



SUMMER 2009

around the campfire

- Experience camp life
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Investing in the Future





President's Message



I'd like to express my sincere gratitude to a group of individuals who, while helping our agency function, don't receive nearly the credit or thanks they deserve: the proud members of our Board of Directors and our Past Presidents. I truly believe that the men and women who make up our Board are among the hardest working group of volunteers that populate our Federated community.

Our Board members give generously of their time, their financial resources and their professional skills in order to further our agency's mission of providing meaningful Jewish camping experiences to all metro Detroit children, independent of financial ability. In these difficult economic times, I have called upon this group on numerous occasions, as we work with our professional staff to ensure that every dollar is spent cautiously and purposefully. They have stepped up whenever I've requested their assistance and input. The next time you see a member of our Board, please express your appreciation as well.

We continue to work diligently to ensure that our agency fulfills its mission in the most cost-effective way possible. To that end, our agency has needed to trim its spending without affecting our programming or funding for financial aid. We are also initiating new donor development programs, such as our inaugural "Send a Kid to Tamarack Patron Event," held at the end of April to formally recognize our donors for all of their help, support and guidance. Approximately 175 people came out to show their support for the tremendous impact our programs have in shaping the Jewish identities of our community's young people and future leaders.

Our agency has existed since Ida Kopple and Blanche Hart founded it in 1902. We have lived through the worst of times – the Great Depression, World War II and the Holocaust – enduring throughout. I am most confident that we will emerge from this economic recession as strong and vibrant an agency as ever.

Shelley Hutton
President



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- Pictures throughout the Summer
- Daily updates from Camp Maas
- Expanded Online Donation Opportunities
- Upcoming Alumni Events



Executive Director's Message



Investing in a Child's Future

Throughout time, the values and goals of summer camp have remained consistent. Even still, to remain competitive, the work of those involved within the camping industry continues to evolve.

At a recent ACA (American Camp Association) conference for camp professionals, I observed four camp owners, all in their 70s, reflect upon decades of involvement within the camping industry. They reminisced about activities: campfires, canoeing trips, hiking and tug-of-war. They spoke of their camps' values: enhancing children's self-confidence, independence, appreciation of community and making new friends. Unquestionably, well-respected camps facilitated those activities and imparted those values then -- and, today, the hallmark of a sound camp reflects similar enjoyments and themes.

With that said, what has changed? The world has been shaken – and parents have responded.

In the last 10 years, a number of dramatic events changed society, dominating headlines: Columbine, 9/11, anthrax attacks, the D.C. sniper, the shooting at Seattle's Jewish Federation Building, Madoff...no wonder we live in a different world. As a direct result, many parents have become guarded – in general, they are fearful and more protective. Parents have become quicker to second-guess, less inclined to relinquish control.

Now add technological advancements. Technology encourages our beliefs that the world travels at warp speed and that systems are created primarily to save time: text-messaging, Google, micro-processors, DVRs, GPS, etc. I bet "How long will it take?" is the most frequently-asked question in our daily lives. We are less content, less patient and less tolerant. We want quick fixes to solve in-depth complexities.

Communication has also advanced. Today, camp administrators must also respond to the speed at which parents expect to communicate with their children. Camps are pressured to address concerns more quickly than may necessarily be required or even healthy in a camp environment. A critical skill – arguably the most significant – taught at overnight camp is how to live away from parents, learning to independently resolve issues without parental intervention.

The investment of sending a child to camp remains about two ideals – today and tomorrow. Camp is about how campers' (and staff members') experiences today affect them tomorrow. At camp, the "quick fix" mentality is inapplicable. The parents of a child new to camp may be concerned with their son's successful acclimation. They may seek to improve the situation, however, the best move is actually to do nothing but be supportive and patient.

An 18-year-old's ability to make new friends during his first semester in college, or to present herself during a job interview, will be greater as a result of having learned independence as a youngster at camp. Skills learned at summer camp last a lifetime.

While parents can control where they send their children to camp and they can try to prepare their children for certain experiences, they cannot control everything. Our campers will fall down, and get up, sometimes with the help of another, sometimes alone. In the morning, they may be defeated in a softball game; later, that same day, they may triumph by swimming the lake.

A few recommendations for today's camp parent: send your child a letter each week, not a package every day. Call camp once in a while (if you feel the need), but refrain from multiple calls in one day. Keep your child's cell phone at home instead of hiding it in his duffel bag. He will figure out how to stand on his own two feet – if you let him. Today, for tomorrow.

Parents who live in a fast-paced and sometimes scary world might ultimately be comforted by the actions of our staff. Camp is a safe place, run by experienced, caring and nurturing professionals, where kids can be kids. They will hike through the mud, get dirty and love it. They will create their own memories, learn their own skills and develop their own levels of comfort – at their own pace – all for tomorrow.

It's going to be a great summer!

Jonah Geller
Executive Director
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Message From Our New Camp Maas Director



During the glorious summer of 1975, my parents made an investment in dollars and immeasurable sense – they sent me to camp! Their decision changed my life.

Looking back, I remember the first day:

At seven years old, I climbed off a crowded bus and onto an open field. Even in the midst of hustling kids and awaiting counselors, I felt alone and scared; however, shortly thereafter, I became part of a team and paraded confidently. That's the magic of camp – best friends are made in minutes and last forever.

In fact, I met my most important friend at camp – Robin, my wife.

Our relationship grew for nearly 20 years before either of us recognized that we were *b'shert* (meant to be, destined). Today we enjoy mutual friends, so many of them intertwined by our camp connections; like glue, the bonds of these friendships continue to stick – a direct result of the “camp spirit.”

Typically, the “spirit” was born during the camper years, where we learned to survive and thrive without our parents’ intervention. We resolved issues independently. We attempted new activities. We gained self-confidence. And, as a cabin, we bonded. Like family, we relied upon each other – some days we earned victories, and, at other times, we suffered defeats. No matter. As a unit, it always seemed manageable – for we were together.

As we matured, we became counselors. Suddenly, we better understood responsibility for others, placing the feelings of those who needed us above our own. We grew to appreciate a sense of purpose that far eclipsed otherwise selfish motivations.

I contend that today, as parents, many of us are teachers of camp’s most powerful lessons. And, reflecting further, I am convinced that camp helped solidify my core beliefs, which I aspire to show my own children: work hard, play fairly, seize the moment, celebrate milestones, have fun, and appreciate life’s simple pleasures.

Admittedly, my impressions as a camper and staff member, along with my perspective as a parent, are not unique; the powerful imprints from a camp experience seem universally stamped. In fact, during a recent camp conference of 3,000 participants, I was struck by the common threads that weave from camp to camp: independence, teamwork, leadership, friendship, loyalty and memory. And, during various seminars, speakers and informal meetings, camp professionals passionately shared stories – which could have occurred at any camp, anywhere.

However, even in the face of camps’ similar themes, Tamarack is different – offering financial resources, community support and generations of passion. We remain the community flagpole, around which people have rallied for 107 years.

Our paramount principle has always been: “Tamarack Camps provides enriching Jewish camping experiences for children and families, independent of financial ability, building a vibrant community.” Here, no Jewish child shall be denied an opportunity to experience camp. In the reflection of names across buildings and villages, the fabric of our campground highlights generations of investment and commitment from individuals and families. As a direct result, we are traditionally strong, rich in legacy and soundly connected to our Jewish heritage.

It is with great pride and anticipation that I embark upon the summer of 2009. And I am thrilled to have my family at my side: Robin, our daughter, Jamie (7 ½) and our son, Andy (5).

I am invested and energized to lead us further into the future. I feel honored to stand at the flagpole, another voice in our storied history.

Lee Trepeck
Director, Camp Maas



Remembering Irv Berg, Camp's Artist Laureate

The Torah reading in Parshat Vayakhel (read on Shabbat morning, March 20th this year) introduced the master artisan Betzalel. Chosen as the chief architect of the tabernacle, Betzalel (meaning “in God’s shadow”) was blessed with practical wisdom, discernment and knowledge. He used his artistic talents for the benefit of the Jewish people and to honor God.

Only hours before this Torah reading was recited throughout our community, a modern-day Betzalel took his last breath. Long-time Tamarack Camps artist-in-residence Irving Berg, of Detroit, died on March 20, 2009. He was 87.

As a child, Irv attended Fresh Air Camp in Brighton (later renamed Camp Tamarack) along with his younger brother Leo. He returned to camp as a waiter, head lifeguard and counselor. With his beloved wife Harriet, and their children Leslie and Marty, Irv spent 13 years as the artist-in-residence of B’nai Brith’s Camp Starlight in the Poconos.

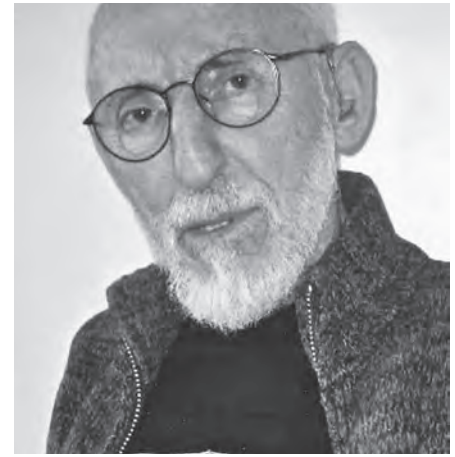
Beginning in 1978, the Berg family made Tamarack their summer home. Harriet, a world-renowned dancer and choreographer, instructed campers in dance, while Irv worked with campers and counselors in Arts and Crafts to create wooden, metal, copper, bronze and stone sculptures. The Bergs were part of the fabric of camp during the next three decades.

Camp Maas director Michael Zaks, of blessed memory, invited Irv to camp because he wanted to create a permanent

Jewish identity there. As Harriet Berg explains, “In the off-season, the Tamarack facility was rented out to non-Jewish groups and Michael wanted them to know it was a Jewish camp.” Irv’s dozens of sculptures, including several menorahs, adorn the acres of Camp Maas. Even in their retirement, the Bergs visited camp each summer, often checking on each sculpture in the Irving Berg Sculpture Garden to ensure that they were in good shape. Jonah Geller, Tamarack Camps’ Executive Director, noted that, “Irv and Harriet’s love and support of Camp Maas never dissipated, as evidenced by their initiating an arts endowment to ensure that the arts, including dance, continued to have a prominent place in the camp’s culture.”

Irv Berg’s lasting legacy of art at Camp Maas and the Butzel Conference Center includes a Holocaust memorial, a Wall of Hope (reminiscent of the Western Wall), a representation of the priestly blessing and several sculptures inspired by stories in the Torah. As a photographer, his photos chronicled Modern Dance over the last five decades in Michigan, and his works will be displayed June 7th at the West Bloomfield JCC.

An Army veteran, Irv was injured in World War II and received the Purple Heart. He had a deep and profound love for his country and was a lifetime supporter of the City of Detroit, where he lived, worked and volunteered. He was an avid musician, dancer, swimmer and tennis player. Irv was a lifetime member of B’nai Brith and charitable to veterans’ organiza-



tions and to several charities benefiting Israel. He was the head of the art departments at Central High and Cass Tech. After retirement, he became a supervising teacher at Wayne State and an active docent at the Detroit Institute of Arts, where he received the Volunteer of the Year award.

It is suggested that those who wish to further honor the memory of Irving Berg may do so by making a contribution to: Tamarack Camps – Harriet and Irving Berg Endowment Fund for the Arts, (248) 647-1100 or www.tamarackcamps.com.

Rabbi Jason Miller
Rabbi, Tamarack Camps

Did you know?

- During the Summer of 2008, artist-in-residence Gary Schwartz created a short, animated documentary about Irving Berg’s sculptures. It’s called “Irving Speaks Out!” and is available for viewing on YouTube.com.
- A catalog of all the sculptures in the Irving Berg Sculpture Garden at Camp Maas and the Butzel Conference Center is available. Email tamarack@tamarackcamps.com for a copy.



Safety First

Just as the spring rains fill the heavens and the daffodils burst with color, I am filled with anticipation and excitement for another great summer at camp. This will be my 14th year as the Health Director of Tamarack Camps and preparations are well underway. The clinic is staffed at all times with doctors, nurses and clinic assistants. Our doctors and nurses work professionally in the community, are also leaders in the community and many were campers and are parents of campers. They believe in camp and are dedicated to its mission.

Our number one priority is the health and safety of everyone at camp and parents are a critical member of our team. Your cooperation before camp begins helps us do our job better. If your child will be taking medication at camp, please remember to bring the Medication Information Form with his or her medications to the luggage/medication drop off on Sunday before the first day of camp. If your child has special needs or you have any questions please contact me before camp starts.

On a Shabbat in early spring we read the Torah portion Trumah. It begins, “The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Tell the Israelite people to bring Me gifts; you shall accept gifts for Me from every person whose heart so moves him.” God wanted everyone to share in the building of the holy tabernacle, because God understood the importance of everyone investing in and being a part of the future of Judaism. Camp is an investment in the future.

Research documents that children participating in Jewish summer camp experiences choose to live Jewish lives more than those who do not. Each year at camp we create something holy. It’s the holiness of our community, the time we share together during the week and enhanced on Shabbat, and 100+ years of memories and traditions in our beautiful setting.

Just as in olden times, creating holiness only happens because of the gifts of every person whose heart is so moved. I am so grateful for the many gifts we received and would like to mention a few. My personal thanks to the Sinai Guild (their grant helps us purchase medical supplies), the doctors and nurses who selflessly and with love give their time and talents to care for our campers and staff, the donors to the Send a Kid to Tamarack fund, and YOU.

The greatest and most precious gift we get is from you. Your gift: sending your children to camp. This is a double mitzvah because it’s a gift to your children and a gift to camp. The gift you give to your children is an incredible growing opportunity and informal Jewish experience in a safe and holy setting. The gift you give to camp is your confidence and commitment, your investment in the future. Thank You. Here’s to the best summer ever. Let us always go from strength to strength.

Roberta Blumberg
Health Director

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Israeli Camper Program



The Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit's Israeli Camper Program is entering its 8th summer. Since its inception in the summer of 2002, over 900 Israeli teens have experienced a session at Camp Maas, and a number of the stars have returned as junior counselors, TSS and staff.

This year, over 300 candidates from local junior high schools in the Central Galilee, Michigan's Partnership 2000 Region in Israel, were interviewed. So far, 66 teenagers have been selected to participate in the program. We will also be bringing some campers from Israel's south this year—the Jewish towns and settlements close to the border with the Gaza Strip that have experienced over eight years of endless bombardment of *kassam* missiles and the tension that accompanies such conditions.

In addition to the 70 campers, we will be conducting interviews for Israeli Camper Program graduates who are currently in 10th grade, to return to camp this summer as TSS participants. The teens are currently participating in an intensive leadership program dealing with developing personal leadership and empowerment, as well as community service.

Thirty-five campers will participate in each session at Camp Maas and they will be evenly represented in the senior villages at camp. From the time of selection in February until the summer departure, the Israeli campers and TSS are participating in training and preparation programs, including a Shabbat retreat to prepare them for the Jewish American camping experience.

This year, following the Passover break, an afternoon and evening of activities was planned with the 8th grade class of Hillel Day School and the Israeli campers in the Partnership Region.

A former camper, Lin, currently in the leadership program, recently wrote to me about how the program impacted her:

"We live here in Israel and being Jewish is an obvious fact. I think that camp made us more connected to our roots. Something about the combination of Jewish Israeli kids, Jewish American kids, the beautiful ceremonies and the amazing view was magical."

After our last meeting with the parents and campers of the 2009 program, spirits were high and the anticipation continued to rise as we plan for another dynamic and "magical" summer.

See you soon,

Naomi Miller Rockowitz
Israeli Camper Program Coordinator



Saying Goodbye

By Arica Cykiert, 2008 Berman Village Camper

Before I knew it, I was standing in the cheder ochel (dining hall) waiting for one of the supervisors to call my village, to go outside and get on the bus to go home. I was just sitting in my chair, listening to all of the different villages share their cheer for the last time at camp.

It's at that moment when it hits you. Camp is over, there's no more mud fights, or dancing in the rain and getting soaked, or even staying up late and talking with the people you have gotten so close with.

But worst of all, you're going back to your parents. Of course, you miss them and you are jumping up and down when you see their faces for the first time in one month. But sometimes you need to have fun in life and go to camp and have a ball.

Saying goodbye to your friends would probably be the hardest thing for me. Looking around and seeing almost everyone bawling or getting teary-eyed, hugging them as hard as you can. Listening to them weeping as tears roll down their cheeks, turning the color of a tomato.

But it doesn't matter, because you don't want to leave and go back home. Your memories will never go away and your friendship with your friends will always stay strong.



We're On the Road...



Challenge and experience collide on a Travel Trip. Campers initially hear “no cell phone, no iPod, no video games” and some think, NO FUN! Instead, the campers communicate with their friends through words, not texts. They are engaged by the staff through fun games and activities on the bus.

They are challenged by nature during their many hikes and outdoor excursions, not by their video games, their homework or the many other pressures with which they are confronted during the non-camp part of the year.

Western Trip campers experience the beauty in the west – the mountains in Colorado to the deserts and red sands of Utah to the sprawling lands in Wyoming. Alaska Trip campers board the bus running and are ready for the trip bound for the last frontier and the land of the midnight sun. They hike the Chilkoot Trail, following in the footsteps of the natives of the 1890s by hiking 33-miles in five days. They hike throughout Alaska and the Canadian Rockies, participating in ice climbing, sea kayaking, salmon fishing and white water rafting.

Safety is our first priority and each staff member is certified in Wilderness First Aid, CPR and many are certified lifeguards.

We are all extremely excited about the upcoming trips and cannot wait for the summer to begin!

Happy Trails!

Jason Charnas
Director of Teen & Family Programs



Tamarack Camps Travel Trips are...

- Friends around a campfire
- Havdallah at sunset
- Songs on Shabbat
- Hikes through National Parks
- Stories on the trail
- New experiences
- Memories to last a lifetime



Reunite With Your Family and Friends!



Reunite, Relax, and Reconnect in our Refreshed and Updated Butzel Conference Center!

I still walk around in awe as the renovations to our Butzel facility are now complete. Our facility was designed and updated with family camp in mind. We have a much warmer and comfortable program space, more room in the dining room and nice, refreshing touches in each guesthouse and guestroom. We can't wait to have you experience all the fun that family camp offers!

As the summer approaches, we are gearing up for a sold-out Bubbie-Zaydie Family Camp program!

B'Shalom,

Helayne
Director, Family Camping



SAVE THE DATE!

2009-10

NEW YEAR'S FAMILY CAMP

Dec. 30 - Jan. 3

Join us soon for a family camp retreat at our newly-renovated conference center!



Kudos to Jonah!

Tamarack Camps' Executive Director, Jonah Geller, recently received the Mandell L. and Madeleine H. Berman Award for the highest professional standards in the Detroit Jewish community. He was recognized on April 23rd at the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit's Board of Governors' meeting, when Bill and Madge Berman presented him with the award. It was noted that Jonah's passion and vision for Jewish camping, understanding of community, charisma and warm personality made him the perfect awardee. He continuously makes the case for the impact of a Jewish camping experience and translates that into outstanding programs, facilities and board and staff development.

We are proud of Jonah and congratulate him on winning this prestigious award.





Camp Kennedy

Camp Kennedy is old, to put it mildly. It is located on a lake carved out by glaciers, among trees that have seen more years than anything I know. The buildings pulse with the life of dozens of generations of young, Jewish adults who have entered them seeking a summertime adventure. And I repeat: Camp Kennedy is old. 2008 and 2009 have been about change and progress, and why, when we are supposed to be changing and progressing, do we find ourselves putting down our college and job searches, turning off our computers, turning in our car keys, and heading to the woods this summer?



While we're in it, living day-to-day, it's difficult to recognize what we're a part of. We impact the land, for better or worse, each time we step onto a trail or mop the kitchen. We impact the program, for better or worse, through our successes and our challenges. We impact each other, for better or worse, with every word we speak and every gesture we make. The Kennedy difference is that we strive for better, each and every time. Not more, not faster, not bigger, as is so often the case in today's search for efficiency and progress, but simply better. We turn inward and focus on ourselves and our community. We turn outward and focus on our footprints, the indentations we leave on the world.

What we come away with, time after time, is a sense of awareness. Our success is measured in a discovery of self, a diminished sense of urgency, and a desire for more reality in our lives. This is true progress. This is our contribution to society, and our investment in our future.

Pine Trees and Superior Sunsets,

Katy Willens
Director, Camp Kennedy

Agree Outpost Camp

As the seasons changed and the summer drew closer, my thoughts turned to the enduring words of a poem composed by Marti Silver, a returning Agree camper, at the conclusion of her "Vision Quest." After several hours of reflection along the shimmering shore of Lake Superior, Marti shared a poem with the rest of our community:

*As we sit around the campfire as a village one last time,
I look around at a new family that's all mine.
The days of our month passes with a blink,
The memories, the laughs, I smile as I think.
The views of Superior, the feel of Kabenung,
The sound of nature flowing through the air.
As we hike along the coves of the great lake,
The sparkly blue waters whisper to me to keep going
The Evergreen trees point us in the right direction,
And the sunset sings us to sleep.*

And she wasn't the only one. As we gathered together for a final pass-the-candle, camper after camper shared poems reflecting their lasting love for Agree Outpost Camp and thoughts about what they had learned from their first summer in the wilderness.

At Agree, campers learn the legacies of leave-no-trace camping and champion the beauty of putting the health and happiness of our community first. Campers realize their incredible potential



as they summit awe-inspiring peaks, paddle through raging rapids, prepare hearty meals for our family and work together to create unique and meaningful Shabbat services. In the peace of the Canadian wilderness, we learn the power of perseverance and the significance of respect for our community and our earth.

At Agree, we truly are the "best we can be, in the most real place there is." As I ruminate on Marti's words, I can almost feel the crystal calm of Kabenung Lake and see the dazzling display of constellations dancing across the sky. My heart leaps as I prepare to welcome the next group of Agree campers into our family.

Amit Weitzer
Director, Charles N. Agree Outpost Camp



Outdoor Education

The Outdoor Education staff was thrilled when we learned that Detroit Public Television was coming to camp to film the University of Michigan group we were hosting. The group was part of the Intergroup Relations program at U of M and were kicking off their Youth Dialogues with a weekend retreat right here in Ortonville. The Youth Dialogues program is designed to gather a group of approximately 18 students, ages 14-17, from diverse cultural, religious and ethnic backgrounds. The students participate in activities that enable them to share their values and cultures with each other, confront stereotypes and dispel myths, then bring what they learn back home to affect a positive change in their communities.



I was invited to the program session taking place in the recently-renovated *cheder ochel* (dining hall), where the participants introduced themselves and their backgrounds to each other for the very first time. It was a compelling and moving experience to hear these young men and women share what they felt were the most important pieces of their cultural identity. It became even more interesting, however, when I realized that two of the students were none other than two of our own Tamarack campers! Jordan Earnest and Michael Drucker each introduced themselves with great eloquence and subtle humor to the rest of the group, and I silently cheered when Jordan mentioned the importance of Tamarack Camps in the formation of her Jewish identity. When the opportunity arose later in the weekend, I took a few moments to speak with Jordan and Michael about the role Tamarack Camps has in their lives, as well as their thoughts about the weekend.

Michael Drucker began his Tamarack Camps journey as an Applebaum camper and continued through the ranks at Camp Maas until he was old enough to attend Camp Kennedy. After two years at Kennedy he continued with Agree Outpost where, in 2009, he will experience his second summer as a teen tripper. When speaking about Jewish identity at the outpost camps, Michael said, “I really see a cultural significance for a lot of people at outpost. We take different approaches through a connection between ourselves, people around us, and the Earth...people take their faith to somewhere else spiritually.” About the weekend, “It’s really nice to be able to share knowledge about Judaism with them.” He laughed and said, “It was fun explaining the laws of kashrut.”

Jordan Earnest followed a similar path to Michael’s, beginning at Camp Maas as a Fishman camper, continuing to Agree and Kennedy, and now back to Agree where she will spend her first summer as an Agree teen tripper in 2009. “I’ve always loved camp because at camp I feel like part of something big,” says Jordan. “Even in this Jewish camp we all have such diverse beliefs and observance and yet we all come together as one.” Jordan also expressed how important her role as part of the Youth Dialogues project is to her. She told me, “My Great Bubbie, she came here from Russia, would just be so proud that I’m here at the camp her kids came to and I’m going to be on the tube telling the rest of the world about Judaism, getting the word out there.”

In addition to sharing their Jewish identities with the group, both Jordan and Michael are very passionate about supporting gay rights, as well as easing the tension between the Arab and Jewish communities. “It’s just nice to bring your identity to the table,” says Michael. “People understand- or are trying to understand- the oppression and what’s causing it. It really contributes to this weekend and how it’s changing people and their minds.”



Speaking for the Outdoor Education program, having the opportunity to host this unique group at camp in addition to having two exceptional members of our own Tamarack family take part in this project is truly very special. It is also something that would not have been possible without the community’s investment and commitment to Tamarack Camps. Whether it be the people who support the agency’s mission to send every kid to camp, the donors who made the renovation of the *cheder ochel* (dining hall) possible, or even Jordan’s Great Bubbie who started her family’s Tamarack tradition years ago, all of these actions represent an investment in the future of our Tamarack Camps community. *Toda Raba!* (Thank You!)

Mandy Stewart
Assistant Director, Outdoor Education



Butzel Conference Center

The Butzel Conference Center was renovated this past winter for the first time since it was erected 35 years ago. The renovations, made possible by donations, features aesthetic and functional enhancements.

Offering a comfortable, serene setting, which provides an excellent environment for corporate meetings and family events. The renovations include:

- Individual meeting rooms with larger spaces for activities
- High-speed, wireless internet and Cable TV
- Fitness center and play rooms
- Expanded dining space for larger groups
- New hospitality and gathering area for groups
- All new furniture and lighting
- Adjoining room options for larger families
- Upgraded bathrooms
- New guest room bedding
- Brighter, warmer atmosphere

Add that to the already beautiful setting and opportunities, which include:

- Group campfire area
- Guest rooms with private baths
- Kosher meals
- Serene, peaceful environment
- Waterfront activities
- Team Building & Adventure Challenge Course
- Sports (tennis, basketball and more)
- Day or Overnight accommodations available
- Each group has exclusive use of facilities
- Close to home or office
- Affordable pricing

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ALUMNI FAMILY FUN DAY

COMMUNITY WELCOME

Celebrate Father's Day at Camp Maas!

Help kick off the summer before the campers arrive!

Sunday, June 21, 2009 10 am – 4pm (RAIN OR SHINE)

Kids must be accompanied by an adult. Kosher lunch and snacks will be served.

Enjoy a day at camp and reconnect with old friends

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Chicago Alumni Reunion



Our Chicago Alumni Event was held Saturday, March 7th, and drew approximately 50-60 past campers and staff members (ages 21-40). The Michigan contingent included Carly Leipsitz, Development Associate; Jason Charnas, Director of Teen & Family Programs; Deena Lockman, Director of Development; Jonah Geller, Executive Director; Sarah Kuretzky, Alumni Committee Member; and Board Members Danny Klein and Rachel Ellis, along with Rachel's husband, Jason. The alumni were excited about the reunion and that so many people made the trip to Chicago.

Jonah Geller addressed the group regarding the goal of the evening, the agency's alumni outreach efforts, agency updates, and the case for involvement in our Send a Kid to Tamarack fundraising campaign. A number of individuals spoke about making donations, wanting to visit camp, returning to camp to work again at some point, sending their children to camp, assisting with more Chicago alumni outreach and helping us recruit Chicago-based campers.

Upcoming Alumni Events

Specialty 1989 20-year Reunion at Camp Maas

August 16, 2009

Alumni Family Canoe Day

August 16, 2009

For more information contact alumni@tamarackcamps.com.



Tamarack Fundraiser Kicks Off Campaign to Meet Unprecedented Need

While Tamarack Camps has assisted families in sending children to camp for over 100 years, a few factors have made 2009 unique.

For the first time in its 107-year history, Tamarack Camps will allocate more than \$1 million in financial aid in order to fulfill its mission – never denying a Jewish child the opportunity to attend camp because of financial circumstances.



At the end of April, Tamarack got the agency boost it needed. The organization’s inaugural ‘Send a Kid to Tamarack’ patron event, held at the home of Doreen Hermelin, honored entrepreneur and philanthropist, Florine Mark, and raised \$125,000. Mark, a Tamarack alumna, needed financial aid at age 11 in order to make camp a reality.

“We were a big family, my sister was sick and my parents didn’t have enough money to send me to camp,” reflected Mark. “I remember feeling so lucky when I found out I could go because Tamarack helped us.”

Even in difficult economic times, the majority of the event’s 175 attendees did not need much convincing to contribute to this worthy cause – almost all of them were once Tamarack campers or staffers.



“One of the special things about our agency is that it has touched so many lives over the last 100-plus years,” said Shelley Hutton, Tamarack’s board president. “I love meeting new people and hearing about their connections to Tamarack. In many cases, it includes multiple generations.”

Roughly one-third of Tamarack’s campers typically receive financial aid each summer, according to Executive Director Jonah Geller. The ratio has increased to one-half in the last few years because of the economy. Geller says sending a child to camp benefits a family in numerous ways, especially these days.

“Most of our financial aid applications include a letter from parents indicating the value of a Jewish camp experience for their children, especially when Jewish day school or a trip to Israel may not be an option,” said Geller.

“Many of the letters this year have focused on accommodating a family’s basic needs, such as food, medical care, shelter and supervision. A number of parents have informed us that the respite we provide also allows them time to figure out their next step regarding jobs, housing, loans, etc.”

To help ‘Send a Kid to Tamarack’
or to learn about obtaining financial assistance to send your child to camp, call Tamarack’s office at (248) 647-1100, email tamarack@tamarackcamps.com, or visit its website, www.tamarackcamps.com.





Raise Your Match 2

Tamarack Camps Participates in a New Grinspoon Challenge



Tamarack Camps is fortunate to continue its partnership with the Grinspoon Institute for Jewish Philanthropy. Pledges or gifts of \$3,600 or more will be matched by 25% from the Grinspoon Institute for Jewish Philanthropy, a program of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation and 25% from two generous Tamarack donors.

For more information as to how to leverage your gift to Tamarack Camps, please contact Deena Lockman, Director of Development at (248) 647-1100, ext. 119, or lockman@tamarackcamps.com.



Did you know that Tamarack Camps:

Receives funding from the **Schulman Fund** for our TSS/Hadracha program to participate in “**Summer in the City,**” a volunteer program in Detroit?

Received a basket of athletic balls for use at Camp Maas from **The Class of a Million** – a group of young professionals committed to securing the community’s future with their donations to Federation’s Annual Campaign?

Is participating in the **Summer Dreams** program of the ***Detroit Free Press*** and the **Skillman Foundation**?

Is provided with its medical supplies by a grant from the **Sinai Guild**?

Continues to work with the **Grinspoon Institute for Jewish Philanthropy** to develop capital, endowment and legacy gifts, as well as to refine its governance and strategic planning strategies?

Has been offered a \$16,000 matching grant from the Filmer Charitable Trust to fund Adopt-a-School, a pilot program of our Outdoor Education department? We are looking for a partner so we can run this outstanding program that will educate teachers as well as students in environmental topics using experiential techniques.

Is looking to increase its revenues through grants? Please let us know if you know of any opportunities we should be exploring.

Receives considerable funding each year from the **Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit** for scholarships, capital needs and the Israeli camper program?



Donor Courtyard Dedication

June 28, 2009 at 11 am
Camp Maas

Inviting all Tamarack Camps' donors of the following campaigns to join us:

Jewish Camping – Jewish Continuity Campaign
Tamarack Camps Legacy Circle
All Endowment Supervisors

Join us for our donor ceremony, brief tour of enhanced facilities,
lunch at camp and Butzel Conference Center dedication.

For more information or to get involved, contact (248) 647-1100, ext. 119
or tamarack@tamarackcamps.com

DON'T FORGET!

Fresh Air Society

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, Aug. 9, 2009

12 pm

Camp Maas, Ortonville, MI
Kosher dietary laws observed

For more information, please
contact us at (248) 627-2821 or
tamarack@tamarackcamps.com





Tamarack Hills Legacy Circle Members Tell Us Their Stories

I met some of my very best friends at Camp Tamarack, and the experiences we shared changed my life. I want my children and their children to have the same opportunities.

– Lori Weberman

My time spent at Tamarack as a camper and staff member formed the basis of my Jewish identity. I believe a major foundation of my children's Jewish identity came from their Tamarack camper and staff experiences as well. Stuart and I are going to leave a legacy gift to Tamarack so that others will have this same experience.

– Deena Lockman

Our gift to the Tamarack Hills Legacy Circle comes from the heart, to help continue the strong tradition of Jewish camping, and honor the special place that brought us together.

– Jenifer and Mitch Rosenwasser

We were Tamarack campers and staff, and our sons Andrew, 23, and Ryan, 20, have spent the past 13 years as campers and staff. Dor L Dor, from generation to generation--we hope to pass on the incredible passion and commitment we have for Jewish camping.

– Debbie and Mark Landau

To tell us your story or join the Tamarack Hills Legacy Circle, contact Deena Lockman, Director of Development at (248) 647-1100 ext. 119, or lockman@tamarackcamps.com



You can make a difference in A CHILD'S LIFE

Send a kid to

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At Tamarack Camps we believe that no Jewish child should miss out on a Jewish camp experience because of financial reasons.

Did you know that...

- ...the needs are unprecedented?
- ...approximately 50% of our campers have requested financial assistance this year?
- ...camp creates life-long friendships and wonderful memories, strengthening connections to Judaism and our community?
- ...many of our campers' only Jewish experience is attending Tamarack?



Help give a Jewish child a Jewish camping experience - your gift makes all the difference in the world!

**Visit us at
tamarackcamps.com**



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Dr. Sherman Kay
George Fox
Mildred Schiff
Gretl "Oma" Frank
Richard Hartman
Faye Saffer
Elaine Guttentag
By: Donna & Michael Maddin
Brother of Sharon & Sheldon Rocklin
Lane H. Decker
Antonio Lee Carter
Harry Gonick
Kaye Tertzag
By: Rosalyn & Lance Mermell

MICHAEL ZAKS MEMORIAL FUND

BIRTH OF:

Max, grandson of Nancy & Jim Jonas
By: Susie Zaks

BIRTHDAY OF:

Rose Bankler
By: Paula Zaks Stein & Dan Stein

IN MEMORY OF:

Irving Berg
Dr. David Friedman
Lyubov Kats
Albert Rhodes
Rande Singer
Jack Stone
By: Paula Zaks Stein & Dan Stein

MITCHELL ALLEN BRITON ARTS & CRAFTS FUND

MARRIAGE OF:

Christina & Brad Terebelo
By: Phyllis & Allen Rubin

IN MEMORY OF:

Bernard Carpentri
By: Phyllis & Allen Rubin

SPEEDY RECOVERY OF:

Rochelle Gach
By: Phyllis & Allen Rubin

NACHMAN HORIZONS PROGRAM FUND

GENEROUS:

By: Neil Sosin Family Fund & Neil Sosin

OPHELIA & LEONARD S. HERMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

BIRTHDAY OF:

Dr. Clarence Salzberg (80TH)
By: Ophelia & Leonard Herman

OPPERER TEEN TRAVEL FUND

BIRTH OF:

Asher Henry Brode
By: Judith & Jerry Greenbaum
By: Barbara & Lawrence I. Millman

Aden Meir Opperer
By: Barbara & Erwin Gutenberg

ENGAGEMENT OF:

Sean Seltzer
By: Margi & Maurice Opperer

GENEROUS:

By: Pamela Opperer
By: Cheryl & Craig Simon

IN MEMORY OF:

Debbie Shwedel
By: Margi & Maurice Opperer

OSCAR D. SCHWARTZ CLINIC FUND

BIRTH OF:

Kobi Eric Schmeltz
By: Daniel Montingelli & Kate Bush

GENEROUS:

By: The Estate of Oscar D. Schwartz

IN MEMORY OF:

Dr. Oscar D. Schwartz
By: Lydia & Brad Bates
By: Dorothea Becker
By: Daniel Montingelli & Kate Bush
By: Florence & Richard Elton
By: Shirley & Nathan Fink
By: Peggy & Dennis Frank
By: Judith & Lawrence Golden
By: Zivia & John Grekin
By: Joan Gussin
By: Robert Z. Halperin
By: Marilyn & Jerry Hoskov
By: Suzanne Kaime
By: Carol & Alan Kandel
By: Dorothy Kaufman
By: Jesse Koenigsberg
By: Adeline Lachman
By: Judith & Jerold Lax
By: Carolyn & Paul Lichter
By: Shirley Locke
By: Cathy Mintz
By: Esther Mintz
By: Maida Portnoy
By: Bonnie & Earl Rudner
By: Marjorie & Erwin Simon
By: Ellen & Jeoffrey Stross
By: Karen & David Stutz
By: Robin & Harvey Wax
By: Shirley Weiner
By: Melba Winer
Dr. Oscar D. Schwartz, father of Ellen Stross
By: Melba Winer

IN MEMORY OF:

Dr. Oscar D. Schwartz
By: Lydia & Brad Bates
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By: Daniel Montingelli & Kate Bush
By: Florence & Richard Elton
By: Shirley & Nathan Fink
By: Peggy & Dennis Frank
By: Judith & Lawrence Golden
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By: Cathy Mintz
By: Esther Mintz
By: Maida Portnoy
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Lane H. Decker
Antonio Lee Carter
Harry Gonick
Kaye Tertzag
By: Rosalyn & Lance Mermell

PHYLLIS & JOHN MEISTRICH /LENTER FAMILY FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Hedwig Locher
Don & Phyllis Meistrich
By: Ellen & Thomas Swengel

RAYMOND HENKIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

BAR MITZVAH OF:

Dave Hankin
By: Lela Henkin

GENEROUS:

By: Lela Henkin

HONOR OF:

Sophie Pearlstein
By: Lela Henkin

IN MEMORY OF:

Nolan Shaw
Martin Hollander
Richard Krasnow
By: Lela Henkin

SPEEDY RECOVERY OF:

Sophie Pearlstein
By: Lela Henkin

ROBIN JODY ADLER-GOLDSMITH FUND

GENEROUS:

By: Beth Wolfe

IN MEMORY OF:

Dr. David Friedman
By: Sarah & Todd Wolfe

Ben Feldman
Jean Leeb
Jack Graff
Gertrude Gilbert
Harold Rosenthal
Michele Cox
Harold Levin
By: Marci & Paul Zeman

RONALD & NANCY SOLLISH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

BAR MITZVAH OF:

Ari Kirschner
By: Gerrie & Buddy Sollish

BIRTHDAY OF:

Larry Traison
By: Gerrie & Buddy Sollish

RETIREMENT OF:

Judge Barry Grant
By: Gerrie & Buddy Sollish

SPEEDY RECOVERY OF:

Lori, daughter of Dr. George & Vivian Dean
Ron & Marilyn Silverman
By: Gerrie & Buddy Sollish

SADIE SAFERSTEIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

ANNIVERSARY OF:

Linda & Tom Ditkoff (40TH)
Rebecca & Jason Erlich
By: Susan & Sheldon Erlich
Sue and Shel Erlich (40th)
By: Linda & Steven Klein

BIRTHDAY OF:

Larry Gursten
Freddie Harvith
Michael Limond
Eleanor Park
Sharon Taylor
By: Susan & Sheldon Erlich

HONOR OF:

Eleanor Park
By: Susan & Sheldon Erlich

GENEROUS:

By: Susan & Sheldon Erlich

IN MEMORY OF:

Faye Saffer
Fay Braver
Jack Weinberg
Sylvia Posner
Clara Gendleman
Lillian Fenton
Anne Osher
Ronald Silberman
Sydney Schlaff
Bob Shaw
Burt KISSMAN
Edward Rosenberg
By: Susan & Sheldon Erlich

GENEROUS:

By: Susan & Sheldon Erlich

IN MEMORY OF:

Faye Saffer
Fay Braver
Jack Weinberg
Sylvia Posner
Clara Gendleman
Lillian Fenton
Anne Osher
Ronald Silberman
Sydney Schlaff
Bob Shaw
Burt KISSMAN
Edward Rosenberg
By: Susan & Sheldon Erlich

SAM MARCUS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Toni Borger
Ruth Savage
Jack Stone
By: Marilyn & Marshall Hersh

SEND A KID TO TAMARACK ANNIVERSARY OF:

Rose & Irving Lash (71ST)
By: Stacey & Joe Lash
Susan & Richard Roth (40TH)
By: Roberta Patt
Tammie & Harold Lempert (50TH)
By: Aviva & Jack Robinson

BAR MITZVAH OF:

Adam Katzman
By: Marla & Andrew Moiseev
Adam B.D. Shapiro
By: Golda & Edward Shapiro
Jonah Nitzkin
By: Gary & Julie Nitzkin

Matthew Lefkofsky
By: Julie & Jeffrey Meltzer

Michael Langwald
By: Lauren & Rick Altman
Todd Weiss
By: Sandy & Roger Henkin

BAT MITZVAH OF:

Katie Friedman
By: Gayle & Alan Cutler
Madeleine Gonte
By: Roz & Stanford Blanck

BIRTHDAY OF:

Lenny Acker (80TH)
By: Harriet & Arthur Wiss
Christopher Brochert (50TH)
By: Cheryl & Ronald Kerwin
Keven Cohen (40TH)
By: David & Kathi Moss
Ed Davidson (60TH)
By: Todd & Elizabeth Kirshner
Stephen Eilenberg
By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
Susan Farber (60TH)
By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
Darren Findling
By: Jodi & Jeff Michaelson
Alan Foster (65TH)
By: Barbara Goldman
Gary Goodman
By: Cheryl & Ronald Kerwin
Violet Greenberg
By: Julie & Anthony Emmer
Rio Kallish (10TH)
By: Floreen & Sheldon Halpern
Sally Kott (90TH)
By: June Ostrow
Joe Lash
By: Leslie & Jon Berlin
Arlene Licht
By: Julie & Jeffrey Meltzer
Bob Sher
By: Donna & Michael Maddin
By: Lynda & Ronald Charfoos
By: Rose & David Handleman
By: Mark & Lois Shaevsky
Dr. Marvin Siegel (75TH)
By: Maxine & Byron Canvasser
Esther Ressler (90TH)
By: Arlene & Larry Wenokur
Rhonda Satovsky
By: Cheryl & Ronald Kerwin
Errol Soskolne
By: Todd & Elizabeth Kirshner
Bonnie Weitzman
By: Julie & Jeffrey Meltzer

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Christopher Brochert (50TH)
By: Cheryl & Ronald Kerwin
Keven Cohen (40TH)
By: David & Kathi Moss
Ed Davidson (60TH)
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Stephen Eilenberg
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By: Arlene & Larry Wenokur
Rhonda Satovsky
By: Cheryl & Ronald Kerwin
Errol Soskolne
By: Todd & Elizabeth Kirshner
Bonnie Weitzman
By: Julie & Jeffrey Meltzer

BIRTH OF:

Livie Harvest Berman
By: Debbie & Jonah Geller
Hannah Michelle Bolton
By: Daniel Montingelli & Kate Bush
Gillian Ainsley Charnas
By: Susie Zaks
Lyon Tyler Frank
Aviva, granddaughter of Paula & Lou Glazier
By: Roz & Stanford Blanck
Son of Sharon & Eric Goodman
By: Susan & Howard Tapper
Evan, grandson of Mr. & Mrs. Marc Kippelman
By: Roz & Stanford Blanck
Lily Eva Liss
By: Daniel Montingelli & Kate Bush
Jonah David O'Desky
By: Gail Mayer
Aden Meir Opperer
By: Debbie & Jonah Geller
By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
Allyson Charlotte Elizabeth Pelon
By: Rachel & Jason Ellis
By: Shelley & Lenny Hutton
By: Ben Konyon
By: Debbie & Robert Lippitt
By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
By: Jeff & Kitty Phillips
By: Rachel Ruskin
Twin boys of Carrie & Steve Safran
By: Susan & Howard Tapper
Mia Isabel Schlusset
By: Debbie & Jonah Geller

Kobi Eric Schmeltz
By: Roz & Stanford Blanck
By: Rachel & Jason Ellis
By: Shelley & Lenny Hutton
By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
By: Lori & Daniel Weberman
Jordan Maxwell Serlin
By: Susie Zaks
Micha David Shapiro
By: Debbie & Mark Landau
Shayna Liora Triest
By: Debbie & Jonah Geller
By: Shelley & Lenny Hutton
Shayna Liora Triest, great-niece of Debbie Landau
By: Debbie & Jonah Geller
Elliot Tyler Kastin
By: Gail Mayer

ENGAGEMENT OF:

Allison Shulman
By: Hilary & Larry Handler
Carly Leipsitz to Mike Weinstock
By: Lori & Daniel Weberman
Jeff Devries to Debbie Kirshner
By: Debbie & Jonah Geller
Zachary Beim, son of Marilyn & Harvey Beim
By: Pamela Opperer

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By: Herb & Stefanie Aronow
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By: Helena & Edward Bartholomew
By: Ben Teitel Charitable Trust
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By: Lisa & Gary Berman
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By: Susie & Sam Bernstein
By: Eleanor Bluestone
By: Rachel Brody
By: Karen Burstein
By: Jennifer & Mark Camens
By: Randi & Adam Carrick
By: Mindy & Jack Cherney
By: Molly & Aaron Chernov
By: Janice & Henry Citron
By: Keri & Don Cohen
By: Helene & Tim Cohen
By: Lois & Avern Cohn
By: Judy & Walter Coleman
By: Dorothy & Arnie Collens
By: Connie & James Colman
By: Sandy & James Danto
By: Amy & Andy Farberman
By: Miriam & Fred Ferber
By: Luba & Fred Findling
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By: Connie Grossman
By: Elizabeth & Brian Guz
By: Hilary & Corey Haber
By: Joan & Paul Halpern
By: Susie & David Harold
By: Doreen Hermelin
By: Susan & Nelson Hersh
By: Zeena Hine
By: Brenda & Dwayne Holt
By: Ruth & Alan Hurvitz
By: Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit
By: Helen & Martin Katz
By: Sue & Alan Kaufman
By: Fern & Brian Kepes
By: Susan & Howard Kerwin
By: Cheryl & Ronald Kerwin



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 By: Lisa & Jason Klein
 By: Wendy & Lawrence Kohlenberg
 By: Nicole & Richard Kovacs
 By: Sally & Richard Krugel
 By: Leslie Landau
 By: Gail & Art Lager
 By: Carol & Steven Lash
 By: Michael Weinstock & Carly Leipsitz
 By: Kathryn & Richard Lenter
 By: Rochelle & Arthur Lieberman
 By: Marilyn & Michael Limond
 By: Dana & Joshua Linkner
 By: Sandy & Michael Lippitt
 By: Joan & Robert Lipsitz
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 By: Lisa & Jeffery Meyers
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 By: Andrea & David Page
 By: Marianne & Jerome Pesick
 By: Joe Raznik
 By: Aviva & Jack Robinson
 By: Iris & Howard Rosen
 By: Lisa & Richard Rosenbaum
 By: Sharon & Barry Rosenberg
 By: Susan & Richard Roth
 By: Terri Farber-Roth & Robert Roth
 By: Nancy & Allan Rothfeder
 By: Mindy & Bruce Rubin
 By: Rochelle & Barry Rubin
 By: Debbie & Leon Saperstein
 By: Gary Saretsky
 By: Ilana Glazier & Lowell Schmeltz
 By: Carla & Howard Schwartz
 By: Jacqueline & Benjamin Shapo
 By: Helayne Shaw
 By: Robert Sher
 By: Rachel Sherman
 By: Bella & Lev Shleypak
 By: Diane Shufro
 By: Renee & David Silbert
 By: Lisa Bargende Solfish & Elizabeth Solfish
 By: Nancy Waldmann & Ron Solfish
 By: Temple Israel Clergy
 By: Stefan Teodosic
 By: Carolyn & Larry Tisdale
 By: Robin & Lee Trepeck
 By: Nancy & Brent Triest
 By: Sally & Joshua Warn
 By: Fae & Martin Weinstock
 By: Trudi & Henry Wineman II
 By: Melba Winer
 By: Lyle Wolberg
 By: Paula & Stanley Wolfe
 By: Beverly & Ralph Woronoff
 By: Carol Wyman

GRADUATION OF:

Michael Kroopnick
 By: Barbara Goldman

HONOR OF:

Brian Hermelin
 By: Terri Farber-Roth & Robert Roth
 Brian, Tamara, & Danielle Brodsky
 By: Stacy & Jeffrey Brodsky
 Caren Landau & Howard Kloc
 By: Terri Farber-Roth & Robert Roth
 Deena & Stuart Lockman
 By: Nancy & William Edmunds
 Elyse & David Foltyn
 By: Ruth & Alan Hurvitz
 Emma & Noa Green and Ethan & Charlie Goldstein
 By: Ellen & Frank Wolff
 Florine Mark
 By: David Mark
 By: Myrna & Spencer Partrich
 By: Harriet & Norman Rotter
 Henry Moss
 By: Debbie & Jonah Geller
 Jonah Geller
 By: Karen & Eric Adelman
 By: Dorothy & Maurice Brown
 By: Sally & Richard Krugel
 By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
 By: David & Kathi Moss
 By: Jennifer Noparstak

By: Jeff & Kitty Phillips
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 By: Robin & Lee Trepeck
 Lee Trepeck
 By: Stacey & Joe Lash
 By: Amy Levine
 By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
 Lisa & Frank Ellias
 By: Anne & Eugene Greenstein
 Louise Oram
 By: Terri & Gary Cooper
 Rabbi Jason Miller
 By: Harriet Berg
 Rachel Ginsberg Egelhof
 By: Karen Rappaport
 Sandy & Michael Lippitt
 By: Marjorie & Stephen Ziff
 Shelley Hutton
 By: Nina Dodge & Howard Abrams
 By: Julie & Marty Wiener
 By: Stephanie & Jim Zack
 Sophie & Jason Zuriff
 By: Beth & Laurence Zuriff
 Terri Cooper
 By: Lauren & Rick Altman
 The naming of Mia Schlusell
 By: Nancy & William Edmunds
 Trudy and Henry Wineman
 By: Brenda & Sanford Passer

MARRIAGE OF:

Elinor Kline & Mitchell Polack
 By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
 Julie Ruskin & Ofer Ohana
 By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
 Lauren & Jeremy Gershonowicz
 By: Julie & Dennis I. Chaiken

IN MEMORY OF:

Albert Shapiro
 By: Paula Consiglio
 Barry Rubin
 By: Joyce Herman
 Ben Feldman
 By: Marcy & Barnet Leland
 Betty, mother & grandmother of
 Marla & Michael Schmitz & Family
 By: Alayna & Michael Langnas
 Bonnie Sherr
 Bonnie Sherr, daughter-in-law of
 Mr. & Mrs. I. William Sherry
 By: Joy & Allan Nachman
 Brian Neal Altman
 Terry Altman
 Chuck Mayer
 By: Susan & Gene Farber
 Constance Wineman
 By: Ellen & Fred Bean
 By: Lynda & Ronald Charfoos
 By: Donna & Michael Maddin
 Danny Rollins
 By: Shari & Alon Kaufman
 David Bregor
 By: Jennifer & Robert Kalman
 Mother of Mrs. Marilyn Benjamin
 By: Cheryl & Ronald Kerwin
 Irving Berg
 By: Lisa & Frank Ellias
 By: Arlene & David Sorkin
 Helen Bluestone
 By: Leslie & S. Dennis Rogers
 Toni Borger
 By: Stacey & Joe Lash
 Fay Braver
 By: Valerie & Geoffrey Trivax
 Lou Brown
 By: Jennifer & Robert Kalman
 Stan Buckay
 By: Sally & Louis Soverinsky
 Seymour Cherny
 By: Janet & Andrew Loesberg
 Les Colburn
 By: Joy & Allan Nachman
 Martin Cooperman
 By: Debbie & Jonah Geller
 Mother & father of Peggy Daich
 By: Joy & Allan Nachman
 William Davidson
 By: Hilary & Larry Handler
 Lois J. Dorfman
 By: Celia Wagner
 George Eisenberg
 By: Julie & Anthony Emmer
 By: Barbara & Erwin Gutenberg
 Hilda Erman
 By: Ronna & Stuart Gold
 Naomi Foa
 By: Debbie & Jonah Geller
 Leo Fogelman
 By: Julie & Dennis I. Chaiken
 Dr. David Friedman
 By: Lauren Friedman-Kerman &
 Sean Kerman
 By: Joan Morgan
 By: Beth & Sidney Feldman
 By: Candace & Bernard Alper
 By: Denise & James Andreski
 By: Donna Bean-Berman &
 Marvin Berman
 By: Ellen & Ed Betel
 By: Louise Bresler
 By: Amy & Adam Brode
 By: Edith & Edward Broida
 By: Lynda & Ronald Charfoos
 By: Jason Charnas
 By: Connie Clark
 By: Lois & Avera Cohn
 By: Alan & Diane Cohn
 By: Lenore & Stan Dorfman
 By: Madeleine & Norman Dwaihy
 By: Nancy & William Edmunds
 By: Rachel & Jason Ellis
 By: Linda & Robert Finkel
 By: Maria & Jeff Freeman
 By: Pamela & Neil Friedman
 By: Debbie & Jonah Geller
 By: Roslyne & Kenneth Gittlin
 By: Sherry & Aaron Goren
 By: Sally & Milton Green
 By: Judie & Barry Greenblatt
 By: Connie Grossman
 By: Eileen Gunsberg
 By: Karen Hillebrand
 By: Melissa & Martin Hortick
 By: Sid Hutter & Carol Hutter (Parven)
 By: Shelley & Lenny Hutton
 By: Norman Hyman
 By: Jeffrey Imerman
 By: Sharon & Mike Jaffe
 By: Linda & Alvin Katzen
 By: Charlene & Brian Kerman
 By: Eileen & Mark Kleiman
 By: Martha & Paul Komives
 By: Jennifer & Todd Krieger
 By: Bonnie Laforet & Russell Laforet Jr.
 By: Debbie & Mark Landau
 By: Michael Weinstock & Carly Leipsitz
 By: Debbie & Robert Lippitt
 By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
 By: Donna & Michael Maddin
 By: Renee & Burt Mahler
 By: Mary & Charles Martin
 By: Ira Kaufman Chapel &
 Michael McKenna
 By: Jennifer & John McManus
 By: Dan Hurley & Barbara McQuade
 By: Melissa & Jeremy Michaelson
 By: Jodi Millman
 By: Joy & Allan Nachman
 By: Ricki Niederlander
 By: Allen & Amy Olender
 By: Julia Darlow & John O'Meara
 By: David Pappas
 By: Jeff & Kitty Phillips
 By: Arlene & Douglas Pierce
 By: Arleen Platt
 By: Hila Reichman & Josh Podietz
 By: Marci & Drew Posner
 By: Neil Rosenzweig
 By: Evelyn & Oscar Ross
 By: Marilyn Rotenberg
 By: Rachel Ruskin
 By: Jane & Richard Ruzumna
 By: Marjory Santacreu
 By: Edith & Donald Slotkin
 By: Marion & Bert Stein
 By: Amy & Michael Steinberg
 By: Joan & Ken Stern
 By: Beverly & Howard Stone
 By: Beth & Stephen Swartz
 By: Susie Symons
 By: Susan & Howard Tapper
 By: Alicia & Paul Tisdale
 By: Helen Topcik

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 By: Marilyn & Steven Victor
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 By: Rose & Morrie Wolok
 By: Fran & Phil Wolok
 By: Gail & Michael Yaremchuk
 By: Ellen Yashinsky-Chute
 By: Nancy & Allan Rothfeder
 By: Marcia Parven
 Joan Friedman
 By: Debbie & Mark Landau
 By: Alayna & Michael Langnas
 By: Julie & Jeffrey Meltzer
 Rae Friedman
 By: Pola & Howard Friedman
 Gertrude Gilbert
 By: Ronna & Stuart Gold
 By: Denise Samuels
 Jerald Goldsmith
 By: Shelley & Lenny Hutton
 Jack Graff
 By: Lynda & Ronald Charfoos
 Jeff Grey
 By: Barbara Stark-Nemon & Barry Nemon
 By: Ruth & Jim Grey
 Gerald Gudes
 By: Shelley & Lenny Hutton
 By: Daniel Schweber
 By: Debbie & Robert Lippitt
 By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
 By: Susie Zaks
 Richard Gutov
 By: Valerie & Geoffrey Trivax
 Harold Haas
 By: Julie & Dennis I. Chaiken
 Harold Haas
 By: Valerie & Geoffrey Trivax
 Joseph Halbany
 By: Penina Halbany
 Raymond Henkin
 By: Lela Henkin
 Marty Herman
 By: Arlene & Philip Gartenberg
 Martin Hollander, father of
 Jill & Jay Hollander
 By: Shelley & Lenny Hutton
 Jenks Jervey-Page
 By: Valerie & Geoffrey Trivax
 Irwin Kahn
 By: Debbie & Jonah Geller
 By: Shelley & Lenny Hutton
 By: Alayna & Michael Langnas
 By: Joy & Allan Nachman
 Murray Kash
 By: Gail Mayer
 Sharon Katz
 By: Audrey & Jack Chase
 By: Alayna & Michael Langnas
 By: Eileen Litwak
 By: Sylvia & Sam Monast
 By: Helayne Shaw
 Sarah Keywell
 By: Peggy & Donald Besecker
 By: Susan Avis & Philip Gersbach
 By: Eleanore Hausner
 By: Margaret & Ken Kappes
 By: Diana & Edward Vosganian
 Norman Lacroff
 By: Beth Baver-Neff & Howard Neff
 Victor Landaw
 By: Lauren & David Landaw
 Marion Litt
 By: Ellen & Frank Wolff
 Esther & Milton M. Maddin
 By: Donna & Michael Maddin
 Edward Menczer
 By: Cheryl & Ronald Kerwin
 Edith Meyer
 By: Marcy & Barnet Leland
 Florence Mintz
 By: Alyson & Darren Findling
 Rosemary Morrison
 By: Penina Halbany
 Rose Neuman
 By: Ronna & Stuart Gold
 Dr. Lawrence Newman
 By: Gary & Julie Nitzkin
 Mollie Perlstein
 By: Ellen & Frank Wolff

Don Reifler
 By: Dina Brodsky
 Sanford Rope
 By: Alayna & Michael Langnas
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 Mickey Schaar
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 Dr. David S. Segel
 By: Joy & Allan Nachman
 Lillian Budish Shapiro
 By: Debbie & Jonah Geller
 Sylvia Shapiro
 By: Gail Mayer
 Max Shiener
 By: Bonnie & Ken Gross
 Edith Snider
 By: Valerie & Geoffrey Trivax
 Jerry Sprague
 By: Bonnie & Ken Gross
 Natalie Steink
 By: Valerie & Geoffrey Trivax
 Jack Stone
 By: Ronna & Stuart Gold
 By: Annette & Allen Stone
 Marc Suris
 By: Tod Woolf
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 By: Susie Zaks
 Dr. Bruce D. Wenokur
 By: Aviva & Jack Robinson
 By: Dianne & J. Henri Mouradian
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 Jeffrey Yellen
 By: Julie & Dennis I. Chaiken
 By: Cheryl & Ronald Kerwin
 By: Andrea & Jay Levin

SPEEDY RECOVERY OF:

Dr. William Solomon
 By: Valerie & Geoffrey Trivax
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 By: Helayne Shaw
 Nina Kent
 By: Deena & Stuart Lockman
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