



# Congregation Dorshei Tzedek

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## CDT, With What Can I Bless You?

by Rabbi Shahar Colt

Photo by Viv Shein



Once upon a time, Rabbi Nachman and Rabbi Yitzchak came together to share a meal. When it was time to part ways, R. Nachman said to R. Yitzchak, "Master teacher, give me a blessing."

R. Yitzchak said to him, "I will tell you a parable. What is our situation? It is comparable to one who was walking through a desert, hungry, tired, and thirsty.

He found a tree whose fruits were sweet and whose shade was pleasant, and a stream of water flowed beneath it. He ate from the fruits of the tree, drank from the water in the stream, and sat in the shade of the tree. When he wished to leave, he said, 'Tree, tree, with what shall I bless you? I could say that your fruits should be sweet, but your fruits are already sweet! I could say that your shade should be pleasant, your shade is already pleasant! I could say that a stream of water should flow beneath you, but a stream of water already flows beneath you. So let me bless you as follows: May it be God's will that all saplings which they plant from you be like you.

So it is with you. With what shall I bless you? If I bless you with Torah, you already have Torah. If I bless you with wealth, you already have wealth. If I bless you with children, you already have children. Rather, may it be God's will that your offspring shall be like you." (Talmud Ta'anit 5b)

This story feels particularly apt for me as I think about leaving my role as Rabbi for Congregational Learning in this incredible community. It highlights that the right thing to do when parting ways is to ask for and offer blessings of each other. But when I think about this community, how can I bless you? Already, you are so full of Torah in your

love of learning and ongoing acts of chesed. Already you are so rich in experience, spirituality, creativity and talent. Moreover, while you are comprised of an economically diverse membership body, you also have had strong financial stewardship to keep the community funding strong enough to comfortably meet communal needs. Finally, you are blessed with a range of ages of people who love and claim this community as their own. You have engaged members from our youngest kiddos at Tot-Shabbat to our eldest members in the Wise Aging group.

So, with what can I bless you? May it be God's will that this community remains so strong. May we all feel deeply the blessings we have had through our participation here. May we be able to learn from all the experiences we have had here, to continue creating and building Dorshei Tzedek, and our broader lives, in beautiful, powerful and justice-filled ways for years to come.

It is profoundly odd to be wrapping up my time here without being able to come together in person. To that end, I am hoping to connect with as many members as possible, one on one, via zoom or phone, to catch up on life and find some closure to my role here. You can sign up for a 15, 30 or 45 minute time slot via my calendly app which will be linked to on the Dorshei members section of the website. In addition, I hope to "see" many of you at shabbat services, the members meeting or other programs between now and the end of July. It has been a profound honor to serve this community and work with each of you and your children.

NOTE: Come celebrate and thank Rabbi Shahar at Shabbat morning Zoom services on June 27! See page 4 for details.

## A Message From the CDT Board

At the May 3, 2020 meeting of the board:

- We reviewed projections for the CDT budget – both the end of this year, and for next year—in anticipation of presenting the information to the members during the June members meeting.
- We agreed to move the members meeting to June 28th, to give us more time to see how life continues to change under the pandemic.
- CDT now has a fund to assist members experiencing financial difficulty as a result of Covid-19.
- Additional funds were allocated to allow an extension of our Religious School activities through early June.
- The Board and the Chesed Committee reached out to all member households to check in and connect.

### UPCOMING CDT MEMBERS MEETING

Sunday, June 28, 4-6pm in the Zoomiverse

We hope that at least one representative from every CDT member household will attend this very important Members Meeting. Topics include:

- Voting on a budget for the coming fiscal year
- Voting in our new Board members
- Thanking our outgoing leadership, Rob Greenly and Laurie Gould
- Celebrating Lissy Medvedow as she finishes her 3-year stint as CDT president
- Welcoming the new CDT Director of Congregational Learning, Earnest Vener
- Participating in some creative re-imagining of our High Holydays programming

**Please register for the Members Meeting when you receive the weekly CDT events email!**

You can also find the Zoom information in the Members' Calendar on the website.

## Staff News

### STAFF VACATION SCHEDULE

Rabbi for Congregational Learning Shahar Colt will be on vacation from June 22-June 28.

Executive Director Melissa Colten will be on vacation from May 31 - June 7.

Program Associate Lidia Prunte will be on vacation from June 8 - June 14.

### A SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR TECHNOLOGY CREW

We truly appreciate all those who are helping us with the technology needed to maintain connection within the Dorshei community—in on Shabbat and with other programs—in these often isolating times. Thanks to **Andy Chapolini, Tatjana Meschede, Jeff Kichen, Kathy Pillsbury, and Sandy Goodman.**

## Rabbinic Liaison

**Rabbinic Liaisons:** Rabbinic Liaisons: While congregants are always welcome and encouraged to discuss questions or concerns directly with **Rabbi Toba** or **Rabbi Shahar**, there are other avenues through which to bring concerns. The Rabbinic Liaison Committee exists to ensure the maintenance of a good working relationship between Rabbi Toba and the congregation. Issues raised by congregants are discussed confidentially and, when appropriate, are shared with the Rabbi in a constructive manner. To discuss a question or concern, contact **Cindy Shulak-Rome**, Rabbinic Liaison Chair at **cbsrome@comcast.net**. Rabbi Toba, as Rabbi Shahar's supervisor, is the person to whom to bring any concerns relating to Rabbi Shahar and her work for the congregation.

## CDT

Dorshei Tzedek is a Reconstructionist Congregation dedicated to creating a caring and inclusive community, and to enhancing Jewish practice and learning in the lives of our members.

## Staff & Board

**Rabbi Toba Spitzer**, Senior Rabbi  
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### Executive Committee

President: Lissy Medvedow

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VP Education: Diana Fisher Gomberg

VP Leadership: Rob Greenly

VP Tikun Olam: Bob Warren

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Ellie Axe, Laurie Gould, Dan Rome, Jonathan Rosenthal, & Lisa Samelson

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Rabbinic Liaison: Cindy Shulak-Rome

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## NEWSLETTER

The CDT Newsletter is published monthly with a July-August summer issue. Email articles, events, and photos to **dtnews@dorsheitzedek.org**. Usually the deadline is the 10th of the month for the following month's issue.

**Volunteer Staff:** John Holohan (chair), Josette Akresh-Gonzales, Liz Holohan, Barbara Pittel, Vivienne Shein (photographer), Amy Westebbe.

## NEW DIRECTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL LEARNING SELECTED

*Lissy Medvedow, President*

On behalf of the DCL Search Committee and the Board, I would like to share the news that Earnest Vener (rhymes with tenor) has accepted our offer to be the next Director of Congregational Learning at CDT.

We were grateful and appreciative of the time and effort each of the three finalists spent with us during interviews and then again during the community presentations. We were also grateful and appreciative of the incredible time and effort CDT members gave to the process. The Search Committee reviewed 302 member feedback forms from the nine presentations. Some congregants watched all nine presentations. Without question, our community is deeply invested in being lifelong learners, one of CDT's core values. And, as you might imagine, there was not consensus among the community in favor of any one candidate.

While all three finalists are remarkably talented and would have done the job beautifully, the Search Committee agreed that Earnest's enormous creativity, innate ability to communicate with all ages, strong sensitivity to the rich diversity among us, and wonderful ruach (spirit) was the best match for our special community. The Committee was also impressed by Earnest's unbelievably positive references from current and former employers and the broad appreciation he received in CDT members' feedback. We are confident and truly excited that Earnest will infuse our congregation with thoughtful, provocative, engaging, and fun educational programming, from our youngest members in the Religious School to our wisest members.

Earnest will be starting on a part-time basis on June 15th and then full time beginning on August 3rd. Once he joins us in June, he'll be reaching out to the community. We look forward to welcoming him enthusiastically.

I want to acknowledge and thank the other members of the DCL Search Committee: **Ellie Axe, Sarah Birkeland, Melissa Colten, Diana Fisher Gomberg, Ayelet Lipton, Rabbi Toba, and Bob Warren**. This group expended vast amounts of time creating a fair and inclusive process, and then, poring over resumes, conducting interviews, calling references, watching nine presentations, reading and considering all of your feedback, meeting regularly, and ultimately, recommending Earnest to the CDT Board for approval.



## Shabbat, Holidays, & Spiritual Practice

### FRIDAY NIGHT CANDLE-LIGHTING WITH RABBI TOBA & RABBI SHAHAR

*Friday evenings, from 6:00-6:15pm*

On Fridays when we do not have the all-ages erev Shabbat service, all are welcome to join Rabbi Toba or Rabbi Shahar from 6:00-6:15pm to welcome Shabbat "together"! Via Zoom, we will light the Shabbat candles, sing a few songs, and say the Shabbat Kiddush blessing together.

### ALL-AGES EREV SHABBAT SERVICE

*Friday evening, June 5 from 6:00pm - 6:45pm,*

All are welcome to join Rabbi Toba online at 6:00pm for candle lighting, a musical service, and a Shabbat story. Have your candles ready! The siddur/prayerbook for this service can be found on the CDT home page, [dorsheitzedek.org](https://dorsheitzedek.org), and Zoom information is there as well.

### SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES

*June 6, 13, 29, 27 from 10:00am - 11:45am*

Join us for a weekly Zoom Shabbat experience! Each service ends with an opportunity to offer blessings for healing for those who are ill and suffering, and to recite Mourners Kaddish. The service is then followed by virtual "Kiddush" chat rooms, an opportunity to connect with members and guests. Zoom info for each service can be found that week on the CDT website, just click on the calendar link on the right side of the homepage.

**Shabbat morning, Naso, June 6** - During this service, we will officially welcome **Margaux Bodoïn**, born to CDT members **Gavi Bogin-Farber** and **Max Bodoïn** this past winter, into the Jewish people and the CDT community; we will remember **David Keimowitz Crozier**, on the occasion of his 8th *yahrzeit*; and we will celebrate our 2020 graduates!

### Shabbat morning, Beha'alotcha, June 13 Pride Shabbat with Hillel B'nai Torah 10:00-11:30am

On this special Shabbat, we will be joining Rabbi Barbara Penzner and Temple Hillel Bnai Torah for a celebration of LGBTQ+ pride, featuring CDT's own **Idit Klein**, Executive Director of Keshet. Zoom information will be available on the CDT website.

### Shabbat morning, Sh'lach Lecha, June 20 Bar Mitzvah of Tairou Komyerov 10:00am-noon

We invite the CDT community to join us for the (virtual) Bar Mitzvah of our son, **Tairou Komyerov**, as he is called to the Torah. Tairou is a 7th grader at the Fayerweather Street School in Cambridge. He is an avid athlete and a true team player who excels at baseball, hockey and soccer. Last year, the West Cambridge Little Baseball League honored Tairou with its Sportsmanship Award. Tairou plays bass

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# Shabbat, Holidays, & Spiritual Practice (cont'd)

As Dorshei Tzedek takes precautions during the Covid-19 pandemic, all of our programs have been moved to a "virtual" format for the time being. Like the Israelites in the wilderness, challenged by the Power that liberated them from slavery to create a new kind of society, we too are on a journey to foster our community connections, spiritual practice, Jewish learning, and social justice work in new ways. Please read on for descriptions of our on-line programs; information for logging onto any specific program can be found on the CDT website, [dorsheitzedek.org](https://dorsheitzedek.org).

guitar in his school rock band. He loves to spend time with his younger siblings—playing chess, sports or video games with his brother Tsering, or reading books and trying gymnastics moves with his sister Noa. For his Tikkun Olam project, Tairou volunteered with Athletes Unlimited of Newton, where he helped young athletes with disabilities learn skills and gain confidence. We are blessed to celebrate this simcha with our community  
- **Josh and Melody Komyerov**

**Shabbat morning, Korach, June 27** - At this special service, we will be thanking and celebrating **Rabbi Shahar Colt**, as her time with us as Rabbi for Congregational Learning begins to come to an end. Please join us for this celebration!

## TOT SHABBAT!

Visit [tinyurl.com/morahdevora](https://tinyurl.com/morahdevora) online anytime to enjoy some Shabbat prayer with Morah Devora and her kids! Stay tuned into the congregational emails for more ways to celebrate Shabbat together!

## MINDFUL MORNINGS

*Monday and Thursday mornings, 8:30am-9:15am*

All are welcome to join experienced CDT leaders (and occasional appearances of Rabbi Toba) for guided and silent meditation every Monday and Thursday at 8:30am. In these challenging times, these gatherings are an opportunity to cultivate qualities of compassion, calm, and resilience. No meditation experience required! Zoom info is available on the CDT website.

## Community

### MAZEL TOV (continues on page 5)

To **Rebecca Herst**, director of the Sustainable Solutions Lab at UMass Boston, on receiving the 2020 Zuckerberg Endowed Leadership Prize for her work to protect marginalized communities from the effects of climate change.

To **Steffi Aronson Karp** and Eric Karp, on the wedding of their son Adam to Rachel Bond. The wedding was a Mother's Day surprise for Steffi. Pictured below: Adam Karp and Rachel Bond.



### YAHREZEIT

This month we remember **David Keimowitz Crozier**, whose 8th yahrzeit falls on June 8; we will be remembering David at Shabbat morning services on June 6.

This month we remember **Noah Marcus**, whose first yahrzeit falls on June 22. We will gather with the Marcus-Nitkin family to honor Noah's memory at a Mincha service at 5pm on June 22. Zoom information will be available in the members' section of the CDT website.

### CONDOLENCES

We extend our condolences to **Ellen Pashall** on the death of her father, Jack Minkoff, grandfather of Jules and Sam. May his memory be for a blessing.

We extend our condolences to **Stacey Chacker** on the death of her mother, Ruth Chacker, grandmother of Ariane. May her memory be for a blessing.

We extend our condolences to **Reinhard Engels** on the death of his mother, Ursula Engels, mother-in-law of Karen Engels and grandmother of Lucy, Clara, and Isaac. May her memory be for a blessing.

We extend our condolences to **Amira Shulman-Kumin** on the death of her grandmother, Norma Fay Lyon Kumin. May her memory be for a blessing.

We extend our condolences to **Mike Gonzales** on the death of his father, Edmond (Ed) Gonzales, father-in-law of **Josette Akresh-Gonzales**, and grandfather of Sebastian and Ethan. May his memory be for a blessing.

### MOURNING AT CDT

As a reference, CDT members have created the brochure "Finding Comfort, Giving Support: A Guide to Mourning at Congregation Dorshei Tzedek," available on the resource table in our sanctuary and on our website:

<https://www.dorsheitzedek.org/mourning>.

### REFUAH SHLEYMAH

We send blessings for complete healing to **DB Reif, Elaine Pollack, Jamie Tessler, and Ayelet Lipton**.

### TODAH RABAH

Thank you to **Abby Cohen** for organizing the CDT Team for the Mother's Day Walk for Peace, and to **Tal Shalom-Kobi, Ayla Kobi, Terry Traub, and Malka Pomerantz** for the fabulous TAM Quartet concert following the virtual walk.

Thank you to **Miriam Bronstein, Dan Rome, and Matilda Bruckner**, for bravely stepping into the Zoomiverse to lead Shabbat morning services in May!

Thank you to all of the CDT artists who shared their writing, graphic art and music with us at our first Virtual CDT Arts Exhibit: **Mark Farber, Ellie Goldberg, Lynda Goldberg, Sharon Gorberg, Adah Hetko, Lisa Hirsh, Steffi Aronson Karp, Jo Radner, Laya Steinberg, and Ro Weichman**. And a huge thanks to **Melissa Colten, Lidia Prunte, and Lynda Goldberg** for organizing and curating!

Thank you to **Cindy Rivka Marshall** for leading two wonderful story-sharing workshops for CDT members in May.

## MAZEL TOV TO THE CLASS OF 2020

To **Nadia Martina Diskin-Gaudette**, daughter of **Leah Diskin** and granddaughter of **Vilunya Diskin**, on graduating from Boston Latin School. Nadia will be attending the University of Toronto in the Fall of 2020.

To Heather Goldman, daughter of **Sharon Sevransky** and **Jeff Goldman**, on graduating from Newton South High School. Heather plans to attend the University of Tampa in the fall.

To **Yannik Gordon**, daughter of **Kristin Butcher** and **Scott Gordon**, on graduating from Newton South High School. Yannik plans to attend Wheaton College (MA, not IL) this fall.

To **Zev Hattis**, son of **Paul Hattis** and **Lisa Samelson**, on graduating from Tufts University School of Engineering.

To **Elise Hausman**, daughter of **Allison** and **Ezra Hausman**, on graduating from Northwestern University with a concentration in RTVF - Radio, Television, and Film.

To **Naomi Ingber**, daughter of **Barry Ingber** and **Peggy Rose**, on graduating summa cum laude from Northeastern University with a B.A. in History. She is now launched into the coronavirus void.

To **Elan Katz**, son of **Pamela** and **Steven Katz**, on graduating from Brookline High School. Elan will be attending the University of Massachusetts in the fall.

To **Noah Magaziner**, son of **Hilary Marcus** and **Jonathan Magaziner**, on graduating from Boston Latin School with the Class of 2020. Jonathan is looking forward to attending Boston University beginning January 2021.

To **Leah Netsky**, daughter of **Beth Brooks** and **Hankus Netsky**, on graduating from the University of Arizona Center for Creative Photography with an MFA in photography.

To **Mikayla Jin Pillsbury Marshall**, daughter of **Cindy Rivka Marshall** and **Kathy Pillsbury**, on graduating from Mount Holyoke College.

To **Hannah Pittel** and **Zack Pittel**, children of **Elliot** and **Barbara Pittel**. Hannah graduated from Temple University and Zack graduated from the University of Vermont.

To **Benjamin Reider**, son of **David Reider** and **Gail Harris**, on graduating from Newton North High School. Benjamin will be

attending University of California, Santa Cruz in the fall.

To **Devora Rohr**, teacher extraordinaire in the CDT Hebrew school, on graduating from the Shoolman School of Education at Hebrew College with a Masters of Jewish Education.

To **Eli Siegel-Bernstein**, son of **Jodie Siegel** and **Susan Bernstein**, on graduating from Cambridge Rindge and Latin. Eli will be attending Pitzer College in 2021 after a (Covid adjusted version) gap year.

To **Hannah Steinberg**, daughter of **Linda Hsu** and **Marc Steinberg**, on graduating from Newton North. Hannah is planning to attend Wesleyan University in the fall.

To **Sophie Tsekov**, daughter of CDT Executive Director Melissa Colten, on graduating from Brookline High School. Sophie plans to attend UMass Amherst Commonwealth Honors College this fall.

To **Henry Wasserman**, son of **Betsy Hinden** and **Karen Wasserman**, on graduating from the Corwin-Russell school. Henry will be going to Sarah Lawrence College in the fall (fingers crossed).

## Tikkun Olam

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIVING

On the CDT website, we have collected a list of local and national groups doing important work on the frontlines of Covid-19 response, from supporting local immigrant communities to supporting workers in the food supply chain. Please go to "**Ways to Help**" for a list of organizations you can donate to and other ways to get involved and take action.

### DISASTER RELIEF FUND

The Disaster Relief Fund has been created to support immigrants (majority undocumented) in East Boston and surrounding areas. The fund is run by the **Center for Cooperative Development and Solidarity (CCDS)**, a small nonprofit dedicated to fostering the development of cooperative businesses within the immigrant community of East Boston.

This fund was created not only to support the urgent needs that this immigrant community is facing right now, but also to further CCDS' mission of creating cooperative economic alternatives to fight the rapid gentrification of East Boston and the subsequent displacement of the working-class immigrant community, a process which will be accelerated by this crisis. CDT member **Jonathan Rosenthal** is an advisor to CCDS and is part of the committee overseeing the fund.

The CCDS fund is also a recipient through a broader grassroots fund, the **Mass Redistribution Fund**, conceived of by the founder of the Ujima project along with other Boston area grassroots nonprofits. Contact information for Jonathan: **jonathan@just-works.com**  
617-744-9026

### PRISON BOOK PROJECT

Anyone interested in supporting the PBP during their temporary closure due to COVID-19 can order books from the PBP's wish list on Amazon. Books ordered from this list are being sent to a PBP volunteer staffer, who is sending out individual, specially requested books to prisoners from her home. Other books that come off the wish list will be set aside until the PBP is reopened. The link for the PBP wishlist is: <http://a.co/1Yr7Tkv>.

### JERICHO WALKS IN BURLINGTON, MA --CANCELLED FOR NOW

CDT been a solid participant in the monthly interfaith Jericho Walks at the ICE offices. Unfortunately, given the current restrictions, this activity has been cancelled until we can once again march safely. Thanks to Amy **Mazur** ([acmazur@comcast.net](mailto:acmazur@comcast.net)) for her leadership in this important effort.

## CDT Virtual Gallery

This month we highlight CDT artist **Lynda Goldberg**. Lynda is inspired by, and in awe of, nature and the natural world. She uses natural objects in her monotypes: leaves, ferns, grasses, seaweed, eggshells, feathers, water. She also includes man-made objects such as meshes, string, yarn, bubble wrap, and coffee cup sleeves. This piece is called Tangles.



## Chesed

### CHESED: SUPPORTING MOURNERS

by Ellie Goldberg

This past month many CDT members have lost a member of their family. Our congregation has modified our traditional Jewish funeral rituals and mourning practices to enable us to fulfill the vital obligation to show up for a shiva minyan, the way to show caring for members who have suffered a loss.

Just as our CDT services, classes, meetings and programs have moved to a “virtual” format, CDT memorial services and *shivah minyans* are now online. During this time of isolation and great uncertainty, these Zoom gatherings have enabled a large number of CDT members and an extended community of family and friends to connect with the mourners and with each other.

If you are unfamiliar with Jewish practice, you may feel uncomfortable about

attending a shiva for a mourner you don’t know well (or have never met). But be assured every member of the community counts. Your presence is greatly appreciated.

The Chesed Committee has also adapted. A Chesed Coordinator has called each family in mourning to offer a meal from a local kosher take-out catering service. Rabbi Toba has used the Rabbi’s Discretionary Fund to buy the meals and a Chesed Coordinator has delivered it.

The Chesed Coordinators for June/July are **Abby Cohen, Lisa Hirsh, and Dianne Lior**. We invite CDT members who are able to help deliver meals to contact the Chesed Coordinators at **Chesed@dorsheitzedek.org**. We’d like to set up a special roster on LotsaHelpingHands of those who are available to do deliveries.

Chesed Q&A: What Do the Shiva and Chesed Committees Do?

<https://tinyurl.com/Shiva-Chesed>

**Rabbi Toba** is available to talk about any spiritual, religious, or personal issues that you might want to discuss. To schedule an appointment, please contact Rabbi Toba (confidentially) at **t.spitzer@dorsheitzedek.org** or 617-965-0330. **Rabbi Shahar Colt**, our Rabbi for Congregational Learning, is also available and can be contacted at **s.coltdorsheitzedek.org**. Rabbi Toba does not check email or voicemail on Shabbat (Friday evening through Saturday evening) or on Mondays (her day off). For congregants experiencing financial difficulties, help is available through the Rabbi’s Discretionary Fund. This fund is completely confidential.

## Nediv Lev

### CONTRIBUTIONS

There are many ways to financially support Congregation Dorshei Tzedek, including contributions to the General Fund or to targeted funds. The Rabbi’s Discretionary Fund is not part of the congregation’s operating expenses. Monies in this fund are used for tzedakah in the greater community, for special needs of the congregation (e.g., to buy books or help pay for an adult education program) and, most important, to help out congregants in need. The Jill Volk Teacher Development Fund provides scholarships for teachers in the Dorshei Tzedek Religious School to receive professional development and training. Jill was one of the founders of our school and one of its first teachers; this

fund allows her love of Jewish learning to continue to enrich our community.

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Stacey Chacker—*In honor of Rabbi Shahar Colt...for all she has given to Dorshei*

Abby Cohen and Stuart Snyder—*In honor of Rabbi Toba, Rabbi Shahar, Melissa, and Lidia for all your extra efforts to bring CDT into our home and keep us connected and cared for*  
Janice Cole—*In memory of Ina Schwartz, my aunt*

Marla Cummins



## Nediv Lev (cont'd)

Benita Danzing and Nathan Aronow—*In honor of the wonderful CDT Welcoming Committee*

Sara and Ben Dash

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## Virtual Mother's Day Walk a Success



On Sunday, May 10th, over **70 CDT members** registered and/or donated to the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute's 24th Annual and first ever Virtual Walk for Peace. Together we hit our goal of raising \$5,000!

This year we raised more than we ever have for the Peace Institute at a time when resources are scarce and so many organizations are in need of support. Thanks to all for your continued support and encouragement of the important work the Peace Institute does to help Survivors of Homicide Victims, their families and neighbors as well as teachers, colleagues and students in communities affected by the violence.

And what a treat it was to have CDT's own TAM Trio (plus one): **Tal Shalom-Kobi, Terry Traub, Ayla Kobi, and Malka Pomerantz** perform a virtual klezmer concert, "Making Peace A Part of Our World" to end the morning.