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## Thank you Herzlia Alumni in Houston and Toronto

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In March 2019, Geoff Cohen, Director of Education UHS, and I continued our campaign of reconnecting with our overseas Alumni. We traveled to Houston and Toronto to create awareness about the critical work of The Herzlia Foundation Trust.

In Houston, we held a very successful reunion, generously hosted by Leorah and Jack Levin in their beautiful home in South Shepard Houston. Over 25 alumni ranging in ages from 35 – 85 attended a very nostalgic and memorable reunion. Geoff spoke about 'The Herzlia of Today' and discussed the various challenges facing both the educational system and parents in today's world. He emphasized that HERZLIA remains committed to creating a space for its pupils to become critical thinkers, passionate Zionists and effective contributing members of both our South African and the Global society.

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Our second reunion, coordinated by alumnus David Cohen (Geoff's son), took place in Thornhill. Again alumni from all different years attended this special reunion to share stories, laughter and lots of 'did you remember when's'. It was very clear that Herzlia Alumni truly appreciate the privilege their Herzlia education has had in informing who they are today and to the success they have experienced in their personal and working lives.

We met with several alumni one-on-one who generously donated to The Herzlia Foundation Trust. The overall take home from all our reunions and meetings was that many Herzlia alumni clearly see it as their responsibility to partner with the Herzlia Foundation Trust and make a real difference in the life of a Jewish child.

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For more information about the work that we do at The Herzlia Foundation Trust, contact **Amanda Zar** on **+27 21 286 3472** or email **azar@herzlia.com**



Toronto: Amanda Zar and Geoff Cohen (1976) addressing Herzlia Alumni.



Toronto: Jonathan Varkul (1985), Amanda Zar, Russell Gottschalk (1987) and Geoff Cohen (1976).



Houston: Jack Levin (1958), Kay Levin, Amanda Zar, June Pool (1971) Philip Levin (1965), Loren Levin (1980), Leorah Levin (Left in 1961), Avril Trevas (left in 1970) and Geoff Cohen (1976).