

Jaki Schreier

Jaki Schreier is already known as a legend in Ft. Wayne, Indiana and it is a delight that she now has been named a Hoosier Jewish Legend. She was born in Pontiac Michigan and attended Michigan University where she studied Human Resources.

Jaki's accomplishments are many and too numerous to report each one so a few will be highlighted here.

For many years, Jaki has taken on the responsibility, as a Jewish leader in her community, in dealing with antisemitism occurrences, religious liberty infringements, Holocaust education, inter-faith relations and outreach throughout all Northeast Indiana.

She has served as president or chairperson of many Jewish and secular organizations, committees, and events. Jaki was president of her synagogue Achduth Vesholom and the Jewish Federation of Ft. Wayne. She co-chaired the Violins of Hope with the Ft. Wayne Philharmonic Director. That program featuring violins saved from the Holocaust won the Ft. Wayne Arts United prestigious award of Best Events for 2019.

In 2013 Jaki became the Executive Director of the Ft. Wayne Jewish Federation. She continues to serve in this capacity as their, so called "part – time" at 28 hours a week but regularly it is reported that she works over 50 hours a week

Jim Banks, who represents Ft. Wayne's 3rd district in Congress, wrote "Jaki has worked tirelessly to cultivate interfaith friendships. Her leadership as the Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Ft. Wayne has always been about the wider community. On countless occasions, Jaki has been the primary catalyst for convening beneficial conversations that would not have happened without the trust Jaki earned over the years."

Jaki has many interests she says she loves to hike, read, bike, cross stit;h but her favorite hobby is travel which has been a lifetime passion. She and her husband have three children; Brooklyn, Mallory and Abe.

Jaki and her husband Dr. Eric Schreier together follow the very essence and spirit of Tikkun Olam, "Repairing of the World" by their acts of kindness.