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We have lots of exciting information to share about upcoming programs and events. If you are not already receiving our publications, please send us your contact information and we will be sure to bring you up to date on happenings in Jewish Calgary. To sign up today, please contact Elliott Steinberg at 403-252-5801 or esteinberg@jewishcalgary.org.



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NEWS, VIEWS AND SCHMOOZE WITH THE CALGARY JEWISH COMMUNITY



A MESSAGE FROM ADAM

Chaverim,
At this time of year, many of us are experiencing the excitement, and the angst, of the weeks leading up to *Pesach*; we are looking forward to Passover with family and friends and the many good times we enjoy over the week, but we are also dreading the path we need to get there, the cleaning, kitchen switchover, multiple grocery store visits, recipe swapping, and hours of cooking. Not only is Passover a time of festive celebration, but it is also a time of spring renewal, a change of seasons and of attitudes. We emerge from the cold of the winter with positive energy for a productive and enjoyable spring.

Pesach as a *chag*, a holiday, is also a time of renewal. It represents a time when we moved from slavery to freedom, from absence of hope to hope. The Israelites had been enslaved to Pharaoh for many years before Moses uttered the famous words "Let my people go!" At the *Pesach seder*, we celebrate the breaking of the Israelites' bondage and often use the opportunity to give thanks for the freedom we enjoy as Jews in Canada today.

But the Passover story leads us to other discussions as well. Over the time spent in the desert, finding their way to *Eretz Canaan*, the Israelites became a nation – a strong and

passionate people, seasoned and committed to the common goal of reaching the Promised Land and living according to Jewish laws. Although there were many challenges along the way, the destination was worth working toward and fighting to achieve.

What does that tell us about our Jewish community of Calgary in 2017? We have a clear destination – and that is to build and maintain a vibrant Jewish Calgary, filled with proud, educated, engaged Jewish children and adults, who enjoy living a Jewish life in a free and accepting Canada. As we work together to reach that destination today and in the future, we will certainly encounter bumps and challenges along the way, and our focus will be tested. Over the coming months and years, however, we will craft a meaningful route to our destination – a picture of success for our community, and a map of how to get there. It is my hope that we will, as a community, identify key priorities and opportunities aimed at solidifying the present, and building for the future. We will, together, ensure that we continue to support those in need, that we enhance programs for youth and young adults through which they can express their Jewish pride and engage with community, that we continue to build bridges

with other communities, and that we strategically combat hate and bigotry to not only address the symptoms, but the roots of the problem.

In Jewish Calgary's case, *Eretz Canaan* is an aspirational destination that will be built from our continuing journey together. We are well positioned to reach the destination in the coming years, and with the breadth and depth of Jewish Calgary, we will all be better off through the experience of getting there.

**Because...Together the journey is more meaningful.
Because...Together reaching the destination is sweeter.
Because...Together we are stronger.**

Chag Pesach kasher v'sameach,

Adam Silver, CEO, Calgary Jewish Federation

CALGARY JEWISH FEDERATION INVITES YOU TO THE COMMUNITY COMMEMORATION OF

YOM HASHOAH

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

SUNDAY APRIL 23, 2017



Contact Ilana for information at
403-444-3162

Our evening begins

6:30PM

Holocaust Memorial Wall,
Calgary JCC

Commemoration continues

7:30PM

Beth Tzedec Congregation

**GUEST SPEAKER
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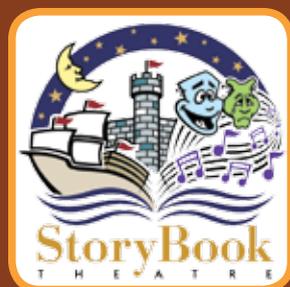
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For information, contact Judy Shapiro at 403.444.3153 or jshapiro@jewishcalgary.org



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**SPECIAL REDUCED RATE
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PRESENTS

Hana's Suitcase



Sunday, April 30, 2017 • 2:00pm

Join Calgary Jewish Federation and Storybook Theatre for a special presentation of Hana's Suitcase. In this inventive, multi-media staging of a true story, we discover a tale of family love, tragedy and hope for the future.

Recommended for ages 10+. This performance will be followed by a Q&A session with a Holocaust Survivor about the play.

Special ticket price: \$25 for adults and \$18 for children. Tickets are limited and seats will be given on a first-come, first-served basis.

Purchase admission at jewishcalgary.org

For information contact Ilana Krygier Lapidés:
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PJ Library® Russian Programmer
 Русскоговорящий разработчик программ
 PJ библиотеки

PJ Library® Calgary and **Calgary Jewish Federation** are hiring a part-time Russian-speaking educator to plan and implement PJ Library® programs for the Russian-speaking community.

The successful candidate will:

- Work as part of the PJ Library® team to further programs, services and engagement of Russian-speaking parents, grandparents and children.
- Work with the PJ Library® professional to plan and implement four to six PJ Library® programs over the course of a year.
- Communicate with and reach out to Russian-speaking Jewish families.
- Develop and maintain a Russian and Hebrew language PJ Library® social media presence.

Job requirements:

- Russian as a first-language.
- Fluent in English and Hebrew.
- Must have a teaching degree or diploma.
- Experience working with pre-school and early elementary-aged children.
- Familiarity with Jewish traditions and culture.
- Familiarity with Jewish songs in Russian and Hebrew.
- Must be available on Sundays.
- Excellent interpersonal communication and organizational skills.
- Able to work collaboratively with a team.

Salary commensurate with experience and hours. Send resumes and cover letter (in English and Russian) to: Paula Egelnick at pegelnick@jewishcalgary.org by **Friday, April 28, 2017**.

Библиотека PJ Library Calgary и еврейская федерация Калгари ищут на работу русскоговорящего педагога, работающего на неполный рабочий день, для планирования и реализации программы PJ Library для русскоязычного сообщества.

Успешный кандидат будет:

- Работать с коллегами PJ Library по планированию дальнейших программ развития и привлечения и приобщения русскоязычных родителей, дедушек и бабушек и детей.
- Работать с профессионалом PJ Library для планирования и реализации 4-6 программ библиотеки PJ в течение года.
- Встречаться с русскоязычными еврейскими семьями и общаться с ними.
- Разработать и поддерживать в социальных сетях PJ Library на русском и еврейском языках.

Профессиональные требования:

- Русский – (первый язык)
- Свободно владеть языками :английским и ивритом
- Иметь ученую степень или диплом
- Опыт работы с детьми дошкольного и младшего школьного возраста
- Знакомство с еврейскими традициями и культурой
- Знакомство с еврейскими песнями на русском и на иврите
- Должен быть доступен в выходные дни- (по Воскресеньям)
- Отличные межличностные коммуникативные и организационные навыки
- Способность работать совместно с коллективом

Зарплата соразмерно с опытом и часами. Отправьте резюме и сопроводительное письмо (на английском и русском языках) по адресу: Paula Egelnick по адресу: pegelnick@jewishcalgary.org до **28 апреля**.

HOLOCAUST EDUCATION TEACHERS' CONFERENCE

Calgary Jewish Federation takes great pride in the breadth of programming in our Holocaust and Human Rights Education Department, which impacts approximately 4,000 students a year. Always looking for innovative ways to reach ever more students, the Holocaust Education Department held our first Holocaust Education Teachers' Conference on March 17. Feedback from the 25 teachers in attendance was very positive, confirming that the conference will become a biannual event.



The goal of the conference was to give classroom teachers the tools and resources to teach the Holocaust thereby making local teachers our partners in the important task of Holocaust Education.

The inaugural conference was a full day of discussion, workshops, and presentations about the latest pedagogy and technologies around Holocaust Education. An excellent keynote address by Mount Royal College historian Scott Murray was followed by presenters from Voices into Action, and the Azrieli Foundation in Toronto which introduced teachers to their ReCollection resource. Teachers also experienced a presentation by one of our 2nd Generation – 2nd Voices presenters. The junior high and high school public and private school teachers left the conference armed with information on new initiatives and resources. Most now feel well-equipped to go into their school communities and teach Holocaust history to countless students for years to come.



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**SUNDAY MAY 7TH
 1:30 TO 3:30PM
 CALGARY JCC**

JAC KESHER

Children are welcome

Limited seats | register by April 3
 (registration only)

Register with Jordan: jac@jewishcalgary.org
 Or Karina: karinas@jewishcalgary.org



**Bringing people together...
 Be part of JAC.**



Scotch tasting & hors d'oeuvres
 March 23, 2017

Want to connect?

Contact Jordan: 403.444.3146 | jac@jewishcalgary.org



The Israeli consul is coming to Calgary on June 4. If you need to see the consul for matters requiring a personal appearance, for example, renewing a child's passport, please contact Judy Shapiro at jshapiro@jewishcalgary.org to get on the appointment list.