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# Good News

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## How is this Haggada Different From All Others?

*Want to know the best way to inspire someone?*

*Tell them a good story.*

Based on this truism, JSL is proud to announce a new **Passover Haggada** that enables parents to become master storytellers. Download the *Art of Amazement Haggada* at [jsli.org](http://jsli.org).

**How is the Art of Amazement Haggada different?**

- Simple, cutting out what some call the "boring stuff"
- Transliterations and translations of the traditional Hebrew.

**How is the Leader's Edition different?**

1. Peppered with questions to keep participants engaged
2. An detailed script based on the classic Midrash that will turn you into an amazing storyteller and keep everyone spellbound
3. A list of 8 tips and tricks to keep everyone of all ages engaged

We have also updated [bestjewishkidsbooks.com](http://bestjewishkidsbooks.com) with our pick of the best Passover books, toys, matzah etc.

*Wishing you a healthy and happy Pesach and springtime.*

— Alexander Seinfeld, Executive Director

## The Most Amazing Jewish Smart Phone App

What did the Jews have to do with Columbus? How about Louis Armstrong? Where in the Talmud can you find a reference to airplanes and telescopes? What are the top five inventions by Jews that you can't live without? What does Judaism say about Jesus? What does ancient Jewish wisdom have to say about how to make your spouse happy?

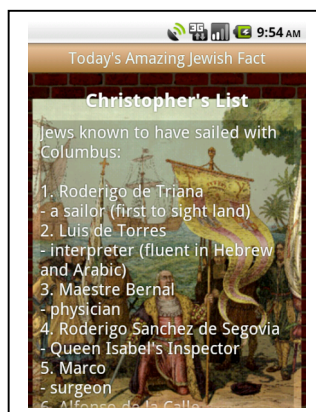
Why didn't they teach this in Sunday school?

The Amazing Jewish-Fact-a-Day Calendar is not merely trivia. It includes a wealth of ancient

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**There is too much news that's fit to print! Keep up-to-date, including podcasts, new teacher resources, new book recommendation.....**

— all online at [www.jsli.org](http://www.jsli.org).





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## Love Your Neighbor Update

Our pilot program to connect families in the Jewish community with seniors living in senior residences continues to grow.

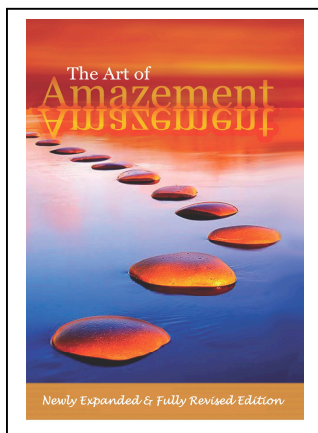


The program consists of visiting on Shabbat and holidays and sharing basic Jewish rituals together such as Kiddush and Havdala.

To date, we have recruited and trained dozens of volunteers from four local synagogues who are actively visiting four residences. We are not currently able to meet the demand for this program.

## Amazing Judaism Update

In partnership with educational organizations, the JSL book program continues to distribute books around the world.



Participating organizations pay about half the total cost. The other half comes from donations. To sponsor one young person receiving a book costs about \$7.00. If you would to earmark your contribution for this program, please specify "book program" when making your donation. If your contribution is in honor or memory of a loved one, this memorial will be mentioned inside the books.

### About Jewish Spiritual Literacy

JSL's mission is to foster a paradigm-shift in Jewish education, towards an experiential pedagogy that transforms participants with its spiritual clarity and direction.

In order to achieve this goal, we are creating and marketing classes and materials for both formal and informal learning, and innovative teaching methods for spiritual and Judaics educators of all backgrounds and affiliations.

Both our "direct to consumer" and teacher training programs are inspiring students to seek further learning opportunities, to forge a warm, lasting connection to the Jewish community and Israel, and to lead ethical, fulfilling lives that contribute to Tikkum Olam.

## Smart Phone App *cont'd*

Jewish wisdom on life, relationships, ethics, and spirituality. You will also learn amazing things about Jewish history, religion, Torah, Hebrew language, philosophy, geography.... even a bit of Jewish humor!

Each day's fact includes links to further information. Some say that these links are the best part of the app - online articles, books, and streaming audio and video that you can enjoy right inside your device.

Favorite facts may be bookmarked and emailed to your friends. Each day displays both Standard Date and Hebrew Date. The Amazing Jewish Fact-a-Day Calendar will become one of your favorite apps.

*The Amazing Jewish Fact-a-Day Calendar is available for iPhone, iPad and Android. Search iTunes Store or Android Marketplace.*