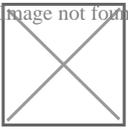


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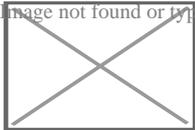
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Farewell to Gideon Eckhaus

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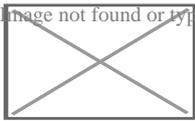


Gideon Eckhaus, founder and long-standing chairman of the Central Committee of Jews from Austria in Israel and of the Association of Pensioners from Austria in Israel, has passed away.

Construction of the Shoah Wall of Names Memorial in Ostarrichi Park commences

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Representatives of federal and provincial politics as well as of the National Fund and the Jewish Community of Vienna met today, Monday, on the grounds of Vienna's Ostarrichi Park in front of the Austrian National Bank to mark the start of construction of the Shoah Memorial Wall. Among them were ...

Remembering the first transport of prisoners to Auschwitz 80 years ago

15 Jun 2020

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On 14 June 1940, the first transport carrying Polish prisoners reached Auschwitz concentration camp, which was under construction at that time. The International Auschwitz Committee (IAK), an association of Auschwitz survivors, extended an invitation to a memorial service in Berlin on the 80th ...

Objects hidden by prisoners found at Auschwitz

15 May 2020

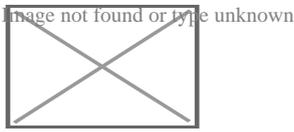
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On 21 April 2020, numerous objects dating back to the time of the camp were found in Block 17 of the former Main Camp at Auschwitz, where the new Austrian exhibition will be displayed.

Richard Wadani Obituary

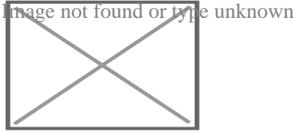
28 Apr 2020



Richard Wadani, deserter from the German Wehrmacht, honorary chairman and long-standing spokesperson of the committee “Justice for the Victims of Nazi Court Martial”, passed away in Vienna on the night of 19 April 2020.

National Fund supports victims of the Nazis and their descendants in obtaining Austrian citizenship

20 Sep 2019



Yesterday evening the National Council unanimously passed an amendment to the Citizenship Act enabling people from Austria persecuted by the Nazi regime and their direct descendants to obtain Austrian citizenship more easily.

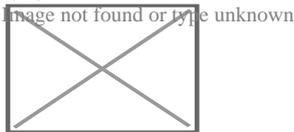
Renovation work for the Austrian exhibition at the Auschwitz Memorial has commenced

12 Sep 2019

Following public procurement proceedings, on 26 August 2019 the National Fund of the Republic of Austria awarded the Krakow-based company Tomas Francuz the contract to renovate Block A-17 on the grounds of the Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial. Following the signature of the general contractor agreement ...

The Austrian National Library restitutes 2,255 books to the National Fund of the Republic of Austria

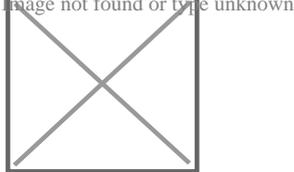
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The Austrian National Library today restituted 2,255 books – which it had acquired unlawfully during the Nazi period and are now considered “heirless” – to the National Fund of the Republic of Austria for Victims of National Socialism, in accordance with the provisions of the Art Restitution Act. It ...

Book presentation “Exile in Australia”

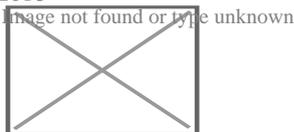
02 Oct 2018



The National Fund of the Republic of Austria for Victims of National Socialism and the Australian Embassy extend a warm invitation to the presentation of the 5th volume of the series “Erinnerungen. Lebensgeschichten von Opfern des Nationalsozialismus”/“Lives Remembered. Life Stories of the Victims ...

Sobotka and Lessing Mourn the Death of Johannes Schwantner, Member of the Board of Trustees

19 Mar 2018



His achievements in promoting learning from history at Holocaust memorials were unparalleled