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**INTERVIEW WITH JUDGE J.C. HORWITZ,  
CO-FOUNDER OF THE OTTAWA JEWISH  
HOME FOR THE AGED (HILLEL LODGE)**



**The current President of Hillel Lodge: Dennis Newton:** "Judge Horwitz, as current President, I was trying to find the early minutes of the Lodge and as they are not presently available. I would like you as the living co-founder to give me a short history of the Lodge founding and early years."

**Judge Horwitz:** There is much to tell, but I shall try and give you some of the highlights of its founding and history: The late beloved Dora Lithwick approached me in the summer of 1954, about her dream for a Ottawa Jewish Home for the elderly, but did not know how it could become a reality.

It was then that I set out the various steps that would have to be taken. Firstly, we had to recruit many members for a charitable organization to be known as the Ottawa Jewish Home for the Aged, which I proceeded to incorporate. Then I made application to the Income Tax Division of the National Department of Revenue to be recognized as a charitable organization so that our receipts would be deductible against income.

The then "City Fathers" of the Va'ad were not inclined to see such an institution in the city as it could drain off funds from other causes and besides they had an arrangement with the Baycrest Centre in Toronto to take in our elderly if space was available.

Our application for recognition and permission to have a city wide campaign was not granted. Over a period of six years, Mrs. Lithwick and her friends recruited over 1,200 members.

We had innumerable public meetings with outstanding Geriatric and great public speakers in related topics. In order to convince the Va'ad that there was a necessity for such a Home in Ottawa and that it was financially viable, we caused a survey to be made of 11 elderly Jewish people in the city. They signed their approval and even in some cases their consent to become residents of the future home.

In addition, I waited upon the Ottawa United Way for inclusion in their campaign which was granted, I successfully approached the Ontario Government for planning and funding — file erection — of the building, as well as granting us a per diem, maintenance for each of the proposed 50 beds.

It was only then that the Va'ad granted us permission to have a city wide campaign. We launched a very successful one and decided that we ought to buy a property for our Home. At that time, we were advised that the Home should be built outside the busy city, so that residents could live in a country environment, with opportunity for gardening. We purchased a large tract of land, just west of Britannia.

Later on, as geriatric specialists were of the opinion that the ambulatory elderly should reside in the city where there was activity and other amenities, we sold the land to the NCC at a profit and commenced our search for a location in the city. After many months of searching, we purchased the present site.

When the Turkish diplomats, our neighbours to the south, learned of our plans, they immediately made objections to the Civic and Federal authorities to prevent us from building next to them.

I was able to overcome all objections by convincing Mayor Charlotte Whitton and Federal bureaucrats that our rights to build were paramount as we were legally within the zoning criteria. I even took the Turkish Ambassador out to the Rideau View Golf Club to placate him so that our relationship became a friendly one.

Then followed the years of planning with the help of our Executive, our Architect, Mr. Sidney Lithwick, and of course, the Ladies' Auxiliary, headed by its devoted President, Mrs. Isaac Beiles, all of whom were in the forefront of our undertaking.

During our deliberations, some vandals set fire to the house on our property and after settlement with the Insurance Company, we proceeded to have the building demolished. The plans having been completed were put out to tender and the contract let to the successful builder.

On completion of the building, the various Committees that had been meeting regularly, furnished the building, formulated

regulations for its operations, set forth conditions for admission, hiring of staff, preparing budgets and securing our first Director, Mr. Yale Greenberg.

It took many months to fill the majority of our rooms. There was a reluctance for some of our ambulatory elderly to leave their abodes and participate in communal living. But as they and their families realized the benefits that would accrue to them, the Lodge became their new home in close proximity to friends and loved ones.

Mrs. Lithwick was President for the first ten years and I chaired all the meetings until I took over as President for five years preceding and during the building of the Home. I stayed on as President for two subsequent years until the Home was functioning properly.

It was a labour of love for all of us who wished to honour our parents as the cornerstone relates by providing them with a comfortable haven in their senior years.

There is a final personal note which I wish to relate; it was contained in a letter dated June 29th. 1977, which the late Dora Lithwick wrote to me when I was residing in Toronto. An excerpt of which reads as follows:

"I shall always be grateful to you, Jacie, for the courage you gave to me, and for your willingness to work with me in establishing a Jewish Home for the Aged in Ottawa. Your guidance and hard work during the early difficult times of planning and development will always be remembered."



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# THE EARLY PIONEERS



*Note: Thanks to the foresight of the early pioneers, Hillel Lodge became a reality. Stories of these pioneers were often found in the Ottawa Jewish Bulletin. One such story was found in the October 18, 1956 edition.*

*The President, Mrs. Dora Lithwick, welcomed all members and advised that after an intensive search, an option on a beautiful site for the Home for the Aged had been taken.*

*The Vice-President, Judge J.C. Horwitz, Q.C., outlined the details of the scores of pieces of land that had been examined by the President and the Building and Sites Committee.*

*Samuel Berger, Q.C., reported on negotiations made with the vendor regarding the property and pointed out its merits.*

*The property consists of eight acres and is located on the west side of a side road*

*which runs north and south between highways 15 and 17 about half a mile outside of the city limits. (today's Britannia Beach area).*

*The membership ratified the action of the Board and a motion was passed unanimously to purchase the land.*

*At this time Membership Chairman, Henry Pass, announced that the organization had over 1,100 members, making it the largest membership of any Jewish organization in the city!*

**The following pioneers played an integral role in the establishment of Hillel Lodge.**

#### **JUDGE J.C. HORWITZ (1914-1998)**

J.C., son of Max and Rebecca Horwitz, was born in Ottawa in 1914. After graduating from Lisgar Collegiate, he attended Queen's University and Osgoode Law School.

While in university, he was active in Jewish campus life. Although he began his career in criminal law, Horwitz eventually moved to commercial law and litigation.

Despite the demands of his legal practice, J.C. always found time to fill important leadership roles in Ottawa's Jewish community.

In 1945, he was part of the founding team of Camp B'nai Brith, and later was a representative of the Men's Zionist Society of Ottawa. He was instrumental in the establishment of Hillel Lodge.

J.C. founded the Canadian Friends of Haifa

University and played an important role in the formation of both the B'nai Brith Anti-Defamation League and the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews. He served as President of the Jewish Community Council in 1970-71.

Horwitz was also an active member of the Progressive Conservative party and for 7 years served as Commissioner of the NCC. After a distinguished life, he passed away March 29, 1998.

#### **DORA LITHWICK (1897-1980)**

In the beginning, Hillel Lodge was just a glimmer in the eye of Dora Lithwick. She saw the coming need for a Jewish home for our elderly, and set about convincing both fellow community members and the community's skeptical leadership.

The Lodge got its start as a result of an informal meeting over tea between Dora and Judge J.C. Horwitz, Q.C., in the early 50's.

They spearheaded a membership drive for this "pie in the sky" cause, which succeeded in enlisting over 1500 members. More than money, their objective was to inspire others with their vision and rally them to this cause.

#### **SAM BERGER (1900-1992)**

Sam was a journalist, lawyer, air force officer, real estate developer and sports

franchise owner, and Hillel Lodge's first Vice-President. Born New Year's Day in Ottawa, 1900, he attended Lisgar Collegiate. Upon completing his law degree at Osgoode Hall and opening a firm in Ottawa, his passion for sports and the law saw him act first as legal adviser and then as team President of the CFL's Ottawa Rough Riders.

Berger and colleagues subsequently bought the team and when he sold the franchise in 1968, he donated all the proceeds to charity. Berger moved to Montreal to be close to family and purchased the struggling Alouettes. Under his leadership, the revitalized Larks won three Grey Cups. He passed away in Montreal, July 24, 1992.

### **GILBERT GREENBERG (1923-1980)**

Gilbert was one of seven children raised by Roger and Rose, who immigrated to Canada separately in 1913 and married in 1915, settling on St. Andrew Street in Lowertown.

Roger's original surname was Nepomiazchy but due to the difficulty immigration officials had pronouncing it, the name was changed to "Greenberg."

Although the family lived its first few decades in poverty, in 1955, Roger and his sons started Mercury Homes, renamed Minto Construction in 1957. The successful firm experienced unprecedented growth in the following decades. By 1971, an astounding 75% of all construction in Nepean was by Minto.

Along with his very successful career in property development, Greenberg spent much of his life and resources in building and securing a strong Jewish community.

Gilbert served as Hillel Lodge's original Second Vice-President and facilitated raising the needed \$300,000 for the Wurtemberg residence.

Gilbert also served an integral role establishing the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation with Bernard Shinder, Hy Hochberg and the Ottawa Va'ad Ha'ir in 1971, becoming its first President. He understood the need to have a strong financial base for the future. Gilbert and his wife Bessie (Levitan) had six children, Roger, Robert, Kenneth, Michael, Marion and Allen. He passed away in 1980 at age 57. His legacy of building a strong foundation for Hillel Lodge and the Jewish community as a whole remains very evident today in what he had done and what his children continue to do.

### **ABRAHAM SHAFFER (1885-1965)**

Abraham Shaffer, the first Treasurer of Hillel Lodge, was born in Albany, New York. His father Samuel had immigrated from Russia and settled in the state capital to work for a soda water manufacturer.

Business interests brought Abraham to Ottawa, but he later returned to New York to work for his uncle in the bookbinding business. While in Brooklyn, Abraham met and married Mary Baslaw in 1907.

After several difficult years in the family grocery business, Abraham and Mary returned to Canada settling in Buckingham, Quebec. They had a daughter Beatrice and four sons, Irving, Harold, Milton and Sheldon.

The family moved to Ottawa and opened Shaffer's Clothing Store on Dalhousie Street and then expanded to a much larger venue on Rideau Street, where the store remained until 1967 when it was sold.

Sadly, Abraham died shortly after the opening of Hillel Lodge on December 8, 1965, at the age of 80.

### **Mrs. HELEN BEILES (1905-2003)**

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A photograph of two cyclists in a race. The cyclist on the left is wearing a white and black jersey with a grey helmet and is smiling while patting the shoulder of the cyclist on the right. The cyclist on the right is wearing a black jersey and a blue helmet. The background is blurred, showing other cyclists and spectators.

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# DORA LITHWICK

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Abraham Lithwick (b.1897 Ritziv) and Dora (b.1897 Rovno, Ukraine) arrived in Ottawa on July 8, 1921. They were among the large group of immigrants that fled Russia and its pogroms in the early 1920s.

They operated a wholesale and retail store at 34 Byward in the Byward Market for 12 years. In 1937, the entire family left Ottawa for Melbourne, Australia, where Dora's family (her father, brothers and uncles) had emigrated. Because of an epidemic of infantile paralysis, they returned to Ottawa 15 weeks after their initial departure.

Abraham Lithwick turned to real estate and became more involved in the Jewish community. He died in 1953 after a short illness. Shortly after, Dora Lithwick started working on a home for elderly Jewish people. In 1963, the sod was turned for Hillel Lodge on Wurtemberg Street.

Dora Lithwick was a founder and first President of the Ottawa Jewish Home for the Aged. In 1975, she was instrumental in having a religious chapel added to the home and carried the name Abraham and Dora Lithwick Beth Midrash.

## PHOTOS

**Bottom Right:** Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Lithwick. Date: 20th Century, Circa 1930. Location: 34 Byward



Market Street, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Credits: Hugo Levendel

**Top Right:** Abraham Lithwick. Date: 20th Century, Circa 1918

**Top Left:** Lithwick family in the park. Seated, Mrs. Ballon, Sari (Lithwick) Green, Dora and Abraham Lithwick. Children are Sid Lithwick, Harold Lithwick and Norman Lithwick. Couple standing are unidentified.



*From left to right at the ribbon, then-Mayor Bob Chiarelli, Roger Greenberg, Inez Zelikovitz, Laya Shabinsky*

## THE EXCITING MOVE TO THE NEW LODGE

**By ERIC WEINER**

Our Jewish Community is very fortunate to have a beautiful long-term care facility, located on a 13-acre integrated Campus along with the JCC, schools and various Community Agencies.

This common campus idea began in 1992 with a number of careful decisions based upon in-depth analysis of the future growth of the Ottawa Jewish Community.

It was determined that the downtown JCC had performed its functions well, but that something new and larger and located further west, would be needed to accommodate and best serve our growing community.

The Broadview Campus was purchased with these things in mind, and was well located in Central Ottawa with easy Queensway access for the diverse Jewish population. Although Hillel Lodge was not

included in the original plans for the Campus, it became obvious that its inclusion would be a naturally integrated element of a completed campus.

The original Wurtemberg St. site was built in 1965, and a third floor was added in 1975, with a total capacity of 48 beds.

In 1988 Sylvia Goldblatt, as Chair of the Hillel Lodge Board, initiated a feasibility study of the future growth of the Jewish Senior population in Ottawa.

The study indicated there would be significant growth in the demand for care for this demographic, and that the Wurtemberg site could not be expanded further, and that a search for a new site should begin with a 100-bed capacity in mind.

Once the Broadview site was purchased in 1992, the Lodge requested to be included, but was initially refused, and began looking elsewhere in the City.

Several locations were toured by a Committee led by Morris Kimmel , including a well-known hotel at the corner of Carling Ave., and Kirkwood Ave., as well as the future home of Villa Marconi on Baseline Rd. Stephen Schneiderman, as Executive Director, was tasked with searching potential sites and to start the planning process necessary for such a large project.

There were many considerations and logistical challenges in planning for 100 residents, including finding an appropriate site, financing the project, getting government approvals, purchasing 52 provincial bed licences, finding an architecture firm and determining the best design trends, expanded staffing and food services, safety and security issues, sufficient parking, storage, loading, office spaces, sale of the Wurtemberg property, furnishings and finishes, caring for higher-need residents, etc.

By 1998, the Ontario government applications for expansion had been approved, and Chair Irving Greenberg moved the process forward with the Board approval of 52- bed licences purchased from 2 sources.

This was the go-ahead event that led to a Barry Hobin designed 100 bed facility which opened in Sept.2000 , with an empty ground floor space for

future expansion ... 21 beds to be added in 2011. The Wurtemberg residents were smoothly moved to their new home, and the transition was almost seamless ... with the additional 52 new residents moving in within the next 30 days.

An interesting issue at the time was whether to have an underground tunnel running between the Lodge and the JCC, making residents' and visitors' travel easier in winter. After much discussion, it was approved and incorporated in the overall design.

A luxury condo building now sits upon the old Wurtemberg site as it was sold to a local developer in 1999. The Hillel Lodge kitchen equipment was donated by the Lodge to Camp Bnai Brith at that time as the Camp desperately needed it ... and the timing was perfect.

Funding for the project came from several sources - the Ontario government, the Jewish Federation of Ottawa, private donations and the funds from the sale of Wurtemberg.

The \$14-million original cost resulted in a bright, state-of- the-art LTC facility of which we can all be proud. Special thanks to the Board at that time and to Morris Kimmel and Stephen Schneiderman, who all did so much heavy lifting in order to achieve this wonderful outcome.



From the left, Morris Kimmel, Stephen Schneiderman and Eric Weiner



*Bess and Moe Greenberg*

# BESS GREENBERG

The Bess and Moe Greenberg Family Hillel Lodge is an everlasting tribute from a family whose love of, and roots in, the Ottawa Jewish Community run deep.

Bess Greenberg was a young bride when she came from Montreal to live in Ottawa in 1931. The newlywed was warmly embraced by her husband Moe Greenberg's extended family and by the Ottawa Jewish Community as a whole.

It was a welcome she never forgot. The couple became the parents of three daughters, Laya (Shabinsky), Syrille (Rosman) and Elissa (Iny).

Sadly, Moe Greenberg passed away in 1947, leaving Bess to provide for their young family. Long before it became fashionable for women to work, Bess Greenberg was going into an office every day.

In time her hard work paid off handsomely,

allowing her the luxury of philanthropy. Among her many gifts to the Ottawa Jewish Community is the Bess and Moe Greenberg Family Hillel Lodge on the Broadview Campus. The facility is housed within the Joseph and Inez Zelikovitz Long Term Care Centre.

“When I learned that organizers behind the Community Capital Campaign intended to build a new Home for the Aged, I knew it was something I wanted to be part of,” says Bess.

“I am proud that the Bess and Moe Greenberg Family name will be forever linked with this state-of-the-art facility designed to enhance the quality of life for seniors. And equally important is the tunnel which links Hillel Lodge to the Soloway JCC, keeping the promise, 'L'Dor v'Dor', from generation to generation.”



*Inez Zelikovitz and  
Seymour Mender*

*Opening the new  
wing at Hillel Lodge*



# INEZ ZELIKOVITZ

The Joseph and Inez Zelikovitz Long Term Care Centre stands as a fitting testimonial to a couple who loved the Ottawa Jewish Community.

When Inez and Joseph Zelikovitz were in the prime of their lives, they made a pact: since they had no children to designate as heirs, they decided to will their entire estate to charity. Joe Zelikovitz passed away in 1998 after a lengthy illness, leaving his grieving widow to choose their beneficiaries.

Since Joe's passing, Inez devoted her time to honouring the pact she and her beloved husband made those many years ago.

Fortunately for the Ottawa Jewish Community, Inez chose to make a generous contribution to the Community Capital Campaign by endowing the Joseph and Inez Zelikovitz Long Term Care Centre

on the Jewish Community Campus. The Centre houses the Bess and Moe Greenberg Family Hillel Lodge.

"I want to honour Joe's name in perpetuity with worthy causes in the Jewish and general communities locally, and in Israel," says Inez.

"Joe was the kindest person I've ever known and he was a giver. When it came to tzedakah he simply didn't know what it was to say no. I know Joe would be so proud of the establishment of this wonderful new facility on the campus that ensures the continuity of the Ottawa Jewish Community."

Joe was a devout Jew, a religious man. He would be as proud as I am to have the opportunity of fulfilling the commandment, "Honour thy Father and thy Mother."






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# DRS. DAVID AND MICHAEL MALEK SERVING HILLEL LODGE SINCE 1965

How often is the phrase “being in the right place at the right time” used to rationalize a success story for both an individual and an institution. I was that individual.

Hillel Lodge was the recipient of the success that ensued and the positive notoriety that has endured/prospered to the present day.

The year 1965 witnessed my completing a General Practice internship at The Ottawa Civic Hospital. As I was committed to a family-styled practice, including an interest and competence in the field of geriatrics, it apparently dawned upon the founders of the Lodge — some of whom had been my mentors at The Civic — that I was in the right place at the right time.

I could not have asked for a more competent, dedicated, and proven successful Credentials Committee/Board to

inaugurate this Home for our prized senior residents.

It may have appeared unusual to select me, a relative novice, to create a medical plan for those vulnerable folk. I was older, had pre-med and business degrees from NYU, had spent time on Wall Street, a stint in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, a two-year partnership with my dad in men's neckwear manufacturing before my move, with family to Ottawa, my wife's birthplace. I then spent two years as a purchasing agent with M. Loeb Ltd. Sadness in my life prompted my successful application to the Faculty of Medicine at Ottawa U. The rest of my life then unfolded as my mom had hoped.

My experience at The Ottawa Hospital, as yet, did not help me in my role at Hillel Lodge, except for my ability to admit patients. I did not have a Credentials Committee to assist in the placement of a medical staff. Fortunately, I had the Jewish Community of Ottawa and my medical colleagues. The personal doctors of each applicant to Hillel Lodge agreed to maintain their coverage.



*Dr. Michael Malek with his father Dr. David Malek*

During the early years, the presence of community doctors insured the continuity-of-care and expertise for their patients. It also allowed me to create my own general practice in Alta Vista and make acquaintance with some of the most experienced and devoted colleagues in the city.

Everyone benefitted. Eventually, it resulted that future Medical staff and I would assume primary care of all residents. Community docs, the Provincial Health Care Association and families were all in favour.

In summary, the congenial association among doctors and nursing staff, administrators, the Board, volunteers, and involved families has blossomed over these last 57 years.

## THE SON SPEAKS: DR. MICHAEL MALEK

Upon graduation from family medicine residency in 1997, I started up my family practice alongside my father, Dr. David Malek. Following in his footsteps, I immediately chose to become an attending physician at Hillel Lodge, where my father had also been a physician for over 30 years. I saw right away how incredible the staff was at the old Wurtemberg location.

I recall the first day I entered the new facility at the Jewish Community Campus and continue to be amazed at this incredible building that still looks so new! But what continues to make Hillel Lodge so special is the compassionate care provided by everyone, many of whom have been there as long as myself.

The dedication of our community in making this facility one of the best in the province makes me exceptionally proud and comforted that it will continue to be there for our Jewish community for decades to come. While this job does have its ongoing challenges, working with such excellent physicians, healthcare personnel and a dedicated administrative team has made my job especially rewarding!



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# MAJOR GIFTS

By Stephen Schneiderman

## 1984-1989

5-year Operation Facelift was organized to revamp the old Lodge on Wurtemberg and determine whether its future on the Wurtemberg site was viable. The \$500K Campaign had set out 300 subscribers and yielded close to \$700K in funds. Stephen Victor and the late Herbie Nadolny were Chair and Honorary Chair of the Campaign. Evelyn Greenberg helped bring them into the Campaign. The Campaign was managed internally.

## 1986

The first large gift received by the Lodge was from the Estate of a former Ottawan living in Connecticut, Nathan Lepine who bequeathed the Home \$100K US. (then valued at \$140K in Canadian funds)

## 1990-1997

Various contributions from donations and estates were received. Some were as high as \$50K. Many came from families of former residents and volunteers who had no family other than the Lodge. As a result the Lodge had collected well over \$1M in its quest to build an expanded new Home.

## 1998

Former resident Shalom Perel bequeaths the Home the entirety of his estate valued at \$1,260,000.

## 1998

Lodge receives Provincial authorization to proceed with the building of a 100-bed Home.

## 1998

Roger Greenberg Chair of the Community Campaign to build a Campus on the Broadview site secures 2 major gifts. The first is from Bess Greenberg for \$1M. The second is from Inez Zelikovitz. In recognition, the name of the Lodge is changed to the Bess and Moe Greenberg Family Hillel Lodge in the Joseph and Inez Long Term Care Centre.



## 1999-2003

A 5-year Special Campaign for the new Broadview facility is co-chaired by Morris and Lillian Kimmel. They both served as Presidents on the Board of Directors for the Home, were integral in Lodge fundraising and in securing additional bed licences. The Campaign netted nearly \$4M.

## 2002

Hillel Lodge Long Term Care Foundation created.

## 2002-2007

Morris Kimmel secures two \$100K gifts from an anonymous donor to run the Lodge's Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy Program later renamed The Restorative Care Program.

## 2005

In celebration of the organization's 50th year of existence, The Foundation collects close to 100 Endowment funds worth \$1M. Two of the contributors, Dr. Hyman Kaufman and Dr. Sylvia Van Stratton Kaufman became lifelong devotees to the Lodge and over the course of their lifetimes donated over \$1M to the Lodge and the Foundation.

## 2004-2006

Former resident Abe Carlofsky bequeaths \$600K to the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation with the interest to be issued to the Lodge annually.



*Abe Carlofsky*

## 2009-2013

Former President Jeffrey Miller co-ordinates a \$4M Campaign to expand the Lodge to 121 beds. He secures two major gifts, \$1M from Lodge benefactor Inez Zelikovitz and \$1M from the same anonymous donor who helped fund the Lodge's Restorative Care Program. Before the expansion is completed, Inez Zelikovitz passes away and leaves the \$6M.

## 2016

Sally Stoller-Levine was an individual who never lived at the Lodge but felt it provided an essential service to the community. She left Hillel Lodge with the largest gift it had ever received of over \$6.5M.

## 2020-2021

Born in Argentina, Lazaro Sternic lived in Canada for more than half of his adult life. He joined the Montreal Symphony Orchestra in 1966 and then moved to Ottawa to become the National Art Centre Orchestra's principal violist. He was not a wealthy man, "but my parents were important to me," he explained in an article published before his passing. He established the Fradel and Simon Sternic Memorial Fund in their honour. He went on to adopt the Lodge, leaving \$800K in legacy gifts to the Lodge in their memory.

Today, the Lodge has a building valued at well over \$30M and a Foundation whose holdings exceed \$15M.



*Shalom Perel*

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# LODGE GROWS AGAIN WITH 21 MORE BEDS

By Jeff Miller

You can tell a lot about a community by the way it treats its elders. The Ottawa Jewish Community has always made it a priority to ensure its older generation had a safe and beautiful place to live together and receive needed care and treatment. And, as a community, we have to remain agile to respond to changing needs.

The original Hillel Lodge, built in 1965, was in downtown Ottawa. It expanded in 1975. When it became clear that the 48-bed facility was simply too small to meet the aging Ottawa Jewish population, the community built a state-of-the-art, 100 bed, long-term care home in 1992, situated on the Broadview campus alongside the Soloway Jewish Community Centre and the Ottawa Jewish Community School.

For 18 years, the 100 beds served their purpose. But then the wait list began to grow. The Board of Directors realized that much like in 1975, Hillel Lodge would have to expand to meet the growing needs of the community.

As a community, we always knew expansion was inevitable. In fact, the additional west wing was already built in the original construction. All we needed was for the Ontario government to approve the 21 needed licences. However, the provincial government was not prepared to issue new licences.

## ADVERSITY BREEDS CREATIVITY

The government's unwillingness to make this journey a smooth one, forced the team to be creative. We were able to secure five licenses but needed to secure 16 more.

Working with local and provincial political assistance, we heard that the Royal Ottawa needed to reduce its number of long-term care beds to accommodate its own expansion.

With help from the Local Health Integration Network, we acquired 16 licenses from the Royal Ottawa. Together with the five licenses we managed on our own, we had our 21 licenses.

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN IN THE CAPITAL

I don't know this for a fact, but I believe that per capita, Ottawa's Jewish Community is one of Canada's most generous. And we were about to learn that firsthand. Once the licences were acquired, \$5,250,000 still had to be raised in order to renovate the space and outfit the new wing.

Generally, the government funds \$120,000 per bed payable over 20 years but because the government had already paid the Royal Ottawa six and a half years of capital funding for the 16 licenses we acquired from them, there was only 13½ years of capital funding remaining for the Lodge to receive.

A small committee was assembled and an outside the box game plan was developed. Instead of running a community wide fundraising drive, the decision was made to run a very targeted, high value campaign seeking gifts of \$25,000 and up.

Although we were looking for larger gifts from specific individuals, a significant number of members of the community, outside of our targeted list made generous contributions that helped us to raise more than 97% of our stated goal.

I suppose that's not surprising. Tzedakah is one of the pillars this community is built on. So too is respect and admiration for the generations that came before us.

This project combined those pillars. We spend our youth being taken care of by our parents, grandparents, and the like. I think people saw this as an opportunity to take care of their parents and grandparents generations in turn.

### 10 YEARS LATER

It's been just over a decade since the West Wing project was completed and I'm still proud of the efforts of everyone who was involved. There were many people who played significant roles in the expansion's success and none that did so for the attention and recognition.

They did so solely for the betterment of our community.

The truth is, Hillel Lodge continues to serve as a foundational piece of Ottawa's Jewish Community because its inhabitants helped build the community



*Bernie Dolansky, Stephen Greenberg, Barbara Farber and Shlomo Mayman*



*Norm Zagerman and Jeff Miller*

to what it is today.

The past 30 years at the Jewish Community Campus have been successful and as we embark on the next 30, I'm confident the younger generation will continue to ensure it's vibrancy.



# MORRIS AND LILLIAN KIMMEL

## Their unique approaches left an impact

**By Janet Kaiman**

Lillian and Morris Kimmel were quite the team.

Their individual and unique approaches and strengths blended and left a huge impact on The Lodge, as they lovingly referred to Hillel Lodge.

Lillian and Morris grew up in Montreal when times were tough. Morris' strong Lubavitch education ended when he was asked to leave Yeshiva in New York City because he attended a world series baseball game which was against the rules.

So at the age of 14, he returned to Montreal and

worked at many "interesting" jobs to help support his parents. His love for baseball and his connection to his Lubavitch roots remained with him his entire life. Lillian finished high school and acquired bookkeeping skills and married Morris when she was 18 years old.

Soon after they married they moved to Ottawa as Morris got a job as a used car salesman. Lillian was known to haul cars driving with him to Toronto and back which in the 50's was no ride in the park.

Morris was very resourceful, working in a number of different jobs over the years and in 1962 acquired Westboro Carpet and Drapery (now

Westboro Flooring & Decor) and built it into a thriving business. Morris also was one of the founders of Young Israel Synagogue.

While caring for their 3 children, Janet, Steven and Brenda, Lillian was always involved in volunteer work (BBYO, Hillel Academy, and synagogues to name a few). In addition, she was co-owner of a successful children's boutique.

Throughout these years, Lillian and Morris were the filling of the "sandwich" generation as their own parents aged, always modelling great honour and respect for them.

When Morris' mother in Montreal became ill, he often drove from Ottawa at 5 a.m. to bring her groceries and make sure she was ok. He would return to Ottawa in time to be at work that same morning.

It was then that he decided to bring her to Hillel Lodge. She lived at the Lodge located on Wurtemberg for about three months until her death.

And that's when the love story between the Lodge and Lillian and Morris Kimmel began.

While spending time visiting her mother-in-law, Thelma Steinman z"l, noticed that Lillian Kimmel had a lot to offer the Lodge.

Lillian was drawn to Thelma and began volunteering and sitting on the Board. Very soon Lillian became President of the Board. Lillian's intelligence, passion and compassion made her an effective leader.

She listened and had the skill of being able to constructively criticize when needed, leaving the subject of her criticism feeling inspired and good about themselves. It was said that she ran the most efficient and productive meetings.

Lillian was a lifelong learner and an excellent teacher. During her Presidency Hillel Lodge moved to the west end, which was no small feat, and transformed to one of the top Long Term Care facilities in Ottawa.

Of course, Morris was never far away. His experience in construction and business was most helpful. He was not as politically correct as Lillian, yet he got the job done.

He was always confident and knew that if he put his heart and soul into something it would work out. Failure was not in Morris Kimmel's vocabulary. Morris also became President of Hillel Lodge.

Morris' passion was the care and safety of the residents, especially their palates. The Kashrut, quality and flavour was of utmost importance.

In fact, many of the staff assumed MK - Montreal Kosher - really stood for Morris Kimmel. Though Morris was a "tough guy," he had a heart of gold.

Both Lillian and Morris felt it was important to get to know the staff and had many opportunities to do this when Lillian's parents lived at The Lodge for a short time before their deaths.

Even after Morris' term ended as President, he continued to enjoy long lunches there every weekday, where it appeared as if he were holding court.

If one wanted to know what was going on in Ottawa ... the good, the bad and the ugly, Morris' table was the place to be. During the Lodge's BBQ's, Morris could be seen flipping burgers, making sure they were well done -- literally well done.

For a few years an annual afternoon social was held for residents at Lillian and Morris' home, which was a summer highlight for both residents and staff.

Morris was also a regular at services at the Lodge shul. When Morris got sick and realised he could no longer live on his own (Lillian had passed away eight years previously) he decided Hillel Lodge was where he needed and wanted to be.


Even though the prognosis was not good, Morris was looking forward to life at the Lodge as a resident.

He was so optimistic that he brought suits for shul and most of his clothes for all the seasons. Unfortunately, he was so sick that he was never able to leave his bed and passed away eight days after he moved in.

There is no doubt in the minds of Lillian and Morris's children, their spouses and grandchildren that Lillian and Morris loved the Lodge almost as much as they loved them, and that the Lodge was a better place because of Lillian and Morris.

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# THE HILLEL LODGE AUXILIARY

## Submitted by the Auxiliary

Have you ever seen the tables in the Hillel Lodge dining rooms adorned with flowers for Shabbat?

Have you ever sat in the beautiful Succah, donated and lovingly decorated by the late Sam and Dora Litwack?

Have you ever played Bingo at the Lodge or have you ever gazed at the mesmerizing fish tanks strategically located throughout the building?

Have you ever participated in the Lodge's monthly birthday parties and enjoyed the festivities for Chanukah, Purim, Mother's Day, and Father's Day, with the residents delighting in the rhythms of a Touch of Klez? And have you ever attended the fabulous tea?

Well, then, you have partaken in only some of the fruits of the labours of the dedicated Auxiliary of Hillel Lodge.

In 1965, Hillel Lodge housed 19 residents on Wurtemberg Street. The Lodge has grown to serve 121 residents in its present location, on Nadolny Sachs Private, forming part of the complex comprising the Jewish Community Campus.

Guided by the commandment to honour thy Father and thy Mother and realizing that funding from a cash strapped provincial government is limited, the Auxiliary was created to provide the extras that can make such a difference in the life of a resident at Hillel Lodge.

The first President was the late Helen Beiles. Following in Helen's footsteps were Freda Carlofsky,





Elsie Baker, Dorothy Goldman, Rachel Nadolny, Celia Wyneberg, Eva Epstein, Thelma Steinman, Dora Litwack, Pauline Litwack, Sarah Swedler, Elissa Iny, Naomi Lipsky Cracower, Roz Fremeth, Ruth Tal, Corinne Taylor, and Shelley Goldenberg. Now Fran Ross fills this seat.

The major projects that the Auxiliary has supported include patient lifts, specialized bathtubs, new mattresses, and furniture. As well, the Auxiliary funds a portion of the therapeutic program, additional hours for recreation, and part of the Staying in Touch program.

The revenues generated by their efforts allow the Lodge to purchase items that improve the atmosphere of the home and enhance the quality of life of the residents. All fundraising has been achieved by reaching out to the community during the annual telethon. It is a mark of respect for the Auxiliary, that there is such a generous response.

A special word must be reserved for the tea/fundraiser hosted annually by the Auxiliary until overtaken by COVID. The tea evolved into a much-anticipated event not only for the residents but for the entire community. It was always such a delight to see the residents attired in their finest and beautifully groomed as they enjoyed the lavish treats.

In various years, the tea had the pleasure to honour tireless volunteers who made immeasurable contributions for the welfare of Hillel Lodge. They include the late Dora Litwack, Evelyn Greenberg, and Debi Shore whose smile at the reception desk brightened everyone's day as they entered the Lodge.

The late Sarah Swedler, also an honoree, left her mark in many ways. One of her outstanding ideas was to place a Tzedakah box near the cash register in the cafeteria. This enabled visitors purchasing food to deposit their change, adding up to extra funds for the Lodge. We look forward to once again eating in the cafe and continuing this special Mitzvah. As well, the Auxiliary was very proud to



*Evelyn Greenberg was honoured at the Farewell to Wurtemberg in 1999. Front row, l-r: Sunny Tavel, Elissa Iny, Nell Gluck, Thelma Steinman, Suzy Shore Sauv , Back row: l-r: Barbara Sherman, Dora Litwack, Dorothy Lieff, Bert Klugsberg, Carole Zagerman, Evelyn Greenberg, Millie Weinstein, Ricki Baker, Debbi Shore, Chelsea Sauv *

honour the late Bess Greenberg and the late Inez Zelikovitz, who donated so considerably to the Lodge.

More recently, the tea featured a dance demonstration and gorgeous fashion shows with the cooperation of Holt Renfrew and Shepherd's. The Auxiliary is so grateful to the many generous donors who support the Lodge.

Another initiative by the Auxiliary was the Gift Shop located where the Foundation Office sits today. It began as a small gift cart in 1997 catering to the residents of the old Lodge on Wurtemberg Street.

When the new Bess and Moe Greenberg Home for the Aged opened in 2000, the beautiful Gift Shoppe was situated in the lobby. The brainchild of the late Rhoda Zinman, she brought the suggestion to Lillian Zunder after visiting family in the Jewish nursing home in Montreal. Together, they presented the idea to the Board, and it was greeted with enthusiasm.

Along with the dedication of Lillian Zunder, Ray Goldstein, and the late Ricki Saslove, as well as enthusiastic volunteers from the Women's Auxiliary,



Hillel Lodge Auxillary Tea and Fashion Show  
Oct 28, 2018

the Gift Shoppe became a destination for those seeking unusual, tasteful, and well-priced gifts.

All proceeds from sales at the Gift Shoppe, collected and deposited almost daily by dedicated Gift Shoppe Treasurer, Leah Miller, were turned over to the Auxiliary. Unfortunately, it was determined in 2012 that the Gift Shoppe was no longer financially viable, and it was forced to close. There are many still in the community today who lament its passing.

Beginning around 1994 and for many years, a group of knitters and crocheters, headed by the late Naomi Pearlman, would gather once a week in the JCC boardroom for tea, coffee, cookies, and socializing. They also made blankets for Hillel Lodge.

Naomi passed the torch to Liz Kronick some years later and the group flourished for 10 more years. Joining Naomi Pearlman were Mary Goldberg, Elaine Singer, Phyllis Sadowski, Beverly Weiner, Joy Elkin, Helen Gal, Val Huber, Susan Marcus, and Rose Stein.

The group revived again in 2019 during when then

president, Shelley Goldenberg, was able to secure a large quantity of yarn. By 2021, the current group, still under the helm of Liz Kronick, had created enough blankets to provide each resident with one as a gift on Mother's Day or Father's Day. Now, on arrival, residents receive a warm blanket as part of their welcome package.

A further undertaking of the Auxiliary has been the sale of Mahjong cards, with profits going to the Lodge. For many years, this was in the very capable hands of Corresponding Secretary, Leah Miller, renowned for her beautiful penmanship. Leah has stepped down from the Auxiliary, but the sale of Mahjong cards continues under the watch of Helen Alvo.

Multi-talented and gracious Evelyn Greenberg, whose musical prowess has delighted the residents for many years, continually sings the praises of the Auxiliary.

She takes great pleasure in seeing joy on the faces

of the residents as they respond to her music. She performs on the piano donated by the Auxiliary in memory of the late Ina Swedler McCarthy. Evelyn says, "The Auxiliary is the gift that keeps on giving. Whether it is by personal interaction with the residents or by the countless gifts these committed women give to the Lodge, their dedication is everywhere."

A much beloved Auxiliary member, the late Thelma Steinman, considered the Lodge her second home. Her life's goal was to ensure the well-being of the residents and she took pride in the accomplishments of the Auxiliary. In her honour, her family established the annual Thelma Steinman Award acknowledging an outstanding volunteer.

Monica Stein, a dedicated member of the Auxiliary, is a recent recipient of the award. Her mother-in-law, Rose Stein, who was a resident for many years, always said, "If you need care, Hillel Lodge is the place to be."

This year's nominee is past-President, Shelley Goldenberg, in recognition of her ongoing devotion to the needs of the residents.

Carolyn Katz, Treasurer of the Auxiliary and tireless worker, has had an association with Hillel Lodge for over 20 years. Her mother, Bessie Taller, the second resident to call the relocated Lodge her home, lived there for 11 contented years. She always wanted to win at the Bingo games that were worked by Carolyn, husband Sid z"l, and Joel Diener, among



Evelyn Greenberg

others.

In recent years, the Auxiliary has mourned the passing of several very dear and valued members: Sheila Hartman, Donna Klaiman, Jackie Gorenstein, and Millie Weinstein. Their presence always brightened Auxiliary meetings and shone a light on all the endeavours of the Auxiliary.

Fran Ross, current President of the Auxiliary, says she is so thankful that Hillel Lodge opened the additional 21 beds. This enabled her mother, Helen Fleming, to transfer from a private long-term home in Montreal.

On arrival, Helen immediately noticed that the staff was caring, compassionate, and friendly. Although she lived for only two more years, her general health and appetite improved, and mother and daughter were able to spend quality time together.

Fran's appreciation resulted in her joining the Auxiliary where she continues to enrich the lives of the other mothers and fathers who call Hillel Lodge their home. Much of the work of the Auxiliary could not happen without the cooperation of the very hardworking staff of the Lodge, especially the incomparable and tireless Recreation Director, Marilyn Adler.

She creates innovative programs and is always ready to assist the Auxiliary. No task is ever too difficult for her. Marilyn knows and loves every resident. Thanks to the generosity of many donors, a Dream Garden is in the works for the Lodge. The garden will create





*L'Dor va D'Or: Four generations together. From the right: Resident Helen Fleming, daughter Fran Ross, Great granddaughter Abby Jacobs, Pregnant Granddaughter, Liz Ross Jacobs*

a new ambiance within the existing outdoor space and will encourage resident accessibility and interaction with nature. Work is expected to begin in the spring of 2023.

Another project for the main floor is the Dream Lounge, which will be located adjacent to the cafe.

The Auxiliary is always eager and grateful to welcome new members to its hardworking and enthusiastic team of volunteers.

If you are interested, please call Fran Ross at 613-829-5525, or email her at: [franross10@gmail.com](mailto:franross10@gmail.com).



*Rose Stein celebrating her birthday at the Lodge*



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When he was 8 years old, he, along with his parents and 3 siblings, immigrated to Montreal. In his 20's, he moved to Ottawa and attended the University of Ottawa. He worked in the federal government as a statistician.

He was a quiet unassuming gentleman who enjoyed reading as well as classical music. Mr. Perel moved to Hillel Lodge in October 1997.

He passed away July of 1998. To show his appreciation for the care and attention he received at the Lodge, he endowed the Lodge with almost the entirety of his considerable estate.

This magnificent gift was accompanied by Shalom Perel's

desire to make things better for the residents who lived at Hillel Lodge.

### THE THELMA STEINMAN DIRECT SERVICE AWARD

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Her ability to relate to people and to make them seem so special was especially evidenced in her interaction with the residents of Hillel Lodge.

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By Adam and Sari Cantor

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Part of an integrated multi-generational community campus, the Lodge is an extension of our community providing quality healthcare and a rich and vibrant life for our residents, including a place of worship, kosher food, holiday celebrations, motivating activities and shared values and experiences. The Lodge is a place where family, friends, and members of the community congregate.

Our family knows firsthand how important it is to have a Jewish home for our Bubbies and Zadies. We spent years visiting our grandmothers at the Lodge. It's a space that

honours, respects, and pays tribute to the resident's values and beliefs. And that is important. Furthermore, our family has been a Lodge volunteer for almost a decade – we have seen how hard the staff work and how they genuinely care for the residents. This is why we included the Hillel Lodge, alongside our family, in our wills.

Hillel Lodge volunteers and donors are people who want to provide dignity, respect, community, and quality of life for those who paved the way before us. The Lodge is a home for our loved ones, perhaps for ourselves and for our children. This publication is dedicated to the builders, donors, volunteers, innovators, and visionaries who recognized the need for a Jewish elder care facility in Ottawa, and to all community members who acted on this vision. Thank you for your support to the Lodge.

By becoming a volunteer, advocate and/or legacy donor, you will join us in securing the needs of those who will live at Hillel Lodge for generations. For more information about how you can volunteer or make a legacy gift that suits you, contact Leslie Sher or Cathie Slatford at the Foundation at 613-728-3990.



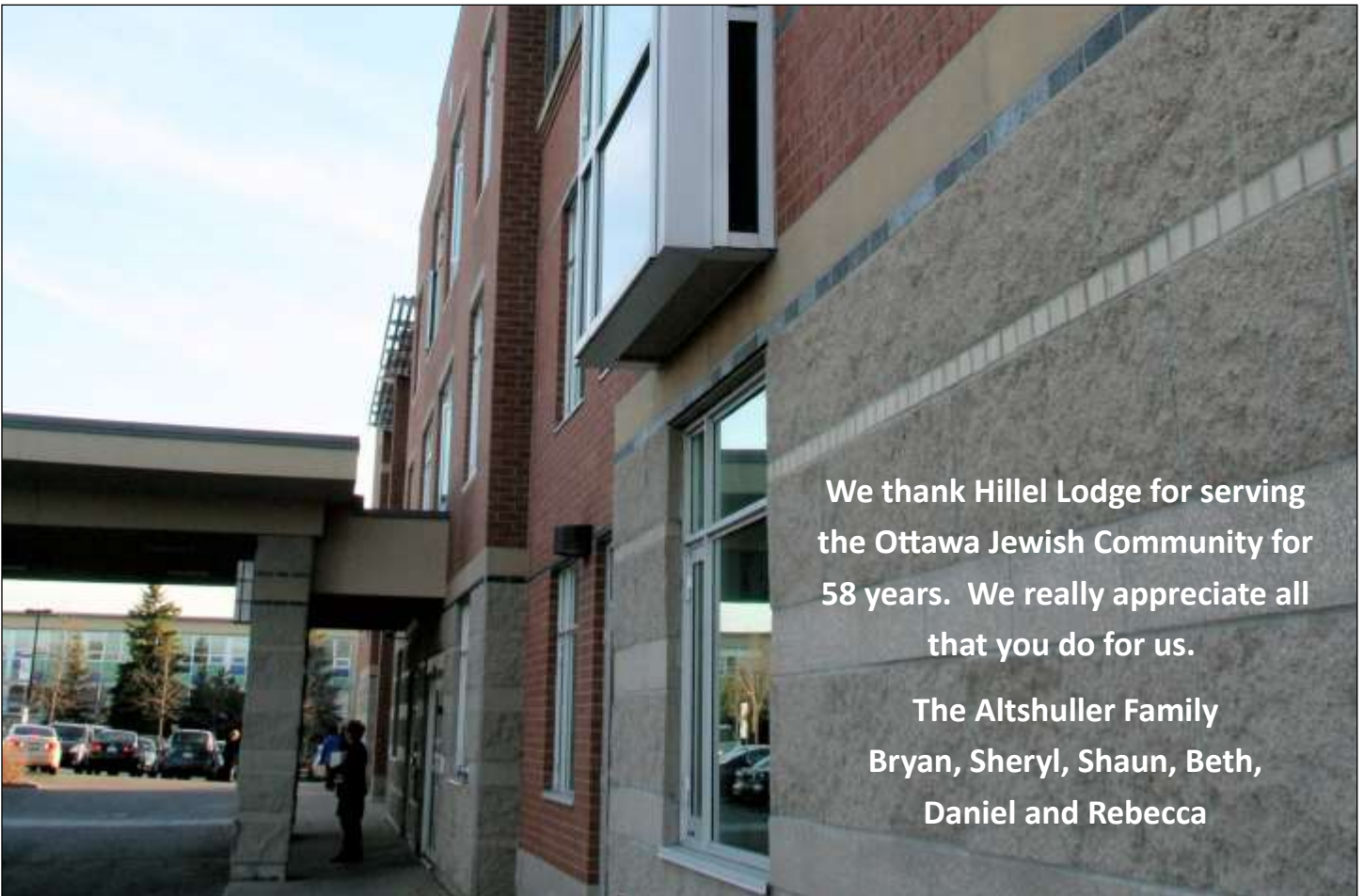


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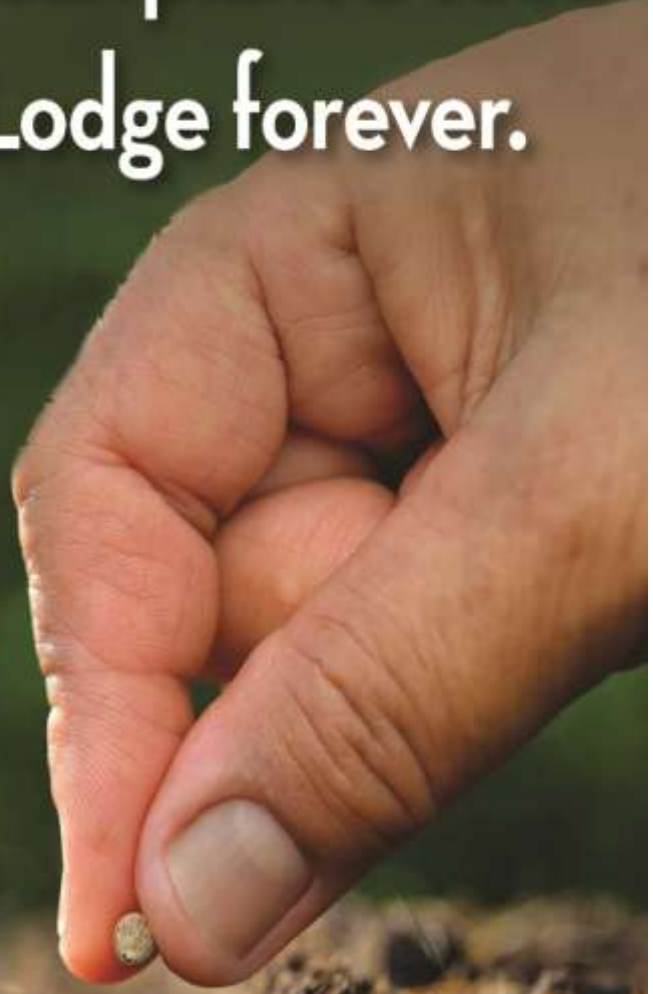


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**By Lisa Rossman**

As anyone who has lived at or visited Hillel Lodge is aware, our dedicated staff routinely go above and beyond to provide quality care and support to residents and their family members.

Through the years, their talents and efforts have ensured that the Lodge succeeds in its mission to be one of the best long-term care facilities in Ottawa.

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*Paula Dias, Patricia Haas and Maria Helena Rodrigues. All three have been at the Lodge for more than 24 years in Dietary.*



*Left to right: Fabiola Kazapua, Herzing PSW student; Aster Belete, PSW; Eveline Achuo, RPN; Ruth Cabeliza, PSW*

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Thelma Steinman, Dora Litwack, Freda Lipson. (1987)

# DORA LITWACK

## By Marilyn and Judy (daughters)

Dora Litwack moved to Ottawa, from Montreal, when she married Sam in 1957.

Hillel Lodge was important to Dora and Sam because of what it represented and provided for the Ottawa Jewish Community.

When her children were little, she brought them to Hillel Lodge every Shabbat to say hi to the residents, and to visit with the residents whose families were shomer shabbat and unable to come in person.

In later years, the Lodge was also important because many of Sam's relatives and close family friends lived there. At one time seven of Sam's aunts and

uncles, who were siblings, lived there at the same time.

Dora was introduced to the Hillel Lodge Auxiliary by Sara Kizell. Sara invited Dora to become involved by helping with the Holidays Committee, a post Dora held dear from that time on.

She enjoyed planning and organizing events and gifts for the residents for all the holidays – flowers for the dining room tables for every Shabbat and Yom Tov dinner.

She loved coming to Hillel Lodge on Mother's Day and Father's Day to give flowers and boutonnieres to the residents.

In the early 1960's when Sara Kizell moved to Florida, Dora was honoured to take on the leadership of the Holiday Committee.

While she was involved in many charities, Hillel Lodge was the one that was most precious to her. When Dora became President of the Auxiliary, the Holiday Committee Chair position was temporarily passed to Naomi Lipski-Cracower.

Auxiliary members have fond memories of her artistic flair — especially for the installation of the new Board.

Dora was also known for her calligraphy and acrostic poems. Many Hillel Lodge Auxiliary installation ceremonies for Executive Officers were known to feature her personalized and clever presentations.

When the Jewish Community Campus was built, Sam and Dora proudly sponsored and dedicated the Hillel Lodge Succah as The Sam and Dora Litwack Family Succah. Sukkot was a holiday Dora loved to celebrate with guests at her home.

She was thrilled to be able to give Hillel Lodge residents and their families and friends the opportunity to enjoy the holiday and share the mitzvah of leshev basukkah. Dora left a bequest in her will that will continue to support the Hillel Lodge succah for years to come.

Dora believed it was important to demonstrate the significance of respecting and caring for our elders and learning from their legacy.

She invited Hillel Academy students, their siblings, and friends, and the Jewish Cub Scout troop, led by Howie Osterer, to join her each year to decorate the



Hillel Lodge Succah, and to visit with the residents.

Dora raised a lot of money over the years, for the Auxiliary, by selling Mahjong Cards. Dora brought Leah Miller in to help, and they were always proud of the money they raised and the contributions those funds made to improving the lives and activities for the residents.

In the early 2000's, the Auxiliary had a L'chaim for Dora in the Succah when she was recovering from a long illness and able to participate in the Auxiliary again. It was a profoundly meaningful moment for her. And on Sunday October 25, 2009, Dora was the Volunteer Honouree at the Auxiliary's Annual Tea. Her family and friends came from Montreal, Toronto, North Bay and Ottawa to share this special time with her.

Dora was a familiar face and much-loved person at Hillel Lodge for almost 60 years. She was proud of her legacy.

Dora lovingly kept a photo album of her Hillel Lodge volunteer work, and her annual Succah decorating. In her later years, Dora and Sam became residents of Hillel Lodge. May her memory be for a blessing.





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# TED COHEN HIRED AS CEO

By Matthew Horwood

*(Originally published in the Ottawa Jewish Bulletin)*

Ted Cohen has been named Chief Executive Officer of the Bess and Moe Greenberg Family Hillel Lodge – Ottawa’s Jewish Home for the Aged. He succeeds Stephen Schneiderman, who retired on June 30 after 33 years in the position.

Cohen earned his master’s degree in public health administration and business administration at McGill University and then worked at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada as manager of professional development. While working at the College, he decided he wanted to work in long-term care.

“It was great working with doctors, so I thought, ‘I want to get close to the actual provision of care, and long-term care would be a wonderful opportunity,’” he told the Ottawa Jewish Bulletin.

Cohen joins Hillel Lodge after serving as the Administrator of the Peter D. Clark Long Term Care Centre in Ottawa.

Cohen says it was an honour to be chosen as the new Hillel Lodge CEO and sees the position as an amazing opportunity.

“What is exciting about Hillel Lodge is you’re starting from a very strong foundation. It has a great reputation for long-term care, it is known for its programs and it has a second-to-none facility,” he said.

Cohen says there are a staggering number of baby boomers who will need additional services in the coming years, so he plans to examine the “full array of seniors’ services we could provide, in addition to long-term care.”

The first step of providing care to seniors, according to Cohen, will be to help them to stay in their homes



whenever possible through adult or senior day programs. If the seniors were unable to live at home, the Lodge would examine ways of supportive living. The final step would be helping with the transition to long-term care at Hillel Lodge. “Looking at that broad spectrum is the way long-term care is going,” Cohen said.

In Cohen’s opinion, the most important aspect of long-term care is treating each resident as an individual.

“We need to create a care plan which suits their individual needs and is inclusive of family and friends,” he said.

“It’s not just about constructing more beds in long-term care. It’s about finding the right services for the people when they are in their aging process,” he said.

Cohen says the Hillel Lodge Board of Directors plans to develop a strategic plan over the next year.

“Right now I have a broader view of long-term care and I want to develop one that is specific to Hillel Lodge and the community that supports it,” he said.

Arlene Rosenbloom, past President of the Hillel Lodge Board, said the hiring process for the CEO position was “very extensive and carefully thought out.”

She said the search committee identified approximately 250 candidates from across Canada, which was then narrowed down to a short list of four. After conducting interviews with the final candidates, the committee unanimously chose Cohen.

Rosenbloom said former CEO Stephen Schneiderman will be missed.

“He has been the lifeblood of Hillel Lodge for many years,” she said.

“His passion, his energy and his love of Hillel Lodge has taken us to where we are today.”



# VISION OF THE FUTURE

It is an honour to be the CEO of the Bess and Moe Greenberg Family Hillel Lodge.

The Lodge has a long and proud history. Its success over the years reflects the commitment of generations of dedicated volunteers and donors who have recognized the importance of providing compassionate care to members of our community in a welcoming Jewish environment.

What began as an idea, Hillel Lodge took shape on Wurtemberg Street on the shore of the Rideau River, growing to meet the ever-changing needs of Ottawa's Jewish Community.

Many still recall the lobby of the first Lodge, where residents waited to greet all visitors. Visiting bubby or zaidy was an opportunity to catch up with other friends and family that lived at the Lodge. There was one central kitchen where delicious traditional food was always on offer.

With growing demand for senior's care, the leaders in our community rallied to our cause and built the current Hillel Lodge on the Jewish Community campus.

The construction, design, and furnishing of the Lodge reflect the deep commitment, generosity, and caring of the Ottawa Jewish Community for its seniors.

Throughout its history, the Lodge has also been blessed by the deep dedication of its staff, many of whom have worked here for decades and have provided care to our grandparents, parents, and extended families.

Whether they are personal support workers, nurses, housekeepers, recreation therapists, food service workers, or playing other valuable roles at the Lodge, these individuals have become part of the fabric of our community caring

for the people we love. It is not uncommon for people to bring their mother or father to the Lodge to be cared for by the same personal support worker who lovingly cared for their bubby.

As we chart our path forward, we need to draw upon what has made us successful for close to seven decades. Our plans will build on our success of providing excellent care and services to those living at Hillel Lodge.

Our plans are best captured in our vision which is to "strive to be at the forefront of person-centred care." This means doing all we can to respond to and anticipate the individual needs of our 121 residents. Projects currently underway or in the planning phase:

- The Hillel Lodge Dementia Project – a project designed to provide staff with person centred education on how best to support residents living with dementia.
- Creation of Neighbourhoods – changing the appearance and functioning of Hillel Lodge's five units to become more "homelike" neighbourhoods.
- The Dream Garden and Dream Lounge – a transformation of our garden and the front lounge area to create a special homelike space for residents, their families, and visitors to enjoy.

These and other plans can only be successful with the ongoing support, dedication, and commitment of our community, staff, and partner organizations.

Thank you for helping the Lodge be here for you, your family, your friends and our community.

- Ted Cohen



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Seymour was an incredible man whose dedication and love for Hillel Lodge was truly inspiring.

Supporting the annual Biking for Bubbies event is a very special way to continue to honour Seymour's positive impact on our community and his remarkable contributions to Hillel Lodge.

Seymour will forever be in our hearts and minds and his lifelong contributions to Hillel Lodge will always be cherished.

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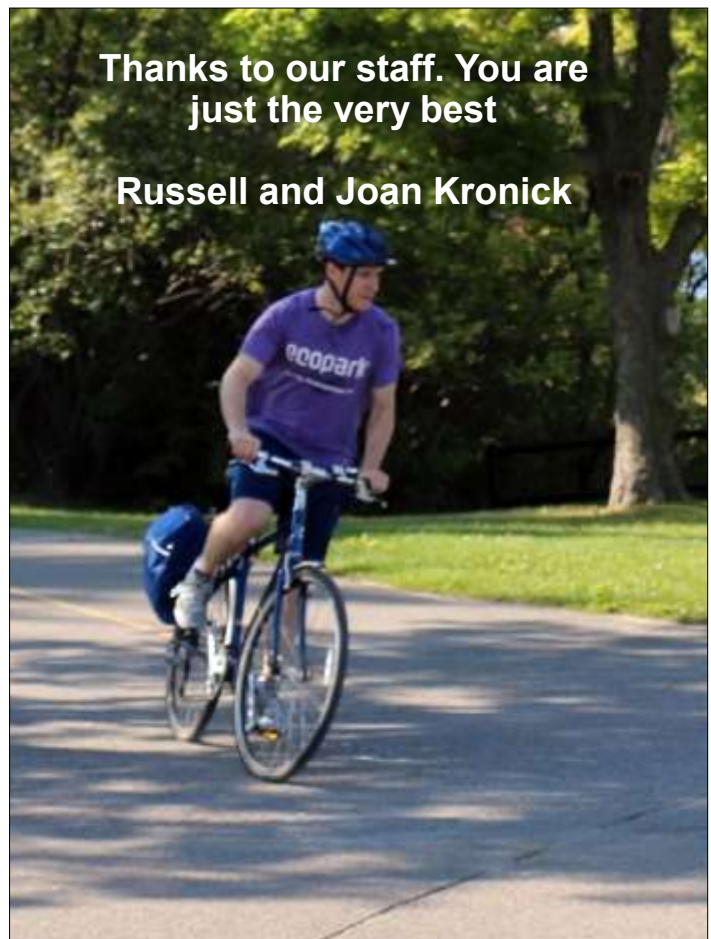


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