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Annual Report 2007

Live Generously: It Does A World of Good

We are often asked why the Jewish community is so passionate about the Combined Jewish Appeal—our commitment to the Annual Campaign. The basic concepts of social freedom, individual rights, and economic opportunities are what drive every effort of the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire and the United Jewish Communities.

Whether we were supplying much needed financial, social, and medical support for those displaced in the Second Lebanon War, helping a teen attend Jewish summer camp, assisting a single mother of two to remain in her apartment, providing scholarship for Preschool age children to get their first quality Jewish experience, sending our college age children to Israel on birthright, or keeping our promise to the elderly of the Former Soviet Union, Federation continues to be the driving force behind the economic opportunities that change individual Jewish lives.

The theme of LIVE GENEROUSLY has become the American Jewish anthem. The Jewish community consistently rises to the challenge by giving generously of its time, dollars, and unwavering support. We would like to say, “Todah Rabah,” Thank you for the dollars that maintain Jewish life and continuity, meeting the basic needs of our people here in New Hampshire, Israel, and around the world



Campaign

Thanks to the labors and dedication of our donors, our regional chairs: Bob Selig, Michael Rosenblum, David Green, Elsa Conrad, and Jay Madnick, and over 100 volunteer callers, our Federation CJA Campaign closed at \$545, 537, a \$23,000 increase from the previous year. This was done on the heels of the Israel Emergency Campaign and a special fundraiser honoring Anabelle and Arnold Cohen. Our community, our state, rose to meet the challenge, over and over again. These much needed funds will allow us to assist Jews throughout New Hampshire and meet the needs of many less fortunate Jewish people abroad. Last year we added 358 donors to the Campaign (a 44% increase), this year another 258 supporters joined the Campaign (a 22% increase). This is a great sign of support from throughout New Hampshire—a vote of confidence from over 600 new donors (in the last two years) who believe in the important work we are doing. Plans are already in motion for an exciting Campaign next year!

The NH Jewish community stepped up once again when Israel was in need raising over \$55,000 for the *Israel in Crisis* Campaign. That money provided essential relief services for over one million displaced Israelis from the

North. It helped provide air conditioners for bomb shelters, social service needs for victims of terrorism, educational assistance for those who served in the IDF, and for a myriad of infrastructure needs as a result of over 4,000 rockets that rained into Israel’s Northern territory.

Statewide Involvement

Over the last five years, the Federation has worked diligently in engaging all Jews throughout the state. This year is our second under the banner of the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire. We think you’ll agree that our actions truly reflect our representation and service delivery. Our new Board of Directors come from Bedford, Nashua, Londonderry, Brentwood, Concord, Derry, Laconia, Hampton, Goffstown, Fitzwilliam, and Windham. They are a reflection of the disparate nature of where our Jewish community lives. They are committed to making our Jewish community more effective, welcoming and responsive.

The Reporter has been carefully revamped to reflect the many opportunities for involvement throughout the state. Our monthly columnists do a wonderful job reflecting Jewish life here in NH and throughout the world. Noreen Leibson insightfully provides an educator’s view, our rabbis give a view from the bima, Shlichah, Liron Lavi speaks from an Israel perspective, and Judith Herbst probes our common Jewish memories in her new column, *The Common Denominator*. New space has been allocated for individual synagogues to place advertisements reflecting the many opportunities for engagement in synagogue life.

The Federation made a significant financial commitment to bring a Shalich to the state. Liron Lavi (see accompanying report) has traversed the state helping to bring Israel to congregations, service groups, and schools. She has taught dance, history, and festival observance; she has taught cooking, instructed students in Hebrew, organized a Young Adult group, provided support and organization to the Israeli group; she has been the featured speaker at numerous venues. At each of these events Liron has been a wonderful representative of Israel, the Federation, and the Jewish world. She has been an asset to the entire Jewish community of New Hampshire.

The Israel Experience program is now part of eight congregations. This unique partnership between the synagogues and Federation shows what can be done when we all work together for a common cause. This year there are ten teens traveling to Israel with our community’s sponsorship. Five other NH teens have also received support for their programs in Israel.

Connecting to Israel

Last year thirty three individuals



took part on the New Hampshire “Chai Mission” to Israel. The group was from all over the state. Another small group visited Hof Hacarmel this past year to meet with partners, review current initiatives, and to plant seeds for future programs. Many people from NH who have visited Israel in the last year make a visit to Hof Hacarmel part of their itinerary. Those who had not experienced the warmth of the people of Hof Hacarmel became our best ambassadors upon return to New Hampshire. The NH Keshet Mission to Poland and Israel is scheduled for October of this year.

In addition to our commitment to our Sister City, funding was provided for pluralistic programs in Israel in-



cluding *GRANIT*—a program that provides aid to women before, during, and after divorce; *TALI*—a pluralistic educational initiative provided by Masorti, the Conservative movement in Israel; *Israel Religious Action Center*—the public and legal advocacy arm of the Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism whose mission is to advance religious freedom, tolerance, social justice and civil liberties.

Connecting to Worldwide Jewry

Over the last year we continued to provide hunger relief, housing subsidies, support for new mothers, student scholarships, programming for disadvantaged youth and welfare relief for Jews throughout the world, especially in the Former Soviet Union. Our funding provided through UJC, the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, and the Jewish Agency for Israel has made the difference in thousands of lives each day. Your single gift to the Federation is a great statement that “all Jews are responsible for one another.” Our community supplemented it’s support of JDC and JAFI with additional support to programs establishing pluralistic Jewish Camps in Germany and the Former Soviet Union and Jewish secular studies in the FSU.

Connecting to the

Interfaith Community

One of the initiatives of the Federation is to maintain dialogue and relationships with the non-Jewish community. This year’s programs included:

- The Jewish Christian Interfaith Partnership continues in its 20th year to provide understanding of each others traditions through monthly dialogue.
- The Jewish Catholic Seder is the largest interfaith gathering in the state. Participants look forward to joining together year after year in this very unique event. We are blessed to have unique support for this initiative from Patrick and Kendra O’Donnell who continue to build bridges between the Jewish and Catholic communities.

Connecting to Each Other

As the central programming agency in New Hampshire JFNH has worked diligently to provide programs and ini-

tiatives that connect the New Hampshire Jewish community.

The Community Chanukah Party was a great success. Hundreds enjoyed a concert with Sam Glaser.

The production of *Children of Eden*, exceeded everyone’s expectations. *Bye Bye Birdie* was the first



Youth Theater initiative.

Alan Kaplan continues to lead this initiative. It engages many in the Jewish community in performing,

producing, and providing the musical accompaniment. More than *just theater*, individuals learn about each other and generations work together.

Our Preschool continues to be an Or LaGoyim—a light unto the people. It inspires young families to live a more fulfilling and meaningful Jewish life through festival observance, Israel and Hebrew instruction, family gatherings and more. It provides that comfortable gateway into our Jewish community.

What drives Jewish New Hampshire? What keeps our communities vibrant and growing? To answer those questions the Federation has launched a number of bold initiatives in a strategic plan to increase community participation in programming and the Annual Campaign. Our goal is to expand Federation’s reach, improve its work, and raise the bar to new levels of donor and volunteer participation. Marketers would call it “building the brand.” We prefer to call it what we recognize it to be: building connections, building community.

We recognize and applaud the extraordinary collective enterprise of our Jewish community and its spirit of collaboration. As a community, our accomplishments reflect the efforts and generous support of a dedicated leadership and our legion of volunteers.

We are all connected; we are one big, extended family: whether you live on the Seacoast, in the Lakes Region, in Nashua, Hof Hacarmel, or the former Soviet Union. From generation to generation, our tradition has always been about community. The history of the Federation is as old as the New Hampshire Jewish community itself. Over the years, some of our needs have changed. But one thing has not changed, and that is our responsibility to care for one another.

As Jews in America, and particularly here in New Hampshire, we live in the best of times. In ways that our ancestors never thought possible, we enjoy unbridled freedoms. We have choices. We have influence. We have resources. We are part of a worldwide people. Together, we can do a world of good!



Margy Friedman
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JFNH President



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JFNH ANNUAL BUDGET

	2007-2008	2006-2007	2005-2006
REVENUE			
Total Campaign Pledged	554,537	531,075	531,074
Interest Income	10,000	6,500	4,000
Program-Cultural & Community	22,945	23,043	22,975
Program-Preschool	274,360	231,200	217,891
The Reporter	30,450	30,950	28,950
Program-Senior/Community Outreach	281	1,075	6,368
Program-Youth	19,700	20,300	20,600
Program-Individual & Family Services		5,700	4,500
Campaign-Fundraising	4,000	8,000	2,000
Program-Community Relations	5,000	6,000	6,000
Prog-Leadership Dev-Education	190	788	901
Total Revenue	921,464	864,631	845,259

EXPENSES			
Program/Personnel Expense	196,546	190,252	175,695
General & Administrative	32,270	31,000	28,575
Contingency Reserve	7,500	7,500	7,500
Office Equipment	6,590	5,080	6,350
Building	63,132	53,344	47,369
Program-Cultural & Community	37,800	36,300	37,314
Program-Preschool	227,870	199,902	165,706
Program - Preschool Tuition Assistance*	39,295	17,500	23,620
The Reporter	48,400	46,447	43,623
Program-Senior/Community Outreach	2,500	6,852	13,690
Program-Youth	18,258	20,628	19,450
Program-Individual & Family Services*		5,700	4,500
Campaign-Fundraising	23,600	23,900	26,400
Program-Community Relations	12,100	14,000	14,100
Program-Leadership Dev-Education	11,300	8,800	10,300
Total Expenses	727,431	667,304	624,192

ALLOCATIONS

LOCAL/NATIONAL/REGIONAL

<i>Hillel</i>			
University of NH	3,000	1,500	1,500
New England College		-	360
Franklin Pierce	180	180	180
Keene State		-	300
Other Allocations	5,400	7,000	7,000
Camperships	564	-	-
<i>Grants to NH Religious Schools</i>			
BET Religious School, Amherst	4,365	6,500	8,750
EH Religious School, Derry	4,345	6,500	7,000
TAY Religious School	15,100	22,700	32,000
TBA Religious School, Nashua	6,700	10,000	-
TBI Religious School, Laconia	1,000	1,000	-
TI, Manchester Religious School	1,500	2,000	-
TBJ Religious School, Concord	2,000		
AA Religious School, Keene	1,000		
Youth Leadership Dev	500	1,000	1,250
Statewide Teachers Dev Workshop	3,600	5,000	-
Total Local/National/Regional	59,244	63,380	58,340

ISRAEL/OVERSEAS

UJC - Overseas	30,000	75,000	75,000
NH-Hof Hacarmel Connection	40,000	40,000	40,000
<i>Israel Pluralism</i>			
GRANIT -Israel	900	1,000	1,000
TALI Education Fund	1,000	1,000	1,000
Israel Religious Action Center	1,000	1,000	1,000
WUPJ-Jewish Studies in secular schools	1,000	1,000	-
WUPJ-Camps	1,000	1,500	-
Pluralistic project in Hof Hacarmel		2,000	5,000
USCJ-Jerusalem	500	500	-
Israel Experience	12,390	2,292	10,642
birthright Israel	6,150	6,150	4,100
NH Shaliach/Israel Emissary	28,000	9,000	15,000
Mission Subsidy	5,000	5,000	10,000
Total Israel Allocations	128,940	145,442	162,742

Other Beneficiaries, Supported Organizations & Distributions

AIPAC Educational Foundation	JFNH-Preschool Scholarship**
American Jewish Committee	JFNH-Shaliach Program**
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee	JFNH-Theater Program**
Anti-Defamation League-Boston	Manchester Historical Association
Boston Symphony Orchestra*	Matal Therapeutic Center-Israel
Campus Watch	Memorial Sloan Kettering Foundation*
Catholic Medical Center*	Mushka Krinsky-Israel Study**
Chabad Lubavitch of NH*	National Found. of Jewish Culture
CAJE	National Tay-Sachs Association
Coalition on the Environment & Jewish Life	National Yiddish Book Center
Cohen Center for Holocaust Studies	New Hampshire Historical Society
CAMERA	New Hampshire Jewish Library
Dartmouth College Alumni Fund*	New Hampshire Symphony*
Emily Gelb-Israel Study**	New Israel Fund
Hebrew Union College	Pastoral Counseling Services
Hopkins Alumni Fund*	Quillah Burstein-Israel Study**
JDC-Eschel	Reconstructionist Rabbinical College
Jewish Agency for Israel	Saint Anselm College Alumni Fund*
Jewish Braille Institute of America	Sarasota Jewish Federation*
Jewish Council for Public Affairs	Smith College
Jewish Educational Service of NA	Temple Adath Yeshurun*
Jewish National Fund*	Temple B'nai Israel-Diversity Day**
Jewish Publication Society	The Derryfield School*
Jewish Telegraphic Agency	Wellesley College Alumni Fund*
Jewish Theological Seminary	Woman's Fund of NH
Jewish Women's Archive	World Affairs Council*
	Yeshiva University

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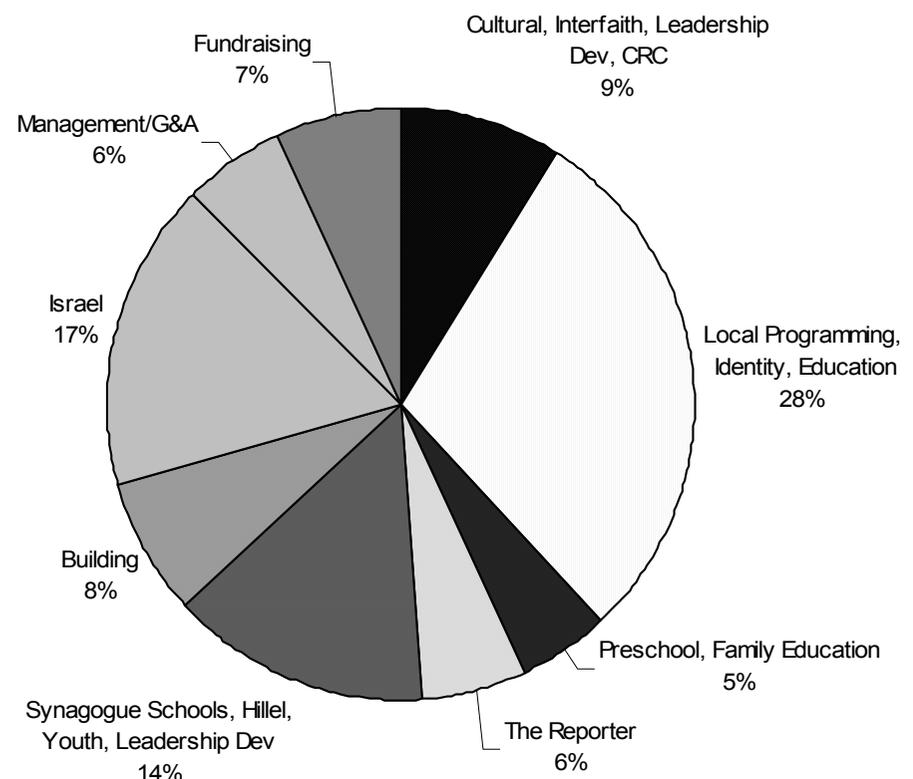
EFFECTIVE, RESPONSIBLE, EFFICIENT PHILANTHROPY FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Each year the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire receives an independent Annual Audit done by Bigelow & Company, of all donations, allocations, and expenditures made for the past year. Highlights from the fiscal year ending 6/3/06 include:

Fundraising Expenses-Reflects what a charity spends to raise money, including printing, publicity, mailing, and staffing costs- \$63, 921 or **6.94%**.

Management and General Expenses-Reflects what percentage of its total budget a charity spends on overhead, administrative staff, and associated costs including depreciation, building, maintenance, telephone, etc. JFNH's total was \$137,431 or **14.91%**.

Program Services-What percent of its total budget a charity spends on the programs and services it exists to deliver was \$720,112 or **79.15%**.



JEWISH FEDERATION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FOUNDATION

*The Jewish Federation of New Hampshire Foundation is dedicated to creating permanent resources to meet the challenges and needs of the New Hampshire Jewish community, connecting yesterday, today, and tomorrow.
Individual and family donors work in partnership with the Foundation to enhance Jewish community life and education.*

Market value balances as of 12/31	FY ending 12/31/06	FY ending 12/31/05	FY ending 12/31/04	FY ending 12/31/03
General Trust Fund -Unrestricted	\$935,261	\$871,361	\$832,002	\$741,650
General Trust Fund-Campaign Endowment	\$259,217	\$230,555	\$220,286	\$196,517
General Trust Fund-Temple B'nai Israel	\$72,261	\$64,271		
Managed Trust Funds	\$313,250	\$268,775	\$238,203	\$205,009
Managed Trust Fund-Temple B'nai Israel	\$31,549	\$14,000		
Donor Designated Trust Funds	\$397,760	\$233,268	\$253,267	\$240,908
PACE Funds	\$189,908	\$167,526	\$136,326	\$20,920
	\$2,199,206	\$1,849,756	\$1,680,084	\$1,405,004

JFNH Foundation Funds

PACE

	2006	2005	2004
General Trust Funds			
I.A. Brodie Fund	16,740	13,214	13,072
E.M. Chase Fund	297,055	234,471	231,968
General Trust Fund	43,000	62,390	60,770
Ethel & Saul Greenspan Fund	75,597	59,922	59,275
M. A. Kaplan Fund	79,777	62,969	62,296
Louis Miller Family Fund	136,448	99,711	98,242
Hyman Reingold Fund	6,371	5,029	4,975
J. Morton & Miriam Rosenblum Fund	16,303	12,868	12,730
Max Rovner Fund	34,951	27,588	27,293
Sidney Samuels Fund	34,482	30,035	29,857
Alex Shapiro Fund	10,435	8,237	8,149
HAB Shapiro Family Fund	9,529	7,522	7,442
Harvey Winneg Fund	8,665	6,839	6,766
	<u>767,353</u>	<u>630,795</u>	<u>622,835</u>
Donor Designated Funds			
Etta Berman Educational Fund	7,227	7,119	7,305
Muriel & Edward Broad Preschool Scholarship Fund	13,173	13,506	13,699
Andrew Cohen Scholarship Fund	3,416	3,548	3,640
Annebelle & Arnold Cohen Fund	18,577	18,366	18,736
Zelma & Ben Dorson Senior Fund	20,648	18,570	16,058
Jennie & Mandel Eluto Education Fund	7,031	6,931	7,101
Maurice Foster Senior Fund	5,524	5,737	5,886
Monroe & Ruth Jaffe Fund	5,978	6,205	6,347
Theodore & Charlotte Krentzel Fund	33,327	32,552	29,159
Max Rovner Family Education Fund		26,367	27,053
Saul Sidore Senior Fund	1,320	1,371	1,406
William R. Silverman Fund	7,273	7,544	7,716
Singer Family Fund	12,108	12,409	9,349
Winneg Family Education Fund	24,225	24,986	25,438
Gary & Irma Wallin Young Leadership Fund	23,023	23,734	21,036
Children's Enrichment & Education Fund	46,303	47,974	49,141
Zvi & Debby Cohen JFNH Film Festival Fund	8,289	8,584	8,772
Solomon Family Fund	10,643	10,557	7,578
Paul & Fran Gordon Family Fund	6,438	6,046	
Krentzel, Muskat & Forgosh Family Philanthropic Fund	151,328		
	<u>405,851</u>	<u>282,106</u>	<u>265,420</u>
Managed Trust Funds			
Building Trust Fund	45,204	32,916	40,915
Individual & Family Services Fund	13,731	16,383	20,731
Board Designated Fund	37,105	37,144	40,029
Campaign Endowment-Managed	210,489	165,592	105,802
Temple B'nai Israel	29,821		
	<u>336,350</u>	<u>252,035</u>	<u>207,477</u>
General Managed Funds			
Campaign Endowment Fund	272,390	233,609	232,058
Temple B'nai Israel	75,996		
	<u>348,386</u>	<u>233,609</u>	<u>232,058</u>
PACE Trust Funds			
Joan & William Green PACE Fund	20,892	21,264	20,826
Kathleen & Sidney Samuels PACE Fund	43,442	42,190	25,753
Theodore & Charlotte Krentzel PACE Fund	83,938	76,526	
Max Rovner PACE Fund	25,996		
Lee & Jeffrey Forgosh PACE Fund	5,138		
Muriel & Edward Broad PACE Fund	143		
	<u>179,549</u>	<u>139,980</u>	<u>46,579</u>
Total Endowment Assets as of 6/30/06	2,037,489	1,538,525	1,374,369

The CJA, Combined Jewish Appeal Campaign alone cannot secure the future of the Jewish community. Your PACE fund can.

A Perpetual Annual Campaign Endowment (PACE) is a permanent fund of the Federation established in your name. This restricted fund, created to endow your gift to the CJA Federation Annual Campaign, allows your lifelong investment in our community to continue, providing help when and where it is needed - indefinitely.

A PACE fund is not intended to substitute for any part of an annual gift. It is your lasting legacy for the future.

If you make this gift during your lifetime, you receive a charitable income tax deduction. There are a variety of ways to create endowments that do not have to be funded during your lifetime and still provide you with considerable tax benefits. Gifts may be made through testamentary bequests, assignment of insurance policies, assignment of IRA's, and other estate planning techniques.

Currently there are six active PACE Funds as part of the JFNH Endowment including:

Dorothy Goodstein PACE Fund
Joan & William Green PACE Fund
Charlotte & Theodore Krentzel PACE Fund
Max Rovner PACE Fund
Kathleen & Sidney Samuels PACE Fund

In addition to the active PACE funds, a number of members of the community have made commitments for future PACE funds of over \$700,000. Those individuals and couples who have provided for the community include:

Michael & Roberta Bornstein
Muriel & Edward Broad
Lee & Jeffrey Forgosh
Margy & Joel Friedman
Brian Grodman
Susan Grodman
Ruth Levenson Kleinfeld
Andy & Norm Kushner
Sydell & Mort z"l Rosen
Laura & Ovid Slavin
Barbara z"l & David Stahl
Frances & Richard Winneg



L'dor V'dor

8th Annual Shem Tov Community Awards

There are three crowns: the crown of learning, the crown of priesthood, and the crown of royalty: but the crown of a good name exceeds them all.

Rabbi Simeon

Jerry Fleischman **Temple B'nai Israel, Laconia**



Jerry and his wife, Sharon, moved from New Jersey to Laconia in December 2000. They have a son, Neil, living in New Jersey, and a son, Robert, living in Concord with his wife, Marianne, and their two daughters, Sarah and Emma.

Jerry received his formal education in electrical engineering from Cooper Union in New York City and MIT in Cambridge, Massachusetts. While in New Jersey, he was very active in his local community as a member of the city council, the planning board, and a number of other local boards. He retired in 1993 from one of the companies formed after the breakup of the Bell System.

Jerry is currently on the Board of Trustees of Temple B'nai Israel and is the Treasurer. He enjoys lunches with his friends, the activities at the Temple, living on Lake Winnisquam and spending as much time as possible with his granddaughters.

Marty Fox **Temple B'nai Israel, Laconia**



Marty Fox is married with three daughters, two step daughters, and two grandchildren. He is presently a Senior Product Development Engineer for Innovative Paper Technologies, LCC a manufacturer of high temperature electrical insulation.

Marty's volunteer activities in the late 1970s included, being a volunteer adviser for Junior Achievement Program in Winnisquam and Franklin. He also served as a chairman of a fund raising project that led to the Lakes Region Management Club Annual Scholarship Fund to the Laconia Vocational Technical College. More recently Marty has served as a mentor for the Friend's Program and received a Mentor of the Year Award. He has served nine years on the Genesis Behavioral Health Board of Directors with two years as Vice President. Marty has also been a volunteer in various presidential primaries and campaigns.

Marty's activities at Temple B'nai Israel located in Laconia, NH include 25 years on the Board of Directors with two years as President and he is presently serving his third year as Financial Secretary.

Nancy Frankel **Jewish Federation of NH**



Nancy Frankel is honored by the Jewish Federation of New Hampshire for her superior volunteerism within and outside the Jewish community.

Nancy currently is the Board Secretary and is on the Executive Committee. She is a previous Woman's Campaign Chair and has traveled to Israel twice in the last three

years.

Nancy is known as a "go to person" whatever the need, whatever the event. With her lifelong partner, Mary Atwell, she has traveled to South Africa to help create a camp for children affected by AIDS, and has worked to rebuild homes in NH and New Orleans that were ravaged by flood waters. Nancy has co chaired the annual Jewish Community Blood Drive for years and is an active leader in numerous non profit organizations throughout the state.

Known as "Corky" to generations of Girl Scouts from her decades of camp leadership, Nancy is an advisor to overnight camps throughout the country.

Nancy represents the best of Tikkun Olam, wherever and whatever the need, you can count on Nancy to quietly and effectively make a difference.

Kathy Iacovella **Jewish Federation of NH**



For nine years Kathy Iacovella was the voice on the phone, the first responder to social service emergencies, the coffee maker, the list keeper, and organizer of the Jewish Federation. Kathy diligently served the entire Jewish community as Office Manager, Secretary, Administrative Assistant, Ticket seller, and more.

Having served under the tenure of three Executive Directors and five Federation Presidents, Kathy was able to meet the different needs and styles with great pride.

Perhaps her greatest strength, Kathy was able to forge friendships with newcomers and old-timers alike. She always found a way to reach out, whether through a personal card, a gentle call, or dropping off a meal when needed.

Honoring Kathy is long overdue and well deserved.

Charlotte & Eddie z"l Kapiloff **Congregation Ahavas Achim, Keene**



Charlotte and her late husband Eddie, of blessed memory, together served Congregation Ahavas

Achim in a wide range of roles for the last four decades. During that time, Charlotte was one of the leaders and mainstays of the Ladies Auxiliary that not only raised the funds, but also did a great part of the physical work, needed to take care of the synagogue. She was a member of numerous committees, and no rummage sale or event in which cooking was involved was complete without Charlotte. Charlotte developed what is - to this day - known as "Charlotte's Secret Sauce." The ingredients of the sauce are said to be the reason why the congregation's annual fundraiser, the Kosher-Q, held every year since 1970, is known throughout the Monadnock Region as serving delicious, mouth-watering, and succulent barbecued kosher chicken.

Until his passing in 1997, Eddie was head chef at the annual Kosher-Q. Eddie was active in practically every

aspect of synagogue life. He was Vice-President and Treasurer for many, many years. He played a key role in raising money in the late 1960's and early 1970's for a new synagogue, and took care of myriad tasks required to get the building completed in time for the High Holidays in 1973. Among the many other voluntary activities he willingly performed for the congregation, he organized the seating for the High Holy Days for about 15 years. He also taught Bar and Bat Mitzvah students, and conducted services as a lay leader. His robust and soul-stirring renditions of Adon Olam are warmly remembered to this day.

In honor of Eddie's memory, the Kapiloff family established a Rabbinic Fund to help support the hiring of a rabbi for the congregation, as well as a Camp Scholarship Fund to help children of members attend a Jewish summer camp. Charlotte continues to be active in decisions on disbursements of these funds, and has served on the Rabbi Search Committee for the past 10 years. She continues to be a regular attendee at services and practically every other synagogue event, and, above all, continues to provide her "Secret Sauce" for the annual Kosher-Q.

Charlotte and Eddie were also very active in organizations in the community at large, including the annual March of Dimes drive. Charlotte served as Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Star. Eddie served as President of Cheshire Shrine Club, and was a member of the American Legion and the Masons, Jerusalem Lodge Number 104.

Eddie and Charlotte taught synagogue volunteerism to their children from an early age. In their youth, their four sons were laborers at every synagogue event. As adults, three of them have since served on their own synagogue Boards. Eddie and Charlotte's wonderful example of volunteerism at Congregation Ahavas Achim has passed on to their grandsons, who, under the watchful eye of their dad, have learned the chicken-cooking secrets of their grandpa, and how and when to apply their grandma's "Secret Sauce!"

Carmen Kosow **Temple Beth Jacob, Concord**

Born in Brooklyn, Carmen attended Staten Island Community and SUNY Geneseo where she got a BA in Speech Pathology/Audiology and then a MA in Deaf Education. She taught for a summer at a school for the Deaf in London, England as well as Rhode Island before getting a full time job as a teacher of the deaf in Ft. Worth, TX. She taught there for one year and then moved to Corpus Christi where, a year later, she married Randy Kosow: then bought a house and had their sons, Justin and Ryan. Carmen and Randy moved to Concord in 1986 where their daughter, Leah, was born. Carmen started working in New Hampshire for the Manchester School for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing. She currently works for the Nashua School District as a Teacher of the Deaf and has been doing so for 12

years.

A consistent synagogue supporter, Carmen has been a TBJ Board member for three years (two as Secretary), been a member of TBJ's Sisterhood for 14 years (3 as Treasurer), a participant in Purimspiel for ten years, Youth group organizer (three years), and on the Membership Committee. In the secular community, Carmen has been on the NH State Task force for Deaf/Hard of Hearing Services, volunteers at the Children's Place (eight years), has been a Cub Scout Den Leader (eight years), Boy Scout Troup merit badge leader (3 years) ushers at the Capital Center for the Performing Arts, has developed and taught a number of professional workshops for the Nashua School District,

Geoff Lombard **Chabad Lubavitch of NH**

Born in Newport, R.I., Geoff Lombard



moved to Portsmouth in 1950 and attended Portsmouth public school system. He briefly attended Plymouth State College in

Fall of 1965 when he left to join the United States Marine Corps. He served with "India" company, 3rd BTLN. 9th Marines as a machine gunner where he was wounded twice. Upon finishing his military obligation Geoffrey went back to Plymouth State College and completed a BA degree in English literature. He proceeded to pursue an MBA from Bentley College and spent the next two decades in the banking industry. Retired from banking in 1997 he started his own business of buying, certifying and reselling high end automobiles. This was an avocation of his during his career as a banker and has served him well financially since retiring.

Geoffrey is a past president of the brotherhood at Temple Israel, Portsmouth, and currently serves on the TI Building Committee.

An ardent Zionist, Geoff is a member of the World Jewish Congress, AI-PAC, and the Jewish War Veterans.

Geoffrey has served as a very valuable resource in furthering the outreach efforts of Lubavitch of New Hampshire and Chabad at Dartmouth. He willingly gives of his time and expertise in the financial and legal arenas, as well as anything else he is called upon for. We are proud to call him a real friend and he truly deserves this honor of volunteer of the year.

Linda Rockenmacher **Temple Adath Yeshurun**

Linda Rockenmacher is a native New



Hampshirite, and has been a member of TAY for the past 14 years. She is the proud mother of three daughters, and the even prouder grandmother of 5! Linda has

had a career as a dietician, and has been active in the New Hampshire Dietetics Association.

Linda has served tirelessly as the secretary of the Temple Board of Di-

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rectors, and is also active in Sisterhood. She has been on Sisterhood Board, and is a founding member of the Women of Faith, an interfaith group in the Manchester area.

Linda lives in Bedford with her husband, Dr. Sol Rockenmacher.

Erin Sandler

Etz Hayim Synagogue, Derry

Ms. Sandler is an extraordinary young woman. Ms. Sandler was named, celebrated her Bat-Mitzvah, and confirmed at Etz Hayim synagogue. Along with her parents, she is a founding member of the synagogue.

As a teenager, she has volunteered and helped with the education of not just those studying for Bar or Bat Mitzvah but has helped to educate adults in the way of running Shabbat services. She has special way of relating to the students that puts them at ease through the stress of studying for the Bar or Bat Mitzvah. Her teaching style aids the student in developing their reading skills and their ability to sing the trope easily when canting their Torah and Haftarah portions.

On the Bima, Ms. Sandler is comfortable conducting Friday evening services, reading from the Torah, and has taken on the challenge of leading the chanting of prayers during the HHD services. Ms. Sandler has been very active with the synagogue's youth group having helped to organize a Masquerade Dance to benefit the people of Dafur.

Outside of her synagogue activities, Ms. Sandler tutors several students at the Hampstead Central and Middle Schools. Her interests include figure skating and musical performance (two musicals with the Windham Performing Arts) She enjoys water skiing and wake boarding during the summer and snow skiing during the winter.

She will be entering her senior year of high school at Pinkerton Academy. Ms. Sandler will be applying to college this fall and is looking forward to a career as a high school teacher of mathematics and/or psychology. Etz Hayim recommends Ms. Sandler for the Shem Tov award for the role model she has become within the Synagogue and the example she sets for all of our congregants.

Molly Schwartz

Temple Beth Jacob, Concord

Molly was born in New York, and moved to Hopkinton, NH when she was 3 1/2. She has two older brothers. She plays piano, oboe, and steel pan drums. She has been dancing since she was 2 1/2, doing mostly modern, ballet, and pointe, and is a company member at Petit Papillon in Concord. She also works at a shop in Hopkinton. Molly loves volunteering, and tries to do as many large or small projects that she can.

Her volunteer achievements are prodigious in the Jewish and secular communities. She has been a High School

tutor, is a member of her high school community service club, is President of the National Honor Society, has been a teacher's aide at Temple Beth Jacob (Grades 8, 9, 10) and a 1st and 2nd Grade Hebrew teacher (Grades 11 & 12). She volunteers at Rumford School ESOL summer program, organized diaper drive, donation drive, Halloween costume drive, and fundraiser for African refugee families in Concord area, participated in Zambezi Environmental Education Camp service trip to Africa, participated in Tikkun Olam family work project in Limestone, Maine repairing houses, organized a dance showcase to raise money for the Childhood Cancer Lifeline of NH, and participated in work trip to Honduras with a group of high school students.

Among her most special achievements is a fundraiser that she organized to benefit the refugee community in Concord by selling stationery cards featuring the children's artwork which raised \$5,000 for the Concord Multicultural Project and a dance showcase which she organized with two classmates raised over \$1,000 for the Childhood Cancer Lifeline of NH.

She is the recipient of several awards including the University of Rochester's Kodak Young Leaders Award, the Concord School District Champion for Children Award, and the Harvard Book Award.

She will be graduating from Hopkinton High School and will be attending Tufts University this September as a Tisch Scholar of Citizenship and Public Service.

Elaine Silberberg

Congregation Betenu, Amherst

Congregation Betenu is proud to nominate Elaine Silberberg for the Shem Tov award in 2007. Elaine's service to the New Hampshire Jewish community predates the existence of this congregation. Most recently, as our membership chair, Elaine has been a welcoming voice to Jews new to our area or to being active in the community. She faithfully attends congregational events and always provides food and support. Elaine was a mainstay of the committee that organized the Matt Savage fundraising concert in 2006. A skilled communicator, Elaine corresponds with members, speakers, and visitors and always leaves a warm impression of Betenu with them.

In addition, Elaine has been active with the Moore Center for the Developmentally Disabled, serving for many years, first on their board and later on their Human Rights Committee.

A native of Boston, Elaine spent part of her childhood in Maine before moving to New Hampshire, living in

Nashua, Manchester and Bedford. She taught in the Derry schools for 25 years and also taught in Manchester area schools.

Elaine has been married to Joel Silberberg for 23 years. When they married, she expanded her family of two daughters, Debbie and Jennifer, to include Joel's four children and eventually five grandchildren. More recently, Jennifer has added another two daughters to the family.

Carol Sternberg

Temple Israel, Manchester

Temple Israel has chosen Carol Sternberg as its Shem Tov Honoree this year. Carol serves on the Temple Board, attends services most Friday evenings and Saturday mornings, and participates in Temple Adult Education classes. She has made herself available

as a volunteer whenever something needs to be done in the congregation. She has taken on tasks in programming and has assisted regularly in the Temple kitchen as a member of the Kitchen Committee and in setting up Oneg Shabbat. Carol always is a source of ideas and suggestions for the congregation.

Carol has lived in Manchester and has been a member of Temple Israel for the last 27 years. She is a maternity nurse at the Elliot Hospital and her husband, Robert, is a manager at the Manchester Post Office. Their son Mike recently passed his bar exams and their daughter Claire is studying Political Science at the University of Massachusetts.

In Carol's words she has found "interesting things to do and great people to do them with at T.I. and in the Jewish Community." Temple Israel salutes Carol Sternberg for her faithful service to our congregation as our Shem Tov Honoree.

Sandra Whitman

Etz Hayim Synagogue, Derry

Sandra Whitman, originally from Brookline, MA has degrees in biology and computer sciences. She started her career as a wildlife biologist in New Mexico and has worked as a software engineer for almost 25 years in Nashua.

She established and runs a program at Etz Hayim called Torah Tots, where young children are able to attend an age appropriate alternative to a Shabbat morning service. The youngsters are taught about the weekly Torah portion and how to sing the prayers. They re-

join the congregation for taking the Torahs from the ark and procession as well as the Adon Olam which they lead at the end of the service. It has become a favorite portion of the service and is done at just about all of the Shabbat services.

Sandra has also volunteered as a teacher in our Hebrew School for 11 years, teaching Hebrew and Judaica. Over the years she has taught 4th and 6th graders, Bar/Bat Mitzvah and Confirmation students. She has been an advocate for creating Family Education programs within the school.

Sandra takes a personal interest in every student she teaches. She goes beyond the classroom to model Jewish living. She invites her class to her home for Shabbat dinner and works with them to have a class Tzedakah project.

Etz Hayim would like to honor her for her devotion to the education of our youngsters in unique and exciting ways.

Mrs. Whitman lives in Derry, NH with her husband Don Brewer, and two children Ben (who will be attending Washington College in the fall) and Emily (who will be attending Pinkerton Academy in the fall).

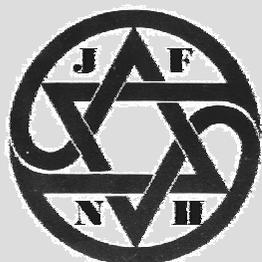
Isadora Zlotowicz

Hadassah-Manchester Chapter

Isadora has lived in Manchester for 23 years, but still pines daily for her New York home. She has two grown sons, Louis and Michael. Before coming to Manchester, from her beloved New York, Isadora was a high school English teacher. She is a member of Temple Israel, Manchester.

While growing up in NY, Isadora's mother struggled with her embarrassment that she could not afford to give to every Hadassah fundraiser. When Isadora was invited to join Hadassah in Manchester, she politely declined. But, after 18 years (a lucky number!), she became a life member. Since that time, Isadora has helped at many Hadassah events, attends every Board meeting, and now serves as Corresponding Secretary. She is always available to stuff envelopes, go to the post office or grocery, and is always gracious and enthusiastic. Isadora said that her trip to Israel, where she was able to see Hadassah at work, and the feeling of sisterhood found in Hadassah have inspired her to become active in the Manchester Chapter.

She is most deserving of this award because even though her name is difficult to pronounce and almost impossible to spell, it is truly a Shem Tov, a good name.



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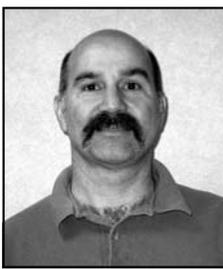
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Shalicha's Report to the New Hampshire Community



It's hard to believe that ten months have flown by so quickly. My first day in New Hampshire featured a BBQ, Shalom Talia, Shalom Liron. I knew I had found a second home. The great warmth and amazing love of all the people was hard to fathom.

While writing this report, I found out that it's very hard for me to sit down in one place for a long time. The Jewish community in New Hampshire is a perfect match for me. Working with all age groups, in many places, going around and meeting people, is exactly the kind of work I love doing.

My main goal this year was to "Give a face" to Israel. In the future, I hope that when those unfamiliar with Israel will think of more than what they see on the television. They will think of how beautiful Israel is. They'll think about the people, about the culture, the industry, the scientific advances, about the food. They'll feel connected.

I believe that before starting to discuss the main conflicts in Israel, we should all know the base of the country, the daily life. And that's what I tried to focus on.

I believe in personal connections. I began the year by meeting every Rabbi, Hebrew school Director and Youth group advisor. I learned about the organizations and their activities and profile, and together we found ways for me to get involved. My year was spent with many different constituencies including the following:

Teenagers

Liron spent time with every youth group advisor (MANTY, CONTY, SAFTY, COASTY, USY) in the state. Programs included:

Etz Hayim's Purim masquerade- helping

TI Portsmouth - Life in Israel

TBJ- Speaking about life and religion in Israel.

Prozdor- Activity about Itzhak Rabin

Organizing Chanukah party for all the teenagers in the state. Games and performance of Chanukah songs by three teens. The party was a great success and a great opportunity for the teenagers to see that there are many more Jewish teenagers around the state.



Hebrew Schools:

Throughout the year, Liron visited all the Hebrew schools in the state, and organized activities about Israel.

She was able to attend Teachers study groups, participated in meetings, and worked with many teachers on Israel curriculum. Some of the projects and presentations done in congregations included:

Betenu: Presentation of Life in Israel, IDF, Teaching Israeli dancing. Corresponding with IDF soldiers.

TAY: IDF, Kibbutz, Kids in Israel, "Hebrew Man" about Hebrew and the need of it, Big map of Israel-puzzle, Yom Yerushaliam event

TBJ: Q&A about Israel, working on "Geshher project" (Hof HaCarmel connection project) with the 5th graders, Hebrew, Tu bishvat in Israel and songs, Butterfly project to "Yad Vashem"

TBA: "A trip to Israel", Making Israeli photo album,

IDF, Sweet map of Israel.

Ahavas Achim: Israeli dancing, True or false about Israel, Life in Israel

Etz Hayim: Presentation about Life in Israel, Sunday camp for preschool- making an Israel map and pretend trip. **Bar Mitzvah class-** 8 sessions about Israel: geography, Hebrew, IDF, kibbutz & moshav, aliyot, life in Israel as a teen

TI Dover: Sweet map of Israel.

TI Portsmouth: Israel festival dancing, Big sticky map of Israel, IDF, Hebrew man songs with Pre-school, A pretend trip to Israel- Making Israeli photo album.

TI Manchester: Junior congregation preschool: map of Israel.

UVJC: True or false about Israel, Kids in Israel, Big sticky map.

B'nai Israel: Kids in Israel, Writing Chanukah greetings to Hof Hacarmel.

Young adults:

As a young adult in New Hampshire, Liron wanted to find others in the same age group for social activities and as a way to get these young adults involved in the Jewish community. Starting with a group of 4-5, the group now numbers close to thirty. The members of the group became good friends. They attended a Monarchs Hockey game, had Chanukah dinner, Israeli movie and Soup night and had a wonderful Sunset party. The seeds of involvement have been sown as many of the participants in the Young Adult group have participated in community wide functions.

Preschool:

As part of the preschool staff Liron attended staff meetings each month working to inject Israeli life in the curriculum. She met with each different age group and provided activities and informal learning about Israel in an age appropriate manner including Israeli dance and Hebrew songs. She taught the alef-bet, elementary Hebrew words (Colors, numbers, animals etc.) and phrases, geography of Israel (Learning about all the different parts of Israel), festival observances, and Family Shabbat dinners (teaching songs and dances).

She was responsible for organizing and teaching the Israel week winter vacation program (Israeli dancing, Ein Hod artist village, seasons and farm in Hebrew.

Temples, lectures:

Liron spent a great majority of her time working in different synagogues. She was invited as a speaker to illuminate life in Israel at many Shabbat services and dinners, at Sisterhoods at TAY, Etz Hayim, addressing the Southern New Hampshire Jewish Men's Club, the Sunapee Kearsarge Jewish Community, Salem area Chavurah, Temple Ahavas Achim, Temple Israel(s) in Dover, Manchester, and Portsmouth. She provided dvre torah at the Upper Valley Jewish Community and Ahavas Achim.

Liron has become a maven of Israeli dances with all the experience she has had as instructor in many of the synagogues.

Public and Private School Outreach

Liron's presentation style was well embraced by all the schools she visited. She spoke about life as a teen, the history of the Middle East, coexistence, military service and the political landscape of Israel. Among the schools she visited were: Merrimack Middle School, Laconia High School (where she spoke to over 400 students), The Derryfield High, Manchester's Hillside, Phillips Exeter Academy, Winnie's Kindergarten, and numerous elementary schools teaching about Jewish holidays.

Faces of the Conflict:

One of the most effective programs organized by Liron was the *Faces of the Conflict* photo exhibit which illuminated the individual stories of reserve soldiers who were called up for the Second Lebanon War.

The exhibit's goal was to give a unique point of view of the conflict, from a soldier's eye, showing the pictures we never see in the media, human pictures and faces accompanied by personal stories and thoughts of the soldiers.

After being presented in the Federation with speaker Eyal Amit and Consul, Rony Yedidia, the exhibit moved around between different temples and congregations. (Mainly in NH but also in Boston area and soon around the country). The exhibit had press coverage in the "Hippo" and "Ynet" (Israeli news online).

Israel Programs, Trips and Aliyah

Part of the Shalicha's mission is to encourage young Jews to go on Israel programs and assist those who show interest in going to Israel or making Aliyah. Liron has been a great source of information and knowledge about long-term and summer Israel programs, joining the IDF, and college programs in Israel. She has met with dozens of people considering different types of programs.

Hillel Support

Liron endeavored to meet with and be a resource to all Hillel leaders. She worked to provide a link between the students and the general community (letting them know about events for participation). She spent time with UNH students, Dartmouth Chabad, and Dartmouth Hillel attending programs, teaching Israeli cooking, and supporting the students.

Interfaith

Liron met with many Christian groups teaching about Israel, taught Israeli dance to the "Women of Faith" group, and participated (with her entire family) in the Jewish Catholic Seder.



Hof Hacarmel Connection

Liron got involved with the "Geshher Project"- a connection program between 5th graders from TBA and TBJ, giving an Israeli input to American kids and "visa versa." She assisted in a correspondence project of the Etz Hayim Bar mitzvah class and Hof HaCarmel students, and organized a reciprocal gift program of Chanukah greetings from children in Hebrew schools in New Hampshire and students in Hof Hacarmel.

Israel Advocacy

As part of the shlichut, Liron attended the New England "Israel21c" conference, participated in a number of VISION meetings (giving Israeli perspective), and assisted in leading a teenager's discussion in VISION's "Israel Advocacy training program."

New England outreach:

Liron felt that it was very important to represent the New Hampshire Jewish community as an integral part of New England, regardless of the numbers. She attended the New England Shlichim conference, met with Consul General Nadav Tamir, attended the Yom Ha'atzmaut Consulate celebration, organized meetings with the Shlichat Aliyah and New England Young Judea Shlichah, attended the ICR (Israel Campus Roundtable) of New England and worked closely with Tova Grushko- Aliyah Shlichah in New England.

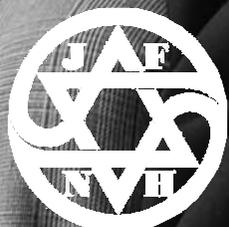
Liron continued the initial work of Talia Greenblatt in supporting outreach to Israelis living in New Hampshire. She helped organize special events for Israelis including celebrations for Succoth, Chanukah, Purim, and Shavuot. Her outreach has continued to build a new vibrant group in the state

Being a part of the Jewish NH community:

As a member of a warm and caring Jewish community throughout the state, I was honored to be a part of many Shabbat dinners, family gatherings, nature walks, plays at the "Palace Theater," and so much more. Experiencing Jewish and American Holidays, being a part of your lives has been the most wonderful part of my "Shlichut." – Liron Lavi

For generations, the Jewish people have joined together to meet the needs of our community as one. In New Hampshire, the Jewish Federation is the organization that makes it possible for us to continue this tradition now and into the future. Through Federation and its Endowment Fund, we are able to act on our shared values and address critical communal needs locally, in Israel, and around the world. Because of the caring and generosity of people like yourself, together we help Jews of all ages and, as Jews, support interests ranging from education to identity, from social services to cultural programs.

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