Federation’s Bruchim Habayim program can help make it easy to welcome newcomers to Calgary.

Do you need a place to go for the high holidays? Consider making a place at your table to make a welcoming start for new Jewish Calgarians.

If your child was recently diagnosed with ADHD, ADD, learning disability, autism, cerebral palsy, etc., Cath Petrinack from The Children’s Link will discuss funding resources, education, and more.

Do you have a place at your table for a guest? If you answered ‘yes’ to either of these questions, contact Karina Szulc by September 12 at 403-389-6994 or karinas@jewishcalgary.org.

A Message from the UJA 2017 Co-Chairs

We are so pleased to be at the kickoff of the 2017 United Jewish Appeal campaign. We have both been involved for many years and recognize that our community’s annual campaign is a vital necessity for Jewish life in Calgary. We are honored to be trusted with the responsibility of raising the funds that fuel so much of what makes Jewish Calgary strong.

The theme of this year’s campaign is “Everyone Counts.” And in Jewish Calgary that is a reality. Whether you are an immigrant or were born here, whether you are Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, or secular, whether you are a donor or in need of help – everyone counts in Jewish Calgary. Whether we’re talking about a single mother who’s struggling to make ends meet, a family that enjoys PJ Library® books, a couple that always attends Federation’s Yom HaShoah commemoration, or someone who simply values the relationship of Calgary Jewish Federation and local police.

No matter how you engage with the Jewish community, or what you get from community, you count. Calgary Jewish Federation is here for you – and it is our goal to make Jewish Calgary as warm, welcoming, exciting, passionate, and caring as possible.

Of course, none of the programs and services we all enjoy are possible without the support of community members like you. And there’s no question – Jewish life in Calgary is dependent on each and every one of us standing up and being counted. There’s no excuse not to count yourself in!

Please consider the importance of being part of this amazing community and what it takes to keep it that way. Look for “How to Give” on our back page in this issue of the Jewish Free Press. Go online, send a cheque by mail, answer a canvasser’s call, or come to the Federation offices in person. However you do it, make yourself count!

Everyone counts, every gift counts.

On another note, we’re very excited about the campaign launch event with 106.7 CKM’s – a unique and talented duo from Montréal who have hit up the internet with their very take on modern life – partly in Yiddish. Their live show, in English, plays on the same great humour of their theatre series. Seriously, you don’t want to miss this performance. Purchase your admission online now at jewishtogether.org.

We look forward to seeing you at UJA events. Here’s to a successful 2017 campaign.

Shalom,

Wynne and Harvey Thal

2017 Campaign Co-Chairs