

# *B'nai Sholom Reform Congregation*

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***B'nai Sholom Reform Congregation is a Brit Olam Congregation in covenant with the world – because we seek the world we want, not the world as it is.***

## **JOIN US FOR PRAYER, GOOD DEEDS, CELEBRATION AND STUDY**

Zoom links for services are sent out weekly.

Please call the office for information about telephone access to prayer services.

Friday, June 4	<b>KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE</b>	<b>6:13 PM</b>
Saturday, June 5	TORAH STUDY WITH RABBI KATZ LAY-LED TORAH STUDY	9:00-9:45 AM* 10:00 AM
Friday, June 11	<b>TOT SHABBAT SERVICE</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>
	<b>KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE</b>	<b>6:13 PM</b>
Saturday, June 12	TORAH STUDY WITH RABBI KATZ* LAY-LED TORAH STUDY	9:00-9:45 AM* 10:00 AM
Friday, June 18	<b>KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE</b>	<b>7:30 PM</b>
Saturday, June 19	<b>NO TORAH STUDY WITH RABBI KATZ</b> LAY-LED TORAH STUDY	10:00 AM
Friday, June 25	<b>KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE</b>	<b>7:30 PM</b>
Saturday, June 26	<b>NO TORAH STUDY WITH RABBI KATZ</b> LAY-LED TORAH STUDY	10:00 AM
Friday, July 2	<b>KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE</b>	<b>6:13 PM</b>
Saturday, July 3	LAY-LED TORAH STUDY	10:00 AM

*\*Unless otherwise noted in the weekly announcements.*

Visit <https://reformjudaism.org/learning> for each week's parashah.

### **B'nai Sholom's 2021 Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting will be held on Thursday, June 10, and will begin at 7 p.m.

***B'nai Sholom Reform Congregation, a Reform Jewish synagogue, is a community that fosters individual, family and congregational spirituality by engaging in worship and prayer, promoting learning on all levels, supporting each other's needs, bettering our community and our world, and forging connections with worldwide Jewry.***

***We take pride in being warm, welcoming, informal, progressive, open-minded, diverse, and participatory.***

***We strive to create a vibrant Jewish present, linking our ancient traditions with the promise of the future.***

## ***From Our Rabbi...***

Dear B'nai Sholom Member,

On May 21, 1981, I was ordained at Temple Emanu-El in New York City. It is time for us to reflect upon this last year, and for me, the last 40 years.

The number 40 is significant in our tradition. Its connotative meaning is "many." It rained for 40 days and 40 nights. Moses was atop Mt. Sinai to receive the Torah for 40 days. The Children of Israel wandered in the desert for 40 years. The number means "many," and were we living in ancient times we wouldn't say, "I have a thousand things to do today," we'd say, "I have 40 things to do today."

Every transition is a leaving and an arrival. The transition may be a realization - leaving a new idea behind and taking on a new belief, it may be the status of a relationship - from leading the life of a single person to being married, it may actually be leaving one place to move to another. I am happy that a newly ordained Rabbi will be assuming the role of spiritual leader for the congregation. This is an important transition in the life of the congregation.

As I take my leave, I ponder how many transitions I have made in my career, especially during these last years as an Interim Rabbi. I have led nine congregations in 11 years. And before becoming an "intentional" interim rabbi, as we are called, I was a Temple Educator, a professor, a college scholar-in-residence, a supervisor/curriculum writer in a Reform day school, and a pulpit Rabbi. I suppose you could say my M.O. has been change and transition.

So as an expert, a long standing expert, 40 years an expert - I have a few observations and bits of advice to offer...

First, everyone says they look forward to change..., until it happens. Then everyone longs for the past, or at least their favorite parts of the past. When change happens, the homeostasis of the political and cultural arena is thrown out of kilter. Roles may be lost or not appreciated and songs at a Friday night service may go unsung. As some express excitement about the future, others silently long for what is missing or fear what is about to happen.

The best piece of advice I offer is to ask what went through your mind before going on a blind date. What questions were you going to ask the person sitting across the table and what would you like to have been asked in return so that your date could really get to know you? How were you to make the best impression while gently revealing your flaws and foibles? How would you withhold judgment and be accepting in order to allow the future to unfold easily?

Forty years serving the Jewish people has taught me a lot. We complained about the manna in the desert and we still have an inclination to complain about what we are being served. We were a stiff-necked people in ancient days and we are still opinionated beyond anything approaching reasonable. We have tried to live by our highest ideals but we ourselves too often fall short.

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So as I take my leave and Rabbi Weisbrot arrives, remember this: Never complain about the “new Rabbi.” Don’t be stubborn if the Rabbi offers a new idea or a new ritual by saying, “We’ve always done it this way” or “We’ve never done it that way.” And finally, live up to the best vision of your best selves.

If you keep these recommendations in mind, you’ll do just fine.

L’shalom,

Rabbi Katz

P.S. I’m saving my impressions of this past year for the annual meeting on June 10 and my expressions of appreciation for our good-bye get-together on June 13. My last day on the job is June 15. Know that I’m going to miss everyone very much when I leave.

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## **Thank You, Rabbi Katz!**

Rabbi Katz completes his year of service with us this month, so we will honor him with a Bagel and Shmooze party via Zoom on Sunday, June 13, at 10 a.m.

Please plan to join in!  
Watch the e-announcements for Zoom link.

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## From Our President...

In early May, the Pew Research Center released the results of a major survey of Jewish public opinion. The survey, which was conducted between November 2019 and June 2020, fielded 4,718 responses, 1,770 of which were provided by Reform Jews. The full study, which can be accessed online at <https://www.pewforum.org/2021/05/11/jewish-americans-in-2020/>, provides a fascinating and comprehensive snapshot of Jewish attitudes, beliefs and practices in the United States and will doubtless fuel many discussions among community leaders and organizations about how best to reach and serve their constituents in the vibrant and diverse Jewish universe in the U.S.

Many who review the survey will focus on the growing divergence of the youngest Jews surveyed, individuals between the ages of 18 and 29. While overall, 32% of Jews report themselves to be unaffiliated with a denomination and only 9% are Orthodox (and 37% are Reform), among young Jews, 17% identify as Orthodox and 41% are unaffiliated (with 30% reporting themselves as Reform). Jewish leaders will also be wise to note that, while more than 90% of Jewish adults identify as non-Hispanic White, the Jewish population is becoming more diverse, especially among younger Jews, with 15% of those between ages 18 and 29 identifying as non-White. In addition, 17% of U.S. Jews live in households with at least one Hispanic, Black, Asian, multiracial or other non-White-identified person.

However, at the same time that organizations and leaders were pondering the report and thinking about how to use this information to guide outreach, programming and support, many Jews and Jewish organizations in the U.S. were also watching in horror as fighting escalated in Gaza and Israel. The confrontation, which began over the expulsion of Palestinian families from East Jerusalem, escalated into Israeli airstrikes in Gaza and Hamas rockets fired into Israeli cities. The violence wrought by the military and paramilitary forces caused civilian deaths among Palestinians and Israelis, including Palestinian children, and *The New York Times* published reports of Palestinians burning synagogues and Israelis retaliating by stoning and burning cars and a Muslim cemetery.

The Pew study suggests that generally, as Reform Jews, we stand in a complicated position as we survey these tragic and deplorable events. Nearly half of all Reform Jews reported feeling “a great deal of belonging” to the Jewish people, with an additional 40% reporting at least some sense of belonging. While only 12% of Reform Jews felt that they had a lot in common with Jews in Israel, 48% reported some sense of common ground. Interestingly, 39% of Reform Jews also reported feeling that they had at least some commonalities with American Muslims (a higher percentage than Orthodox, Conservative and unaffiliated Jews).

Looking specifically at attitudes about Israel, “am Yisroel” still prevails among Reform Jews, with 58% reporting feeling either very or somewhat attached to Israel (though for all Jews, the sense of attachment is less for younger Jews). A larger percentage of Reform Jews – 86% – report that caring about Israel is either essential or important to their sense of Jewish identity. While not as deeply engaged in following news about Israel as our Conservative and Orthodox friends, 58% of Reform Jews nonetheless report doing so either very or somewhat closely.

Reform beliefs about the U.S.’s support for Israel were somewhat conflicted in 2019-2020, although 56% saw the U.S.’s support as being about right. An additional 20% perceived the U.S. as too supportive but were balanced by the 21% who saw the U.S. as not supportive enough. Most of us are aware that we view the world differently from Orthodox Jews,

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but the survey sharpens this insight. Reform Jews were critical of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, with 59% rating his leadership as fair or poor, the two lowest rankings. Only 9% graded Netanyahu as excellent (in sharp contrast with Orthodox Jews, of whom 37% rated him as excellent). Also during the time the survey was in the field, 69% of Reform Jews reported that they saw “a lot of discrimination” against American Muslims (the comparable figures of Blacks and Jews among Reform Jews were 58% and 45%, respectively). Among the Orthodox, however, only 18% saw widespread discrimination against Muslims in the United States.

When the survey was conducted, most Reform Jews – 65% – were optimistic about the prospects for a long-term peaceful solution in the form of independent Israeli and Palestinian states. This optimism, however, was counterbalanced by deep skepticism of the leadership on both the Israeli and Palestinian sides. Only 28% of Reform Jews believed that the Israeli government is sincerely seeking a peaceful settlement and only 11% said the same about the Palestinian leadership.

All of these tensions likely feel familiar to those of us who’ve talked to non-Jewish friends about events in Israel and Gaza. While Reform Jews by and large remain Zionist in our orientation, our Zionism leaves room for deep concern about and criticism of governmental actions that undermine the chances for a just and lasting peace. We may love Israel, but most of us are worried that Israeli politics are headed in the wrong direction. We often believe that bad Israeli and Palestinian actors in authoritative positions have both engineered and taken advantage of crises to generate more baseless hatred between Israelis and Palestinians. Non-Jews who talk to Reform Jews about the situation may find themselves dissatisfied, as we refuse to stand firmly and uncritically on either the Palestinian or Israeli side of the line.

Our positions don’t work well as sound bites or slogans, and within the Reform movement our individual beliefs span a wide gamut as well. For many of us, even the claim that both sides bear responsibility for the conflict and hold the seeds of peace in their hands invites immediate caveats about the power differential between the Israeli state and the Palestinian Authority, as well as discussion of the role of Hamas on the Palestinian side. Our identities as Reform Jews sensitize us to heed and amplify calls for justice and peace. We feel keenly not just the lost opportunities of the last several years but the ways that these opportunities have been lost – all too often not because of hostility from the other side but rather from internal destructive radicalization and hatred. We remember painfully, for instance, that on the Israeli side, the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin was carried out by an anti-Palestinian extremist.

Our standpoint is distinctive in its nuance, and our commitment to optimism, even in these dark times, is worth keeping. Our perspective is important, and it’s even more important that we articulate it as a Jewish perspective keyed to Jewish values. Just as we as Americans have particular standing to criticize our government and make it clear that unjust actions are not done in our names, as Jews we can be loving critics of wrongful Israeli actions even while acknowledging the fear and anger of Israelis threatened by violence. The broader conversation seems to demand unambiguous and strong defense of one side over the other. However, the room so desperately needed for engagement to grow cannot exist without our thoughtful recognition of wrongs and imagination of what a just peace can be.

L'shalom,

Julie Novkov

# **Update on Reopening B'nai Sholom**

## **B'nai Sholom's 8-person Reopening Task Force met regularly throughout April and May.**

- The task force has established a three-phased reopening process, which is outlined below.
- Phase 1 involves testing the feasibility of in-person/live-streamed services on 6/18 and 6/25. A small group of people will be on-site during these services: the service leader, the soloist, a camera operator, and representatives from the Board and the Ritual Committee. All other congregants will participate via Zoom, as usual.
- When Phase 1 is complete, the task force will turn its attention to Phase 2: helping committees plan other in-person services, meetings and events.
- Once post-vaccine guidance becomes available, the task force will implement Phase 3: updating safety procedures.
- The task force will work closely with Rabbi Weisbrot on all phases of this process.

## **Phase 1: Reopening Task Force tests the feasibility of holding in-person services on Friday nights**

- a. arrange camera and microphone so that services can be conducted on-site and streamed live at the same time;
- b. practice using this hybrid model with a small group of people on-site: those necessary to conduct the service, operate the equipment or involved in the test run;
- c. practice using this hybrid model with a slightly larger group of people on-site;
- d. determine feasibility of using this hybrid model with a larger group of people.

## **Phase 2: Committees use a safety checklist to plan in-person services, meetings and events**

- ✓ Limit attendance so that participants from different households can maintain a social distance of at least 6 feet at all times and 12 feet if there will be chanting or singing;
- ✓ Maximize ventilation and outdoor air flow to the greatest extent possible;
- ✓ Separate seating by at least 6 feet; 12 feet if there will be singing or chanting (irrespective of whether the services are indoors or outdoors);
- ✓ Require face coverings at all times;
- ✓ Inform participants that they should not attend if they have a temperature above 100F, symptoms of COVID-19 in the past 14 days, a positive COVID-19 test in the past 14 days or close contact with a confirmed or suspected COVID-19 case in the past 14 days;
- ✓ Clean and disinfect high-risk areas before and after the event.

## **Phase 3: Reopening Task Force updates safety procedures when post-vaccine guidance becomes available**

## Come Outdoors with B'nai Sholom!

Do you find your spirituality in nature? Join us for an hour-long program of sharing prayers and personal reflections, combined with walking, at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center in Delmar. Weather permitting, the program will take place at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 27. We will employ COVID-19 safety measures as necessary to ensure the well-being of participants. Registration is required at least one day in advance so we can limit numbers if necessary and communicate regarding safety protocols and weather accommodations. Register by calling Libby Liebschutz at 518-466-7034 or emailing her at [libbyliebschutz@gmail.com](mailto:libbyliebschutz@gmail.com).

## Rabbi Cashman Farewell Slated for 2022

The June 2020 brunch to honor Rabbi Cashman upon his retirement was suspended due to the COVID-19 lockdown. Instead, we shared our thanks and congratulations as best we could at Rabbi Cashman's final Friday night service, conducted over Zoom the last week in June. President Julie Novkov noted Rabbi Cashman's contributions over the course of his 35-year career at B'nai Sholom. We presented him with a hard-cover book of photographs and memories shared by congregants and a carbon fiber guitar. We also unveiled a framed photo collage of Rabbi Cashman that will hang at B'nai Sholom. We sang a special blessing.

But we didn't really get a chance to say goodbye...

Little did we know, when we suspended the brunch event, that we would still not be in a position to hold it in June 2021. Instead, after consultations among the Board, the Transition Committee, the Reopening Task Force, the Rabbi Cashman Farewell Committee and Rabbis Katz and Cashman, we have determined to say our farewells at an in-person event to be held in the late spring or early summer of 2022. This should afford Rabbi Cashman and Sharona Wachs the opportunity to accept our wishes for great success and happiness upon their move to Jerusalem, planned for October of that year, at the conclusion of the 2022 holiday season.

More details regarding the nature, date and time of the event will be provided in the months ahead. In the meantime, if you would like to help with the planning or execution of the event, please contact Farewell Committee Chair Libby Liebschutz.

## June Kibbutzniks

Amy Vastola – In honor of the Social Action Committee

Eric, Maxine and Ethan Goldberg – In honor of Melissa Putterman Hoffmann who gallantly leads us through Friday night services on- and off-screen

## News from the Social Action/Social Justice Committee

### TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE –

### TAKING ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

The recent MOMENTS survey completed by the congregation revealed that **climate change** is a critical issue as indicated by the highest number of respondents. B'nai Sholom has been participating with CRICCC (Capital Region Interfaith Creation Care Coalition) for a year now. During that time the CRICCC coordinator in the Social Action/Social Justice Committee has received many alerts about community programs and forums as well as "action needed now" requests.

Getting information to congregants in a timely manner has been difficult, as the lead time is often shorter than the cycle of our monthly bulletins and weekly electronic announcements. Therefore, the committee has proposed creating an electronic list of congregants who wish to receive information about environmental and climate change topics, including current events taking place in the area.

If you are interested in receiving climate change programming alerts and information about other environmental issues, you can sign up for the CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENT listserve:

From the email account into which you wish to receive alerts, email Mitch Levinn at [postmaster@bnaisholom.albany.ny.us](mailto:postmaster@bnaisholom.albany.ny.us) and put "climate change" in the subject line.

## Reflections from *Shared Legacies*

By the Social Action/Social Justice Committee

On May 5<sup>th</sup>, many members of our B'nai Sholom family furthered our congregation's commitment as a Brit Olam Congregation to strengthen and connect our congregation to Reform Judaism's social justice endeavors and priorities by participating in a discussion of the film *Shared Legacies*. The program was led by long-time social justice collaborators Reggie Harris and Rabbi Jonathan Kligler and moderated by our own president and published author and educator Julie Novkov. The film, which had been available via stream to the entire congregation, is a powerful evocation for the Black-Jewish alliance formed during the 1960s Civil Rights era. As both our speakers observed, it is an important history to build on, noting, however, that nostalgia only goes so far and circumstances have clearly changed.

Reggie and Rabbi Kligler wove their many-year friendship into the film's important themes including a shared history of slavery and non-acceptance into mainstream institutions of America. We were left with much to consider. With the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the spiritual significance of the Black church became less influential in determining who the leaders of the Movement became and how protests, marches and rallies were organized. They also noted that during the last 50 years, American Jews as a group have made more progress into the mainstream than the Black community has and our parallel tracks are no longer in evidence. We must now reach out and **ask** what is needed from us.

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Yet building bridges between communities always entails challenges and, more than ever as we confront racism and rising anti-Semitism, there is a need for partnership, a need to find that “one thing.” By focusing on the “one thing” we can, perhaps, find other groups occupying the space and start to have those difficult but necessary conversations. Despite the change in leadership dynamics, as a Jewish congregation it seems logical to begin by reaching out to a church serving the Black Community. In the coming months, we will work to find out what we can do to help, to be allies, and we will reach out to all of you.

With many thanks to the Adult Education Committee, especially Barney Horowitz, to David Rudinger for his invaluable assistance and Stephen Gottlieb for putting us in touch with Rabbi Kligler and Reggie, and to Valerie Tabak, Becky Marvin and our incredible president, Julie Novkov, who continues to be an amazing inspiration and support.

## Spotlight on our Newest Members

*Editor’s note: A new feature from the Membership Committee to help all congregants get to know our new members.*

### **Leah Cherry & Nick Lennon**

Leah and Nick are both originally from Westchester County. They began dating 14 years ago when they were students at Yorktown High School.

Leah has lived in Albany for nearly 10 years. She attended SUNY New Paltz, earning a bachelor’s degree in political science. Leah’s interest in state government led her to pursue an internship with the New York State Assembly. Upon completion, Leah continued her employment with the Assembly and now serves as a Deputy Director of Research Services for the majority conference.

Leah explains that in 2019 she traveled to Israel on a Birthright trip. “That experience really sparked my interest in reconnecting with my Jewish roots,” she says. She was attracted to B’nai Sholom because of its smaller size and welcoming congregation.

Nick attended Westchester Community College before transferring to SUNY Albany to study chemistry. He currently works as a Supervisor at UPS in Latham. He is passionate about music and spends his free time playing piano, bass, guitar and studying music theory. While his day job consists of ensuring that people across the Capital Region receive their packages, he hopes to one day pursue a career in audio engineering.

As a new member of B’nai Sholom, Nick says, “I hope to learn more about the traditions and practices of Judaism.”

Leah and Nick plan to marry in May of 2022.

## **MAZAL TOV!**

.....to Rondi Brower and Philip Gilly on the marriage of their son, Josh, to Yuna Kim on May 21, and on Josh's graduation with an MBA from New York University on May 20.

.....to Mimi Bruce and David Ray, whose daughter, Arielle, received her MSW from New York University on May 20.

.....to Ann Lowenfels and Steve Redler on the graduation of their daughter, Doris Frasca, with a B.S. in nursing from the Thomas Jefferson University School of Nursing.

..... to Carol and Doug Smith, whose daughter, Eliza, graduated magna cum laude with a B.A. in neuroscience from Vanderbilt University.

.....to Becky and Ben Marvin, honored as Menschen for 2021 by Jewish Family Services of Northeastern New York at the annual Mensches & Mimosas event.

## **The Congregation Notes with Thanks These Contributions:**

### **General Fund**

In memory of **Herbert Malsky** by Ellie and Randy Davis.

In memory of **Elihu Modlin** by Ellie and Randy Davis.

In memory of **Carla Oblas** by Ellie and Randy Davis.

In memory of **Ida Domfort** by Howard and Marcus Domfort.

In appreciation of **Phil Teumim for helping to secure and install a wheelchair lift to the bimah** by Barbara and Jack Devore.

In memory of **Sidney Devore** by Barbara and Jack Devore.

In memory of **Robert Goody** by Nancy Goody.

In memory of **Claire Roth** by Amy, Yossi, Adam and Hadar Koren-Roth.

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In memory of **Herbert Malsky** by Barney Horowitz.

In memory of **Samuel Rauch** by Judy and Roy Fruiterman.

In honor of **Rabbi Katz's Shabbat study sessions** by Claire Sigal.

In memory of **Carla Oblas** by Becky and Ben Marvin.

In memory of **Herbert Malsky** by Becky and Ben Marvin.

### **Endowment Fund**

In appreciation of **being able to attend the Lay-Led Torah Study on Saturdays** by Richard McGowan

### **Vera Propp – Books for Babies Fund**

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### **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund**

In memory of **Elihu Modlin** by Seth Edelman.

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In memory of **Elihu Modlin** by Gary and Melissa Putterman Hoffmann.

In memory of **Carla Oblas** by Rema Goldstein.

In memory of **Elihu Modlin** by Judy and Roy Fruiterman.

In memory of **Elihu Modlin** by Shari Whiting.

In memory of **Elihu Modlin** by Mimi Bruce and David Ray.

# B'nai Sholom Legacy Society

Ensuring the Future  
of B'nai Sholom ...



... Creating a Jewish Legacy Today.

THANK YOU

to the newest members of the Legacy Society:

Mark & Pam Brody  
Rabbi Don Cashman  
Amy & Yossi Koren-Roth

Ann Lowenfels & Steve Redler  
David and Nancy Rudinger

You have demonstrated your faith and hope in the future of B'nai Sholom by making a current or after-life gift to our endowment.

Interested in joining them? Contact the Legacy Committee: Mimi Bruce, chair, Libby Liebschutz, Barry Pendergrass, David Ray & Stuart Schwartz

"As my ancestors planted for me, so do I plant for those who will come after me." -- Talmud Ta'anit 23

## The following Yahrzeits will be observed in June:

6/4 Joseph Finkelstein\*; Rae Spitalnic; Lena Rosenblatt\*; Earl Marvin; Ernst Swiwc; Werner P. Frankel; Julius Golderman; Hal Rosenthal; Bea Fogel; Donald Putterman\*;

6/11 Dr. Hyman Cohen; B. Howard Savitt; Jacob Aronson\*; Nathan Hess\*; Gertrude Einstein\*; Edward Shapiro; Ronald Kaplan;

6/18 Sol Gordon; John Samuels; Dora Edelman; Ralph Owen; Lorena Abrams\*; Martin Gilsenberg; Mildy Fischel; Gerry Green; Soloman Dachman

6/25 Isadore T. Jaffe\*; Selma Jarett; Martin Neuburger; Jeannette Lubitch Katz; Jennie Dubb\*; Mary Finnan Blakeslee; Bernard Herbert; Ella Kerper; Gordon Edelman; Minerva Knee; Rubin Fiegelson\*

*\*denotes that a Perpetual Memorial has been established.*

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