Celebrate four decades of community

YIJE ANNIVERSARY DINNER

MEIR MISHKOFF COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD
Rabbi Shlomo & Karen Hochberg

SPECIAL HAKARAT HATOV TRIBUTE
Linda Brukner

February 2, 2019 | Motzei Shabbat - 8:30 in the evening
Old Westbury Hebrew Congregation
Pirkei Avos notes specific ages at which various stages of Torah study and responsibility are mandated to promote appropriate growth and development, until finally at the age of 40, one attains the unique measure of understanding known as “Bina.” This is derived from Moshe’s description to Bnei Yisrael after 40 years in the Sinai wilderness - only then did they realize the broad significance of their extraordinary experience. Now prepared to enter the Land of Israel, they look back with their “heart which knows, eyes which see, and ears which hear” - Am Yisrael at age 40 is profoundly cognizant of its fully established identity which permeates every fiber of its existence.

Karen and I are exceedingly proud of YIJE’s well-defined and firmly established identity as a center of Chesed and Torah, where our extended family with diverse backgrounds and philosophies join as part of the Tzibbur and aspire to grow together, within the authentic Torah framework of Halacha, with YIJE as a welcoming center for communal activity and bonding.

With YIJE as our spiritual home, we consistently demonstrate our passionate commitment to each other, and well-beyond, to the extended local and global community, especially to our cousins in Eretz Yisrael. I am gratified by our superlative multidimensional and intergenerational Gemilat Chesed – as we share the abundant joys and inevitable sorrows of life, as well as through our Mitzvah Mornings and other dynamic youth programming, and the significant expressions of effort, time, love and compassion to provide substantive and moral support to our local communities and Israel.

With Hashem’s help, in the years ahead YIJE will build upon the accomplishments of its first 40 years, as our Shul continues to display a conscious, non-judgmental effort to make all feel welcome, to provide ongoing opportunities for spiritual and personal growth through formal and informal learning, and to share life’s Simchos, successes and challenges as extended, yet intimate family.
As we celebrate the 40th anniversary of our Shul – we most appropriately honor our indefatigable Linda Brukner, continuously and consistently at the epicenter of all activities and functions, organizing and managing their smooth and seamless implementation. Her gentle approach to interpersonal relationships and her outstanding organizational capacity have provided the friendly front face for YIJE and the central role in which YIJE serves in the larger Jewish and general community.

It is with profound personal gratitude and tremendous joy that Karen and I pay tribute to Linda, our “right hand woman” who has so exquisitely managed and directed the multitude of technical, financial, and personal varied demands and personalities with professional proficiency and sensitivity, caring for our shul and all its family members literally 24/7. She truly epitomizes the Midrashic use of hours which are neither day nor night.

We extend once again our personal wishes that Hashem bless our YIJE family and all of Knesset Yisrael, individually and collectively, with material and spiritual success, to see continued Nachas from each other, but above all, with the most important Bracha of all - Shalom - peace and harmony.

At the same time, we would like to express our special thanks to Jerry King, Yeeshai Gross, Michael Schreiber, and the entire Dinner and Journal Committees, for their untiring efforts to ensure the success of this evening, as well as President Sam Herskowitz and his administration, to whom we each owe a tremendous debt of gratitude. May we be zoche to join together for many Simchot in the future in good health.
Dear Friends,

Forty years ago, a diverse group of neighbors came together to create the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates. For some this meant the new opportunity to daven in an orthodox shul, for others it meant no longer having to walk the significant distance to YI of Hillcrest and for so many more, it paved the road to a new option for suburban living in the heart of Queens.

Although our shul has grown considerably since those first years of davening in a house, then a school, then a library, then a house, then a school etc. etc., some things have changed very little; our congregation is as diverse as ever, and in many ways as together as ever.

This year, we celebrate 40 years of togetherness, education for young and old, chessed at home and in Israel, meaningful tefillah, and most of all, 40 years of sharing and celebrating our lives with each other. YIJE is our true extended family and together, under the leadership of Rabbi Hochberg and Rebbetzin Karen, we have built a synagogue that is at the center of Jewish life in our part of Queens.

We naturally express hakarat hatov to Linda Brukner, whose dedication and commitment to our congregation and community extends well beyond the obligatory responsibilities of Shul Office Manager. Four decades of Linda's voluntary and professional service to our community has kept the wheels of YIJE turning. Linda is keeper of the history, master of the calendar and has the answers to questions even before they are asked. We thank her for doing this, and an endless list of so much more, with extreme modesty and the utmost of respect.

Tonight we will also pay tribute to Meir Mishkoff, Z"L. A paradigm of selflessness and a true role model to us all. Meir’s imprint will be felt in our shul for decades to come as we are reminded of him in so many ways, but none more so than those moments when an individual steps forward, gives of themselves and sacrifices for the community. Our children are truly privileged to grow up surrounded by role models who embed themselves in the fabric of our shul and the heart of our greater Jewish community. So many of our members fall into this category, but none more than our beloved Rebbetzin, Karen and our Rav Shlomo. May they continue to serve as role models to us all ad meah v’esrim shana.

The togetherness that we celebrate tonight is a result of the great foresight of our founders, the great inspiration of our leaders and defines the great anticipation with which we look forward, I”YH to many wonderful years ahead together. Mazal Tov to us all!

SAM HERSKOWITZ
With great thanks to the officers and members of the **YIJE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
It is a privilege to work with this talented and dedicated team as well as all the other committee members and volunteers at YIJE. Thank you for your devotion and commitment to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates.

And thank you to our creative and hardworking **DINNER COMMITTEE**
Your efforts and enthusiasm are evident at the dinner and pay both emotional and financial dividends throughout the year.

Special thanks to:
Jerry King, Dinner Chair
Michael Schreiber, Journal Chair
Yeeshai Gross, Program “Chair”

**SAM HERSKOWITZ**, President
GREETINGS FROM OUR DINNER CHAIR

On behalf of the Dinner Committee it gives me extreme pleasure to welcome you to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates dinner celebrating our 40 Anniversary. What once began in a little house on 188th street that was able to hold about 20 families has grown into our beautiful edifice that now includes over one hundred and eighty-seven families and counting. For the past thirty-five years Debbie and I have watched as the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates has evolved from a fledgling shul to a vibrant, active and involved community. And we’ve all done this together.

“עיזו מקובר המכביל את הבריות”

Tonight we pay a well deserved tribute to Linda Brukner. Linda and Harry are founding members of the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates and have lived here for over forty years. As office manager of our shul for the past twenty-eight years, Linda has been the very capable woman behind the scene. With Linda’s easy going nature, she is our “go to” person regarding every aspect of the shul. Linda is the person in the know. Linda gets the job done. Because of Linda’s technical and business acumen, no job was too challenging for her. Linda has also volunteered in a myriad of our shul’s functions. In every capacity, Linda has worked with proficiency, productively and always professionally. It is with sincere appreciation that we give this Hakarot Hatov to Linda. It is also with a certain sense of despondency as Linda will be retiring this year. Linda is first and foremost a wife, a mother to Ben and his wife Aviva, Shani and her husband Uriel, JJ and his wife Lauren and grandmother to eleven grandchildren. She will now be able to enjoy quality and quantity time with her wonderful family. May Hashem bestow upon them many wonderful and healthy years and nachat from their entire family.

It is difficult to believe that tonight will be the last dinner that our Rabbi and Karen will be with us in the capacity of Rabbi and Rebbetzin of the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates. For twenty-eight years we have been privileged and blessed to be under the Rabbi’s leadership together with Karen at his side. They are very much a team. Karen and the Rabbi are the embodiment of our shul and community. Words
cannot adequately express our gratitude for all that you’ve done for us. You are our Rabbi and Rebbetzin but you are also our friends. You saw and helped us through good times and bad. You helped us raise our families and lifted us up spiritually. Rabbi and Karen, you did not want this dinner to be about you and it’s not. Yet, it is difficult not to acknowledge the fact that we are ending a huge chapter in the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates’ history; a very wonderful and inspirational chapter. We heard that when you left Lowell, Massachusetts to come to us, the people were crying. We understand, as now our hearts are heavy as well. Thank you seems terribly insufficient but it is all that we can say for now. May Hashem grant the two of you, Yosef, Mira and Yehuda much hatzlacha, good health and abundance of simcha in your future. Please come back often to your Jamaica Estates families. We will miss you.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my entire dinner committee who have all expended countless hours in preparation for tonight’s dinner. Jay Lisker, Michael Reichwald, Fran Biller, Janna Herskowitz, Gail Reichwald, and Yael Shreiber. Special thanks to our Journal Chair, Michael Schreiber, for designing our innovative 40th anniversary logo and the beautiful invitations, to Yeeshai Gross for producing and filming the videos that we are enjoying this evening.

חכתי אתרא וחברי, thank you to my dear wife, Debbie, for allowing me to chair the dinner and assisting me in every step of the way. Honorable mention goes to our president Sam Herskowitz, for his leadership, involvement, and insightfulness in preparation for our 40th Year Anniversary.

Hope you all have an enjoyable time at the dinner tonight.

JERRY KING
**YOUNG ISRAEL OF JAMAICA ESTATES**

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A paradigm of selflessness and a true role model to us all, Meir’s imprint will be felt in our shul for decades to come as we are reminded of him in so many ways, but none more so than those moments when an individual gives of their time and talent for the community. To help perpetuate Meir’s legacy of community service, the Meir Mishkoff Community Service Award will be presented from time to time to individuals who best embody and display Meir’s dedication to community service and to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates.

The inaugural recipients of this prestigious award are Rabbi Shlomo and Karen Hochberg, whose thirty years of unyielding and selfless service and commitment to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates define who we are as a shul and as a community.
The Young Israel of Jamaica Estates is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year. The community is honoring its four decades of community with the theme “40 Years Together.” No one has helped keep things together, literally and figuratively, more than Linda Brukner.

The Hakarat Hatov Tribute is a small way to thank Linda, who has been our YIJE Office Manager for the past 28 years. Linda will be retiring at the end of June. She will be missed.

Linda and Harry are founding members of the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates, and she has previously been named the YIJE Woman of the Year and been honored numerous times by other Jewish organizations.

The Young Israel of Jamaica Estates was founded in 1979 with less than 20 families. Linda has been a constant source of information, help and a true foundation for the community. Since then the community has grown to more than 175 active families. Linda has lived in Jamaica Estates for over 40 years. She is the mother of 3 children and has 11 grandchildren with whom she is looking forward to spending more time.

Thank you Linda!
DINNER COMMITTEE:

Jerry King, Chair
Fran Biller
Yeeshai Gross
Janna Herskowitz
Debbie King
Jay Lisker
Gail & Michael Reichwald
Yael & Michael Schreiber
In memory of our members

Maiar Basal
מיאר בן יקותיאל ע"ה

Nathan Neuman
יהיר נフトלי בן יעקב שלמה ע"ה

Lucille Rosenberg
ליביא צבייה בת שמואל ע"ה
THE YOUNG ISRAEL OF JAMAICA ESTATES WELCOMES

Shai & Michal Alon
Gershon & Irina Baturov
Michael & Maya Feder
Chaim & Sima Pereg
Eddie & Regina Plishti
February 2, 2019

Dear Friends:

It is a great pleasure to welcome everyone to Young Israel of Jamaica Estates’ 40th Anniversary Dinner.

New York is proud to be a place where our residents use their faith to uplift their neighborhoods, embrace those in need, and help lead the way to a better and brighter future. This incredible spirit of service has been exemplified by the Jewish community that calls the five boroughs home, and Young Israel of Jamaica Estates has been adding to its strength with the many ways it has inspired a passion for Jewish life, heritage, and values. This congregation has shown tremendous care for residents in Queens and beyond, representing the compassion that defines the people of our city. As you gather to celebrate this milestone anniversary and Rabbi Hochberg’s ongoing legacy of service, I am proud to join in applauding the outstanding members of this vibrant shul who continue to demonstrate the incredible power of faith.

On behalf of the City of New York, I offer my best wishes for a wonderful dinner and continued success.

Sincerely,

Bill de Blasio
Mayor
Dear Friends,

I offer my sincerest congratulations to the leadership and congregation of the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates on celebrating “Forty Years Together.”

For decades, the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates has played an important role in improving the quality of life for the Jewish community in Queens. Your commitment to Torah learning and preserving our Jewish heritage serves as an inspiration to us all.

I offer my heartfelt thanks to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates, and in particular to tonight’s Hakarat Hatov honoree, Linda Brukner, and to Rabbi and Rebbetzin Hochberg. Their personal dedication to the Young Israel, and by extension to Klal Yisrael, is well deserving of our praise and gratitude.

Very truly yours,

Rory I. Lancman

February 2, 2019

Dear Rabbi Hochberg:

Greetings to you and to the entire community of Young Israel of Jamaica Estates on the occasion of your 40th Anniversary Dinner.

Under your distinguished leadership, Young Israel of Jamaica Estates has served Queens with faith, dedication and a deep commitment to the well-being of its members and their neighbors. On behalf of the nearly 2.4 million residents of the Borough of Queens, “The World’s Borough,” I therefore offer our best wishes and congratulations as we celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Young Israel of Jamaica Estates.

Tonight is also a great opportunity to salute Linda Brukner, who is being recognized for her many contributions to the community. Congratulations to Ms. Brukner on the special Hakarat Hatov tribute she is receiving this evening.

I hope all those who attend tonight’s 40th Anniversary Dinner have a great time and I wish you and everyone at Young Israel of Jamaica Estates great success in all your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Melinda Katz
President
Borough of Queens

February 2, 2019
Assemblyman David I. Weprin, Ronni Weprin, & Family

Congratulations on 40 years of community
We are proud to call the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates our shul and home.

We are privileged to personally recognize and thank special honorees:

Linda Brukner
For 28 years of service and dedication to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates &

My family’s Rabbi & Rabbetzen:
Rabbi Shlomo Hochberg and Karen Hochberg
For nearly 30 years of leadership taking our Young Israel to a higher madrega

February 2, 2019
Rabbi Shlomo Hochberg &
Sam Hamkowicz, President
Young Israel of Jamaica Estates (YIEH)
83-10 188th Street
Jamaica Estates, NY 11423

Dear Friends,

It is with great pleasure that we convey our warmest greetings and heartfelt congratulations to Young Israel of Jamaica Estates on the occasion of our Fortieth Anniversary Dinner. We are honored to join you on this momentous occasion as we celebrate decades of community.

Since its founding in 1979 by a small group of families, residents, and community leaders, Young Israel has been a constant source of inspiration and renewal for tens of thousands of young Jewish families in Eastern Queens, including myself, Ronni, and our family. We are proud to call the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates our home; our shul. Your tireless dedication to cultural awareness, Jewish education, youth empowerment, community development, and philanthropic engagements deserve our highest respect and gratitude.

We are privileged to personally recognize and thank tonight’s special honoree Linda Brukner, whose 28 years of outstanding service have inspired all of us. Her commitment to leadership and service on behalf of the Jamaica Estates Jewish community deserve our highest respect and gratitude. In addition, we would like to thank Rabbi Shlomo Hochberg and Karen Hochberg for their friendship and communal leadership for almost 30 years. They will always be our family’s Rabbi & Rabbetzen and we are responsible for taking our Young Israel to a higher madrega.

We look forward to continuing to work with Young Israel of Jamaica Estates to address the issues and concerns facing the Jewish community in Queens and throughout New York State. We are proud to be your ally and we look forward to another successful forty years.

Sincerely,

David I. Weprin
Member of Assembly

[Signature]

Ronni Weprin

LINDA
Our heartfelt appreciation for all that you do. Thank you for your dedication and your helping part in bringing our shul to its 40th anniversary

JULIA & NORMAN BOBROW
Mazal Tov

YOUNG ISRAEL OF JAMAICA ESTATES
on celebrating 40 Years Together.

SAM DOMB
We are grateful to express our gratitude to our dear friends (family) RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG whose friendship, wisdom, leadership and counsel we will forever value and respect.

For the past 29 years, you both have served as role models and leaders for our family, community, and Klal Yisrael. Your heroic efforts (known and unknown), wise advice and thoughtful guidance, have enriched our lives and can’t ever be repaid.

May Hashem bless you, Mira, Yehuda, and Yosef with many years of good health and happiness.

LINDA,
Thank you for all your tireless efforts on behalf of the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates

THE MISHKOFF FAMILY
To 40 years of Togetherness

We have watched our community grow and prosper over the 40 years we have lived here from a house minyan combined with a school minyan joining in a library, buying a house, building a building, and flourishing as more and more came to the neighborhood “to be in” with special thanks to

**RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG**

whose midot of chessed and both public and private “behind the scenes” making each and every one of us feel like family. Your presence has filled the neighborhood with a feeling of closeness that is hard to find elsewhere.

In memory of

**MEIR MISHKOFF**

as we approach his second yahrzeit. His devotion to all the details large and small that went in to running a shul have been hard to match even with a whole crew trying to fill his shoes.

And finally, to our family, both to our kids and grandkids, and to all of those who have become our virtual family.

LINDA & HARRY BRUKNER
SHANI & URIEL, BEN & AVIVA, JJ & LAUREN
AND ALL THE KIDS
Hakaras Hatov to

LINDA BRUKNER

and best wishes on your retirement.

MICHAEL & PHYLISS FASSLER
Mazel Tov and Best Wishes to

**RABBI & KAREN**

How can we thank you for 30 years of unparalleled leadership -
For being the ideal role models for our children and most significantly for your love and friendship. We know we will be in touch - and looking forward to many Shabbatot on Hapotzim - HaAri!

**LINDA**

We know we have been pests for 35 years.
Thank you for tolerating our horrendous record keeping and penmanship.
Most importantly, thanks for such amazing and selfless devotion to our shul.

**NORMAN & SANDY NISSEL HOROWITZ AND FAMILY**
Mazal Tov YIJE on Forty Years Together at the center of Jewish Life in Jamaica Estates

Thank you

RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN
for being a part of our family now and forever.

Thank you

LINDA
for all you do every day

LOLA & HARVEY ROSENBLUM
JANNA & SAM HERSKOWITZ
TZIPPORAH & MOSHE BOIM
AND FAMILIES
Dear KAREN & RABBI HOCHBERG AND LINDA

Over the decades, you have left an indelible mark on our community. Personally, you have enhanced our smachot and helped ease the pain of our challenges. Our children were blessed to grow up in this warmest of shuls and could not have had better role models. While it is hard to imagine life at YUE without your leadership, guidance and direction, we wish you much mazal and happiness as you embark on the next chapter of your lives.

Much Love,
TEENA & STU RUBINFELD
Congratulations to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates for its leadership role within local, regional and global Jewish society and for laying the foundation for a flourishing Jewish Community.

Special tribute, gratitude and admiration to RABBI SHLOMO & REBBETZIN KAREN HOCHBERG for their dedication and commitment to Shul and community as exemplary role models. Many Hashem bless them, fellow honoree LINDA BRUKNER and their respective families with good health, happiness and peace.

And may the YIJE continue its mission of community “togetherness” for decades to come.

DR. ALAN ULISS AND FAMILY
Congratulations Young Israel for our 40 years together!

Thank you very much

RABBI HOCHBERG & REBBETZIN KAREN
for your years of spiritual guidance, dedicated service and commitment to the growth of our community.

Thank you

LINDA
for all your help and assistance.

NORA & JACK ABRAHAM
May we grow, thrive, and draw from the enormous talent, skill, creativity, education, experience and good intentions of all the impressive and generous individuals who comprise our community.

A special thanks to

**LINDA BRUKNER**

for her decades of devoted service to the community.

*SUSAN DAVIS*
We are very proud to be celebrating “40 Years Together” with our YIJE family. Thank you to LINDA for everything that you have done for our shul for all these years. Your dedication is greatly appreciated. Since their arrival in Jamaica Estates RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG have inspired and motivated our community down the right path and have been incredible leaders and role models. They have instilled the love for Yahadut, Chesed and Eretz Yisrael in all of us. Their friendship, warmth, sincerity, enthusiasm, humor, concern, encouragement and wisdom have enhanced our lives and have made an unparalleled, permanent impact on our community and to our family personally. With much love, respect and admiration, FRAN & YEESHAI GROSS AVINOAM & NICOLE, D’VORA AND ARIELLA
With great appreciation and admiration for an incredible team:

When we think of the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates, we can’t help but marvel at the special place that Linda and the Hochberg’s have created and grown by virtue of their unique partnership based on the utmost respect for one another and for the community. Together they created a well oiled machine, each one contributing their talents, time, energy and a whole host of admirable qualities.

To LINDA

The Young Israel of Jamaica Estates has been incredibly fortunate to have had you as a galvanizing force, helping to make every aspect of the organization run so smoothly. You have the unique ability to make every task look effortless. We as a shul and community have been blessed with your talents, calm demeanor, seamless efficiency, eye for correctness and general willingness to enhance every member’s shul life experience. You have partnered with each member and their family and your talents and dedication will be sorely missed. We wish you the best of everything; may you be blessed with years and years of good health and nachat from your wonderful family.

To our cherished RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG

We are incredibly blessed to have been part of your kehilla. You have inspired us and enriched our lives in so many ways through your steadfast commitment to Torah, tefilla, chesed, Israel, family, justice and respect for others. We continue to marvel at your innate ability to know just what to say or do at every moment and we are constantly learning from you by simply observing your actions. We are confident that your warmth and wisdom will continue to enrich Klal Yisrael and make our world a better place. May you be zocheh to good health, arichat yamim, nachat from your family and may you be blessed with opportunities to continue sharing your gifts of genuine love and kindness with Klal Yisrael for many years to come, “amosh”!

With eternal gratitude, friendship and love, and most importantly, “biydidut,”

SIMA & HERMAN HERTZBERG AND FAMILY
With deep gratitude to Hashem for all His bountiful gifts for blessing us with such a magnificent Shul-community-family 

**YOUNG ISRAEL OF JAMAICA ESTATES**

with so many cherished friends who have enriched our lives with their warmth and friendship, generosity of spirit, sensitivity, courage, love, kindness and inherent goodness.

In appreciation of all of the wonderful men and women of our Shul whose daily acts of Chessed and quest for Torah knowledge and insight make our community truly special and inspire us to ever-greater spiritual heights.

And of the exceptional children of YIJE – past, present (and future) who continue to give us much Nachas as we see them becoming “mentches” and Bnai and Bnot Torah and contributing to the greater Jewish community

And with profound esteem and admiration for the extraordinary cadre of Rabbanim and Rebbetzins of our community with whom it is our privilege to serve together in Avodas HaKodesh.

KAREN & R’ SHLOMO HOCHBERG
We are honored to have been able to spend the last 18 years TOGETHER with you, our Young Israel Community. To everyone who adds their time and talents to our community, we say “Thank you”! Looking forward to the next 18, at least!

JAY & GITA LISKER
Congratulations to all the HONOREES

JANE & LARRY MARCO
Mazel tov to our amazing shul and all the leaders, volunteers and members who have made the YIJJE an amazing place to live, learn, pray and raise our children. We feel so lucky to be here.

A special mazel tov to

LINDA BRUKNER
whose work and dedication for decades has kept it all running.

And of course... to our amazing

RABBI & REBBETZIN
who have given us everything they have to give and MORE.

MICHAEL & GAIL REICHWALD AND FAMILY
In Honor of

RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN

You have been the greatest role models, mentors, neighbors and friends and we will miss you dearly...especially when we look across the street. We cherish every day that we still have the opportunity to spend with you as our Rav and Rebbetzin in the YIJE community. The kindness, generosity, selflessness and chesed that you have shown others knows no bounds. May the next chapter of your lives be filled with only mazal and bracha. The two of you are an extraordinary couple and brighten up every space that you occupy. Watching the way you interact with one another and with others has taught us about love, respect and kedusha. It has been our family’s zechut to be in your presence all of these years and we will treasure all of our memories with you forever.

All our love always,

ILANA & DROR ROSENFELD
TZVI, PINCHAS AND SARAH

We would like to wish a special Hakarat Hatov to

LINDA BRUKNER

for her many years of hard work, dedication and tireless effort on behalf of The Young Israel of Jamaica Estates. She will be greatly missed!
Congratulations and best wishes to LINDA BRUKNER for all that you have done for our YIJE community over the past 30 years!

I have really enjoyed working with you, over the last 18 months, as Treasurer. Much success and good health to you and your family in the future.

DARIN & LISA SCHNALL
Mazel Tov to 
LINDA BRUKNER 
on receiving this most deserved recognition.

BENJY & SARA ARBESFELD 
AND FAMILY

SILVER
We are proud to live in the community of Jamaica Estates *together* with our friends and neighbors.

We thank

**KAREN & RABBI SHLOMO HOCHBERG**

for their leadership, character and sensitivity.

Thank you

**LINDA**

for your years of service and your uncanny ability to anticipate issues and solve them before other members even notice them.

**JUDY & ZEV BERMAN**
Mazel Tov to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates on celebrating its 40th anniversary.

We moved to Jamaica Estates 25 years ago to raise our family in a close-knit community with a growing reputation for scholarship, friendliness, and chesed. These qualities were imbued in the community and actively modeled by our Morah D’Asra RABBI SHLOMO HOCHBERG and his Aishes Chayil KAREN. We are incredibly fortunate and thankful to have shared our lives with these two special people who have taught us so much about life and living. The kindness and love which they have shared with us, has changed our lives forever and we hope to pay it forward in their honor.

It is impossible to recognize this major milestone in the life of YIJE without acknowledging the role played by LINDA BRUKNER. Having been an Officer and Board Member for many years, as well as a past president of YIJE, Sara & I have seen firsthand what Linda has done and continues to do with selfless dedication and remarkable professionalism. On a daily, weekly, and monthly basis, Linda has managed accounting, bookkeeping, billing, scheduling, coordination, maintenance, repair, advertising, printing, communications, and contributed to the success of every function, event, and program run by YIJE. As much as the Rabbi and Karen have been the religious and spiritual leaders of YIJE, Linda has been the leader of just about everything else.

This community was truly blessed to have Rabbi Shlomo and Karen Hochberg as well as Linda Brukner working together as a team for these many years. May Hashem grant them arichat yamim, good health, and the strength to continue their missions for many more years.

MARK, SARA, NATAN, ARYEH, AND YAAKOV BIENSTOCK
With profound appreciation to our cherished friend and partner, the incomparable and ever-dependable LINDA BRUKNER

We cannot thank you enough for your supreme dedication and selfless devotion to our shul and community and for your boundless personal help each hour of each day and night

With respect, admiration, and love
RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG
MIRA AND YEHUDA, AND YOSEF
We are so happy to be here “TOGETHER” to celebrate. Over the years we have formed many close friendships. We have watched our shul, community, and youth grow.

Hakarat hatov to

**LINDA**

Thank you for all the years of dedication and keeping the shul running. You are greatly appreciated - always being available, day or night, when needed and have enjoyed working “TOGETHER”.

Dear

**RABBI & KAREN**

Thank you both for your friendship over the years. We have been “TOGETHER” for our families in happy and sad times and for that we are truly grateful.

**SHELLEY & SID ITZKOWITZ**

“TOGETHER” for 32 of the 40!
Mazal Tov Young Israel of Jamaica Estates upon reaching our 40th anniversary.

LINDA BRUKNER

We cannot think of a more appropriate posuk that exemplifies Linda. Stalwart, committed, professional, efficient, knowledgeable and kind. There are not enough adjectives to describe Linda and what she has done for the past 28 years working for our shul in all her capacities. As office manager, she has kept our shul running like a “well-oiled machine”. With our multitude of functions, that was no easy feat. Yet, Linda made it seem effortless. Thank you Linda for that and so much more. From a personal point of view, it has always been a pleasure working together throughout the years. You have constantly been our “go to” person when seeking advice, information or help pertaining to any aspect regarding YIJE and the community. And you did it with swiftness and a smile. We wish you and Harry a wonderful retirement and may Hashem give you many years ahead filled with good health, much nachat from your beautiful family and lots of thought-provoking plays to see in the city.

To

RABBI & KAREN

It’s not your dinner, but, it sadly is your last dinner as the Rabbi and Rebbetzin of our shul. What can we say that we haven’t said to you either verbally or through our myriad of written communications. You know what’s in our hearts and we know what is in yours. We’re not losing you as a Rabbi and Rebbetzin and we’re not losing you as our friends. We’re not trying to replace you as both of you are irreplaceable. But you are “changing places” figuratively and literally. May Hashem continue to watch over you, Yosef, Mira and Yehuda in your new abode and may your future life be one filled with an abundance of good health, fulfillment, joy, family, love from both new and “old” friends and many smachot. Thank you for all that you are and all that you have done for us and our entire community. We will sorely miss you!!

With much love from

DEBBIE & JERRY KING
We are blessed to have lived in Jamaica Estates for 35+ years and to have raised a family among the most wonderful friends, neighbors and fellow congregants; all under the guidance of RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN our role models.

We have experienced and witnessed our shul’s growth from a fledgling institution to one that is making a difference; Our deepest thanks and hakarat hatov to LINDA the glue that has held it all together and has enabled this growth.

MARIAN & JON KRAMER
To

LINDA

Congratulations on receiving this well deserved honor. Thank you for the many years of dedication to the Young Israel community.

A special immeasurable gratitude to

RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN

for enriching our lives in ways too numerous to count. May Hashem bless you and your family with Mazal and Bracha

With love,

MICHELLE & ISAAC LOWENWIRT
GILA, YEHUDAH, LEORA VICKI, LAYLA, HALEY RAIZEL, ZAHAVA, SETH, XANDER, ZEVI

SILVER
Thank you

**LINDA**

for your years of service to our shul and for your personal help and advice on many occasions. The office will not be the same without you.

Thank you

**RABBI & KAREN**

You shined as tireless and dedicated leaders of our community. You showed us how we should perform. Yet you did more. Your greatest gift has been your personal kindness and friendship in good times and bad. We treasure our relationship with you. Rest assured that geography will not separate us from you.

Rabbi, Karen and Linda, we wish you good health and happiness.

Fondly,

**KARYL & ASHER MILLER**

**LAUREN & DAVID, BINI, MAYER, SHAINA AND BATYA**

**REBECCA & ADAM**
To LINDA
Thank you for all your hard work and dedication and especially all your help with the mishloach manot.

To RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG
Thank you for your tireless efforts on behalf of our family and community all these years; for providing us with “opportunities” and for inspiring us to take advantages of them. You have had a tremendous impact on our lives.

To our neighbors:
Thank you for making YIJE the warm, welcoming and wonderful place that it is.

RIVKY & ADAM ORLOW
As we celebrate 40 years of YIJE history, we reflect on what we have accomplished as a community under the guidance of our esteemed RABBI & KAREN.

We express Hakarat Hatov to LINDA BRUKNER for her dedication and effort.

We pay tribute to the memory of our cherished friend MEIR MISHKOFF Z”L whose example impacted all and taught us so much.

RUTH & ARTHUR QUINT AND FAMILY
LINDA

It is absolutely a ‘without-words’ moment to pay tribute to Linda for the YIJE office is synonymous with Linda. The myriad hats that Linda wears in seamlessly keeping our shul operating at full capacity-and then some- is a combination of everyone’s camp mother and executive-in-charge of everything. Linda has the experience to stay one step ahead of any situation and the wherewithal to deal with any sudden crisis with calm and efficient know-how. All of this is somehow effected in an understated unassuming manner with the greatest sense of humor, generosity, cheerfulness and charm.

On a personal note, our family owes Linda a great deal of hakarat hatov which we are happy for the opportunity to express publicly. Through decades of siyum mishnayot and Women’s Tikkun Linda has been the Linda-on-the-spot! And Linda’s patient and proficient involvement in our smachot is unparralled.

A huge todah rabbah for all that you have done and hatzlacha rabbah in the next chapter of your life. We are so glad to count you as such a good friend!

ALL THE ROSENSWEIGS
DEBBIE & JUDAH
NAVAH & NAFTALI, ELIORA AND RONEN
TALYA & YECHIEL, RAFAEL AND MIRIAM ASHIRA
HILLELA & NOAH, MAYA ELLIE MIRIAM
CHAYIM & SHAYNA
MOSHE
ELISHA
To
LINDA BRUKNER
In appreciation and recognition of her many years of dedicated, professional and gracious service to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates. There was nothing you couldn’t do!

And always, in appreciation of our dear friends,
RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG

B’yedidut,
CHANIE & GERRY ZAHTZ
LINDA
You have earned the admiration and respect of your community. Thank you for always being there. May Hashem grant you health and happiness, and time to enjoy it.

RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN
Your humility and grace continue to inspire us

RACHELLE & ASHER ABRAMOVITZ
JOSH & ESTHER AND FAMILY
SHIRA & MEIR AND FAMILY
YONI & GABRIELLA
Mazel Tov on our 40 years together!

Our sincere appreciation to

RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN

for their selfless devotion, leadership, inspiration, teaching, and touching our hearts!

Thank you

LINDA

for your tireless service, for always being there, and for your wonderful and warm efforts on our behalf and on behalf of our community!

With much Hakarat Hatov,

JOY, GILA, AND RAPHAEL AHARON
Mazel tov to YIJE on celebrating 40 years together as a community. We thank all the hard working members who volunteer their time and talents on behalf of us all.

We wish a לברכה שלום to our RABBI & REBBETZIN and thank you for all you have done to make our community the special place that it is.

Mazel tov to LINDA on this well-deserved recognition.

ROBIN AND MICHAEL APPEL
To the

RABBI & KAREN

You ARE the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates, Now and Forever. Together you have uplifted, comforted, and inspired us spiritually. Together you made us active participants in so many aspects of Klal Yisrael. From drashas, to dovening, to Tehillim, to chessed, to caring for each and every one of us - It is impossible to count how many ways you have been there for us, Together!

You will always be our Rav and Rebbetzin!

With love and heartfelt gratitude,

DEBBIE AND MICHAEL BERMISH
ALIZA & DOV      YEHUDA & DANIT      SARA & SAM & FAMILIES
LINDA

We’ve worked together for over 25 years. We have always marveled at your commitment to your job, the shul and the community. You’ve gone above and beyond what is expected of a shul secretary. Thank you for all your hard work.

RABBI & KAREN

Your leaving truly marks the end of an era for our shul and community. You have been incredible mentors and role models for us and our families. Thank you for all the mesiros nefesh you poured into everything you have done. You will be sorely missed.

Love,
FRAN & HAROLD BILLER AND FAMILY
To

LINDA BRUKNER

You certainly deserve a special Hakarat Hatov for your many years of dedicated service to the YIJE.

On a personal note:
Thank you again for your help and support during my term as President.

SHARON & AVRAM BLUMENTHAL
To

RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN,

There are no words to express our gratitude and appreciation for all that you have done for us over the years. You will forever be “Our Rabbi & Rebbitten” who are totally irreplaceable. Your kindness and dedication to every single member of the community shows no bounds. You have always been there for our family regarding anything from the smallest to the biggest issue. Your beautiful and heartfelt Yomim Noraim davening will never be duplicated. We are heartbroken to be losing you and envy the Lakewood community that will now be your home.

To

LINDA,

Mazel Tov on your well deserved Hakarat Hatov tribute. You have been the right hand to Rabbi Hochberg, Karen and the rest of the community in running an extremely efficient office at the shul. We have always been able to rely on Linda for any information or updates. You are an intrinsic member of our Tehillim group and one of the yearly highlights is your Post-Pesach schlissel challah which you so graciously bring year after year and makes us drool. May you enjoy your retirement and bask in the love of your family (especially grandchildren)

HELEN BOHORODZANER & FAMILY
Happy to have been here for 36 of YIJE’s 40 years and be part of this wonderful community!
We wouldn’t be where we are today, as a community or as individuals, without the leadership, guidance and nurturing that

RABBI & KAREN

have given over the past 29 years...
We can never thank them enough and we cherish their friendship.

Hakarat Hatov to

LINDA

and her genius! Labeling her as a shul secretary is a major misnomer; Chief of Staff slightly better. The truth is, Linda knows everything that needs to be known regarding YIJE and she has kept the shul running so efficiently and with no fanfare that her phone number better be on speed dial when she retires...You may be leaving the physical office, Linda, but your input, knowledge and guidance will still be in high demand!

BOBBIE & HESHY BROOKS
It has been an honor and a pleasure to have lived and dwelled in our shul for over 28 of these 40 amazing years.

Thank you so much

LINDA

for all you have done for the shul as well as all your assistance with every event that we have been involved with as well as all your personal help to the Bryk family. There is no one like you.

We love you

RABBI & KAREN.

We moved into Jamaica Estates in the same year and words are inadequate to describe how much we will miss you. Thank you so much for everything!!!

TAMMY & HILLEL BRYK AND FAMILY
So happy to be a part of the community that has been lovingly grown and nurtured by

**RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN**

You have impacted our lives and we are forever grateful. We will miss you very much. Wishing you continued success, good health and much happiness.

Thank you to

**LINDA**

for her many years of service to our shul. We know it was more than a job to you and something you really cared about.

**SHARON & CHIP COHN**

**JENNIFER & AARON, DANIEL, ANDREW & TAMAR**

**DALIA, GABRIELLE, ORLY, ALEX AND NOAH**
Mazal Tov to YIJE for celebrating its 40th Anniversary

It is with a heavy heart that we say L’hitraot to

RABBI HOCHBERG AND KAREN

We are so fortunate to have had you in our lives for the past 28 years. Your warmth, graciousness, kindness and creativity have endeared you to our entire family. You have modeled the meaning of chesed and yashrus, and we are sure that we will continue to feel your influence even when you are a few miles further. Somehow, you always intuited how to be most helpful to us, whether in times of joy or sadness; without being asked, in your quiet and unassuming ways you took care of things, even before we recognized the need. May Hashem grant you health, happiness and success, together with your wonderful family, Yosef and Mira and Yehuda. May you have the strength to continue your Avodas Hakodesh for many years to come. We hope you enjoy this next chapter in your lives together.

We also wish to express our deep appreciation to

LINDA AND HARRY

Linda’s dedication always went above and beyond. Emails and questions were answered way beyond “normal” business hours. Actually Linda’s hours were 24/7 and we really mean “7,” never frazzled, always with a smile, no matter how many issues she was juggling at one time.

With much admiration and appreciation,

KARYN & SHALOM FEINBERG AND FAMILY
A sincere Mazal Tov and Hakarat Hatov to our beloved Rabbi and Rebbitzen,

KAREN & SHLOMOMO HOCHBERG

in recognition of thirty years of endless love and heartfelt devotion
to the members of the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates.

To

LINDA BRUKNER

a true Eishes Chayil, for her acts of chesed and devotion to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates.

May you continue to be blessed with health and happiness and
may you continue to go from chayil l’chayil.

Love,

RISE STEINBERG FOGEL AND FAMILY
In honor of 40 years of Torah, prayer, warmth and family - Young Israel of Jamaica Estates, THANK YOU.

in honor of

RABBI SHLOMO & REBBETZIN KAREN HOCHBERG
for their guidance, leadership, and their Mesirut nefesh the past 30 years.
A special thank you from the entire Frager and Goldstein families for always being there at every critical moment.

In honor of

LINDA BRUKNER
for her selfless devotion, efficiency and wisdom for the past 40 years.

We should all go from strength to strength

THE FRAGER FAMILY
LINDA

Thanks so much for always being there for us, whether you’re working or not; who are we fooling- you are always working. But rather when you shouldn’t be working. Somehow, office@yije.org rivals yijerav.com as our most commonly used email addresses. Your kindness, efficiency, truthfulness and judgement makes working with you a true pleasure. Thanks for 30 great years.

May you enjoy your future endeavors in good health with Harry for many, many years.

AVI & ELIN FREILICH
Mazel Tov and Hakarat Hatov to

**LINDA**

for your dedication and hard work on behalf of YIJE. From logging in our simchas in the calendar, the Youth Events, Purim, Yamim Noraim, Shiurim, you kept us all up to date. We appreciate all your talents in running the shul office efficiently and always with a smile. We wish you and Harry much bracha and hatzlacha in your retirement and enjoy the time with your family.

To

**RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG**

Our family will always be grateful to you for being a part of our lives and I’yh our family ties will continue. We thank you for instilling a love of Torah, Chesed, and Medinat Yisrael on a daily basis. For YIJE children, you have implanted the seeds for Ahavat Hashem, Ahavat Mitzvot and the importance of being involved in the greater community. Being a part of YIJE, has enriched our lives and the legacy you created in the community will continue for generations to come. We wish you much bracha and hatzlacha in your future adventures here and in Israel and enjoy the time with Mira, Yehudah and Yoseph.

**SETH & ILANA FRIEDMAN**
to our dear cousin and dear friend

LINDA BRUKNER

(they say you can’t choose your family, only your friends, but we lucked out on both counts!)

You have been a pillar of our Shul and community. We remember with appreciation the warm welcome you gave us in 1991, when Jamaica Estates was still a “medium-sized” community and YIJE was a “medium-sized” Shul. Who could have envisioned the YIJE of 2019? But your skillful, efficient, untiring and modest management has been a hallmark of our neighborhood, and countless friends and community members have been helped by you, since that day I called the YIJE to ask about pre-schools and you said “Harriet, do you know who this is??”

We wish you and Harry many long years of health, happiness and interesting endeavors, surrounded by the love of your wonderful family. We know that anything you take on will be immeasurably improved thanks to your involvement.

Mazal tov also from

HARRIET SCHABES & ALEX FUSS

TALI & ARYEH GREGOR, AVISHAI & KEREN FUSS

VICTOR & ANNETTE SCHABES, DEBORAH SCHABES & YOSSI LIFSHITZ

AND THEIR FAMILIES
In recognition of the many years of hard work, dedication and devotion that LINDA has given to the shul.

Yasher Koach

PHIL & RUTHIE FYMAN
Kol hakavod and thanks to RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN for all you have been and done for all of us for so long.

That you too, LINDA

You’ve always made yourself available and kept things running smoothly – and with a smile.

And, last but not least, congrats to all of us!

DIANE & HAL GELIEBTER
To RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG
Thank you for your dedication, kindness and leadership. We wish you a tzaitchem leshalom in your move to Lakewood. May you both have the strength to continue to positively impact the Jewish community.

To LINDA BRUKNER
People do not realize all of the small details that need to be done to run a shul effectively. Thank you for your behind the scenes dedication and effort to ensure that the Shul runs smoothly and successfully. Enjoy the extra time with your grandchildren!

CHANI, MARC, JAKE, MICHAEL, SARABETH AND DANNY GOLDMANN
We wish to express our gratitude to our Rabbi and Rebbetzin throughout the years. You have been our mentors, teachers and friends. We will always cherish you in our hearts and mind.

A Tribute to

LINDA

Linda Knows---Ask Linda---Make sure to tell Linda --- Is Linda in? --- Did you tell Linda? THANK YOU LINDA

With love and admiration,

SERYL & ELLIOT
It is with a deep sense of gratitude that we recognize the devotion and service of 

LINDA BRUKNER

Who has selflessly served our community for decades.....

All of this has been done under the guidance and leadership of 

RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG

They will be missed and we wish them much success and happiness in all of their future endeavors.

Diane & Efraim Goldstein

Elaine & Larry Grossman
To

LINDA

(and I guess Harry too),

Thank you for all you do and have done.

From having the shul office in your home when there was no office, to crawling around your living room floor to work on mshaloach monot when there was no computer program to everything else behind the scenes that no one knows about. But most of all... thank you for introducing us to this wonderful community 38 years ago.

All our love always,

JILL & GARY
TERI & AVI
KAREN & PINNY
BRIAN & TSIPORA
Mazal Tov to the

YOUNG ISRAEL OF JAMAICA ESTATES

upon Celebrating 40 Years as a
Makom of Warmth, Tefilla, Torah Learning
and Friendship.

There is no way this could have been accomplished without

LINDA BRUKNER

JILL & SETH GOLDSTEIN
Mazal Tov to
LINDA

Your dedication and commitment to our community is greatly appreciated. We are happy to share this special occasion with you and the whole community we are so proud to be a part of.

JULIA & JEFF GOODMAN
Mazal Tov to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates for a whopping 40 Years of Service to our Community

Thank you
RABBI SHLOMO & REBBETZIN KAREN HOCHBERG
Your extraordinary dedication, love, generosity, support, leadership and hard work will never be forgotten.

A special Hakarat HaTov to
LINDA BRUKNER
for her hard work, dedication and tremendous help. Thank you for always being there for us.

HEDDET & JOEL GOODRICH AND FAMILY
LINDA

Thank you for your many years of service to the community

RABBI & KAREN

Words cannot express our gratitude for all you have done
to build our community over all these years.
Rabbi, thanks for being such a good friend for over 50 years.

JAY & HARRIET GRUNFELD
LINDA
Thank you for being so wonderful - always!

Best wishes!!!

BETH & RONNY HERSKOVITS & FAMILY
Mazal Tov to

LINDA

We thank you for all your hard work and dedication to our shul and community for 40 years.

Thank You to

RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN

We deeply appreciate everything you have done for us in good times, difficult times and on a continual basis since we came to the community. Your warmth, intelligence, dedication, chesed, wisdom and insight are unparallelled.

SHARON, HILARY, EVAN, LEORA, EMMA, AND LAUREN HERTAN
Back on that first snowy shabbas in April we never could have imagined the next 30 years flying by this quickly! Most of all we could never have imagined all the wonderful memories we would create, and the amazing and incredible family we would gain. The YIJE family will always be a part of our lives, whatever part of the globe you, or we, may be!

Speaking of keeping track of things around the globe and locally, holding a shul office together for 30 or so years deserves more than a simple thank you! Mazel tov to

**LINDA BRUKNER**

on this well deserved honor!

And, last but certainly not least, thank you to our parents for all they do for us, the YIJE community, and Klal Yisrael. We love you and are so proud to be your children.

Love,

**MIRA & YEHUDA, AND YOSEF**
We gratefully thank and acknowledge the founding members who had the vision to see not only what the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates could be, but would be. It is up to all of us to continue the mission they began 40 years ago.

A special Hakarat Hatov to

**LINDA BRUKNER**

for her many years of dedicated service to our shul and community. You and all your hats will be missed!

We would also like to express our gratitude and appreciation to

**RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG**

You have been wonderful role models to all, and you embrace and exemplify the ideals of דת, אחותות ויחות עולם. You have left such an indelible mark on our community, and shoes that will be impossibly hard to fill, but we wish you долго וברכה as you soon embark on the newest chapter in your lives.

We will not say goodbye, only farewell until next time.

**SUSAN, LOWELL, JOSH, SKYLER AND SIERRA KASS**
LINDA

We are grateful for the wonderful years we have lived in Jamaica Estates, making lifelong friends and raising our families together.

Good Luck Linda! Enjoy retirement!

ESTHER & MICHAEL KURZMAN
With great hakarat hatov and deep appreciation we salute

**RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG**
for their leadership, guidance, warmth, caring, concern and heartfelt friendship
and

**LINDA BRUKNER**
for her tireless work and years of dedication to YIJE
and to
the wonderful Jamaica Estates Community.

**GRACE & SOL LAUBER**
Any YIJE community celebration would seem unfulfilled without an expression of honor and recognition to

RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG

Thank you for the dedication, commitment and compassion you gave to us and to the entire community.

We will miss you.

It is our pleasure to also acknowledge and thank

LINDA BRUKNER

for all your hard work and dedication to our shul. Throughout the years, you have managed the shul office with grace, professionalism and kindness. Always helpful and reassuring, you have exhibited special patience and consideration - most notably to those members who seemed to need an extension for every deadline and to those who seemed to only conduct business in the last hour on Thursday afternoons.

With great appreciation,

SHARI & MARK LEFKOVITZ
How can we sufficiently thank our beloved RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG דודו"ש in seemingly a few words on journal page? You have both been our rocks, our guiding lights, our extended family, whose leadership of our community was one of care, selfless generosity of time, love and the sincerest concern as if we are all your closest family. No matter the time of day, or level of exhaustion had ever kept our dear Rabbi and Karen from always being by our sides, whether it be a simcha or a more challenging time, your devotion and care was second to none. Your shoes will be incredibly hard to fill. We are excited for your next chapter, and wish you much שלום, good health and happiness to enjoy ציוד 120 as you both deserve the best that life has offer.

We will miss you very much!

Mazel Tov

LINDA

A special Hakarat Hatov and thanks to you for your incredible service to our beloved shul.

SUSAN & JACK LERNER
CHARLENE, ARIELLA AND MARCUS
Here is to the next 40!

ARI & ARIELLA LEVINE
Mazel Tov to
LINDA
on this well deserved honor. We appreciate your dedication, organization, and devotion to our shul (even after work hours), as well as your constant willingness to lend a helping hand. Every question or problem is treated warmly and with a smile (even over the phone). We value you and your family’s friendship and look forward to many future adventures.

Thank you to
KAREN & RABBI HOCHBERG
for your Leadership, Chesed, and Tireless efforts on behalf of the community, and for being outstanding role models for our family to emulate.

MOREEN & ZACK
RACHEL & YITZ
JOSH AND ELI
To

LINDA

It is impressive to have observed the dedication and efficiency by which you maintained stability and innovation at YIJE. You exemplify chesed in every situation and you were always there for all of us. We wish you and your family much health, Hazlacha and success. May Hashem continue to shine the Or HaTorah on you and your family.

MARIAN & JOHN AND FAMILY
Mazel Tov to

LINDA BRUKNER

on this well deserved honor. Your skills, smile, quiet sharp humor and especially the “This is Young Israel” phone messages compare to none.

Our deepest love and gratitude go to our dear esteemed

RABBI AND REBBETZIN

SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG

Thank you for always being there for our family and for the most fortunate community.
You will forever remain in our hearts.

PERI & GARY LYMAN
We salute RABBI & RABBANIT KAREN HOCHBERG, and yakirenu LINDA AND HARRY BRUKNER

Rabbi and Karen, Linda and Harry, you are 4 outstanding individuals, who have labored independently and as couples to build and strengthen the YIJE and broader community in myriads of ways...ways too numerous to count, and so well-known that they need no mention. Every member of the Mandelbaum family has drawn from your energy and tenacity, and benefited from your kindness. As we depart to go east and west, we will sorely miss your daily presence.

While here in Jamaica Estates, the common thread that runs through our interactions has been efforts to spread and participate in Torah learning, harbatzat Torah. They have each worked hard to root the YIJE community in Torah learning, to make Jamaica Estates a place of Torah study, and we have all benefited by meriting to live in a place where Torah is learned.

Said Rabbi Yosi ben Kisma: One time I was walking on the road, and a man met me, and greeted me, and I returned the greeting. He said to me, “My master, from which place are you?” I said to him, “I am from a great city of sages and scribes.” He said to me, “My master, do you wish to live among us in our place, and I will give you a thousand of thousands of golden Dinarim, and precious stones and pearls?” I said to him, “If you were to give me all the silver, gold, precious stones and pearls in the world, I would not live but in a place of Torah.” Avot 6

Our best wishes to the YIJE on the eve of our departure: may the community continue to grow and bloom together.

RICHIE & PESHIE MANDELBAUM AND FAMILIES
LINDA

For 35 years you have been an advisor, sounding board and friend. Learning the intricate workings of Sisterhood and the Shul was so much easier with you as a teacher. You help me keep the books for Sisterhood and Gemilat Chesed, and your reports and lists make it so easy. Sitting next to you Friday mornings at Tehilim is the perfect way to end each week and your “Shlissel Challah” is the best. Only you would make sure to bring enough for each member of the Tehilim group. Mazal Tov on being recognized for all you have done to make YIJE a great shul.

RABBI & KAREN

How do you find the words to thank two wonderful individuals who are ALWAYS there for EVERYONE!! Both of you have been an inspiration and role models to three generations of our family here in Jamaica Estates, on Long Island and Israel. Your daily presence in our lives with be missed.

With gratitude and much love,

RUTHIE & CHARLIE MERRILL
JEREMY & CINDY, ERIN, KAYLA AND SAMMY
MICHAEL & MALKIE, ARIELLA, SHIRA, AZI, YAELE AND ZIVI
MICHELLE & ITZIK, ARIEL, DAVID AND ELIANA
MARC & SARAH, BINYAMIN AND NAOMI
A hakarat tov tribute to

LINDA BRUKNER

Thank you for the many years of dedication and tireless efforts on behalf of our community, you made things work with your calm, professional manner and sense of humor. It’s hard to believe we will manage without you! With much admiration and appreciation.

Our heartfelt thanks, deep respect and appreciation for our dear

RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG

Though you will be departing our community, your warmth, kindness, and Menschlichkeit will remain in our hearts. We hope to continue to share future life events with you. May Hashem grant you and your family much health and happiness.

With much affection,

LIA & BILLY NISSEL
SHIRA & JEREMY EISEN

DANIELLA & JAMIE STADTMAUER
JULIE & JOSHUA NISSEL
Thank you

**LINDA**

and

**RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG**

for all you have done for the community and for us.

**HAROLD & HANNAH OBSTFELD**
To RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG
In word and deed, you have taught us how to be part of a caring Torah community.

To LINDA
The qualities that make you essential to the YIJE family -- insight, efficiency, kindness, discretion, resourcefulness, and a willingness to go above and beyond -- have also made your friendship a blessing to our family. Yasher koach and elef todot.

JACK & RUTH RAISNER
We are honored to pay tribute to
LINDA BRUKNER
on her selfless, dedicated devotion to the success of our Community. Her competence, commitment, and concern for our Shul, our Rabbi & Rebbitzen and our Membership is exemplary and a crucial element in our Shul’s thriving over the last 40 years. May her retirement be fulfilling, blessed by nachat and good health and a true feeling of a job well done.

We express an endless hakarat hatov to
RABBI & MRS HOCHBERG
as we salute our Shul at this anniversary.

PESSI & ASHER REIMER AND FAMILY
Mazel tov on celebrating 40 years together.

Special hakarat hatov to

LINDA BRUKNER

HENRY & JUDY ROSENBAUM
Mazel tov to YIJE and its membership 40 years together!!!

Special hakaros hatov extended to

LINDA BRUKNER

On dedicating years of working and non-working hours to the operation of our shul. You’re the best!!!

We have come a long way from the 35 family home-based shul to the facility that houses us today. Over the years, the shul has provided for all our families’ spiritual, educational, and social needs. We’ve made lifelong friendships, and one of those friendships is with

RABBI HOCHBERG AND KAREN

They’ve seen us through life’s crises including births, simchas, illness, and death. We could not have developed this community without your advice, guidance, and leadership. Your retirement is well deserved. What mortal human could put in the amount of time and dedication that you and Karen have year after year? Enjoy your retirement and know that we love you and you will be sorely missed.

JESSE & LYDIA

DANIEL, RACHEL, ABBIE, IGOR, SHIRA, AARON, RAFI

AND THE GRANDCHILDREN
Mazal Tov YIJE on Forty Years Together at the center of Jewish Life in Jamaica Estates

Thank you

RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN for being a part of our family now and forever.

Thank you

LINDA for all you do every day.

LOLA & HARVEY ROSENBLUM
JANNA & SAM HERSKOWITZ
TZIPPORAH & MOSHE BOIM
AND FAMILIES
Mazel tov to everyone in the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates community. We appreciate the efforts of all our lay leaders and the many volunteers, without whom the community could not thrive.

A special hakarat hatov to

LINDA BRUKNER
whose work has helped keep it all running for decades.
It was a pleasure to partner with you during my presidency.

Mazel and hatzlacha to

RABBI & REBBETZIN HOCHBERG
who always go above and beyond the call of duty
to care for every member and the community. You will be missed.

YAELE, MICHAEL, ZOE, SASHA, MIA, AND KENLEY SCHREIBER
HaKaras HaTov To Our Dear Friend

LINDA

Congratulations on the Job well done and the much DESERVED retirement! From the smallest to the largest project and no matter the undertaking, your commitment to detail, diligence, loyalty & dedication contributed to our Shul’s Success! Your Support & personal touch will certainly be missed!

To Our

RABBI SHLOMO & REBBETZIN KAREN HOCHBERG

A Heartfelt Yasher Koach for your devotion given with Love, Humility and Dignity over the years to the Shul, community and our family. May Hashem grant you fulfillment in the years ahead.

HELEN, SANDY, ALAN
DANIEL, LAUREN, JUDAH, JACK & MAXWELL SILVERMAN
To our dear Reb Shlomo and his beloved Rebbitzen Karen,

You exemplify the best qualities of Judaism with a passion for peace and harmony, a love of all people and a relentless focus on spreading the values of our people throughout our community and beyond. For the past 28 years, our family has been blessed to call Reb Shlomo our rabbi, advisor and friend. Your leadership, guidance, love, devotion and caring have taught us by example, and together with Karen, have shown us the true meaning of role models. Your special qualities and unique nature enabled us to embrace the dual precepts of Kosher and Torah in a most remarkable fashion. May HaShem bless you both with good health and success to continue your accomplishments here and in Yerushalayim.

With much love and appreciation,

REIZE & HOWARD SIPZNER
AVI & PENINA, LAUREN & ISAAC, ZACH AND BENNY
CAROL & SHEP BORGEN

We extend appreciation and best wishes to Linda Brukner on her retirement as the long-time secretary of the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates.

We wish the entire community of Jamaica Estates congratulations and continued success as it celebrates 40 years of togetherness and growth.
[YIJE Share Info] Seeking Office Manager: Required Qualifications: 30 years’ experience in Office Administration; excellent verbal & written skills; effective organizational & communication skills; fluency in English/Hebrew/Russian; advanced computer skills; detail oriented & able to function in highly stressful situations with a sense of urgency; capable of juggling multiple etrogim at any time, without damaging any pits. Responsibilities: Deal with ridiculously demanding membership, internal/external documents; perform billing & statements; assist with a wide variety of chesed & non-chesed projects. Must be dedicated, hard-working, thorough, diplomatic & discreet; able to type in sundry differing pica & fonts; available 24/6. Rabbinic references, a plus. Preferred Qualifications: Patience of a Tzadakis; ever-ready dvar-Torah &/or penchant-trivia carrying spouse, optional; water-resistant-sloped back a sine qua non for the position! *

[YIJE Share Info] Seeking irreplaceable sui generis Rabbi and Rebbetzin: fervently devout; dedicated and devoted to community and klal Yisrael; earnestly warm; sincere; divinely thoughtful; concerned, caring, considerate; universally respected and loved! *

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To RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN

You have been a constant source of inspiration to us and our entire family. We cannot imagine the shul without you. What you have done for this community cannot be fully expressed in words. We will miss you but know you will always remain a part of our lives.

To LINDA

You have kept the shul running smoothly for all these years with grace and charm. Thank you for doing a thankless job so well for so long. You will be sorely missed.

NEIL & MARCIE STEIN AND FAMILY
Mazel Tov to our longtime friend

LINDA BRUKNER

on this well-deserved honor in recognition of your tireless appreciation in our shul.

Words cannot express our appreciation for our beloved

RABBI SHLOMO & REBBETZIN KAREN HOCHBERG

Your love and dedication to our family on a personal level, as well as your devotion to our Shul, are truly unparalleled. You will always serve as our principal models of chessed, Torah and leadership.

May Hashem bless you with health, happiness and long life.

With much love,

MONICA & MEYER STRAUS AND FAMILY
Mazel Tov

LINDA

on your retirement.
Thank you for your many years at YIJE - we wish you all the best always.

Happy 40th Anniversary to YIJE.
May you continue to grow for many years.

RALPH & SUSAN STRAUS
Mazal Tov to all of this year’s recipients!

To **LINDA,**

Thank you for always being the friendly face and voice at the Young Israel. You were always ready to help us even after we moved out. Your untiring work there is truly appreciated.

To the **RABBI & KAREN,**

Mere words cannot capture our feelings toward you. We consider you close family members. You taught us the difference between a Neighborhood and a Community. You lead the Kehila by extraordinary example; with love, kindness and respect. You taught us that celebrating the good times is just as important as being there in times of need. Your friendship to our family is truly appreciated and cherished. As you start the next phase of life and career, we wish you all the best, with good health and happiness.

We will always consider Jamaica Estates our home.

With love,

**JOANIE & MARNEY TWERSKY**

**MICHAEL & STEPHANIE AND DANIEL**
Congratulations to

HARRY & LINDA BRUKNER

upon your well-deserved honor.
This occasion highlights your extraordinary qualities, your tireless efforts and countless hours you give to
YOUNG ISRAEL OF JAMAICA ESTATES
and the community at large.

RABBI DAVID & ZLATTE WEINBERGER
שיר השירים אשת לשלום"א

ידיד ימים ונפש פנים, יתום מתואר בתורה כשלו.
התאומים mú תומך יומם, נוהרים דברי וילה הספר.
שהוא, דוד חכם, החכם והיווה לכל דברי והנה.
ברוחו הכהנים בשלו פעילות הדמות, על כל מאסビル ומשה.
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ולצאתו בצד יד יראות והנה, דוד חכם, החכם והיווה הכל
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לפיון בבר

ידיד ימים ונפש פנים, יתום מתואר בתורה כשלו.
Thank you to

RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG

Words cannot express our appreciation for all that you have done for our community and our family. You have been an integral part of our lives since you moved to Jamaica Estates. Your full time presence will be throughouly missed.

Thank you

LINDA

for your tireless dedication to our shul and community.

DR. ALEXANDER & MERYL WEINGARTEN AND FAMILY
Yasher Koach to YIJE! 40 years and counting! 80 more years, may we continue to grow and enjoy each other's company! We cannot begin to thank both the old timers and the new arrivals, leaders and followers, for providing wisdom and enthusiasm, B"H!

There are not enough words and emotions to describe our love and affection for

RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG

Finally,

LINDA
Linda
Linda
(Lynn!)

You are the one who makes all the running of the important details seem effortless, surely you have been keeping YIJE going for these 40 years! May you have a well deserved and enjoyable retirement with the whole mishpacha calling your name.

All our best wishes,

KAREN & DAVID WEINSTEIN AND FAMILY
RAV SHLOMO & KAREN

Most of us know that we have been privileged, for nearly three decades, to live and raise our families among true Tzadikim, our beloved Rabbi and Rebbetzin, whose immeasurable influence has enriched our lives and outlook. We have been blessed by your indelible examples of modesty, Chesed, wisdom, inclusiveness and tireless dedication to the needs of our Kehila in good times and bad - seemingly Lema’ale Min Hateva - but whose advice and guidance has always been down to earth and eminently practical yet consoling in circumstances where, R”L, it must be. Please know that you both have deeply touched us in a life-altering way, and for that we will forever be grateful. You are irreplaceable, and the void that you leave behind is profound. We wish you much happiness and contentment, Mazal and good health Ad Maya Ve’esrim Shana!

LINDA

Yasher Kochech on a job well done. You have been a “One Woman Show” whose dedication, professionalism and helpfulness has been the glue which has kept our shul together! Mazal Tov V’Chol Hakavod.

With love and respect,

ESTELLE & LEO WIENER
With great admiration and appreciation we salute

**LINDA BRUKNER**

for her extraordinary dedication to YIJE!!
Thank you for going above and beyond and for always being there with a smile –
day or night - for all of us. (And for being Harry's better half – how do you do it? ☺)

And to our exceptional Mara d’Asra and Rebbetzin

**RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG**

There are no words to express our appreciation and affection. We love you and will miss you.
May Hashem shower you with good health, happiness, and much nachat,
and may you continue to lead and inspire Klal Yisroel ad meah esrim shana!!!

**LOIS AND MARK WEINTRAUB**
**FAIGY, DANIEL, RENA AND ROEY**
**SARAH, MARC, BINYOMAN AND NAOMI**
**DOVID**
**AARON AND ELANA**
Mazal Tov to RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN,

We are sincerely grateful for your deep and lasting commitment to the YIJE. The shul would not be where it is today without this “dynamic duo.” Your dedication, leadership and midot tovot inspire us and the greater Queens community. We are so proud and honored to call you dear friends. May this next chapter in your life be filled with only good health and bracha ad meah v’esrim!
PS: We always remember fondly that Joshua’s bar mitzvah was the first community Simcha with you!

To LINDA

Your devotion to the Young Israel and our community is immensely appreciated. You have truly made our shul a better place. Yasher Koach on this very well deserved honor!!

THE WISOTSKY FAMILY
40 Years Together...What a Heartwarming Milestone!!

We pay tribute and give hakarot hatov to you for all the painstaking efforts you have taken in order to perform your multi-faceted position with such finesse, precision and dedication. You certainly leave large shoes to fill! We wish you and Harry good health and hatzlacha in the future.

LINDA,

RABBI SHLOMO & REBBETZIN KAREN, amosh

Words cannot express our gratitude for your leadership, lifetime of committed loyalty, hard work and above all- your expressions of caring for our shul and its members. Your unwavering devotion continues to inspire us as a kehillah and as individuals. May you be zoche to continue your avodat hakodesh for Klal Yisroel in good health til 120, as well as all your future endeavors with joy. We shall truly miss you.

B’Yididut and great admiration,

IRWIN & JUDY WOISLAVSKY AND FAMILY
Yeshiva Har Torah takes great pleasure in wishing much continued success to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates in their service to the Jewish community.

A very special mazal tov to Rabbi Shlomo & Karen Hochberg who, by example and through their teaching, have left an indelible mark on our community and have always been good friends of our Yeshiva. We wish you much hatzlachah as you begin this new chapter in your lives.

Rabbi Gary Menchel
Menahel

Dr. Ari Gross
President

Edward Fox
Executive Director
Dear LINDA

Words cannot express our gratitude for your always willing to assist us, answer our questions, help us through projects, in a cheerful and friendly manner with tons of patience and kindness. We thank you very much and we will miss you!

We wish you much hatzlacha and keep in touch.

Mazal Tov!

YOUNG ISRAEL OF HOLLISWOOD
RABBI MOSHE TAUB
SETH GOLDSTEIN, PRESIDENT
BARBARA LIBMAN, OFFICE MANAGER
AND THE ENTIRE HOLLISWOOD COMMUNITY
To RABBI AND KAREN

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you, for always being there for us and the entire community, from welcoming us 25 years ago with Challah, sugar and salt and sending us off on our journey last year with the same, for making sure that every simcha and every sad time is handled in the best way possible, for answering all our questions big and small, for caring about us and taking the time to let us know. We are so grateful to have you as our Rabbi and Rebbetzin now and in the future no matter where your and our travels may take us. Thank you again and again. With love, respect, admiration and gratitude, we wish you continued fulfillment and enjoyment from all the mitzvot and amazing acts of chessed you both do every day in every way.

To LINDA

Thank you for all you have done for the shul throughout the years and for all the help and guidance you’ve given us for each simcha we celebrated at the shul. We wish you a wonderful retirement. Mazel Tov on this well deserved Tribute.

To the YIJE, Mazel Tov on 40 years and many more to come.

DEBBIE & LARRY ZWANY AND FAMILY
Thank you, 

**LINDA**

for everything you have done for us throughout the years! There will never be anyone like you!

Bihatzlachah for a healthy and happy future, 

**PENNY**

P.S. It has been a pleasure learning with you

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In honor of

**LINDA**

Thank you for your work on behalf of the YI of JE. You are always so nice and ready to be helpful.

Best Wishes,

**SALLY & MARTY BAUMEL**
Mazal Tov and much appreciation to LINDA BRUKNER for her outstanding dedication and service to YIJE

Todah Rabah and wishes for continued Hatzlacha to RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG Exemplary Jewish leaders and cherished friends for decades past and IYH for future decades.

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RABBI SHLOMO & REBBETZIN KAREN HOCHBERG
and
LINDA BRUKNER

We all too often take our blessings for granted. It is only after we are removed from that setting do we realize how extraordinarily fortunate we were. That is how we feel about you – Rabbi Shlomo and Karen Hochberg and your pillar of support Linda Brukner. Your preternatural unwavering and constant devotion to the Jamaica Estates community, to its members, and to the greater Jewish world is a blessing we all enjoyed for so many years.

Rabbi and Karen Hochberg – you will always be our Rabbi and Rebbetzin regardless of how far you or we roam.
And Linda - we still plan to call you at all hours to ask questions about deadlines and events.

We wish you the best of mazel and success in all your endeavors as you embark on new adventures.

DEBBY & SIMCHA POLLACK AND FAMILY

LINDA

We can not begin to thank you for all you have done. You gave guidance and help with kindness and grace. You were willing to teach and lend a helping hand and working with you was such a pleasure.
Thank you.

RABBI AND REBBETZIN HOCHBERG

Thank you for being incredible role models and for being examples of what it looks like to live a life full of Torah and Middot Tovot. Thank you for never failing to have a kind word and a smile for us and our children.

AYELET, NATHAN, TOVA, TIKVA AND AVI-CHAYN GOLDBERG
Mazel Tov to
LINDA
for her incredible dedication to her work in Jamaica Estates.
Your knowledge always astounds us.

Best always,
THE MARGOLIN FAMILY

Thanking
LINDA
for your years of service.
The shul and community will surely miss you.
Your devotion to the shul deserves a Big Hakarat HaTov.

All our love,
BEATA, EYLAN,
ELLA & ABBIE SCHULMAN
Dear LINDA

All of your varied interactions with our community have been done with great diligence, kindness, and sensitivity. May HKBH grant you and your family much health and happiness. Thank you so much for everything.

JOSH & LINDA WEINSTEIN

To LINDA BRUKNER

We thank you for all the years you’ve spent helping things run smoothly at YIJE.

FRANCINE & MYRON KOLATCH

In honor of RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG and LINDA BRUKNER

Wishing you a good life.

JACK & ELAINE KORNBLUH
What a wonderful place to live, raise your children and make friends! Thank you to RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG for all that you do to make this a community.

And a tremendous Hakarat Hatov to LINDA
You are always my go to woman—you have the answer to all our questions from addresses to planning a Shalom Zachor.
We cannot thank you enough!!

LOIS & LENNY BRAFMAN

Mazel Tov to LINDA BRUKNER upon being recognized tonight for her many years of dedicated service to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates. And to our dear friends and mentors RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG We wish you mazal and bracha as you move on to the next phase of your lives. We will miss your presence in the neighborhood but look forward to continued friendship for many years to come!

RABBI MARC & ADEENA PENNER

Mazel Tov to LINDA BRUKNER
We are so very grateful for your years of utmost dedication to our community.

To
LINDA BRUKNER
We are so very grateful for your years of utmost dedication to our community.

RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG
We will miss your friendship and sage advice.

RHONDA & STEVEN WEISSMAN, MARK AND ELISHEVA

RAVELLA HOCHBERG & KAREN
What a wonderful place to live, raise your children and make friends! Thank you to RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG for all that you do to make this a community. And a tremendous Hakarat Hatov to LINDA
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LOIS & LENNY BRAFMAN

Mazel Tov to LINDA BRUKNER on a well deserved honor; and our warmest and best wishes to RABBI HOCHBERG & KAREN

HOWARD & LONNI FRIED AND FAMILY
Mazal tov to our wonderful community. We truly feel blessed to be a part of such a wonderful kehilla.

**AVI & STACEY GOLDBERG**

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**ODE TO LINDA**

You’ve seen it all and done so much, you’ve given things your special touch
There aren’t words that can convey the special way we feel today
You’ve helped the shul in many ways, you’ve shared yourself on many days
Thank you—thank you—THANK YOU!!!

—- and also Harry

**GARRY, GAIL, BETH, SARAH, AND DAVID KATZ**

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Special Hakarat Hatov to **LINDA BRUKNER** for the remarkable job she has done. Mazel tov and warm wishes to Harry and their children. We cherish our personal friendship.

**RABBI & MRS.YITZCHOK ADLER**

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We are grateful for all that **RABBI HOCHBERG** and his Eshet Chayil **KAREN** do for the community. And without **LINDA** where would we be? Although you will all be missed terribly, we wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

**GAIL & ZVI KEREN**
Kudos and many thanks to LINDA for many years of dedicated service for the Kehilla!

Special Hakarat Hatov to RABBI AND KAREN for your leadership, dedication, inspiration and love.

BETTY & STEVE NISSENFELD

Mazal Tov and best wishes to RABBI & KAREN HOCHBERG and the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates on this 40th Anniversary celebration and Kol Hakavod to LINDA BRUKNER for her service on behalf of the shul.

AVI & JILL PANDEY

Mazel Tov to LINDA

ANONYMOUS

Dear LINDA,

Mazal Tov for this well deserved recognition! Your work ethic, dedication, commitment and efficiency enhance our daily life at YUE. You make your work seem effortless, yet we know it’s not; you do it with such grace and patience.

Thank you for all you do. May you continue to go from strength to strength!

Wishing you good health and much Nachat.

To RABBI HOCHBERG AND KAREN, Thank you for all you do for our Community. Wishing you a future filled with good health and joy. We will miss you.

B’vracha, CHANA SILBERSTEIN
Thank You LINDA for all you have done for YIJE. Want to wish you happiness in your next chapter of your life, without us bothering you. Mazel Tov!

JAY & DINA LEHON

JUDI & ALVIN SEGAL

With sincere gratitude to LINDA for her exemplary and tireless dedication to all the members of the YIJE community!

ALAN & ANNIE WEINBERG

DAVID & RACHEL KLEINMAN
ELISA & MICHAEL BELLER

DOROTHY & JULIUS BERMAN

ELIHU & CELIA BROWN

HY & ADELE ITZKOWITZ

MARK & BELLA MULLOKANDOV
YITZCHOK & DEBBIE PORTNOY

In Honor of LINDA BRUKNER, for all her help and service throughout the years.

AARON KOLLER & SHIRA

FRED & SUSAN RAVEN

Thank you both for all your help and kindness over the years and being there for me when I needed it.

NAOMI STRUBEL

MAYER & ESTEE WAXMAN
HAROLD & CAROL FINKEL

Mazel Tov LINDA! Thank you for everything you do for us and for our community!!
To RABBI & KAREN it is difficult to put our gratitude for you into words. We love you and will miss you so much!!
Love, TAMARA, ERAN, ASHER, SONIA & RAFAEL KAYNAN

YEHUDA & MICHELLE KLEINMAN

Mazel Tov LINDA and thank you for all of your contributions to the shul over the years.
ANDY AND MICHELLE DAVIDSON
ALEX & VALERIE OLSEN

Mazel Tov LINDA.
BEVERLY AND YAKOV PEREL

BRETT & CHANI HOCHMAN

Yasher Koach to our friend LINDA BRUKNER! YIJE was very fortunate to have such an exceptional and overqualified person running the administrative office!

Fondly, RENA & ALAN SCHNALL
CECILE BLITSTEIN

Mazal Tov LINDA on this well deserved honor! Thank you for providing our community with years of love and support! 

THE BLITZ’S

Mazal Tov to all the Honorees.

ISAAC & PENINA COHEN

THE BURSTEINS
So grateful to be part of this wonderful community that has enriched us, our children and grandchildren. Thank you to **RABBI & KAREN** for your leadership, innovation and chesed. May Hashem bless you and your family always. And **LINDA**, you will be a tough act to follow. So appreciate your help, patience and above all, friendship.

**YITZHAK & JUDY DORI**

Mazal tov to **LINDA BRUKNER** upon this well deserved honor! You are outstanding and every facet of the YIJE has truly flourished in your capable hands! Thank you for your leadership in our learning group as well! Rabbi Shlomo and Rebbitzin Karen Hochberg, you are both so cherished and have endeared yourselves to the entire community, which has tremendous Hakarat Hatov for everything you’ve done to build Y.I.J.E into the incredible shul it is today! Wishing you both hatzlacha as you go forth on your journey ahead.

**CLARISSE FRENKEL**
Kudos to **LINDA BRUKNER** for her outstanding and dedicated service to our shul all these years. As well as to our dear **RABBI SHLOMO & KAREN HOCHBERG** for their selflessness, kindness, integrity and duty to the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates. Both Linda and the Hochbergs will be sorely missed.

**THE BURSTEINS**

Congratulations to **LINDA BRUKNER** on this well deserved honoring. We thank you for your friendship to us and for your sincere dedication to the entire congregation for so many years for which so many of us are grateful beyond words. See much nachas from your family with health and simchas. Amen.

**RONEN AND TANYA NISSANI AND FAMILY**

**STUART & WENDY RIBACK**
Mazel tov to our honorees!
Thank you for all that you have done for our community through the years!
Love, **THE WARSHAW’S**

MORDY & MAZALIT BRANDWEIN

MRS. GOLDIE BRENER

ED & DINA FISCHBEIN
ARNOLD & SUE MANDELSTAM

In honor of and grateful appreciation to LINDA BRUKNER for 40 years of dedicated service.

MOSHE & CAROLINE ROSNER

MARK & CINDY RUBIN

ED & RHONA WAGNER