

[RSS](#)
[Twitter](#)
[Facebook](#)
[Archives](#)
[Subscribe](#)
[S & P](#)
[About](#)

THE JEWISH CHRONICLE ONLINE

NEWS SPORT MSFL BUSINESS COMMENT ARTS LIFESTYLE COMMUNITY JUDAISM TRAVEL BLOGS PROPERTY DIRECTORY

[COMMUNITY NEWS](#) [THE GUEST LIST](#) [FACES AND PLACES](#) [OUT AND ABOUT](#) [SPECIAL REPORTS](#)

All in the family for LJCC role

By **Jessica Elgot**, August 18, 2011

[Follow Jessica on Twitter](#)

The London Jewish Cultural Centre is keeping it in the family when replacing its gedenkdienster - someone undertaking community work with Holocaust survivors as an alternative to Austrian military service.

Lukas Wieser, 21, is leaving the LJCC next week to pursue his legal studies in Vienna. He will be replaced by his younger brother Moritz, 18.

Mr Wieser said he worked on the centre's "Holocaust survivor speaker programme, organising talks in schools with survivors. This year we have reached 12,000 students and I've worked with 40 speakers, most of whom are over 80.

"I've built up a rapport with the survivors. I speak to some three or four times a week and I've been invited to dinner and to synagogue with them. It's so important to be friendly and to have empathy in this job."

Moritz Wieser said the word from his brother was that "I had to be extremely organised, and that it was hard work".

Richard Goldstein, director of the LJCC's Holocaust education department, said the centre had been taking students from Austria for 16 years. "It's fiercely competitive to get a place. It's certainly not an easy option compared to going into the army."



The Wieser brothers with the cultural centre's Richard Goldstein

MORE ON..

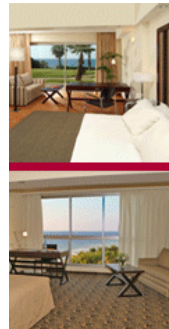
[Jewish Community Centre](#)

SEE ALSO

[Pearls from care clients are pure gold](#)
[£44m Golders Green care campus is looking to broaden its appeal](#)
[The JCC finally gets the builders in](#)
[Signs of The Times at JCC](#)
[Trees grow local links to the JCC](#)

EXTERNAL LINKS

[London Jewish Cultural Centre](#)




THE SHARON
 Beach Resort Hotel
SPECIAL
 Summer rates for the refurbished rooms at the Sharon Hotel Herzliya
 Tel: 00972-9-9525777

Last updated: 11:51am, August 18 2011

[Next article](#) [Previous article](#)

Form a

NIMS-compliant EOC

Organize the Emergency Operations Center to support Incident Command
www.efilmorou.com

500 Hotels in London

Book your hotel in London online No reservation costs. Great rates!
www.booking.com/London

Jüdische Singles

Finden Sie jüdische Singles aus Wien mit eDarling!
www.eDarling.at/Wien

[Subscribe](#)

[About](#)

[Advertise with us](#)

[E-Paper](#)

[Terms & conditions](#)

[RSS feeds](#)

[Send us a photo](#)