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HAICHAL WOLYN A SOCIAL, EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL CENTER IN ISRAEL

One of the important factors in the integration of various Jewish elements into the Israel society has been the devoted activities of the remnants of the European Jewish communities.

One such effort is being sponsored by the World Federation of Wolyn Jews. A cultural center to be known as HAICHAL WOLYN is nearing completion in Givataim, a Tel Aviv suburb.

Wolyn is a province in Eastern Poland, formerly part of Russia. The thousand year history of the Jewry of Wolyn is colored by a notable succession of scholars, merchants, philanthropists, and punctuated by the inevitable pogroms perpetrated by Tartars, Cossacks, Russians, Poles and Nazis.

Wolyn was a center of piety and learning. It shared the fate of all the other Polish provinces, its towns and villages destroyed, its Jewish inhabitants decimated. Only the memory of its eminence in Jewish life remains. It is to perpetuate that memory, and to create a living monument to those who perished there, that the World Federation of Wolyn Jews conceived the plan of the Cultural Center in Givataim.

The two and a half dunam of land was a public gift from the town. It stands in a beautiful setting of new apartments, and a high school. The architectural design of the Center, by I. Lutan, was awarded the prize of the year.

The Center provides a wide range of facilities for the use of the residents of the area. A six hundred seat auditorium, a library, reading room, two exhibition halls and a Sanctuary dominate the interior of the structure. In addition to the administration office, there is a cafeteria and seventeen meeting rooms of various capacities.

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

At the main entrance, a marble wall will be dedicated to fifteen original sponsors, each of whom has contributed \$1,000.

LEO and TANYA CHECKVER have sponsored the Library, which will collect and preserve the historical materials and memorabilia of the many generations of lewish life in Wolyn. The reading room, which will serve students, scholars and researchers, is a gift from the ABRAHAM and MOLLY GOODMAN FOUNDATION.

ABE and MARIA SHIKES have provided for the two exhibition rooms, which will display rare scripts, boods, antiques and old Wolyn photos.

PARTICIPATION INVITED

Further opportunities are offered to share in the erection and dedication of this outstanding institution:

Its eastern wall will be a Mosaic Map of the Wolyn district, sculptured by an outstanding artist with the name of every annihilated Jewish community in the province. This dramatic wall will be inscribed with names of ten sponsors who wish to contribute \$1,000 each.

The Sanctuary, with its Ark, Ner Tamid, Reading Desk and Seats, will be dedicated to persons making suitable contributions.

Bronze plaques to commemorate families will adorn walls of the meeting rooms, and will be inscribed to those offering gifts of \$100 to \$500.

The first 200 auditorium seats will bear a bronze name plate for donors of \$50 in honor of children and grandchildren.

An album, with memorial pages formally inscribed, will record family names, at \$25, \$50 and \$100 for three; six and twelve names.

Landsleit from the Wolyn province are being contacted wherever they can be found, in the United States, Canada, South America and Israel. However, it is not possible to complete the task without asking help from others.

The Center is about **30%** complete. We need your help, we would appreciate your gift. Every dollar given is a gift to Israel.

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