# Northern New Jersey Region of the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs Presents



# 2021/5782 Man of the Year & Youth of the Year 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Celebration

Tribute Program (Northern & Southern NNJR)

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#### Introduction

#### About the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs

The FJMC mission is to involve Jewish Men in Jewish Life by building and strengthening Men's Clubs in the Conservative / Masorti Movement. We accomplish this mission by:

- Leadership: mentoring leaders at the club, region and international level,
- **Innovation**: developing programming that better connects people of all ages to the Jewish community,
- **Community**: forming meaningful long-lasting relationships based on camaraderie, common interests and core values.

FJMC, a partnership of over 200 affiliated clubs with more than 20,000 members across North America and around the world, brings value and adds meaning to the lives of men and their families. Through our programming and the broad dissemination of the creative programming developed by our clubs, we touch hundreds of thousands of people each year.

### About the Northern New Jersey Region of FJMC

The Northern New Jersey Region is the link between more than 30 Men's Clubs from Conservative synagogues in New Jersey and Staten Island to the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs (FJMC), which serves more than 200 affiliated Clubs in the United States, Canada, Israel and Uganda along with the Masorti communities of the United Kingdom and France. Together, we strive to increase the level of participation in synagogue life, Jewish observance and brotherhood among our members. We do this by sharing ideas and pooling our talents and resources.

#### About the Man of the Year Celebration

This is the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Man of the Year/Youth of the Year Celebration for the Northern NJ Region. The MOY/EOY Celebration is a way for our clubs to celebrate and recognize men and youth from their synagogues that have made a significant impact on the local Jewish communities. Each person selected has helped develop engagement for Men in the life of their shuls, and the youth chosen have been essential volunteers that have had an impact on their shuls and local secular communities as well. Additionally, each year the Northern NJ Region selects a Region Man of the Year. This man has made a meaningful impact as a volunteer for the region. Please join us annually to continue celebrating these great people now and in the future.

#### Order of Ceremonies - Northern NNJR Celebration

#### Welcome from Man of the Year Celebration Chair

David Mandell, East Brunswick Jewish Center (East Brunswick)

#### The Star-Spangled Banner

Cantor Menachem Toren, Pine Brook Jewish Center (Montville)

#### Hatikvah

Cantor Mordechai Edry, Congregation B'nai Jeshurun (Staten Island)

#### Ma'ariv Service

#### **Dvar Torah**

Rabbi Sam Kastel, Congregation B'nai Jeshurun (Staten Island)

#### **Welcoming Remarks from NNJR President**

David Glass, Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael (Springfield)

#### **Welcoming Remarks from FJMC**

#### Recognition of 2020 Man of the Year Honorees

David Glass, Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael (Springfield)

#### **Club Honoree Introductions & Congratulations**

Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim (Cranford)

East Brunswick Jewish Center (East Brunswick)

Fair Lawn Jewish Center (Fair Lawn)

Temple Beth Shalom (Livingston)

Pine Brook Jewish Center (Montville)

Temple Israel & JCC (Ridgewood)

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Congregation B'nai Jeshurun (Staten Island)

Shomrei Torah, The Wayne Conservative Congregation (Wayne)

B'nai Shalom (West Orange)

#### Introduction of NNJR Man of the Year

Larry Klioze, 2020 NNJR Man of the Year, Highland Park Conservative Temple – Congregation Anshe Emeth (Highland Park)

#### Remarks from the NNJR Man of the Year

Joel Brimmer, Congregation B'nai Jeshurun (Staten Island)

#### **Closing Remarks**

David Mandell, Chair, 2021 Man of the Year Celebration, East Brunswick Jewish Center (East Brunswick)

#### Order of Ceremonies - Southern NNJR Celebration

#### Welcome from Man of the Year Celebration Chair

David Mandell, East Brunswick Jewish Center (East Brunswick)

#### The Star-Spangled Banner

Cantor Bruce Rockman, Congregation B'nai Tikvah (North Brunswick)

#### Hatikvah

Cantor Jacob Greenberg, Congregation B'nai Israel (Toms River)

#### Ma'ariv Service

#### **Dvar Torah**

Rabbi Chaim Edelstein, Temple Beth Ahm (Aberdeen)

#### **Welcoming Remarks from NNJR President**

David Glass, Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael (Springfield)

#### **Welcoming Remarks from FJMC**

Alan Budman, FJMC 1st Vice President, Temple Sinai, Dresher, PA

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Joel Brimmer, Congregation B'nai Jeshurun (Staten Island)

#### **Closing Remarks**

David Mandell, Chair, 2021 Man of the Year Celebration, East Brunswick Jewish Center (East Brunswick)

### NNJR Region Man of the Year Biography & Congratulations

### **Joel Brimmer**

Congregation B'nai Jeshurun (Staten Island)



When asked to be the Regional Man of the Year for 2021, Joel Brimmer was moved by the recognition of Men's Club community. He served as a member of the Board of Trustees of NNJR for 10 years, and when, in 2017, the region received a Sefer Haftorah commissioned by the FJMC for use by regions across the country, Joel managed the transfer of the Sefer Haftorah between various clubs in our region for the 3 months it was in our possession.

For the past 6 years, Joel has been a member of the Journal committee, collecting and recording the ads and payments for the Man of the Year journal. The process of ensuring that his fellow leaders are celebrated and praised as they should be has brought him great joy and fulfillment!

Though Joel's leadership at the regional level has spanned the past decade, his involvement with the Men's Club began in 1993, just 3 years after he and his family joined Congregation B'nai Jeshurun of Staten Island. Since then, he has held various positions within CBJ's Men's Club, including treasurer, corresponding secretary, and head of membership. Joel has been president off and on (though mostly on!) since 1999.

Because of the knowledge and experience that Joel has obtained from his work with the FJMC, he has been able to bring various programs to CBJ, growing community participation. Over the years, Joel has planned and implemented the Yellow Candle program, Scotch and Steak in the Sukkah, and the World-Wide Wrap for members of CBJ. Additionally, Joel has coordinated trips to the Jewish Heritage Museum, held Passover wine tastings and sales to complete members' Pesach tables, scheduled art auctions, held men's health breakfasts, and facilitated weekly kiddushes.

Making way for even greater participation in Men's Club and Jewish community related events, Joel retired from his career at the Depository Trust and Clearing Corporation in 2014. He served as a senior analyst, specializing in mergers and acquisition.

Joel grew up in the Bronx, and he met his wife there in 1975. On September 11, 2021, Joel and Sharon celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary. Now both retired, they enjoy traveling and attending NY Mets games when they're not volunteering together at CBJ. Their older son, Scott, is an attorney. Craig, their younger son, is married to Jessica; they both work in education. Craig and Jessica are parents to Sharon and Joel's 2 beautiful, smart, and sassy granddaughters, Clara-Rose (5) and Livia (18 months).

"And all who labor with the community, should labor with them for the sake [of] Heaven, for the merit of their forefathers sustains them." - Pirkei Avot 2:2



## Wishing the greatest Mazel Tov & Yasher Koach to

# Joel Brimmer

We are all so very proud of your tireless and longstanding dedication to our local and regional Jewish communities! The title of Man of the Year is so well deserved for all you have done, and continue to do, for Congregation B'nai Jehurhun of Staten Island and the Northern NJ Region of the Federation of Jewish Mens' Clubs.

Truly, your commitment to sustaining Jewish life, and your selfless devotion to building community, is an example to all!

All our love always, Sharon, Scott, Craig, Jessica, Clara-Rose, & Livia





### MAZEL TOV TO OUR BROTHER

## **JOEL BRIMMER**

The 2021 Regional Man of the Year

We are inspired by your commitment to

## Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

and to the Jewish people.

May you go from strength to strength!

Our parents

Clara and Oscar Brimmer

would have been very proud.

With love from

Melanie and David Samuels





#### MAZEL TOV TO OUR UNCLE AND GREAT- UNCLE

# JOEL BRIMMER

The 2021 Regional Man of the Year

We are all inspired by your commitment to

## Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

and to the Jewish people.

As Hillel said, "If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am only for myself, what am I? And if not now, when?"

With love from

Sarah, David, Owen, Joseph and Cayla Zalcmann
Stephanie, Michael, Madeline and Chloe Carniol
Adam and Jacqui Samuels

# YASHER KOACH

TO

## RABBI MICHAEL PONT

AND

### ZACHARY GOLDENBERG

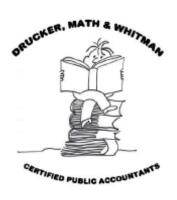
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MAN OF THE YEAR AND YOUTH OF THE YEAR

AND REGIONAL MAN OF THE YEAR

## JOEL BRIMMER

AND TO ALL THE OTHER HONOREES TONIGHT



FROM YOUR FRIENDS AT

DRUCKER, MATH & WHITMAN, P.C.

EAST BRUNSWICK, N.J.

LEONARD WHITMAN, CPA

732-821-5200 EXT 108

# **Joel Brimmer**

Congratulations on all your service and accomplishments.

# We are so proud of you!

## The Rosen and Marcus Families:

Adrienne, Burt, Evan, Danielle, Samantha, Zachary, Alexandra and Todd

Marlene, Keith and Rob

# Congratulations To

NNJR-FJMC the Man of the Year

Joel Brimmer

&

CBJ's Man of the Year

**Jack Bender** 

For these deserving awards & for your dedication to our Jewish Community. You make us so proud Yasher Koach

> Stephanie Mizrahi & Jerry Grushkin

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Mazel tov to TBAY Men's Club Man of the Year

# MARK SCHERZER

Thank you for all that you do for our community.

Mazel tov to TBAY Men's Club Youth of the Year

# GABBY LIPKIN

OUR BEST WISHES TO

REGIONAL

MAN OF THE YEAR



With our sincere appreciation and admiration,
David & Lisa Glass

# בן עזאי: הוי רץ למצוה קלה פרקי אבות ד:ב

Ben Azzai said: Run to perform even a minor mitzvah... Pirkei Avot 4:2

We congratulate Joel Brimmer, our chaver, on being NNJR's 2021 Regional Man of the Year!



Joel, you exemplify gemilut hasidim. Your tireless work on behalf of FJMC, NNJR and the Jewish people of Medinat haGan (and Staten Island) has not gone unnoticed.

Yasher Koach on being NNJR's Mensch Gadol!

- Eric and Fern Weis

## MAZAL TOV

to

# JOEL BRIMMER

Regional Man of the Year

A very well deserved honor for our wonderful Men's Club President and a Truly Kind and Great Guy.

Thank you for putting your heart and soul into sustaining our beloved

Congregation B'nai Jeshurun.

Yasher Koach
Sherry and Michael Swaaley

It is our great pleasure to join in honoring

# JACK BENDER CBJ's Man of the Year

Your dedication and hard work have helped our synagogue immeasurably.

You are the epitome of a mensch, and we are proud to call your our dear friend.

May you continue to go from strength to strength.

## JOEL BRIMMER

We are so proud that you are being recognized by Northern NJ Region Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs as

## Regional Man of the Year

This is well deserved recognition. Yasher Koach!

# Ruth & Myron Lasser

# Mazel Tov to all the NNJR Men and Youth of the Year, and our Regional Man of the Year:

# JOEL BRIMMER!

Please support the FJMC and all of our ancestors by participating in the annual Yom Hashoah Yellow Candle program.



Purchase these Yellow Candles and distribute them to your members and all others as a remembrance of the Shoah.

For information call: 800-391-7293 (after 9am MST) or e-mail: <a href="mailto:info@yellowcandles.org">info@yellowcandles.org</a>

Proud to be your partner in Israel!

Mr. Ariel Israeli Shraga Marketing & Candle Production holdings (2013) LTD Kiryat Tivon, Israel

# MAZEL TOV AND BEST WISHES TO THIS YEAR'S HONOREES FROM CONGREGATION B'NAI JESHURUN, JOEL BRIMMER AND DR. JACK BENDER

WE APPRECIATE YOUR SPIRIT, YOUR HARD WORK AND YOUR DEDICATION TO FURTHERING JEWISH IDEALS, VALUES AND SERVICE.

MAY YOU BOTH CONTINUE TO BE A SHINING LIGHT AND INSPIRATION TO FJMC, TO OUR SYNAGOGUE AND TO THE JEWISH COMMUNITY!

WE ARE THRILLED TO CELEBRATE THIS WONDERFUL OCCASION WITH YOU, YOUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS.

FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH!

ROB AND ANDREA SCHWEITZER, JUDY GOLDSTEIN,

AND DAVID AND SYLVIA FRIEDMAN

## Do not be wise in words – be wise in deeds!

Thank you for the deeds you do for our communities!

NNJR Region Man of the Year - Joel Brimmer

EBJC Men's Club Man of the Year - Marty Hoffman
EBJC Youth of the Year - Jack Zeidwerg

Lois & Dave Mandell

# Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

of Staten Island

proudly congratulates

# Joel Brimmer

and

# **Jack Bender**

on their well-deserved honor.

Board of Directors,

Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

# Congratulations Foel Brimmer

for this distinguished honor!

Regional Man of the Year!

The Kaufmann Family

# CONGRATULATIONS JOEL

Trudy Zohn

David, Charlie, and Becky Schwartz

# Congratulations to Joel Brimmer

on receiving this prestigious Regional Man of the Year Award

and Mazel Tov to Dr. Jack Bender

our Congregation B'nai Jeshurun Man of the Year honoree.

Arleen Klapper, Vickie Gimbelman & Arlene Rachman



CONGRATULATIONS to our fellow congregants:



JOEL BRIMMER

Northern New Jersey Region/FJMC Regional Man of the Year!

JACK BENDER

Congregation B'Nai Jeshurun's Man of the Year!
On these well-deserved honors!
Your dedication and hard work are an inspiration!
Mark and Lenora Gillerman



# **Northern NNJR Club Honoree Biographies & Congratulations**

Town	Synagogue	Man of the Year	Youth of the Year
Cranford	Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim	Larry Posner	Joshua Schwartz
East Brunswick	East Brunswick Jewish Center	Marty Hoffman	Jack Zeidwerg
Fair Lawn	Fair Lawn Jewish Center	Hal Fine	
Livingston	Temple Beth Shalom	Eric Baltuch	
Montville	Pine Brook Jewish Center		Hannah Schneiderman
Ridgewood	Temple Israel & JCC	Scott Baslaw	Ariel Fine
Scotch Plains	Congregation Beth Israel	Michael Margolin	Aaron Perrotta Abbie Sapira
South Orange	Congregation Beth El	Dean Kameros	Ava Levinson
Springfield	Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael	Mark Scherzer	Gabrielle Lipkin
Staten Island	Congregation B'nai Jeshurun	Dr. Jack Bender	
Wayne	Shomrei Torah, The Wayne Conservative Congregation	Ivan Gerstein	Leah Kressel
West Orange	B'nai Shalom	Jerry Golub	Risa Kampel



### Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim (Cranford)



Lawrence Posner is a Bar Mitzvah of Temple B'Nai Israel (Elizabeth) where he was active in Junior Congregation and USY. His participation in Jewish Life continued at Rutgers University where he was active in Hillel. When Temple B'Nai Israel 'folded its tent and vanished into the night,' he was unaffiliated until September 2010 when he joined TBEMC. Larry previously served on the Board of Trustees.

Larry grew up and continues to reside in Hillside. After he graduated from Rutgers, he enrolled at the Washington College of Law (American University) where he earned his JD. He practiced law as an Assistant Prosecutor in Union and Hudson Counties.

Larry is a terrible (but honest) golfer. He has never broken 100, except maybe clubs, and admits to playing better when not having to keep score. He enjoys skiing, mostly with the Short Hills Ski Club in VT; however, after almost 40 years his knees forced him to 'hang-up the boards' and try snowshoeing.

Larry is a Life Member of the (now defunct) Hillside Ambulance Squad. For many years he was a volunteer at Overlook Medical Center. Currently he volunteers at the JFS Food Pantry in Elizabeth and soon he hopes to resume a busy calendar of international travel.

At TBEMC, Larry was a member of the Board of Trustees. He is currently a Vice President of the Men's Club Board. Pre-covid you could regularly find Larry in the kitchen helping cook for the Senior Monthly Gatherings and meals at Men's club events. He also ushers at the High Holidays and helps in construction of the Sukkah. Larry is honored to be named the 2021-22 TBEMC Men's Club Man of the Year.



Joshua Schwartz is currently a senior at Cranford High School. He grew up at Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim, starting with the nursery school there at age two. Joshua is an active shul-goer, something that started in preschool and continued through Religious School and his Bar Mitzvah to today. Going to services and participating in temple activities have become such an integral part of Joshua's life that he is continuing as a young adult.

In 2018, Joshua became active in the Cranford chapter of USY as well as regional events. Joshua has held leadership roles in the chapter's USY and is currently the chapter's President. He has previously held the roles of Freshman Rep, Israel Affairs, and 1st Vice President. Other temple activities Josh participates in include helping

the Men's Club assemble the temple Sukkah, calling bingo at Men's Club events, and helping with general maintenance as needed.

Joshua recently earned his Eagle Scout rank. For his Eagle project, Joshua set up a Little Free Pantry. A Little Free Pantry helps provide food for those who need it in an anonymous setting. He also has earned the Ner Tamid award and is in the process of earning the Etz Chayim award for Jewish scouting. He earned Order of the Arrow and was Senior Patrol leader of his troop. At Cranford High School, Joshua plays the clarinet and is the section leader in the marching and concert band. He is active in many other activities including Varsity Tennis Team, Concert Choir and Math League. He plans to study engineering in college.



# Yasher Koach Lawrence Posner

Man of the Year Honoree

AND

Joshua Schwartz

Youth of the Year Honoree

May you go from strength to strength

Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim

338 Walnut Avenue, Cranford NJ



# The Men's Club of Temple Beth El Mekor Chayim Congratulates and Sends Best Wishes to Our Most Well Deserving Friend

# Larry Posner

# Man of the Year 2021/5782

We are so proud of your many achievements and years of dedicated service to the Men's Club, our community, and our Synagogue.

### Joshua Schwartz-Youth of the Year

This is a well-deserved honor.

You are both truly an inspiration to all of us.

### Mazel Tov!

Lance Kandl, Irwin Rappaport, Phil Stein, Michael Scher, Marty Metzger, David Salomon, David Schwartz, Craig Schwartz, Seth Farber, David Kupferberg



# MAZEL TOV

Larry Posner for Man of the Year

Joshua Schwartz for Youth of the Year

From David & Rochelle Schwartz

& Allan & Donna Berman & family

Mazel Tov to Our Honorees!!!

Lawrence Posner - our Man of the Year Joshua Schwartz - our Youth of the Year

> Thank you for all that you do for Temple Beth El Mekor Chayim!!!

Sisterhood TBEMC



### East Brunswick Jewish Center (East Brunswick)



Marty Hoffman has been a member of EBJC for about 20 years along with his family. He is married with 2 children and has attended services regularly, particularly on Shabbat mornings. Marty joined the Men's Club Board in 2020 shortly after he retired from his full time job at MetLife and has been involved in planning and supporting many of the Men's club programs over the past 2 years.



My name is **Jack Zeidwerg**. I'm a senior in East Brunswick High School. I have been part of the East Brunswick Jewish Center all my life through Preschool, Hebrew School, Chaverim, Kadima, my Bar Mitzvah and now in USY. Currently, I am on the Regional Board of Hagalil USYA serving on the Israel Affairs Committee. In addition, I have been assisting Cantor Larry Brandspiegel at the Hebrew School for the past three years and Erin Kaplan with the youth group (Chaverim) for the past few years. When my Dad was Co-President of EBJC, I became the "tech" guy as well. You can say that I spent a great amount of time at EBJC and I am glad that I did. Thank you for choosing me as Youth of the Year. It is my honor!!!



# Mazel Tov, Jack!

Congratulations on being selected Youth of the Year! We are so proud of you today and everyday. You are always willing to help and are so friendly and kind. Your future is bright!

Love,

Mom, Dad, and Rachel



# Congratulations to our son and brother

# MARTY HOFFMAN

On being named EBJC Men's Club

Man of the Year

We are so proud of you for this well-deserved honor!!!

Mazel Tov with all of our love

Charlotte Hoffman, Rita Aronowitz, and Julie and Marc Granovitz



Mazel tov to our beloved father, brother-in-law and father-in-law

# **Marty Hoffman**

on being named **EBJC's Man of the Year**.

You're always the Man of the Year in our books.



There is no better person more deserving of this award.





We love you so much!

Beth, Evan, Deanna, Courtney, Garrett, Bruce and Abby





To our friend,

# MARTY HOFFMAN

Through decades of friendship,
we have admired your kindness and compassion.
Mazal Tov on this well-deserved honor as

# EAST BRUNSWICK JEWISH CENTER MEN'S CLUB

### MAN OF THE YEAR

May you continue to be a source of inspiration to the Jewish community

May you go from strength to strength

## YOUR WILDWOOD GROUP FRIENDS

Howie and Karen Ben and Susan Harris and Nan

Reuven and Nancy Howie and Shelley



# MAZEL TOU, JACK!

I AM SO PROUD OF YOU AND YOUR MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS. I LOVE YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS ON BEING HONORED AS YOUTH OF THE YEAR.

LOVE, POPPA



Dear Jack,

Congratulations on your wonderful achievements and for the Honor of being bestowed the Youth of the Year Award!

We are very proud of you!

Love, Gram and Uncle David



# Jack

We are so proud of you and this outstanding achievement. We can't wait to see where life takes you next.

May you go from strength to strength.

With so much love,

Aunt Bobbi, Uncle Howie, Lauren, Marvin, Samara, Seraphina, Jordan, Meredith, Bryn, Leighton, James, Alli



#### Do not be wise in words - be wise in deeds!

Thank you for the deeds you do for our communities!

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#### Mazel Toy to

### Marty Hoffman

EBJC's Man of the Year

and our Youth of the Year

### **Jack Zeidwerg**

For all their efforts on behalf of EBJC and our Jewish community

> Rabbi Jeff Pivo Cantor Larry Brandspiegel

East Brunswick Jewish Center



# Mazel Tov and Kol Hakavod

to

The East Brunswick Jewish Center Honorees

#### Marty Hoffman

East Brunswick Jewish Center Men's Club Man of the Year

#### Jack Zeidwerg

East Brunswick Jewish Center Men's Club Youth of the Year

#### EBJC Mitzvah Corps







#### Visher Koach! to our friends

# **Marty Hoffman**

on being EBJC Men's Club's Man of the Year, and

# **Jack Zeidwerg**

on being EBJC Men's Club's Youth of the Year!

We appreciate all you do for our club and for EBJC!

David Blivaiss

Mark Foladare

Allan Ferrer Arthur Fliegelman
Harvey Ken Gerson
Goldschmidt
Joel Greengarten







#### Yisher Koach and Mazel Tov!

To EBJC's Man of the Year

# Marty Hoffman

And to EBJC's Youth of the Year

# Jack Zeidwerg

You make EBJC a better place.

May you go from strength to strength!

Steve Harkavy

Howard Jacobs

David Talis

Neil Kosher

Bob Levine

Dave Libowsky

Dave Mandell







#### Congratulations to

### Marty Hoffman

on being chosen as EBJC Men's Club's

Man of the Year

### and Jack Zeidwerg

on being chosen as EBJC Men's Club's

#### Youth of the Year!

Thanks so much for all your efforts on our behalf!

Alan Migdal Marc Pear

Dov Pollak Eric Rabinowitz

Lloyd Shepetin Gerry Silver



#### Kol Hakavod and Mazel Tov!



To EBJC's Man of the Year

# **Marty Hoffman**



And to EBJC's Youth of the Year

# Jack Zeidwerg

We are glad that you are part of our synagogue's family!

# **EBJC Sisterhood**

Sara Ullman – co-president Cindi Jacobs – co-president



# CONGRATULATIONS TO MARTY HOFFMAN ON BEING NAMED "MAN OF THE YEAR" A WELL-DESERVED HONOR MAY YOU GO FROM STRENGTH!

THE CHESLOW, GALLEID AND YAMA FAMILIES

#### Yasher Koach

#### Marty Hoffman EBJC's Man of the Year

Your passion and dedication inspire all of us

Mazel Tov on a Well-Deserved Honor

David & Margot Julis



#### For Marty,

A toast to my good EBJC shabbas schul buddy.

Janice and I wish you a hearty mazel tov on the Man of the Year honor as well as our very best for a long, happy and healthy retirement. You 'da Man.

Cheers, Lew and Janice Stolar

#### For Jack,

Mazel tov on being the Youth of the Year.



#### Fair Lawn Jewish Center (Fair Lawn)

Hal Fine: Born NYC- lived there till age 18.

Attended Bronx High School of Science.

Involved with Young Judaea – Hadassah's (then) Zionist Youth Movement.

Part of Manhattan region. Served on national executive board in senior year of high school.

Spent one year in Israel (gap year) after high school in program in Israel for Zionist Youth leaders from around the globe which included work on a kibbutz, moshav and for Israeli TV.

Began college studies at University of Massachusetts/Amherst finally graduating from Montclair State University with degree in English Literature. Went on for MBA degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

Worked in several industries finally settling into computer Payroll services with UPS.

Married in 1994 to Elizabeth Besler and have raised two wonderful children Emily -18 and Jeremy 24.

Led a Young Judaea club in Wayne, NJ in the 80's.

In Fair Lawn Jewish Center, have been a member of the Men's Club for quite a while, serving on the board in many positions. VP positions have included membership, programming and religious affairs.

I like to think I've done some innovative programs such as having 'the fighting Rabbi' come to give the group krav-maga active shooter training, organizing a mid-summer congregational softball game this past summer among other activities.





In recognition of his dedication to our shul and his support of the Men's Progress Club, we honor our man of the year:

# **Harold Fine**

The Board of the Men's Progress Club





#### Temple Beth Shalom (Livingston)



**Eric Baltuch** is pleased to be selected as the Man of the Year by the Temple Beth Shalom (TBS) chapter.

Eric has been a member of the TBS Men's Club chapter for over five years and has served as a Trustee prior to his current role as Corresponding Secretary. Eric has also been a member of the TBS Men's Club basketball and softball teams. Eric, his wife Kara, and their children (Justin and Emily) are active members of TBS community for over ten years. The family participates in many of TBS' Tikun Olam activities and family-oriented programs.

In addition to his involvement in the Men's Club Eric is also a leader in the Livingston community where he is the Vice-Chair of the town's Recycling Committee and a member of a committee to make recommendations to the town council

for how to use two unique properties recently obtained by the town. Eric's hobbies include biking (outdoor and Peloton), running, racquet sports (tennis, pickleball), fantasy football, and annoying his friends and family with his vegan diet.

Eric has enjoyed a 20+ year career in Financial Services. He is currently an Examination Manager in the New York Regional Office of the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) where he leads compliance examinations of Investment Advisers. Prior to joining the SEC, Eric had roles in financial management at UBS Wealth Management and Bear Stearns. Eric has a B.S. from Rutgers College/Rutgers Business School and an MBA from the University of Michigan Business School (Ross).







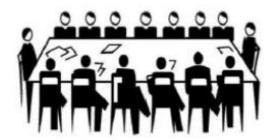


Livingston, NJ

# **Eric Baltuch**

Our 2021 Man of the Year

Thank you for your years of service and dedication!



The Officers, Trustees and Members of Men's Club







#### Pine Brook Jewish Center (Montville)

Hannah Schneiderman



# The Pine Brook Jewish Center and The PBJC Men's Club

Congratulate
Our 2021-2022
"Youth of the Year" Honoree

# HANNAH SCHNEIDERMAN

We are thankful for all that you have done and we are truly honored that you are part of our community. Your commitment of service, time, and energy to the Pine Brook Jewish Center and our local community and your dedication to making the PBJC a better synagogue for all our members and our students is a role model for all. You lead us and inspire us. You are a source of pride to our faith and to our synagogue family. May you go from strength to strength.



#### Temple Israel & JCC (Ridgewood)



**Scott Baslaw** is the past President of Temple Israel - Brandeis Men's Club. Scott grew up in Fair Lawn and moved back there several years ago. He is a member of Reconstructionist Congregation Beth Israel. He is married and has one son. Scott is a special education teacher and has been so for over 20 years. In his spare time he enjoys reading, golfing and going to the beach.



Ariel Fine has been active at Temple Israel and JCC since his family moved to Ridgewood thirteen years ago when he was entering kindergarten. He has served as a volunteer teacher in the religious school, he is always present to help with programming and has served on the USY Ridgewood-Paramus-Fair Lawn chapter board for 3 years, now in the capacity of Israel Representative. Ariel blows shofar for the congregation on the High Holidays, and can outlast anyone on a *tekiyah gedolah*. Just before Covid-19 hit, Ariel spent two months studying in Israel on JNF's Alexander Muss High School in Israel program. Ariel has been a student at the Leffell School (formerly Schechter Westchester) since 2009, from which he expects to graduate this June.





All of us at RCBI join in wishing a hearty Yasher Koach to:

Our member, Mr. Scott Baslaw as Man of the Year, and

Ariel Fine, for being honored as Youth of the Year

May you continue your wonderful works for the Jewish community for many years to come"

**RCBI** 

475 Grove Street

Ridgewood, NJ 07450



The Board of Directors of Temple Israel & Jewish
Community Center, Ridgewood, NJ, hereby resolves that:

# Scott Ariel Baslaw \* Fine

are being honored as our **2021 Man & Youth of the Year** in recognition of their continuous work and devotion to our synagogue and community.

#### CONGRATULATIONS!



Motion PASSED unanimously by:

The Officers, Trustees and Committee Chairs





# Congratulations!!!

Scott **Baslaw** 

Ariel **Fine** 





Our 2021

# Man/Youth of the Year

Brandeis Men's Club

Temple Israel, Ridgewood, NJ



# The Sisterhood of

# Temple Israel and JCC of Ridgewood

proudly salutes our

Man of the Year Youth of the Year



Scott Baslaw Ariel Fine





# Mazel Tov and Yasher Koach to

# Man of the Year Scott Baslaw

### Youth of the Year Ariel Fine

If you look in the dictionary you will see Scott's and Ariel's pictures under the word *Mensch*.

# The Habers Manny Shari Jakob and Carly



#### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

### SCOTT BASLAW

And

### ARIEL FINE

Our Man of the Year and Youth of the Year

On the recognition they so richly deserve for their contributions to:

Temple Israel and
The Brandeis Men's Club

David Weiss



# Scott-

#### Mazal Tov on your well-deserved honor!

Your devotion and commitment to the

- Brandeis Men's Club,
- your family,
- your friends, and
- your students

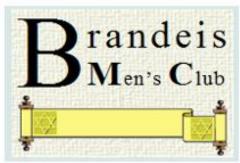
is a continuing inspiration to us all.

# We love you!

- -Mom & Saba Joe
- -Miriam & Benjamin
- -Elianna, Martin & Aaron



# SCOTT BASLAW!









You Drive for Show!

And Putt for Dough!

We cannot lose when Scott Baslaw is running the show! What a great Man of the Year!!

We are all so proud of you from RCBI and Temple Israel!

Howard & Tricia Schreiber



# Congrats to **Temple Israel's Youth of the Year**

# **Ariel Fine**



The young man who puts the GEDOL into tekiah gedolah!

David Millman and Bob Obeiter



# Mazel tov Ariel Fine!

We are so blessed with our **YOY**, our kind, sweet, pride and joy!

# Mama, Papa and Laurence

#### Congratulations to

#### **Scott Baslaw and Ariel Fine**

on being the Man and Youth of the Year.

We appreciate all you do throughout the year for the Temple Israel community.

Linda and Abe Davis



To the Temple Israel 2021 Man & Youth of the Year

Scott Baslaw



MOY

Ariel Fine



YOY

Best Wishes and Congratulations from the Rothschilds - Alex, Laura, Raquelle & Max



# Celebrating The Brandeis Men's Club Man of the Year and Youth of the Year



Adults and Youth Alike Help Make Our Community Great

#### SCOTT BASLAW

With absolute pleasure we watched you grow in your participation in our Club, step up to become a very effective President, and remain involved in our community and brotherhood

#### **ARIEL FINE**

It's been so nice to witness your developing talents, growing selfesteem and maturity through the years

Hearty Congratulations to Both of You! - Bob Dworkin





Wishing a well-deserved congratulations to our **Temple Israel**, **Ridgewood**:

Man of the Year - Scott Baslaw

Youth of the Year - Ariel Fine

Chazak, Chazak, V'nitchazek

Frankie and Eli Bordowitz



#### Congregation Beth Israel (Scotch Plains)



Michael Margolin is immediate past-president of Congregation Beth Israel's Men's Club, Scotch Plains, and a member of the synagogue choir. Of his work as president, he is most proud of having fostered a sense of community at the synagogue, making the Men's Club an important and accessible way for men to become more involved in synagogue life and to feel more connected through their involvement. Under his leadership, the Men's Club provided service to the synagogue (sukkah building, Veteran's day minyan, and Purim Shpiel), service to the Hebrew School (holiday parties and the World Wide Tefillin Wrap), and an array of social and educational opportunities (including football parties, hatchet throwing, and Torah study over a beer). Michael made sure that there was

something for everyone, and the community benefited tremendously.

Michael is a physician practicing gastroenterology in Cranford, having graduated from Hamilton College and NYU School of Medicine. He did his gastroenterology fellowship at Lenox Hill Hospital, where he studied with the inventor of modern colonoscopy. He is on the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation NJ Scientific Advisory Committee, and he is the past-president of the Hairy Cell Leukemia Foundation which sponsors global research and education on this rare disease. Michael enjoys tennis, water sports, and spending time with family and friends. He has been married to Ruth Bloomfield Margolin for 35 wonderful years, and he is very proud of all of her Jewish community work, with CBI, with Jewish Family Services of Central NJ, and with Federation, as well as of her hobby writing crossword puzzles for the NY Times. He is the proud father of Nathan, a high school science teacher, Ezra, a urology resident, and Hannah, who helps run senior programming at the Educational Alliance in NYC.





Aaron Perrotta is currently a junior at the Academy for Information Technology where he is an honor student and Class of 2023 Treasurer. His Jewish education began early, at the United Synagogue of Hoboken's toddler and preschool programs, and continued when his family moved to Scotch Plains, where he completed both preschool and Kindergarten at the Scotch Plains JCC and then attended both the Religious School at Congregation Beth Israel (CBI) and the JCC's Camp Yachad during the summer. While admittedly not initially always the most engaged student at CBI, Aaron's love of Judaism and of Israel really came alive on his first family trip to Israel in August of 2018. Since that trip, Aaron has become an active member of the T'sahal chapter of BBYO, having initially served as

chapter S'gan (Programming VP), and now as MazGiz (Secretary-Treasurer) for BBYO's Greater Jersey Hudson River Region. At MazGiz, his duties include managing the Region's Instagram page (which reaches over 1,000 teens, parents, and alumni throughout North and Central Jersey and beyond) and spearheading regional fundraising efforts. He also serves on several of BBYO's international committees.

Aaron went back to Israel this past summer on a URJ SciTech Israel program trip and will return again to Israel with his family over the upcoming Winter Break (which is why he is unfortunately unable to attend the honorary dinner). Aside from school and his BBYO activities, Aaron is in his third year as a Madrich at CBI's Religious School, where twice a week, he helps the school's director and teachers to supervise students and set up and run technology for classes as needed. In his few hours of free time, he enjoys hanging out with friends, watching football and basketball, and playing video games.

In honor of Aaron's recognition as Youth of the Year, please consider donating to BBYO as part of your charitable contributions

at: https://app.mobilecause.com/vf/GiveBBYO2021/AaronPerrotta





Abbie Sapira is a junior at Scotch Plains Fanwood High School in Scotch Plains, NJ. She is an exemplary student and is involved in many activities at school and in the larger Scotch Plains community. She has participated in Jewish programing since she was two and a half years old, including preschool, kindergarten programming, and then Hebrew School at the elementary, middle school and high school level at Congregation Beth Israel (CBI). Abbie started day camp at the Scotch Plains JCC at age five and transitioned at age ten to overnight camp at Camp Ramah in the Berkshires, where she attended for five summers. She views her Ramah experiences as precious and transformative and they influenced her to focus her Bat Mitzvah project on fund raising for CBI's and Camp

Ramah's scholarship funds.

Abbie is very excited to continue her Jewish studies this year at CBI, at Camp Ramah's seven-week Israel Seminar program this coming summer, and in Write On for Israel, a program that engages 35 NY area teens in study of Israeli politics and history. The program prepares students for leadership and the hard discussions that arise on college campuses and culminates with a ten-day educational trip to Israel in 2023. Abbie also truly enjoys her current role at CBI as a Madricha, working with kindergarteners and preschoolers.

Abbie's interest in Judaism comes naturally and aligns with her academic strengths, love of reading and history, leadership skills and intellectual curiosity. She views her current involvement as a natural growth progression as a Jewish teen. Abbie was pleasantly surprised and honored to have been selected as one of CBI's Youths of the Year and she thanks the selection committee for nominating her and recognizing her accomplishments.

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The Men's Club at Congregation Beth Israel Salutes

# Michael Margolin Man of the Year





Aaron Perrotta Abbie Sapira Youths of the Year

Thank you for your tremendous accomplishments in support of the Jewish community.

18 Shalom Way, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076 Phone: (908) 889-1830 · office@cbisp.org

# Congregation Beth 🔯 Israel

Scotch Plains, New Jersey



Congregation Beth Israel congratulates
Our Man of the Year:
Michael Margolin

Our Youths of the Year:

Aaron Perrotta & Abbie Sapira

We are grateful for everything

they all do for CBI!



#### Congregation Beth El (South Orange)



Dean Kameros: I am deeply honored to be recognized as Congregation Beth El Men's Club Man of the Year. It is humbling to receive this recognition, knowing the men and youth from our community that have received it in years past. Our family is fortunate to be a part of the Congregation Beth El in South Orange, where we've been members for 12 years. Currently, I serve on Beth El's Board of Trustees, as well as its Executive Committee with responsibilities for our Jewish Learning Center and teen program. In this capacity, I've greatly enjoyed working with our professional staff and volunteers to develop clear learning objectives and expected outcomes for these programs. I am grateful and honored to serve on our board during these challenging times with our inspirational staff

and dedicated board volunteers. This group has really stepped up to serve our community. Our congregation will emerge from the COVID era even stronger for the resilience shown by our leaders and volunteers.

My day job is Executive Director of Oncology Sales Operations for Novartis Pharmaceuticals corporation in East Hanover. My career spans 25+ years in the pharmaceutical industry, with the last 13 at Novartis. The company has been wonderful enabling the work / life balance that allows for time to contribute to our community. Beyond Beth El, I've served in leadership roles in boards for an industry trade group, a town health committee, a school for autistic children, an advisory group at the Seton Hall's Stillman school of business, and South Orange / Maplewood baseball.

I live in South Orange with my wife of 15 years Emily and our sons Gabriel (12.5) and Joshua (10), and our recently adopted Collie mix (?) June. I'm an avid reader of non-fiction. I enjoy hiking in the South Mountain Reservation, Peloton rides, travel, and rebooting my baseball card collection with my sons.



Ava Levinson: I am an 18 year old senior at Montclair Kimberley Academy. I have been a member of Beth El for most of my life and have enjoyed working at the Beth El Jewish Learning Center for 5 years. I have taken part in both the USY and the Makom programs and have made many friends and good memories at Beth El over the years. In my free time, I like to spend time with my friends and my twin sister, and I love to read.



To Our Man of the Year

Dean Kameros

Congratulations on this honor to a wonderful husband, father and son-in-law.

With love,

Tina & Michael



#### CONGRATULATIONS

\*\* AVA \*\*



We are so proud of all your accomplishments and your dedication to the Heritage of our People

Mom, Dad, and Jayna



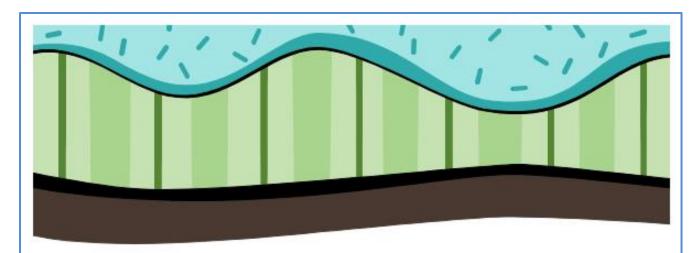
#### Congregation Beth El Men's Club Congratulates our Man Of The Year Dean Kameros



And Youth Of The Year Ava Levinson







#### Dean/Dad,

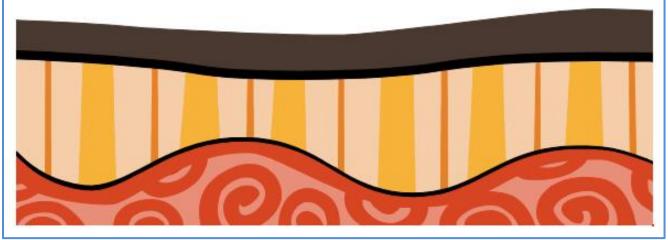
#### You are our "Man of the Year" every year!

We love you so much and are very proud of all your contributions to Beth El and the community.

Love always,

Emily, Gabriel and Joshua













#### Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael (Springfield)



**Mark Scherzer** is currently First Vice-President of Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael (TBAY) in Springfield, New Jersey and is responsible for a number of the Temple's Operations, with a focus on Personnel, Fundraising, and Contracts.

One of Mark's favorite programs is TBAY's highly successful Gift Card and Stamp Program where TBAY makes a profit on every gift card and Forever Stamp sold. As a result of this fundraiser, the TBAY Board has agreed to maintain a flat dues structure for the past several years, with a hope of continuing this practice.

Mark started his work in the Jewish Community when he was elected as Membership Chairperson at Temple Israel of Union when he was 18 years old; he maintained this

position throughout college, and until he moved out of the area.

Prior to TBAY, Mark was President or co-President for ten years at Congregation Knesseth Israel (CKI) in Bound Brook, New Jersey, where he ran the Personnel, Fundraising, Finance, and other committees. Mark demonstrated his passion for leading services with his wonderful daughter, Rachel (a gifted singer). He taught two B'Nei Mitzvot classes, where ten adults were called to the Torah and were able to have a Bar or Bat Mitzvah that eluded them as teenagers.

Mark currently serves as the Community Advocate for D'Assern Housing, the housing facilities for The Children's Village in Dobbs Ferry, New York. Mark is the liaison for the residents, acts as their voice against rent increases, maintenance increases, etc. Formerly Mark served on the Board and Executive Board of this organization which focuses on at-risk teenagers from around the world.

Professionally, Mark just celebrated his 36th anniversary at Morgan Stanley where he founded and leads sourcing activities for Investment Management / Private Equity. Mark sits on the Finance Philanthropy Committee and leads effort for the Firm's Global Volunteer Month and Annual Appeal.

Mark is extremely proud of his two children, Cory (an Airman in the United States Air Force, stationed in Tampa, Florida) and Rachel (a singer who is finishing her degree at Penn State).

Mark wants to thank everyone for this honor and for their support of the Jewish Community, TBAY, and the FJMC.





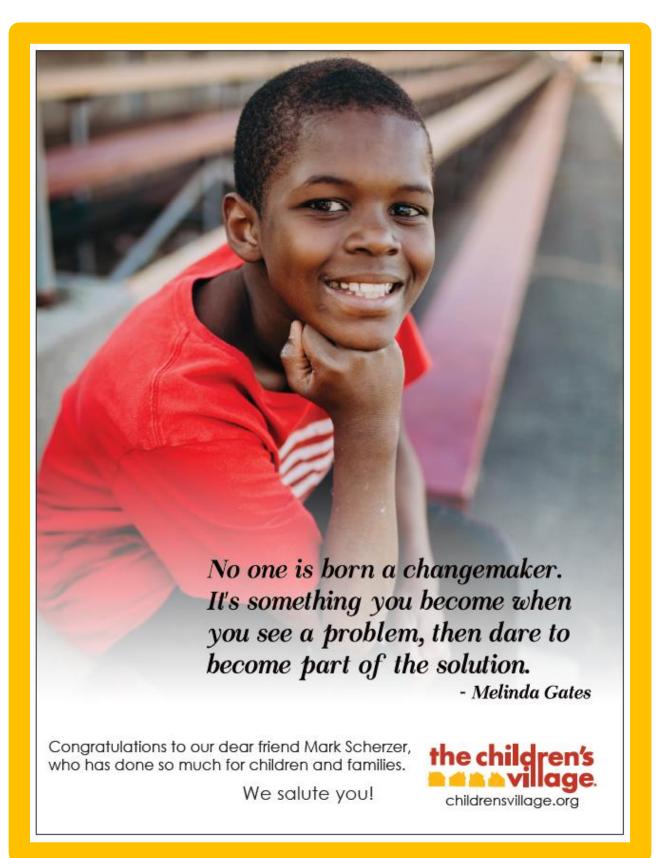
Gabby Lipkin is 18 years old and is a freshman at Binghamton University. She is honored to have been selected for Youth of the Year. Since kindergarten, she has been an active member of Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael, completing religious school and becoming a Bat Mitzvah in 2016, and then subsequently moving forward to become a part of Madrichim and Teen Institute. Gabby has worked with all ages as a Madrich, but loves working with younger kids the most. She additionally attended a Jewish day camp, Camp Yachad, for two years and a Jewish sleepaway camp, Camp Silver Lake, for six years. Even in college, she still remains an active member of her temple and continues to further her Jewish education through Hillel. Her favorite Jewish holiday is Rosh Hashanah, and

she loves returning to the temple to read Torah for the holidays.

With a double major in creative writing and film, Gabby hopes to screenwrite and direct movies. She is currently working on a four-book series of novels (and just finished writing the third book!) that is currently in the publication process as well as multiple screenplays. Creative expression has always been a huge aspect of Gabby's life and the majority of her free time is spent writing, listening to music, watching movies, or making jewelry. She is also incredibly passionate about fitness and loves going to the gym and lifting weights. Gabby is a part of her school's Running Club, as well as the Gay-Straight Alliance and the Storytelling Club.

Gabby would like to thank Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael for this outstanding opportunity...







#### מזל טוב!! כול הכבוד!!



#### **MARK SCHERZER**

**MAN OF THE YEAR** 

#### GABBY LIPKIN

**YOUTH OF THE YEAR** 

Who is wise?
One who learns from every person...

Who is strong?
One who overpowers one's inclinations...

Who is rich? One who rejoices in one's lot...

Who is one who should be honored? One who honors one's fellow human beings.

- Ben Zoma, Pirkei Avot 4:1

Mark and Gabby,

thank you for your leadership, commitment and dedication to the Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael community.

From chairing our negotiations and personnel committees to teaching our religious school students to chanting Torah & Haftarah, your volunteerism and hard work inspire us all.

-- Rabbi Adrienne Rubin



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Mazel tov to TBAY Men's Club Man of the Year

## MARK SCHERZER

Thank you for all that you do for our community.

Mazel tov to TBAY Men's Club Youth of the Year

## GABBY LIPKIN

OUR BEST WISHES TO

REGIONAL

MAN OF THE YEAR



With our sincere appreciation and admiration,
David & Lisa Glass



Mark,

Mazal Tov!

To a most deserving dear friend and very well recognized pillar of the Jewish community, we are so pleased with this wonderful recognition event honoring you.

Your sustained efforts, accomplishments, and remarkable service are apparent to all. You truly are a key advocate for our sacred community empowered by decades of volunteerism, experience, leadership, and contribution.

TBAY has been fortunate to have benefitted so greatly by your continuing commitment and dedication.

Yasher Koach!

With our sincere appreciation and admiration, Andy & Jackie



## Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael Men's Club

would like to congratulate



Mark Scherzer

Man of the Year

Gabriella Lipkin Youth of the Year

Thank you for all your conscientious work, selfless dedication, and unending service that help make TBAY a thriving community!

2021 / 5782





#### TEMPLE BETH AHM YISRAEL MEN'S CLUB

SPRINGFIELD NJ

### Mark Scherzer

and

## Gabby Lipkin

#### Honorees

Congratulations to Mark Scherzer and Gabby Lipkin for receiving our Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael Men's Club 2021 Man of the Year and Youth of the Year awards. We thank you for your years of involvement and service to our Men's Club, Temple, and Jewish community at large. We wish you continued success and many more years of good health to allow you to continue your support and involvement with our Temple and Men's Club.

#### Best Wishes Elliot and Barbara Merkin



#### 2021 HONOREES TEMPLE BETH AHM YISRAEL

Congratulations Congratulations and Mazel Too

TO ALL THE
RECIPIENTS
ON THIS
WELL-DESERVED
HONOR!

Mark....

You are a rock star! 2021 Man Of The Year

JULIE, JEFF, MAX AND

SAM SCHERZER



#### Congratulations \*\* MARK SCHERZER \*\*



#### YOUR FAMILY IS SO PROUD OF YOU!













#### **Mazel Tov**

2021 Man Of The Year

#### MARK SCHERZER

Well-deserved for all you do for the Temple and community! We are so proud of you!



Dad, Esther & The Scherzer Family



### Mazel Tov & Yasher Koach

### **Mark Scherzer**

2021 man of the Year

A special honor for all of your hard work and dedication.

We are so proud of you!

Congratulations to all the Honorees.



Pearl, Michael, Ari and Ben Scherzer





Congratulations to Mark Scherzer on being chosen Regional Man of the Year!



We are so proud of you! Love your South Jersey Family





#### MAZEL TOV TO OUR MAN OF THE YEAR

## MARK SCHERZER

FOR THIS WELL-DESERVED HONOR FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR SYNAGOGUE

WOMEN'S LEAGUE-TEMPLE BETH AHM YISRAEL-SPRINGFIELD





We Salute Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael Honorees

## Mark Scherzer TBAY Men's Club Man of the Year

Gabriella Lipkin
TBAY Men's Club Youth of the Year

On This Well-Deserved Recognition Congratulations!

Lois & Stan Kaish

#### Mazel Tov!

Congratulations to TBAY's

## Mark Scherzer Gabby Lipkin

On this great honor!

The Margulies Family



## Mark Scherzer and Gabby Lipkin:

Mazal Tov on this most deserved honor. Thank you for all you do for our Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael community.

#### The Brooks Family

David, Lesley, Lexie, Noam and Talya







#### Congratulations



#### Mark Scherzer

Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael's Man of the Year

&

#### Gabby Lipkin

Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael's Youth of the Year

#### Mazel Tov on your Honor! Ilene & Peter Shewitz

#### מזל טוב

to

#### Marc Scherzer & Gabby Lipkin

FJMC – Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael, Springfield, NJ Chapter Man of the Year & Youth of the Year Honorees 5782



#### Mark Mallach, Rabbi Emeritus

Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael Springfield, NJ rabbimallach@gmail.com



#### Congratulations & Mazel Tov

to my nephew

## Mark Scherzer

2021 Man Of The Year

Ronnie Dorfman



We are so delighted & proud of our daughter

#### Gabriella Lipkin

on being named "Youth of the Year" for Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael.

Keep up the good work & keep reaching for the stars.

Love, Mom, Dad & Sam



#### Congregation B'nai Jeshurun (Staten Island)



**Dr. Jack Bender**: April 19, 1937: an auspicious day, I arrived, East Flatbush, Brooklyn. School followed: PS 219, JH 252, Tilden, Brooklyn College, NYU College of Dentistry, 1961, then US Army Dental Corps and two years in France.

Back to Brooklyn to open an office in Canarsie where I spent fifty years. I now work part time, grateful for every day.

Being Jewish was, is and will be an essential part of me. When I moved to Staten Island forty five years ago and joined Congregation B'nai Jeshurun I found a warm, caring, welcoming community where many strong friendships developed. The Men's Club is part of that development and

the programs and functions are a vital component of the synagogue.

I owe much to my wife, Susan, who has been by my side for all the moments of joy and the times of sadness. Our four children and grandchildren give us a glimpse of the future and a meaning to what we do. With luck and God's blessing we will continue our lives together.



## Yasher Koach to CBJ's Man of the Year

Jack Bender

Mazel Tov to all the Men of the Year and Youth of the Year

Joel and Sharon Brimmer



# Congratulations To

NNJR-FJMC the Man of the Year

Joel Brimmer

&

CBJ's Man of the Year

**Jack Bender** 

For these deserving awards & for your dedication to our Jewish Community. You make us so proud Yasher Koach

> Stephanie Mizrahi & Jerry Grushkin



#### Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

of Staten Island

proudly congratulates

## Joel Brimmer

and

## Jack Bender

on their well-deserved honor.

Board of Directors,

Congregation B'nai Jeshurun



#### TO OUR MAN OF THE YEAR, ALWAYS

#### DR. JACK BENDER

WITH LOVE,

SUSAN BENDER

CHARLES, HELENE, ISABELLE AND SAM BENDER

TERRI BENDER GREENWALD, ALEC, MATTHEW AND JOSEPH GREENWALD, SCOTT KENNEDY

PAUL, YURIKA ELLIOT AND SAKURA GOLIN

TRACY SKLENAR AND ERIC RECTOR



It is our great pleasure to join in honoring

## JACK BENDER CBJ's Man of the Year

Your dedication and hard work have helped our synagogue immeasurably.

You are the epitome of a mensch, and we are proud to call your our dear friend.

May you continue to go from strength to strength.

#### JOEL BRIMMER

We are so proud that you are being recognized by Northern NJ Region Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs as

#### Regional Man of the Year

This is well deserved recognition. Yasher Koach!

#### Ruth & Myron Lasser



## MAZEL TOV AND BEST WISHES TO THIS YEAR'S HONOREES FROM CONGREGATION B'NAI JESHURUN, JOEL BRIMMER AND DR. JACK BENDER

WE APPRECIATE YOUR SPIRIT, YOUR HARD WORK AND YOUR DEDICATION TO FURTHERING JEWISH IDEALS, VALUES AND SERVICE.

MAY YOU BOTH CONTINUE TO BE A SHINING LIGHT AND INSPIRATION TO FJMC, TO OUR SYNAGOGUE AND TO THE JEWISH COMMUNITY!

WE ARE THRILLED TO CELEBRATE THIS WONDERFUL OCCASION WITH YOU, YOUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS.

FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH!

ROB AND ANDREA SCHWEITZER, JUDY GOLDSTEIN,

AND DAVID AND SYLVIA FRIEDMAN



#### Congratulations to Joel Brimmer

on receiving this prestigious Regional Man of the Year Award

and Mazel Tov to Dr. Jack Bender

our Congregation B'nai Jeshurun Man of the Year honoree.

Arleen Klapper, Vickie Gimbelman & Arlene Rachman



CONGRATULATIONS to our fellow congregants:



JOEL BRIMMER

Northern New Jersey Region/FJMC Regional Man of the Year! &

JACK BENDER

Congregation B'Nai Jeshurun's Man of the Year!
On these well-deserved honors!
Your dedication and hard work are an inspiration!
Mark and Lenora Gillerman



## Shomrei Torah, The Wayne Conservative Congregation (Wayne)



**Ivan Gerstein** is Shomrei Torah's Man of the Year. Ivan has participated in many Men's Club-sponsored activities, including setting up the shul Sukkah and co-chairing the annual Purim Carnival which is always a roaring success, the biggest Purim event in town.

Ivan has been an active member of Shomrei Torah ever since joining in 2013. For the past two years, he took on the role of High Holiday Coordinator, guiding a team of steadfast volunteers through unprecedented times, as well as participating on the synagogue COVID Task Force.

He served as the synagogue's Treasurer, and is currently serving in his third term on Shomrei Torah's Board of Trustees. Throughout his membership, Ivan has also

participated in numerous synagogue events, including assisting in the building of our garden and having a lead acting role in the Purim Shpiel.

Ivan was born and raised in Baltimore and graduated University of Maryland in 1993 with an accounting degree. After deciding he was a "big city kid at heart", he picked up and moved to Manhattan in 1995 and got a job with Morgan Stanley. He then earned his MBA from New York University in 2001 and is currently a Managing Director at Bank of Montreal.

After meeting at a wedding (as cliché as that sounds - she was in the bridal party and Ivan was in the groom's party) and marrying his beautiful wife Stacy in 2008, they moved to NJ, first in West Orange for four years and ultimately settling in Wayne. They now have two amazing daughters, Maya (13) and Jocelyn (11), as well as a COVID-acquired puppy, Lily. Although there's an abundance of estrogen in his household, he says he wouldn't change a thing.





**Leah Kressel** is Shomrei Torah's Youth of the Year. She has been actively engaged in Jewish life in our synagogue and beyond. Inspired by her Grandma Sara, who is a Holocaust survivor, Leah is strongly committed to Judaism, the community and the State of Israel.

Leah is most passionate about two things: teaching children, and being an active, contributing member of her Jewish community.

At Shomrei Torah, Leah has volunteered for the past few years as a teacher's assistant (madricha) in the religious school. She also leads Project Aviva, a youth group for Jewish teens, preteens, and younger children. At Project Aviva events, the youth group gets together to watch films

and discuss their societal themes and life lessons, connecting them to Jewish values.

Leah is very grateful to Rabbi Mark, Morah Dassy, Morah Beth, and the many other excellent teachers she has had or worked with at Shomrei Torah, beginning when she was four years old and continuing all the way through Hebrew High. Leah has also been a life-long camper and, more recently, a CIT and counselor, at Camp Veritans in Wayne, where she especially loves working with the youngest campers.

A senior at Wayne Valley High School, Leah is in the National Honor Society, a member of the girls' varsity bowling team, and an enthusiastic student of child development and psychology. She also enjoys writing and photography – and spending time with her puppy, Latke.

Leah's current career goal is to become an elementary school teacher, although she is open to other paths – as long as her occupation will involve working with children. Leah is also interested in working with special needs children and hopes to become certified in that specialization.

Being involved in the Jewish community comes naturally to Leah, and she plans to continue her active involvement and volunteering during college. Leah is honored to have been selected as Shomrei Torah's Youth of the Year.





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Shomrei Torah YOUTH OF THE YEAR 2021

All our love...
MOM AND DAD





## Way to go, Leah!!!!

Shomrei Torah Men's Club Youth of the Year



## You rock, Sis!

Love,

Sam, Hannah and Noah (and Latke!)



#### Ivan Gerstein

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to Shomrei Torah and The Men's Club. We are lucky to have you as part of our synagogue and as a friend.

Mazel Tov on being MAN OF THE YEAR

The Friede & Kleinstein Families

#### Leah Kressel

Thank you for your commitment and dedication to Shomrei
Torah and to the children of our Religious School. Mazel Tov
on your well deserved honor of YOUTH OF THE YEAR
The Friede & Kleinstein Families



The Board of Trustees of Congregation Shomrei Torah, the Wayne Conservative Congregation, is happy and privileged to honor our Man of the Year:

#### IVAN GERSTEIN

A longtime member of the Board, Ivan has always participated in many synagogue activities, including its finance committee and Men's Club.

When the COVID – 19 pandemic hit before the 2020 High Holidays, our synagogue's leadership was in a difficult position on how to conduct our services. Ivan assembled a team of members and successfully led us through all stages of planning and implementation of the religious observances. As if that was not enough, he repeated his efforts for the 2021 High Holidays. The entire synagogue is extremely grateful for his leadership.



# IVAN GERSTEIN SHOMREI TORAH'S MAN OF THE YEAR



Ivan, you are a man who would go to <u>ANY LENGTHS</u> for his synagogue! Internet, sukkah, Purim carnival, board trustee and Treasurer...WHAT A GUY!

Mazal tov from Eric Weis and Fern Gersten Weis (she spells your name the right way!)



Congratulations on such a well-deserved honor,

## Ivan!

You are a friend
You are a co-worker
But most of all, you are a mensch!

We are all seriously proud of you!

Well done!

Brad & Linda Rothbaum



#### Shomrei Torah, the Wayne Conservative Congregation, is proud to honor our

#### Youth of the Year

#### Leah Kressel

Leah's dedication and commitment to the Shomrei Torah Religious School has been remarkable. Her love of children and Judaism "shine" through in all she does. She has served as a Madrich for many years with the younger students, volunteers at many of Shomrei Torah events, and is always lending a helping hand.

We thank her for all she has done at Shomrei Torah and the positive role model she has been to our youth.



In honor of my beautiful and extraordinary niece

Leah Kressel

Shomrei Torah's 2021

Youth of the Year



with love and best wishes, Lynn Kressel





#### MAZEL TOV to our amazing niece and cousin,

Leah Ruth Kressel !!!!!!

May you continue to succeed in everything you do.

We are incredibly proud of you.

🗱 Love, Uncle Adam, Aunt Mathi, Warren, Harry and Alexander 🐗



Arf! Arf! Yasherrrrr Arf Koachhhhhh! I love you! ARF!



#### Our congratulations go to

## Ivan Gerstein, Man of the Year Leah Kressel, Youth of the Year

on their well-deserved honors

- Michael Greenblatt & Eric Greenblatt

Congratulations to Shomrei Torah's Man of the Year IVAN GERSTEIN
Our Man of the Year... This Year and EVERY YEAR!





We love you today and always, Stacy, Maya, Jocelyn, and Lily



# Mazal Tov to Ivan Gerstein Man of the Year

We appreciate all that you do for Shomrei Torah!

The Kressel Family

Mazal Tov to

#### **Ivan Gerstein**

Shomrei Torah WCC

Man of the Year

We appreciate all that you do!

Rabbi Randy and Dassy Mark



## Congratulations Ivan Scott Gerstein Shomrei Torah's Men's Club Man of the Year



We love you and are so proud of you!

Leonard & Lois Gerstein, Sharon & Dr. Jeffrey Sagel,

Arnold & Monica Gerstein, and Aunt Ann Saltzman

To my darling Granddaughter Leah,

מזל טוב Congratulations and!

You are wonderful.

With love and kisses, Grandma Sara



## Congratulations Leah!

We love you so much, and we are so proud of you.

## Aunt Betty, Uncle Andy, Cousin Seth, Cousin Josh, Sasha and Pepper!

Mazal Tov to

#### Leah Kressel

Shomrei Torah WCC

Youth of the Year

Thank you for your involvement with our youth programs

Rabbi Randy and Dassy Mark



#### Eric and Fern Weis send their congratulations to

#### LEAH KRESSEL

Shomrei Torah's Youth of the Year

Mazal tov, Leah! May you continue to build Jewish life in Wayne and beyond, wherever you go. (Ha'aretz is waiting!)





#### B'nai Shalom (West Orange)



**Jerry Golub** is pleased and honored to be B'nai Shalom's 2021 Men's Club Man of the Year, and thanks the committee members for choosing him.

Jerry grew up in Plainfield, NJ, receiving his Jewish education from his family and the Plainfield Hebrew Institute. After graduating from Plainfield High School, he earned a Bachelor's of Science in Electrical Engineering from Rutgers University. While at his first job, he received a Master's of Arts in Mathematics from Temple University. In his junior year at Rutgers he met Carol Ackerman whom he married two years after graduating.

They joined B'nai Shalom when their oldest son began Hebrew School. Both of their sons, Geoffrey and Jonathan,

became Bar Mitzvah at B'nai Shalom.

He has been a Gabbai at B'nai Shalom for many years, chairs the Religious Activities Committee, has served on the Rabbi selection committee, chaired the committee to design the new Gruhin Sanctuary and co-chaired an anniversary Gala committee. He also led evening services once a week for several years, organized Torah and Haftarah readers and assisted with several Men's Club activities including chairing a program about the Israel baseball team. He also delivers Yellow Candles to congregants.

He enjoys his hobbies of birding and nature photography. He has won awards for his photography and has birded in Israel, the Galapagos, Costa Rica, Europe, South Africa and many American sites. He solves the New York Times Crossword Puzzle daily and competes with his sons on the New York Times daily mini puzzle.

Jerry worked for several aerospace companies, retiring in 2002. Most of his career was at the succession of RCA/GE/Martin Marietta/Lockheed Martin where he managed several simulation and data analysis groups. He designed and led the development of MEDUSA, a simulation of the AEGIS weapons system that protects the fleet from missiles.

Jerry and Carol spend as much time as possible with their three grandchildren, Zack, Eli and Samantha.





**Risa Kampel**, 17, lives in West Orange with her parents and younger brother, Ethan. She is a senior, an honor roll student, and a member of the National Honor Society at West Orange High School. She is involved in many clubs and organizations, including the orchestra, softball team, and most notably AFJROTC, where she holds the rank of Cadet Chief Master Sergeant.

Risa began attending Hebrew School at B'nai Shalom when she was five years old and became Bat Mitzvah in 2017. Risa has performed many charitable deeds and has volunteered her time as an Ozra, helping younger students with their Hebrew reading and davening skills. Risa is fully versed in leading services, and she can read Torah and Haftarah.

She began attending USY events when she was in 7th grade, and she has always been an active participant at each event. She became more involved in USY by joining the Freshman Leadership Committee in 2018. She joined the Regional General Board a year later, followed by the International General Board. Risa was elected as the Hagalil Regional Communications Vice President in 2020, and this year she reached her ultimate goal when she was elected as the Hagalil Regional President.

This past summer, Risa was fortunate enough to attend USY's five week pilgrimage to Israel, where she bonded with teens from all over the country, performed many acts of tzedakah, and developed a deeper connection with the holy land.

In her spare time, Risa enjoys working out, binge watching shows on Netflix and being virtually social with her friends. She is interested in a future in communications, and she has applied to many schools that offer her the chance to pursue her passion at the college level. She is also considering spending a gap year in Israel with Nativ, so the future is wide open at this moment. Risa's family is very proud of her accomplishments and is looking forward to being part of the next chapter of her life. She is very proud to represent B'nai Shalom of West Orange as their selection as Youth of the Year.



#### West Orange B'nai Shalom

Executive Committee, Board of Trustees, Men's Club and Sisterhood extend a hearty

### Yasher Koach

to our

2021 Man of the Year Honoree

## Jerry Golub

and to our

2021 Youth of the Year Honoree Risa Kampel



# MAZEL TONTON Cantiant RISA KAMPEL



Being honored as B'nai Shalom's Youth of the Year is a wonderful achievement. You are an inspiration and a role model for Jewish youth. You always make us proud. May your enthusiasm continue to shine through the warmth of your smile.

WE Love YOU!



To our dear

## Reach for your dreams Keep your face to the sun

## BROOKE



MAZEL

on being chosen to represent
B'nai Shalom as their Youth of the Year,
a well-deserved honor.

We are so proud of everything you have accomplished and we look forward to celebrating all of your future achievements.

#### WITH MUCH LOVE,

Grandma Sara & Papa Teddy

**Bubbe Bernice** 

Uncle Evan & Aunt Melissa Cousins Melanie, Jordan & Justin



## Risa Brooke Kampel

The world is getting to know what we have always known about you.

You are smart and friendly.

You are a perfectionist and a go-getter.

You try and then you try even harder.

You work to improve yourself in all you do.

We are so proud of you!

Mazel Tov!

We love you and can't wait to see where your life's journey takes you.

Aunt Robin and Julia

Uncle Andrew

Grandma Tobie

#### **Southern NNJR Club Honoree Biographies & Congratulations**

Town	Synagogue	Man of the Year	Youth of the Year
Aberdeen	Temple Beth Ahm	Robert Goldfarb	Melissa Neglio
Bridgewater	Temple Sholom	Steven Singer	Meg Felder
East Windsor	Beth El Synagogue	Lew Kirschner	Josh Leeds
Highland Park	Highland Park Conservative Temple - Congregation Anshe Emeth	Dan Shifrin	
Marlboro	Marlboro Jewish Center - Congregation Ohev Shalom	Rabbi Michael Pont	Zachary Goldenberg
Metuchen	Neve Shalom	Steven Nagel	Maya Kushner Farrah Grubman
North Brunswick	Congregation B'nai Tikvah	Brian Berness	Bashe Rockman
Oakhurst	Congregation Toral El	Steve Fineberg	
Toms River	Congregation B'nai Israel	Rubin Ackman	Jillian Weintraub

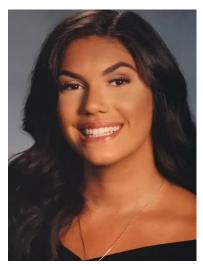


#### Temple Beth Ahm (Aberdeen)

Rob Goldfarb, his wife Ruth and his children Hannah, Holly and Heather have been members of Temple Beth Ahm since 1992. The Goldfarbs recently moved to Hamilton, NJ. Before that they lived in Marlboro for 18 years, and were residents of Old Bridge for 12 years prior to that. They joined TBA within a year of settling in New Jersey, and have all been active in temple life throughout. Holly, Hannah and Heather are proud graduates of the TBA Nursery School as well as the TBA Religious School, and were actively involved in the USY program. The girls were the first (and so far only) triplet B'nai Mitzah celebrated at TBA. The girls graduated college and are embarking on their chosen careers.

Rob has been an active volunteer at TBA. He most recently served on the Executive Committee as Executive Secretary, and prior to that as a Trustee on the Board of Trustees. In 2010 he was instrumental in restarting the long dormant Men's Club and served as its first President, and has served on the board since. He has also served on the Youth Committee and a Rabbi Search Committee. For many years Rob has served on the High Holiday Committee, initially printing and collating all of the High Holiday tickets and is now serving as Head Usher for the Holidays. He also chairs our annual Men's Club Sukkah building team. Rob has always been committed to the success of Temple Beth Ahm and is happy to serve the congregation in this important role.





I am **Melissa Neglio** and I am a senior at Old Bridge High School. I have been a part of the Temple Beth Ahm family since I was in P1 in the religious school. For as long as I can remember I have been a part of the religious school and even after my Bat Mitzvah I began working as a teachers aid and assisting Morah Ann. I continue my religious education by attending Hebrew High School. Temple Beth Ahm is my second home. I have made many friends at Temple Beth Ahm who feel like family to me. Temple Beth Ahm has introduced me to Kadima and USY which is where I have made many of my lifelong friends and memories that I will cherish forever. USY is a place that has made me proud to call myself Jewish. I love participating in USY whether it be at the local or regional level. I am

currently the president of Aberdeen's Chapter and I serve on the Regional General Board for Hagalil's Regalia Committee. I first started out in USY as the freshman liaison, and moved up to Membership Programming Vice President and now I am the chapter's president. I love being involved in USY and all of the amazing opportunities it has to offer.

A great opportunity was presented to me through USY that enriched my Jewish education and identity further. It was a summer program called Wheels Classic. USY wheels classic is a eight-week program that takes hundreds of teens across North America. During the Summer of 2019 I had the opportunity, with the help of the Men's Club's, Temple Beth Ahm and many other generous scholarships, to take part in many community service opportunities and enhance my Jewish identity by learning and taking part in discussions and prayer sessions all over the country. This trip instilled in me a better understanding of kehilla through community service throughout the country. I try to take everything I have learned on that trip and apply it to my everyday life. I hope to continue learning about Judaism and stay connected for the rest of my life and hope that one day I can even go to Israel on Birthright.

I apply tikun olam, repairing the world, to my secular life too. I volunteer for the Special Olympics Swim team and raise funds for the American Cancer Society. I am an avid swimmer and have been competitively swimming since I was five years old. I am the Vice President of the Future Business Leaders of America Club and the Senior Representative of the Old Bridge High School Key Club. I love to be involved everywhere I go. I am a member of the student senate and the National, English, History, Math and Spanish Honor Societies. Being a part of so many different communities has helped me to really figure out who I am and without all of these experiences I am not truly me.









Congratulations to our Youth of the year, Melissa Neglio and Man of the year, Rob Goldfarb.

The 2 of you are the perfect example of volunteers. Melissa, your achievements as our USY President are remarkable. Rob, your involvements in our temple are numerous including Executive Board Member, Head Usher for High Holidays, and Men's Club Board member. Thank you both for all your hard work. Mazal Tov on this well-deserved honor. May we continue to go from strength to strength.

The Arbitals, The Krampels, The Philmus's, The Robinsons, The Rosenthals, The Schomsteins, The Schumans, The Sokoloffs, and The Steins



We would like to wish a hearty Mazel Tov to

#### Rob Goldfarb

Temple Beth Ahm's Man of the Year

## Melissa Neglio

Temple Beth Ahm's Youth of the Year

With love from your friends,
Laura & Nathan Goldwasser
Allison & Rick Robinson
Barbara & Bradley Safer
Debbie & Neil Shanin
Kate & David Smith



## Temple Beth Ahm of Aberdeen Men's Club congratulates



Rob Goldfarb 2021 MAN OF THE YEAR

Founding Men's Club Member
Founding President & Current
Board Member

Chair of Men's Club Sukkah Squad

High Holiday Head Usher

Security Committee

Former Temple Executive
Committee and Board Member



Melisa Neglio 2021 YOUTH OF THE YEAR

President of USY Chapter

Regional General Board for Hagalil's Regalia Committee

Religious School Teacher's Aide

Special Olympics Swim Team Volunteer

Vice President of the Future
Business Leaders of America
Club and the Senior
Representative of the Old Bridge
High School Key Club.



Mazel Tov to the entire Goldfarb and Neglio Families



The Board of Trustees of Temple Beth Ahm in Aberdeen Is very proud of our honorees

#### Rob Goldfarb

Man of the Year

### Melissa Neglio

Youth of the Year

You embody the spirit of Temple Beth Ahm in your words and your actions!

Mazel Tov to you and your families!



## CONGRATULATIONS TEMPLE BETH AHM MEN'S CLUB FEDERATION OF JEWISH MEN'S CLUB 2021 HONOREES

ROBERT GOLDFARB MAN OF THE YEAR

MELISSA NEGLIO YOUTH OF THE YEAR

CONGRATULATIONS ON BEING CHOSEN AS THIS YEAR'S HONOREES.

MAY YOU CONTINUE TO BE A SOURCE OF STRENGTH FOR THE JEWISH

COMMUNITY.

WITH MUCH ADMIRATION,
SISTERHOOD TEMPLE BETH AHM



#### Mazel Tov to Rob Goldfarb "Man of the Year"

on your well-deserved recognition for all you do for the Temple Beth Ahm family & the Jewish community! Your hard work and dedication to our community is exemplary. Your leadership, commitment, and dedication has made you a pillar of our community!! Wishing you and your family many years of good health and happiness.

#### Mazel Tov to Melissa Neglio "Youth of the Year"

for all you do for the children of Temple Beth Ahm & United Synagogue Youth! Your dedication is an inspiration to all! Keep up the good work as a leader for Jewish Youth!! I know you will!

May you both go from strength to strength!

Alan & Ann Gabel, Madeletne Gabel, Stephanie, Bob, Mark, % Lily Strohmenger, Andrew & Emily Gabel





Rob - This is a well deserved recognition and acknowledgement for the numerous years of great and productive services you have given to our community.

Melissa - There is no doubt that you and your leadership skills are admired. There are, and will be, many people who will welcome your talent and compassion and rightfully so.

Mazel Tov to you both!

Bettyann Honig and Risa & Leroy Doris



#### Our very best wishes to our dear friend, Rob Goldfarb on this most deserving honor of Man of the Year!

We are thrilled to be able to share this special night with you.

Congratulations to all the other honorees on your dedication and accomplishments. We wish you and your families good health, happiness, and much continued success.

Mazal Tov! Keep up the good work!

Dom, Stacy and Melissa Neglio

I would like to thank the Executive Committee of the Temple Beth Ahm Men's club for according to me the honor of Man of the Year 2021 for our club. It has been an honor and privilege to serve and support our temple family.

I also thank my children, Hannah, Holly and Heather, and my Eshes Chail, my wonderful wife Ruth for supporting me and letting me share my time and attention with TBA.

Rob Goldfarb
Temple Beth Ahm of Aberdeen



#### CONGRATULATIONS TO TBA MEN'S CLUB

#### MAN OF THE YEAR

#### ROB GOLDFARB

THIS RECOGNITION IS JUST A TESTAMENT TO ALL THAT YOU DO!

WITH BEST WISHES,

ELIOT, RANDI, ROBERT, MICHAEL & JOSHUA GOLDBERG

## Mazal Tov & Our Very Best Wishes to Melissa Neglio

on the wonderful honor of Youth of the Year!
We are so very proud of you!
May you continue to go from strength to strength.
We can't wait to see what great things you will do!

We love you!

Mom and Dad Grammy, Uncle Scott, Aunt Diana, Uncle Angelo, Aunt Maria, Hannah, Grant, and Seth



#### Temple Sholom (Bridgewater)



Steven Singer, along with his wife, Stephanie, and daughters, Lily and Charlotte, joined the Temple Sholom family in Bridgewater in 2013. Since then, Steve has been involved in the Temple Sholom Men's Club, helping plan family events and building the Sukkah annually. Steve has also served on Temple Sholom's Board of Trustees, the Ways and Means committee, and the Kosher Gospel Concert Committee that brought Joshua Nelson to the synagogue. Steve had the good fortune of joining the mission to Israel in 2020 as a Fellow in the Jewish Federation of Somerset, Warren, and Hunterdon County's Blank Leadership Development Program. In addition to his work within the Jewish community, Steve is a member of the Bridgewater-Raritan Regional Board of Education,

where he serves as the chair of the Finance, Facilities, and Transportation Committee, on the Legislative Committee, and as the liaison to the Bridgewater Town Council. Steve is honored to be named Man of the Year and looks forward to serving the Temple Sholom community for years to come.



Meg Felder is a Junior at Bridgewater-Raritan Regional High School. Her involvement with the Temple and surrounding community is something Meg takes very seriously. Currently, Meg is an aide for the Nitzanim Religious School where she works with a student one on one. She is proud to have assisted this student prepare for his Bar-Mitzvah earlier this year. Outside of the Temple, Meg teaches children and adults mixed martial arts at Freedom Martial Arts. The core pillars of martial arts are confidence, respect, and honesty, and Meg not only teaches these, but strives to lead by example. Thank you to Temple Sholom Men's Club for this honor. I greatly appreciate it.



## Steven,

You have always been

## OUR MAN OF THE YEAR!!!



We are again very proud of the son you are, the husband you have proven to be, and the amazing father you've become.

With our love,

Mom and Dad





#### is VERY proud to celebrate this year's

MAN OF THE YEAR



STEVEN SINGER

YOUTH OF THE YEAR



**MEG FELDER** 

Thank you for everything you do to grow and sustain our community!

Mazel Tov to all the honorees!

Temple Sholom

Bridgewater, NJ

www.templesholomnj.org



In Honor and Celebration of the 2021 Youth of the Year

## Meg Felder

With So Much Love and Pride from Your Friends:

The Bast Family
The Blane Family
The Nussman Family
The Schwartz Family

Mazel Tov!!



Temple Sholom's Man of the Year Society

#### חברה של איש השנה

Congratulates Temple Sholom's Honorees:

Steven Singer – Man of the Year Meg Felder – Youth of the Year

Thanks for your efforts and the example you set for our community!

Congratulations
Steven Singer
Temple Sholom Man of the Year 2021
&
Meg Felder
Temple Sholom Youth of the Year 2021
Your honors are so well deserved.
Yasher Koach!

From

Linda and Allan Halperin

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Mazel Tov and Congratulations to

## Meg Felder Youth of the Year

We are very proud of you!

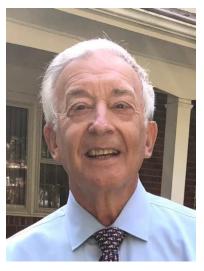
The Habers Manny Sharí Jake and Carly







## Beth El Synagogue (East Windsor)



Lewis Kirschner has been a member of Beth Synagogue and its Men's Club for over 45 years. For many of those years, Lew has been the coordinator of Men's Club Shabbat. He has also coordinated events such as Atlantic City bus trips, Rock and Roll live revues, and art auctions. Lew has served on the Beth El Board of Trustees as Treasurer and Secretary for 10 years. Lew currently serves on the Ritual Committee and the High Holiday Honors Committee, which he chaired for over 20 years.

Lew coached basketball in the East Windsor PAL for 8 years and coached a Beth El team for 2 years which brought home a championship. Lew has a daughter Melanie, and a son Marc, as well as 4 delightful grandchildren.



Joshua Leeds is a senior at Robbinsville High School. He has been the Social Action Vice President of Beth El's USY chapter for the last 3 years and was the 9th grade representative in 2018. Josh has also been a participant in the Jewish Community Youth Foundation since 8th grade and is a peer leader for Gesher LeKesher. Along with his 2 sisters, Josh founded "Books 4 Kids" to collect and donate books to underserved elementary schools in the Trenton area – to date they have donated over 2,200 books.

Josh is a member of the RHS National Honor Society, World Language National Honor Society, Model UN, Sports Analytics Club and Spanish Club. He has been a competitive swimmer, competing for the Peddie Aquatics team since first grade and has been captain of the RHS

swim team for the last 2 years.

For the last 12 years, Josh has spent his summer at the Abrams JCC, first as a camper and for the past 2 years as a counselor.



## Mazel Tov and Best Wishes

to our Man Of The Year

## Lew Kirschner

and to our Youth Of The Year

## Joshua Leeds

We are very proud of you!

The Board of Trustees of Beth El Synagogue

East Windsor, NJ





## The Beth El Bulls

Congratulate

## Lewis Kirschner

on his being selected as the Beth El Man of the Year.

The honor is more than merited and we are proud to have Lew as a member of our Synagogue and our Club.



<u>To</u>: **Lew** 

*From*: The

## Bensonhurst Boys

your oldest and dearest friends!

We are so very proud to have you as our friend for life!

Alan Meltzer Sol Coffino David Frost Steven Schwartz Norman Schwartz Heshy Becker Bill Berger





# Lew Kirschner and Joshua Leeds

Beth El Synagogue's Man and Youth of the Year

Celeste, Brian, Reina and Stuart Albert



## Congratulations to Lew Kirschner We're proud of you, Pops!

Love,

Melanie, Andrew, Jeremy, Ethan Marc, Jodi, Sydney, Maddox

## Marty and Sandy Halofsky congratulate

## Lew Kirschner

on his being selected as the Beth El Man of the Year.

Warmth, integrity and giving service in full measure are only a few of Lew's traits.

A real *mensch*, the honor is more than well-deserved.



## Congratulations **LEW**

on receiving the

## MAN OF THE YEAR AWARD!!!

## GARY AND MARLENE LOREN



Congratulations on winning Beth El Synagogue's youth of the year!

We are so proud of you.

All our love,

Mom, Dad, Shoshana and Dani



## JOSH

# congratulations on this well deserved honor! We are so proud of you. Grandma and Grandpa

## MAZEL TOV to

## Josh

on Being Youth of the Year for Beth El.

## Cannot wait to see what else you do!

Love,

Ramí, Melaníe, Max, Noah, Alex and Sarah!



# JOSH MAZEL TOV ON BEING YOUTH OF THE YEAR. WE LOVE YOU AND ARE SO VERY PROUD OF YOU. LOVE SAFTA AND SABA



## Highland Park Conservative Temple-Congregation Anshe Emeth (Highland Park)



**Daniel Shifrin** is very proud to be the Men's Club Man Of The Year for Highland Park Conservative Temple - Congregation Anshe Emeth (HPCT-CAE) for 2021. This is the second time that Daniel is the recipient of the Man Of The Year Award. The first time that Daniel received the award was in 1997. At that time, he was a member of Temple Beth O'r/ Beth Torah in Clark, NJ.

Daniel is the Membership Vice-President for the Men's Club. He also serves on the Temple's Board as a Trustee.

Daniel regularly participates in Men's Club activities which include building the Sukkah, Yellow Candle Delivery, and World Wide Wrap. He has also made videos for both the Temple and Men's Club using the iMovie app.

In March 2020, COVID caused everyone to become homebound. People did not leave their houses, except for work, essential services, and food. Daniel started his "Question Of The Day" trivia game. It was a way to keep in touch with our Men's Club members. Daniel kept score on a daily leaderboard. But everyone knew— it was just for fun.

Our Men's Club members looked forward to playing the game. It was entertaining and everyone enjoyed the friendly competition. Daniel was amazed by the number of participants.

After eight months, the game came to an abrupt halt. Daniel's wife passed away in December 2020. However, Daniel restarted the game in February 2021. He renamed it "Roz's Daily Question" in memory of his wife.

Daniel originally expected the game to last only two weeks. To date, it is still going strong. Roz's Daily Question exemplifies the core value of Community. It provides a camaraderie where our Men's Club members compete, learn new things, and keep in touch.

Daniel was married to his beloved wife, Rosalyn, for 38 ½ years. He is seeing a wonderful woman named Cindy. Daniel has two outstanding children named Bethany and Barry. He also has two fabulous grandchildren named Miriam Tova and Yehuda.



## Mazal Tov to our good friend

## Danny Shifrin

For being honored as the Highland Park Conservative Temple / Congregation Anshe Emeth Men's Club Man of the Year 2021

> From Your Friends In The Wednesday Morning Breakfast Club

> > John Adler
> > David Blain
> > Dave Cohen
> > Alan Cooper
> > Uri Mittler
> > Steve Phillips
> > Mike Rosenberg
> > Jerry Trub
> > Bart Weinstein



## Mazel tov!

The Highland Park Conservative Temple - Congregation Anshe Emeth

Salutes our Men's Club Man of the Year,

## DAN SHIFRIN

for his years of service to our Men's Club, Temple and Klal Yisrael!

## HPCT-CAE TRIVIA QUESTION

Question-Why is the Highland Park Conservative Temple-Congregation
Anshe Emeth honoring **Dan Shifrin** as our Men's Club Man of the Year?

### Answers:

- A) He is a very effective Men's Club Membership VP.
- B) He produces inspiring films/slideshows for the Temple.
- C) He sends out challenging daily trivia questions to temple members.
- D) He is a great, generous guy.
- E) All of the above and more.

[No answer key needed].

Yasher Koach!

Ira Cohen and Stu Feinblatt



### Mazal Tov to

## Dan Shifrin

Welcome to "The Club within the Club"!

Marty Golden (2020), Nate Kean (2019),
Phil Schmidt (2018), Carey Glass (2017),
Larry Klioze (2016, NNJR MOY 2020),
Craig Artel (2015),
Sam Kamens (2014), Jerry Langer (2013),
Marc Weinstein (2011), Jay Culang (2010),
Skip Rogers (2009), Phil Rabinowitz (2007),
Fred Shaffer (2006), Steve Lerner (2005),
Barry Mael (2004), Jerry Trub (2000)
and Al Davis (Beth O'r/Beth Torah MOY 2007,
NNJR MOY 2007 and FJMC Ma'asim Tovim 2007)

The past recipients of the
"Man of the Year" Award
from
The Highland Park Conservative Temple Congregation Anshe Emeth Men's Club

## MAZEL TOV TO DAN SHIFRIN



HPCT-CAE Men's Club Man of the Year

Mazel Tov Danny! Thank you for all that you do for the Men's Club, HPCT-CAE, and the greater Highland Park community.

HPCT-CAE Men's Club Executive Board
And
HPCT-CAE Men's Club Board of Trustees

This year's HPCT-CAE Man of the Year happens to hold various titles in our shul community. For 1,000 points, which of the following titles does this man happen to hold?

- A) Men's Club Membership Vice President
  - B) Producer of "Dan-Z Films"
- C) Organizer, and Trivia Master, for Roz's Daily Question
  - D) HPCT-CAE Board of Trustee
    - E) Die Hard Mets Fan
      - F) All of the Above

ANSWER: F) All of the Above



MAZEL TOV to our Man of the Year, **Dan Shifrin**.

Thank you for keeping us together through the pandemic.

**HPCT-CAE Trivia Group** 



## THE MEN'S CLUB COULD NOT PICK A BETTER MAN

## "TO BE HONORED BY ALL PEOPLE IS THE BEST OF GOOD GIFTS"

## OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO

## DANNY SHIFRIN

ON THIS WONDERFUL ACHIEVEMENT

Stephen and Barbara Parkoff

In Honor of
2021 Northern New Jersey Region Federation of
Jewish Men's Clubs
MAN OF THE YEAR
DAN SHIFRIN

This honor evidences your dedication to the Jewish community, acts of *gemilut hasadim* and devotion to TORAH

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## Marlboro Jewish Center - Congregation Ohev Shalom (Marlboro)



A passionate Judaic teacher, mentor, and friend, **Rabbi Michael Pont** has been the spiritual leader of Marlboro Jewish Center since 2011.

A native of Southfield, Michigan, Rabbi Pont gives credit to his family, his synagogue, and other Jewish experiences throughout his life for his bond with Judaism. For much of his life, he has understood the power of a faith that emphasizes family, study, care for others, holiday celebrations, and life itself.

After graduating from the University of Michigan (GO BLUE!) with a degree in Psychology, Rabbi Pont served as the Youth Director at the Conservative synagogue in Ann Arbor. Inspired by this meaningful experience, he chose to

attend the Jewish Theological Seminary, where he began the journey that has brought him to Marlboro Jewish Center.

Rabbi Pont is proud to be a Conservative Jew and embraces the principle that a Synagogue can be a modern, dynamic congregation while maintaining a commitment to Jewish life. Rabbi Pont is passionate about teaching Torah to people of all ages and is a staunch supporter of the Masorti/Conservative Jewish Movement in Israel.

Rabbi Pont also gives back to the community in Marlboro, greater Monmouth County, and beyond. He is a national chaplain for the Jewish War Veterans, the Chairman of the Jersey Shore Rabbinical Assembly Cluster, a past President of the New Jersey Rabbinical Assembly, a board member for the Jewish National Fund's Central New Jersey Chapter, and the Secretary of the New Hope Integrated Behavioral Health Care (NHIBHC) Executive Board, an organization that helps drug addicts with their recovery.

When Rabbi Pont is not at the Synagogue or out in the community, he spends time with his wife Natalie and their three children, Gabriel, Emma, and Jordana. You also might see him walking his two dogs, Tommy and Luna. Rabbi Pont is an avid sports fan and still roots for Detroit and Michigan teams. He loves playing basketball, watching his favorite shows, keeping up with events in Israel, and following current events around the world.

Rabbi Pont is grateful to the MJC Men's Club for the MOY honor!





Zachary Goldenberg is a senior at Marlboro High School who became involved in USY during his freshman year. His experiences and friendships made within the organization encouraged him to take more of an active role in the Marlboro Chapter. As Social Action/Tikkun Olam Vice President for two years, Zachary was able to bring recognition to non-profit organizations by planning social action projects and educating the chapter on all aspects of both Tikkun Olam and Hachnasat Orchim. He is now the President of the Marlboro Chapter of the Hagalil region and is honored to be Youth of the Year. Zachary is proud of Marlboro USY's accomplishments and is excited to continue to watch the chapter grow.





Congratulations to our humble hero son, brother, parent, spouse...

### איש השנה

...who takes what comes his way with grace and dignity...

### אדם חזק

...and, by his example, shows us all what it means to be truly human.

With our love, Mom, Dad, Nancy, Ira, Eddie, Sheila, Abi, Jolie and Ryan



RMP, Mike, Dad, Rebbers\* -

Mazels!! We are so very proud of you. Your love for and endless devotion to the community you serve is infectious and inspiring. You exude an unrelenting optimism that leaves everyone you interact with feeling happy, heard, and filled with hope.

You are an amazing father, husband, son, brother, teacher, student, leader, co-worker, volunteer, caregiver, as well as an exceptional friend to people and dogs.

By any metric, you are the manliest of all the men!

## חזק חזק ונתחזק

"may you go from strength to strength that we may all be strong"

Our family, MJC, and all who have the honor of knowing you are blessed to have you in their lives.

We love you,

Natalie, Gabe, Emma, and Dani

\*aka Rabbi Michael Pont



## YASHER KOACH

## RABBI MICHAEL PONT

## **ZACHARY GOLDENBERG**

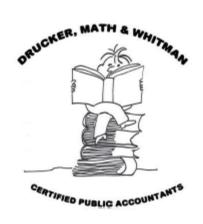
MARLBORO JEWISH CENTER'S

MAN OF THE YEAR AND YOUTH OF THE YEAR

AND REGIONAL MAN OF THE YEAR

## JOEL BRIMMER

AND TO ALL THE OTHER HONOREES TONIGHT



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## ישר כח

TO

### RABBI MICHAEL PONT

A GREAT RABBI, EDUCATOR AND A TRUE MENSCH,
ON BEING NAMED THIS YEAR'S
MARLBORO JEWISH CENTER MEN'S CLUB
MAN OF THE YEAR

### AND TO

### ZACHARY GOLDENBERG

AN AMAZINGLY TALENTED YOUNG MAN AND
GREAT LEADER AND MENTOR TO HIS PEERS
ON BEING NAMED THIS YEAR'S
MARLBORO JEWISH CENTER YOUTH OF THE YEAR

EACH OF YOUR DEDICATION TO MARLBORO JEWISH CENTER IS GREATLY APPRECIATED BY ALL OF US.

LORI, ELLIOTT, ARIELLE AND SAMANTHA BROWN





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## Yasher Koach to our honorees, esteemed leaders of the community:

## Man of the Year RABBI MICHAEL PONT and

## Youth of the Year ZACHARY GOLDENBERG

## From the Marlboro Jewish Center and the MJC Board of Trustees

Rabbi Michael Pont
Cantor Michelle Teplitz
Dara Winston, Executive Director
Karen Lewin, Education Director
Rita Rashotsky Preschool Director
Steve Solomon, President



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### AS PAST MAN OF THE YEAR HONOREES WE WELCOME OUR FRIEND AND TEACHER

### RABBI MICHAEL PONT

TO THE "CLUB"

ישר כח and מזל טוב

To Rabbi Michael Pont for his many years of dedication to Marlboro Jewish Center Men's Club

Lance Adelson

Elliott Brown

Alan Greenberg

Jeff Katz

Rob Klepner

Paul Nebb

Jay Seliber

Wayne Sherman

Steve Solomon

Len Whitman

Eric Bonett

Michael Danziger

Larry Josephs

Wayne Kaufman

Steve Landau

Jordan Podos

Howard Shafran

Allan Solomon

Robert Waldman



## Congratulations on your well-deserved honor

## Rabbi Michael Pont Zachary Goldenberg

and all the other honorees.

## Marlboro Jewish Center Sisterhood





## THE BOYS OF THE BYOBT CELEBRATE OUR MAN OF THE YEAR Rabbi Michael Pont

AND YOUTH OF THE YEAR ZACHARY GOLDENBERG



We Wish them both a hearty

Mazel Tov! MAN OF

Marlboro Jewish Center Marlboro, NJ





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## Mazel Tov to:

Rabbi Michael Pont, Man of the Year Zachary Goldenberg, Youth of the Year From your friends at Marlboro Jewish Center

The Alter Family
Don, Marci, Jared, Scott & Brandon Bayer
The Burns Family
Sandy & Larry Cains
Renee & Al Cohen
Lori & Steve Cooper & Family
Phoebe Dichner
Rosy & Lowell Eagle
Lisa Elfenbein & Family
Toby & Paul Elkin
Tiffany, Cary, Austin, Spencer & Arden Friedman





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Francine & Mitchell Garson
Gloria Gelband
Ron & Vera Gordon
Linda Grossman
Arline & Hy Grossman
Bonnie and Jay Handwerker &Family
Sue & Allen Holeman
Sophie Kahn
Nathan Kahn
Rene & Allen Kipnes & Family
Rob & Iris Klepner





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## Mazel Toy to:

Rabbi Michael Pont, Man of the Year Zachary Goldenberg, Youth of the Year From your friends at Marlboro Jewish Center

Carol & Sam Kowalski
Leslie & Irwin Kumer
Paula & Scott Kurtzman
The Levin Family - Randi, Ira & Bailey
Karen Lewin
Sherry & Michael Lieberman
Barry & Iris Lurie
Helene & Bruce Madnick
Ed Marder
Brian, Brooke, Emma & Aiden Markowitz
Meredith Milazzo, Cooper & Evan Steiner





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Judy & Carl Olesh & Family
Drs. Mark & Heather Pass
Drs. Caryn & Eric Pearlstein
The Pellach Family
Jordan Podos
Laura Rader
Rita & James Rashotsky
Shelly & Barry Ratner
Reva & Bob Salman
Rise & Joel Samit
Cheryl & Mark Schneider





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Reba Schneiderman

Marlboro Jewish Center Sisterhood

Marlboro Jewish Center Prime Timers

Joelle, Jay, Scott, Jon & Eric Silverman

Phyllis & Allan Sobel & Family

Steve & Brenda Solomon

Phyllis Solomon

Rhonda & Allan Solomon

Linda & Marty Spector & Family

Joyce & Allan Sugarman

Elyssa & Fred Thaler

Cantor & Ari Teplitz





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## Mazel Toy to:

Rabbi Michael Pont, Man of the Year Zachary Goldenberg, Youth of the Year From your friends at Marlboro Jewish Center

The Tuerack & Florin Families
Ken & Andrea Wendler & Family
The Whitman Family
Dara & Meir Winston
Bonnie & Stan Wolf
Sharon & Martin Yaged
Bruce & Robin Yenk
Barry, Cara & Tyler Young
Rita & Len Zimmerman
Judy & Gil Zuckerman



## Congratulations to Rabbi Michael Pont

You are always the Man of our Year!! With love and best wishes for many more amazing and wonder-filled years.

From your fan clubs in Manhattan, Swampscott/Cambridge, and Brooklyn Irene, Aline, Samuel, Noah, Ari, Florence, David, Miriam and Ariel



## Neve Sholom (Metuchen)



**Steve Nagel**: A key element in a person's life is their motivation --- what inspires them and what motivates their life's decisions.

After early years living in Newark and Bellville, the Nagel family moved to Edison in 1969. Hard as it may be to believe, Steve continues to reside in that same house on Back Drive where he grew up. He attended Edison public schools and received his B.A. from Montclair State College majoring in Political Science and Public Administration. As a youth, Steve's family was affiliated with Temple Beth-El in Edison where he joined the USY chapter, and the Boy Scout troop (along with David and Mark Glass) where he earned his Eagle Scout rank.

As Steve sought employment, he was drawn to explore job opportunities that enabled him to gain a sense of satisfaction in making a difference in people's lives. Steve's employment record reveals a heavy roster of non-profit organizations, many of which are dedicated to helping people in need or enabling people to elevate their status in life. These included the Boy Scouts of America, Junior Achievement, Info Line of Central New Jersey, the Jewish Renaissance Medical Center and, currently, the United Community Corporation, the Community Action Agency serving the Newark area.

Steve and his family joined Congregation Neve Shalom when his son Adam was enrolled in Neve's Hebrew School in 2002. He found many ways to connect with various synagogue activities and programs --- attending services, Men's Club events, and offering assistance whenever it was needed. Steve is also one of Neve's regular Hagbah Aliyah honorees. No doubt he was inspired to execute this sacred task by his commitment to "raise up" the lives he encountered. He even ran classes for Neve's USY members to learn how to properly lift a Torah.

Steve has served on several synagogue committees and projects including the Rabbi's Transition Team, the Rabbi's Installation Committee, the Nominating Committee, and the Security Task Force, Choir Member, and he chaired the Sukkot Civic Luncheon. During this past year he and his significant other, Fran Cohen, devoted many hours to executing the sacred task of changing the Torah and ark covers for the Holidays. But, most substantially, it was in response to the challenges of the ongoing pandemic that Steve was constantly available to assist in addressing the logistical assessments and set-ups for all of Neve's outdoor and indoor religious services.





Maya Kushner is a senior at J.P. Stevens High School in Edison, NJ. She has always enjoyed being a part of Neve Shalom's youth groups, from Hanoar to Kadima to USY. She has held the positions of Communications Vice President, Social Action/Tikkun Olam Vice President, and now Co-President of the USY Board. Maya has also been active in the religious school through Hebrew High School, as well as being a Madricha, Hebrew tutor, and Junior Congregation Service Leader. She has a passion for Jewish music, and she loves song leading for all ages, especially the Friday night tot service. Outside of Neve, Maya participates in musical theatre, the literary magazine at her school, Girl Scouts, piano, and dance.



Farrah Grubman is currently serving as the co-president of USY and has been on the USY board throughout high school. She has been a part of the Neve Shalom community since she entered the Mommy & Me class as a six-month old. Farrah is a senior at Metuchen High School, enrolled as a student in Hebrew High and serves as a Madrich and a Jr. Congregation leader. She especially enjoys attending regional Hagalil events. In her spare time, Farrah enjoys karate, Girl Scouts, film making (especially acting) and being part of the crew for her school plays. She looks forward to continuing her studies to achieve her goal of becoming an early childhood/elementary education teacher.



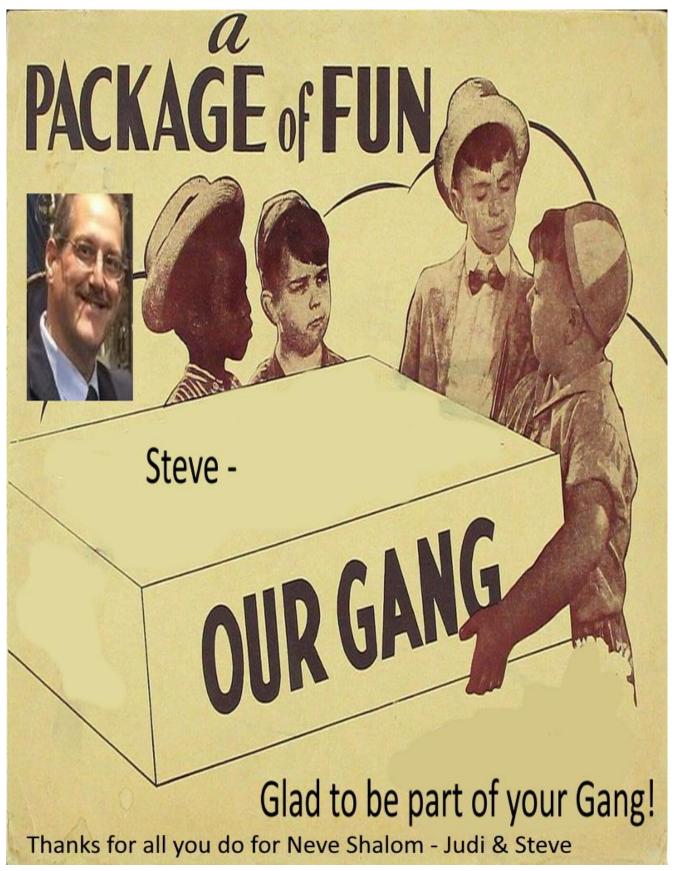
## Steve, Farrah & Maya,



To our Man of the Year and Youths of the Year - you make the Neve Shalom community a better place. We take great delight in honoring you.

> Jennifer & Richard Bullock Susan & Eric Goldman Nancy & Stuart Shlossman Elyse Schulman & Steven Haber Miriam Arnheim & Jeffrey Schulman











# Yasher Koach Maya and Farrah!!





Mazel Tov on this
well deserved honor!
Thank you for your
inspiring commitment to
the youth & congregation
of Neve Shalom
and to our Jewish
community.

We love you!



the Kaplan, Kashan, Schildkraut, Sessler and Stein Families







Youth of the Year

## **FARRAH GRUBMAN**

Metzuyan and Mazel Tov!

I'm so proud of you. Lots of love always.

Love, Grandpa Richard







## מזל טוב!

Steve, Farah and Maya

We thank you for

Your shlepping

Your singing

Your teaching

And all of the ways

You have supported Neve Shalom!

From Strength to Strength

Rabbi Rosin, Jen and Sam

## CONGRATULATIONS TO NEVE SHALOM'S WELL-DESERVED HONOREES

#### **STEVEN NAGEL** (MAN OF THE YEAR)

#### FARRAH GRUBMAN MAYA KUSHNER

(CO-YOUTH OF THE YEAR)

THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU DO!

Lawrence Dombrow



#### To Steve Nagel:

With appreciation for your deep commitment to our Jewish community.

To Farrah Grubman and Maya Kushner:

With thanks for your leadership in our USY chapter, and with best wishes for your future.

May you each go from strength to strength.

Stacey Sern and Jonathan Greenberg

### כָּל הַמְּכַבֵּד אֶת הַתּוֹרָה, גּוּפוֹ מְכֻבָּד עַל הַבְּרִיּוֹת



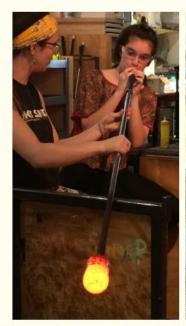
Whoever honors torah will in turn be honored by others Pirkei Avot 4-6

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Steve, Farrah and Maya

Michele, Mark and Daniel Rosenfield









## MAYA

Mazel Tov! Neve Shalom Youth of the Year

Friends since the beginning and true kindred spirits always.
Wherever the road in life may take you, may it always bring you back to forever friendships.
much love,
farrah, aaron, jamie & ira



Thank you for all that you do for Neve Shalom. You've helped make our kid's second home a very special place.

Mazel Tov, Man of the Year!

In Honor of

## ~ Steve Nagel ~

Pillar of the Community, Mensch, Friend.

With gratitude for all you do, Michele and Joel Bassoff



### Mazel Tov to our dear friend Steve Nagel!

Always a positive, kind and giving heart to the Community!

- Sincere
- Tzedek
- Easy-going
- Valor
- Eager



Adriana Cuervo

Brett, Debbie, Lumi, Sarah, and Ziegler Schildkraut

#### CONGRATULATIONS FARRAH!

WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU AS WE ALWAYS ARE!

YOU ARE A SHINING LIGHT IN THE LIVES OF ALL WHO KNOW YOU!

FARRAH, YOU ARE SUCH A SPECIAL PERSON.

WE LOVE YOU!

GRANDPA LES AND JAN



#### Congregation B'nai Tikvah (North Brunswick)



Brian Berness, his wife Elisa, and sons Harrison, Shane, and Derek have been members of Congregation B'nai Tikvah for almost 17 years. Brian currently serves as the CBT Men's Club Board representative and has served in that position for the past five years and has served on the Men's Club board for nearly a decade. Elisa has been an active board member of Sisterhood for many years as well. The CBT Men's Club has and continues to be active among our congregation in sponsoring and supporting many events and organizations including building (and disassembling) the Sukkah, monthly breakfast meetings, Football nights, World Wide Wrap, and the Yom Hashoah Yellow Candle Program among others. Brian has played softball for B'nai Tikvah and has also taken a lead in creating the CBT Men's

Club Bylaws and running the CharityMania Fundraiser for several years. Brian graduated from Rutgers College with a B.A. and with a J.D. from the Seton Hall University School of Law. He has been employed working in financial industry risk and compliance for nearly 20 years and is currently a compliance officer for a major global financial institution. For "fun," Brian is an avid and long-suffering New York Mets and New York Jets fan and has unfortunately passed these traits onto his boys. He enjoys playing the guitar and reading and being with his family. Brian is happily married over 20 years to his wife, Elisa and they have three sons, Harrison, 17, who is a Senior in high school and about to begin his college journey; Shane, 14, who is a Freshman and was just Bar Mitvahed after a delay in this strange pandemic year; and Derek, 11, who has just started middle school and is a budding lacrosse player. The Berness family currently resides in the Kendall Park section of South Brunswick.





I'm Bashe Rockman and I am currently a senior at North Brunswick Township High School. I knew from a young age growing up at B'nai Tikvah that I would become an active member of USY, and I was right! My family has always been so supportive of my interest and involvement in any Jewish activity. My dad continues to teach me to lead prayers and songs and my mom has always been an incredible cheerleader and role model. My brother Rafi is the best! He is kind, supportive, and a musical genius. We make an incredible duo singing together with him on guitar! I've been to Israel six times, three with my family, and three times on really cool teen programs. I spent (what was meant to be) a semester in Israel with Tichon Ramah Yerushalayim (TRY), went on my 8th grade Israel trip

before that, and spent this past summer on Ramah Seminar. These programs as well as USY on Wheels, Camp Ramah in the Berkshires, and HaZamir have been formative in my growth as a person and as a Jew. I've gained so many skills in leading tfilot (prayers) and in leading my peers in general through these programs and I'm so grateful to have been able to use these skills in my life at B'nai Tikvah. My involvement in USY, Religious School, HaZamir, and Ramah have been incredible for me and I credit my Jewish path for making me the leader I am becoming.







## Mazel Tov. Bashe Sarah Roekman!

Bashe Sarah Rockman, Youth of the Year, Let's all stand up and give a big cheer

So proud of all you do for CBT, It really seems to run in your family tree

Thank you for always sharing your beautiful voice,

CBT Men's Club has made a great choice

We wish you continued success and only the best,

You surely are a cut above the rest!

With Love,

Bobbi Binder, Gale Dillman, Ruth Anne Koenick & Amanda Uniman



### Congregation B'nai Tikvah Men's Club Proudly congratulates

**Brian Berness** 



Man of the Year

**Bashe Rockman** 



Youth of the Year

Thank you for all you contribute to our community.

Mazel Toy!!!



#### Congregation Torat El (Oakhurst)



Steven Fineberg is a past President of Congregation Torat EI, having served as Treasurer for many years, as well as a past member of both the Executive Board and Board of Trustees. He served on the Steering Committee which facilitated the unification of Temple Beth EI and Temple Beth Torah. Steven contributed to the planning and implementation of Congregation Torat EI's first Capital Campaign. Since completing his term, he has taken active roles on the synagogue's Hazak and Membership committees.

Steven is Minyan regular and organized a WhatsApp group to facilitate requests for minyan attendees and has been responsible for arranging a weekly Minyan breakfast.

For the last decade, Steven has been a beekeeper, a member of the Central New Jersey Beekeepers Association, as well as a founding member of the Jersey Shore Bee Association, developing a group of congregants to become new beekeepers.

Steven received a BA from Kenyon College and an MBA in finance from Fordham University. He is Past President of the West Long Branch School District. He has resided in West Long Branch for the last thirty years with his wife, Vicki, raising three daughters. He was employed at the Industrial Bank of Japan for more than thirty years, responsible for debt restructuring for commercial and sovereign loans.



#### Mazel Tov

## **STEVEN FINEBERG**MAN OF THE YEAR

AND ALL OF THE HONOREES



Congregation Torat El 301 Monmouth Road Oakhurst, NJ 07755 732-531-4410 Torat-el.org



## Mazel Tov Steven Fineberg

Congratulations and best wishes on being chosen Men's Club Man of the Year

Your dedication continues to be an inspiration for all of us

Vicki, Emily, Julia, Rose and James



#### Congregation B'nai Israel (Toms River)



**Rubin Ackman** was born in New York in 1948 to immigrants from Palestine (now Israel). He grew up in Brooklyn where he graduated from Magen David Yeshivah (a Jewish elementary day school) before going on to Brooklyn Technical High School.

Rubin attended City College of New York where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering and an officer's commission in the United States Army. He also graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a master's degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering and from the University of Maryland with an MBA.

After serving two years activity duty in the Army Corps of Engineers in Texas, he was hired by the Bechtel

Corporation in the suburbs of Washington, D.C., as a project controls engineer on Engineering, Procurement and Construction projects. He has traveled on various types of assignments extensively and led projects throughout the United States, Canada and several countries in the Former Soviet Union.

Rubin retired after 42 years with Bechtel in 2015 and moved to New Jersey where he has been active in Congregation B'nai Israel (CBI) in Toms River. He led the committee to update the synagogue's Constitution, participates in committees looking at the cemetery and long term planning and currently is chairman of the Finance and Budget committee. As Vice President of Finance, he is currently on the Executive Board of CBI.

Rubin and his wife Sheryl have four children, twenty one grandchildren and one greatgrandchild who live in Israel, New Hampshire and New Jersey.



My name is **Jillian Weintraub** and I am the President of the TRICKUSY chapter. I am a senior at Toms River High School North. I am a part of National Honors Society and the Thespian Honors Society. My activities in school include theatre, student council, The Acts of Kindness Society, school store, and T.E.A.M. I have been in USY all four years of my high school life. Freshman year I was on the regional Freshman Leadership committee. Sophomore and Junior year I was on the chapter board as Communications VP before stepping up as Chapter President.



## We are delighted to honor our Brother-in-law and Uncle

## Rubin Ackman

May you continue to be a source of strength to the entire Jewish Community.

Cindie, David, Robin, Irv, Lori, Jeffrey, Jared, Brent, Jessica, Jeff, Danny, Ashley, Michael, Jordan, Christine and Alana







#### Congratulations

## Rubin Ackman - "Our Saba"

We love you and we are so proud!

From your 21 Grandchildren

and 1 Great Granddaughter

#### **In Memoriam**



We fondly remember our friend, former NNJR Executive Vice President, and former NNJR Regional Man of the Year, Matt Bonus (z"I) (Neve Shalom - Metuchen).

NNJR has created the **Matt Bonus Memorial USY Scholarship** to honor Matt's legacy and his exemplary commitment to Neve Shalom, FJMC, NNJR, and USY.

This annual scholarship will fund up to three participants from Hagalil Region to participate in encampment each year, with applicants to be selected by the Hagalil Advisor.

#### 2021-2022 NNJR Executive Board

The members of the Executive Board of NNJR meet regularly to coordinate regional and national programs including the Man of the Year & Youth of the Year Celebration, FJMC Yellow Candle distribution, World Wide Wrap, FJMC Biennial Convention, Quad Region Retreat, Region Presidents Installation, and more. They also liaison with our Region's Men's Clubs to share information, best practices, speakers, and support. To find out more, contact any of us or visit <a href="mailto:nnjr.org">nnjr.org</a>.



#### 2021/5782 NNJR Man of the Year Celebration Committee

Thank you for participating in this year's Man of the Year & Youth of the Year Celebration, viewing the program, contributing ads to support the programs of NNJR and our Men's Clubs, and celebrating the contributions that our honorees make to our communities.

Thank you to our Club Presidents and MOY Chairmen, who coordinate the selection of our honorees, sell ads for this tribute journal, coordinate the video presentations, and invite our community to celebrate.

Thank you to our NNJR Man of the Year Celebration Committee who worked tirelessly to plan this year's Celebration, coordinate the club presentations, collect the honoree bios and photos, and assemble this year's program video and this tribute journal. A special thanks to Mike Keats and Marty Schenker for their expertise in constructing this year's video presentation - it would not have been possible without them.

Yasher Koach!

David Glass, Co-Chair David Mandell, Co-Chair

