

# SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT

The Marjorie Spritzer Scholarship Fund has been established in memory of the unforgettable Margie Spritzer, z"l, a

beloved member of the HUC-JIR Board of Governors and New York Overseer. This fund provides a scholarship to a student at the College-Institute who exhibits the same level of passion and commitment to Jewish education as Margie did.

Michael Spritzer, Margie's husband, said, "The family regards the awarding of this scholarship, and the perpetuation of Margie's memory, with great pride. It is our hope that this scholarship fund will grow, allowing more HUC-JIR students to carry out Margie's legacy and commitment to the College-Institute and the Reform Movement."

## *A Living Tribute to Marjorie Spritzer*



Marjorie Spritzer, of blessed memory

The first recipient of the Marjorie Spritzer Scholarship is Jason Rosenberg, a 4th year rabbinic student at HUC-JIR/NY.

"Jason brings a quick mind, a great sense of humor, and a caring nature to everything he does, sharing Margie's unshakable commitment to study and to the future of Reform Judaism," says Rabbi Aaron Panken, Dean of the New York School. "Supporting him is a terrific way to keep Margie's vision in the years to come."

Jason will join Rabbi Panken and Eve Starkman, Director of Development, Eastern Region, at Temple Judea in Coral Gables in November for an opportunity to meet Michael and Margie's family and other local donors to the fund. The fund drive was led by Governor/Overseer Debbie Silverman and her husband Russell.

In our generation, few alumni have demonstrated

such an extraordinary commitment to our College-Institute as Rabbi Fred Schwartz. As a passionate advocate for the faculty, students, and staff, his support has extended well beyond the many dollars he has given and raised, and his impact will continue

to be felt by the generations to come. He has been an unstinting supporter of our UAHC camping program and has served as a model for all in his dedication to the youth of the Reform Movement.



Rabbi Frederick C. Schwartz

## *The Frederick C. Schwartz Prize for Youth Service*

In recognition of Rabbi Schwartz's nearly half a century of commitment to the College-Institute and young people of the Reform Movement, the College-Institute, with the help of Fred's former assistants and associates and many other loyal friends, has established the Frederick C. Schwartz Prize for Youth Service. This annual prize will be presented to a third or fourth year student who has demonstrated, during his/her HUC-JIR career, a serious commitment to Torah and the teaching of Torah to the youth of our Movement, whether through camp, NFTY, Hillel, or other youth work.

*If you would like to participate in this effort, please contact: Judy Geleerd, Director of Development, Chicago Regional Office, (847) 835-7256 or [jgeleerd@huc.edu](mailto:jgeleerd@huc.edu).*

Robin and Elliott Broidy have generously demonstrated their commitment to the training of professional Jewish educators and support of the expansion of the Rabbinical Program to include ordination at the Los Angeles School. They have established a permanent scholarship endowment known as The Robin and Elliott Broidy Scholarship Fund. The scholarship will benefit a student from the Los Angeles School's Rhea Hirsch School of Education and School of Rabbinical Studies on an alternating basis annually.

Elliott Broidy is a founder and serves on the Board of Trustees of the California Israel

## *The Robin and Elliott Broidy Scholarship Fund*

Chamber of Commerce. He is also a Vice President on the Board of

Trustees of Wilshire Boulevard Temple, and is active in numerous civic endeavors. He is a Presidential Associate of his alma mater, the University of Southern California. Robin Broidy serves as Chair of the Board of Wilshire Boulevard Temple's Day School.

Elliott Broidy operates Broidy Capital Management, a private investment company in Los Angeles. Robin Broidy is a former Senior Vice President of Twentieth Century Fox Film Corporation. They have two daughters and reside in Los Angeles.



Elliott and Robin Broidy (center) with Howard Bernstein, Chair, Los Angeles Board of Overseers (left), and Dr. Lewis M. Barth, Dean, HUC-JIR/LA.

The College-Institute is blessed to have the support of Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ), one of the most generous donors to the College-Institute in its history. WRJ, which started as the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, has been supporting our rabbinic students since 1913. In

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1924, the Sisterhoods donated \$287,000 to build a dormitory at the Cincinnati School; during the past 21 years alone, the WRJ has donated \$2.1

million to the College-Institute.

Through the WRJ's YES (Youth, Education, and Special Projects) Fund, local Sisterhoods help fund

North American rabbinical students at HUC-JIR, Israeli students at HUC-JIR/Jerusalem, overseas rabbinical students (through substantial donations to the World Union for Progressive Judaism), and UAHC high school and college activities.

The WRJ donates \$90,000 a year for scholarships to HUC-JIR's North American rabbinical students, in addition to the funding they provide to our foreign students and students in Israel and the awards they designate for cantorial students, as well as the dorm at the Cincinnati School and the reading room at the New York School which they have

funded. This amount, which has continued to increase over the years, demonstrates the organization's commitment to the ongoing growth and expansion of rabbinical studies at HUC-JIR.

Currently, WRJ consists of almost 600 groups in Reform synagogues across the country which comprise approximately 100,000 members. Judith Silverman, WRJ President, stated that "our support of HUC-JIR rabbinical scholarships and cantorial students is one of the most important things that WRJ does." She

added that their goal is to continue to increase donations in the next few years so that WRJ can contribute \$100,000 annually to the College-Institute.

Ellen Rosenberg, WRJ Director, emphasized that from the beginning the members of the Sisterhoods felt that "the support of rabbinical students was one of the most important things that they could do." She continued by noting, "congregants to this day recognize their rabbis as the core of the congregation – as needed and appreciated leaders – thus emphasizing the need for our investment in rabbinical students."



Mrs. Edward B. Schulkind, Mrs. Louis A. Rossett, and Mrs. Victory Jacoby of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Photos: Courtesy of The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives.

Rabbi Sheldon Zimmerman lauded the WRJ: "From the earliest days of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods until this very day with the Women of Reform Judaism, a very special bond has connected us with each other. The support provided the College-Institute

dormitory, the YES fund, and other scholarship funds has enabled generations of students to complete their studies and serve the Jewish people and our ancient, yet ever new, covenant with God. Hundreds of thou-



The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (1948).



The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods at the New York State Peace Convention (ca. 1920).

sands of lives have been touched by the men and women whose education was made possible by the wonderful and faithful Women of Reform Judaism. Without WRJ, we would be far less than we strive to be."

Synagogue 102, a support group of the Los Angeles School, held a program entitled

"Sacred Symbols: Form, Expression

*Synagogue 102*

and a Sense of Place" at Temple Isaiah in Los Angeles on June 15. The program featured Marcia Reines Josephy, director/curator of the Los Angeles Museum of the Holocaust, and explored the role of art in the synagogue experience.



(l to r) Jay and Jean Abarbanel; Rabbi James Kaufman, Synagogue 102 Rabbinic Committee co-chair; Dr. Lewis M. Barth; and Vicki and Arnie Kupetz attended Synagogue 102's program "Sacred Symbols: Form, Expression and a Sense of Place" at Temple Isaiah in Los Angeles.



The Irwin Daniels School of Jewish Communal Service (SJCS) of HUC-JIR received a \$10,000 donation from Hillside Memorial Park and Mortuary. The annual gift benefits the SJCS Scholarship Fund. Pictured above are (l to r) Dr. Steven Windmueller, Director, SJCS; SJCS students Leah Lewis and Talya Limon; and Mark A. Friedman, Chief Executive Officer, Hillside Memorial Park and Mortuary.