



My Circle



LET THERE BE LIGHT

Chanukah is a great time at Jewish Care. Over the eight days, there are celebrations throughout our facilities as families and friends come together to celebrate the festival of lights.

With Melbourne's long summer days, it can be easy to forget the dark wintry nights which the lights of the Chanukiah illuminate.

Here at Jewish Care, we know that darkness is never far away – in the form of loneliness, grief, despair, fear, ill health: these unfortunately are the kinds of dark situations which so many of our friends and neighbours struggle with every day.

Thankfully, we have supporters like you who help to transform the darkness – who bring companionship to the lonely, courage to the fearful, tenderness to the frail, new possibilities to the dispossessed.

The hope you kindle dispels so much darkness. Your help gives a hand up to those who have been brought down, raising them up and helping them to move forward.

These are the miracles you make possible, not just at Chanukah, but 365 days a year.

I dedicate this issue of My Circle to you, our readers and supporters. Thank you for being part of our circle of care.

Warm regards,

Bill Appleby, CEO Jewish Care



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PAULINE AND GEOFFREY GREEN OAM A LIFETIME OF CARE



Treasured benefactors, Pauline and Geoffrey Green OAM, at a recent Circle of Care luncheon.

The thoughtfulness of Pauline and Geoffrey Green OAM in remembering Jewish Care in their will follows a lifetime of service to the Jewish community.

It was the early sixties when Geoffrey first joined the board of the then Jewish Welfare & Relief Society. At 26, he was recruited together with Philip Shulman and Nathan Fink by the Society's President, the late Walter Lippmann, who was determined to bring younger people onto the board.

The appointment was a natural fit for Geoffrey, whose father Ben was President of the Board of Jewish Deputies and of the Executive Council of Australian Jewry in the early 1950's.

For the next 30 years, Geoffrey served on the board, including several terms as treasurer and as president. It was a team effort, with Pauline providing home support, running a busy household and raising three young boys.

The Greens' lifetime of commitment was recognised when Geoffrey received a Life Governorship from Jewish Care in 2001 and an Order of Australia in 2003 for service to the Jewish community.

Geoffrey says that one of the most satisfying aspects of his work with Jewish Welfare was the organisation's wide representation and support at a time when such cohesion was uncommon.

The couple's enduring commitment to Jewish Care helps to ensure that the delivery of vital services to all sectors of our community is secured for the future.



Members of the board of the Australian Jewish Welfare Relief Society in 1987

SERVICE HONoured



Diane Gringlas, centre, receiving the Leo and Mina Fink Community Service Award, presented by Susie Ivany and Nathan Fink.

The Leo and Mina Fink Community Service Award was this year awarded to Diane Gringlas at Jewish Care's Annual General Meeting, held 22 November at Glen Eira Town Hall.

Established in 2010 to honour the outstanding leadership of the late Leo and Mina Fink, the award recognises those volunteers who have made an exceptional, sustained and/or lasting contribution to Jewish Care in the areas of fundraising, community development, brand or reputation.

In presenting the award, Susie Ivany praised Diane for her exceptional and sustained voluntary and philanthropic contribution to Jewish Care, particularly in the area of disability services.

Past recipients have included the late Don and Sonia Marejn, Liz Nissen, Rosalie Silverstein, Barry Fradkin, Les Reti, the late Masha Zeleznikow and Reuben Zelwer.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR FEEDBACK!



Congratulations to Professor Leonard and Mrs Esther Koss, prize winners of a Coles/Myer gift voucher.

Thank you to the many people who took the time to respond to our Supporter Survey.

Your comments have been duly noted and we will endeavour to act upon your feedback!

2017 ANNUAL REPORT OUT NOW



Our Annual Report is a great summary of how we have supported our community over the past financial year. See how your contribution has made a difference to so many.

Contact:
marketing@jewishcare.org.au
or view our online version at
www.jewishcare.org.au/AR2017

HORSING AROUND WITH GARY



Hava Nagila, the champion racehorse that always wins Jewish Care's Melbourne Cup, delighted elders at Gary Smorgon House this past Cup Day thanks to Gary Bryfman, honoured Circle of Care Gold Member. For the 15th year in a row, Gary has amused Jewish Care's audiences with his horse tale of the indefatigable racer, born in Be'er Sheva and raised on a steady diet of cholent, gefilte fish and matzoh – well, that's if you believe him!

A LEGACY FOR GENERATIONS



Dina Goldschlager and grandchildren join Mark Joel and Feygl Cylich in remembering past benefactor Alfred Goldschlager.

Family and loved ones joined us on 10 October at our second annual Commemoration Event honouring treasured benefactors who had included a gift to Jewish Care in their will.

“It is important to remember and honour the many individuals who had the foresight and care to include a legacy gift for the betterment of our community,” said Mark Joel, General Manager Community.”

SHARE YOUR SIMCHA



Fay and Keith Rubinstein shared their simcha in honour of Keith's 80th Birthday.

Do you have a birthday, anniversary or a special simcha coming up? Spread the joy by requesting donations to Jewish Care in lieu of gifts. It's a wonderful way to celebrate your special day while sharing your happiness with those who need it most.

For more information, contact Lauren Woolf at lwolf@jewishcare.org.au or 8517 5622

CONSTRUCTION AT ST KILDA ROAD



The portables in the forecourt at St Kilda Road are tell-tale signs that construction on the new Hannah & Daryl Cohen Family Building is in full swing. The portables house a temporary kitchen – milchik and fleishik – which will service the Montefiore and Smorgon Nursing Home community for the duration of the construction, expected to take two years.

The redevelopment of St Kilda Rd has been made possible due to the generosity of our major capital donors as well as the many foresighted benefactors who have left a legacy gift to Jewish Care in their wills.

GETTING STARTED ...OR UPDATING



One of the basic steps of any estate planning is setting out all the details of your financial assets and obligations. Our Personal Records Organiser helps you to list all your important information in one place.

For your complimentary copy, contact Margaret Langley on 8517 5963 or mlangley@jewishcare.org.au

FRIENDS & FACES

Supporters and friends attended Circle of Care luncheons in August and October.

From left to right, (top row) Lorraine Weiner & Geoffrey Blick, Sylvia Portek & Jack Morris, Lois Sandor, Estelle Nessen,

(middle row) Lorna Vidor, Deanna Levin, Ina & Leslie Clive, John & Susan Swiatlo

(bottom row) Robert & Mary Gluck, Jack Frydman, Val Granat, Pauline Green, Ann Frydman, Irma Hayden, Mavis Slomoi.



OUT AND ABOUT

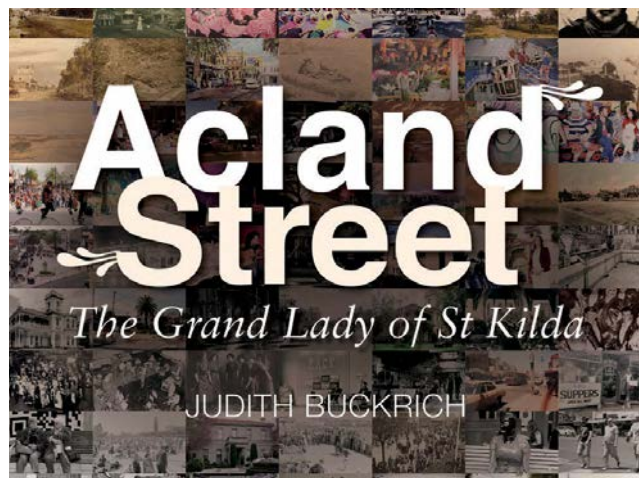
A change of scenery invigorates the mind, body and soul. Here are some ideas for keeping cool over the summer.

AMY WINEHOUSE



Named the pre-eminent vocal talent of her generation, this exhibition explores the inner world and influences which shaped the singer, songwriter and fashion icon. At the Jewish Museum until 25 March. Adults/Concession: \$12/\$6

ACLAND STREET



Enjoy reading this lavishly-illustrated history of the street which became the centre of Jewish social life in Melbourne. Written by award-winning historian Judith Buckrich, author of *The Montefiore Homes: 150 Years of Care*. Available at all good bookstores.

SUPPORTING YOU AT HOME



Looking for some extra support at home? Jewish Care can help you to remain living independently.

We can also assist you in registering with My Aged Care.

Contact our Front Door team on 8517 5999.

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A publication of Jewish Care's Circle of Care.

Circle of Care is a social group for Jewish Care supporters who enjoy celebrating our work and values. We hold a variety of events throughout the year.

For further information or invitations to future events, contact Feygl Cylich on 8517 5602 or fcylich@jewishcare.org.au

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