In 1915, concerned leaders in our community organized to coordinate the relief activities of all service organizations in existence in the Jewish community at the time and established an organization whose mission was of a philanthropic and charitable purpose and to improve the quality of life for individuals and families in the Jewish and general community. This continues to be the mission of Jewish Family Service (JFS) today and our work still embodies this philosophy.

Tonight we welcome you to our 4th Annual Community Matters Event which celebrates the mission and vision of our organization. JFS continues to strive to meet the needs of the community. Today hundreds of people turn to JFS every year to achieve well-being, health and stability. Clients come to our agency from multiple sources such as schools, physicians, psychiatrists, community mental health centers, the court system and from other clients who have benefitted from our services. JFS addresses the clients concerns and collaborates with our community partners and funding sources to achieve the desired outcomes and improve family functioning.

Jewish Family Service of Northeastern Pennsylvania is one of the primary human service agencies in northeastern Pennsylvania whose mission seeks to enhance and strengthen the quality of individual, family and community life for all people in need and has been helping to make a positive difference serving both the Jewish and the broader community for over a century. We’re all in this together as we continue to help those in need receive the help they deserve. JFS sits on the shoulders of many and with your support we can continue to make a positive difference in the lives of our friends and neighbors. A community is too heavy for anyone to carry alone. JFS thanks you for helping us, help others.

Sheila Nudelman Abdo, ACSW, LCSW
Executive Director

Eric Weinberg
President
**Schedule**

**Community Matters Event Program**  
**May 16, 2019**

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Silent Auction / hor d’oeuvres  
Specialty Food Stations

7:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
**Welcome**  
Eric Weinberg, President

**About our Honorees**  
Ann Monsky  
*President of Temple Israel Scranton*

**Honoree Remarks**  
Barbara and Louis Nivert

**Closing Remarks**  
Sheila Nudelman Abdo  
*Executive Director*

8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Dessert Reception

*Music provided by Doug Smith Jazz Trio  
with a special musical presentation by The Kennedy Creek Strummers*

Silent Auction concludes at 8:45 p.m.
**Commitment to Community**

Jewish Family Service of Northeastern Pennsylvania (JFS) has been there as a local human service organization serving both the Jewish and the broader community for over 100 years helping people with real needs who need real support.

**Mission**

Jewish Family Service is a human service organization, which reflects the Jewish tradition of caring and compassion for all people in need. Through professional counseling, advocacy and educational programming, our services seek to enhance and strengthen the quality of individual, family and community life.

**Objectives & Goals**

- Help build strong and satisfying family life.
- Provide remedial and rehabilitative services to individuals and families whose healthy functioning is being threatened or already deteriorating.
- Promote and preserve the dignity, self-respect and independence of the individual to the fullest extent possible.
Our 2019 honorees are Barbara and Louis Nivert

Barbara and Louis Nivert have been leaders in community involvement and charitable giving their entire lives. They are graduates of Scranton Central High School. Louis is a graduate of Keystone College and a US Army Veteran and Barbara attended Penn State University and Marywood College. Louis is owner and president of local metal distribution firm, Nivert Metal Supply. Together they have been involved with Jewish Family Service, Temple Israel of Scranton, B’nai B’rith, Jewish War Veterans, Elan Gardens, The Jewish Home, The Scranton Red Cross, the Scranton JCC, the Howard Gardner School and the Jewish Federation of NEPA. Barbara is a former president of Jewish Family Service.
Ann Lebowitz Monsky, a Scranton native, is a third generation active community volunteer. She follows in the footsteps of her mother and grandmother in helping to make our community better for all ages. After graduating with a degree in Communication Disorders, she left Boston to return home and continue her family legacy.

She currently serves as the President of Temple Israel Scranton, Vice President of the Board of the Scranton JCC, and on the board of Jewish Federation and the Jewish Home of NEPA.

She has been an educator in Temple Israel’s Religious School and a Leader in Girls Scouts. Ann is also an active volunteer at Elan Gardens as a discussion group facilitator.

An ASHA certified speech and language pathologist, she currently holds lecturer status at Marywood University as a Field Supervisor for Graduate students earning their Masters in Communication Sciences Disorders.

Ann resides in Clarks Green with her husband, Atty. Edward Monsky, also an active community volunteer. They are the proud parents of son Jeremy Monsky & his wife Sara Rothschild and son Scott Monsky.
Musical Guests

Doug Smith Trio
R J Kennedy - Drums
Marshall Kornblatt - Piano
Joe Cole - Bass

and a special musical presentation by:
The Kennedy Creek Strummers
JFS provides confidential, professional counseling services for families, couples, individuals and families experiencing challenges in their daily life.

Promoting and preserving the dignity and self respect of aging individuals by assisting them and their families in making choices that foster maximum level of independence in their daily living.

Providing guardianship of person service to those individuals who have been determined by the court to be incapacitated and no longer able to make their own life decisions. Guardianship is provided 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Kosher Meals on Wheels provides adequate well-balanced meals delivered by JFS volunteers to individuals who need assistance preparing meals for themselves.
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for a well deserved award!

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