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**YOU WILL BE VERY MUCH  
MISSED BY THE WHOLE TEAM!**

YOU DID IT! Thank you  
for all of your hard work.  
We will miss you! Happy  
retirement!

Rinat Friedman

*Thanks for everything you have  
done for the J! You are truly one  
of a kind and they were beyond  
lucky to have you for so long!*

*Barrie McAlister*

Dear Soy, we in the aerobic room have always  
appreciated your attention. I'm sure if Big John  
Livingston was still with us, he too would send his best  
wishes for you on your next adventure.

Karen Beck, Fitness Instructor

*i can't believe you retired before me. i  
will miss seeing you around the JCC  
and talking to you about life. Enjoy  
your retirement and relax a little  
Love you!!!*

Beth Rosen

*Dear Soy,  
Thank you for taking such good  
care of the J! We will miss you.  
Take care and be well.  
Sincerely,  
Adena Levi*

It just won't be the  
same without you. We'll  
miss you terribly Soy

Thank you for being  
the most dedicated  
and loyal worker and a  
joy to have in the  
building!

Liam Geisser

Thank you for your dedication and  
service to the J

Jamaica from Eilat

Soy, Thank you for being an often unsung leader at  
the J, doing the hard work behind the scenes to lead  
a team that support all of us. Thanks for your many  
admirable years of dedication, and congratulations.  
Enjoy your next chapter!

Pamela Lavitt

Dear Soy You are the beat  
!!!we will miss you <  
thank you xoxox 🥰  
Iris Brumer

*Dear Soy, Thank you for  
all you have done! We  
will miss you, enjoy  
retirement!*

*Elleinna Roberson*

Soy aka "Rabbi Jason"-I fondly remember my first day  
at the J and you said to me, "I look out for you, you  
look out for me". Thanks for all of the years looking out  
for me! I'm going to miss our daily chats. Enjoy  
retirement, you deserve it!

Nicci Burrell

Soy - You are the most  
hardworking and dedicated  
employee as well as the  
greatest life mentor that I  
ever worked with. You will be  
surely missed by all current  
and past members within the  
community. Enjoy your  
retirement!

Winson Lam

Soy - Not sure the SJCC key ring will ever  
be the same without you. May this next  
stage of life bring adventure, joy, and love.

John Shaffer

Soy, I fully expect the  
building to collapse after  
your departure! Few  
people have given so much  
for so long. You will be  
very missed!

Elena Alberstone

Dear Soy you can  
never be replaced.  
Always so kind and  
comfortable to be  
around. Enjoy the  
next years . Kindly,  
Lisa Schwamberg

Thank you so  
much for  
everything all these  
years! We will miss  
your help!

Mardi Jane

Can't tell you how much I  
enjoyed and valued  
working with you for  
over 20 years! Thanks  
so much for your  
friendship

Gary Pollock

Soy,

Wow! You finally did it.

Welcome to the "Retired Club".

The J will not be the same without you. It was always great working with you.

Enjoy your retirement.

All the best

Pnina

Soy Chhee, you have finally joined me, Matt, and Pnina in retirement. Mazel Tov! I've been thinking of what memory to pen, as I have SO many, with all our years together. I decided on your legendary New Years Parties. You were the ultimate host, bringing many J staffers together in your "office" to talk, eat, laugh and spread good cheer. Those get-togethers were always a much needed morale booster. .

Happy retirement to you and your key chain, Soy Chhee.

Also, I'm still happy to remind you in November and December to buy Patty anniversary and birthday gifts! 😊

Hugs, Marcie

Chag, All I can say it's about time!!! I thought you might follow me into retirement a bit sooner, but better late than never. Next it is Beth's turn and then the "J" will finally be rid of all us OLD FARTS. No one has earned this more than you. I know you will stay busy because that's who we are. Maybe we can visit a bit more often now. I hope so. I know it is hard to believe, but the "J" will actually survive without you, just as it has without me. 😊 It was an honor to work with you for so many years!

Matt

*Soy, I am so grateful for all your help in all my classrooms. It will be hard to fill your shoes. Happy Retirement. You will be miss. Yasmin*

Thank you for the years of care and dedication. Grateful to have worked with you. Enjoy retirement!  
In peace-  
Darci Lewis  
Darci Lewis

Soy, thank you for everything! The J won't feel the same without you. When we chatted recently about your career, you said more than once that the J was your home and your family. The building, the staff, the members - all of it. And that so clearly shows in everything you do. We're lucky to have had you for so many years! Enjoy retirement - try and relax at least a little! :)

Sara

*Soy, enjoy your retirement, we will miss you!*

Sharon

ALL I CAN SAY IS OY,  
WHEN I THINK OF SOY.  
FOUR DECADES HAVE  
PASSED  
WE OFTEN ASKED...  
WHEN WILL YOU RETIRE??  
NOW THE TIME HAS COME  
THANKS FOR ALL YOU'VE  
DONE  
TO KEEP THE J A SPECIAL  
PLACE  
FILLED WITH JOY AND  
FUN!  
I WISH YOU THE BEST  
NOW IT'S TIME TO REST  
AND START A NEW  
ADVENTURE.  
MAY GOOD HEALTH AND  
GOOD TIMES FOLLOW  
YOUR PATH  
WHEREVER YOU MAY  
VENTURE.  
WITH GRATITUDE,  
JUDY NEUMAN

Soy,

You have been a constant at the J... since my days at pre-school, when Rosa worked in the office, when I worked at the front desk, and more recently during my girls' time at ECS, I've always enjoyed seeing you. Thank you for always taking the time to chat and when you didn't have that for your warmth and smiles in passing. Enjoy your retirement!

You will be missed.

Warmly, Leslie Mezistrano

Soy, MAZEL TOV on your retirement! After so many decades(!) of hard, demanding work, you truly deserve the time to do what YOU, and Patty, want to do. I hope your "retirement resolutions" will bring you much joy, excitement and new experiences. Thank you for all of your assistance and support when we worked together. I appreciated you then and still do!

wishing the best to come for you!

Ann Meisner

SOY-THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE AT THE JCC AND THE COMMUNITY OVER THE YEARS. I REMEMBER FIRST MEETING YOU WHEN I WAS A PRE-SCHOOLER THERE! HOPE YOU ENJOY RETIREMENT AND COME AND VISIT!

WITH LOVE,

GINA NEWMAN

**SOY!**

**MAZEL TOV ON YOUR RETIREMENT. I WILL MISS SEEING YOU AS I HAVE DONE FOR THE LAST 40+ YEARS! I REMEMBER ALWAYS LOOKING FOR YOU WHEN I CAME TO THE J. WHO KNEW THAT WE WOULD BE COLLEAGUES! I WILL BE VERY HAPPY TO SEE YOU WHEN YOU COME WORKOUT (STEAM, SAUNA....)**

**MUCH LOVE! LESLIE RUBENSTEIN**

Soy Man! Get back to work Old Man! No time for retirement, the pool is cold and the boiler broke! :-)  
Enjoy all your houses and free time - come visit the Duitch family someday soon!

Jessica "Young Lady" Duitch

May the coming years  
be filled with joy and  
good health.

Ned Porges

Soy,  
Thank you for all you have done for me after the last  
four years. You were always there to help when I  
asked and made me laugh. We definitely had our  
disagreements but They ended as quick as they started.  
Me and all the children will miss seeing you!

Enjoy your retirement. Love you  
Carrie Stull

*Soy--You have always brightened my days at the J. You are such a  
great friendly person and you were an excellent Maintenance  
Supervisor. I will really miss seeing you around the J--after all these  
years. But you deserve a rest and I wish you a great retirement!  
You will definitely be missed.*

*Pam Feinstein*

Soy: We met your first JCC year; I was 16. Each  
time we occasionally chatted, I amazingly walked  
away with something meaningful.

Over the years, you exemplified admirable  
personal reliability, maturity, and consistency.  
When you would step in and watch a basketball  
game, I always had the feeling we were playing  
the game together. Thanks for being you!

Dathan Barsher



Soy, It was nice to have met you. I wish you lots of luck on your retirement.

Mark Brashem 😊

Soy, the SJCC and HNT will miss you dearly. We have many fond memories together and of you spanning 25+ years. May you enjoy your well-deserved retirement. With love, the Newman Family  
Jonathan Newman

**CONGRATULATIONS SOY ON YOUR WELL EARNED RETIREMENT AND A LIFETIME OF ENVIABLE SERVICE TO THOSE OF US AT THE J. IT WAS ALWAYS A PLEASURE WORKING WITH YOU ON THE VARIOUS PROJECTS THAT WE WERE INVOLVED WITH AT THE J, AND YOU MADE IT SO EASY FOR US TO DO WHAT WAS NECESSARY TO GET THINGS DONE.**

**BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY AND HEALTHY PERIOD OF RETIREMENT.**

**RANDY RUBENSTEIN**

Soy,

Best wishes and congratulations on your retirement! I truly enjoyed working with you while I was at the "J"! The "J" will truly miss your presence!

Nate Balk

Thank you, Soy!! Best wishes and congrats on your retirement <3 -  
Elisheva

Soy, you are a real part of mine and many of my friend's childhood memories at the J. Truly wish you the best.

Paul Azous



Dear Soy,

The J will not be the same without you. You were always a constant friendly and familiar face. We remember you from the beginning. Your daughter and our Wendy met in preschool and were good friends. It must be fun to see things come full circle with Amy L as a preschooler and now coming back to her home at the J.

Enjoy your new free time to experience those things that you didn't have time for because you were taking care of all of us.

We wish you and your family the best always and we definitely hope to see you...maybe at the J and enjoying a class!

Jean & Harris Klein

DEAR SOY AND FAMILY

SENDING YOU CONGRATS ON YOUR RETIREMENT. OUR FAMILY HAS BEEN HONORED TO HAVE KNOWN YOU. YOU HAVE BEEN A PART OF OUR LIVES AT THE JCC AND MORE OVER THE LAST 34 YEARS.

YOU WERE ALWAYS WELCOMING, SMILING, FRIENDLY, AND AVAILABLE WHEN I WORKED AT THE JCC AND NEEDED YOUR HELP, WHEN OUR FAMILY WORKED/VOLUNTEERED THERE, AND WHEN PARTICIPATING IN CLASSES OVER THE YEARS. OUR FAMILY KNEW YOU SINCE THEY WERE KIDS AND NOW ARE ADULTS THEMSELVES.

THE JCC WILL NOT BE THE SAME WITHOUT SOY AROUND!

ENJOY THE NEXT PHASE OF LIFE WITH YOUR FAMILY, ENJOY TRAVELING AND RELAXING.

PAT AND NOLAN NEWMAN

ADAM, GINA AND JONATHAN

Soy - Thank you for all the great  
conversations throughout the many years!  
Enjoy your retirement now, you will be  
missed!

-Michael Verlinsky