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MAZEL TOV

Rabbi Rubin & Family on the 40th anniversary of Chabad settling in Albany

Yasher Koach for all the Mitzvahs, acts of kindness, and hard work you have accomplished

Seth, Michele & Rafael Chaiken

Beyond Better Together

Thank G-d, and thanks to our very skilled and dedicated Judaic and secular faculty, highly motivated students, concerned and caring parents, inspiring friends and dear supporters, this has been a most amazing year at Maimonides.

Besides reaching our mandated educational goals and Regents standards, we've also done well in several extracurricular programs and projects, primarily our participation in the "Better Together" program - this year's Scholarship Dinner theme.

Not only did 25 of our Middle and HS students produce wonderful essays on this subject as excerpted in this Journal, but we won a national competition against 25 respected and established schools in various cities.

The "Better Together" concept goes beyond the intergenerational program, in which our youth and communal seniors connected, exchanged and learned from each other.

Our success is the result of so many of us working TOGETHER, volunteering and going above and beyond the call of duty. We may each have our own specific needs and priorities, yet all the teamwork and coordinating TOGETHER is really working wonders!

Let's look forward to an even Better Better Together for the benefit of our children and community!

Rabbi Israel & Morah Rochel Rubin



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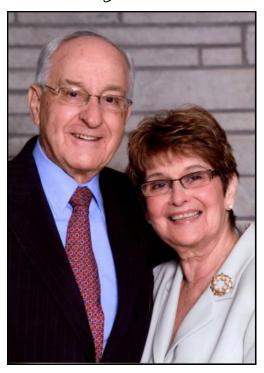
Maimonides Hebrew Day School annually awards the Dr. Morton Berger Memorial Award to an individual who typifies the character, leadership and compassion of Dr. Berger.

A leader in the Capital Region's Jewish community and a nationally renown psychologist, "Morty" was the husband of Hope, and father to Linda, Howard and Alan.

Dr. Berger was a founding member of the Hebrew Academy of the Capital District, a long-time member of Cong. Shomray Torah, active in the community and an inspiration to many individuals.

Professionally, Dr. Berger was Dean of the Freukauf Graduate School of Psychology at Yeshiva University and an adjunct professor at Albany Medical College. He passed away tragically on the 28th of Nissan, 5748 - April 15th, 1988.

Dr. Berger's achievements and activities were characterized by his intelligence, insight and compassion. Even though he is no longer with us, his memory, character and teachings continue to live on with us forever.



DR. WILLIAM & ADRIENNE ROCKWOOD

Bill and Adrienne are long-time Albany residents with deep local family roots. Each individually, and together as a couple, Dr. William and Adrienne Rockwood represent a blend of the finest enduring leadership and dedication for their families, friends and community.

This award holds a special place in Bill's heart, as it was Dr. Morty Berger who first introduced him to the field of addictions in 1968 – a gesture that ultimately led him down a path that proved both professionally successful and personally fulfilling. His gratitude for Morty's encouragement and guidance has always been unwavering.

Adrienne and Bill Rockwood have been married for 61 years. They have five children, 16 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren. Their large and growing family remains a continuous source of special pride and is the impetus for their ongoing community involvement.

WILLIAM P. ROCKWOOD

Bill Rockwood has been an active member of the Capital Region Jewish community for many years. At Temple Israel, he has served as president as well as on various committees. He currently serves as a board member for Beth Abraham Jacob. He is a past commander for the Jewish War Veterans Post 105, and served as the president of the Vaad Hakashruth of the Capital District. In addition, he is the former president and current executive vice president of JERNY (Jewish Educational Resources of New York). He is the recipient of the B'nai Brith Covenant Award and shares Temple Israel's Circle of Humanity Award with his wife, Adrienne.

Bill's professional career spans more than 40 years. At The Sage Colleges, he served as chair of the biology department and as the founder and director of the Sage Project in Alcohol and Drug Abuse. Upon his retirement from academia, he and Adrienne chose to share their love of helping others in 2002 by founding Senior Hope, an outpatient clinic serving the 50+ population in the Capital Region. Bill continues to work with local organizations assisting people with addiction issues.

Over the course of his career Bill has received numerous awards and honors, including the New York State Alcohol and Drug Educator Marty Mann Award from the National Council of Alcoholism and Other Addictions. Past and current board positions include The Next Step. Inc. (past president), Hudson-Mohawk Recovery Center, Hope House, Inc. (past president), Institute for Professional Development in the Addictions, Pine Hills Youth Center (past president), Advisory Council/St. Peter's Alcoholism Rehabilitation Center (past chairman), and Operation Reach/Drug Education Program/Governor Clinton Council/Boy Scouts of America (co-chairman). In addition, he was a member of the Governor's Transition Task Force on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in New York State and the NYS Education Department Anatomy and Physiology College Proficiency Test Committee. Professional affiliations include American Association for the Advance of Science, Beta Beta Beta National Biology Honor Society, International Experimental Hematology Society, New York Academy of Sciences and Sigma XI National Society for Science Research. Bill holds a bachelor's degree from Boston College, a master's degree from Syracuse University and a Ph.D. from New York University.

ADRIENNE ROCKWOOD

Adrienne Rockwood is also a longstanding member of the Capital Region Jewish community. As a member of Brandeis University's third graduating class, she has served as president of the University's National Women's Committee (Albany chapter) for two terms and is a life member of the organization. Under her tenure as president, the organization received an award for exceeding its national fundraising campaign goals. She is also a life member of Hadassah — a legacy she has passed on to her four daughters — and has served as co-president of the Daughters of Sarah Nursing Center Foundation Auxiliary, which she shared with her daughter Marta. She has also been a lay chaplain for Jewish Family Services since the program's inception and has been chair/co-chair for numerous special events at Temple Israel, including the Circle of Humanity Award program. In 2006 Adrienne and Bill were both honored by Senior Services of Albany as recipients of the Third Age Achievement Award, a program that recognizes contributions and achievements made by those over the age of 60.

In her professional life, Adrienne began her career as an elementary school teacher in Boston, and her love of teaching followed her move back to Albany. She taught at Beth Abraham Jacob's nursery school, where Rabbi Mendel Rubin was one of her students. Under her leadership as director of the Herman and Libbie Michaelson Early Childhood Center at Temple Israel, she turned an already successful program into an award-winning early education experience by expanding it to include parent workshops and conferences. Ultimately, Adrienne pursued a new path as a career counselor. In addition to running a private practice, she also held such positions in a number of local libraries, authored a weekly column in a local daily newspaper and established programs for returning women students at Hudson Valley Community College, Schenectady County Community College and The Sage Colleges. Adrienne then took a position as a representative for the State of Israel Bonds before serving as vice president at Family and Children's Services of Albany. Most recently, she facilitated at Temple Israel's Mommy & Me program. Adrienne holds a bachelor's degree from Brandeis University and a master's degree and Ed.S. from the State University of New York at Albany.

Learning from Our Honorees

As part of the Better Together program our High School girls interviewed this years honorees, Mr. & Mrs. Rockwood, asking them to share memories of growing up in Albany.

Growing up the Albany community felt like Brooklyn today. Albany was a destination! People came from many other places to enjoy all the Jewish community had to offer. Everyone lived right around the corner from each other. South Pearl Street was the center of Jewish life. It had several kosher butchers, bakeries and stores, offering freshly baked challah and onion rolls, pickles from the barrel and much more. People crowded around the newspaper stands to get the daily paper. Mr. Rockwood recalled working behind the counter at a deli, interacting with the customers in Yiddish. The hustle and bustle on the streets created a warm and inviting atmosphere.

Mrs. Rockwood fondly recalls Motzei Shabbos on South Pearl St. as a special time. Everyone walked and talked in the streets, and the stores were all open late. When a car came down the street, they had to honk to get through all the crowds. It was a time to catch up and reacquaint with friends and community.

Most of the Jewish community lived within close proximity to each other. Both Mr. and Mrs. Rockwood lived close to their school, Public School 18. While parents felt safe letting their children play outside, Jewish children occasionally experienced some anti-Semitism. Jews felt and knew they were different from the other children in the neighborhood. Everyone in the South Pearl St. area looked out for one another.

As the Jewish community started to move to the Delaware and New Scotland areas, which was then considered to be far out, the Kosher stores started to offer home delivery. A truck would come regularly to their homes, take down the family's order and would then go down to the food truck to bring up their orders. They remember as children, smelling the aromas from the bakery truck and watching with eager eyes as the delivery man took out trays of freshly baked goods.

Mr. and Mrs. Rockwood grew up together and were friends at an early age. Mrs. Rockwood recounts the only boys at her birthday parties being her cousin and her future husband. They were later formally introduced at Lincoln Park. When they got engaged, Bill went off to war in Korea, while at home Adrienne planned their wedding. They got married only ten days after he returned from the service.

Being an only child, Mrs. Rockwood dreamed of having a big family. Thank G-d, Mr. and Mrs. Rockwood now have five children, many grandchildren and great grandchildren. They both have much nachas from their children who are making a difference in their communities. Mrs. Rockwood stressed how important it is to not only teach your children values but to lead by example, because actions speak louder than words.

Mr. and Mrs. Rockwood said how fortunate we are, as Maimonides students, to have a Jewish day school. Mrs. Rockwood's uncle struggled to start one, unfortunately the community was not fully invested and it was not successful for long. It is incredible how far the Albany Jewish community has come, for it to have thriving and successful Jewish day schools.

They taught us that while we can learn from the past, our focus should be on the present. We should appreciate all that we have especially in our day and age. Today we have many advancements in science, modern medicine, and revolutionary technology at our fingertips.

Another idea that the Rockwoods left us with is that we don't necessarily need to physically travel someplace else to experience something. Mrs. Rockwood explained that while she is home she can also experience another place through reading and writing, without feeling that she is missing out on bigger and better things.

Mrs. Rockwood shared her grandfather's message, "always remember where you come from." Not only the geographic location but one's heritage and history. When asked what message they want to impart to us, the Rockwoods said to appreciate the present, take advantage of all opportunities that come our way, and to value our family and community.

Written by the High School Girls

AROUND THE YEAR "Better Together" 2014-2015

BEFORE ROSH HASHANAH

Students helped the Seniors decorate Rosh Hashana Cards. The seniors shared how to say new year greetings and phrases like apple in honey in Russian.

BETTER TOGETHER SUKKAH

Maimonides students helped Bnai Brith Residents to construct a Sukkah on their premises. The seniors created beautiful Sukkah decorations along with Bnai Brith Coordinator Natasha Khaitov.

HOMEMADE CHANUKAH LATKE PARTY

Maimonides Students visited the Bnai Brith residents and hosted a nice Chanukah Party/ Better Together interaction with Latke baking from scratch from peeling potatoes to grating and frying. Chanukah songs, First night Menorah lighting and more!

A TU BISHVAT HEALTH & WELLNESS EVENT

Our students shared Tu B'shvat spirit and tastes at Bnai Brith. We made healthy Tu B'Shvat truffles which the seniors helped roll and shape. Nutritionist Raya Ioffe shared important health advice and answered the seniors questions in Russian while our students served smoothies.

PASSOVER PACKAGES WITH SHALOM FOOD PANTRY & SEDER, TOO!

HS Students assembled Passover food packages for seniors at Bnai Brith along with an invite to a "Better Together" Seder. While delivering them, they interacted with the seniors and wished them a Happy Passover, some put on Tefillin and said the Shema together. The Passover Seder was attended by over 20 seniors was led by students with a teacher and community volunteers.

ROUNDTABLE GAME & MEMORIES

7th grade students read their Better 2 Write essays in a roundtable discussion with seniors. Each student read selected paragraphs of essays. They played an engaging "what if -then" game, by using question index cards. The questions indirectly awakened memories of the seniors. Some seniors even recalled growing up in the school's Pine Hill neighborhood.

A MINI-SYNAGOGUE BAR-MITZVAH MINYAN

Our students created a "mini synagogue" at Bnai Brith for elderly Jews who grew up in Communist Russia, some never had an opportunity to become "Bar Mitzvah." They assisted seniors with Tallis & Tefillin and Torah reading and then enjoyed a Bagel Brunch as seniors shared memories of Jewish life and rare synagogue visits back in Communist Russia.

ISRAELI SALAD AND HEBREW ULPAN

HS Girls visited seniors at Ohav Shalom in honor of Israel Independence Day. They shared how to prepare fresh Israeli salad and enjoyed it with pita & falafel over a Hebrew crash course.

BETTER TOGETHER BOUQUET

Students visited seniors at Daughters of Sara memory enhancement unit, creating flower bouquets in honor of Shavuot from fruit with cookie cutters and spending quality time with the seniors.

STAR OF DAVID TEA CUPS

Students made ceramic Star of David tea cups with seniors as a year-end gift.

PLUS several oral history interviews, younger grades song performances and more!

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1ST PRIZE "BETTER TOGETHER'
NATIONALY VS 25 SCHOOLS!

Student Essays and Photos

from the Better Together Program





"My Grandmother's Chicken Soup" - Nechama Krimmer

My grandmother always makes her special chicken soup. She learned to make soup from her mother who learned from her mother. This special chicken soup has been passed through the generations to

keep a family tradition, and to make holidays special... We enjoyed the satisfying soup in peace and quiet, because we were all trying to get the best out of every last spoonful. When you see how much effort someone puts into something, when the final product comes, you appreciate it all the more. Everyone can just go to the store, buy a package of chicken soup and warm it up at home, but it wouldn't taste the same. When you eat homemade chicken soup, you could taste the effort and freshness that was put into it. But there is a bonus - you get a bond with the people who you make it and share it with.



"True Respect for Elders" - Sara Rubin

Some older people enjoy feeling young again. For example there is an older lady who likes to spend time with our family on the holidays. This lady's husband passed away and her children do not live nearby, so she sometimes comes to my house to spend time with younger people. One Simchat Torah she came by and she was so excited to be dancing with the younger people. For her, this made her feel young and that made her feel good. It is also important that the elderly can feel helpful or needed. For instance my great-grandmother comes every year for Passover. She very much wants to help and feel a part of things in the kitchen. Usually my mother gives her carrots or potatoes, something to peel. We set up a small table in the kitchen for her to work at comfortably. It helps her feel needed and included.

"Mrs. S. and I" - Esti Backman

It taught me compassion and patience, and it gave me a loving relationship with an old friend. One of the reasons of why I enjoyed being with her was because of her strong views and opinions. Sometimes, we would just sit in the living room and I would read the newspaper to her, and



we would complain to each other about the corruptness of the world we live in. Yes, I loved her for her strong views, but what I loved most about her was her attitude. She always knew how to get my spirits up with that contagious laugh of hers, and for that and more, I miss her more than words can explain.

"Give & Take: Our Relationship with the Elderly" - Chani Rubin



My great-grandfather used to tell a story about the Rebbe Shalom Ber, the fifth Chabad Rebbe, and his son Yosef Yitzchak, later to become the Frierdiker Rebbe. Once while they were traveling in Vienna, they went to see an art museum. One of the exhibits showed a painting of the Jewish people crossing the Red Sea. This dramatic scene was depicted in great detail. But one particular detail bothered Yosef Yitzchak.

"Why are the young clinging to their elders, doesn't the Torah say that they left Egypt with pride and confidence?" he asked his father. The Rebbe Rashab explained to him how although it may not be completely true to the text, this artist's interpretation highlights the importance of the connection between older and younger generations. That the young ought to hold onto the old, and the old ought to hold onto the young... Sometimes, the relationship is just one way, but it's much "better together", when its a two way street. There is something very special about the give and take between the two generations. When the positive feelings are mutual between them, and they both feel that they are equally contributing and receiving from one another, it can create a strong and lasting bond... Whenever we stand at the threshold of new milestones in life, or create new chapters of history, it is especially important to maintain that connection between the youth and the elderly. As depicted in the painting of the Crossing of the Red Sea, we too have to hold on to our grandparents, and in turn they hold onto us.

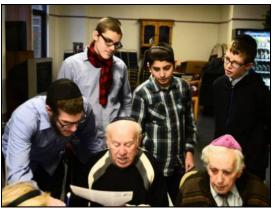


"My Beloved Meme Rachel" - Shaina Laber

Ten years ago, she moved from France to my grandmother's home in Montreal, Canada. My family would travel to Montreal for holidays and family celebrations and we loved spending time with her. Although she only spoke French and we didn't understand her language, we could understand her words through her emotions and facial expressions. She communicated her love for us with songs, her smiles and laughter. Of course we knew how to say "I love you" in French: "Je Taime Beaucoup."

"My Zaidy's Melodies" - Moshe Rubin

My great grandfather, Reb Moshe, of blessed memory, loved to sing melodies,



pray and tell stories. He escaped the Holocaust but despite what he went through, usually he only told happy stories. Even though I am named after him so I never had the chance to see him in person (since he passed away before I was born) I learned a lot from what I heard from others about him. He would love

singing old Chassidic melodies. Every Shabbos on their way to synagogue for the afternoon service, my great grandfather would teach my grandfather one of these Melodies. Later most of these melodies were recorded and put on tape, but one of them is still unknown to most people. This melody is called 'Yechadsheho'. This is the prayer we say on the Shabbos before Rosh Chodesh (the first day of the Hebrew month). My grandfather loves and cherishes this melody. My grandfather's cousin is a Chazzan and he put the words of that prayer to this melody.

"Zest of Life - Good to the Last Drop" - Chaya Simon

My grandmother lived until 98 years old. She lived every day to the fullest, using all her effort, time and resources to make a difference to others. Although in her later years she was hard of hearing, and her eyesight wasn't the greatest, she didn't let that get in her way. My grandmother,



Oma as I called her, was a very active woman. When she was thirty six she came to America on a Fulbright scholarship to Columbia University, where she got her masters in social work. I remember listening to my grandmother talk about working in the W.E.F. School with what was then called the mentally retarded. She later started her own agency called Integrated Foster Care. The goal of her program was unique, she helped emotionally disturbed adolescents get reintegrated into their biological families after foster care. She worked at her agency into her eighties and still volunteered in the high school, providing a music program for the special needs class. This is what is most inspiring to me about my grandmother. It was not just a career or a job, she continued working with special needs children into her nineties!

"A Timeless Connection of Love" - Chana Laber

When spending time with seniors, I get a sense of fulfillment and validation. It gives me permission to slow down and pay attention to what I am supposed to cherish and appreciate in our fast paced lives. When I look into the eyes of a senior as they recollect their memories and transport themselves to a time in the past, I see eyes full of sparkle and life. Each wrinkle and crease is like the worn pages of a book filled with knowledge, experience and understanding. Their bodies may begin to fail them, but inside there is still that soul that hasn't changed. When I visit the older generation, I always look at each person and remind myself, "They were once a child, and a teenager just like me." I look at their frail and worn bodies and imagine a young mother, a dancer or a teacher. I see a person with hope and dreams and the ability and need to be loved. This exercise is extremely powerful it makes me realize how my elders aren't so different from me. In essence, we all have the same needs and live for the same things. The relationship I can create with an elder is so beautiful, because we are already intrinsically connected. Each older person has an incredible life story filled with hope and perseverance. In reality, we are all more interconnected that we may think. The relationship between the elderly and the young is beneficial to everyone.



"Better Together" Moshe Kudan

I have been going to Parkview Apartments with friends from school. I enjoy going there once a month and doing fun, interactive, hands on activities with the seniors there. Before Rosh Hashana, we helped them decorate Rosh Hashana cards, and learned new Russian words that had to do with the foods we eat on Rosh Hashana. On Sukkos, we helped them put up a Sukkah so the people could enjoy eating in a Sukkah. I

really enjoyed going there and making them happy. For Tu B'Shvat (New Year for Trees) we brought ingredients and helped them make fruit truffles and smoothies. It was obvious that they enjoyed it. There was even a Jewish guy there and all these years of being Jewish, he never celebrated Tu B'shvat before. He had never heard of it! This was his first time celebrating Tu B'Shvat in his life! He felt very good about it.

"Our Link to the Past" - Moshe Rubin

I enjoy history. Not only in social studies class, but also in my free time. I like reading biographies, watching documentaries, and almost any other history related material. Most of history is told from the perspective of rulers, generals, scholarly historians or other influential figures of the time. The Better Together program at school helped me realize that we can learn from the personal stories of people from those historical periods. Seniors are our direct link to the recent past. World War II is a period of history that I am especially interested in. Over the past year I have heard two accounts of Jews from Poland personally affected by the war. One fled to America just before the Nazi invasion and the second was separated from his family and struggled to get food in a Russian iron factory. Hearing these personal stories gave me insight into viewing the period before and during the War. Hearing someone describe all this personally gives a unique historical perspective. At the same age that I am in school worrying when I will be dismissed, Mr. Green was already worried about earning a living. I read about the difficulty of immigrating to America before the war, and about the boats that were sent back to Europe. But hearing a firsthand account that happened to someone you know has a much bigger effect. From the above stories I learned a lot about seniors and how much knowledge we can gain about the past from them. Even ordinary people who will never get into history books, have important stories for us. We must learn and hear these stories from them, for otherwise they will just be lost and forgotten in the past.



"Altogether, What I Gained from Better Together" - Azriel Laber

Through the Better Together program my class was able to interview a 93 year old senior who lives in Albany. It was so interesting to hear what he had to say

about how he survived the Holocaust and life in Europe after the war. He explained to us how he escaped to Russia as World War II started. While in Russia he was constantly on the run. He ended up getting stuck in a labor camp in the Ural Mountains where he got barely any food. Thankfully, he managed to escape and found a job at an iron factory. After the war there was still anti-Semitism in Poland and people wanted to kill Jews. He quickly got out of there and went to America where he opened up a tailor shop in Albany. Remarkably, he is still running his shop at 93 years old. What I learned from this fascinating holocaust story was how much many of these seniors have a lot to share and have incredible experiences in their lives.

"The Age-Old Lesson" - Eli Kochman

Elderly people have characteristics and skills that are going extinct now, especially things like person-to-person heart-to-heart conversations. This skill is rapidly changing, most of us spend too much of our time on devices, and playing games without personal interactions. Although there are good things to do with electronics, they take away the personal aspect and benefits of speaking in a conversation. There is nothing that can compare to a face-to-face conversation. Another thing, the elderly have absolutely marvelous manners. I find this stands out specifically with a Russian couple that I know. They frequently attend our Better Together programs and enjoy doing Mitzvos with us. They don't speak English fluently, but the amazing thing is that at the end of every single event they say "Thank you very much you bring us much joy & happiness." Although it is very hard for them to speak English, they want be polite and gracious to convey how they truly feel. Furthermore we can learn about relationships from the elderly. I met a couple during the Better Together program who are married for more than forty years. Forty years for us is almost unfathomable, all of us are teenagers and forty years is more than two lives worth. Another example of a commitment that many of the elderly have, is how they act towards their possessions. In our days, many things are made almost disposable, and most of the things manufactured today are not made to last. I know many people from the previous generation who still have jackets and backpacks from the fifties. Another aspect of this is that if they have something and it breaks, they try to fix it, unlike us who just throw things away when they break.

"Eric, my 82-year old Friend" - Mendel Volovik

There is one special senior that I really admire most his name is Eric Lamet. Eric was born in Vienna in 1931, and he was only seven years old when the Nazis took over. In 1938, his family fled to Italy. During that time his father went to visit Poland and never came back. It wasn't easy hiding out in Fascist Italy. How do I know so much about him? Not only did I read his book, "A Child Al Confino" I see him all the time! He comes to my small shul in the Berkshires. I even helped him put on Tefilin for the first time in almost 70 years! Even though he went through a very tough and hard childhood, he is a very good person, a very nice, sweet, gentle, and caring man. He wouldn't hurt a



fly. He worked very hard in life in order to become the man he is, and that takes a lot of determination. He went from being a wandering, not knowing what is going to happen next type of person, to a loving, nice and respected senior. Thank God, none of us had to go through what he went through, but that does not mean that we can't take a lesson out of his story.

"Lessons I Learned from Older Folks at Shul" - Orley Morrison

The important thing to realize is that it's not really about what they eat or what they say. Yes, sometimes they say stuff, and then afterwards they don't always realize that they hurt a person's feelings. They may look old, but they have a young spirit inside of them. Every Shabbos morning, when they come and sit down and they talk about anything, you see that they are like a big family. Each one is individual and very unique. If you would walk in, and go through the whole day, listening and watching everyone closely, you'd see their uniqueness. Some of them dislike each other, or are very different than the others, but they all get together for Shabbos to help out and make the Minyan. They make it work because they need to. They taught me a very important lesson: even when you don't get along with everyone, you should still work together to help others. I learned to see the goodness in others even though you can't see it the first time. I also learned to never judge a book by its cover. Sometimes you have to nudge them to tell you something, because mostly they know more than they are letting on. They may seem like elderly people, but they teach the youngsters a thing or two. Once you get them going, they will be eager to tell you what to do, or what they know. They will get excited that the younger generation is learning something from the older one.

"My Senior Community" - Chaya Hecht

We are very fortunate to have seniors as an important part of our lives in the community where I live. One example are the Holocaust survivors, Tibor and Naomi. They were both children during WWII and lost most of their family, but are still going strong. My father always says that they are the happiest people he knows, and I would agree. They have a very strong connection to Judaism, and come around a lot. I love to hear the stories of how they survived. Tibor lived under-ground for a while, and had his Bar Mitzvah in a closet! There's a man in our community named Butch. He had many jobs throughout this life, so he takes it as a privilege to help others in his retirement. He drives us home from school once a week. When we talk to him we are always learning new things. He gives us prizes every time he drives, and is always excited to do so. He says it is the highlight of his week. His enjoyment and choice to help people even though he does not have to, is very powerful.











National Better2Write Essay Winner!

"We Knew it the Whole Time" - Chaim Kudan

Me:

Technology. Instant. 2015. That's what my world revolves around. My tablet and computer consume most of my time. I love music. I play electric guitar, so I'm not spending all my time on technology. My life was doing pretty good, at least from my view of things. Then I heard about the Better Together program. I was disappointed to be

on technology. My life was doing pretty good, at least from my view of things. Then I heard about the Better Together program. I was disappointed to be honest. This is going to be more of a pain than the great connecting with the senior's heaven that the teachers were portraying. I was doing fine without them until now. Why take time out of my day now for old people?

Senior:

TV. Dinner. Sleep. Wake up. Repeat. That's what my world revolves around. I enjoy the peace and quiet though. The outside world doesn't really care for me nor do I care for them. Then the apartment manager told me about this Better Together program. No, it's not going to be teaching the young rascals life lessons, and enjoyable events as the manager promised. It's going to be a pain in the neck, which I already have enough of. Literally. I was doing fine without them. Why should I take out time for annoying teenagers?

Me:

Should I go? I don't really have a choice anyways. If my mom says to go I'm going. I'll go but just observe. I don't have to interact. They probably don't even want to talk to me. They'll just be grumpy and un-relatable. I do have a glimmer of hope that it might be enjoyable after all. I remembered my grandma. She's not the stereotypic irritable, cranky old lady at all. She's a warm, loving lady. She laughs at my silly jokes and sends me birthday cards. Perhaps amongst the seniors there will be a grandmother of sorts. Could the seniors, like my grandma, break the old people stereotype seared into my brain, ever since an old man yelled at me and held my arm for running too fast?

Senior:

Should I go? I don't really have a choice anyways. If my wife says to go I'm going. I'll go but I'll just observe. I don't have to interact with them. They probably don't even want to talk with me. They'll just be bothersome. I do have a glimmer of hope that it might be pleasurable after all. My grandkids. They're not the stereotypical troublesome & bugging type. My oldest grandson is polite and tells me silly jokes, which I laugh at anyways to make him feel good. Could the teenagers, like my grandkids, break the stereotype that's been seared into my brain, ever since an impish kid nearly knocked me over because he was running too fast?

Me:

Why am I nervous? Am I afraid of them? I don't think so. What can they do to me? Nothing, I assure myself, there is nothing at all to be afraid of. Our minivan pulls up beside the apartment building. We get out sort of tense but excited to see how our first gathering is going to go. After schlepping in the materials we brought for the Rosh Hashanah cards we were going to make with them, true to my word I stood off to the side to observe how things get settled.

Senior:

Why am I nervous? Am I afraid of them? I don't think so. What can they do to me? Nothing, I assure myself, there is nothing at all to be afraid of. I slowly made my way out the apartment followed by my wife. I'm going to just sit on the side the whole time, I tell her. She shrugs her shoulders. We step out of the elevator. My neighbors and friends seem to be enjoying themselves, laughing, making Rosh Hashanah cards for their grandchildren. I stood off to the side to observe how things get settled.

Me:

My friends looked like they were having fun. Laughing with the seniors and helping them make cards. An old man came out of the elevator with his wife. He looked hesitant so I wasn't surprised when he didn't go to the table. But I was surprised when he sat down right next to me. Should I speak with him? After all that's what I came here for.

Senior:

I saw a young boy standing off to the side. He looked a little nervous so I wasn't surprised that he wasn't at the table. Should I speak with him? After all he reminded me of my grandson, sweet, polite and ready to make a silly joke, which I would laugh at all right. Then he turned his head and our eyes locked. There was a moment of confusion. I smiled first. I knew we understood each other. He smiled back. This is going to be all right.

Me:

Our eyes locked. A moment of confusion. He smiled first. I smiled back. I knew we understood each other. He smiled back. This is going to be all right. I said a joke. He laughed. He was laughing just to be polite like my grandmother. Then he told an anecdote from his days in Russia. I asked him about Russia. He had a very interesting life and story of how he got out of communist Russia. Gathering up my courage I said, do you want to make a Rosh Hashanah card? He shrugged his shoulders. I took that as a yes. I held his arm to support him, slowly walking towards the table. After he sat down, I tripped over a chair. I was ready to hear the crack on the marble floor when my hand was grabbed, hard. I sat up on thanking him and G-d. I looked into his eyes, him into mine, and then I understood. I understood that we are indeed better together!

Maimonides Hebrew Day School gratefully acknowledges a generous grant provided by Legacy Heritage Fund.

Last year the Maimonides School received generous funding from Legacy Heritage to establish our new Library Media Center, now in its first full year of active ongoing use by students of all ages.

This year, our school gratefully acknowledges
Legacy Heritage's funding of "Better Together"
a national intergenerational program to sensitize
students to the challenges and blessings of the elderly
and incorporate Jewish learning and values in their
personal interactions with them. The Better
Together program includes opportunities to teach
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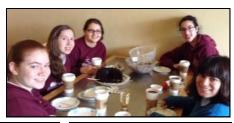






















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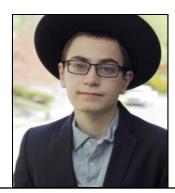












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(Psalms 112)

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Please remember Maimonides in your will; our children will surely remember you.







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Mom and Dad -

From tying our shoes to landing our first jobs, your support and guidance has always been our shining light. This award couldn't be more deserved. Now it's our turn to show how proud we are of you!

With love,

Marta & Mark
Gary & Míndy
Stephaníe & Drew
Hope & Matt
Heather & Ken

Arielle (Jason), Sarah (Jon), Talí (Ari), Rachel (Benyamín), Deena (Chaim Mordechai), Avíva, Rívka, Dovíd, Allíe, Josh, Jake, Maddy, Líly, Ben, Mya and Shayna

Ellie, Avi, Jesse, Yoni, Ellie, Yocheved, Yosef, Michal, Penina, Tikva Tova, a'h and Naftali

A hearty Mazal Tov to

DR. WILLIAM AND ADRIENNE ROCKWOOD

on the occasion of this much-deserved honor.

May you be blessed with continued nachas from your family for many more years.



In memory of our beloved

DR. BERNARD TEITELMAN Z"L

His love for Torah, Education and Chesed was an inspiration for us all.

May we be zoche to continue his beautiful legacy.

Joyce Larry, Nehama, Sara, Yael, Atara, Yedida, Temima & Binyamin Elana, Zvi, Adira, Yair, Naftali & Dovid Howie, Meital, Yehuda, Tiferet, Ahava, Tehila & Maayan It is with great pride that we

Congratulate

Adrienne and Bill Rockwood as Maimonides presents you the

Dr. Morton Berger Memorial Award.

You and your children have accomplished so much for our communities in Albany and beyond.

We especially enjoy being "Better Together" with your grandchildren in Israel.

Ariella, Avi, Bracha, and Benjy Losice

In memory of
Dr. Morton (Meir) Berger
Whose ideals and values
Continue to inspire us
Over 25 years!

בכל ביתי נאמן הוא

Moshe Losice

With admiration we congratulate Bill and Adrienne Rockwood

May Hashem bless them with a long life for their family and friends - they are a great benefit to the entire community!

Moshe Losice

Simcha and Adina Herbstman and family

Mazal Tov and Hatzlacha to the participants in this year's Maimonides Scholarship Tribute for their important role in building and maintaining the Jewish community of the Capital Region.

With eternal gratitude to Hashem, and the faculty, leadership, and supporters of Maimonides Hebrew Day School who have provided for the education and growth of the Torah observant Jewish community of the Capital Region. With wishes for health and hatzlacha for Klal Yisrael.

From 4 generations of the Morgenbesser & Amann family

Rebecca Amann
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Shmuel, Pesi, Chana Tzirel, Chaim Nachman,
Yael, Shira Ahuva & Dovid Morgenbesser
Avi & Shoshana, Leib Yisrael & Basya Sara
Morgenbesser
and Sarah & Binyamin & Shoshana Kalish

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"Daf Yomi" is a study program to familiarize the Jewish people with the Babylonian Talmud by having students in the entire world learn the same page of Talmud each day, continuing page by page until completion. We review the entire Talmud in seven and a half years.

All are welcome to study with us.

We have nothing to lose but our ignorance. Learning Torah brings peace to the world.

We recently celebrated the Siyum on tractate Kesubos over

lbany Maimonides students design creative "Kesuva" Invit for Daf Yomi Siyum Kesuvos on Second Day of Shavuos בשני בשבת, שבעה ימים לחדש סיון, חג השבועות, זמן מתן תורתינו, שנת חמשת אלפים ושבע מאות ושבעים וחמש לבריאת עולם למנין שאנו מונין כאן, מתא אלבני נוא יארק, הנה מה טוב ומה נעים שבת אחים גם יחד שקבעו חברי דף היומי די באתרא הדין עתים לתורה ועסקו יותר משלש חדשים דף ליום דף ליום עד שומרו וסיימו כל מסכת כתובות הנודע ומפורסם כ'ש"ס קטן' בעולם הישיבות, ע"י מגידי השיעור הנכבדים, הלא הם הני נברי יקירי הנקובים בשמות: ר' שלמה יעקב בן מרדכי המכונה 'סאלו סטעפער,' והרב נחמן יוסף בן שמואל סיימאן, ומתלמידי יותר מכולם, הרי הם: התלמיד הותיק יהושע שמעון בן משה נחמן ווילדמן, רי משה בן נח לאסיק, עו"ד ר' יונה בן נחום המכונה 'זשאק קאפלאוויץ,' ור' אלימלך פלטיאל בן משה נטע סילטאן, ור' אליהו בן שלמה בנו, ור' משה בן ראובן המכונה 'דאקטאר שער', ר' ברוך בן ירוחס הלוי המכונה בארי סנל, ורי גרשון אדם בן אריה מילער, ומר שמואל בן אבא המכונה 'סטאן רוזנבעדג,' מר יהודה דייווים, ומר דוד סעוויץ, ומר משה גדעון בן שמחה שלמדו מסכתא זו, אחד המרבה ואחד הממעיט, ובלבד שכיוונו את לבם לאבינו שבשמים, על פי תיקון הגאון הר"ר מאיר שפירא ז"ל מלובלין, דלא כאסמכתא ודלא כטופסי דשטרי, על כל מה דכתוב מפורש לעיל, והכל שריר וקים. הדרן עלך מסכת כתובות ודעתן עלך, הדרן עלך מסכת כתובות ודעתן עלך, הדרן עלך מסכת כתובות ודעתן עלך, הלא היא כתובה לפנינו, וקנינא לחמניות, עוגות וכל מיני מטעמים מעדנים ומשקאות, ועשה אותו יום משתה ושמחה לכל בני קהילתנו לגמרה של תורה, והכל מתוקן לסעודה בעזרת השם יתברך וית'.

Cong. Beth Abraham-Jacob 380 Whitehall Road Monday - Friday 6am the Shavuot holiday at
Shomray Torah, with a
creative Kesubah designed
by Maimonides for this
milestone occasion.
We have now begun to study
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You are very welcome to join us at the times and places listed below:

Cong. Shomray Torah

463 New Scotland Ave Saturday 50 minutes before sundown Sunday 8:45am Mazel Tov from Laura and Ed Jacobs

May you all continue to go from strength to strength

Mazal Tov and all good wishes to Bill and Adrienne Rockwood on receiving the Dr. Morton Berger Memorial Award

and to the continued success of the "Better Together" program at the Maimonides Hebrew Day School

Michael & Sylvia Solomon

To Bill & Adrienne

With Respect and Admiration for your many accomplishments and warm souls.

Nanette & Artie Brenner

Thank you

Hope Berger Nathan

for this opportunity to honor and affectionately remember

Dr. Morty Berger OBM

on the occasion of his 80th Birthday.

May Hashem continue to bless the precious students, their families, past and present, and all the leaders of Maimonides

Day School, as they go from strength to strength

in our time and into the future.

Bill and Adrienne Rockwood

Mazal Toy to

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on his 8th grade graduation

Love,

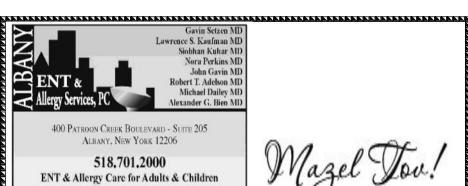
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To Rabbi Rubin, Morah Rochel and all the teachers and staff at Maimonides Hebrew Day School. Thank you for your dedication to our kinderlach.

From Rabbi Yitzchok, Leah Hecht and Family

We support the good work of Maimonides.

Congregation Agudas Achim in Kingston

Chabad of Ulster County salutes the Rubin Family and Maimonides for a job well done!

We want to thank all the wonderful teachers and staff at Maimonides for their hard work and dedication to amazing education and activities. Together you all give a well rounded education, full of meaning, to strengthen the foundation and outlook for our students. Much thanks to Rabbi and Mrs. Rubin for their tireless efforts leading and providing this school for all these years. A school which enhances families, the greater community, and ultimately the world with its capable, skilled and caring children.

Simmy and Chaya



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Mazal Tov to
Bill & Adrienne Rockwood
on earning the
Dr. Morton Berger
Memorial Award

Amarit & Seth Rosenblum

Mazal Tov
To our dear Mendel on all
your accomplishments!

We are so proud of you!
We wish you much success in
all your endeavors!

With Love, Tatty, Mommy, Hershy, Riki, Chana'le and Mushka'le

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Mazal Tov to Bill and Adrienne Rockwood



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Bill and Adrienne Rockwood

Dr. Morton Berger Memorial Awardees!

May Hashem grant you and your entire family only happiness, blessings and success in all that you do.



Many thanks to the entire Maimonides faculty and staff for providing a quality education to our children.

Ruvain and Shayna Kudan

Congratulations to Bill and Adrienne Rockwood for many years of continued devotion & dedication

Thank you to the faculty, administration and school supporters for making such wonderful quality education possible even (especially!) in a small Jewish community.

with much appreciation,

Rabbi Mendel and Raizy Rubin and Familu

Mazel toy to all the Honorees!

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Herb & Shirley Gordon

Mazel Tov to all who participated in the "Better Together" program!

Pirkei Avos extols the benefits of learning as a child, as well as seeking guidance from those who have more wisdom and experience.

Like the Mishna in Avos, the "Better Together" program believes that when children and seniors work in unison they achieve more together!

The Backman Family

Dear Mom/Savta/ Morah Devorah,

We love you!
Your dedication
continues to inspire.

Love, Deena, Shlomo, Aliza & Emma

Capital Chabad salutes the Maimonides School and its honorees



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Mazal Tov to Dr. William & Adrienne Rockwood

- dedicated community leaders
- · outstanding Jewish role models
 - dynamic educators
- wonderful parents, grandparents and great-grandparents

Chazak! Chazak! V'Nitchazek!

To our friends of over 50 years with admiration and love,

Shelleu & Shel Abelson

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Mazal Tov to all the graduates and honorees

Rabbi Nachman and Clara Simon

D'H. Watch 'The Jewish View ' Rabb Neckson Blood and Marc Grounds interesting imprisons and discussion about feeds life and community



For Adrienne & Bill

שלום ברכה ומובה

Peace, blessings and all good thing.

Millie & Danny Grossberg

To Rabbi & Mrs. Yisroel
Rubin and the
Maimonides Faculty
for all their selfless
dedication to the
Chinuch of our children.

Itche & Dini Gordon and Family

In honor of Adrienne & Bill Rockwood

Richard Propp

We can't thank all the amazing staff and wonderful teachers at Maimonides enough! Thank you Morah Devorah, Morah Aviva, Morah Chaya Bracha, Mrs. Hoffman, Morah Devorah Leah and Mrs. Carroll! The amount of time and energy that you put into our children is so appreciated! Thank You!

Mishpachas Horan

Thank you to all the wonderful teachers at Maimonides School!

Thank you Morah Rivka, Morah Rima & Mrs. Hoffman for all of your devotion, sincerity and care for our Chana!

Thank you Morah Devorah and Mrs. Carroll for giving Tziporah a great start in grade school!

Nissim & DL Kaufmann

Mazel Tov to the graduates and best wishes to the teachers.

Orley we are so proud!

Love Mommy, Tatty & the whole Morrison gang!

Mazal Tov to all the school's success and the Rockwoods who have done so much for our community.

Best wishes to all!

Sincerely, Reeva Nowitz We would like to thank the school for a wonderful education for Moshe, Chaya and Chana Malka

Rabbi Abba & Raizel Rubin

THANK YOU

Morah Rivkah, Mrs. Hoffman, Morah Rimma, Morah Devorah and Mrs. Carroll for teaching our children with a love and pride of Torah.

Rabbi Mendy and Devora Leah Mathless



Dear Sholom, Mazal Tov on your 8th

grade graduation! May you always go מחיל לחיל With Love, Tatty, Mommy & Family

With thanks and appreciation to the staff and faculty at Maimonides for making a difference in the lives of our children! Congrats to all of this year's graduates and honorees!

The Kochman Family

Congratulations to Bill and Adrienne Rockwood

from Meg & Carl

Mazal Tov Bill and Adrienne!

Rabbi & Faye Silton

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We offer friendship to children and respite to parents who have children with special needs. We are waiver enrolled. All volunteers are trained.

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For more info contact
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chaya@capitalfriends.org

Congratulations to
Dr. William &
Adrienne Rockwood.

Mazal Tov to Orly, Eli, Mendel and Sholom, 8th grade graduates!

The Levin Family

In honor of Dr. William and Adrienne Rockwood

and the Maimonides Hebrew Day School

May you go from strength to strength,

Rabbi Moshe and Karen Mirsky

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Dear Morah Rivka, Morah
Reema, Mrs. Hoffman,
Morah Devora, Morah
Devorah Leah, Mrs.
Carroll, Morah Dini,
Mr. D, Mrs. Dubarry,
Rabbi Mathless, Morah
Rivi, Rabbi Caras, Mrs.
Maher & Morah Rochel
Thank you for a wonderful
year of learning!

Love, Mussie, Mendel, Chaiki, & Esther Rubin, Clifton Park Dear Bill & Adrienne,

For more than a half a century, devoted friends to our family, our community and our Jewish people with great affection and respect.

Hope Berger-Nathan and Family

Mazal Tov!

The community is blessed to have you both as leaders in Jewish Education.

Thank you

with Love, Linda, George, Marla & Jeffrey Spivack

Thank you to all the Maimonides teachers for a year of growing and learning.

Joshua and Rebekah Wildman Mazal Tov to the 8th grade graduates. May you continue to grow from strength to strength.

Morah Devorah and Sid Stark

There are many good people.

Far fewer are

GENUINELY good.

To Bill and Adrienne: Thanks for the friendship and service you offer to so many.

Rabbi Yaakov and Lisa Kellman Thank to all the faculty at Maimonides for creating a nurturing and warm environment for our children!

Rabbi Zalman & Chanie Simon

Thanks to Rav Rubin and Morah Rochel, as well as our children's incredible teachers, Morah Rivkah, Morah Reema, Mrs. Hoffman, Morah Devorah and Mrs. Carroll, for the incredible chinuch and secular education they have provided our children these last three years. You have instilled within our children a tremendous ahavas Hashem and ahavas haMitzvos. & you have provided them with the skills needed to enable them to thrive as bnei Torah and ovdei Hashem. We are forever grateful, &will miss this school very much.

Danny & Sara Wolfe

Thank you
Rabbi and Mrs. Rubin
and all the dedicated staff for
the wonderful education that
my grandchildren enjoy at
Maimonides.

Rachel Mathless

MAZEL TOV TO THE **ROCKWOODS**









Bill and Adrienne Rockwood

in honor of receiving the Dr. Morton Berger Memorial award And to all those who participated in the "Better Together" teen-seniors program. For all your years of dedication to our blessed Jewish community. You deserve all that the honor bestows upon you. May you go from strength to strength.



A well-deserved honor Congratulations, Marc Gronich and Paula Ainspan



Special Congratulations to two wonderful people Dr. Bill & Adrienne Rockwood who are very deserving of the Dr. Morton Berger Award.

Dr. Sanford and Gloria Krimmer



Congratulations to Nechama and to all the Graduates

From the Krimmer family

Mazal Tov to the graduates and honorees.

With appreciation to the dedicated teachers and staff at Maimonides.

Rabbi Avraham & Nechama Laber

Mazel Tov to
Dr. William & Adrienne
Rockwood and
all the graduates

Grigory & Nina Mikhaylov



Thank you to Rabbi and Rebetzin Rubin & the extended Maimonides family for all you do for our family.

Itkin Family

Thank you to all the teachers
and staff of Maimonides
who create the ultimate
environment for our children
to learn and grow
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Congratulations
Dr. William & Adrienne Rockwood,
co-founders of Senior Hope Counseling
on receiving this
most prestigious award.

with our best wishes, Dr. Nicole and Gary Macfarland

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In honor of Bill and Adrienne Rockwood

Linda & Dan Hershberg

Mazal Tov to the Rockwoods

Ilene & Jerry Sykes

Mazal Tov to Bill & Adrienne Rockwood

Joshua & Rebekah Wildman

Congratulations and Best Wishes

Dr. Sarah Freifeld

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Greetings!



Mazal Tov! Rabbi Shlomo & Shifra Galperin



In honor of the Rockwoods

Malka & Eitan Evan



Congratulations Adrienne & Bill Abbey & Joe Herd



In honor of Hope Berger Nathan & her family. Forever grateful for all. Celia Vogel



Greetings from Richard Seiden



Greetings from Joe & Lisajo Kay



Yasher Koach Patricia Snuder

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