



BCMh 120th Anniversary Dinner Honorees

Eli and Eva Genauer have been fully involved in BCMH since their move from NY to Seattle in 1977.



Eli grew up in Bikur Cholim and is a third generation member of the Shul. He was an active member of the Shul's Minyonaires program from age seven and throughout his day school years. Eli has served at various times as president of the Shul, head of the religious committee and Gabbai. He has been a board member of the Kline Galland Home, Seattle Hebrew Academy and the Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle. He serves as a trustee of the Samis Foundation and is a national vice president of the Orthodox Union. In his professional life Eli is president of Eilat Management Company.

Eva was born and raised in New York and immediately got involved in Seattle Jewish community life upon her move to Seattle. She has served as vice president of the Jewish Family Service and the Seattle Hebrew Academy. A past board member of the Chabad Cheder and the Vaad Harabanim of Greater Seattle she was also an integral part of the N'shei women's group that helped NYHS in its early years. Eva is a past president of the BCMH Sisterhood and has served on the Shul board for various terms. Most recently she has devoted her volunteer efforts to the administration of the BCMH Chesed Fund, the co-chairmanship of the Shul's bikur cholim committee and the newly created Shiva Assistance Committee. In her professional life Eva is the owner of Expertise Medical Claims Assistance.

Eli and Eva value most the loving and caring community that BCMH has offered their families including their parents, children and most precious grandchildren.

Daniel and Francine Birk moved to Seattle from New York in 2003, whereupon they immediately became involved in volunteering at BCMH.



Francine grew up in Seattle as a fourth generation member of BCMH. Francine started working as a Yavneh counselor at age twelve, and continued through senior year of high school. She has volunteered with fundraising dinners, youth programs, Mikvah construction, and general programming needs. Francine co-founded the preschool day-camp Gan Shalom, now in its fifth year, and it will be in its' third year as a permanent part of BCMH's summer camps. Francine worked as treasurer for Camp Kol Rena, and helped convert the Yavneh portable into the beautiful space it is now. Francine also sat on the board of the Northwest Yeshiva High School, and has chaired the NYHS Food & Dessert Auction for the past six years. In her private life, Francine runs a custom dessert company called Francine's Desserts and raises three fifth-generation members of BCMH.

Daniel is from Riverdale, New York, and in his own shul, the Hebrew Institute of Riverdale, he received the Youth Leadership Award as a teen. Now here in Seattle, Dan has been the treasurer for BCMH for six years. He assisted in running the scholar-in-residence program, serves on the board's executive committee, finance committee, and is a member of the shul's endowment committee. Dan served on the board of the Seattle Hebrew Academy, and has gone through the Young Leadership training at AIPAC as well as being an active supporter of the organization. Daniel has assisted Julie Greene in running many of the programs at our shul with the goal of bringing together every member of the congregation to participate in BCMH activities. Daniel is also asked frequently to speak at shalos seudot at SBH and EB. In his private life Dan runs his own real estate investment and development company, Eretz Capital.

Dan and Francine are proud to continue their family's tradition of volunteering and supporting BCMH and the Seattle community. They look forward to watching their own children grow up as fifth-generation BCMH volunteers.



Zak Shayne's passion for Jewish leadership is best exemplified in his volunteer work for the BCMH Teen Minyan, where Zak has served as Gabbai for the past three years. Not only does he assist Rabbi Yonah Margolese in finding teens to lain and daven, he also steps into those roles when no one can be found. He doesn't hesitate to help at shul and NCSY events. Zak was also a staff member at Camp Kol Rena. Zak has been an active member of NCSY since the 6th grade, and he is currently a junior at Northwest Yeshiva High School. He has been on the NCSY Chapter Board for three years...and counting. Zak is also an enthusiastic martial arts student. He is always there when you need his help, volunteering his time with his energetic personality.