



A Message from the Administrator

Mazel tov to our HAI-Life honorees, Drs. Mark and Ora Pescovitz. Following in the footsteps of past honorees Mark and Ora have shown their dedication to the Academy through their devotion to our mission. And, as with all our honorees, they have placed their own personal footprints on our road to success in educating Jewish children. Not only were they deeply involved in our school while their 3 children were here, but they have continued to be supporters with both time and resources. Ora has been our Woman of Valor, presenting an inspiring keynote address at our *Woman of Valor* event and Mark continues to serve on the Board of Directors. They have done these things while at the same time, serving on other community boards and committees and expanding their professional lives. Many thanks to them for their dedication and setting such a wonderful example to our Hasten Hebrew Academy “family.”

Karol Cook is an excellent example of what it means to be a dedicated teacher and loyal staff member. In her many years here at the Academy she has taught both fifth grade (including my own son) and first grade. Her concern and devotion to her students is evident in the classroom, on the playground and even in the lunch room. She feels very “connected” to our school and often is the first to bring staff together or rsvp for special school events. Thank you, Karol for all you do.

Once again we are saying good-bye to a wonderful group of students. Our eighth grade graduates have been part of our lives for as many as 12 years. It is hard to see them go, but we know they will be successful in their high school studies and beyond. The strong foundation they received at the Hasten Hebrew Academy will serve them well.

It is also my privilege to work with a wonderful support staff without whom this school would not be the wonderful place it is. Thanks to them for everything.

Marcy Ekhaus