

YOUNG ISRAEL SHOMRAI EMUNAH

*Virtual*  
**BANQUET**

Wednesday

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8:00PM

Tribute to the Legacy of  
**Howard Katz z"l**

Community Service Award  
**Serena & Ben Kalish**

HaKarat HaTov  
**Brett Kugler**  
YISE Youth Director

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# TRIBUTE TO THE LEGACY OF HOWARD KATZ, z"l

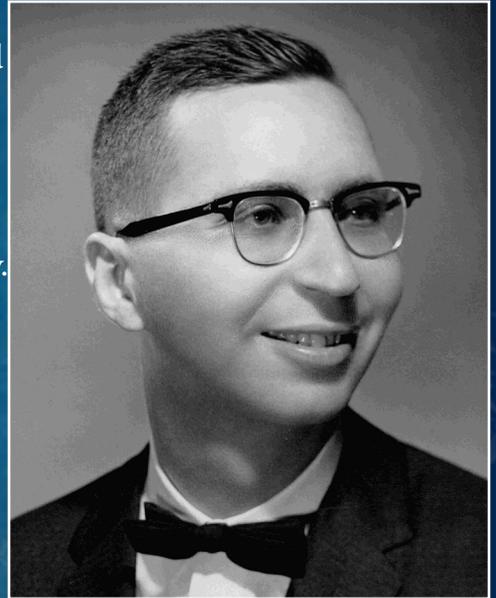
Howard Katz was born in New Rochelle, NY in 1934. He received a BS in physics from NYU and he served in the Air National Guard. He moved to the Washington area to work with the Navy on explosives, first in Dahlgren, VA, and later in White Oak, MD. While there, he received a patent on a Rod Warhead developed for the Navy.

In 1962, he married Linda Shapiro, a native Washingtonian. They lived in Aspen Hill and Rockville. In 1976, together with their four sons, Noah, Micah, Manasseh, and Seth they moved to Silver Spring.

In 1970, Howard and his brother-in-law, Sam Shapiro, took over Printcraft Paper Company, which was founded by Linda's parents.

Soon after moving to Silver Spring, Howard became very active in the Jewish community. He served as President of both SEHC (1976-1978) and YISE (1985-1988), and was on the boards of the Hebrew Academy of Greater Washington, the Yeshiva of Greater Washington, the Chevra Kadisha, and other community organizations. He managed the National Capitol Hebrew Cemetery and maintained records for the YISE area of the Mount Lebanon Cemetery. He became an expert in all aspects of the Jewish funeral business and for many years was on call day and night to assist those in need.

He was a fixture at the Hashkama Minyan and Kiddush, helping to set up and clean up Kiddushes and making sure the liquor cabinet was always well-stocked!



## YISE BANQUET 2021

# COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

## SERENA & BEN KALISH

Since getting married six and a half years ago, Serena & Ben Kalish have lived in Kemp Mill and attended YISE.

Serena is originally from Great Neck, NY. She received her Bachelor's in biochemistry at Yeshiva University, then attended Shenandoah University Physician Assistant Program in Winchester, VA. Since graduating from PA school, Serena has worked in general pediatrics, physical medicine and rehabilitation, and urgent care. She is also a certified lactation counselor, which she is utilizing now to counsel patients, friends, and the general public through her social media @ TheLactationPA. She also teaches breastfeeding and infant care classes.



Ben is originally from Baltimore, MD. He graduated from UMUC with a Bachelor's in political science, all while learning at YGW. Then he received his Juris Doctorate from George Washington University. He has been working at the Securities Exchange Commission since graduating law school.

Serena just finished her three year term serving as a YISE board trustee, and has served on the board nominating committee twice. She has served on the Youth Committee and the 9:15 Minyan committee as well. She has planned two "Meat" and Greets for the Minyan, along with many other YISE events, both in person and over zoom. She has organized welcome baskets for new Kemp Mill community members.

Ben has been the Gabbai of the 6:55 Minyan every day for two years now. Ben & Serena both serve on the Chevra Kadisha of Greater Washington. They are founding members of the 9:15 Minyan, and have been heavily involved in programming and Minyan activities.

Together, Ben & Serena have two children: Naava (2 years old) and Yosef (almost 5 months old). They are planning on making Aliyah this October, to Ramat Bet Shemesh Hay.

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# HAKARAT HATOV BRETT KUGLER

After a long and arduous journey from White Oak where he grew up as a lad, swimming the channels of the mighty Northwest Branch Watershed, Brett Kugler finally found himself on the sandy shores of Kemp Mill as a doughy eyed newlywed in 2004. He, along with his wife Becca immediately found a home at Young Israel Shomrai Emunah. As they approached the building for the first time as a married couple, Brett shared stories of spending Shabbosim at Grandma Shonny's house so that he could visit his extended family and friends (and his future home). He reminisced about all of the positive memories and spoke of the excitement he was feeling as they approached the front door, finally having the opportunity to become an official member of the YISE community.



As a graduate of Berman Hebrew Academy, Yeshiva Gedolah, University of Maryland (B.A. in Studio Art), and Johns Hopkins (MS in Special Education), Brett is a lifer in the state of Maryland. Brett and Becca are proud to have the opportunity to raise their children in the same city where they both grew up. With a feeling that Silver Spring has given so much to them, giving back to the community is incredibly important to the Kugler family. Following in the footsteps of his Great-Grandfather (Rabbi Moshe Chaim Levinson, zt"l) who was an integral part of the founding of several shuls and schools in the Greater Washington community, Brett has worked tirelessly for the community to continue the family's legacy of giving. Outside of his job as a Learning Specialist, HS Minyan Coordinator, and 2x championship-winning basketball coach for the Charles E Smith Jewish Day School (where he has worked for 15 years), he has also found time for volunteer work, serving on the board of YISE and being active on multiple YISE committees including the Youth Safety Committee. He also volunteers with the Chevra Kaddisha as well as with NCSY where he has worked with teens for the better part of the last 10 years. He has been an active member of both the 8 am and 9:15 Minyanim for the past 16 years, where he can always be found in the front row (when not greeting newcomers at the door).

Brett considers it an incredible honor to have had the opportunity to work as the YISE Youth Director for the past 7 years. In that time, he has thought creatively to run over 100 events ranging from a 5K Rabbi Relay Race to the annual Mother/Daughter Midrash, Manicures, and Milkshakes event that sells out within the first few days of promotion. His three children, Akiva (14), Boaz (12), and Maital (9) always make sure to give him feedback on these events to let him know how they went. He prides himself on integrating Torah themes into many of the events, such as having a bonfire (as is customary on Lag B'Omer) at the Lag B'Omer trip to the Adventure Park at Sandy Spring. While planning the activities is something that he takes great pride in, his greatest moments of joy are seeing the smiles on the faces of the children and parents as they enjoy the events. He sheps a tremendous amount of nachas in knowing that he has helped to make memorable and lasting moments in the minds and hearts of the youth in our community. He also feels eternally grateful to those who have invested their time in helping to make the experience of our youth the best that it can be.

## YISE BANQUET 2021

# IN MEMORIAM

YISE mourns the untimely passing  
of the father of our honoree,  
Ben Kalish.

Paul Kalish, z"l  
מלך יונה בן ידיל דוב ע"ה

המקום ינחם אתכם בתוך  
שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים

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**Noah, Micah, Manasseh, and Seth**

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# GUARDIAN

In memory of  
Howard Katz, z”L

Mazal Tov to all of the honorees

**Marina & Gregory Shmunis**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# GUARDIAN

We remember Mr. Howard Katz, z”l with affection and we honor his long legacy of contributions to the YISE community. His sons, Manasseh and Seth Katz, follow in his footsteps as proud, innovative leaders in their own right. Thank you, Manasseh and Seth, for everything you do.

Mazal Tov to Serena & Ben Kalish on a well-deserved honor. We wish them great success in their move to Israel. They will be sorely missed.

Mr. Brett Kugler has served as YISE Youth Activities Director with distinction for seven years. Our gratitude knows no bounds.

**Marc & Debbie Katz**

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# GUARDIAN

In honor of Howard Katz, z”l and  
the incredible legacy carried on by  
Seth and Manasseh

**Judah & Marilyn Lifschitz**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# GUARDIAN

Mazal Tov to Serena & Ben Kalish  
on this well-deserved recognition!

Mazal Tov to Brett for his  
dedication and all of his hard work  
on behalf of the youth of our Shul.

Mazal Tov to the graduating Seniors.  
We'll miss you and we thank you for  
all you've done over the years.

YISE is a better place because of these honorees.

With appreciation,  
**Melissa & Chad Miller and Family**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# GOLD

We join all of the many long-time members of YISE to express our great appreciation for Howard Katz, zT”L, for his many years of doing acts of Chesed for the Shul and the greater Washington Jewish community. We are grateful, also, that Howard guided his sons, Manasseh and Seth, to do the same. Getting through COVID, this past year would have been immensely more difficult without their wisdom and dedication.

**Bruce & Nancy James**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# GOLD

With much appreciation for:

The awesome legacy of Howard Katz,  
the energetic and upbeat Kalish duo,  
our spirited youth director Brett Kugler,  
and our incredible crop of youth honorees.

Together with our warm and wonderful  
Rabbi, you help make YISE the  
welcoming, flexible, community-focused  
source of Yiddishkeit it is for all of us.

With our deepest thanks,  
**Judy & Stuart Rosenthal**

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GOLD

In memory of  
Howard Katz, z"l

**Marsha & Yitz Kasdan**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# GOLD

To our dearest children,  
Serena & Ben

Mazal Tov on this most well-deserved honor!  
We are so proud of you for all you have done for your Shul, and for the entire Silver Spring community. You both give so much of yourselves, and work tirelessly for the causes you believe in. We know the community will miss you greatly when you move to Israel. You are amazing role models for our beautiful Naava & Yosef. Keep up the awesome work wherever you are!  
You are shining stars in Silver Spring,  
and more importantly, in our lives.

We love you very much!

Love,  
**Mom & Dad Schwechter**  
**(aka Bubby Donna & ZC)**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# SILVER

Seth Katz and Manasseh Katz,

May all of your hard work  
keeping the Shul going round  
serve as an extension of your  
father z”L’s considerable merit.

With sincere gratitude,  
**Eva & Isaac Moses**  
**Rafi, Ilana, Abby, and Asher**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# SILVER

While we ourselves did not know Howard Katz z”l well, we see his legacy reflected in his kind, thoughtful, and public-spirited family.

May his Neshama have a great Aliyah and may he continue to be an inspiration to all of us.

**Shmuel & Roz Shafner**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# SILVER

Mazal Tov and much appreciation  
to Serena, Ben, and Brett for all  
of your efforts on behalf of our  
community and Shul – Thank You!

Mazal Tov to  
all of the youth honorees!

May Howard Katz's  
memory be for a blessing.

**Naomi & Ori Carmel**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# SILVER

In honor of and appreciation to  
Brett and Serena & Ben  
for their dedication to  
Young Israel Shomrai Emunah.

In tribute to the legacy of  
Howard Katz, z"l.

Mazal Tov and thank you to all of  
the outstanding youth honorees.  
We will miss you next year!

**Carol & Tuvia Lazar**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# SILVER

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In memory of Howard Katz,  
a true Baal Chesed, he will be  
sorely missed by all of us.

Wishing Mazal Tov to all  
of the honorees, may you go  
from strength to strength.

**Caroline & Eric Namrow**

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# SILVER

In tribute to Howard Katz.

He was a true pioneer  
and pillar of our community.

May his memory be for a blessing.

**Louis & Judy Morris**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# SILVER

In tribute to Howard Katz, z”L  
whose acts of Chesed and devotion to the  
Tzibur knew no bounds, and whose legacy  
of dedication to our community has found  
expression in his incredible children, who  
follow so faithfully in their father’s footsteps.

In gratitude to  
Serena & Ben Kalish  
Brett Kugler  
and all the Youth Honorees  
for their contributions  
to our Shul and our community.

**Shmuel & Mindy Tolchinsky**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# SILVER

Mazal Tov to the honorees on this well-deserved recognition.

Thank you for your continued dedication and the countless hours spent helping our Shul and the greater community.

**Meir & Aviva Kramer**

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# SILVER

Howard Katz, z”L

Howard left an impact on so many of us, whether it was his work as Shul President, or his years of efforts for the Cemetery and for all aspects of care for the departed. He and his Aishes Chayil, Linda, z”L were pillars of the community and raised children and grandchildren who follow in their illustrious footsteps. His memory is truly for a blessing.

Serena & Ben Kalish - Community Service Award

Mazal Tov! You have both given so much to the community since you first came here. May Hashem bless you and your family in all your future endeavors

Brett Kugler - HaKarat HaTov

Mazal Tov! Thank you so much for the incredible work & creativity that you put in as YISE Youth Director for many years. We really appreciate it & thank your family for sharing you with all of us.

Youth Honorees

Mazal Tov! We really appreciate the efforts of each of you for the youth of our community. A Special “Shout Out” to our Granddaughter Aviva Kramer.

**Karen & Howie Schulman**

# YISE BANQUET 2021

# SILVER

To a large degree YISE has grown and developed because of the efforts of Howard Katz, z”L and his sons, Seth and Manasseh, who continue in the path started by their father.

Mazal Tov to Serena & Ben Kalish on receiving the Community Service Award. (AKA my fellow Board member and my Gabbai (in that order)).

We wish Serena & Ben our best on their Aliyah to Israel.

HaKarat HaTov to Brett Kugler

Mazal Tov to all of the Youth Honorees  
Benjamin Coplin, Michal Eizenstat, Netani Goldfeiz,  
Tova Katzoff, Aviva Kramer, Nitai Levi, Aryeh Miller,  
Raphael Mizrahi, Yerachmiel Pepper, Bracha Poyurs,  
Chana Leah Ravin, Shira Segelman, Ruthie Seidemann,  
Ephraim Dov Shimoff, Miri Solomson

**Gloria & Arnie Sherman**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# SILVER

From College Park to Kemp  
Mill, thank you Brett for  
enhancing our lives and our  
children's connections to the  
Jewish community.

Congratulations to  
all of the honorees!

**Ilana & Aaron Branda**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# SILVER

No words to adequately describe the impact Howard Katz, z”L had on our Shul: former president, scheduling Shomrim, Schlepping Shiva equipment, arranging funerals, dealing with funeral homes, Schlepping liquor for banquets, setting up Hashkama Kiddushes, having many L’chaims at those Kiddushes, hanging out in the Shul office . . . so much tireless work on behalf of the Kehilla. Howard, z”L and Linda, z”L taught their 4 sons by example and we benefit daily from the lessons that Seth and Manasseh have learned. Thank you Noah, Micah, Manasseh and Seth for allowing us to pay tribute to your father - he was one in a million!

Serena & Ben: Thank you for all of your hard work on behalf of YISE. You both stepped up in so many ways and it is hard to imagine YISE without you! We wish you much Hatzlacha in your move to Israel. You will be missed!!

Brett: Can’t believe 7 years have gone by! With creativity, dedication, warmth and a smile you touched the lives of the youth of YISE and we can’t thank you enough! Working with you has been a pleasure!

In appreciation to Rabbi Rosenbaum for guiding us through this challenging year with his Divrei Torah and warmth.

Sincerely,  
**Simi & Sammy Franco**

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SILVER

In honor of  
Rabbi Rosenbaum  
and all of the honorees

and in memory of Howard Katz

**Rabbi Saul & Susan Koss**

YISE BANQUET 2021

# SILVER

Mazal Tov to all of the honorees.

We sincerely miss our dear friend  
and committed YISE member,  
Howard Katz, z”l  
whose children and grandchildren  
are following in his footsteps.

**Bobbi & Jules Meisler**

YISE BANQUET 2021

With fond memories of Howard Katz, z”l. Howard was a tremendous model of devotion to the community and every individual within, all with the kindest of dispositions. The greatest proof that his efforts were sincere is the beautiful continuation of his legacy in our Shul through the remarkably GOOD TWINS, Seth and Manasseh. May his Neshomah have much satisfaction through our Shul’s continued growth and his family’s beautiful deeds.

With much admiration for Serena & Ben Kalish. Each of you, in your own special way, have thrown yourselves into unique and meaningful ways to enhance our Shul. You are both thoughtful people who elevate all those around you. We will miss you so much, both institutionally and personally. Special thanks to Serena for being so helpful to this technologically challenged Rabbi for the past number of months!

With much gratitude to Brett Kugler. You are a person of passion who cares deeply about children and their connection to Judaism. Your efforts for each program began with your creative energy and continued through to every detail, with so much personal energy always being put out. So much of the happiness of the youth in our Shul over the last number of years is thanks to your efforts. Thanks also to Becca and the kids for sharing you so graciously with us.

Thanks so much to Benjamin, Michal, Netanel, Tova, Nitai, Aviva, Aryeh, Raphael, Yechiel, Bracha, Chana Leah, Shira, Ruthie, Dovi, and Miri. Whether it be for Shabbos groups, youth Minyan, or helping out at programs, each of you has enhanced our Shul, and we are so grateful. May you each go on to much success and bring your families and all of us much Nachas.

Special thanks to the entire banquet committee but especially the remarkable Simi Franco and Barbara Price. As long as it is for the Klal, no challenge is too great nor detail too small. We learn so much from both of you.

**Rabbi Dovid & Atara Rosenbaum**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Mazal Tov to Seth & Manasseh Katz for keeping their father's legacy alive and always helping their Shul and community. In particular, your service to the Shul during this very difficult period was invaluable.

Mazal Tov to Serena & Ben Kalish for the Community Service award. Your contributions to the Shul Board (Serena) and Gabbai of a weekday minyan (Ben) will be sorely missed. Wishing you the best of luck on your Aliyah.

Mazal Tov to Brett Kugler for the Hakarat Hatov Award. You've done a great job nurturing our youth, especially during this very difficult past year. You will be missed.

Mazal Tov to all of our deserving youth honorees. Wishing you much success in all of your future endeavors.

**Sahra & Yale Ginsburg**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Howard Katz z”l made  
a tremendous contribution  
to our community’s life.

His sons continue  
his wonderful tradition.

**Judy & Rabbi Roy Rosenbaum**

YISE BANQUET 2021

Dear Aryeh,

It has been amazing to watch you grow into the wonderful young man you are today. Wishing you much Hatzlacha and Mazal as you go off on great adventures! (Craig wants to remind you that he is still undefeated in chess :-))

To the Kalish Family,  
Thank you for all you have  
done for our community!

Thank you to the Katz Family for all they have done, and continue to do for our Shul! May Howard's memory be a source of Bracha for your family, as you continue to follow in his footsteps.

Mazal Tov to all of the other honorees!

**The Simon Family**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

In honor of Brett Kugler and his supportive wife Becca in appreciation of their tireless efforts to bring creativity, excitement, and energy to the Shul.

Brett, your youth programs were top-notch, well-run, and enjoyed by so many. You will be sorely missed and will leave very big shoes and colorful socks to fill.

**Yehuda, Chaya, Dovid, Shlomo, Shua, Akiva, and Leah Shinensky**

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We are grateful for Howard Katz's significant contributions to our community, including his important assistance to many of us, his work with Chesed Shel Emet. His rich legacy continues through his family, Manasseh Katz and Seth Katz, two of whom are key to many aspects of the YISE Kehillah.

Congratulations as well to the many years of service and Ruach by the Kalishes and our youth volunteers.

Thank you all and Kol Hakavod.

**Debi & Max Rudmann**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Howard Katz, z”l, and Linda, z”l,  
left a legacy to YISE

A legacy of selflessness  
A legacy of kindness and caring  
A legacy of service  
A legacy of good works

But their greatest legacy to YISE is their sons,  
Manasseh Katz and Seth Katz

We are forever grateful for what  
Howard and Linda and their sons have done for  
Young Israel Shomrai Emunah

**Art Boyars & Bev Morris**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Mazal Tov to Ben & Serena Kalish who in but a few years have contributed so much to the success of YISE. May their coming Aliyah to Eretz Yisrael be a merit for them and for Am Yisrael.

Mazal Tov to Brett Kugler for his years of service, strengthening YISE's Youth Program, the bridge to our continued success.

Mazal Tov to The Youth Honorees who we trust will grow to become the leaders of that success.

**Art Boyars & Bev Morris**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Dearest Natani,

We are so proud of you. You work hard, you are dedicated and most importantly you are a wonderful Ben Torah.

May you go **מחיל אל חיל**.

We love you,

**Mom, Dad and your sister Leora**

YISE BANQUET 2021



Yeshiva of Greater Washington–Tiferes Gedaliah salutes  
**Young Israel Shomrai Emunah**  
 for its wonderful work in our community.

**Mazel Tov to all the worthy honorees.**

We celebrate the service to the community and the legacy of  
**MR. HOWARD KATZ, Z"l.**

We wish a well-earned Mazel Tov to our graduating Seniors

<b>AVIVA KRAMER</b>	<b>BRACHA POYURS</b>
<b>NITAI LEVI</b>	<b>CHANA LEAH RAVIN</b>
<b>ARYEH MILLER</b>	<b>SHIRA SEGELMAN</b>
<b>RAPHAEL MIZRAHI</b>	<b>RUTHIE SEIDEMANN</b>
<b>YERACHMIEL PEPPER</b>	<b>EPHRAIM DOV SHIMOFF</b>
<b>MIRI SOLOMSON</b>	

on being named the Youth Honorees.

*Aaron Lopiansky*  
 Rabbi Ahron Lopiansky  
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 Rabbi Yitzchok Merkin  
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## An open letter to Seth and Manasseh Katz:

We greatly appreciate your dad's many years of community service and individual help to us as a key member of the community Chevra Kaddisha. Your dad was there for us when Debby's father (Rabbi Chaim R. Friedman, z"l) passed away in our home. He came to our home, spent all the time necessary, made the phone calls and all of the arrangements. He saw to it that everything would be taken care of properly. In addition, he personally drove me (Barry) with the casket to Kennedy Airport for the flight to Israel for Kevurah. All in a relaxed, calm and reassuring manner with attention to details that gave us much comfort during this difficult moment in our lives. We also remember with gratitude the years of your dad's providing Shomrai's nursery school with paper stock from his business. He was a most friendly, conversational, outgoing personality; a doer who truly cared about his friends and members of his community – indeed, these two groups were often the same people! What a blessing that he merited to inspire you, his sons, to carry on the same level of dedicated and personalized helpful community service.

יהי זכרו ברוך

**Barry & Debby Greengart**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

In Tribute and Memory of  
Howard Katz, z”L

In Appreciation to  
Serena & Ben Kalish  
Brett Kugler  
and all of the Youth Honorees

**Debi & Aryeh Furst**

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In Honor of Rabbi Rosenbaum  
and the Shul Administration  
and all of the Honorees

**Mr. & Mrs. Marnin Lebovits**

YISE BANQUET 2021

After such an unusual year, where most of us retreated, we were impressed with the honorees who continued to step up to contribute to the ongoing legacy of YISE.

We are personally proud of the Youth Director for keeping the next generation involved.

Yasher Koach,  
**Sam & Maddy Kugler**

YISE BANQUET 2021

Thank you to Rabbi Rosenbaum  
and the YISE staff members and  
volunteers for keeping the Shul  
going during this most difficult  
year. What a Bracha to be back  
in person again!

**Sharon Freundel**

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In Memory of Howard Katz, z"l

For his dedicated service to YISE  
and to the entire Greater Washington  
Jewish Community. May his memory  
be a blessing to his family.

תבדלו לחיים

Mazal Tov to YISE Honorees.  
May You Go from Chayil to Chayil.

**Barbara & Mel Ciment**

YISE BANQUET 2021

To our dear grandson, nephew, cousin  
Brett Kugler

Mazal Tov on a well-deserved honor. We  
are so proud of your accomplishments. And  
a special thanks to your lovely family for  
supporting you in all your endeavors.

Love,

**Grandma Shonny, Uncle Danny, Aunt Val,  
Melanie & Shlomo Fishman,  
Tara & Shai Kornblau, Max and Zack Kugler**

Ben & Serena Kalish:

Mazal Tov on this wonderful honor. We  
will miss you and your family. Wishing you  
Hatzlacha in all your future endeavors.

**Dan & Valerie Kugler and Family**

In Memory of Howard Katz

His contribution to our community will always  
be remembered and his legacy continues through  
his wonderful children and grandchildren.

**Dan & Valerie Kugler**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Dovie: We are beyond proud of you.  
Can't wait to see what your next  
adventure brings. Love you so much.

Katz Family: Your parent's legacy of  
giving lives on through all of you. We are  
in awe of all that you do for the Shul.

Ben & Serena: We appreciate  
your hard work and adorable kids.

Brett: So much great programming.  
Thanks for all of the smiles you brought  
to our children these past several years.

Mazal Tov to all of the youth honorees too!

**The Shimoff Family**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

# Joey Franco

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YISE BANQUET 2021

Tribute to the Legacy of Howard Katz, z”l  
To a dedicated communal service worker who gave his  
tireless energy, effort, and time to many services: YISE  
President, Community Board member, Chevra Kadisha,  
Cemetery Maintenance, YISE Kiddush Organizer. Thank  
you for all of the above and more! Thank you for setting the  
example that Manasseh and Seth follow and lead others.

Community Service Award: Serena & Ben Kalish  
Thank you for the standards you have guided, the example that  
you have set, and your service with a smile. Hatzlacha Rabba  
with the next journey of your life as you make Aliya! Looking  
forward to sharing time with you. Thank you for your friendship.

HaKaras HaTov: Brett Kugler  
Your time has been immeasurable to YISE! Your service  
with a smile, organization, and creativity is a learning  
experience to observe, and awesome to be a participant!

Youth Honorees:  
To those I know and those I hope to get to know better:  
Thank you! Mazal Tov! Hatzlacha Rabba!

**Barbara Price**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

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Serena & Ben

and to the entire YISE congregation!

We are so proud to see our sister and brother-in-law being recognized for their tireless service, Chesed, and devotion.

This award is truly well-deserved!

(We would say that even if we weren't biased, but we probably wouldn't have taken out an ad!)

מזל טוב!

We love you!

Love,

**Daniel & Yael**

**Cary & Shuli**

**Sima, Raizy, Ella, Roey, Molly, and Dovid**

YISE BANQUET 2021

Mazal Tov to all the honorees!

And a special thank you to  
Brett Kugler for his tireless  
efforts on behalf of the  
youth of our community!

**David & Bracha Peto**

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In Memory of  
Howard Katz, z”l,  
a great friend and contributor to YISE  
and the whole Jewish community.

**Harriet & Ron Sheinson**

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Congratulations to all of the  
Honorees. Thank you for your  
efforts on behalf of YISE.

**Harriet & Ron Sheinson**

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YISE BANQUET 2021

In honor of  
Ben & Serena Kalish,  
and in gratitude for your  
friendship and everything  
you have done for the Shul  
and the community.  
We will miss you!

**Yitzhak, Chana Sara,  
and Simha Grossman**

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YISE BANQUET 2021

One of the ways a man's success can be measured at the end of his days is the extent to which his values are manifested in the actions of his children. One need look no farther than the wonderful dedication to the shul by Seth and Manasseh Katz to see that, by this standard, Howard Katz's, z"l life was a resounding success.

Congratulations to Serena & Ben Kalish, a wonderful couple who is deserving of the Community Service Award.

Anyone who has had contact with the youth program can appreciate Brett Kugler's energy and enthusiasm.

Last, but certainly not least, a big Mazal Tov to each and every one of the youth honorees, the future of K'lal Yisroel.

**Laurie & Stuart Cohen**

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**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Mazal Tov

Ben & Serena!!!!

This is such a well-deserved honor. Over the past several years, both of you have contributed in so many different ways to the Shul and community. May you both continue to be a shining example of how all of us can serve our communities.

**Marc Sushner**

YISE BANQUET 2021

In Memory of Mr. Howard Katz

Howard Katz set an excellent example as president of the Shul. His dedication and love for the Shul is continuing through his children and grandchildren.

**Raph Ginsburg**

Mazal Tov to  
Serena & Ben Kalish

With love,  
**Lynette, Jonathan,  
Sophie and Olivia**

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Gil & I were good friends  
with Howard & Linda.  
Howard was a very successful YISE  
president and he personally helped  
us in several different ways.

**Faith Ginsburg**

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In memory of Howard Katz, z”l.  
Mazal Tov to all of the honorees.

**Ruthie & Bill Konick**

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YISE BANQUET 2021

Mazal Tov to Miri Solomson and her fellow honorees! Thank you for your dedication and service on behalf of the community.

## **Lisa & Matt Solomson and Family**

In tribute to Howard Katz, z”L

We remember with great fondness the many, many acts of Chesed that Howard performed in his own quiet way, even after the passing of his beloved wife, Linda z”L. The legacy that they leave behind is evident in so many aspects of the Shul especially their children and grandchildren. We were privileged to be the recipients of his never ending dedication to the community. May his memory be for a blessing.

Mazal Tov to Netani Goldfeiz!

**Donna & Geoffrey Rosenbloom and Family**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Mazal Tov Serena & Ben  
on this well-deserved honor!

May Hasham grant you and your family  
much Hatzlacha and Bracha to help you  
continue your service to the Klal.

## Yitzi & Rachel Labell

Mazal Tov to all of the esteemed honorees. Thank  
you for your contributions to our community!

We remember with special appreciation the  
life and legacy of Howard Katz, z”l. May his  
devoted service to the Klal inspire all of us to  
take active roles in the life of our community.

**Rabbi Scott & Shari Hillman and Family**

YISE BANQUET 2021

Thank you to Serena & Ben Kalish.

Ben: A special thank you for your Gabbai efforts during the pandemic.

Brett: You have been a creative and innovative youth director. Thank you!

To all of the youth honorees:  
Wishing you success in your future endeavors.

**Seth & Masha Katz**

Chana Leah,

We are so incredibly proud of you and everything you have done for Shomrai, Chai Lifeline, and YGW! You are an amazing person and we are so blessed to have you in our family. We love you!

**Abba, Ima, Zev, Eliana, and Akiva**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

In memory of Howard Katz, who quietly and modestly served the community for many years, in many ways, and in honor of his sons, who carry on his legacy.

In honor of Serena & Ben Kalish for their leadership.

In honor of Brett Kugler  
for his many years of service to our youth.

**Judy & David Marwick**

Remembering Howard Katz, z”l  
For all he did for the Shul and the community. For always being there when people needed him. For leaving behind a wonderful legacy of community service which his sons continue to carry on.

Mazal Tov to Serena & Ben Kalish  
on receiving the Community Service Award.

**Melanie & Sandy Karlin**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Remembering Howard Katz who,  
together with his wife Linda, contributed  
so much to our shul and community.

Mazal Tov to all of the Honorees!  
With appreciation for all you do.

**Marion & Bernard Muller**

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Mazal Tov to Serena & Ben  
on this well deserved honor.

**Sharon & Rob Herman  
and Family**

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YISE BANQUET 2021

Thank you to everyone for their  
tireless efforts to make the Shul  
and this community thrive.

## **Kheder & Rita Shukur**

Congratulations with gratitude to all of the Honorees for their contributions to the YISE community. Throughout the very disruptive past year, YISE has been blessed with the valuable continuity of their commitment.

Howard Katz (and his wife Linda) who were always ready to do whatever was needed to build the achdut of the community - and left behind generations equally committed.

Serena & Ben Kalish who joined our community with a commitment from their own backgrounds.

Brett Kugler and the Youth Honorees who represent the strength of a bright future.

**Harriette & Dick Weinstein**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Mazal Tov to all of the honorees.

Hakarat Hatov to the Katz family for all that you do!

What a legacy Howard Katz left:

מעשה אבות סימן לבנים!

Mazal Tov and Hatzlacha Rabah  
to our neighbor, Ben Coplin.

**Miriam & Jeff Zuckerman**

Kol HaKavod to all the honorees.

We particularly remember Howard Katz for his honesty, integrity, strongly-held opinions, and devotion to Chesed Shel Emes. He was a great source of knowledge.

A Special Thank You to Brett Kugler for the many creative and clever events he initiated on behalf of YISE children.

**Esther & Alan Baldinger**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

In memory of Howard Katz, z”l, who left a legacy of long term important community service in a quiet under-recognized way.

He negotiated cemetery contracts for the community Shuls, advised those in bereavement of options and advice, and did so much more for YISE families. His children are part of his legacy, and are invaluable members of our YISE community, and reflect their father’s values.

**Nissy & Eva Moskowitz**

Brett,

Congratulations on this well-deserved honor!!! You have committed your career and time to students and the children of the YISE community to enhance their lives and Jewish experience. You lead by example.

**Josh & Tamar Saltzman**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Remembering Howard Katz, ע"ה  
for all of the good he did for so  
many in עולם הזה. May Hashem  
reward him with eternal rest in  
עולם הבא in גן עדן.

## Florence & Larry Radkowsky

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Serena & Ben,  
Mazal Tov on this well-deserved honor!  
We are so proud of all of your hard work!

Anita & Kenny Davis  
Renee & Harry Erreich  
Mindy & Jonathan Kolatch  
Debbie & Siggy Stein

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We are so proud of Michal and all of the young men and women who led groups during their high school careers. Their recognition as leaders is well deserved.

Mazal Tov to all of the honorees.

In memory of Howard Katz.

**The Eizenstat Family**

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In fond memory of Howard Katz  
and all that he did for us and for the community.

In tribute to our dear friends  
Ben & Serena Kalish  
for your well-deserved honor.

**Ira & Helen Brandriss**

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**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Mazal Tov to all of the honorees and the shul staff who keep things running smoothly. May Hashem give you the strength and good health to continue your invaluable work.

**Joyce Dworsky-Srouer & Nino Srouer**

In honor of our friends Serena & Ben Kalish  
Thank you for everything you have done  
for us and for our community.

With love,

**Liba, Eric, and Yehuda Golman**

In memory of Dr Avi Karkowsky z”l, 14 Tammuz,  
loving father, “Zayde”, husband, brother, uncle, cousin,  
nephew, colleague, friend, and devoted YISE member.

**Nancy Karkowsky and Family**

In Memory of Howard Katz z”l

Howard was an extremely fine manager of Sh’mirat Hamet in Silver Spring and other local communities. He was a good friend and I worked with him for many years. May his N’shamah have an Aliyah.

Sincerely,

**Cantor Yehoshua Redfern**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

The world is a better place  
because of the life lived by Howard Katz.  
The children follow in the parents footsteps.  
**The Shotkin Family**

In honor of the legacy of Howard Katz, z"l  
and  
wishing Mazal Tov to Serena & Ben Kalish!  
**David Lerner**

Mazal Tov Ben & Serena! The community will sorely miss you!  
May you have Hatzlacha in your future endeavors!  
Congratulations to the Youth Honorees,  
much appreciation for your leadership of Shabbos groups!  
Love,  
**Duvie & Michal Merkin**

Thank you so much to all the honorees and  
especially to Howard Katz, from whom we  
learned so much.  
**Ellen & Larry Korb**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

We honor the memory of Howard Katz, A”H. His decades of quiet, selfless communal service live on in the good deeds of his sons, Manasseh and Seth.

**Ellen & Irv Haber**

In memory of Howard Katz, z”L.  
He was a very important and wonderful person in our community.

**Tzivia Bramson**

With fond memories of Howard Katz, z”L and all he did for our community.  
With much appreciation to Rabbi Rosenbaum and to all the folks behind the scenes.

Mazal Tov to all the honorees!!

Mazal Tov and Yasher Koach to Serena & Ben for this most well-deserved honor! Thanks for all you’ve done and continue to do!!

Ramat Beit Shemesh Hey is lucky to have y’all!! We’ll miss y’all!!

**Cindy, Joel and Ilana Bauman**

In Memory of Howard Katz, Z”L  
A Great Man      A Great Friend

**Moish Linzer**

**Y I S E   B A N Q U E T   2 0 2 1**

In memory of Howard Katz, z”L

**Carol & Lionel Rabin**

In memory of my friend Howard Katz  
and in honor of all the honorees.

**Marvin M. Konick**

Mazal Tov to Serena & Ben Kalish on receiving the Community Service Award!  
A huge thank you goes to Brett Kugler  
for his MANY years as YISE Youth Director!  
Last but not least, Mazal Tov to Dovie Shimoff  
and all of the Youth Honorees tonight.

**Elise & Ken Saks**

In memory of Howard Katz, z”L  
This recognition is well-deserved.  
Sorry he is not here to receive this honor.  
Your friends,  
**Esther Edeson & Family**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Mazal Tov to all of the honorees!  
May the Shul continue to follow  
the example of Howard Katz!  
**Howard & Chava Kern**

Presented in memory of my great teacher and mentor  
Professor Hakham José Faur, of blessed memory, Senior Professor of Talmud  
and  
in memory of my greatest naval inspiration  
Admiral Jeremy Michael Boorda, of blessed memory, Chief of Naval Operations

Dedicated by **Rabbi Dr. Sanford H. Shudnow**  
Chaplain, United States Navy (retired)

Mazal Tov to all of the honorees,  
especially my great nephew, Brett.  
Love,  
**Aunt Norma**

Mazal Tov to all of the honorees!  
Ben & Serena, you are strong role models of chesed and  
community involvement, and we feel privileged to know you!

**Hirsh & Chayie Chinn**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

Mazal Tov to all of the honorees! Thank you for all you have done for YISE and our greater community! May Hashem grant you continued strength to touch many more people's lives!

## **Scott & Miriam Levson**

Mazal Tov to all of the honorees!

Serena & Ben, we thank you for all you have done for the community and wish you Hatzlacha in your next stage in life. You are true role models of dedication to Torah, Avodah, and Gemilus Chasadim. We will miss you!

Brett, your dedication in all that you do is truly amazing!

Keep doing great things for the Jewish people!

A special thank you to all of the Shabbos group leaders who give our children a great program on Shabbos mornings!

Best wishes,

**Rabbi Hillel & Naomi Shaps**

## **In Memory of Mr. Howard Katz**

## **Jan & Naomi Meisler**

In loving memory of our Zaide, who was always there for our family and community.

His loving grandchildren,

**Yisrael & Esther Katz**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

In memory of Howard Katz, z”l  
who contributed so very much to YISE and the  
Silver Spring community. His legacy endures.

**Janet Rottenberg**

In honor of Rabbi Rosenbaum and  
all those who helped keep the Shul  
functioning during the last year.

**Milton Cahn**

Benjamin,

Mazal Tov on being a Youth Honoree! You have shown diligence and dedication during the past 3 years as Gabbai. You are a role model not just amongst your peers but for of all the youth and our entire community. May you continue to grow in Israel and inspire others to reach new heights.

Love,

**Mommy, Daddy, Miri, and Ariella**

Thank you to all of the honorees on this well-deserved honor!  
Thank you to Menashe and Seth for all of your work to keep our Minyanim going!  
Thank you to Brett Kugler for all of your hard work on behalf of our kids!  
Thank you to Serena & Ben for all you have done  
for our Shul and community! We will miss you!!  
Thank you to the youth honorees for making Shabbos more fun for our kids!!

**Judy & Mitch Taragin and Family**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

*“For all those who faithfully occupy themselves  
with the needs of the community...”*

Howard Katz gave so much of himself, his time and efforts,  
to Shomrai Emunah. This is and will always be legacy.

He will always be missed.

**Vivian & Arnie Kirshenbaum**

Mazal Tov to Brett Kugler  
on this well-deserved honor.

Brett, you are a blessing to the community.

**Sue Zuckerman**

Dear Serena & Ben,  
Mazal Tov on receiving YISE's Community Service  
Award. We wish you all the very best on your  
upcoming Aliyah. May you continue to go **מחיל אל חיל!**

**Sima & Richard Soskin**

In memory of Howard Katz for his dedication to the  
community and Young Israel Shomrai Emunah.

Mazal Tov to all of the honorees  
especially the N. Belgrade Road crew.

**Delia Weiss, Miriam & Steve Friedman and Family**

**YISE BANQUET 2021**

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Chana & Paul Berner

Rosalyn Bramson

Jennifer & Yitzhak Cohen

Esther Dziadek

Marion & Harry Felsen

Shirlee & Steven Franco

Emily & Todd Friedman

Leora & Aaron Kor

Mara, Lawrence, Avi and Aryeh Margolin

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