CAMPAIGN ’93 BRINGS US CLOSER TO OUR GOAL

This past June and July witnessed the continuation of our society’s fundraising campaign for the Holocaust Education Centre, opening in 1994. This year’s campaign, endorsed by the Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver and co-ordinated by Sharon Harowitz, has brought us closer to our long term goal of raising sufficient funds to build and operate a centre devoted to Holocaust-based anti-racism programs for B.C. students and the general community. Through information evenings hosted in private homes, an increasing number of people in our community became acquainted with the educational aims of the Centre and many subsequently joined in with generous pledges to the project.

Special thanks for the success of those evenings goes to the following: hosts Edwina and Paul Heller, Ruth and Cecil Sigal, Gloria and Robbie Waisman, Marla and Peter Gropper, and Yvette and Hershey Porte; educators Bill Nicholls, Kit Krieger and Susan Rome; students Natalie Grunberg, Jessica Silver and Rebecca Porte.

We extend our sincerest appreciation to the following people for their generous commitments to the Holocaust Education Centre Capital Campaign (as of September 10, 1993):

1993 SPECIAL DEDICATIONS

Education Co-ordinator’s Office - Edwina & Paul Heller
Learning Centre Vestibule - Esther Kaufman in memory of Leon Kaufman
Library - in memory of Lou Berger by his family: Helen Berger, Peter and Andrea Berger, Daniela & Eugene Schwartz
Ner Tamid - Lil and David Shafran
Student’s Cloakroom - Ruth Brody

1993 ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Sidney and Sylvia Eibschutz Endowment for Holocaust Education - Sylvia Eibschutz & Family
Henry and Ludmila Zeldowicz Endowment Fund - The Estate of Henry Chaim Zeldowicz

1993 FOUNDERS

Lotte Aufleger  
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Arthur & Rose Chinkis  
Eidel Dreishner  
Sylvia & Sidney (z”l) Eibschutz  
Larry & Ann Flynn  
Jack & Goldie Gardner

Ronnie Tessler editor
Dear Mr. Ehrlich,

This note is meant for the most convincing two volunteers who rendered vital and knowledgeable services to the Louis Brier home residents on Aug. 5th. Although your message was very moving and painful, you gave us hope for the future and promise for a better world. I realize that I am too old to participate actively, but I feel the need to belong to this movement. Enclosed you will find a cheque - $18.00 for joining, the balance is a donation as I am going to be 91 years this month. Good luck in all your efforts.

Sincerely,
Jean Lawrence

THANK YOU TO EACH OF YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE VHCS HOLOCAUST EDUCATION CENTRE

Aug. 7th, 1993
Your interest in the Society is appreciated. To become more actively involved, do clip this page and mail it to the VHCS, 950 West 41st Ave., Vancouver, B.C. V5Z 2N7.

VHCS MEMBER INTEREST FORM

Name ___________________________ Phone ___________________________

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Interested in these committees? Are you interested in any of these activities?

Archive Committee Organizing and filing
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Docent Program
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Memorial Services
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Preferences: Do you like working... alone?
with one other person?
in a group?

Are you computer literate?
Are you available...
daytimes?
evenings?
time of year?

Other Comments?

Thank you for your interest
Education Committee: On behalf of the VHCS, the committee, co-chaired by Kit Krieger, Odie Kaplan and Susan Rome, accepted a grant of $5,000 from the Vancouver Foundation for program development for the Holocaust Education Centre. On June 8, 22 teachers met with the committee to begin this process. The committee and the Society would like to congratulate the Vancouver Foundation on their 50 years of service to our city in the areas of the Environment, Youth Activities, Education, Child and Family, Arts and Culture and Health and Welfare.

A.G.M.: The Annual General Meeting held June 14 in the Zack Gallery at the JCC was attended by 60 members. Following committee reports, architect Jack Lutsky displayed the details of the new Centre on a large-scale model and led a site tour with exhibit designer David Cunningham. Sharp-eyed Society members sent us copies of write-ups on the AGM from the Jewish Western Bulletin, Canadian Jewish News and the Winnipeg Jewish Post!

Survivor Outreach Program: Our survivor educators spoke at 36 venues over the past year. Participating were: David Ehrlich, Ruth Sigal, Robert Krell, Bronia Sonnenschein, Louise Sorensen, Lillian Nemetz, Michel Mielnicki, Frances Hoyd, Bill Gluck, Rubin Pinsky, Robbie Waisman, Rene Goldman, Chaim Kornfeld. Student Aimee West said of her meeting with David Ehrlich, "To me, meeting Mr. Ehrlich and shaking his hand was so much more than any book or magazine article on the Holocaust, because he was there." Teacher Cheryl Douglas, writing to Robbie Waisman said, "As you know, I believe that topics like these should be the focus of schooling. Only by educating our young will things change in the future." The Outreach Program is chaired by Rita Akselrod.

Second Generation: This group meets bi-monthly and welcomes new participants interested in addressing Second Generation issues. Please call Alina Wydra for information at 732-6631. A family picnic was held in June. Please watch your mail for details on the Sunday, October 31 special event with Second Generation performance artist Lisa Lipkin of New York. Lisa, who was warmly received in Toronto, will give a workshop and a performance during her stay in Vancouver.

Child Survivor Group: Chaired by Lillian Nemetz (738-8260), this group meets monthly in members’ homes. They recently published their first newsletter. A number of members attended the International Hidden Child Conference in Jerusalem in July. Please call Lillian if you are interested in exploring your identity as a child survivor with others of a similar history.

Archives Project: During the summer, archivist Pam Tranfield catalogued and described the entire VHCS collection. She will soon input this data onto the computer. In the process, the collection has been added to a province-wide database network.

Audio-visual Interviews: Mia Weinberg concluded 20 video interviews with donors of artifacts to the archive. In the process, she received many new items on behalf of the Society. Mia transcribed the interviews as well as ascribed numbers to each item she dealt with.

Research trip to Washington, D.C.: Design chairman Art Pouchet, Education Committee member Odie Kaplan, Executive Director Ronnie Tessler and Holocaust educator Karen Riley of the Orlando, Florida Holocaust centre met in Washington at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum for 2 1/2 days of tours and meetings with museum staff. Ms. Riley has provided the VHCS with a written report and resource materials.

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Cemetery Service: September 19 was the 6th annual High Holydays memorial service, co-ordinated by the VHCS and chaired by Leo Lowy. Rabbi Martin Cohen of Beth Tikvah officiated with Cantor Yaacov Orzech of Schara Tzedeck. Jack Micner and Harold Folk read Tehillim. Kaddish was said by survivor Irving Glassner.
**LIBRARY AND OUTREACH WISH LIST**

**Dictionaries:** English/Polish; English/German; English/Russian; English/Italian

**Atlases:** prewar and wartime Europe showing towns and villages, and contemporary Europe

**Music:** 78's and/or records, tapes and CD's of Yiddish, ghetto and resistance songs; works of music by Jewish composers and librettists from 1920 - 1945, or post-war music composed in memoriam.

**Calligraphers:** Attention talented calligraphers - the library desperately needs your talent to calligraphy the book plates on the volumes contributed by our donors. Please call the office at 734-5325 to sign up.

**Yiddish Speakers:** We can help you help us - the VHCS Archive contains a number of important documents that require translation. If you are comfortable using a small tape recorder, we will see to it that your translation is taped. Please call Ronnie (734-5325) or Rubin Pinsky (873-9842)

**Clipping File:** If you have been blessed with a sense of organization, we need YOU! Newspapers waiting to be cut and filed have been piling up. Call 734-5325 to help.

**ENRICH OUR LIBRARY BY DEDICATING AN ITEM**

Pay tribute to friends and family by purchasing a book, video or poster set for the Library or Outreach Program. A list is kept in the office. For example, $18 - $36 buys a book inscribed in your name in memory or tribute. Special items from $54 - $108 are also available for dedication, eg. Auschwitz: A History in Photographs by Teresa Swiebocka, Johnathan Webber & Connie Wilsack.

**GIFTS AND DONATIONS**

Your generous contributions help the Society fulfill its mandate of Holocaust documentation, education and remembrance.

**SPECIAL GIFTS**

Peter & Esther Kleinman - donation to Outreach Fund
Emmy Krell - donation in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Stelzer and Family
Emmy Krell - donation to Holocaust Education Fund
Leslie Spiro - donation in memory of his sister Katalin Spiro
Dr. Ianny Kornfeld - donation in memory of his parents Leo & Rivka Kornfeld
Edward & Pnina Granirer - in memory of Rudolf Donnerman
Aliza Kornfeld - donation in honour of her mother's 80th birthday, Esther Herskowitz of Kfar Yona, Israel
Estate of Ernest Schillinger - donation
Shalom Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion - donation
Residents of Louis Brier Home - donation in honour of Tzvia Estrin's birthday
Lola Apfelbaum & Regina Feldman - Yad Vashem Archives of Destruction Microfiche Collection, in memory of Max Apfelbaum (z'h).

Ande Blitz - photocopy machine, moving dolly
Isaac Thau - video camera

**ARTIFACT COLLECTION: RECENT GIFTS**

To place Yizkor books, documents, photographs and artifacts in the VHCS Archival Collections call Collections Chairman Rubin Pinsky at 873-9842.

Dr. Dina Golovanevskaya: medals, photos, article
Dora Gray: Yizkor book, photos
Frances Hoyd: Buchenwald money, photos
Irene Kirstein Watts: photos, documents
David Feldman: Yizkor book, photos, artifacts

Regina Feldman: photos, books
Peter Gorst: photograph
Jack Gardner: documents collection
Boris Shak: Yizkor book, photos, testimony
Stan Winfield - personal album

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**LIBRARY COLLECTION: RECENT ADDITIONS**

*To donate or order books and videos as tributes, please call the office at 734-5325*


**MEMBERSHIP DONATIONS**

*Thank you to all our new and renewed members and to the following for their donations:*


**TRIBUTE CARDS**

The VHCS gratefully acknowledges contributions through Tribute cards. To order a card for any occasion, please call Grace Ehrlich at 327-8064 or Regina Feldman at 327-3358.

**MAZEL TOV**

Izzie & Cookie Mackoff on their 50th anniversary from: Art & Terry Szajman; Leo & Jocy Lowy

Susan Bluman on the birth of a grandson and a granddaughter from: VHCS Board

Lil & David Shafran in honour of dedicating a Torah to the Schara Tzedeck: Rob & Marilyn Krell; Sharon Harowitz & Bob Willmot; David & Grace Ehrlich; VHCS Board; Sophie Waldman

Isadore Pelman on his 80th birthday from: Leo & Jocy Lowy

Harley & Leslie Mackoff on their 20th anniversary from: Leo & Jocy Lowy

Mitch Snider on his 75th birthday from: Leo & Jocy Lowy

Gerry Gales on his hole-in-one from: Leo & Jocy Lowy

Gerry & Ruby Gales on their 40th anniversary from: Leo & Jocy Lowy

Aaron Kagna on his 90th birthday: Grace & David Ehrlich

Jean Lawrence on her 91st birthday: VHCS Board

Victor & Ida Liiff on their 45th anniversary from: Leo & Jocy Lowy

Leo Lowy & Miriam Trajanowski on their 65th birthday from: David & Regina Feldman

Bob Coleman on his birthday from: Abe & Goldie Miedzygorski

Joseph & Frances Cohen on their anniversary from: Leo & Jocy Lowy

Bernie Simpson, in appreciation from: VHCS Board

Harry Gordon on his 70th birthday from: Sharon Harowitz & Bob Willmot

Carol Herbert & Fred Swartz on their wedding: Sharon Harowitz & Bob Willmot

Grace McCarthy on her Canada 125 medal from: VHCS Board

Honourable John Fraser, P.C., Q.C., M.L.A. on his Canada 125 medal from: VHCS Board

Allen & Shirley Diner on their anniversary from: Larry & Lyliane Thal

Daid Wosk on his special birthday from: Larry & Lyliane Thal

Louis Eisman on his 50th birthday from: Ruth & Cecil Sigal

Louise & Ike Sorensen on the birth of a grandson from: VHCS Board

Lionel Goodman on his 80th birthday from: Leo & Jocy Lowy

Leo Lowy on his 65th birthday from: Harley, Leslie, Darren & Niki Mackoff

Marilyn & Ed Gaerber on their son’s wedding from: Sharon Harowitz & Bob Willmot

Jack Krauss on his Canada 125 medal from: VHCS Board
SPEEDY RECOVERY
Sarah Mandelbaum from: Art & Terry Szajman
Lori Seeman from: Terry Szajman & Regina Feldman
Harry Nortman from: Izzy & Bertha Fraeme; Zoltan & Erika Fleischer
Celina Lieberman from: Lil & David Shafran
Esther Pelman from: Leo & Jocy Lowy; David & Regina Feldman
Joe Buller from: David & Regina Feldman
Rose Lewin from: Art & Terry Szajman; David & Regina Feldman
Andre Blitz from: VHCS Board
Rodney Benson from: Larry & Lyliane Thal; Sharon Harowitz & Bob Willmot
Harold Silverman from: Leo & Jocy Lowy; VHCS Board
Hope Signorello from: Leo & Jocy Lowy
Sonja Sleva from: Esther Kaufman
Beth Hirschberg from: Leo & Jocy Lowy

SYMPATHIES
Marg Logan & Family, in memory of her husband Abe from: Leo & Jocy Lowy
Cecil & Ruth Sigal & Family, in memory of his mother Sophie Bernard from: VHCS Board; Robert & Marilyn Krell, Maud Blitz; Andre Blitz
Sandy Katz, in memory of Eric from: Larry & Lyliane Thal
Shirley Kushner, in memory of her father from: Larry & Lyliane Thal
Else Dunner & Family, in memory of her husband Sam from: VHCS Board; Ann Rosenberg; Norman & Sheila Archeck; Julie & Henry Gutovich; Robert & Marilyn Krell; Art & Terry Szajman
Barry Dunner & Family, in memory of his father Sam from: Ronnie & Barry Tessler; VHCS Board; Sharon Harowitz & Bob Willmot; Steve Barer & Sue Albersheim; Leo & Jocy Lowy
Joyce Lewison & Family, in memory of her husband Edward from: Sharon Harowitz; VHCS Board
Maurice Trojanowski, in memory of his mother from: Art & Terry Szajman; Izzy & Bertha Fraeme; Regina & David Feldman
Bryna Brail, in memory of her father from: Leo & Jocy Lowy
Syd and Marj Freedman, in memory of their mothers from: Leo & Jocy Lowy
Rabbi Imre Balla & Family, in memory of his wife Anna from: VHCS Board; Rome & Hy Fox; Anita Ornstein, Robert & Marilyn Krell; Ronnie & Barry Tessler; Sharon Harowitz
Inge Manes, in memory of her husband Fred from: VHCS Board; Susan Bluman; Joe & Ina Auerhahn; Esther Kaufman; Robert & Marilyn Krell; Ida Kaplan
Howard & Phyllis Gerber, in memory of Martin from: Esther Kaufman; Zoltan & Erika Fleischer
Elaine Charkow, in memory of her mother Szerna Buium from: Larry, Lyliane, Ricki & Tod Thal; Esther Kaufman
Al Buium, in memory of his mother Szerna Buium from: VHCS Board
Debbi & Ed Rozenberg, in memory of her mother Sarah Kaplan from: VHCS Board
Sari Sichell, in memory of her mother from: Larry & Lyliane Thal
Rabbi Itzchak Marmorstein, in memory of his mother: Rubin & Jennie Pinsky; Myrna & Barry Rabinowitz; Gita Silver
Moriah Dales, in memory of her husband Leon from: Fay & Morley Shafran; VHCS Board; Henry & Pola Nutkiewicz
Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Dales, in memory of his father Leon from: Fay & Morley Shafran; Allen & Shari Gaerber
Harold Groberman, in memory of his father Sid from: Larry & Lyliane Thal
Monte Glanzberg, in memory of his mother Gertrude from: VHCS Board
Ben & Rita Akserlod, in memory of his sister Malka from: Herschel & Rachel Wosk; Grace & David Ehrlich; VHCS Board; Odie Kaplan; Regina & David Feldman; Tibor & Agi Bergida; Esther Kaufman; Larry & Lyliane Thal
Mr. & Mrs. A. Sklossky, in memory of their son from: Pola & Henry Nutkiewicz
Jean Wolfin, in memory of her sister from: Leo & Jocy Lowy
Joe Kettleman, in memory of his mother from: Leo & Jocy Lowy
Alter Rubin & Family, in memory of his wife Malka from: Ida Kaplan

Remember, for there is, there must be, hope in remembering - Elie Wiesel

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