



Heddy Belman is a valued member of the Board of American Friends of Neve Hanna. She serves as the Chair of the Development Committee working diligently to engage Foundations and obtain Grants to support programs and projects needed for the children at Neve Hanna.

She was born in Quito Ecuador to wonderful parents who were survivors from Rumania. Her Dad z'l was a lawyer in Europe with a doctorate in political science, and her Mom z'l studied medicine. Each had to adjust and reinvent themselves a few times, on a few

continents, before ultimately coming to America. Facing many challenges along their way, their main mission in life was to make her life beautiful, and they did.

As a result of their examples, Heddy did well in school and graduated from Hofstra University with a degree in linguistics, Spanish and Education. She worked and taught successfully in the business world and with her awesome husband Michael, raised a beautiful family. They continue to fill their lives with love, pride, joy and gratitude!!!

Throughout her American journey, Heddy has always treasured her involvement in the Jewish community. After joining Pine Brook Jewish Center, in 1985, she served on many committees and positions in varying capacities. She is also a Board member of Women's League for Conservative Judaism, AZM, MERCAZ USA and served as a delegate to the WZO Congress.

During a recent trip to Israel, Heddy and Michael visited Neve Hanna in Kiryat Gat and experienced how the Children's Home provides love and support to children from disadvantaged homes. Over decades, NH has literally changed children's lives and helped raise them to be productive, loving and successful adults.

AFNH recognizes and honors Heddy and looks forward to many more years of friendship and service.



American Friends of Neve Hanna Brunch

Sunday, November 17, 2019 12:30 pm

Pine Brook Jewish Center 174 Changebridge Road Montville, New Jersey

Featuring Guest Speakers

Rabbi Joseph Potasnik

Executive Director, New York Board of Rabbis New York Fire Department Chaplain Host of WABC's "Religion on the Line"

Rabbi Ellen Wolintz-Fields

Executive Director, Women's League for Conservative Judaism Recently visited NH for her son's Bar Mitzvah

Couvert \$54.00



From its beginnings in 1973, Neve Hanna Children's Home in Kiryat Gat, Israel, has provided a loving home for children from highly disadvantaged families. They are the children of Russian, Ethiopian, Middle Eastern immigrants and native-born Israelis. By providing a nurturing and supportive family environment, Neve Hanna offers these young people the chance to grow beyond the circumstances from which they emerged. Hundreds of children have

attended Neve Hanna. Most go onto building successful careers and raise healthy families. Neve Hanna aims to instill in its children a sense of self worth and an attachment to Jewish tradition and values.

Ninety percent of the children are of Sephardic heritage. Our current fund raiser project is the writing of a Sephardic Sefer Torah. This Torah will have a great meaning to the children at Neve Hanna. Rabbi Liron Levy and Rabbi Scribe Hanna Klebansky will be leading workshops with the children and staff on writing the Torah and the meaning of Torah in their lives.

For more information visit our website: www.afnevehanna.org

Event Chairs

Janet and Irwin Tobin, AFNH Co-Presidents
Evelyn Auerbach