



B'NAI B'RITH PREVIEW

SHANA TOVA U'METUKA AND WELL OVER THE FAST



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Message from the President: Shana Tova

We all know that we are going through a very tough time in Victoria with its second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The effect on our members has varied greatly. Some have carried on without too many problems but for others, the self-isolation has been a long and lonely path with increasing feelings of boredom and low mood. Everyone is trying to adapt. Two shining examples are from Marianne Schwarz – one of our oldest members who survived the Holocaust and recovered from her recent COVID infection and remained bright and cheerful. The other example is our past District President Ruth Figdor who is also recovering from health problems but who remains optimistic and thanks G-d that with modern technology we can all stay connected with friends and relatives around the world.

It makes me realise how much harder it must have been for Jews hiding in Europe during the Holocaust without any such outside support.

With a bit more time on my hands now, I have read Rabbi Jonathan Sacks's new brilliant book called "Morality". He discusses how Western societies since the 1960s have become obsessed with the individual rather than the group or society welfare. Interestingly, he points out that this has also led to the decline of importance of the family, voluntary sector and religion (in contrast to the role of the State and the market). He rates the voluntary sector, which would include organisations like B'nai B'rith, as having a key role in maintaining the health of democracies and a society where people cooperate for a greater good.

Togetherness has also featured in some of our recent activities including the wonderful BBVic Youth Art Competition (which has been praised by multiple school principals) and the rehearsals for our musical Showcase. The Finals Concert will be held on September 13th, so book your ticket if you have not done so yet for this annual highlight of our calendar. The recent Zoom meeting with Syd Einfeld Unit in Sydney, featuring David Sharma MP as their guest speaker, was excellent. He was very impressive and no doubt has a bright future ahead.

Our annual Memorial Service for departed members will be organised again by Karin Zafir and Kath Kolb and will be held via Zoom on Sunday 6th September. It's always very personal and a time for me to reflect on my late sister Dorit who passed away 28 years ago aged 39. I wonder what she would be doing now if she was still alive.

Enjoy this bumper edition of Preview put together by Frances and Teegan.

Finally, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are fast approaching. My best wishes to you and your family for a safe, happy and healthy New Year and well over the Fast.



Dr Benny Monheit

Benny

Message from the BBANZ President



Dear Members and Friends,

Sue and I wish all members of BBVic and their families a very happy New Year and well over the Fast -Shana Tova u'Metukah. Let me start off this report by again hoping that you are all coping with the Stage 4 lockdown and that it will be a lot better by the time I write my next report. At least the number of new cases is coming down. Sue and I listen with nervousness each day when they announce how many new people have caught the virus in both Victoria and New South Wales.

I was fortunate through Zoom to attend the BBVic Annual General Meeting held on the 30th July. Congratulations to all who commenced their second year on the Executive at the AGM and for your services over the last 12 months.

It certainly has not been an easy time for you and yet you have managed to keep BBVic on the radar. You won't forget BBVic's 75th year of existence. It was also nice to see an excellent turnout of your members on that evening.

The main item of interest at the General Meeting was the question of targeting younger membership. The BBVic President stated that, in spite of multiple attempts over the past five years, you had not succeeded in forming a younger BB group. It was proposed that the best way to achieve these goals was to appoint a Chief Executive Officer or Manager who would be required to implement the strategic plan set out by the VBBC and President of BBVic. I can only applaud you for making this decision and with the help of all of us we can make it work.

It was also good to hear that the BB Presidents of Victoria and New South Wales intend to provide all our members with a Calendar of Zoom events over the coming months. There have been and are a number of interesting speakers and with the help of Zoom we can all join in. I am looking forward to attending some of these events.

Recently I, together with Morris Tobias and Anna Marks, were invited to the Zoom farewell of the Israel Ambassador to Australia, Mark Sofer. We heard some glowing tributes to the Ambassador and, on behalf of all members of BBANZ, we wish him and his family all the very best for the future.

Until next I write, I hope you all stay safe and well.

David Samuels

MAJOR BBVic EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY:

September:

Wednesday 2nd - 7:30pm Raoul Wallenberg Unit Installation & AGM

Sunday 6th - 11:00am BBVic Memorial Service (See flyer for more information)

Sunday 13th - Melbourne Mitzvah Lodge Installation

Sunday 13th - 1:30 pm Showcase Finals Concert

Sunday 13th - 7:30 pm MML Installation

October:

Tuesday, 6th - 7:30: Speakers Forum/Raoul Wallenberg Unit

November:

Tuesday, 3rd - 2:00pm Hatikvah Cup Day Mask-erade Fundraiser (more information to follow)

Sunday, 15th - 7:30pm - Menorah Awards

Sunday, 22 or 29 - 7:30pm Speakers Forum - date to be confirmed

Please Note September/October calendar is a flyer !!

RAOUL WALLENBERG UNIT

Co-President: Simone Markus / Jacqui Dinor-Corry

Secretary: Minnie Kahan

Preview: Josh Kahan



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What's on in September:

Wenesday 2 7:30pm - Regular Meeting, AGM, Installation of the Executive Committee. P/P Dr Paul Gardner AM to install the Executive and he will be the Guest Speaker. Topic: "B'nai B'rith: the Need for a Plandemic".

Sunday 6 11:00am BBVic Memorial Service (See flyer for more information)

Wednesday 9 2:00pm Programming Meeting, 7:30pm Executive meeting

What's happening in October:

Tuesday 6 7:30pm - Israel and the Jewish World combined with Speakers Forum. Speaker Cr. Jamie Hyams. Topic: "Development in Israel and the Middle East." (See flyer)

Tuesday 13 2:00pm - Programming Meeting

Wednesday 14 7:30pm - Executive Meeting

Thinking of you: We wish a speedy recovery to all those who have been ill. If you are unwell or know of a fellow Unit Raoul Wallenberg member who is not well and would like a friendly phone call or a visit, please call Ruth Figdor or Leah Black.



Israel and the Jewish World



GESHER-RABIN UNIT

Co-Presidents: Karin Zafir / Leon Nissen

Secretary: Sue Moskowitz

Preview: Tom & Karin Zafir



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The Presidents (Leon Nissen and Karin Zafir) wish all our members and their families good health during the Covid-19 crisis. If you need any support (or just want to chat) please don't hesitate to get in touch. Also, Jack Aghion is coordinating any assistance members might require.

Wishing all members and their families a Happy New Year and an easy Fast.

Until COVID-19 restrictions are lifted:

Every Sunday 11:00am "Get-Together" – interesting and entertaining discussion via Zoom on a variety of topics, guest speakers & quiz. Contact Karin if you'd like to join in and need help with Zoom. You will need to have Zoom installed on your device but there is no need to set up an account. Here is the link for the meeting. It will take you directly to Zoom.

Every Friday 11:00am Keep fit during lockdown - Exercise classes - Exercise adapted for all levels of fitness brought to you by our very own Gesher-Rabin Unit's Co-President Leon Nissen. To join the class, click on the following link or enter the meeting ID into Zoom: For assistance, contact Karin Zafir.

Still to come in August:

Saturday 29 7:30pm - Annual Comedy Debate against Maccabi Toastmasters – via ZOOM.
Topic: Life is Better in Lockdown. MC – Maurice Klein, J-Air presenter
Enquiries Sue.

Coming up in September & October:

Thursday 10th Sep & Thursday 8th Oct (and every second Thursday of each month)

German Speakers Group - Are you a native German speaker or grew up in a home where German was spoken but now rarely have an opportunity to speak the language?

Karin Zafir is looking for more people interested in joining our group, initially via Zoom, to meet for a friendly group chat. All degrees of proficiency welcome! Contact Karin.

Sunday 6 Sep 11:00am Annual Memorial Service – Via Zoom

Postponed until further notice due to Covid-19 - Bunnings Sausage Sizzle – Warrigal Road, Moorabbin. Enquiries: Evelyn

UNIT AKIBA

Co-President: Helen Fisher / Peter Schattner

Secretary: Annette Gladwin

Preview: Henry Gladwin



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Unit Akiba is currently holding all of its meetings on Zoom. If any non-Akiba B'nai B'rith member would like to join any of our Zoom social functions below, please email Henry Gladwin at for the link to the meeting.

We wish our members well over the high holidays - stay safe!

What's on in September:

Wednesday 2 7:30pm – Executive Committee meeting.

Sunday 6 11:00am BBVic Memorial Service (See flyer for more information)

Sunday 6 7:30pm – Under our banner of **WADI** (Watch and Discuss Ideas), there will be a presentation of three short video clips by prominent speakers, followed by participants sharing their thoughts on the various issues raised. Further details to follow. Contact person: Mark Rubinstein.

Thursday 10 8:00 - 9:30pm – **The Jewish Non-Fiction Book Club**. The meeting will review the book "Mossad: The Greatest Missions of the Israeli Secret Service" by Michael Bar-Zohar and Nissim Mishal. Presenter: Miriam Feldheim. Contact person and enquiries re participation: Peter Schattner.

Sunday 13 1:30pm - **BBVic Showcase Finals Concert**. Tickets via TryBooking. (See flyer)

Coming up in October:

Wednesday 14 7:30pm – Executive Committee meeting.

Sunday 18 7:30pm – **Regular Meeting**, followed by a presentation with our guest speaker Rabbi Daniel Rabin from South Caulfield Hebrew Congregation, on a topic to be advised.

Coming up in November (full details in November's Preview):

Tuesday 3 Melbourne Cup Day activity

Sunday 15 Mitzvah Day. Please see text box below for further details

Wednesday 18 7:30pm - Executive Committee meeting

Thursday 19 8:00-9:30pm - The Jewish Non-Fiction Book Club

Sunday 29 7:30pm - Regular meeting, followed by a Zoomed movie night

MITZVAH DAY – as part of Unit Akiba's involvement in Mitzvah Day this coming November, we are collecting items that will be distributed to the needy in our wider community, through the work of the City of Glen Eira Council. We are specifically collecting non-perishable food items with a use-by-date that is AFTER March 1st, 2021, as well as toiletries and other useful household items. We welcome all BB members' contributions to this most worthwhile project. To donate items, please contact our coordinator, Helen Fisher.

HATIKVAH UNIT

President: Paula Messer

Acting Vice-President: Claude Fromm

Treasurer: Orly Dar

Preview: Judith Steinberg



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Hatikvah wishes all B'nai B'rith members good health in these difficult times. Please take the time to keep in touch with each other.

Still to come in August:

Sunday 30 8:00pm - **Zoom meeting** - Our guest speaker will be Nick Cartwright, the Philanthropy Coordinator of the Royal Children's Hospital Foundation. He will be talking about how the Life Therapy Team at the hospital uses the calico dolls made by Hatikvah Unit. Contact Michael Taft for meeting code & please log on a few minutes before 8:00pm.

There will be no meetings in September:

**We wish all BB members a Shana Tova and well over the Fast.
May the New Year be a sweet and joyful one.**

Coming up in October:

Sunday 25 8:00pm - **Installation of new Executive - Zoom meeting.** Our guest speaker will be Elizabeth Holdworth. This year is the 80th Anniversary of the Dunera Boys' arrival in Australia. Elizabeth will give us some insights to their life in Australia and a look at some of their artworks. If you would like to join our zoom meeting please contact Michael Taft (details above) for the code and log on to zoom 10 minutes earlier so that we can start at 8:00pm.

B'NAI B'RITH RAMBLERS

Chair: Vardit Sacks-Davis

Secretary: Tania Tobias

Preview Secretary & Mail Out: Judy Winikoff

Treasurer: Irena Blonder



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Happy New Year - Shana Tova. May the New Year bring Health, Happiness and Ramblers Walks.

Stage 4 restrictions were announced for 6 weeks until 13 September. At the moment there is no guarantee that they will be lifted on 13 September and whether they will be lifted sufficiently to enable group walking. If they are, then we had planned to walk a midweek walk on 16th September.

The remainder of September we will be celebrating Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. The first two Sundays of October we will be celebrating Sukkot and Simchat Torah. We hope that by October 18th, in our new year we can recommence our walks program.

What's on in September:

Wednesday 16 Morning - Midweek walk in the Ashburton area, led by Rodney.

Coming up in October:

Sunday 18 Morning - Harvey will lead a SOMW walk in Warrandyte.

Wednesday 21 Morning - Midweek Walk in the Croydon area, led by Fairlie and Dennis.

Sunday 25 Morning - SOHW walking the Mondo Track in Healesville, led by Tania.

MELBOURNE MITZVAH LODGE

Co-Presidents: Deidre Wainrit / Devorah Zmood

Preview: Russell Stern



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Wishing all our members L'Shana Tovah and well over the Fast - even if we will pray in isolation in our homes this year. Keep well and positive and observe sensible precautions to remain healthy. Hopefully, the New Year will be the gateway to a more positive outlook in our daily lives and activities. This issue of Preview occurs in September, the month during which there is the changeover from outgoing President Garry Fabian to incoming Co-Presidents Devorah Zmood and Deidre Wainrit. As Garry notes, it could be said that "we are sailing in uncharted waters" as our meeting formats are quite different from those we have been used to for nearly eight decades here in Australia and internationally for 175 years in B'nai B'rith. Since March this year, and most likely for some time in the immediate future we meet on Zoom, not sitting together in a room. Two weeks ago, we held our AGM in this format, with annual reports presented and adopted, elections for the 2020/2021 Executive conducted, a memorial service held for our late Sister P/P Eva Rathner OAM. P/P Giora Hoffmann spoke to us about building concepts. While it had the normal elements of a meeting, in some ways it was a bit surreal. The same will be the case for Installing the new executive team later this month. But the traditional sit-down meal will be in our own homes, and our own catering (we even need to wash our own dishes). This "Brave New World" also involved adaptations in modifying our ritual to accommodate the reality of handling the changing needs, meetings need to be run differently to fit these new demands of the electronic media – our gateway to communications. The executive structure for the coming term is also adapted to current circumstances, with Co-Presidents and the return of Vice-Presidents to share the load, as members are less willing to take on positions on the Executive. We also need to seriously look at the future format of B'nai B'rith so as to ensure its future direction and indeed its very future as a viable and relevant organisation in our community. We are planning several programs including a Zoom Bagel Brunch on October 25, with a number of hosts, each of a group of 8 or 10. This will provide for informal discussions in each group, an aspect that has been such an important part of these functions, getting to know our fellow members more closely - alas no yummy food, unless you have your own. Watch for details. But for now, it is important to keep in contact with each other and remain positive.

What's on in September:

Tuesday 1 8:00pm - **Programming Meeting** via Zoom. Details to be forwarded shortly

Sunday 6 11:00am - BBVic Memorial Service (See flyer for more details)

Sunday 13 7:30pm - Installation of the **Executive & Committee meeting** via Zoom as above

Coming up in October:

Wednesday 14 7:30pm - **Regular Meeting** via Zoom

Sunday 25 Zoom Bagel Brunch

NB! The Book Club continues to meet via Zoom on the 3rd Monday of September & October

'MAKING A DIFFERENCE' – Funds raised support Jewish VCE students (from low income families) at independent Jewish & State schools. A donation has been received from Martha Vanderhoek in memory of her mother. Additionally, many thanks for the enormous effort made by Tania Tobias, who secured a \$3,000 grant from the Glen Eira Council for Making a Difference which will go to provide two bursaries for students in schools in the Glen Eira area.

To make a donation, please credit our "Making a Difference" account: BSB: 013 017; Account: 9001 28923; Ref: Your Name & email. Devorah Zmood.



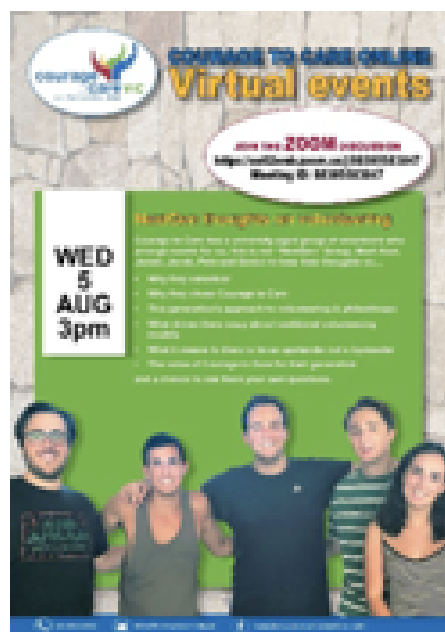
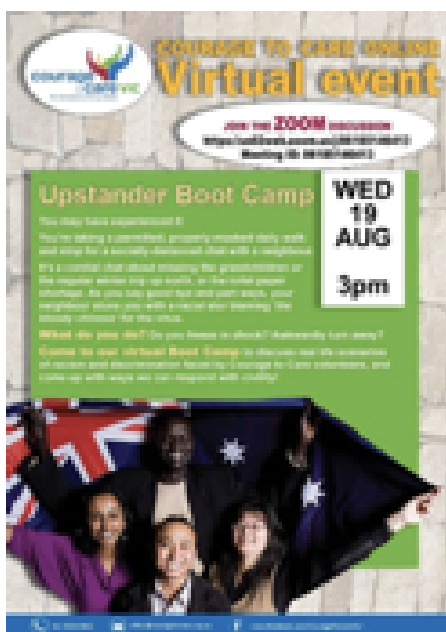
What's happening at Courage to Care? Even with the continued Covid-19 restrictions and postponement of our face to face program delivery, there is still plenty of very positive progress being made. Here's a glimpse and if you want to find out more just give us a call!

Remote Learning. We are continuing work on developing our upstander programs for remote delivery. This presumes students are in class with a supervising teacher and our volunteers communicate via technology such as WebEx (which is the system that the Department of Education recommends schools use). Of course this will never replace the impact of face to face communication but it does mean we can continue sharing our important educational messages.

Two important projects underway. With generous support we have been able to commence both the development of our Teacher Resources (based on Julie Meadows anthologies) and our "Fee for service" Social Enterprise business plan projects. The Teacher resources will give teachers a powerful classroom lesson plan reinforcing our upstander messaging and our "Fee for Service" will identify greater opportunities for workplace training.

Sick of jigsaw puzzles and Netflix? Why not take the plunge. This is the perfect time to pick up new skills, brush up on old ones, and deepen your understanding in pertinent areas of knowledge. Zoi and Lisa are doing an enormous amount of work so that training and introductory sessions can be delivered remotely via Zoom. Get in touch and discuss what we have to offer. Contact Lisa on volunteer.coordinator@couragetocare.org.au

Zoom Virtual Events. Introduced in May, our Virtual Events have attracted large attendances for compelling and informative presentations.



Make sure you keep an eye out for future events! Find our more.
Contact us on 9533 0955 or www.couragetocare.org.au



Showcase: fostering Jewish musical talent

"My friendship with Eva Rathner goes back many, many years. During that time, I witnessed how Eva threw herself into volunteer work within the Jewish Community. She was very committed to the Jewish Museum of Australia, Courage to Care and B'nai B'rith projects - in particular the Annual Jewish Youth Music Competition now known as Showcase. Eva was very much an ideas person, but unlike others, actually carried out her ideas and encouraged others to join her. The last idea that she had was to raise money for Showcase by organising concerts online. Despite her suffering towards the end of her life, she persuaded others, especially Jacqui Dinor Corry, to make it happen. May her memory be a blessing." *Ruth Figdor*

The musical afternoon fundraiser held in memory of P/P Eva Rathner OAM was an excellent concert and 60 people attended. We thank BBVic and the wider BB community for its generous support. The concert was recorded and is available to all on a fee per view basis of \$15. Please see instructions below:

Access the channel <https://bbvic.net>.

1- Click on the video. 2- Create an account to Login. 3- Enter your Credit Card information. 4- Enjoy. Please tell your friends to support Showcase fundraising.

Online Showcase 2020:

We were encouraged by 36 Entries for Online Showcase 2020. Entrants have uploaded their videos to the channel for adjudication, which takes place until 27 August. The standard of entries is very high and we are proud to report 3 entries from Sydney. This is the pilot for Showcase going national in 2021.

The Finals Concert on Sunday 13 September at 1.30pm is being planned as a live streamed event via the channel using pre recorded videos from the finalists and Jewish schools. It is always a stellar event with wonderful performances, awards and the culmination of Showcase: fostering Jewish musical talent. This week our advertisers, sponsors, donors and Unit presidents were invited to attend the concert and send messages of support. Also local representatives of Glen Eira City Council (GECC), State and Federal Parliament and our patrons were contacted.

Bookings are available via Trybooking link - <https://www.trybooking.com/BKYCQ> (See flyer)

Finally in exciting breaking news, Showcase is the proud recipient of a generous GECC Community Grants Program 2020-2021 'to provide support for a musical competition for Jewish youth between the ages of 8-25 in the Glen Eira area.' The application was prepared by Stephen Moskowitz and we thank him for his time and support. This funding will ensure Showcase's sustainability into 2021. This is surely a light shining through these uncertain times.

Please send inquiries via our email address: showcase@bbvic.org.

Shanah Tova to enjoy the holiday season in good health.

Judy Firestone, Chair Showcase

*Warren Wills - pianist
and Vered Harel - singer
performing at the B'nai B'rith
Showcase Fundraiser and Eva
Rathner Memorial on Sunday
August 2nd.*



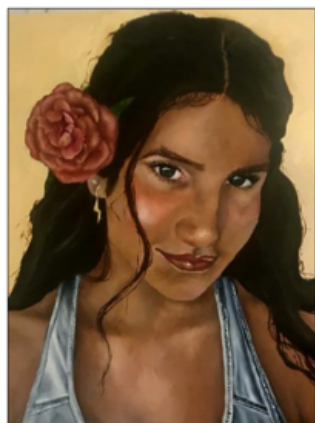
B'nai B'rith 25th Annual Jewish Youth Art Competition 2020

This year's art competition went ahead, but due to the Coronavirus pandemic, we adopted an entirely online format. Despite the challenging circumstances, the standard was excellent and we received enthusiastic support: 219 entries from 184 students across ten schools throughout Melbourne. Due to the volume, artworks



spanned three virtual galleries corresponding to the three age brackets (11 – 13, 14 – 15, 16 – 18). Categories included drawing / painting, sculpture, digital, mixed media and photography. Some of the key themes were religion, landscape, nature, still life, portraiture and abstract. Examples of major external sponsors include ErdiGroup, Gandel Philanthropy, Pratt Foundation, and Scott Winton Insurance Brokers. The Competition was also supported by the BBANZ Sustainability Fund as well as several BBVic units. Their generosity enabled us to award 35 prizes with a total value of \$6,000. Amongst them is the

Jeffrey Wiener Prize, offered for the first time this year. Jeffrey graduated from Mount Scopus College in 1974. Sadly, he passed away earlier this year at the age of 63. As Jeffrey was a talented artist, a number of his former



colleagues decided to sponsor a Portraiture / Caricature prize as a fitting tribute. See pictures on this page of the winning entries in this category. Samples of Jeffrey's artwork are included on page 26 of the catalogue. Other prizes honouring people who have passed away include the Thalia Hakin Prize (sponsored by Gandel Philanthropy), the Peter Krafel Photography Prize (sponsored by Unit Akiba), the prize in memory of Raymond Black (sponsored by BBVic) and of course, the Morrie Gold Prize. The overall winner of the Morrie Gold Prize – including a crystal trophy and a cheque

for \$600 – was Layla Light, a student at The King David School. The pre-recorded opening ceremony, catalogue, online exhibition, and complete list of winning entries can still be accessed via the art competition page on the BBVic website:

<https://www.bnaibrith.org.au/our-projects/bbvica>

Mark Rubinstein
Chair – Organising Committee

A Celebrity Amongst Us:

When Maurice Klein on his Shabbat Shalom Program (J-Air Friday, 10th August) called her a celebrity, Marianne Schwarz scoffed at the idea - but he was right - Marianne was interviewed for Channel 7 News, on the Sunrise program, then an in-depth interview with Maurice where Karin Zafir (her niece and Co-President of Gesher-Rabin Unit) organised for the interview to be available for members via Zoom. But not only that, when mentioning Marianne to my sister (who lives in Israel), she said that she heard of her as well - so Maurice was right - we do have a celebrity amongst us. (The link is on our website for those who would like to watch.)

This remarkable woman keeps defeating all odds, first surviving being incarcerated in three camps during the Holocaust and now at the age of 98 being the oldest Victorian survivor of COVID-19. How do we describe her - still an active member of BBVic - first in Menorah and now in Raoul Wallenberg, with Courage to Care speaking of her experiences during the War and a member of WIZO Masada - all organisations working for the betterment of community.

Marianne is not only a celebrity but she is a survivor, an inspiration to us all and to the those who are in their 80s and 90s who now know that if they get the Coronavirus, it does not necessarily mean that they won't recover.

Marianne, we at BBVic are honoured to call you Sister and friend. In recognition of all your achievements and work within the community, you are this year being recognised as one of five recipients of the BBVic Menorah Awards. You are one awesome woman!



Frances Stiglec

BBVic Menorah Awards 2020 - Recognising Volunteers

Five noteworthy achievers in the Victorian Jewish community are being recognised for their exceptional work in the latest annual B'nai B'rith Menorah Awards. The honours, now in their 42nd year, pay tribute to volunteers who work quietly behind the scenes making significant contributions to the community. This year's awardees are:

- Raizel Fogel
- Claude Fromm
- Vicky Grosser
- Geoff Sandler
- Marianne Schwarz

The 2020 awardees join more than 160 who have been recognised by B'nai B'rith Victoria over the years. The Awards Ceremony is planned for 7.30pm on Mitzvah Day, Sunday 15th November. At this stage it is unclear whether this will be a 'face-to-face' gathering in a hall or an online presentation on Zoom, that platform we have all learned to love (!!!) We are hoping also that the Lord Mayor of Melbourne, Sally Capp, will still be available to give the keynote address.

If you know of someone you would like to nominate for next year's Menorah Awards, please download a nomination form from tiny.cc/menorahawards or email the BBVic office on council@bbvic.org or you can pick up the form from the BBVic office once Beth Weizmann re-opens.

Evelyn Flitman, Chair Menorah Awards

B'nai B'rith Victoria - Bernard J. Lustig Memorial Scholarship

A HISTORIC LUSTIG SCHOLARSHIP "PRESENTATION"

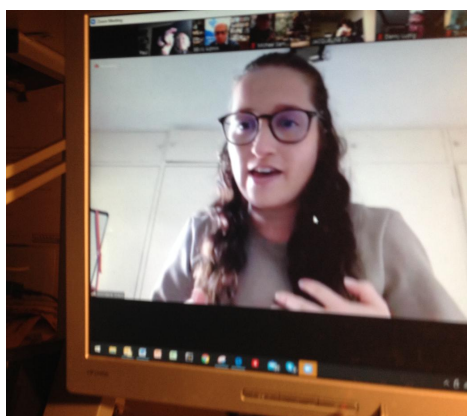
For the first time in its 65 year history, the winner of this year's Bernard Lustig Memorial Scholarship was announced at a Zoom event earlier this month.

Michaela Glass is a brilliant law student, having graduated last month from Monash with a double degree in Arts and Law, with first-class honours. Winners in the scholarship's Travel Grant category are judged not only on their academic results, but also on their proven ability to be a student leader. Her referees, foremost amongst them the Hon. Marilyn Warren AC, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court in Victoria, praised Michaela for her enduring efforts as a mentor to younger undergraduates.

Michaela was "present" at the Zoom meeting, but she wasn't in Melbourne. She was in the Netherlands, on her way to Cambridge University. When the new northern university year begins, she will participate in a highly selective group of post-graduates in a course leading to the Master of Corporate Law Degree. She is interested in the issue of legal control of corporations, to ensure that proper attention is given to privacy and consumers' rights.

The meeting was opened by BBVic President Dr Benny Monheit and hosted by Raoul Wallenberg Unit, one of the BBVic entities that are committed to major annual donations to the scholarship. Dr Paul Gardner AM, Chairman of the Scholarship's Trustees, introduced the winner to the meeting. The Lustig family was well represented. Danny Lustig, the nephew of the late Bernard, is one of the Trustees; Eve Lustig, widow of Dr Lew Lustig, founding Patron and Trustee, Bernard's brother, was also present. A pleasant surprise was to see another nephew, Bernard King-Smith, son of the late Ruth King-Smith, and named in memory of the uncle he had never known, logged in early in the morning from his home in the United States.

Dr Gardner, whose friendship with the Lustig family goes back to his childhood years, told Preview, "The pandemic is an international disaster of the first magnitude, and its effects have not yet been fully felt. In the meantime, B'nai B'rith and its projects refuse to lie down and die. We do what we can to carry on. Giving up is not an option."



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