Nick Muzin ’97YC, ’01E: Doctor, Lawyer, Political Strategist

When Nick Muzin ’97YC, ’01E was growing up in Toronto, few Canadians attended Yeshiva University. But after learning about YU from Admissions Director Michael Kranzler when he went to recruit in Toronto, Muzin decided the opportunity to combine a top-rate college education with Yeshiva learning, in New York City, was just too good to pass up. He had attended Jewish day school and then Ner Israel Yeshiva High School, after which he studied at the Talmudical Yeshiva of Philadelphia, and his parents encouraged him to continue his Jewish education at YU.

At Yeshiva College, Muzin’s focus was on pre-med, but many of the classes he found most compelling were in the humanities. “I was especially close with the late Rabbi Walter Wurzburger z”l. I also enjoyed Bible with Dr. Moshe Bernstein, constitutional law with Dr. Michael Hecht and intellectual history with Rabbi Shalom Carmy.” He also fondly remembers the shiurim [lectures] he attended with rabbis such as Rabbi Herschel Schachter and Rabbi Moshe Tendler.

Muzin also took advantage of the many extracurricular opportunities at YU, including serving as editor in chief of The Commentator, which he said was great fun and good preparation for his job today, which involves dealing with the media. He also founded the Community Literacy Club, in which students served as tutors in a local elementary school.

After graduating, Muzin pursued his interest in medicine at YU’s Albert Einstein College of Medicine, where he received a full four-year scholarship, however, he soon discovered he had another interest. “When I started working in hospitals such as Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx, I saw firsthand many of the challenges facing physicians and patients, and started to think about how these might be addressed at the public policy level,” he said. “I always had a passion for politics and figured that as a physician, I had a lot to contribute to this discussion.” Following a year as an internal medicine intern and getting certified as a physician, Muzin decided to attend Yale Law School.

After Muzin married Andrea Zucker, they spent a few years living in Charleston, SC. It was there that he met Tim Scott, the first black Republican to be elected to the state legislature in South Carolina since Reconstruction, and, according to Muzin, a man of tremendous charisma and political talent. They became friends and Muzin, together with others, helped convince Scott to run for Congress, serving as his policy director and deputy campaign manager.

When Scott won—defeating the son of the legendary Senator Strom Thurmond in the primary—Muzin moved to Washington, D.C., to serve as chief of staff. They also founded a PAC together with the goal of broadening their efforts and helping Republican candidates around the country. The PAC played a role in over 100 congressional and Senate races around the country, including the Romney campaign.

“Tim and I are aligned on the policy issues that are most important to us—Israel, health care and tax reform,” said Muzin. “He is a good friend, and we trust each other, something that is difficult to find in Washington.”

But being an Orthodox Jew on the Hill is not easy. “Of all the jobs I’ve had, politics is the one in which it is most challenging to be frum [Orthodox],” said Muzin. “Saturday is the busiest day of the week for campaign activities, and Friday night votes in Congress are not unusual. In addition, much of the culture and lifestyle on Capitol Hill—which idolizes power—is antithetical to a Torah perspective.”

As an evangelical Christian, Scott has great respect for Judaism, making sure Muzin gets out of the office in time for Shabbat and that he has kosher food to eat when they travel. “He even makes sure I keep up with Daf Yomi, asking me after a particularly long day on the campaign trail, ‘Did you read your page today?’”

For Muzin, the sacrifices are worthwhile, because politics offers an unmatched opportunity to do good—whether it’s for individuals who need help with the federal government or in advancing policies that strengthen America. Muzin is proud to say that his office played a lead role in securing foreign aid funding for Israel, including for the Iron Dome missile shield, and in passing economic sanctions on Iran.

The end of 2012 saw promotions for both Scott and Muzin. Scott was appointed to the U.S. Senate by South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley, filling the vacancy left by the retirement of Senator Jim DeMint. Muzin’s work was recognized by Republican congressional leadership, who named him director of strategy and coalitions for the 113th Congress. In his new role, Muzin will oversee communications and outreach for all 234 Republican members of Congress. Scott and Muzin continue to work together through their PAC and other national political activities.

Last year, Muzin reconvened with YU and hosted an alumni reception in his home in Silver Spring, MD, where he lives with his wife and their three children: Stella, age 5; Daisy Fay, 3; and Jerry, 1. He davened [prayed] at the Yeshiva of Greater Washington, and he and his family are members of Kemp Mill Synagogue.

He and Andrea also attended the YU ChampionsGate conference this past summer. “It was a great opportunity to catch up with friends, relive the YU experience through the shiurim and ra’ach [spirit], and get a sense of the challenges facing Modern Orthodoxy and how YU is meeting those challenges,” he said.

Last fall, Muzin joined the Yeshiva College Board of Overseers. “I have a lot of hakaras hatov [gratitude] to YU, having benefited from scholarships both as an undergraduate and while in medical school,” he said. “I loved my time there and hope my children will attend one day. But more important, I think that YU embodies who I am—a Torah Jew who is trying to make a impact in the modern world. I hope that by joining the board I can help influence the direction of the school so that other students will have the opportunities I had.”

Of his time at YU, Muzin said it is hard to fully appreciate YU while you are there as a student, because you are so busy all the time—studying for an exam, running to shiurim or catching a shuttle to Stern College for a date. But he praises YU students, saying, “I don’t think you can find a more accomplished or finer group of peers than the students at YU. No place I have been since can really compare.”

He advises current students to take in as much as they can. “The Gemara in Brachos (5b) teaches that Lo Kol Adams Zechah LeShnei Shulchanos—‘Not every person merits to eat from two tables’—the table of the material world and the table of the spiritual world. The students at YU are privileged to feast from both.”
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Ellen and Rabbi Aaron Brander ’50R announce the birth of their great-grandson, Avraham David Saul, to granddaughters Meira and Moshe Weiss and Etel and Sa’ed Elkins.

Sarah ’51YC, ’58I and Rabbi Herschel Moses Galinsky ’50YC, ’59R celebrated the bar mitzvah of their grandson, David Chaim Shul, the birth of their great-grandson, Shlomo Tzvi Galinsky; the marriage of their granddaughter, Cynna Daniel Shul; and the engagement of their grandson, Ahnya Choez-Galinsky.


Elihu ’68YC and Nachman Kupietzky ’55YUHS, ’59YC announce the marriage of their grandchildren, Eliezer and Moshe Kupietzky, to Yoni, son of Arina ‘71YUHS, ’85S and Benny Adler ’64YUHS.

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein ’58S, ’77RBA was honored with the 2012 Gerson Mendes Seewis Award at the Columbia/Barnard Hillel RabbiLookstein’s 11 CD’s on “How to Dawn as a Ba’al Tefillah” will be available online at www.ramach.org/nehush.

Chaya (Hesche) ’55S and Eilhu Marcus ’50YC, ’56R announce the marriage of their grandchildren, Sari, daughter of Yedida and Arnon Ginsburg, in Oren, and Tal, daughter of Dabib and Shimro Brelatboard, to Shimon.

Marlene and Dr. Yale Port ’53YC, ’56R announce the birth of their great-granddaughter, Mia Shoshana, born to their grandchildren, Shoshana and Joey Elbogen. Mia will also to greatgrandparents Evelyn ’74YUHS, ’16W and Milton Elbogen ’74YUHS, ’16W, and Chaya and Chan Korn.

Shoshana and Rabbi Naasveh Schachter ’53YC, ’58FRC announced the marriage of their grandchildren, Shira, daughter of Arielle and Mitchell, to Ozzy Shachter, son of Shaya and Ren Schachter.

Freda and Rabbi Elihu Schatz ’50YUHS, ’54RC, ’57S announced the birth of their 51st grandchild, a son to Tziporah and Prince Schatz. Rabbi Schatz published three books in Hebrew: Commentary on the Farely Haftorot, Commentary on the Special Letters of the Tanach, and Players Based on the Psalms and other Books of the Tanach.

Cainon Soled ’15YC announced the bar mitzvah of his grandson, Yair Nechemya, born to Amy (Soled) ’80YUHS, ’84S and Elliot Wasserman ’14YUHS. Maxi to ibs to siblings Moshe ’14YUHS, Tziporah and Shulamit.

Rabbi Joseph Sungotovsky ’58R announced his article, “Batdil Day and the Jews of France,” in the July 13, Jewish Star, covering the significance of Batdil Day, anner of the French Revolution, it relates to Jewish history. Rabbi Sungotovsky is a professor of Jewish and French studies at Queens College, City University of New York.

Rena (Gould) ’62S and Rabbi Richard Barth ’57YUHS, ’61S, ’64R, ’68BR announced the birth of their great-grandchildren, born to Lea and Avi Goldstein.


Bob Kolb ’37YC exhibited 20 of his fine art photographs at the Art Fusion Gallery in Miami Beach in December 2012. The exhibit printed on aluminum ranges from Judaic to abstract.
Cantor ’96S and ’68YUHS, ’72S and ’73F and Passover programs. ’82YUHS, ’84YC, ’93R.

Michael Broyde Dean of YU’s Center for the Jewish Future, a ’84YC, ’86R, the David Mitzner ’69S announces that daughter, Tchiyah, born to Kedma and Eli. Mazel tov to Samuel’s sister, Amy Dalch, his grandmother, Elisabeth Stern, and his aunt, Sandra Dalch. Mazel tov to Yehudit’s siblings and their families: Daniella ’04S and Rabbi Avi Robinson ’08Y, ’09R and daughter Shayna (Shay). Tali Yechiel Robinson ’07YC, Ahuvah ’05S and Joshua Solod ’05B and children Aaron “A” and Adir; Rachel, Brad and Boe Robinson.

Sandy (Himmelsblau) ’75S and Moshe Spalter announce the birth of their grandson, Yehuda Olef, to Toporah Miriam and Shaya Spalter.

Annette (Altman) ’75S and Rabbi Steven Stein ’72Y, ’75R announce the marriage of their daughter, Eliana, to Shlomo Stein.

Dr. Miriam Tazini ’71E published the book, In the Eye of the Storm: Shabbat Observance during a Hurricane or Severe Weather Event in the fall 2012, Journal of Halachic and Contemporary Society. Rachel ’84S and Rabbi Berdella also announce the marriage of their son Yehuda. Their second son Tzvika ’78Y is engaged to Miriam Aspa. Yehuda and Miriam are all students at Y.U.


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Alumni in Health Care Repair the World
One Patient at a Time

The health care industry has changed dramatically in the past few decades and new landscapes. Yeshiva University alumni are seizing upon these opportunities to work in an industry that is constantly evolving and providing unique career paths that didn’t exist 20 years ago. Read on for a look at how alumni have forged careers in today’s health care industry.

THE GENETIC COUNSELOR:
ALIZA SARA ZIDELL ’98S

While most people regularly visit general doctors such as pediatricians and internists, fewer can say they’ve been to a genetic counselor (GC). A GC is a specialized health care professional who speaks to patients about hereditary conditions, explaining medical concerns associated with a given condition and discussing implications for family members. Genetic counseling is a burgeoning field in the developed world thanks to advances in medicine and technology, especially with respect to the mapping of the human genome in 2001, which helped elucidate the role of genes in our health. Aliza Sara Zidell ’98S of Elizabeth, NJ, is a genetic counselor at Hackensack University Medical Center in New Jersey.

“I majored in biology at Stern and then enrolled in a graduate program in molecular biology at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) with the expectation of doing research,” said Zidell. “When I was doing graduate work at a cancer center, however, I realized I enjoyed having direct involvement with patients. I completed that first graduate program at UMDNJ and then enrolled in a second graduate program in genetic counseling at the University of Maryland School of Medicine.”

Zidell recalled, “Dr. Harvey Babich, professor of biology, and Dr. Aharon H. Fried, associate professor of psychology and education, were sources of abundant encouragement to me.”

A master’s in genetic counseling requires a two-year program encompassing studies in bioethics, genetic science and embryology, as well as counseling skills necessary to interact with a wide range of patients, many of whom find themselves in very difficult situations.

Some genetic counselors are employed in research positions or by commercial genetics labs. Zidell, like most genetic counselors, works in the clinical environment. “Most patients that I see are interested in hereditary cancer risk assessment,” she said. “For each patient, I review the personal and family medical histories. If the history is suggestive of a specific syndrome, I order a genetic test and explain the results to the patient. I also see adult and pediatric patients in conjunction with our department’s medical geneticists (physicians). In that capacity, I obtain the medical history and follow up with the patient according to the geneticist’s recommendation.”

Like many doctors, nurses and other health care professionals, genetic counselors deal with people facing difficult news about their health. “While most of my cancer patients get better, some have a terminal illness;” Zidell said. “I am always moved when a patient reflects on his or her life and shares a lesson or memory. Although some people find that sad, I see it as a privilege to hear the perspective of a person for whom many of life’s trivial matters have fallen away.”

Zidell said that one of the biggest challenges for clinical genetic counselors is “getting through the geneticist’s recommendation.”

“In the clinical environment, there are times when I’ve come home at the end of the day and cried,” said Vogel. “I read about the history of smallpox and how it was eventually eradicated. I said to myself, ‘Hey, epidemiology is pretty cool.’ There really exists a potential to make a difference in a lot of people’s lives. Since then, epidemiology was always an idea at the back of my mind.”

The idea took a few years to come to fruition. After graduating Maimonides School, Vogel, a native Bostonian, studied in the Old City of Jerusalem for a year at Nettiv Aryeh. He then attended Yeshiva College, a decision that came easily for him. “My mother went to YU, so did my NCSY advisers. The balance of rigorous Jewish studies along with excellent secular studies was extremely important for me, especially following my year in Israel,” said Vogel.

After beginning as a pre-med major, Vogel decided to switch to psychology, resolve that he would still choose something within a health care field. While excelling in his studies, Vogel also found the time to be an active student leader as head of the Student Organization of Yeshiva (SOY). “Heading SOY was an integral part of my growing and learning experience at YU,” said Vogel. “It laid a foundation for my career as a professional who is dedicated to improving the health of the community.”

As YU alumni, Vogel and Zidell always move when a patient reflects on his or her life and shares a lesson or memory. Although some people find that sad, she sees it as a privilege to hear the perspective of a person for whom many of life’s trivial matters have fallen away.

While Vogel is primarily assigned to projects relating to diabetes prevention, care and management, he notes that the collaborative work environment in the Department of Public Health provides opportunities to assist with other health-related projects in reproductive health, healthy aging, asthma prevention, and violence and injury prevention.

“There’s no typical day for me at work,” said Vogel. “The varied nature of my job keeps things interesting and I couldn’t ask for a better work environment. Everybody is open to helping one another, listening to your ideas and supporting your projects. People genuinely like doing their jobs here and the positive camaraderie makes for a happy workplace.”

Vogel also said that although there aren’t too many Orthodox Jews who work in the department, everyone respects his observance and tries to order kosher food for scheduled lunch meetings. Vogel also has a short walk to a nearby minim (mini prayer service) at the offices of the Jewish Advocate, a Boston newspaper.

Vogel is also an active community member, volunteering for both the Boston Medical Reserve Corps, where he is on call to support emergency response teams for large-scale and unplanned events, as well as the Beth Israel of Malden, the local Orthodox synagogue to which his family belongs.

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THE NURSE: NAOMI SHARON ’09S

Naomi Sharon ’09S works as a nurse in the oncology department at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York City. Every shift, she deals with patients sick with cancer—a task that can be overwhelming at times.

“There are times when I’ve come home at the end of the day and cried,” said Vogel.
Sharon. “It’s incredibly difficult to find the right balance of distancing yourself just enough to be able to do all the tasks of your job, while finding the right amount of empathy to show your patient. But at the end of the day, you need to step back and realize the difference you are making. The patients and their families often remind you of how much you’re doing for them, and that really keeps you going.”

Sharon has a role model in her father, a pediatric oncologist, whom she calls “a great inspiration.” Growing up in Chicago, she observed her father’s commitment to helping those who are sick and credits him with inspiring her to pursue a career in the health field.

Sharon came to Stern College believing she would be a physical therapist and majored in biology. However, after a few internships in the field, arranged through Yavneh Olami, an organization that connects American students with Israel, she decided to change her focus. A double stint at Hadassah Ein Kerem Hospital and the Macabi Clinic convinced Sharon that nursing, with its concentration on patient care, was her goal.

Back at Stern, switching to nursing studies was made easier by the help of Professors Jeffrey Mollin and Lea Santos, both of whom were encouraging with classroom help as well as with navigating the path of applying to nursing school. Following graduation, Sharon completed Columbia University’s School of Nursing and soon found a job in the oncology department at Lenox Hill, though it wasn’t a specialty she had planned to pursue. “Finding a good job at a New York hospital is no easy task these days,” said Sharon. “When I saw this job available, I decided to go for it and soon became chemotherapy certified. I’m now studying for my oncology certificate.”

Being a nurse in any department requires no small amount of vigor. “It’s a physically demanding and exhausting job,” said Sharon. “I’m on my feet for 12 hours straight when I’m working. Additionally, at the end of the day, the nurse is the health care provider in the hospital who has the most interaction with the patient; because of that, you’re responsible for providing information and answers to those who work both below you and above you. Though you’re not at the top of the hierarchy, you’re responsible for the whole structure running smoothly.”

The most taxing thing about nursing in an oncology department is not the physical requirements but the emotional toll. Sharon shared several stories that illustrate how she keeps going: “There was a male, middle-aged patient who came regularly for chemotherapy treatment, along with his wife, who was his primary cheerleader;” she recalled. “Over time, the nurses developed relationships with this couple. When the husband started to deteriorate, and it was clear his treatment wasn’t working, most of us at the hospital were devastated, but his wife expressed to us their combined gratitude for helping prolong his life. I was there until the end of this patient’s life, and I was sitting on the floor holding the wife as she cried when he passed away.”

She continued, “In another instance, there was a woman who came for treatment many times and she had no visitors—no family, no friends. When she died, I was the person sitting next to her bedside, showing that at times, we nurses have to be that family member, that close friend, for someone who has none. These kinds of experiences prove to me that I am in the right profession.”

Sharon will soon be attending Pace University to study to become a nurse practitioner and hopes to continue expanding her skills and scope of authority for care and treatment. She lives in Washington Heights with her husband, Tani Cohn ’11Y, who works in the Office of Student Life on YU’s Wilf Campus.
Chavi (Sweidler) ’97YUHS, ’11S and Daniel Eisenberg ’95YUHS announce the birth of their third child, Meira Yardena. Mazal tov to their grandparents, Rabbi Dr. J. Mitchell Ornstein ’91YUHS, ’95S, ’73BR and Eliahu Ornstein ’97YUHS, ’65.

Rabbi Jonat Feldman ’97YUHS, ’30YC, ’10R is an attending physician in Winthrop Hospital’s Department of Medicine and associate program director for the hospital’s Internal Medicine Residency Program.

Seth Gains ’99YC helped put together “Tacos for Noah” (www.tacosfornaoh) for Sandy Hook victim Noah Plozer, whose favorite food was tacos.

Yochnem ’92YC and Rabbi Eltorn Goldberg ’97YUHS, ’19YR announce the birth of their son, Shmuel Yisroel Noe Goldberg, who follows six siblings.

Rabbi Barry Goldfinger ’96YC, ’03R, director of Arts in the Bar Mitzvah Journey, Rabbi Aryeh Lichtenstein ’05YC, ’05BR, regional director of New York JCNY (National Conference of Young Israel), and Rabbi David Tovar ’70YC, ’73R, former JCNY national president, will be inducted into the NCY Ben Ziaik Honor Society at the annual Ben Ziaik Dinner.

Tova and Rabbi Fred Hyman ’99R celebrated the birth of their third daughter, Raphaella and Rebeccah. Rabbi Shara and Rabbi David Israel ’96R and ’98W, ’12S and ’10R announce the birth of their daughter, Ora Hila.

Rabbi Barry Kislowicz, Edd ’99YC, ’04R received the Covenant Foundation’s Pomegranate Prize for an exceptional, emerging professional in Jewish education settings. Only five awards were given; Rabbi Kislowicz is the only Jewish day school educator selected.

YU Director of Events Aliza (Berenholz) ’92YUHS, ’95S and Yehudah-Leon Pielack celebrate the birth of their son, Shalom Moshe, on August 15. Mazal tov to great-grandparents Maya and Rabbi Heshy Berenholz ’91YUHS and Elana and Jack Pielack.

Ayala ’96YUHS and Rabbi Dani Rockoff ’01YC, ’03R, ’04A, ’08BR announce the birth of their daughter, Ora Hila.

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WHAT’S COOKING AT STERN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN? (NOVEMBER 13, 2012)
Stern alumnae and friends enjoyed the delicious food at PrimeKO Japanese Steakhouse while learning the tricks of the trade from Chef David Kolotkin. The sold-out crowd raised more than $40,000 for Stern scholarships.

YOUNG ALUMNI BEER TASTING AT LOFT ON 5TH (NOVEMBER 29, 2012)
More than 60 young alumni and friends sampled great seasonal beers while learning about the brews by experts from Tapped Craft Beers. The beers were paired with hors d’oeuvres which complemented each of the beers perfectly.

YEDHIVA COLLEGE DRAMATICS SOCIETY CELEBRATES 100TH PRODUCTION (DECEMBER 2, 2012)

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CLASSNOTES

Sivan Kerem '05 married Samuel Krug '05 in Teaneck, NJ.

Erik Kessler ’04W is director of admissions, communications, and human resources at the Moriah School in Englewood, NJ, where he mentors student interns from the Wurzweiler School of Social Work.


Elana (Nadler) ’01S and Rabbi Yanon Kahn ’04R announce the birth of their daughter, Adar Tehila.

Daniel S. Kokhba ’10C has made partner at Kostler, Davidson, Polsky, Mandelker, Teveryon, & Gallanty, P.C.

Rachel ’05SB and Rabbi Daniel Korn ’05S have been appointed marshals of community and Congregation Kahal Jashar.

First Lieutenant Michael Levin ’15YC married Camilla Moskowitz in Cedarhurst, NY. Mazel tov to parents, Shira and Yosef Moskowitz ’05YUHS and Diane and Jeffrey Levin.


Dovi Meles ’10YC was selected to the U.S. Army Public Affairs Fellowship Program. Meles will start his training in Philadelphia with the Army Corp of Engineers, then move to Fort Meade in Maryland to attend the Defense Information School, ultimately ending up at the Pentagon in Washington D.C.

Jon Minkove ’12YC was profiled by the Baltimore Jewish Times for founding the Tour de Court (July 27, 2012).

Rabbi Rami Strassberg ’13YUHS, ’10R is now the head of school of the newly formed Westchester Torah Academy.

Sara and Daniel Turkel ’05YUHS, ’12YC announce the birth of their son, Simon Mayer.

Dave Weinberg ’10YC was highlighted by the Baltimore Jewish Times (July 27, 2012) for founding the Tour de Court Competition in Baltimore. Modeled after the World Cup, the basketball competition is in its 18th year and raises money for leukemia and lymphoma.

Jenny ’03S and Rabbi David Nachbar ’02YC, ’06R, ’11BR announce the birth of their daughter, Chana Yael.


Aviva ’06S and Rabbi Uriel Rabinovitch ’05YC, ’10R announce the birth of their daughter, Tziporah Chaya Rachel.

Avital and Yaakov Rosenberg ’03YC announce the birth of their daughter, Maia. Mazel tov to grandparents, Jackie and Alan Klein, and to Charlene and Rabbi Dr. Bernardd Rosenberg ’03YC, ’74R, ’74F, ’20A.

Michelle Rosenberg Kramer ’17YC married Gary Kramer in Bal Harbour, FL.

Upon graduating from the Medical School for International Health (MSIH) of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Natan Shoshana ’08YUHS received the Gold Humanism Award, an award given to graduating medical students for commitment to service, outstanding compassion in the delivery of care, respect for patients, and demonstrated clinical excellence.

Aliza ’04S and Rabbi Yechezkel Shaffer ’12YUHS, ’17YC, ’11R announce the birth of their son, Ben Zion Yitzchak.

Immanuel Shalev ’08YUHS married Davina Wuder.

Ayikel and Rabbi Michael Shore ’03S, ’17R announce the birth of their daughter, Neve.

Rabbi Gidon Shoshan ’02R, ’05R received Harvard University’s Leadership in Education Award from the Graduate School of Education, awarded to only 13 of several hundred applicants from around the world.

Joey Small ’08YC is director of institutional advancement at Yeshiva High School in Los Angeles, CA.

Mirel ’04S and Rabbi Moshe Stainsky ’09YUHS, ’14YUHS, ’17R render the birth of their son, Yaakov Moshe.

Talisa and David Stein ’08YUHS announce the birth of their son, Amichai.

Natan Brownstein ’14YUHS and Jessica Bich announce the birth of their son, Eliahu.”

Melissa ’10S and Rabbi Zvi Eleff ’17R announce the birth of their daughter, Meital Shoshana. Zev was born to parents Shira and Yitzchak Eleff on the occasion.

Natan ‘10S and Rabbi Shaula Abeles ’10YC, ’09R announce the birth of their son, Shlomo Zalman. Mazel tov.

Sarah and Rabbi Yosef Weinstock ’13S, ’11R, ’09R announce the birth of their son, Gabriel.

Chani is a student at Einstein College of Medicine.


Benjamin Glueck ’10YUHS was interviewed by NBC’s Channel 4 Action News about his Kosher Cupcakes.

Chani ’08YUHS and Menachem Yondorf ’13YC announce the birth of their son. Chani is a student at Einstein College of Medicine.

Sharon ’10S, ’09R and Rabbi Elie Even Zwiecker ’93YUHS, ’96YUHS, ’25R, ’04Y announce the bar mitzvah of their son, Yitz.


Alan ’13R announced the birth of his son, Eitan.

“Weiss”’12S and Leora (Stroh) ’12S and Leora (Stroh) ’12S announce the birth of their son, Shlomo Zalman. Mazel tov.

Efrat Zwickler ’12S and Daniel Kramer in Baltimore.

Sivan Kerem ’05 married Samuel Krug ’05 in Teaneck, NJ.

The June 26 Delta Delta Times of Greensville, MS, profiled the photography of Jakob N. Laymon, ’00S, and fellow photographer Phyllis B. Donley. Donley is documenting the ways high school bands teach discipline and responsibility to students in the South. More information on the project can be found at www.themightymudd.com.

Dov Lerner ’11S from London married Miriam Weisz ’12R from Passaic, NJ.

Daniella (Ginsburg) ’10S and Sam Wupenye ’10YUHS announce the birth of their daughter, Liana Moshe.

Cici (Krauze) ’11S and Stephen Zeffren ’11S announce the birth of their son, Evan Zeffren.

Mazel tov to grandparents, Jackie and Alan Klein, and to Charlene and Rabbi Dr. Bernard Rosenberg ’03YC, ’74R, ’74F, ’20A.


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