



Emmy Monash
Aged Care

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HAPPY CHANUKAH!

Dancing, singing, fabulous music and delicious ponchkes were all on the menu at Sunday's annual Chanukah Family Day. It was so lovely to see our community coming together at this special time of year to take in the infectious vibe. The upbeat musical entertainment provided by Rabbi Shneur Reti-Waks & the Arkapellas certainly got the party started. The Mexican Music Man proved a hit with all generations, playing popular songs and inviting children to sing with him and Ernie Gruner and Jes Hawley hits the right notes with some cool jazz in Lewinsky Plaza.



CEO'S MESSAGE

What a joyful and jam-packed weekend it has been at Emmy, beginning with a sweet-sounding Shabbat service last Friday. The St Kilda Shule Choir and Rabbi Glasman joined Rabbi Stern to lead a choral service that was incredibly uplifting for all who attended. We are very grateful for these community partnerships which enable us to provide such unique and enriching experiences for each resident.

On Sunday we held a very special event to mark the opening of our Presidents' Lounge, a permanent place to honour the presidents of Emmy Monash. I thank Board member Peter Lewinsky for his thoughtful speech highlighting the strength and tenacity of the founding women of Emmy Monash. I invite you all to visit the Presidents' Lounge on Level 3 when you get a chance and soak up the history of Emmy Monash Aged Care.

The annual Chanukah Family Day was a huge success, with music and dancing a plenty! I'd like to thank everyone who came along to celebrate Chanukah festivities, it was wonderful to see music, food and tradition bringing generations together. Thank you to the staff and volunteers who worked tirelessly in the lead up to the event and on the day to ensure the wellbeing of our residents.

The lighting of the first candle of Chanukah was extra special this year, with a wonderful new handmade hannukiah now in the Gandel House foyer. Volunteer Martin Israel has designed and built an amazing piece of work for us – it gets a "Wow!" from many as they pass by. Thank you, Martin from all at Emmy Monash, we are extremely proud of our new instalment and very grateful for your contribution.

Tanya Abramzon,
CEO



UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

Wednesday 5th

Duldig Exhibition at Emmy

Thursday 6th

Rabbi Genende Chanukah Talk
Corner Store Volunteers Coffee

Friday 7th

Cheder Levi students visit with
Chanukah songs and stories
Progressive Service, Meydan Cinema
Room, Level 3

Sunday 9th

No concert due to private event

Sunday 16th

Concert: Euvgeny Belenko

Friday 21st

Progressive Service, Meydan Cinema
Room, Level 3



Left to right: Helen Felder, Susie Ehrmann and her two daughters



Left to right: Past Presidents Peter Felder, Frank Tisher OAM and Michele Lasky with current President Joe Krampel AM

THE PRESIDENTS' LOUNGE IS OPEN TO ALL

As well as a stunning view over the bay, the Lift Lobby on Level 3 of Gandel House now proudly showcases our history of Presidents and their significant contributions to the growth and betterment of Emmy Monash Aged Care. Sunday marked the opening of the Presidents' Lounge and among our guests, we were privileged to host two granddaughters of Emmy Monash herself, Evelyn Sharp and Ellen Bando and their families as well other past Presidents, board members and significant contributors. As Peter Lewinsky, son of past President Marianne Lewinsky aptly said in his speech at the event, without the generous spirit and determination of the women who founded Emmy Monash, we would not be here continuing the tradition sixty years on with our unique and passionate team of staff and volunteers all driven to provide the very best in holistic care. The Presidents' Lounge is open to all, so we hope that you visit soon and enjoy both the view and a taste of Emmy's history.

RESIDENTS



MITZVAH DAY

On Mitzvah Day the residents, staff and volunteers of Emmy Monash partnered with Darchei Shalom of Caulfield Shule to bake twenty-five apple and cinnamon cakes for needy seniors living in the Inkerman Housing Estate. This is the third year we have partnered with Dachei Shalom to provide dessert for the Wednesday night suppers, and the extra touch is very much appreciated by all. It was a joy to see our residents gladly get busy baking, with much positive energy and laughter in the room. The aroma filled each floor of Gandel House, with the residents and volunteers enjoying a freshly baked cake for afternoon tea.



HANDIWORK GOES TO A GOOD CAUSE

Mitzvot went beyond cake baking this year, with a donation of handmade knitted goods to KOGO (Knit One, Give One), an organisation providing knitted goods for underprivileged communities. Beanies, baby clothes and booties have been made with love by our resident Syd Crawcour and were collected last week by KOGO representative Andrea.

Syd also makes beautiful knitted soft toys that he donates to the Emmy Corner Store, enlisting staff member Svetlana to help with the fiddly work of creating the faces on toys. Together with Syd, Emmy Monash is proud that we can contribute to our wider community in such a meaningful way.



LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARDED

We were pleased to welcome our members, residents, family members and staff to our recent Annual General Meeting.

Mazal Tov to Board members Tom Gorog and Selwyn Greenberg, who were awarded Life Membership for more than ten years continued dedication and commitment to the residents, staff and Board of Emmy Monash.

There is now a new Membership Application Form for those wishing to become a member of Emmy Monash Aged Care, visit our website to find out how to apply.