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## Foundation Fund Holders'

# QUARTERLY



### a note from LEADERSHIP

It is a pleasure to update you on recent activities of the Columbus Jewish Foundation, the planned giving affiliate of JewishColumbus.

Welcome to new board members Max Brickman and Jon Young, who are filling seats previously held by Mark Coffey and Jody Scheiman, both of whom served with distinction. Jon Young will also chair the Foundation's Investment Committee, succeeding Randy Hansell, whose tenure was distinguished by remarkable success in growing the Foundation's investment portfolio to over \$168 million.

We also extend a hearty welcome to new staff professionals, Senior Foundation Director, Lori Wishne and Michael Robinson, Director of Planned Giving and Endowments. Details about their extensive skill sets are provided within — along with information about recent grants, newly-established funds and a special tribute to



Harlan Robins



Joel Marcovitch

the organizers of and participants in the Jack Roth 5K Rock'N'Run, which raised over \$1.7 million for various important organizations and programs.

Harlan W. Robins, President  
Columbus Jewish Foundation

Joel Marcovitch, President & CEO  
JewishColumbus

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### Did someone say crypto?

You can now make a gift using crypto currency!

Sometimes, Bitcoin, Ethereum and other cryptocurrency donations are one of the most tax efficient ways to support your favorite cause!

Please email Tammy Fitzpatrick with questions at [tammy@jewishcolumbus.org](mailto:tammy@jewishcolumbus.org).

## A Great Run

The sixteenth and final Jack Roth 5K Rock'N'Run/Walk was held in June. The Columbus Jewish Foundation was the fiscal agent from start to finish, distributing over \$1.7 million in proceeds, primarily to The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Jack Roth Camp Netaim-Ramah Noam a program in Israel for children with special needs, as well as the Janice Roth JCC PreSchool Scholarship Fund. May the cherished memories of Jack and Janice Roth be for a blessing.



Jack Roth, his wife Janice and daughter Maren.

## LIFE & LEGACY



### What LIFE & LEGACY® Means to Me

By Laura Moskow Sigal

Lately, I've been thinking about my namesake, Laura Gelernter Ratner. My parents ignored the Jewish tradition of naming your child after someone who passed away. They named me Laura while my grandmother was still alive and kicking. I was always "Little Laura" and my grandma was "Big Laura." I knew I was special in her eyes, and I'm sure having the same name was a big part of that.

Grandma had a hard life. My grandfather Abe owned a construction company in East Orange, New Jersey. When he passed away suddenly at a young age, grandma had big decisions to make. How was she going to support her five children? Should she sell the company? Should she hire someone to run it?

Nope. She chose to run the company as its president during the middle of the Depression, all by herself. She not only succeeded in growing the company, but she thrived in this role.

This was the woman who remembered every card that was played during gin rummy and bridge. Her intelligence and wit could not be outmatched.

Grandma Laura passed away in 1983 at age 81. We recently established the Laura Ratner Fund at the Columbus Jewish Foundation in her memory. This fund provides interest-free loans to Jewish women who need assistance to secure an education to enable them to become self-supporting. Several

Jewish women already have availed themselves of its resources. We hope that they and many Jewish women in the future will find career success thanks to this fund.

This brings me to the LIFE & LEGACY® Program. It's the planned giving program that is being implemented by Jewish agencies across the U.S. as well as in Central Ohio. Isn't it time to declare our commitment to help sustain Columbus Jewish organizations and synagogues for generations to come? Will you join me in making a pledge as part of your estate planning?

It would be so simple to add a beneficiary to what you already have in your estate plan. Or you can look at adding a charitable provision specifically designated to the synagogue or agency of your choice. In so doing, the future of our Columbus Jewish community will be strengthened for years to come.

Contact Lori Wishne more information about LIFE & LEGACY® at (614) 338-2365 for a confidential discussion about your long-term charitable wishes.

Editor's Note: Laura Moskow Sigal recently retired as Executive Director of Congregation Tifereth Israel. We wish her every continued success.

## NEW FUNDS

We are pleased to welcome new Fund Holders who joined the JewishColumbus family in the last quarter. We thank them for their commitment to our community and confidence in the Columbus Jewish Foundation, the Central Ohio Jewish community's planned giving and endowment headquarters.

### SPECIAL PURPOSE FUNDS

- Marvin Zeldin and Ilene Zeldin CJHS Endowment Fund

### AGENCY CUSTODIAL FUNDS

- Michael Alexander & Jane Mitchell Beth Tikvah Endowment for the Education of All Jewish Children
- Columbus Jewish Federation Discretionary PACE Fund
- Joan and Norman Folpe Israel HS Youth Trip Fund of Temple Israel Foundation
- Alan and Risa Lazaroff Beth Tikvah Endowment Fund

### PHILANTHROPIC FUNDS

- Deborah and Michael Robinson

### B'NAI TZEDEK FUNDS

- Molly Chernyak
- Matias Cohen
- William Cook
- Ari Feinberg
- Aaron Jones
- Avner Levin
- Julia Miller-Mathers
- Gavi Zolkowicz

# BOARD TRANSITIONS

## 2022-2023 Columbus Jewish Foundation Board of Trustees

Harlan Robins, President	Dr. Michael Hallet
Dr. Philip Weinerman, Vice President	Inna Kinney
Jim Winnegrad, Treasurer	Sara Luck
Jon Young, Secretary	Josh Sanders
William Byers	Liz Shafran
Max Brickman	Lee Smith

## Past President's Council

William Byers	Sanford Solomon
Jim Bowman	Donald E. Garlikov
Jeff Meyer	DeeDee Glimcher
Steven Schottenstein	Gary B. Robins
Bradley Kastan	Michael Weiss
Alan S. Acker	Leslie Wexner, Honorary Board Member



## NEW EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

### Lori Maier Wishne Senior Foundation Director

Columbus native Lori Wishne has been appointed to serve as the Foundation's Senior Foundation Director. The daughter of Manfred Maier and the late Carol Maier, she returns to Central Ohio after 30 years of Jewish communal service at the Jewish Federation of St. Louis, Missouri, where she worked in many roles, including Director of Legacy Giving, Director of Major Gifts, Women's Division Director and in the Young Professionals Division.



Lori has extensive experience in donor cultivation and stewardship, leadership and volunteer development and management, event management, supervision and integrated resource development. We look forward to benefiting from the skills that she brings to her new position in multi-faceted giving arenas, including planned giving and the annual campaign.

### Michael Robinson, CAP® Director of Planned Giving and Endowments

Michael Robinson, a Mobile, Ala., native and longtime Columbus resident, joined our professional staff early this Spring as Director of Planned Giving and Endowments. Robinson previously worked as a nonprofit consultant, as the assistant vice president of leadership and planned giving for the United Way of Central Ohio, and spent a decade at Nationwide Insurance in Columbus, including five years as a director in Nationwide's office of corporate citizenship.



Robinson brings a lifetime of skill and a wealth of knowledge about how organizations outside the Jewish community work with planned giving and philanthropy. He plans to use his experience to cultivate legacy giving, and will work to establish new Donor Advised Funds with local donors, as well as develop resources to advance a new diversity, equity and inclusion efforts with minority community members and the Jewish community.

# COMMUNITY IMPACT

Grants from the Columbus Jewish Foundation are awarded for innovative and expanded programs responding to changes in the community and in service needs, emergencies, overseas needs and community growth. These grants, combined with funding from our Annual Campaign, embrace and reflect JewishColumbus' commitment to our local, national and overseas Jewish communities.

<b>Congregation Agudas Achim - \$5,100</b> - Jewish Ideas Lecture Series (Community Grants Fund)	<b>OSU Hillel - \$20,000</b> - Greek/Student Life Engagement, Outreach, and Programming (Jewish Education and Literacy Endowment Fund)
<b>Columbus Jewish Day School - \$24,000</b> - Community Engagement Grant to encourage new enrollment (Jewish Education and Literacy Endowment Fund)	<b>OSU Hillel - \$18,000</b> - Director of Student Life (Jewish Education and Literacy Endowment Fund)
<b>Columbus Jewish Day School - \$24,210</b> - Parking lot drainage and repair (CJDS Building Endowment Fund, Skilken Family Jewish Education Fund)	<b>OSU Hillel - \$3,500</b> - Expand and Enhance Birthright Program (Renee and George Levine Fund)
<b>Columbus Torah Academy - \$57,000</b> - Post-COVID Community Rebuilding and Engagement (Jewish Education and Literacy Endowment and Community Grants Funds)	<b>Move to PROSPER - \$14,400</b> - Support equitable housing where low-income women and children can thrive (Community Grants Fund)
<b>Jewish Community Center of Greater Columbus - \$18,000</b> - Active Adults: Adult programming for Boomers and beyond (Community Grants Fund)	<b>Second Nurture - \$10,000</b> - Establish Columbus as a prototype affiliate to build foster family connections (Community Grants and Social Justice Endowment Funds)
<b>Jewish Community Center of Greater Columbus - \$40,000</b> - Jewish Community Disabilities Inclusion Director: Including and supporting families whose children have disabilities (Community Grants Fund)	<b>Temple Israel - \$5,000</b> - Tikkunapalooza: Expand community-wide mitzvah day (Social Justice Endowment Fund)
<b>Jewish Community Center of Greater Columbus - \$38,000</b> - Early Childhood Learning Center Scholarships (Jewish Needs Endowment Fund)	<b>Wexner Heritage Village - \$29,400</b> - Mashgiach/ Kashruth supervision at Creekside Apartments (Frank Forchheimer WHV Endowment Fund)
<b>Jewish Community Center of Greater Columbus - \$30,000</b> - Gallery Players, Jewish Film Festival, and Jewish Book & Authors Series (Lenore Schottenstein & Community Jewish Arts Endowment Fund)	<b>Wexner Heritage Village - \$10,000</b> - Social activities for Creekside and Cottage residents (Robert A Glick WHV Endowment Fund)
<b>Jewish Community Center, Northeast Campus - \$41,066</b> - Parking lot drainage and repair (Northeast JCC Building Endowment Fund)	<b>Wexner Heritage Village - \$10,000</b> - Social activities for residents (Frank Forchheimer WHV and Moritz Mayer WHV Endowment Funds)
<b>Jewish Family Services - \$50,000</b> - Trauma and Grief Support (Community Grants and Jewish Needs Endowment Funds)	<b>SHALOM GRANTS</b> The Shalom Grants Panel focused its 2022 Do Good Shalom Grants on food insecurity, providing \$8,500 to:
<b>Jewish Family Services - \$60,000</b> - Food Support for Victims of Nazi Persecution (Holocaust Survivors Initiative Fund)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fry Out Cancer</li><li>• LifeCare Alliance: Groceries to Go</li><li>• Local Matters</li><li>• Sonia and Saul Schottenstein SCRIP Program</li><li>• Food Rescue US (Columbus Chapter)</li><li>• Mid-Ohio Food Collective</li><li>• Food for all People</li><li>• Children's Hunger Alliance</li></ul>
<b>Jewish Family Services - \$50,000</b> - Replace HVAC Units (Ebner Building Repair & Replacement Fund)	

## FOUNDATION BRIEFS

### ► IN MEMORIUM

The Jewish community suffered the loss of several key stakeholders last quarter. We mourn their loss and offer condolences to their loved ones.

- Ted Blumenfeld
- Suzanne Gallant
- Seymour Raiz
- Irving Szames
- Ilene Zeldin



### ► YOUTH PHILANTHROPY

The JewishColumbus Youth Foundation engages local high school leaders to give back to the Columbus Jewish community. Its 42 participants this year will gain skills in leadership development, board governance, and professional collaboration through the lens of Jewish philanthropy. All have established their own tzedakah funds through the Foundation's Mitzi and Henry Saeman B'nai Tzedek program. For more information contact Alyssa Russell at [alyssa@jewishcolumbus.org](mailto:alyssa@jewishcolumbus.org).

### ► FREE BASEBALL TICKETS



Let's play ball!

The Columbus Clippers 2022 schedule runs this year through early September. Here's good news for baseball fans: Any local Jewish organization or synagogue again is eligible for free tickets to home games, thanks to an extremely generous gift from the Foundation's Zelda Dubin Endowment Fund. Up to 1,000 tickets will be made available.

Here is how to get to the games:

Put together a group, select your top three home game dates, and let us know the exact number of tickets you'd like. We will do our best to get you one of the three dates. If your group is larger than 50, there is even a chance that you'll get a Clippers welcome on the scoreboard.

Contact Rachael Coe at 614.559.3201 or [rachael@jewishcolumbus.org](mailto:rachael@jewishcolumbus.org) for details.

### ► NATIONAL PHILANTHROPY DAY HONORS



#### Bonner Family Foundation to Receive National Philanthropy Day Honors

The Barbara and Bill Bonner Family Foundation, a member of the Columbus Jewish Foundation's family of funds since 1999, will receive National Philanthropy Day Honors on November 22 by the Central Ohio Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals for its key role in meeting our community's needs. We heartily congratulate the Bonner and Swiatek families for perpetuating the family legacy and honoring father Bill Bonner's guiding principles: "Charity is an investment in a better world. As an investment, it should produce cost effective solutions...make your investments wisely; study, consult, and participate."



# FOUNDATION HONOR ROLL

## 2022 Columbus Jewish Foundation Honor Roll

The Columbus Jewish Foundation thanks the donors who had the foresight to recognize excellence and to trust the Foundation to manage these funds.

### David and Irene Cole Essay Contest

Rose Clubok, Columbus School for Girls – 1st Place  
Abigail Thomas, Gahanna Lincoln High School – 2nd Place  
Yaakov Newman and Mina Schulman – 3rd Place

### Don Erkis & Lou Berliner High School Jewish Scholar/ Athlete Award

Robby Meyer, Bexley High School – golf  
Sophie Spolter, Columbus Academy – basketball and soccer

### Glick Family Endowment Bexley Educator of the Year Award

Josh Price, Maryland Elementary PE teacher, mentor, coach

### David and Janet W. Goldsmith Kavod Gadol Award

Rena Bilenko, New Albany High School  
Nora Butter, Gahanna Lincoln High School

### Therese Stern Kahn and William V. Kahn Young Leadership Award

Josh Barkan, JewishColumbus Board and Executive  
Committee; Leadership Development Chair

### Ben Mandelkorn Outstanding Achievement Award

Jim Winnegrad, JewishColumbus Board and Executive  
Committee; Finance Committee Chair

### And one year later.....

Dr. Max Yudovitch, recipient of the 2021 David Yashon, MD, FACS, FRCS (C) Phi Delta Epsilon Medical Fraternity Award, is a resident in urology at the Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. Dr. Yudovitch received his B.S. in Neuroscience and Biochemistry, summa cum laude, from OSU and his MD, also summa cum laude, from the OSU College of Medicine, where he was a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society.

The future of the  
Jewish community  
is in your hands.



### How will you ensure Jewish tomorrows?

*The Columbus Jewish Foundation, a JewishColumbus partner, is our community's headquarters for planned giving and endowments.*

*To discuss a legacy gift in your will, trust, retirement account or life insurance, contact Lori Wishne, at [lori@jewishcolumbus.org](mailto:lori@jewishcolumbus.org), 614.559.3208*

