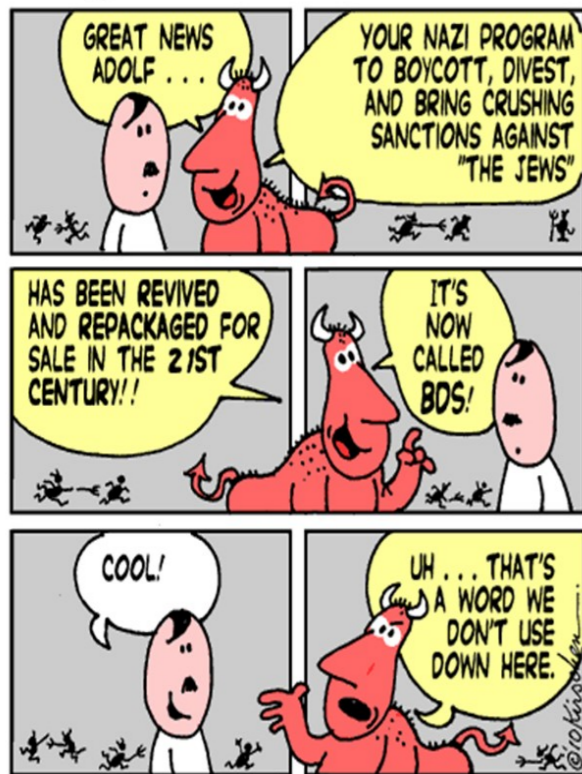


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It all began with boycotts. Boycotts that were taken to defend against an imaginary Jewish threat.

[from the the History Place] ..."On April 1, 1933, a week after Hitler became dictator of Germany, he ordered a boycott of Jewish shops, banks, offices and department stores. But the boycott was mostly ignored by German shoppers and was called off after three days. However, the unsuccessful boycott was followed by a rapid series of laws which robbed the Jews of many rights...."

And it all began with ...an anti-Jewish boycott to "defend" against the Jewish "threat".

PA and Abbas honor the terrorist perpetrator of the Olympics massacre

From PMW Bulletins, Aug. 25, 2010, by Itamar Marcus and Barbara Crook:

On Sept. 5, 1972, eight members of the Palestinian terror organization Black September broke into the athletes' village at the Munich Olympics. They kidnapped and ultimately murdered 11 Israeli athletes and coaches.

After Amin Al-Hindi, one of the senior planners of the terror operation, died this week, the Palestinian Authority glorified him and his terror attack. The official PA daily described his participation in the Olympic massacre, saying he was "one of the stars who sparkled... at the sports stadium in Munich." The attack itself was referred to as "just one of many shining stations" in his life.

The PA daily reports that Chairman Mahmoud Abbas and Prime Minister Salam Fayyad were at the funeral, where "a red carpet was laid out for the arrival of the body, and the military band played the final farewell melody."

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The Friends of Israel (WA) Inc (FOIWA) enables Western Australians to take a stand for democratic values and freedoms by supporting Israel, a champion of those values in the Middle East; and a nation on the front lines of the global battle between those who love life and those who glorify death.

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to stay informed of events in the Middle East, find in-depth analysis, opinion and magazine articles, and be aware of the activities of FOIWA, and **Join Us**

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Join us and identify with the many Western Australians who aren't fooled by the relentless propaganda campaign by Israel's enemies to vilify her, undermine her legitimacy, and ultimately destroy the only homeland of the Jewish people.

We don't need to agree on everything, but we respect diversity, and we do believe in democracy, freedom, respect for life and that Israel deserves our support.

New US Poll Finds Strong Support of Israel

From The Israel Project, September 13, 2010:

Almost 60 percent say U.S. should support Israel . By six to one margin, Americans believe Israel is more committed to peace than Palestinians. Majority believe imports into Gaza must be controlled.

WASHINGTON, Sept 13 – A new poll has found that support of Israel among Americans has jumped following the resumption of Middle East peace talks with a strong majority believing that the Israeli government is committed to making peace with the Palestinians and deserves unwavering backing from the United States.

The bipartisan poll of 800 likely voters conducted Sept 9-12 by Public Opinion Strategies and Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research found that 58 percent thought the United States should support Israel, while 7 percent thought it should support the Palestinians. Six percent said neither and 16 percent did not know or declined to answer. In July 2010, only 51 percent said the United States should support Israel so this poll saw a 7 percent jump. The poll carried a margin of error of plus or minus 3.5 percentage points.

A strong majority (58 percent) also thought Israeli Prime Minister was committed to making peace with the Palestinians. Only 40 percent thought the same of Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas. "Support for Israel among Americans remains strong and steady," said pollster Neil Newhouse of Public Opinion Strategies. MORE ON PAGE 3



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If you do not have access to the internet and you would like information or an application form, please apply to FOIWA at PO Box 333 Dianella 6059.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun, 07 Nov 2010—6.30pm RABIN Memorial Service with Special Guests, Rabbi Marcus Solomon, Kenneth Arkwright and Adam Levine.
- Thurs, 11 Nov 2010—7.30pm JNF Negev Campaign Gala Event, with Col. Richard Kemp & Maj. Gen. Ya'akov Amidror
- Sun, 12 Dec 2010—4.00pm FOIWA ANZAC-ISRAEL CONNECTION 'Gallipoli to Jerusalem'



Interview with Steve Lieblich and a Perth Community Newspaper

A community newspaper asked me a few questions. Here are my responses:

1. What kinds of activities do you foresee the Friends of Israel undertaking?

The organisation will provide access to information, analysis and speakers about Israel and Middle East Affairs, and opportunities to express support for the peaceful resolution of conflict.

2. What do you think is the relevance of Israel for WA? Why do we need this organisation, in your opinion?

The organisation has been formed by people coming together, expressing a desire and a need to publicly support Israel in the face of a relentless campaign to vilify and delegitimize that nation. Israel is in fact our front line of defence of freedom and democracy.

Former Spanish Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar, when he launched the European Friends of Israel a few weeks ago, said that Israel's right to exist should not be open to question as the Jewish state was established by the United Nations. "Israel is our first line of defence in a turbulent region that is constantly at risk of descending into chaos," Aznar wrote in London Times. "To abandon Israel to its fate, at this moment of all moments, would merely serve to illustrate how far we have sunk and how inexorable our decline now appears.... if Israel goes down, we all go down."

This reflects a similar groundswell of grass-roots support for Israel around the world, such as

- **European Friends of Israel**
- **Christian Friends of Israel**
- **Scottish Friends of Israel**
- **UK Labour Friends of Israel**
- **Anglican Friends of Israel**
- **Online Friends of Israel**
- **More online Friends of Israel**

The European Friends of Israel has the following goals:

- a) To combat the de-legitimization of the State of Israel at home, abroad and inside the institutions of the international community.
- b) To publicly show our solidarity with Israel's democratic institutions – the legitimate expression of the Jewish people's millennial aspiration to live in peace and freedom in its national homeland.
- c) To support Israel's inalienable right to secure borders unmolested by terrorists or tyrannical regimes so that its citizens can continue living with the same guarantees that our own societies enjoy.
- d) To consistently and firmly oppose the prospect of a nuclear armed Iran.

e) To work to ensure that Israel is fully accepted as a normal Western country, an essential and indivisible part of the Western world to which we belong.

f) To reaffirm the value of the religious, moral, and cultural Judeo-Christian heritage as the main source of the liberal and democratic Western societies.

The same applies in WA as it does throughout the free world.

3. How will the Friends of Israel differ from existing groups like the Jewish Community Council or Hagshama WA?

The Jewish Community Council, Hagshama and the 30-odd other constituent organisations of the JCC are all Jewish organisations. The Friends of Israel WA Inc is for Western Australians across the whole community. The inaugural committee and the several hundred people who have already registered their interest include a former Labor Minister and former Liberal member of the State Government, unionists, business people, clerical staff, atheists, Christians and Jews ...mostly not Jewish. Over 30 State and Federal Parliamentarians will attend the launch, as well as dignitaries and leaders from many community groups.

We want to remind West Aussies regardless of their politics, religion or stance on most subjects, that the link between Australia, Israel and the Jewish people is fundamentally very strong and deep. We share the same set of values: respect for human life, freedom and democracy and care for the needy. In the current global struggle between those who love life and those who glorify death, Israel and Australia are on the same side.

4. Are you worried that the politicised nature of the conflict in Gaza could mean that the Friends of Israel will be a group that might polarise people here? E.g. is it a concern that some people might see the Friends of Israel as being opposed to groups like the Friends of Palestine?

Our aim is to unify, not polarise; and to seek peace, not conflict. We believe that you can be a friend of Palestine AND a friend of Israel at the same time. If you truly seek peaceful end to conflict, everyone wins.

Most West Australians won't be part of a deceptive propaganda campaign, like ridiculous comparisons of Israel to the Nazi regime, the "flotilla" circus, or seeking media/photo opportunities to vilify, delegitimize and ultimately destroy Israel. Those agitators in Australia who take that approach are just supporting the terrorists. How does that help the Palestinian refugees who have been kept as cannon fodder by their own leaders in Gaza, West Bank, Lebanon, Jordan and throughout the Arab world, fed on hatred and glorified "martyrdom"?

The Friends of Israel is here to enable the silent majority to publicly say: enough of that bullshit.



The Launch of Friends of Israel WA

1500 West Australians, including over 100 Federal and State Parliamentarians and community leaders converged on the Victory Life Centre in Osborne Park at 4 PM Sunday 8 August 2010 . 30 others sent apologies and statements of support.



The Centre's main auditorium, which seats 800 was quickly filled to capacity, and the second overflow auditorium (linked by video to the proceedings) was also soon overflowing, requiring a third overflow room to be hastily set up in the lobby of the centre.

Attendance at the pre-Launch seminar and book launch were also attended beyond all expectation. Clearly there is a quiet but powerful bond between Western Australia and Israel. All that was needed was an opportunity to express that feeling, and Western Australia responded resoundingly.

The event was chaired by inaugural **Chairman of the FOIWA, Bob Kucera (former State Minister)** and **Vice Chairman, Ray Halligan (former State Upper House Member)**. The **dignitaries in attendance and the apologies** were too many to mention. Apologies included **Hon. Julie Bishop, Deputy Leader of the Opposition**. Her statement of support was given by Ray Halligan.

Bob Kucera passionately expressed the importance of support for Israel as a "friend in need" and urged everyone present to join the organisation and look forward to hearing quality speakers, seminars and being kept informed.

Foreign Minister Stephen Smith re-iterated Australia's support for Israel's right to live in peace and security, from the outset and across the political spectrum.

Michael Keenan, Federal Member for Stirling; Shadow Minister for Justice and Customs urged all Australians to support Israel, especially our leaders. He also delivered a message of support from the **Leader of the Opposition, Tony Abbot**.

Michael Sutherland MLA, Deputy Speaker of the State Legislative Assembly, and **Kate Doust MLC, Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the State Legislative Council; Shadow Minister for Energy; Science and Innovation**, who are co-conveners of the State Parliamentary Friends of Israel both spoke of their recent study tour of Israel and urged all West Australians to join the organisation and help it work for peace.

The event was concluded by **Israel's Ambassador to Australia, Yuval Rotem** who took the podium to a standing ovation, in a spontaneous, emotional expression of warmth. His thanks to Western Australia was underlined by a video address from Jerusalem by **Danny Ayalon, Deputy Foreign Minister of Israel**.

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Overall, Americans by a six to one margin believe Israel is more committed to reaching a peace agreement than the Palestinians. By almost two to one (63 percent to 34 percent) they think the conflict between Israel and the Palestinians is mostly about religion and ideology rather than a conflict mostly about land.

Sixty one percent also said Israel should continue to inspect and control commerce going in and out of the Gaza Strip to prevent supplies that might be used for military purposes. Only 30 percent thought Gaza, controlled by Iran-backed Hamas, should be fully open to commerce.