

MAN OF THE YEAR EVENT





DARYL BENZKESHER ISRAEL CONGREGATION, WEST CHESTER, PA

FAMILY Haylee Benz

OCCUPATION

National Event Sales Specialist for Aggreko Event Services

WORK HONORS/ ACCOMPLISHMENTS

MATRA (Manufacturing and Tent Renter's Association) Board Member 2005-2021 2023 MATRA Volunteer of the Year Award

HOBBIES/SPORTS

Bowling, Softball, Weightlifting

OTHER COMMUNITY OR JEWISH ORGANIZATION ACTIVITIES

Eagle Scout

Kesher Israel's Co-Chair for Facilities/Grounds and Security

SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN MEN'S CLUB

Lead the Men's Club every year in erecting the Sukkah; help maintain the grounds by organizing flower bed cleanups.

FAVORITE MEN'S CLUB PROGRAMS

Any program that gets the men of KI together to build a better community bond.

WHAT MEN'S CLUB MEANS TO ME

I enjoy the camaraderie when we all get together and discuss family, religion, and sports. Being that I did not grow up Jewish but choose to convert to Judaism, I'm still learning from everyone different aspects of Jewish life and what it means to be a man in the Jewish religion.

REASON FOR THIS AWARD

Daryl Benz has a tremendous commitment to Kesher Israel Congregation and to the Men's Club, making his selection as Man of the Year an obvious choice. As a Vice President of the Synagogue, Daryl looks after our campus. If there is a volunteer project that needs doing to keep our Synagogue facility running smoothly and our safety looked after, Daryl steps in and takes care of the issue. Quickly, efficiently and without fanfare. If the Sukkah needs putting up and the Men's Club needs to organize a crew, Daryl leads the charge. Concrete work needs to be done to ensure that the pathways and steps are safe and sturdy - Daryl is there. Bathrooms upgraded and redone. Daryl has it under control. New locks for the classrooms? Reflective window protectors to keep prying eyes out? And a million other things concerned with making KI safe, must be organized and put into place - Daryl takes care of it. For all of his contributions and a deep love of Judaism and the Synagogue, Daryl is Kesher Israel's Man of the Year.