HINEYNU CAMPAIGN UPDATE!

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This is *our* synagogue.

This is *our* community. This is *our* responsibility.



ani and Seth Schrank have found a home at Congregation Beth Shalom. Both of the Schranks grew up in very involved Jewish families so finding the perfect place for them was very important. Seth's family joined CBS in 2001, and Seth wasted no time in getting involved, even as a teenager. His involvement in USY culminated in his chapter presidency in 2000 - 2001. Growing up, Lani and her family moved around quite a lot; but wherever they landed, they always found a synagogue that addressed their ritual and personal needs. These two met after Lani moved to Chicago. As a couple, they prioritized finding a synagogue that would provide them with opportunities to become active, involved members. Congregation Beth Shalom was the perfect choice for them, a decision that was solidified after Rabbi Melman performed their marriage ceremony.

Hineynu Donor Profile: Lani and Seth Schrank

Seth's comfort with CBS is a result of growing up in the synagogue; however, Lani has come to feel equally comfortable. She feels CBS is similar to the synagogues in which she grew up, and it has felt like home to her from the beginning. CBS fit their need to find a place where they could be part of a thriving community and structure their lives around their Jewish identity.

They have become very involved in the life of our congregation. Seth is a floor Gabi on Shabbat and a member of the Board of Trustees. Lani is a member of Sisterhood where she has planned the Pesach program for the past two years and is the Secretary of their Exec Board this year. They belong to the Young Family Chavurah and have been involved in helping to shape the young family programming for the synagogue. Rather than just sit back and enjoy the perks Beth Shalom has to offer, especially for young families, they understand that work needs to get done to ensure the sustainability of the current programs so both Seth and Lani volunteered to work on the Hineynu campaign.

Their input and hard work have truly helped to guarantee a successful campaign.

Seth and Lani also participated in the campaign as donors. Philanthropy is important to them, and they want to be intentional about where they give and to whom. They are excited to be contributing to the Hineynu campaign since making a pledge aligns with their personal values and goals. They want Beth Shalom to continue to be the thriving community that attracted them and the center of Jewish life that sustains them. They are grateful for the families that came before them and their willingness to step up and financially commit to the future of Beth Shalom. And now it is their turn to safeguard the future for the generations to come, which includes their 18-month-old daughter, Mira. They envision the day when she will become a 3rd generation Bat Mitzvah at a service officiated by the same Rabbi who married them.

Congregation Beth Shalom is blessed to have this young family who is committed to ensuring our future!

Make your gift; double your impact!

Thanks to a very generous anonymous donor, all gifts to the Hineynu Campaign will be matched up to \$2.5 million! It is now on us, the CBS community, to rise to this challenge and maximize the full potential of this incredibly generous campaign pledge.

> In the spirit of the Hineynu Campaign, it is now our turn to show up, to be counted, to take responsibility, and to act.

Please schedule a meeting with a campaign representative by contacting either of our Campaign Co-Chairs: Lily Zoberman (lilyzoberman@gmail.com) or Brad Shaps (brad.shaps@gcgfinancial.com) or by calling the main office at 847-498-4100.



We are grateful to our donors for helping to make our dreams a reality. Please join them and give generously to the Hineynu Campaign.

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The Create a Jewish Legacy Program recently hosted an informational breakfast featuring two Estate Attorneys, Bruce Bell and David Handler,

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and Financial Advisor Joel Schwartz. Our Legacy Program and our involvement with the Jewish Federation was explained and examples were given of how Legacy Gifts could be made to Beth Shalom. A Legacy Gift is one that is committed to now but the actual gift is made after the passing of the individual. The Gift is made from the person's Estate.

The attorneys provided examples of ways to leave a legacy which include the following:

- Bequest in one's will or trust
- 2. Life insurance beneficiary
- Beneficiary of retirement plan assets or an IRA
- 4. A portion of real estate or a business interest
- 5. Donor advised fund

Questions were answered from our panel of experts. The program concluded with a review of the Hineynu Campaign and the Create a Jewish Legacy Program. Brad Shaps, Hineynu Co-Chair and Legacy Chair Glen Roter were both in attendance to answer questions.

Additional information can be obtained by emailing hineynu.campaign@bethshalomnb.org or legacy@bethshalomnb.org or by calling the CBS office at 847-498-4100.