



In the Spotlight

Robert & Lisa Prosnitz

Welcome to new members **Robert & Lisa Prosnitz**, and to their children **Isabel, Andrew, & Julia**, who joined Beth Am in January. The family lives in Penn Valley, just down the road from BAI. They joined after having been members at another area synagogue.

The first thirteen years of Robert's life were spent in Connecticut. His family then moved to North Carolina where Robert went to high school (together with Kes Messinger's brother!). He attended college at Yale, and then medical school at Duke. Lisa grew up just outside of Boston, and stayed nearby to attend Brandeis University. She met Robert while he was completing his medical residency in Boston. After the couple wed, they moved to North Carolina as Robert began his career and where Lisa worked in marketing and public relations for Jewish Federation. Then, after the birth of their first two children, the family moved to the Philadelphia area when Robert took a position as a Radiation Oncologist at HUP.

Isabel is the oldest of Robert and Lisa's three children, and recently became a Bat Mitzvah! She is an 8th grade student at Welsh Valley Middle School. Isabel is on the school track team, and likes sketching and painting in her free time. She also attends LMAHH. Andrew is a 5th grader at Penn Valley, and is enrolled in the synagogue religious school. He plays basketball and soccer for a travel team. Julia is the youngest of the Prosnitz crew; she also attend Penn Valley and is in the 3rd grade. Julia enjoys playing piano and ballet dancing. All three children love their summers at Camp Modin in Maine, as well as their dog Trixie Coco Sprinkles! (Each kid got to choose one name :-).



Robert's professional practice is now in Allentown. Outside of work he enjoys athletics, and especially cycling. Lisa likes reading and taking walks between shuttling the kids to and fro, and is also heavily involved in advocacy with the local "Healthy School Start Times" group. She shared that she feels her family has found in Beth Am the type of warm, welcoming, communal environment it was seeking. Lisa has hit the ground running at BAI, having co-organized the synagogue's recent inaugural and hugely successful Women's Seder.

Welcome again to Robert, Lisa, Isabel, Andrew, and Julia!

Interview by Sam Wojnilower