

JEWISH AUSTIN MEN

DINNER & SPEAKERS FORUM



TEXAS POLITICS: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly

Guest Speaker Harvey Kronberg,
Editor, Quorum Report

Wednesday, December 9, 2015
6-9 PM JCC, 7300 Hart Lane

Harvey Kronberg has been the Editor of *Quorum Report*, the Newsletter of Political Texas, since 1989. The *Quorum Report* is a non-partisan online publication covering state politics and government from an insider's perspective. He began as a contract writer and bought the publication in 1998. He was declared by *Texas Monthly* in 2005 as one of the 25 most powerful individuals in Texas politics. Kronberg is a political analyst for TWC News, Time Warner Cable's 24 hour news channel, in Austin. He also owns and operates Austin Flag and Flagpole, Inc. along with his wife, Michele.

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New Theatre Company to Tell Story of Leo Frank



Ground Floor Theatre, Central Texas' newest theatre company, will present a concert version of the hit musical "Parade" December 3 through 5. "Parade," a book by Alfred Uhry and music and lyrics by Jason Robert Brown, tells the true story of Leo Frank.

Frank, a Brooklyn-raised Jewish man living in Atlanta, was wrongfully convicted in 1913 of murdering his 13 year old employee, Mary Phagan. Because Frank's trial was replete with faulty testimony and lacked clear evidence, Georgia's governor eventually commuted his sentence from death to life imprisonment.

Despite the ruling, an unruly mob lynched Frank in Marietta, Georgia. The momentous case drew national attention to anti-Semitism and was pivotal to the founding of the Anti-Defamation League.

Lisa Scheps, Ground Floor Theatre artistic co-director and founder, views the script as an ideal first project for the theatre company, whose mission is to present work by and for underrepresented communities. 'Parade' addresses not only anti-Semitism, but also discrimination in a broader

spectrum, including racism, ageism and sexism.

"Parade' is such an impactful story. It asks many more questions than it answers, which is key to powerful art. Much like the script, the score is also incredibly complex and beautiful," Scheps said.

"We're proud to be able to present 'Parade' as our inaugural production, and to also have the support of Austin's Anti-Defamation League."

Ground Floor Theatre will present "Parade" December 3 through 5 at 8 p.m., with a Saturday matinee at 2 p.m.

Ground Floor Theatre is located at 979 Springdale Road in Austin, at the corner of Springdale and Airport Boulevard.

For tickets and more information, visit GroundFloorTheatre.org or call 512-926-2203.