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**Highlights**

Opening of 22nd Season

"The Little Prince" and "Pocahontas, John & Us" opened Peace Child Israel's 22nd theatrical season with performances for students in Nazareth and Tira. Teens from the Galilee School in Nazareth and the Carmel Zvulun School in Yagur were the first young leaders to take the stage at the Municipal Theatre in Nazareth on March 3, 2010 with their remarkable production of "The Little Prince" after resistance to the script. They made it work! On March 22nd, actors from the Hertzog and Katznelson Schools in Kfar Saba joined their new friends from Tira to mount the Pocahontas story for a marathon of three shows, two performances for over 500 students in the morning and an evening show for the public at-large. The Mayor came to give his blessings. Both productions will continue with 3
more student performances and an evening gala to close the season. Next in the line-up, in April and May are troupes from Sakhnin and Misgav and from Baka al-Gharbiya and Petach Tikvah performing “Besieged City” and “The Laboratory”, respectively.

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Letter from the Editor

Dear Friends,

Firstly, we wish very Happy Holidays to all our friends celebrating Easter and Passover!

It has been a challenging 3 months, including many successes but also a few sad
failures. A group of teens from Jaffa and Tel Aviv discontinued meeting, and the drop-out factor repeated itself, sometimes 2 weeks before a show. Violent communication via Facebook caused a serious trauma in another group, but the youth withstood the test. This simply reaffirms the fact that very special credit is due to those who stick it out till the end. The kids (and parents!) are proud of themselves, both for their theatrical successes and for the bonding that results in the cooperation in the creative process. And so they should be!

A new addition to the cadre of young leaders are teens from the Gymnasia Herzeliya and Ajial Schools in Tel Aviv-Jaffa; they are greatly welcomed. This is the first time in the program for both schools. At a recent team-building seminar, I’m told that the awareness-raising was extraordinary. The two facilitators were amazed with the process that was experienced by all concerned. I look forward to the production of a bi-lingual adaptation of “Don Quijote” that they will mount in September.

Happy Holidays,
Melisse Lewine-Boskovitch,
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