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interactive and
live-stream offerings**

What's Happening at CGOH

Photo on the cover is from the Sisterhood Central Park
Rose Garden walk on June 4, 2023.

July 2023

Happy Summer!

*Shabbat services will be held in the
Sisterhood-David Hatkoff Room and via Zoom. Join us!*

- Tuesday, 7/4/23: Office Closed - USA Independence Day
- Thursday, 7/27/23: Tisha B'Av

August 2023

- Friday, 8/18/23, 7:00 PM: TCSC Shabbat
Our student interns will share their experiences working at
local organizations that benefit the greater community.
- Friday, 8/25/23, 7:00 PM: Welcome Student Cantor Margo
Wagner! Join us as we welcome Student Cantor Wagner for
her first Shabbat at Gates of Heaven.

September 2023

- Friday, 9/1/23: Names to be included in the Book of Memory
must be submitted to the office for the printing deadline.
- Monday, 9/4/23: Office Closed - Labor Day
- Friday, 9/15/23: Rosh Hashanah & Shabbat Evening Services
- Saturday, 9/16/23: Rosh Hashanah Morning Services
- Sunday, 9/17/23: 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah in Clifton Park
- Friday, 9/22/23, 7:00 PM: Memorial Plaque Dedication during
Shabbat Services
- Sunday, 9/24/23: Erev Yom Kippur / Kol Nidre Services
- Monday, 9/25/23: Yom Kippur Services
- Friday, 9/29/23: Sukkot & Shabbat Services

SUMMER IS A TIME TO REFLECT AND RECHARGE

FROM OUR RABBI

RABBI MATT CUTLER ~ MCUTLER@CGOH.ORG



With the warm summer air, comes a slower pace to our lives. It can be a time to recharge our souls as well as a time to reflect. We can count the joys of our lives as we soak up the summer rays. But let's take the summer to pledge to choose our words more wisely as summer warmth turns to fall breezes and then to a winter chill, with a renewal found in spring.

Let me encourage all of us to think about the words we say and the words that we type. Let's face it—we have lost civility in our discourse. Anger and nastiness are the rhetoric that gets attention; that shouldn't be so! These days are filled with polarizing and antagonizing rhetoric. Political campaigns seem to be getting nastier. Voices on social media spew hatred and viciousness with unprecedented candor. Social filters seem to be getting lost these days. *Sigh* Remember the good old days when one heeded to a mother's advice? "If you have nothing nice to say, don't say anything."

The Talmud writes of the compensation due to one who is injured: "One who injures another is liable to pay compensation for that injury due to five types of indemnity: He must pay for damage, for pain, for medical costs, for loss of livelihood, and for humiliation." These are the words of the Mishna. The Gemara goes on to elaborate all these types of losses.

Notice that the final loss is humiliation. To be injured has social implications, and some injuries are more damaging to one's social standing or self-esteem than others. In recognizing this, thousands of years ago, the Talmud acknowledges that injury to one's psyche is as real as injuries to one's body.

Remember that old saying from your youth? "Sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never hurt me." But sticks and stones can break more than bones. As a society we are still making progress in healing the shame from those who have been hurt, disabled, or sidelined. The Talmud teaches us to see one another in all our human dimensions and to take the health of our minds as seriously as we take the health of our bodies. As for the second part of that old saying, names do hurt. Our High Holiday prayerbook is filled with a listing of transgressions. Most of them are sins related to our speech—things we said that hurt; words we didn't say that could heal.

Take some time this summer and figure out a personal pledge: how to use your words for good? How to construct speech that voices your opinions, but not by tearing others down with vicious tonality. Reclaim the dignity that reflects we are created in God's image. And by doing so, we can see the face of God in another.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew J. Cutler". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Wanted: A Few Good Teachers

FROM OUR DIRECTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL JEWISH LIVING

Arnie Rotenberg ~ arotenberg@cgo.org



It is not a secret that finding teachers for Sunday mornings is challenging. There is a shortage of quality teachers in our area, and we know that there can be no great education without great teachers. I cannot think of a more important goal than how to recruit, prepare, retain, and reward Jewish educators for our school today.

In a few words I would like to reveal the 'secret sauce' that Jewish educators have in the hopes that others would be willing to join a dedicated group who do wake up 26 Sunday mornings a year creating pathways of Jewish educational experiences that are far-reaching, intensive, and high quality. Admittedly, the 'secret sauce' is not that secret but involves mixing different ingredients in a way that you, the reader, may enjoy and find enticing.

Sharing knowledge and traditions: Jewish educators impart their knowledge of Jewish history, culture, and religious traditions to others. They play a crucial role in preserving and transmitting the richness of Jewish heritage to future generations. But more than that, Jewish educators not only love Judaism, but love learners. Where else can you spend your time with the most interesting people asking the most honest questions, and all you have to do is be honest back to them.

Nurturing Jewish identity: Being a Jewish educator gives us the opportunity to help others develop a strong Jewish identity. We can inspire students to explore their roots, understand their values, and engage with Jewish traditions, fostering a sense of belonging and connection to the Jewish community.

Making a positive impact: We work with young people, and through teaching, you can shape the lives of your students. By providing guidance, mentorship, and education, you could positively influence the next generation and contribute to their personal growth and development.

Loving Learners: Being a Jewish educator is not just loving Torah, it's about loving learners. And caring about learners so much you want to share with them your love of Torah and Judaism. That does not mean you need to know everything in Torah, or Talmud, or liturgy. You become the example of someone learning along with your students, setting the stage, and taking on the primary role of showing what a lifelong learner can do. We see all different types of learners, of Jews, as legitimate owners of Torah and Jewish tradition. We show how different types of Jews talk to each other, ask questions, listen to each other, and learn from each other.

Personal fulfillment: For many of us, teaching about Judaism is a deeply fulfilling and meaningful vocation. We have the opportunity to explore our own faith, deepen our understanding of Jewish traditions, and engage in ongoing learning and personal growth. It's important to note that these reasons are not exclusive to Jewish educators and can be applicable to educators in other religious or cultural contexts as well. Ultimately, the decision to become a Jewish educator is a personal one, driven by a passion for education, a desire to make a difference, and a love for Jewish heritage and values.

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WANTED: A Few Good Teachers

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If you, or someone you know, would like the opportunity to work with children, come and let's talk. For those who do not have an educational background, together we will learn classroom and time management. Judaic knowledge is learned throughout the year, and you do not have to know Hebrew. You just need to bring yourself, and a desire to make a difference.

Arnie Rotenberg

SISTERHOOD UPDATE

Join us all summer long for Game and Schmooze nights! Keep an eye out for more info in upcoming CGOH emails.

This year, Sisterhood is joining the global network Women of Reform Judaism, WRJ, which works to empower Jewish women in making a difference and helps to create a just and compassionate world for everyone of all backgrounds and identities.

WRJ provides access to special and unique programming, opportunities for life-long learning experiences, and the WRJ website with links to valuable resources for our Sisterhood and our membership, just to name a few benefits of our WRJ affiliation.

Email Erica B at bagel8385@aol.com with any questions about WRJ or upcoming Sisterhood programs.

What's Your History?

Director of Administration and Operations

Josh Cooper-Ginsburg

In the 18 months I have been here at Gates of Heaven, I have been fortunate to get to know many of our members, but I know there are many I still haven't had the pleasure to meet. We have shared in celebrating a vow renewal ceremony, baby namings, b'nai mitzvah celebrations, confirmation ceremonies, conversion celebrations, we have welcomed new members together, and we have said goodbye to members who have passed away.

Each person who passes through our doors has shared with me some amazing personal histories that add to the colorful tapestry that makes up our congregational family and add to the magic that exists within and beyond the walls of our building.

If we haven't yet met or spoken on the phone, I'd like to be more than the name at the bottom of your monthly statement, reminding you to contribute to your membership commitment or Capital Maintenance pledge, or other generous pledges you may have made that support CGOH in our efforts to engage in audacious hospitality

I want to get to know you and build long-lasting relationships with your family as you have done with Rabbi Matt in his 28 years as our spiritual leader, in a way that continues to grow our *kehillah kedoshah*, our sacred community, from the inside out - through all of the events we hold at the building and throughout our community.

Reach out or stop by for a visit over the summer. My door is always open to you and I'm ready to be your partner in the synagogue and to help you learn more about how you belong here at Gates of Heaven.

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President's Column

Jonathan Rubin

We say it often, but it must be repeated that Congregation Gates of Heaven is a truly special place. As Reform Jews, we share a common bond that can be traced back generations. At the same time, we recognize that we are also individuals with a multitude of personal perspectives on how we view the world around us and our place in it. It is through the blending of common identity and personal uniqueness that we create “community.”

As we know, being Jewish has a multitude of meanings that cut across concepts of theology, philosophy, and culture. A variety of recent studies including those from Pew and the Avi Chai Foundation, have emphasized just how diverse a concept “Jewish” has become and what Jews seek from congregational living. At Congregation Gates of Heaven, we are committed to preserving our traditional sense of Jewishness while embracing ideas and concepts to thrive for generations to come.

Towards that end, under Peter’s leadership and guidance, the Board began the process of developing a strategic plan to guide our decision-making around the values and vision of the Congregation. We have had many one-on-one conversations with past and current leaders, parents, committee members and staff. Currently, we are conducting a new parent survey that is modified across age categories. In the coming months we will be exploring ways to enhance our communication tools and methods.

As we explore new and exciting ways to enhance the Jewish living experience, we will maintain those aspects that carried us for generations. In turn, we ask if there is something you wish to tell us; a request, an idea, a recommendation-be it accolades or criticism-please let us know. In addition, please consider joining a committee that aligns with an area you enjoy the most, ranging from worship to social justice, from fundraising to education, and many more.

Lastly, the advent of streaming tools carried us through some challenging years. It remains a wonderful tool to enhance interaction and communication, and we are committed to maintaining it as a service. It is not, though, the same experience as being in the sanctuary, sharing a common moment and communal thoughts with others followed by enjoying some delicious snacks at Oneg. If you haven’t been to Oneg recently, ours are not to be missed. Featuring a combination of catered and home-made foods ranging from dessert items to fruits and vegetables, to hummus platters, quiche, and a variety of other items that change weekly.

In closing, I want to thank Rabbi Cutler, for his spiritual leadership and guidance, and Arnie, Josh, Tammy, and Kevin – our staff, for all they do for us with programming and operations. My thanks to the Board and Executive Committee for all its work that goes into moving us forward and together. Special thanks to Peter for his exceptional leadership, and his added commitment to providing additional support as Treasurer. My thanks to our donors for without whom we simply could not maintain the program and our operations. Lastly, and most importantly, to you, the Congregation, for without whom there is no Gates of Heaven for us to lead.

Have a wonderful summer!

Wanted: Talented People

Make a Difference

Are you passionate about working with children, and exploring Jewish topics as a lifelong learner? Look no further! We are searching for talented and enthusiastic teachers to join our vibrant educational community. Take the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of young minds and inspire the next generation!



Contact Arnie
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High Holy Days 2023/5784 Service Schedule



- **Selichot:** Saturday, September 9, 6:30 PM program, 8:00 PM service
- **Erev Rosh Hashanah:** Friday, September 15 at 8:00 PM
- **Rosh Hashanah Kids Programs (K-6):** Sat., September 16 at 9:45 AM
- **Rosh Hashanah Services:** Saturday, September 16 at 10:00 AM
- **Rosh Hashanah Family Experience:** Sat., September 16 at 3:00 PM
Followed by walk to Central Park for Tashlich
- **2nd Day of Rosh Hashanah:** Sunday, September 17 at 10:00 AM
at Collins Park, Clifton Park
- **Memorial Plaque Dedication:** Friday, September 22 at 7:00 PM
- **Cemetery Memorial Services:** Sunday, September 24 at 1:00 PM
- **Kol Nidre Services:** Sunday, September 24 at 8:00 PM
- **Yom Kippur Kids Programs (K-6th):** Monday, September 25 at 9:45 AM
- **Yom Kippur Services:** Monday, September 25 at 10:00 AM
- **Yom Kippur Study Session:** Monday, September 25 at 1:00 PM
- **Yom Kippur Family Experience:** Monday, September 25 at 2:00 PM
- **Yom Kippur Afternoon Services:** Monday, September 25 at 3:00 PM
- **Yom Kippur Yizkor/Memorial Services:** Mon., September 25 at 4:30 PM
- **Yom Kippur Neilah/Concluding Services:** Mon., September 25 at 5:15 PM
- **Break-The-Fast:** following Yom Kippur concluding service in the Sisterhood-David Hatkoff Room

Additional Holiday Services and Programs:

- **Family Sukkah Decorating, Sukkot Dinner & Services** - Friday, Sept. 29 -
Decorate at 5:00 PM, Dinner at 5:30 PM & Service at 7:00 PM
- **Simchat Torah Services & Consecration:** Friday, October 6 at 7:00 PM
- **Shemini Atzeret/Yizkor Services:** Saturday, October 7 at 9:00 AM

OUR TEMPLE FAMILY 2023 B'NAI MITZVAH

Noah Herschenhorn: June 24
Michael Polishchuk: August 26
Hayden Kudel: September 23
Ari Bergman: September 30
Jacob Gelfman: October 7
Rachel Modiano: October 14
Rachel Otter: October 21
Ari Hebert: October 28
Jacob Smith: November 4
Jonah Goetz: December 2

BROTHERHOOD UPDATE

Brotherhood had a very successful joint breakfast program with Sisterhood on May 7th featuring Mona Golub, volunteer Producing Artistic Director of the Music Haven Concert Series Traveling the World, One Concert at a Time. Mona discussed the 1999 formation of Music Haven in Central Park, Schenectady and the exciting concerts planned for Summer 2023. Donate your time or money to the future of this wonderful organization.

We hope our members supported the CGOH Night at ValleyCats on Sunday, June 18 (Fathers Day evening), 5:00 pm, at Joe Bruno Stadium. On June 25, at 9:00 am, Brotherhood will have its Annual Meeting (Zoom only), when we will discuss our activities over the past year and election of our Board members for 2023-2024. This year, Brotherhood provided funds to assist a Religious School trip to New York City and made a significant donation to support the 2022 summer tent rental.

Please consider joining Brotherhood for our 7/1/2023-6/30/2024 year! We are currently planning summer & fall get-togethers, Sukkah raising, a program with student cantor Margo Wagner, and eight Sunday morning breakfast programs at the Temple. We look forward to greeting you!

OUR TEMPLE FAMILY

We share in their joy and extend warm congratulations to:

- Erica & Len Berger on the engagement of their daughter Victoria to Matthew Robert Saide.
- Joelle Schantz & Aaron Rosenthal on their engagement.
- Debra & Brian Gordon on the engagement of their daughter Stacy to Dan Mattimore.
- Heidi & Glenn Freedman on the birth of a grandson, Bennett Cyril Freedman, to parents Andrew & Krystie Freedman and brother, Easton.
- Elisa Harrington-Verb & Marcus Harrington on the engagement of their son Sawyer to Leah Lane.
- Robert & Eileen Michaels on the engagement of their son Isaac to Samantha Podob.

Please join us to welcome these new members to our congregation:

Kate Snively
Gary & Amanda Bloom

We grieve with those who have lost loved ones and extend our condolences to:

- Joan Heffler, on the passing of her Brother-in-law, Richard David Glaser.
- Michael Schulman, on the passing of his Aunt, Alice Zolkin.
- Herb Schwartz, on the passing of his Aunt, Ruth Schwartz.
- Robert & Karyn Picker, on the passing of Andrew Schwartz
- Nancy Spraragen, on the passing of her son, Mark Hollis Spraragen.
- Roberta Bloch, on the passing of her husband, Bertram Bloch.
- Karen Hausler & Michael Bloch, on the passing of their father, Bertram Bloch.
- Yvette & Alan Gebell, on the passing of their nephew, Heath Scott Cohen.
- The Falk family, on the passing of Jonathan Falk, member & past president of CGOH.
- The Bloom & Olson families, on the passing of members Bailey Bloom and Rabbi Bernard Bloom, Rabbi Emeritus of CGOH.

Yahrzeits are published weekly in the Friday email announcements



We record with sorrow the passing of our members

**Jonathan Falk
Rabbi Bernard Bloom
Bailey Bloom**

DONATIONS

March 10, 2023 - June 9, 2023

7th Grade Collection Fund

- Nicole & Gerald Angelou, in memory of Dylan Thomas

Adult Education Fund

- Brian Haak, in memory of Jonathan Falk

Alan Sternstein Cheder Scholarship Fund

- Gail Sternstein, in memory of Bertram Bloch & Shirley Sternstein
- Gail Sternstein, in memory of Rabbi Bernard Bloom
- Gail Sternstein, in memory of Jonathan Falk
- Harvey Randall, in memory of Herbert Kahn, uncle of Sheila Randall

Brotherhood

- Ellen Blake, in memory of Sid Cramer
- Sherry & Al Dickinson, in memory of Sid Cramer
- Sherry & Al Dickinson, in memory of Bertram Bloch

Brotherhood-Yom HaShoah Fund

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Cemetery Capital Improvement Fund

- Neil Jane William Estelle Golub Family Foundation, Inc.

Cemetery Fund

- Karen Gerhardt, in memory of Bertram Bloch

David Hatkoff Campership Fund

- Fred Kantrow, in honor of Randie & Del Salmon

Judaica Shop

- Sherry & Al Dickinson, in honor of the engagement of the Berger's daughter, Victoria

Jewish Vibrancy Fund

In memory of Bertram Bloch

- Amy Dwyer
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- Cynthia Freedman
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- Jerry & Linda Zusman
- Judy & Hal Tanzman
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- Rosalie & Irwin Margolis
- Samuel & Estelle Sylvetsky
- Thomas & Natalia Dunton

In memory of Jonathan Falk

- Anne O'Brien
- Donald Moell
- Michelle Ostrelich & Howard Schlossberg
- Steven Greenberg

In memory of Sid Cramer

- John DiBlasio
- William Friedman

In honor of the Congregation:

- Lee Brice
- Andrea & Ed Leighton, in memory of Max Friedman
- Ann Cramer, in memory of Heath Scott Cohen
- Charles & Johanna Horowitz, in memory of Avremi Miliavski of Bragin
- David Lyon, in honor of Rabbi Matt Cutler for 25+ years of service

DONATIONS

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Jewish Vibrancy Fund, continued

- Elaine Hughes, in memory of her mother, Viola Ruzyla
- The Estate of June Schechter

Gay Griffith, in memory of

- Israel Pascal, Gay's grandfather and great-grandfather of Jeremy Cohen & David Griffith
- Michael "Mickey" Pascal, Gay's father and grandfather of Jeremy Cohen & David Griffith
- Felice Pascal, Gay's sister-in-law and aunt of Jeremy Cohen & David Griffith
- Herschel Luxemburg & Pinkhas Zilber: child victims of the Holocaust remembered by David Griffith
- Genia Szeflan, Gay's grandmother and great-grandmother of Jeremy Cohen & David Griffith
- Jeffrey Kimmer, in memory of Sam Kimmer
- Leland & Sandra Corwin, in honor of Helen's bat mitzvah with thanks to Rabbi, Josh & the team
- Linda Goodman, in memory of her mother, Adeline Blacker
- Lisa Norelli, in memory of Frances Norelli
- Rosalie & Irwin Margolis, in memory of Herman Simon
- Steven Goldberg, in honor of Purim
- Susan & John Hoetker, in memory of Sylvia Tischler, mother of Susan
- Susan Kipp, in memory of her husband, Dennis Kipp
- Thomas Hirschen, in memory of Hermine Preiss & Gretl Hirschen
- Trudi Melamed, in memory of Gary Melamed
- With Our Voice, in appreciation of the kind welcome and hospitality from CGOH

Life & Legacy Fund

- Peter & Miriam Vollweiler

Mazon (forwarded from donations received at our Community Passover Seder)

- Amy & Steven Feinberg
- Brian Haak
- Eric & Beth Reed
- Marcus Harrington & Elisa Harrington Verb
- Richard & Kim Levin
- Tzinia Balkin/Chellet

Mitzvah Day

- Charles & Johanna Horowitz, in honor of Brena Rader receiving her Hebrew name

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- Brian & Earle Herschenhorn, in honor of Noah
- Erik Palm & Lynn Tryon, in honor of The Wedding of Lynn Tryon & Erik Palm
- Gerard & Nicole Angelou, in honor of Jacob
- Russell & Cara Wolff, in honor of Lily

Rabbi Bloom Scholarship Fund

- Peter & Miriam Vollweiler, in memory of Rabbi Bloom
- Peter & Miriam Vollweilr, in memory of Bailey Bloom
- Steven Goldberg, in memory of Rabbi Bloom

Randall Adult Library Fund

- Barbara Boyajian in honor of and in memory of her son, Steven Benjamin Boyajian
- Len & Erica Berger, in honor of Rabbi Matt
- Stan & Ellen Strauss, in memory of Rabbi Bloom

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

- Barbara Walton, in honor of Neil Golub
- Brian Haak, in honor of Isabella Gustafson
- Claudete Koza
- Claudette Koza, in memory of Rabbi Bloom
- Corey Cutler, in honor of Rabbi Matt
- Deb & Brian Gordon, in honor of Rabbi Matt Cutler for 25+ years of service
- Debra & Randy Belkin
- Elisa & Jeffrey Frankel
- Ellen & Larry Eisenberg, in honor of Victoria Berger's engagement
- Gail Sternstein, in honor of Rabbi M Cutler for Moral Fusion Leadership Award from NYS Labor Relation Coalition
- Gay Griffith, in appreciation of Rabbi Matthew Cutler
- Harvey Randall
- Harvey Randall, in memory of Sophie Terkel, mother of Sheila Randall
- Janet & Larry Kaufmann, in memory of Rabbi M Szenes
- Jenn & Shawn Tabankin, in memory of Alice Zolkin family of Michael Schulman
- Karen & Gerald Hausler, in memory of Bertram Bloch
- Larry & Ellen Eisenberg, in honor of Gay Griffith as our JFS Mensche
- Larry & Ellen Eisenberg, in memory of Jonathan Falk
- Lawrence & Ellen Eisenberg, in honor of Isabella Gustafson's Bat Mitzvah

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Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

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- Nancy Kislin, in honor of Rabbi Matt
- Philip Cortese
- Rhoda & Bill Gilbert, in memory of Jonathan Falk
- Rhoda & Bill Gilbert, in memory of Rabbi Bloom
- Rosalyn Rufer, in memory of Harriet Gross
- Sherry & Al Dickinson, in honor of the marriage of Ben Cutler
- Susanna & John Hurley, in memory of Oscar Stein
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- Susanna & John Hurley, in memory of Martin Stein
- Susanna & John Hurley, in memory of Tillie Stein

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- Peter & Miriam Vollweiler, in memory of Miriam's father, Rabbi Michael Szenes
- Stan & Ellen Strauss, in honor of Manny Wertman & Robin, Mazel Tov on your wedding!
- Tammy Van Valkenburgh, Pampered Chef event

Sisterhood

- Andrea & Ed Leighton, in memory of Norman Friedman
- Sherry & Al Dickinson, in memory of Todd Margolis

Sisterhood – Reyt

- Karen & Gerald Hausler, in memory of Bertram Bloch
- D Graham & Karen Holmes, in memory of Enid Holmes

TCSC Fund

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TCSC Fund

- D Graham & Karen Holmes, in memory of Christopher Bucher (late FIL of their son, Raphey Holmes)
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- Emily & Adam Gilman
- Eric & Rachael Siegelman
- Ernie & Deb Wein
- Gail Sternstein
- Gary & Zina Lam
- Harvey Randall
- Ina & Aaron Fried
- Irit & Gerry Magnes
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- June Benenson
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- Kay Keller, in memory of Jonathan Falk
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- Nancy Spraragen
- Neil Golub
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