

## **PRESIDENT**

What's new? A lot!

BHSS continues to innovate and thrive throughout the year, and it is exciting to see so many new and renewed initiatives gaining momentum across our community. I'm thrilled to share a few recent updates.

### **Mitzvah Day Returns**

Michelle Mitzvah Group proudly brought back Mitzvah Day after a long hiatus, creating meaningful opportunities to come together in service, save lives, and support people in need. The day far exceeded expectations for blood donations, a women's and children's clothing drive, and volunteerism, serving as a powerful reminder of what we can accomplish when we act together with purpose and compassion. Special thanks to Sean Levin, Carol Diamant, Iris Greenberg, Michelle Sherry, MMG, Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Youth Group, and the many donors and volunteers who collectively made this impactful day possible. My blood type is definitely BHSS+.

### **BHSS AllGen Builds Connection Across Generations**

Our new AllGen initiative is off to an excellent start, kicking off with "BHSS on the Move at the Ridgewood Run" on May 25. This new group offers fresh opportunities for everyone of all ages and abilities to connect, participate, and build community together. We encourage you to bring your family and friends for more fun. Contact [BHSSAllGen@gmail.com](mailto:BHSSAllGen@gmail.com).

### **Celebrating a Milestone for the HCELC Preschool**

As the first school year of partnership with HCELC concludes with great success, we celebrate the tremendous energy and joy the preschool has brought to BHSS. I encourage you to view the beautiful designed artwork entitled "Rooted in Vision, Growing in Community" that now hangs outside the social hall entrance near the double classroom.



### **New Aspect to Family Fun Day in Year Five**

One of our most beloved traditions continues to strengthen bonds within our congregation and with folks who are new to our community. Join us for the 5th Annual Family Fun Day welcoming all HCELC families with this year's theme: **Two Communities, One Home, One Day of Pure Fun!** Don't miss it on May 17.

### **Your Ideas Shape Our Future**

Many of these and other outstanding programs began with a member's idea. If you have thoughts on how to make BHSS stronger, I encourage you to share them and help bring them to life.

Thank you for being part of all that makes our Jewish community so vibrant. Wishing you and your family a wonderful summer.