

## Endowment Book of Life 2015 A Sign for All Time

The Jewish Foundation of Manitoba is honoured to welcome our new signers of the Endowment Book of Life. These people have shared their stories, and have promised to leave a bequest to the JFM. Like their stories, the impact of their gifts will last forever.



Ian Barnes



Diane Boroditsky



Richard Boroditsky



Janis Goodman (Ripstein)



Barbara & Adam Goszer



Cara and Matthew Katz signing for Fay-Lynn & Philip (z"l) Katz



Esther Katz – in memory of Morris Katz



Ellen & David Kroft



Melanie Martin, Candice Tenenbein, and Jeffrey Schachter – in memory of Cheryl Arnold (pictured)















NOT PICTURED: Ronna Birnboim (in memory of Ada & Morris Silverberg), Alex Burstein, Ruth Lehmann & Eric Ellis



# Tell Your Story; Leave a Legacy

## About the Endowment Book of Life Program

- The EBOL program is a planned giving initiative that invites you to (a) **leave a bequest** to the Jewish Foundation of Manitoba; and (b) **tell your personal or family story** for future generations to enjoy. Nearly 800 people have participated so far.
- There is **no fee** to participate. Your promise to leave a bequest welcomes you into the program. You are not obligated to disclose the amount of your bequest.
- You can designate your bequest to be used to support a specific charitable organization, program, service, or scholarship.
- If you wish, a Foundation writer will draft your story for you at no cost to you.
- You do not have to be a resident of Winnipeg to participate. If you were raised in Winnipeg, the EBOL program is a **perfect way to express your affection** for the city of your roots.
- The EBOL program is an ideal opportunity to honour and remember parents and grandparents.

- EBOL stories are on physical display at the Asper Jewish Community Campus, and are shared online at www.jewishfoundation.org.
- There is an **annual celebration** where our new participants sign their stories and receive a mounted version as a treasured keepsake.

To learn more, contact Rob Berkowits, Director of Development & Gift Planning, Jewish Foundation of Manitoba, 204.477.7522 or rob@jewishfoundation.org

## WHAT MAKES A GOOD EBOL STORY?

Characters. Values. Anecdotes. Dreams. Heroes. Holidays. Adversity. Determination. Accomplishment. Your family's story is rich with colour and depth. Together, our stories tell the tale of a dynamic community.

#### Excerpts from 2015:

"MY GRANDFATHER AND THREE BROTHERS ESCAPED THE POGROMS AND MADE THEIR WAY TO THE GDANSK PORT IN POLAND, ARRIVING TOO LATE TO TAKE THE INTENDED BOAT TO SOUTH AMERICA."

"My mother was a remarkable woman. At 17 she graduated from the University of Manitoba, winning the Gold Medal in Science!"

"I took ballet lessons with the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, studied piano, played baseball in the neighbourhood, and enjoyed my YMHA club – the 'Y So Blues."

"Shirley loved to gamble... and was quite successful at it – perhaps too successful. The phone rang late one evening; my father had to retrieve Shirley and her friends from the local precinct. The friendly game had been "They raised their children with a focus on Jewish values, education, and on developing a solid work ethic – principles passed down through the generations."

"Isaac owned a store in Melville and moved to Winnipeg to become a butcher."

" ...we moved to Israel in 1970 and purchased a farming plot in Moshav Kfar Netter where I became a farmer."

"...it was important to build relationships and his customers loved him for it. He was honest and straightforward, and earned their trust easily."

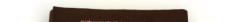
"I WANT MY CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN TO SEE ME AS A STRONG WOMAN WITH MUCH TO SAY. AN ADVOCATE. A SURVIVOR. A JEW." "I MAKE THIS COMMITMENT TO MY COMMUNITY IN THE HOPE THAT IT WILL INSPIRE OTHERS TO EMBRACE TZEDAKAH AND OFFER THEIR SUPPORT AS WELL."

"I gravitated towards student politics and at Kelvin was school President."

"I love the idea of so many people telling their stories – it's a gift for future generations, and an example for our children."

"He stayed in Winnipeg, did odd jobs, and ultimately found work – but lost a couple of fingers – at Pacific Electric."

"He continued to play football in law school, took up running in his 40s, and ran a marathon at the age of 52, long before long distance running was fashionable."



discovered and apparently was illegal."

"Our first date was Slichot services as he sang in his father's choir. Not a conventional first date, to say the least..."

"While I haven't lived in Winnipeg for many years, I still consider it home and am a Western Canadian at heart."

#### TO READ THE FULL STORIES, VISIT WWW.JEWISHFOUNDATION.ORG



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