

Legacy Letter

TEEN SCHOLARSHIPS TO ISRAEL

In 2017, the Nathan and Ruth Feldstein Israel Travel Fund was established at our Jewish Community Foundation offering financial assistance to local teens wishing to study or work in Israel. Two grants were awarded in late 2018, providing scholarships for Adam Levinsky and Talia Rubin to study at URJ Heller High, a high school semester program located 15 minutes outside of Jerusalem.



Pictured above:
Adam Levinsky
in Israel

Adam says he was "hoping to learn more about the country of Israel and the history of Judaism." He achieved that, and more. "Living, studying, and traveling in a country that followed the Jewish calendar, like observing Shabbat, made me feel very connected to being Jewish."

Similarly, Talia says she chose Heller High because she "wanted to learn something about myself; part of me wanted to test my independence, but the other part was searching for a life changing experience, something that would bring out the best version of myself. The Heller High community helps you mold your Jewish identity on your own but with guidance. I feel as if I am a stronger and more committed Jew and that I have a genuine connection to Judaism."

To learn more about the Feldstein Israel Travel Fund or to receive a copy of the application, please contact Amy Zacks at amy@foundationjewish.org or (609) 219-0555.



Pictured above: Talia Rubin with her Jewish History classmates on Har Ben Tal (during a field trip to the Golan Heights)

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Sunday, November 24, 2019

11:00 am Brunch

12 noon Private Tour of RBG Exhibition

In partnership with the National Museum of American Jewish History

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to all our supporters who made contributions during a special matching grant opportunity provided by Foundation President Scott Schaefer in honor of Harold Grinspoon's 90th birthday!

LEGACY SPOTLIGHT

Joyce Kalstein recently joined our Foundation Board of Trustees. But Joyce and husband Jerry are no strangers to our local Jewish community, to volunteering and to helping improve the lives of others.

Originally from Philadelphia, they settled in the Princeton area and a short time later, Joyce, Jerry and son Matthew were warmly welcomed as members of Congregation Beth Chaim. The synagogue became a central part of their lives, where they observed many life cycle events. Most meaningful was when Rabbi Wisnia married their son and led memorial services for Joyce's and Jerry's parents.

Through Beth Chaim, Joyce became friends with others who recruited her to serve on the Board of Jewish Family & Children's Service (JFCS). Her tenure lasted more than twenty years, and she held every position on the Executive Committee including Secretary, Treasurer and President.

When asked why she stayed so long, Joyce explains that she was compelled to support the services that so many people rely on – even her own neighbors. Jerry joined the effort, and they volunteered for Chore Core, doing tasks in the homes of seniors. While they helped with physical or organizational projects, they mostly enjoyed making a genuine connection and providing companionship.

They also developed an appreciation for the Jewish Community Youth Foundation, which guides teens to deal with money, understand economic value, and dive deep into the world of philanthropy. A highlight for Joyce was when she accompanied 11th graders to meet nonprofit leaders in New York City.

When LIFE & LEGACY was introduced to our community, the concept immediately resonated with Joyce and Jerry. They wanted to help ensure a future for their favorite organizations. To them, LIFE & LEGACY represented a way to build a bridge from one generation to the next. Joyce led the LIFE & LEGACY committee for JFCS, and they made a Promise (legacy commitment) to JFCS and Beth Chaim.

The Kalsteins lead a full life complete with work, travel, crafts and hobbies including local opera. It's a priority for them to keep active, to do for others, to learn from the experiences of those who came before them, and through all this, to stay young at heart.



Pictured above:
Joyce and Jerry Kalstein