



## MAN OF THE YEAR AWARD RECIPIENT MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGION

### FEDERATION OF JEWISH MEN'S CLUBS 2018-2019



#### **BETH SHOLOM CONGREGATION MEN'S CLUB ELKINS PARK, PA HARVEY FRIEDRICH**

##### **FAMILY**

Spouse: Suzan

Children: Jennifer

Grandchildren: Jacob, Noah and Sam

##### **EDUCATION**

Temple University, MBA – Philadelphia University

##### **OCCUPATION**

Executive Director – Beth Sholom Congregation

##### **HOBBIES/INTERESTS**

- His grandchildren, travel and the Jersey shore

##### **BUSINESS HONORS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Harvey has been instrumental in the development of the Beth Sholom Preservation Foundation, which serves to educate the public about the historic synagogue and helps raise funds for its ongoing maintenance and preservation.
- Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Riverview Home, a City of Philadelphia operated personal care facility.

##### **WHAT MEN'S CLUB MEANS TO ME**

Men's Club gives men the opportunity to expand their social networks to enhance their synagogue experience, family life and their own social well-being. Men's Club's activities focus on making the world a better place through charitable activities, scholarship program support and teaching our children how to express their Jewish selves in daily life. On the personal level, the club gives me the opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills and fulfill the personal mitzvot of observing Judaism in the way that works best for me.

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**REASON FOR THIS AWARD**

Harvey has always been a big supporter of Men's Club and believes our synagogue should be, and is, a community center – a place where one not only prays, but has and makes new friends, obtains and continues a Jewish education, and feels a sense of being at home. Harvey lives the noblest principles of our tradition every day; honesty, integrity and honoring family and friends. Harvey shares the Middle Atlantic Region's focus on our youth of today to ensure our movement of tomorrow.