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Jewish Federation Appoints New CEO



all the diverse sectors of our community," Crane continued. "She is passionate about Jewish life and the unique role the Federation plays as convener and community builder in the local, national and global Jewish world."

Meredith Dragon will assume the responsibility currently held by Larry Fine who has been the executive director for close to 30 years and who last year announced his plans to retire.

The Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester has announced the hiring of Meredith Dragon as new CEO effective April 4. "I am delighted that we will usher in a new era with a leader of Meredith Dragon's stature," noted Federation President Leslie Crane. "She received overwhelming support from our Board of Directors and Board of Governors.

"Meredith met with many leaders and community members in her visits to Rochester and was warmly received in

Dragon is currently the executive director of the Jewish Federation of Western Massachusetts and has been serving in that capacity since February 2009. Previously, she was the assistant director of the Jewish Federation of Jacksonville, Florida for 13 years. Dragon lived in Israel at the beginning of her career and worked for Britain's Joint Israel Appeal.

Meredith is married to Ze'ev and is the mother of three boys, Matan, Ori and Etai. ★

Sands Family Donates To Community Foundation



Left to right: Rob Sands, Mickey Sands and family

Mickey Sands and family donated \$61 Million to the Rochester Area Community Foundation. The Sands family are manag-

ing shareholders of Constellation Brands, located in Victor. Richard Sands is the Chairman of Constellation Brands.

New York Federation Sues Bank For \$40M From Bankruptcy

BY JOSH NATHAN-KAZIS

The biggest unsecured creditors in the bankruptcy case of the massive social service charity FECS Health & Human Services are seeking tens of millions of dollars for a joint retirement plan serving thousands who work for New York Jewish charities.

The claims, by HIA Feder

