

Detmold, January 2017

Dear members and friends of the society, ladies and gentlemen,

we wish you and your families all the best for the new year.

In the face of the difficulties and challenges which shaped the past year and will probably exert their influence on the coming year, our commitment for a life of togetherness, tolerance and democracy will be of particular importance. We are therefore happy to be able to invite you first and foremost to the manifold activities of a number of municipalities in Lippe on occasion of the Holocaust commemoration day on January 27.

Furthermore our plans for the coming year include an exposition and a number of accompanying lectures on the topic 'Martin Luther and the Jews', in this way taking into account the character of 2017 as a 'Martin-Luther Commemoration Year'. And the series 'Inter-religious dialogue' will be continued in spring. You will receive extra invitations to all these events and to our general membership meeting on March 12, 2017.

To begin with, here are our events for January and February:

- **Exposition “I came alone...!” Children's Transportations in the Nazi period.**  
Rathaus am Markt, Marktplatz 5 [Detmold Town Hall, 5 Market Square]
  - **Opening of the exposition “I came alone” on January 23, 2017 in the town hall**  
Welcoming address by Rainer Heller, Mayor of Detmold  
Introductory lecture by historian Gudrun Mitschke-Buchholz, with additional reflections on Fred Herzberg, who escaped from Detmold and Germany as a child in 1939.

Organisers: Kinderschutzbund Detmold [Society for the Protection of Children] and the Detmold Town Archive

- **“Texts and musical meditation on the eve of the Holocaust commemoration day”**  
**Choral community 'cantus novus and friends'**  
January 26, 2017, Michael-Kapelle, Exterstrasse 8A, Detmold
- **Central commemoration ceremony in 'Gymnasium Leopoldinum'**  
**“Remember the Lost Lives – Living in Remembrance”**  
January 27, 2017, 5 p.m., Hornsche Strasse 48, Detmold
- **“Continuing Life After Survival”. The deliverance of the surviving victims of the Holocaust.**  
**Exposition in 'Landesarchiv NRW Abt. OWL'** (Archive of North Rhine-Westphalia, Department East Westphalia and Lippe), Willi-Hofmann-Strasse 2, Detmold  
January 27 – February 17, 2017  
In cooperation with the Detmold Town Archive

- **Film Matinée: “You will not catch me! The adventurous odyssey of Manfred Weil”**  
January 29, 2017, 11:30, Cinema 'Filmwelt', Detmold, Lange Strasse; with an introduction by Detmold town registrar Dr Andreas Ruppert (retired).
- **Lecture by Wigbert Lenz, historian: “Hans-Joachim Riecke: From Minister of State in Lippe to Chief of Staff of War Administration and Executor of the Hunger Campaign in the occupied areas of Eastern Europe”**  
January 30, 2017, 7:30 p.m., Landesarchiv NRW Abt. OWL, Willi-Hofmann-Strasse 2, Detmold
- **Reading and music: “Trees and Stones Can Convince”**  
“With us in Auschwitz” by Tadeusz Borowski (Holocaust survivor). Reading: Frank Meier;  
bajan (accordion): Joanne Bialek.  
February 3, 2017, 7:30 p.m., Detmold town hall, large conference hall, Marktplatz 5, Detmold  
Organisers: Bookshop 'Kafka&Co.' and the City of Detmold
- **Lectures in the 'Landesarchiv NRW Abt. OWL'**
  - Kirsten John-Stucke (County Museum Wewelsburg): “Continuing life after the survival. The deliverance of the surviving victims of the concentration camp 'Wewelsburg”
  - Thomas Ridder (Jewish Museum Westphalia in Dorsten): “Freedom or Ghetto? The end of the Death March of 720 women in the Displaced Persons Camp in Kaunitz”  
February 8, 2017, 6 p.m., 'Landesarchiv NRW Abt. OWL', Willi-Hofmann-Strasse 2, Detmold
- **Lecture: “The Auschwitz Process in Detmold. Its meaning for Jewish survivors and the German Judiciary System”**  
Thomas Walter, lawyer and representative of joint plaintiffs in the Auschwitz process in Detmold  
February 14, 2017, 7:30 p.m.  
In the Old Auditorium of Leopoldinum School, Hornsche Strasse 48, Detmold  
Organiser: **Society for Christian-Jewish Cooperation** and the City of Detmold
- **Play Reading by Students of Grabbe-Gymnasium**  
A girl from Lippe - “From the Files to the Stage”  
February 16, 2017, 6:30 p.m., Landesarchiv NRW Abt. OWL, Willi-Hofmann-Strasse 2, Detmold

**For all students and teachers in Detmold** I would like to pass on a recommendation: Jean-Louis Pawellek (a student at Felix-Fechenbach-Berufskolleg) has compiled his personal experience from travels to Auschwitz, Bergen-Belsen and Wewelsburg, and several interviews with witnesses of the holocaust, for example with Karla Raveh, and has developed this material into a lecture, which he has already held a number of times and which he is willing to hold again. (e-Mail contact: [jpgawellek@gmail.com](mailto:jpgawellek@gmail.com)) For more details see [https://youtu.be/CFX\\_1xZQofl](https://youtu.be/CFX_1xZQofl).

And last but not least I would like to draw your attention to an award-winning **tragicomic film about a holocaust researcher**, which has been announced in the press and is currently on show at the Hansa-Kino in Lemgo:

**“Die Blumen von gestern (The Flowers of Yesterday)”** by the Detmold professor Kathrin Lemme, starring among others Jan-Josef Liefers and Lars Eidinger.

Tickets are available for the following shows: January 14, 20:00, January 15, 12:30 and 17:30, and January 18, 20:00.

Best regards from myself and the committee

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