in the anti-terrorism war is varied – he was

wounded while leading British troops against Irish terrorists, he has fought jihadis in Afghanistan and Iraq, observed the Israel Defence Forces in action and even advised the Prime Minister of Britain on terrorism issues. He was so effective at that work he earned a place on an Al Qaida death list.

Earlier this year that work took Kemp to the Israel-Gaza border when he saw Hamas terrorists drive their own citizens toward the dividing fence in the hope Israel would be provoked to action, killing some of the crowd and provoking international outrage.

Later, he told the United Nation’s Human Rights Council everything its members have been told about the conflict is “a complete distortion of the truth.”

The lies absorbed by the U.N., he said, included claims unarmed civilians had been intentionally targeted by IDF snipers.

“The U.N. heard lie after lie after lie about Gaza, from delegates who were just sloganizing and spouting scripted lines,” he said. “It was obvious the underlying message was that not enough Jews had died.”

The barrage of lies about the conflict, Kemp added, helped make it seem right for some people to ask why Israel was gunning down refugees who simply



PHOTO: DONNA WAXMAN

**Col. Richard Kemp** gave the keynote address at the launch of Hamilton Jewish Federation’s annual Community Campaign.

wanted a home and drowning out questions about Israel’s right to defend its borders.

“It’s hard for people who have not been in that situation to understand shooting unarmed demonstrators, but we know they are not unarmed demonstrators,” he said. “

The United Nations report on recent violent clashes along the Israel-Gaza border hasn’t been written yet, but international terrorism expert Richard Kemp already knows it will condemn Israel for defending its borders against armed hordes.

Before resorting to deadly force, Kemp said, Israel warned

the civilian population of Gaza that violence was possible and they should get out of the way. It also deployed weapons such as tear gas, plastic bullets and warning shots both above the heads of the crowd and at their legs before finally resorting to lethal force.

“What people need to understand is to not get drawn into the belief that the IDF are a bunch of war criminals,” he said. “I was there and I was impressed by their knowledge of the rules of engagement and their professionalism. “The IDF are simply young men and women trying to protect their country.”

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Moussia has her rightful place back at the Hamilton Hebrew Academy.  
Her presence was missing terribly. **PERLA ZALTZMAN**

# MOUSSIA'S PLAYGROUND

Tragic accident took six-year-old, but  
Moussia Zaltzman's memory will live on.

BY **ABIGAIL CUKIER**,  
THE HAMILTON JEWISH NEWS

MOUSSIA ZALTZMAN loved jumping and dancing. She welcomed anyone she'd meet with her bright, enormous smile, bringing joy to the halls, classrooms and playground at her school, Hamilton Hebrew Academy.

But this is the fourth school year where Moussia's smile and laughter are missing from the place she loved.

On Sunday, June 14, 2015, Moussia, a good swimmer, was playing with friends under the watchful eye of many adults when she was pulled unresponsive from her backyard pool in St. Catharines. After 13 days at McMaster Children's Hospital, Moussia died. She was six years old.

But now, an enduring reminder of Moussia's presence is part of her school. On Sept. 27, Moussia's Playground officially opened—a bright, colourful place with plenty of room to slide and climb and run.

“Moussia has her rightful place back at HHA,” says her mom, Perla Zaltzman. “Her presence was missing terribly. She was present in the hearts and minds of many and there is a small photo of her in her grade's classroom, but there was no physical presence. New families might come and not know her. This is a physical presence with her picture and her name. It feels right. It assures me she will not be forgotten.

“We received so much support from the school community. We had a lot of support when it happened. And three years later, they are there to protect her memory

## NEED TO KNOW

The previous playground at Hamilton Hebrew Academy was built in memory of Lowell Hundert. Lowell and his twin brother Joey were born in December 1980 to Miriam and Steven. Lowell weighed only 1.5 pounds. He had seven surgeries in his short life and died at six months old. The twins' older brother Josh was attending HHA when they were born. Miriam thought a new school playground would be a special way to honour Lowell and she raised funds from private donors to build one.

The opening of Moussia's Playground included a rededication to Lowell Hundert and his memorial plaque remains at the playground.

and give her honour. It means a lot to us.”

A few weeks after Moussia died, Perla's friend, Tiki Levgores, asked her if she had any ideas for a way to memorialize Moussia. She suggested redoing the playground at HHA.

“It needed to be redone anyway, due to new requirements from the Ministry of Education,” said Zaltzman. “I really clicked with the idea. Moussia loved the playground. She loved the school. It would benefit her friends and all the children.”

A volunteer committee, including Maggie Norris, Elissa Press, Zohar Levy, Rebecca Shapiro and Rita Kopyto came together for planning and fundraising, with the ongoing support of Rabbi



**Moussia** at four years old.



**The Zaltzman family** at the dedication of Moussia's Playground at the Hamilton Hebrew Academy.

Moussia, a child who was full of fun and energy. A playground for Moussia's legacy makes sense and feels right, given that so much of Moussia's life was spent at the HHA with her friends playing.”

Playground features were chosen based on survey responses from students and incorporate some of Moussia's favourite things, including bright, rainbow-like colours and the hearts she loved to draw. The Moussia's Playground sign is reminiscent of street signs in Paris, where Perla grew up. Moussia had travelled there a few times and loved the city.

“Moussia was full of life. She loved people. She connected with everyone, adults and children. She would talk to adults as if she were an adult,” said Zaltzman. “She could also occasionally be grumpy and clingy. I want to remember all of it. I don't want to

Daniel Green. They submitted the project to be considered for funding from the Ward 1 participatory budget. It was approved and the project received funds from the city. The rest of the cost is being covered through fundraising.

“Part of the challenge for a community that loses someone they love is to figure out how best to deal with that loss and preserve that person's memory,” said Press. “Perla gave the community a gift not only by creating a wonderful new playground, but also by giving the community a meaningful way to remember

miss an idealized image. I miss my daughter as a whole. Every second of her.”

When Moussia died, Zaltzman and her husband, Rabbi Zalman Zaltzman, were expecting their daughter, Hannah, now 2. They also had a son, Avush 1—both born on Moussia's birthday, the fourth of Adar. Her other siblings are Mendel, 13, Daniel, 11 and Pessia, 6.

“Now, all of my kids, including Moussia, are at the school. Not the way I want her to be. The playground is a pale substitute for her laughter and life and love and plain physical existence,” said Zaltzman, adding that Moussia's siblings said they feel much better with the playground at the school.

“The older kids remember her there and felt her absence in a lonely way. Now they have her, in the best option B possible, a happy, beautiful and colourful way,” she said.

“During an assembly at school, one of Moussia's friends, Aimee Levy, who is in Grade 4 now, said she had been sad since Moussia died. She missed her best friend and was afraid everyone would forget her. When she heard about the playground, she felt reassured that Moussia will not be forgotten. It helps kids get a handle on their own fears and feel together in their shared memories of Moussia. It also tells the children their value is huge, no matter what.”

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“ Rabbi Green had a vision for his community, and through unwavering determination he saw it through to fruition.

# A LEADER FOR OUR TIME

Rabbi Mordechai Green remembered as larger than life visionary

STORY BY **PHYLLIS SHRAGGE**, THE HAMILTON JEWISH NEWS

RABBI MORDECHAI GREEN, who died in July at age 84, was an icon in his community, a larger-than-life figure who inspired countless individuals as well as the congregants at the Adas Israel Synagogue. He was the epitome of leadership and dedication. Rabbi Green, rabbi of Hamilton's Adas Israel Congregation for 44 years and rabbi emeritus for the following 16 years, had a vision for his community and through unwavering determination he saw it through to fruition. In 1958, when Rabbi Green assumed the role of spiritual leader of the synagogue, at the time a small shul on Cannon Street in downtown Hamilton, he saw its potential for growth and vibrancy. He spearheaded a campaign to ensure the financial backing for construction of a new building on Cline Ave. S., but that was just the beginning of Rabbi Green's vision. He saw the synagogue as a welcoming house of worship attracting an increasing number of families from diverse Jewish backgrounds. He succeeded in doing so through his foresight, perseverance and charisma. Rabbi Green was intent that Jewish children in the Hamilton area have the opportunity to be educated at a day school encompassing Jewish traditions and values as well as providing secular studies. In that vein, he created the Hamilton Hebrew Academy, which to this day welcomes every Jewish child regardless of affiliation or ability to pay. In the 1960s, Rabbi Green established a Jewish youth movement that attracted teenagers from Ontario, upstate New York and the upper Midwest. The winter and summer seminars attracted up to 500 teenagers. Ultimately,

the movement became NCSY Canada. Rabbi Green was also instrumental in the construction of the mikvah in Hamilton, and it was through his vision that a yeshiva was established, with an enrolment that grew to over 100 students. When the influx of Soviet Jewry to Hamilton began in the late 1970s, Rabbi Green played a major role securing housing, basic living necessities, and free Jewish education for the children. As the new immigrants had no financial history in Canada, or security, Rabbi Green personally co-signed for most of the leases even though he was not in the financial position to do so. In 1979, a mass wedding was performed in the Adas Israel sanctuary, followed by a community celebration for scores of Russian Jewish couples who were denied a Jewish marriage in their former homeland. In a 2002 interview Rabbi Green said: "What I've tried to maintain, in the shul and through education, is the continuity of Jewish tradition. We have to develop a personality that can go out into the world and still maintain his or her personal identity. That requires knowledge, commitment and spirituality. A strong sense of Jewish identity will help guard against the risk of intermarriage and assimilation." In a video shown at his *shloshim* memorial last August, Rabbi Green said that his destiny was to be in Hamilton. "It is very rare that a rabbi was encouraged to the extent that I was ... It was a relationship (to my congregation) that made my life meaningful and purposeful. "What I hope and pray is that



**A larger** than life personality: A young Rabbi Mordechai Green at his desk at the Adas Israel.

PHOTO: COURTESY RABBI DANIEL GREEN



**Rabbi Daniel** Green and his father at an Adas function last year.

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the priorities in our community will be deeply rooted in Jewish education, in Torah education. Rabbi Green's son, Rabbi Daniel Green, the synagogue's current rabbi, says his father was the champion of the individual. In a Facebook post, Rabbi Daniel Green added: "He was selflessly there for people in their most trying moments, restored relationships and hope, and made countless individuals believe in themselves. He was a mentor to many in all aspects of life. His dedication to others knew no bounds." Rabbi Green graduated from Yeshiva University in 1955 and was recipient of the school's Talmud Award. He was a disciple of the revered Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik, who had a profound impact on Rabbi Green's world outlook. He then

studied at the Bernard Revel Graduate School of Yeshiva University and at the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Rabbinic School of Yeshiva University. He was ordained as a rabbi in 1958. During his student years he served as chazzan and rabbi at Stern College in New York. Rabbi Green was a staunch Zionist and defender of Israel. He served as Chairman of the Federation emergency campaigns for Israel. He helped raise significant funds for various Israeli charities including United Israel Appeal, State of Israel Bonds, Emunah Women, Beit Halochem, and Sha'arei Zedek Hospital. During his tenure as rabbi, countless members of the Hamilton Jewish community made aliya to Israel with many attributing their decision to Rabbi Green's

encouragement and inspiration. In 1973, Rabbi Green, together with a group of idealistic Canadians, spearheaded a major effort to establish a community in Israel called Kiryat Canada. The group purchased 400 dunams of land on the Mediterranean coast, in an area now called Ramat Poleg. The project ultimately stalled, due to internal Israeli politics, but the efforts inspired Rabbi Shlomo Riskin to establish a community in Israel called Efrat. It was in that City that Rabbi Green resided during his final days and where he ultimately passed away on July 17, 2018. Rabbi Green is survived by his wife Sylvia, sons Gershon, Moshe, Cemmie, Daniel, daughter Rachel, 26 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

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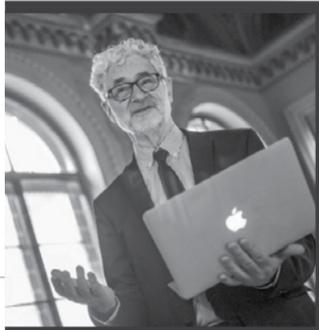
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Between 1991 and 1996, he published a trilogy of books on Jews in Central Europe: "Out of the Shadows", "Jews, Germany, Memory", and "Survival in Sarajevo: Jews, Bosnia, the Meaning of the Past". Between 1996 and 1999 he produced four documentary films for ABC News Nightline on Jews in Central Europe.

Since 2000, he has been the director of Centropa, which interviewed 1,200 elderly Jews in 15 European countries and digitized 22,000 old photographs. Centropa's educational programs are being used in 490 schools in 19 countries.

Mr. Serotta was born in Savannah, Georgia in 1949. He graduated with a degree in marketing from the University of Tennessee in 1972 and worked in various fields in Lon Angeles and Atlanta until 1984, when he began photographing and writing about Central Europe. He relocated to Budapest in 1988, Berlin in 1991 and Vienna in June 1997.



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Frank seized every opportunity he could to make himself appear healthy so he would seem valuable as a worker.

# LESSONS IN SURVIVAL

Frank Junger was one of the few children from his town to survive the Holocaust

STORY BY **PHYLLIS SHRAGGE**, THE HAMILTON JEWISH NEWS

AS FRANK JUNGER tried to focus on his school work on that unforgettable day in March, 1944, he was aware of the pounding of footsteps outside the school window. German soldiers were marching into Valea Lui Mihai, Romania, and their approach marked the beginning of the end of his childhood. Frank was just 13 years old. He had become a Bar Mitzvah, yet he was far from being a man. From now on, this skinny boy from a middle-class family would have to rely on himself to survive.

Frank and his parents lived a comfortable life in the town located about six kilometers from the Hungarian border. They were part of a community of about 1,500 Jews in the town of 20,000 people, and for the most part, they lived a peaceful co-existence with their non-Jewish neighbours. Frank's family was well off. He recalls that they had over 400 sheep and 40 oxen.

At the end of March, the Jews of his town were expelled to a ghetto in Hungary. In May, on the pretense that they were being sent away to become farm labourers, the Jews were loaded into train cattle cars. More than 100 men, women and children were squeezed into each small car. Tiny slots allowed in a bit of air, but the heat was oppressive and the conditions were unsanitary. A barrel of drinking water was provided,

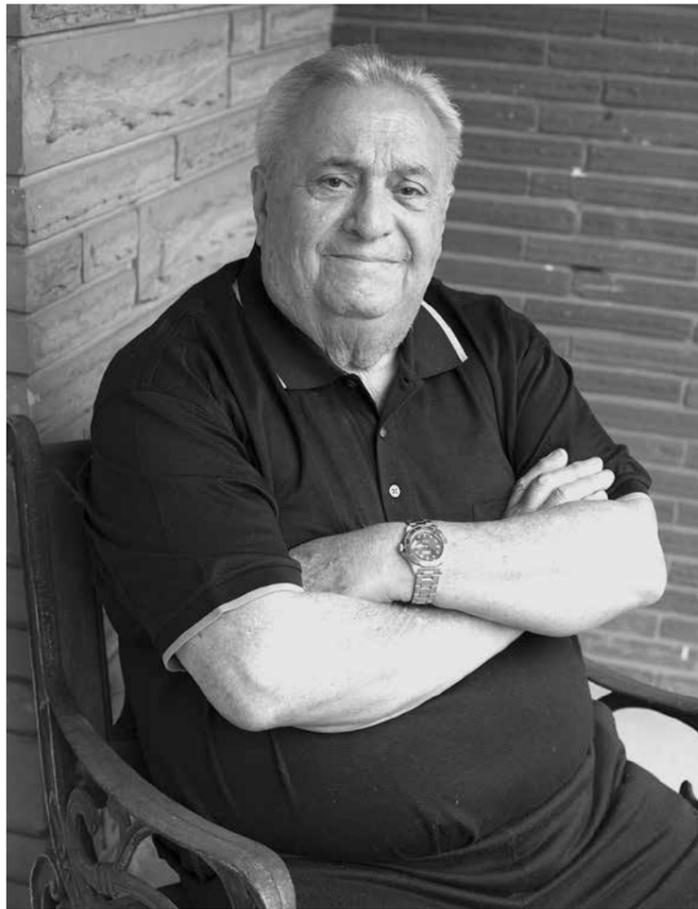
but it was consumed quickly and the people were desperate for something to drink. A wooden tub was available as a latrine, but there was no privacy and the situation was degrading.

After the arduous journey, the train arrived at Auschwitz-Birkenau. The people were pushed out of the cars and forced to line up, men separated from women. The women were led away and Frank never saw his mother again. Frank recalls the men being forced to discard their clothes, then being shaved from head to toe, and eventually being given striped uniforms. Everyone looked the same.

"We hadn't eaten or had anything to drink in 48 hours. They brought us some food in metal garbage cans, but it wasn't really food. It was slop. We had to cup our hands to drink it."

Frank soon was separated from his father, never to see him again.

Frank attributes his ability to cope at Auschwitz-Birkenau to a number of factors, one being that he spoke multiple languages: Yiddish, Romanian, Hungarian, German and a bit of English. He was able to understand the guards and he was able to discern the advice of some adult prisoners. One day, a male prisoner asked his age. When Frank said he was 13, the man advised him to tell people he was 16 because he would be more valuable to the SS if they



**Frank Junger** in his Burlington home. For years he didn't speak of his experiences, but went on to be a regular speaker on Holocaust education.

gave him a pair of long underwear which saved his life.

Frank ended up in other concentration camps, including Gunskirchen, Melk and Mauthausen. When the American forces liberated Mauthausen in 1945, Frank was admitted to a hospital with a severe case of typhus. Once he recovered, he returned to his town with the hope of moving into his family home, but it was occupied by Romanian officials. For a short time, he lived with two uncles in Budapest, and then he moved to Canada to begin a new life.

He moved to Hamilton where he worked for an automotive company and then went into the bakery business. Later, he met George Bick, and in 1951, he became a part owner of and a distributor for Bick's Pickles. Frank was an independent distributor for Bick's in the Niagara Peninsula region until his retirement in 1995.

For years he didn't talk about his experiences, but after his retirement, he became a regular speaker on Holocaust education, addressing thousands of students.

He married Eliane Ligeti in April, 1962. Frank and Eliane have two children, Steven and Kathryn, and four grandchildren.

perceived him to be older.

Frank was one of the few children from his town to survive the concentration camps. During a selection process initiated by Dr. Joseph Mengele, the notorious "Angel of Death," Frank was ordered into a line of boys that Frank sensed were to be exterminated. He managed to sneak into the other line, the line of boys selected to live.

Frank seized every opportunity he could to make himself appear healthy so he would seem valuable

as a worker. Frank saved a sliver of beet peel from the meager rations so he could smear the red vegetable on his cheeks. He is sure that this trick saved him from being selected for extermination.

In January of 1945, the camp was evacuated and the prisoners were forced to march through the countryside in the bitter cold. Many of them froze to death. He says he kept alive in the frigid weather because of the compassion of an old school friend who had passed himself off as a Gentile. The friend

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**David Shore** is a professor in the Department of Psychology, Neuroscience and Behaviour at McMaster University, where he serves as the principal investigator in the Multisensory Perception Laboratory. His main area of study is human perception and cognition with an emphasis on how humans integrate information from multiple sensory systems.

Within the Jewish community, David has played an integral part in developing the Kehila Jewish Community Day School. He has served on the board for more than 12 years, three times as school chair. He is currently engaged with the school developing a donor relations initiative. David also served on the Hamilton Jewish Federation board for two years and was on the committee to restructure Federation bylaws. All of this work was supported by his engagement with the Genesis leadership initiative more than 15 years ago.

**In his role as Yesod facilitator, David brings both an academic perspective and practical leadership experience in the Hamilton Jewish community.**

To register and for more information, please contact Gustavo Rymberg at 905.648.0605 or grymberg@jewishhamilton.org





SIMONE ROTSTEIN

## THE JOYS OF GRANDPARENTING

CAVE-LIKE, the basement room, in my son's and daughter-in-law's Ottawa home, is pitch black and cold, as day breaks on a January morning. Awakening, I use my iPhone to check the time and provide some light. I ease out of the snug bed, gather my clothes, judiciously arranged the night before, and, mindful of my husband, Ed, still asleep, tread softly to the bathroom, to wash and dress. The washroom is cold and small. I turn on the auxiliary electric heater, struggle to find a place for my clothes and toiletries and heat up the shower water. The spray pelts and revives my body, shaking the sleepiness away. Reluctantly, I turn off the water and dress in the still chilly bathroom.

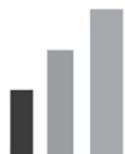
Anticipating that first cup of morning coffee, I proceed, like a thief, up the unlit stairs, to the first floor of a silent house. I greet Puma, the cat, and she tolerates me, a mildly acceptable stand-in for her real caregivers. I prepare my breakfast in the quiet, neat kitchen and arrange my reading material as the early, morning light diffuses into the dining room, illuminating the large wooden table and the shelving unit crammed with books, board games and knickknacks. I munch on some toast spread with smooth peanut butter and read the news; all the while, anticipating.

There are a few stirrings above, on the second floor. Steps move about from one room to another. Silence pervades again. Suddenly, my daughter-in-law's footsteps sound, coming down the stairs. As would a magician, she bestows to me a bundle, smiles, and vanishes back to the coziness of her bed. My arms enfold the small offering; I smell the sweet scent of innocence, feel the soft, silky skin of my grandson and my heart fills.

As would a magician, she bestows to me a bundle, smiles, and vanishes back to the coziness of her bed. My arms enfold the small offering.

Simone Rotstein's grandchild lives in Ottawa with his parents.

Have a story to tell about the joys of grandparenting? Email the editor at [wschneider@jewishhamilton.org](mailto:wschneider@jewishhamilton.org)

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Nov. 5 at Shalom Village, Anna Schafer presents Jewish Stories; Nov. 26 at Temple, film Carvalho's Journey; Dec. 17 at Shalom Village, Kathryn Kimmons presents Laughter Yoga.

**Jewish Film Series**, Sundays at 7:30 p.m. at TAS. Nov. 4: The Prime Ministers, Part 1 - 1947-73; Jan. 6: The Prime Ministers, Part 2 - 1973 and onward.

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“ We rode along rocky terrain, reveling in the freedom that comes from being in an isolated space, the barren but beautiful landscape stretching for miles in every direction.

## THE DESERT GLORY OF MITZPE RAMON

A luxury hotel has made a once overlooked town one of Israel's most popular destinations

STORY AND PHOTOS BY **WENDY SCHNEIDER**,  
THE HAMILTON JEWISH NEWS

**STANDING ON** A precipice overlooking one of the most beautiful views my eyes have ever beheld, I wonder that for all my frequent trips to Israel over the years, this is my first encounter with the majestic Makhtesh Ramon. The Ramon Crater, as it's more commonly known, is actually not an impact crater, but rather a 40 kilometre-long, nine-kilometre-wide and 400-metre-deep geological landform created by millions of years of erosion as the Negev made the transition from ocean to desert.

As an overseas student living in Israel in the 1970s, I was vaguely aware of the existence of this unique geological phenomenon next to the town of Mitzpe Ramon, but in those euphoric years following the Six Day War, I, like thousands of other visitors and native Israelis, was much more focused on driving through the Negev as quickly as possible in order to get to the Sinai desert and its magnificent beaches. When Israel returned the Sinai peninsula to Egypt in 1982, the Negev received renewed interest, and in 2011 with the construction of a luxury hotel on a cliff overlooking the Makhtesh, Mitzpe Ramon suddenly became one of Israel's top vacation destinations.

That is how my family came to the decision to splurge on a three-night stay at the Beresheet Hotel this month, in honour of our Israeli aunt's 90th birthday.

It was a decision we would not regret. From the moment we entered the hotel lobby where huge picture windows show

the Makhtesh in all its glory, we were immediately transported to another world. Dozens of wild Nubian ibex roaming freely on the property only added to the enchantment, as did watching the setting sun transform the desert landscape into a palette of constantly changing hues—all from a front row seat at the hotel's exquisite infinity pool.

When the Beresheet Hotel opened, many were hopeful that it would spur the creation of new businesses in Mitzpe Ramon and have a positive impact on the local economy. But a 2016 article in Ha'aretz noted that the majority of guests, wanting to get the most of their time there, don't venture much out of the hotel. If so, they're losing out.

A 15-minute drive from the hotel, you will find the Alpaca Farm Mitzpe Ramon, a charming working farm that doubles as a bed and breakfast. Its resident herd of South American llamas, alpacas, horses, and angora sheep have made it especially popular with families of young children. For me, the draw was a sunset horseback ride to the makhtesh rim. My guide was Maya, a lovely young Israeli woman who has been living at the farm for the last seven months, on a gap year between completing her army service and post-army travels and starting university. We rode along rocky terrain, reveling in the freedom that comes from being in an isolated space, the barren but beautiful landscape stretching for miles in



### Land of the Ibex

A lone Nubian ibex stands at the rim of the Makhtesh Ramon. The rocky desert-dwelling goat antelopes are found in mountainous areas of Israel, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Egypt and Sudan.

### IF YOU GO

**What:** The Makhtesh Ramon is the world's largest erosion crater located about a two-hour drive south from Tel Aviv.

**How to see it:** The Alpaca Farm Mitzpe Ramon ([www.alpacas-farm.com](http://www.alpacas-farm.com)) is a great starting point for horseback rides to see extraordinary scenery and observation points.

Beresheet Desert Tours ([www.bedesert.co.il](http://www.bedesert.co.il)) offers Jeep tours inside the makhtesh, Bedouin experiences and stargazing.

**Where to stay:** Beresheet ([isrotelexclusivecollection.com/beresheet/](http://isrotelexclusivecollection.com/beresheet/)), an architectural wonder that overlooks the Makhtesh. For the more budget conscious, a Google search will list several other lodging options.



### The infinity pool

at the Beresheet Hotel offers exquisite views of the Makhtesh.

every direction. After 45 minutes, we arrived at the rim just in time to witness a breathtaking sunset.

The following day, our last, the seven of us headed into the makhtesh itself on a sunset jeep tour with Beresheet Desert Tours. The company's charming owner Gilad Cartoon moved to the area six years ago, swapping his desk job in Haifa with a lifestyle that suits his adventurous spirit. Our two-hour tour took us off-road on a bumpy but comfortable ride that included frequent stops during which Cartoon pointed out the area's unique geological features or demonstrated the secret medicinal

qualities of various desert plants. After holding our breath while Cartoon navigated some very challenging vertical terrain, we were rewarded with 360-degree panoramic views of the Makhtesh from the top of Mt. Gevanim. It was the best possible conclusion to an amazing three days.

Forty-eight hours later, we were back in Canada, tired but elated from our whirlwind trip to the Negev desert. Mitzpe Ramon feels like something very rare today: an unspoiled and accessible piece of paradise. Put it on your list for your next Israel vacation. You'll be glad you did.

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Bogdan Bialik, a Catholic Pole, journalist and psychologist, confronts the deepest prejudices in his fellow citizens in the film "Bogdan's Journey".

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**MONDAY, NOV. 5 | "RADEGAST" | 2 PM AND 7 PM | JHAMILTON | 1605 MAIN ST. W.**

Between October of 1941 and August 29th of 1944 Germans had sent 250 thousand Jews to death camps in Chelmno and Auschwitz. The Borys Lankosz's documentary is a story about so-called "intelligencia": lawyers, doctors, professors, philosophers, and writers. All were forced to relocate to the Lodz's ghetto from Prague, Vienna, and Frankfurt where two worlds had collided: the aristocracy and intelligencia of the western Jews with the eastern Jews' working class. Using modern and old photographs, reports and authentic speeches of Chaim Rumkowski, the Lodz ghetto Judenrat leader (played by an actor), authors of the film are trying to gain an insight into a tragic reality of that time.

**TUESDAY, NOV. 6 | "THE ACCOUNTANT OF AUSCHWITZ" | 2 PM AND 7 PM | JHAMILTON | 1605 MAIN ST. W.**

Oskar Gröning, known as the "Accountant of Auschwitz," was charged with the murder of 300,000 Jews. When he took the stand in 2015, at the age of 94, his trial made headlines worldwide. The debate around his prosecution is at the centre of this historic yet contemporary look at justice. As survivors travel to Germany to testify, the heinous acts of the Holocaust remain vivid and traumatic. Bringing war criminals to justice, with no statute of limitations, asks fundamental moral questions with few simple answers. From Nuremberg to the new alt-right, The Accountant of Auschwitz constructs a stark reminder that those who forget history are doomed to repeat it.

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 7 | "BOGDAN'S JOURNEY" | 2 PM AND 7 PM | JHAMILTON | 1605 MAIN ST. W.**

Kielce, Poland was the site of Europe's last Jewish pogrom in 1946. The militia, soldiers and ordinary townspeople killed over 40 Holocaust survivors seeking shelter in a downtown building, injuring 80 more. Bogdan Bialek, a Catholic Pole, journalist, and psychologist, emerges to talk publicly about the issue. Beginning as a solitary figure, he confronts the deepest prejudices in his fellow citizens and strives to reconnect Kielce with the outside Jewish community. The effort costs him dearly. "Bogdan's Journey" was filmed in Poland, Israel and the United States over almost a decade.

**THURSDAY, NOV. 8 | "BOX FOR LIFE" | 2 PM AND 7 PM | JHAMILTON | 1605 MAIN ST. W.**

Noah Klieger is the last living survivor of the boxing team of Auschwitz and the oldest still active journalist in the world. In between, he saw from close up and survived many of the defining events of the 20th century, and some of the events he may have even steered a bit. 91-year old Klieger is a Jewish Forrest Gump.



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