

APPLAUSE

for CJC's Unsung Heroes



"One who is engaged with the needs of the community is likened to one who engages in the words of Torah-both are meritorious and bring blessing."

--Jerusalem Talmud

Although **Tom Laufer** and **Pearl Laufer** are not the same person, it is hard to talk about one without the other. Both in so many ways define community, klal yisrael/the larger Jewish community, Talmud Torah/Learning about Judaism and volunteering.

Whether it's serving as a member of the Board of Directors, an officer of the Board, President of the congregation, reading Torah, and/or the Jewish Film Series, both have given of their time, resources and expertise. Having said that, they are definitely not interchangeable.

Pearl expanded her volunteering to the Jewish community as a whole by being active in Jewish Federation of Howard County and serving as President. Tom has generously shared his facility with Hebrew and the Bible by teaching weekly, as well as proofing Hebrew texts. We could not begin to list everything they have done.

Thank you Pearl and Tom for sharing your talents with our community.