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# Annual Report

#### Numbers on the rise

#### Visitor numbers reach 4,000

While we attempt to keep accurate visitor numbers, not everyone signs the guest book. Officially 3,836 individuals signed in. This number includes 146 international visitors and almost 2,000 from states other than New Mexico. More than 30 schools brought students on field trips. Other groups to visit were Road Scholar Southwest, Red Hat Society, Oasis, local senior centers, and the Nambé Book Club from Española. **Events and community outreach** 

#### In the Eye of the Storm: Budapest to Mexico 1941

Following a luncheon February 9th, more than 30 interested visitors heard a lecture by Samuel Marein-Efron who spoke of conditions within Third Reich in Hungary, such as the contrast of the hardships in farm country as opposed to safe metro areas. Marein-Efron's narrative was his pilgrimage to Mexico and then to Cambridge.

#### Eva Moses Kor shares theories on forgiveness

Eva Moses Kor was in Albuquerque on March 3rd to speak at a conference of the New Mexico Assn. of the Social Studies about the Holocaust. After that event in the National Museum of Nuclear Science & History, she joined us in our museum. Eva, with her twin sister Miriam, was subjected to human experimentation under Dr. Josef Mengele in Auschwitz. She signed copies of her book, *Surviving the Angel of Death*, a story of healing trauma through forgiveness.

#### Wrestling with the historical legacy of American slavery

On June 19th, and with funding from the Office of African American Affairs, the museum sponsored a Juneteenth commemoration in the Jewish Community Center. The legacy of slavery and its aftermath was discussed by several scholars including volunteers and members of our board. Topics included lynching in the context of the Emancipation Proclamation, Jim Crow, and Confederate statues.

#### Crowds rally for humane border policy

Representatives of the museum along with 700 other concerned individuals gathered at the National Hispanic Cultural Center Saturday June 23rd to rally support against the separation of immigrant families. Board president-elect Victor P. Raigoza shared stories of his paternal grandparents who emigrated from Mexico. The next Saturday, **b**oard secretary Marcia Rosenstein spoke at a large rally in Civic Plaza to express support for the community efforts to stop the separation of immigrant families seeking asylum. *Teaching for social justice* 

In June, the museum served as fiscal agent for the Olga Lengyel Institute of Holocaust Studies and Human Rights which presented a five-day seminar for 25 teachers at the *Summer Institute on Teaching for Social Justice*. The annual summer workshop is led by educators Leslie Lawner and Susan Quintana who are museum board members.

2018

#### Ingenious schemes rescue Italian Jews

Five community organizations collaborated to sponsor *My Italian Secret: the Forgotten Heroes of the Holocaust*, a dramatic and compelling 90-minute documentary film about efforts of the Italian underground to save Jews from extermination in Nazi-occupied Italy. Directed by Oren Jacoby and narrated by Isabella Rossellini, the film was shown July 31st in Congregation Albert. Along with the museum and Congregation Albert, sponsors were Italian Festivals of New Mexico, the Jewish Community Center of Greater Albuquerque, and the Albuquerque Community Foundation.

#### To Life! raised \$46,000

Another successful fundraiser was enjoyed by more 200 individuals on October 21st in Congregation B'nai Israel's social hall.

#### Gathering for Peace after a Week of Hate

Our responses to the Tree of Life Synagogue murders in Pittsburgh were immediate and heartfelt. Several tv interviews were conducted soon after our response was sent to media outlets on October 27th. In addition, a "gathering for peace" was organized by president-elect Victor P. Raigoza for the following day. Albuquerque police closed our block on Central Avenue while several hundred folks attended to show support. fact that the acts of intolerance our museum addresses are far from fixed. The exhibit's accompanying short film calls viewers to action, to be upstanders.

#### The Native American experience

The exhibit committee announced that members are researching and planning an exhibit to address the genocide of the Indigenous People of this area.

Also in the works is an exhibit in recognition of local Holocaust survivors.

#### About the archives

Staff and volunteers continue to organize, catalogue, and process the museum's collection. This year has seen increased digitization of original photographs, documents and ephemera concerning genocide and intolerance. The archive also has continued to work toward establishing provenance for items found in collections and building appropriate fixtures and storage for materials that require preservation. Unique archival items have begun to be more widely shared through special presentations to visiting groups and the archive looks forward to transferring our entire collection into our online library database, ResourceMate, so that the collection is accessible to all. Community outreach and public engagement are crucial to accurately documenting our collection, and we are looking to create more opportunities to facilitate this in 2019.

#### Kristallnacht remembered

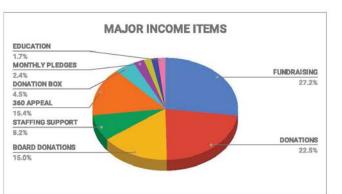
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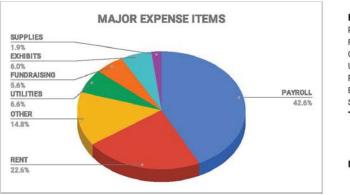
Kristallnacht, Congregation Albert, on November 9th, welcomed Dr. Steven Windmueller as guest speaker. A nationally known consultant and resource specialist to the Anti-Defamation League and other institutions, he talked about *The aftermath of Kristallnacht, the Rise of the New Anti-Semitism*. Attended by more than 200 persons, the event's dinner was co-sponsored by the museum.

#### Exhibits

#### New exhibit opened February 18th

*Hate in America* documents current hate groups across the United States and the crimes they commit against individuals based on factors of identity. It shines a light on the undeniable





#### Finances

INCOME		
FUNDRAISING	\$ 41,346	
DONATIONS	\$ 34,202	
BOARD DONATIONS	\$ 22,845	
STAFFING SUPPORT	\$ 12,476	
360 APPEAL	\$ 23,409	
DONATION BOX	\$ 6,889	
MONTHLY PLEDGES	\$ 3,629	
EXHIBITS	\$ 2,500	
ADMIN FEES	\$ 2,208	
EDUCATION	\$ 2,600	
TOTAL	\$ 152,104	

PAYROLL	\$ 51,210
RENT	\$ 
OTHER	\$ 17,750
UTILITIES	\$ 7,899
FUNDRAISING	\$ 6,729
EXHIBITS	\$ 7,184
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TOTAL	\$ 120,303
NET INCOME	31.801

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