



24th Annual
Julian Y. Bernstein
Distinguished Service
Awards Ceremony

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Julian Y. Bernstein

Julian Y. Bernstein, z"l was a well-known and admired leader in the Westchester Jewish community. Some of the organizations that benefited from his leadership were UJA-Federation of New York/Westchester and the Jewish Community Center of Harrison. Julian was also a long-serving Executive Committee member and board member of the Westchester Jewish Council. Julian believed that doing tzedakah was just as important as giving tzedakah. The Westchester Jewish Council Distinguished

Service Awards, named in memory of Julian, is our recognition and appreciation of his visionary leadership, guidance, and friendship. It is the highest honor we can bestow on those with whom we celebrate this evening.



The Westchester Jewish Council connects and safeguards Westchester's Jewish communities and strengthens relationships among Jewish organizations and other ethnic and faith based groups, elected officials, Israel and the community at large. The Council provides a wide range of programming, services and resources to help strengthen our community.

Through our Roundtables the Westchester Jewish Council brings professional and lay leaders together to share information, form friendships and strengthen communications and connections. Bonds are formed and best practices are shared on a variety of relevant topics and issues. The expanding list of roundtables, some of which are done in partnership with our member organizations, includes Synagogue Executive Directors, Synagogue Presidents, Agency Presidents, Government Relations, Youth Professionals and Volunteers, Marketing Professionals & Volunteers, Israel Volunteers, Interfaith Volunteers, Parents of Lone Soldiers, Security Volunteers and liaisons, Mosaic/LGBTQ inclusion, Jewish Continuity and more.

The Westchester Jewish Council supports extensive and expanding programming that can be found on our Community Calendar at www.wjcouncil.org/calendar. The growing list includes Leadership Development Institute, Thanksgiving Diversity Breakfast, Celebrate Israel Parade, Jewish Music and Arts Festival, Night of Jewish Learning, Night of Jewish Music, Israel Education Programming, Jewish History and Heritage Month Celebration, Legislative Breakfast, County-Wide Holocaust Commemoration and tonight's Julian Y. Bernstein Celebration.

Please go to our website at www.wjcouncil.org to see all the amazing work of the Westchester Jewish Council

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The Jewish Community Relations Council of Westchester, est. 1975

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Program

Welcome

Lisa Roberts

President, Westchester Jewish Council

Greetings

Westchester County Executive George Latimer

Introduction to the Julian Y. Bernstein

Distinguished Service Awards

Betsy Bernstein

Presentation of the Julian Y. Bernstein

Distinguished Service Awards

Ron Arsham, Peter Baum, Betsy Bernstein,
Karen Firestone, Sue Pearson, Julie Rockowitz

Sheila Spicehandler

Closing

Elliot Forchheimer, Executive Director

Westchester Jewish Council



The Jewish Community Relations Council of Westchester Since 1975

We gather tonight to recognize the efforts of extraordinary volunteers in our community.

Tomorrow evening is Purim, a holiday which celebrates the Jewish heroes who miraculously saved the Persian Jewish community from a dire threat. One of the main themes of the Purim Megillah is concealment and revelation, as well as bringing attention to that which is hidden. For example, Queen Esther conceals her heritage, only to reveal herself at the end. Quietly, Mordechai acts to save the life of the King, and only later in the story is he applauded for his deeds of loyalty and heroism. Similarly, tonight, we bring into focus the efforts of dedicated volunteers who often act discreetly or without fanfare.

The day-to-day efforts of WJC organizations and their volunteers are often pivotal in keeping our community growing and vibrant. The individuals who are being honored tonight have given their efforts, with a great commitment of time, resources and energy. Our recipients have often worked behind the scenes as well as in the forefront, seeking to further the goals of their organizations. Tonight we cheer them with the Westchester Jewish Council's Distinguished Service Awards named in memory and honor of Julian Y. Bernstein z"l, who himself was a dedicated and inspiring leader. We thank our recipients for all that they do to enrich the experiences of our entire community.

Happy Purim and congratulations to all our honorees this evening,

The Julian Y. Bernstein Distinguished Service Awards Committee

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Peter Baum
Betsy Bernstein
Karen Firestone
Michelle Gewanter

Sue Pearson
Keith Reich
Julie Rockowitz
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Julian Y. Bernstein

Distinguished Service Awards 2019 Honorees

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| AJC Westchester/Fairfield | Beverly Rosenbaum |
| Community Alliance for Jewish-Affiliated Cemeteries | Anthony Pisciotta |
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| DOROT..... | Joan Taback Frankle |
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| Westchester Jewish Council | David Eppinger |
| Young Israel of Scarsdale | Michael Muss |
| Young Israel of White Plains..... | Leo Goldstein |

AJC Westchester/Fairfield

Beverly Rosenbaum has been involved in Jewish communal work for many years and has been particularly involved in AJC for the last twelve years. As the daughter of a Holocaust survivor, Beverly considers it her privilege and responsibility to use her voice to help ensure Israel's safety and security while the growing surge of global anti-Semitism. AJC enables Beverly to use her voice to advocate about these issues and try to make a meaningful difference.

Beverly has served on AJC Westchester/Fairfield's Board and Executive Committee for many years and proudly served as Regional President from 2015-2017. She continues to serve on the regional Board and Executive Committee and is a member of AJC's National Leadership Council, Regional Offices Committee and Jewish Religious Equality Coalition. Beverly chairs the regional Project Interchange Committee, helping in AJC's impactful work bringing leaders in various fields to Israel in order to gain a better understanding of Israel. She is also involved in Diplomatic Outreach, serving as Team Leader for Lithuania and Italy. In addition, Beverly serves on the College Campus Committee and the Leaders for Tomorrow initiative which helps prepare high school juniors and seniors for anti-Israel sentiment or anti-Semitism they may face on the college campus. She has worked on various other committees over the years, including serving as Co-Chair of the Israel New Perspectives Committee and as Chair of the Nominating Committee and the Global Forum Committee. Beverly's deep commitment to AJC is fueled by her passion for its vitally important mission.

A graduate of the Wexner Heritage leadership program, Beverly has also been involved in other organizations over the years, including: Westchester Jewish Council for which she served on the Board and co-chaired its Israel Roundtable; UJA; AIPAC; and her synagogue, Young Israel of Scarsdale, for which she served as an officer, Board member and chair of numerous committees and programs. Having recently completed the Holocaust and Human Rights Education Center's Safekeeping Stories program through which second and third generation survivors of the Shoah write their families' stories, Beverly is becoming a member of HHREC's Speakers Bureau.

Beverly is a lawyer, having graduated with a BA from Cornell University and a JD from Cardozo Law School. She is married to Michael and their greatest pride and joy are their children Adam and Ilana, their daughter-in-law Shira, and their granddaughters, Meira and Talia.

AJC is the leading global Jewish advocacy organization, with access to government officials, diplomats, and other world leaders. Through these relationships and our international presence, AJC is able to impact opinion and policy on the issues that matter most: combating rising anti-Semitism and extremism, defending Israel's place in the world, and safeguarding the rights and freedoms of all people. AJC Westchester/Fairfield connects the local community with AJC's global advocacy.

Anthony Pisciotta

Community Alliance for Jewish-Affiliated Cemeteries

Anthony Pisciotta had been involved for years at Bayside Cemetery in Queens, one of our country's oldest Jewish cemeteries, first through a fascination at its shockingly bad condition in the early 90's and then in the early 2000's when he began many years of hard work, often with his son and daughter, to restore dignity to those buried: lifting stones and fallen statues; sealing mausoleums; removing derogatory graffiti; rebuilding broken gates; and numbering aisles so that families can more easily find their loved ones. Anthony also worked with the media and the people of Bayside, so that the cemetery's condition could be improved, as well as the important work of researching and connecting families to those buried there. But Anthony's connection to CAJAC started in 2010 through a chance meeting while at Bayside when he met a man who was searching for his father's grave at the cemetery who then connected him to the then-Executive Director of CAJAC.

Although Anthony's work clearly stands on its own, his commitment and loyalty as a volunteer is unmatched by any other volunteer among the several hundred volunteers that work with CAJAC. For the past nine years, CAJAC has been honored to collaborate with Anthony on cemetery restoration programs, volunteer outings to clean up trash or to put out flags for veterans, genealogy searches for members of the public who are looking for lost family members and countless other issues. To quote CAJAC's Executive Director; "There is only one Anthony Pisciotta. He exemplifies the true meaning behind the Julian Y. Bernstein Distinguished Service Award. Anthony preserves Jewish cemeteries with his own hands by lifting and securing one headstone at a time. CAJAC is both proud and grateful to work with him."

Anthony Pisciotta is a passionate, outgoing and caring person. When Anthony notices a person in need, he does everything in his power to help, especially for people who can't help themselves. Everything Anthony has done has been solely for people and a place in need of assistance, never asking for anything in return. Bayside Cemetery is a big part of Anthony's life, and has changed his life just as much as he has changed Bayside Cemetery.

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CAJAC serves as a resource for Jewish cemeteries throughout Metropolitan New York. CAJAC's primary objective is the preservation of Jewish cemeteries, which often includes comprehensive projects to remediate distressed Jewish cemeteries. CAJAC provides guidance and consultation to a diverse array of cemetery owners and operators regarding best practices for efficient and cost-effective cemetery operations, with a goal of long-term preservation of Jewish cemeteries in perpetuity. Additionally, CAJAC advocates for cemeteries within and external to the Jewish community, with a significant focus on relationships with local and state government officials.

Pamela Millian

Congregation Kol Ami

In an earlier life, Pamela Millian was a lawyer, but sought something with greater personal fulfillment and satisfaction. She was fortunate to be able to turn her time, energy and focus to volunteer work. Pam has always felt a duty to give back and help others. She prefers to be a doer, not a talker, and this award is thus embarrassing to her and appreciated by her at the same time.

Pam has been involved in a myriad of community service projects: delivering food for The Lord's Pantry at St. Bernard's Church; organizing and schlepping pickup and delivery of leftovers from a local bakery to The Lord's Pantry; teaching with Literacy Volunteers of Westchester; mentoring with Reading Buddies; distributing books for World Book Night; serving as a home visitor for the Parent Child Home Program at Westchester Jewish Community Services; being a caregiver for a feral cat colony; helping found and run a CSA (community supported agriculture) among the 5 synagogues of White Plains; organizing delivery of organic, kosher and humanely raised turkeys for Thanksgiving; serving as co-president and board member of her neighborhood civic association; and in her spare time serving as a docent for The Wildlife Conservation Society at The Bronx Zoo.

While Pam continues with some of these projects, she has also turned her attention to projects within her synagogue, Congregation Kol Ami. For the past three years, Pam has managed the Kol Ami Food Pantry which makes shelf stable foods available to those in the community needing food assistance. Pam is responsible for annual agency and grant applications; monthly reporting to Feeding Westchester; ordering, unpacking and stocking the pantry; and overseeing volunteers. Through the synagogue, Pam also participated in the HIAS-led resettlement of a Syrian family to White Plains, forming a relationship that continues today. With the Kol Ami Green Team, she has helped to make significant environmental changes at the temple including improved recycling and use of non-disposable or compostable products. She is also a trustee of Congregation Kol Ami.

Pam feels blessed to be able to do what she loves, and she shares this award with her amazing Kol Ami community, her adored family and friends, and her incredibly supportive husband, Gary Orentlicher.

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Congregation Kol Ami has been in existence since 1923. It offers a full range of school programs and adult education. In the Jewish tradition, the worship of God occurs not only in the synagogue service, but also in one's actions to improve the community, and in the individual's personal growth. As a community, Kol Ami seeks to help members grow spiritually, to deepen their understanding of Jewish heritage, and to strengthen their connection to Jewish continuity.

Joan Taback Frankle

DOROT

“Rise before the aged and show respect to the elderly.” Leviticus 19:32

DOROT, meaning generations, alleviates social isolation to help the elderly live independently as valued members of the community. In 2004, DOROT expanded into Westchester, continuing to address the challenges of an aging society by mobilizing volunteers to improve the lives and health of our older neighbors.

Joan was familiar with DOROT from its presence in Manhattan. In 2006, she attended a DOROT event and immediately volunteered to make weekly visits to a Westchester senior. She soon joined the DOROT Westchester Committee, eventually becoming chair and collaborating with staff and fellow committee members to reach more Westchester seniors.

DOROT allowed Joan to contribute in a very personal way. As a child, she cherished time with her large extended family. After her grandparents passed, becoming a DOROT Friendly Visitor kept Joan connected to that generation. For years, she made weekly visits to individual seniors, helping alleviate isolation through conversation, social activities, and informal support. Through DOROT, Joan found that intergenerational friendships were essential for those who feel lonely and are less able to come and go.

In her six years as committee chair, Joan has led Westchester DOROT to tremendous growth. Partnering with Pattie-Cippi Harte, Director of DOROT Westchester, Joan helped DOROT expand throughout the county. In addition to the Friendly Visiting Program which has increased by 25%, DOROT expanded the monthly Shabbat Shalom Westchester program by 50% and increased visibility and numbers at DOROT's three annual Sunday Package Deliveries, which engage volunteers of all ages. DOROT Westchester launched a multi-generational chess program that meets weekly at the Solomon Schechter School, connecting seniors with high school students to learn from each other about life and chess. Most recently, Joan helped connect DOROT with Play Group Theatre in White Plains. Joan worked closely with Audrey Stein, then DOROT's Chief Development Officer, to ensure adequate support for new programs. In addition to her leadership role, Joan continues to be a weekly Friendly Visitor to Eugenie, with whom she trades opinions, advice, and sweets.

Joan lives in Scarsdale where she and her husband Andy, raised two sons. In addition to continuing to serve on the DOROT Westchester Committee, she is a Vice President at Westchester Reform Temple and Recording Secretary for the League of Women Voters.

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DOROT is dedicated to enhancing the lives of the elderly and providing services to help them live independently as valued members of the community. It serves the Jewish and wider community, bringing the generations together in a mutually beneficial partnership of elders, volunteers and professionals.

Rachel Freedman Hadassah-Westchester

Rachel just completed three years as Hadassah Westchester Region President, and serving has been an honor for her. Her Hadassah life started officially in 1969 when her grandmother gifted Hadassah life memberships to both her and her sisters.

Working as Region President, Rachel was introduced to an entire country of smart, capable women, each working with a passion and dedication that is infectious and inspiring. It has also allowed her to work with the leaders in the region, who sit on the region board and who run their chapters with dedication and passion that is equally infectious and inspiring.

Now that she has completed her presidency, Rachel will work throughout Westchester County to increase Hadassah membership in conjunction with Hadassah's national lobbying office in Washington, DC, which will focus on Hadassah's important platforms for Jewish women. She believes that every Jewish woman in this country needs to be a member of Hadassah to strengthen Hadassah's numbers and thus strengthen its political impact. In addition, she accepted two Hadassah National Portfolio positions, one with Donor Stewardship to help improve the donor experience, and one with Finance working with the Hadassah Treasurer.

When people ask why she has devoted herself to volunteer work, Rachel quotes Ruth Bader Ginsburg. "If you want to be a true professional, you will do something outside yourself. Something to repair tears in your community. Something to make life a little better for people less fortunate than you. That's what I think a meaningful life is – living not for oneself but for one's community."

Rachel strives to live a meaningful life, to give back, and to make things better in the world. Her work with Hadassah satisfies this goal, as Hadassah brings peace through medicine.

Rachel and her husband, Dan Rosen, are the parents of five children, and they have one son-in-law and one future daughter-in-law. She and Dan met at a Young Judaea meeting when Rachel was 15 years old.

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Hadassah is the largest women's volunteer organization in the U.S. and the largest Zionist organization in the world. The mission of Hadassah is to build communities of women who share the commitment to the ideals and values of Judaism and Zionism. Through education, advocacy, and youth development, and its support of medical care and research at Hadassah Medical Organization, Hadassah enhances the health and lives of people in Israel, the United States and worldwide.

Judy Grant

Hebrew Institute of White Plains

From a young age, Judy was introduced to working on behalf of the Jewish community, as her father was Rabbi of Manhattan's East 55th Street Conservative Synagogue and her mother was an active volunteer for the Jewish Theological Seminary. As a teenager, Judy was a counselor at Camp Ramah and led teen trips to Israel for UJA-Federation. After studying social work at Columbia and Jewish studies at JTS, Judy and her husband, Gil, moved to White Plains to raise their three daughters. Alexandra and Tori are studying nursing and medicine, respectively, in Israel. Sydney is studying computer technology in New York City.

Judy and her husband were founding families of Carmel Academy and Judy served as a board member and as co-president of the Parent's Association. Professionally, Judy has worked with abused and neglected children at Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx for the past 30 years.

As a member of Hebrew Institute of White Plains, Judy has long been involved with various synagogue activities including chairing the youth committee, co-chairing the annual dinner, and serving on the board nominating committee. When a need was identified to develop programming for senior members of the synagogue, Judy's good friends Audrey and Keith Reich volunteered her for the job. Of course, Judy couldn't say no, and Members Over Fifty In Action (MOFIA) was born. While initially intended as a "temporary" position to get MOFIA started, four years later Judy finds herself fully engaged with a few energetic and hardworking volunteers who plan and execute varied and interesting programs for HIWP's senior congregants.

Judy has organized interesting and stimulating MOFIA outings to destinations such as the Bronx Botanical Gardens, Kykuit, the Jewish Heritage Museum and Hyde Park. Programming at HIWP has included stimulating speakers on eclectic topics from a day in the life of a Manhattan District Attorney to personal wellness, from cooking classes to computer lessons, and from comedy and magic shows to an annual Shabbat luncheon attended by nearly 100 congregants.

In addition to her ongoing involvement with MOFIA at HIWP, Judy keeps quite busy with other volunteer pursuits including Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Westchester Chevre Kadisha.

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The Hebrew Institute is an inspiring center of White Plains Jewish communal life for those who seek a warm, supportive, refreshingly open, people loving, G-d serving, menshlech, Modern Orthodox community—and one which helps its members be that way too. HIWP takes pride in the diversity of its community: diversity among the young and old, men and women, those with a rich Jewish background, and those new to observance. HIWP endeavors always to deepen lives through tefillah (prayer), limud (Torah study) and (shmirat hamitzvot) observance; through music, and through communal life and social action both within and beyond the HIWP community.

Gary Joseph

Holocaust and Human Rights Education Center

Gary was nine years old when he arrived in New York in October, 1938 as a German Jewish refugee. He credits the wisdom and courage of his mother, a widow with two young children, with having kept his family of three always one step ahead of the Nazis. After the war ended, Gary learned that many of his closest relatives had perished in Auschwitz.

Gary spent the remainder of his youth in the Bronx. While working at a full-time job, he attended New York University and graduated with a BS. His entire business career was spent in the global metals and mining industry, primarily at Philipp Brothers. He later formed his own company. While at Philipp Brothers, Gary traveled regularly to the Soviet Union, where he sought to help the dissident members of the Moscow synagogue. He chaired the company's fundraising for UJA for over 20 years. He later spearheaded a global fundraising campaign to establish the Ludwig Jesselson Chair of Library Sciences, Codicology and Paleography at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He also served for many years as President of Friends of the Wiener Library in London, one of the world's leading archives on the Nazi era and the Holocaust, as well as modern Fascism and genocide.

Upon his retirement from the metal industry in 2001, Gary joined the board of the Holocaust and Human Rights Education Center. He was drawn to HHREC's mission to fight bigotry through education, with its focus on the history and the lessons of the Holocaust. He immediately joined the finance committee and was instrumental in the founding of an endowment to ensure the organization's financial stability. He has served as vice chairman and as a member of the executive, endowment, and nominating committees. Gary continues to be deeply committed to the outstanding work of HHREC.

Gary moved to Westchester in 1973 with his wife Micki and their two sons, Daniel and Philip. Both Gary and Micki have served as board members of Beth El Synagogue Center in New Rochelle. Both sons proudly support the work of HHREC and have taught their six children by example to carry on the family tradition of Tikkun Olam.

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The mission of the Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center is to enhance the teaching and learning of the lessons of the Holocaust and the right of all people to be treated with dignity and respect. The Center offers sensitively developed workshops, seminars and special presentations for educators, students and the community, and these help as well to fulfill the New York State mandate that Holocaust and other human rights abuses be included in school curriculum. The Center maintains an active Speakers Bureau comprised of Holocaust Survivors and Liberators and an active 2nd and 3rd Generation group, GenerationsForward.

Tara Slone-Goldstein

Jewish Education Project

Tara Slone-Goldstein is currently the chair of the Board of Directors of The Jewish Education Project, where she has served on the board for ten years. An immediate past board president, Tara led the Succession Planning Taskforce, served on a Strategic Plan Committee, and oversaw the agency's rebranding. Over the years, she has helped select recipients of the Young Pioneers Award, led the Westchester Jewish Teen Learning Initiative, and co-chaired galas.

Tara is deeply passionate about The Jewish Education Project because she believes in its mission: inspiring and empowering educators to create Jewish education that is meaningful and relevant for young people, helping them thrive in the world.

At UJA-Federation of NY, Tara serves on the Board of Directors and chairs the Immersive Jewish Experiences Committee within the Jewish Life Department. Previously she led the Westchester Marketing Committee, and it is here that she first had the pleasure of meeting Julian Bernstein.

Tara is also a parent advisor for J-Teen Leadership, a past trustee of Schechter Westchester, and past co-president of the Emelin Theatre.

Professionally, Tara is Founder and President of Marketing Matters Ltd., a consulting firm specializing in branding, strategic plans, and marketing communications, working with both non-profits and for-profits. Tara received her MBA from New York University Leonard Stern Graduate School of Business and her BA from George Washington University. She is also a graduate of the Wexner Heritage Program.

Tara and her husband Wayne Goldstein live in Mamaroneck, NY where they are members of Westchester Jewish Center. They are the proud parents of Zachary, Joshua, and Adam.

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The Jewish Education Project inspires educators, clergy, principals and lay leaders with new ideas, skills and invaluable networks. JEP's goal is to lead our children and families to be their best selves, feel more connected to Jewish community and make the world a better place. Our organization is nationally renowned for our leadership training, creative educational experiences and expertise in relationship building. JEP's impact can be seen through 800 educational programs in New York City, Westchester and Long Island, engaging over 160,000 Jewish children, teens and families of all backgrounds. JEP sparks and spreads innovations that expand the reach and increase the impact of Jewish education, so that more people experience the wisdom and joy of Judaism.

Mark Oster

Larchmont Temple

Different from most couples, Mark and his wife, Ellen, joined Larchmont Temple before having children to put in religious school or to prepare for a Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Having recently moved to Westchester, they thought that affiliating with a congregation would help them integrate into their new community. That thought proved to be correct!

After a year of attending new member activities, Mark was “tapped on the shoulder” and asked to join the Brotherhood Board, which was the beginning of 30 consecutive years of volunteer service, which continues to this day. Brotherhood Board involvement evolved into taking on officer positions, eventually leading to becoming Brotherhood President, which also entailed serving on the Temple Board. Upon completion of his term as President, Mark was elected to the LT Board as a trustee, eventually becoming an officer and a member of the Board’s Executive Committee, serving first as Recording Secretary and then as Financial Vice President. After declining to seek an even higher level office, Mark returned to the Board as a trustee, eventually completing a Jewishly-poetic 18 consecutive years of service. Along the way, Mark served at various times on the Governance Task Force, Nominating Committee, Personnel Committee and Leadership Development Committee, which he continues to chair.

On the professional front, Mark is the National Managing Partner of the Not-for-Profit Practice at Grant Thornton LLP. He has been at GT for over 24 years, and he has been working full-time with not-for-profit clients for the last 16+ years. Mark is also on the North American Board and Oversight (Executive) Committee of the URJ, and is a trustee, officer and Audit Committee Chair of the National Museum of American Jewish History.

Mark has always viewed his volunteer time as an honor, a privilege, and a covenantal “duty.” While he is extraordinarily proud and appreciative to be recognized for this award, service has never been about recognition or prestige; it has been about donating his time and talents to help organizations whose mission Mark views as vitally important to be more successful.

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Larchmont Temple is a vibrant Reform congregation, covenantal community, with a commitment to lifelong learning and dedication to spiritual searching - seeking God’s presence through sharing Shabbat and holidays, reaching out through mitzvot to others in need, and working together to create a congregation that feels like home.

Eileen Schnitzler

Lincoln Park Jewish Center

Volunteering is something Eileen has done all her adult life. While raising her family on Long Island, she was active in the Sisterhood and on the board of Congregation Beth El in Massapequa. Monday nights she could be found calling Bingo for the synagogue before heading to work on the night shift at the hospital. When her two sons, David and Mark, came along, Eileen became involved in Scouting. She was a Den Mother for the boys' Cub Scout troops and later worked on fundraising for the Boy Scouts of America. For her efforts, she received their distinguished service award, the Silver Beaver.

Eileen and her husband, Joseph, moved to Yonkers in 1992 and joined Lincoln Park Jewish Center. She immediately joined the Sisterhood at the urging of a dear friend, Selma Charkin. Presently she is the President of Sisterhood, but she has served in many capacities. She has been an integral part of Sisterhood fundraising, enhancing projects like the New Year Greetings, the Chanukah Party and coordinating both the Sukkot Festival and community Passover Seder. She initiated the Book of Remembrance for Yom Kippur and Shalach Manot for Purim. As a board member she has chaired the annual Journal Dinner Dance for over 10 years.

Through her initiative, Eileen established outreach to the local Irish Community in Lincoln Park to organize cultural events that coincided with Jewish commemorations, including Purim and St. Patrick's Day. As part of the ritual committee, she performs bikkur cholim. She headed a committee to compile policies and procedures for the non-denominational day care program affiliated with LPJC, that serves the local community.

Eileen recently served on the search committee that recommended the selection of a new rabbi to assume duties as the spiritual leader of LPJC. She can often be found in the kitchen of the synagogue preparing Kiddush for Shabbat. Eileen has demonstrated a passion about the success of LPJC in Yonkers. She is greatly respected within our religious community.

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Lincoln Park Jewish Center is an inclusive, Modern Orthodox congregation that strives to create spiritual growth through prayer, acceptance, community and fellowship. Lincoln Park Jewish Center is in the midst of a revival of spirit in its programs, activities and growth. Services are vibrant, filled with song and joy, and learning programs and social activities are dynamic and unequalled.

Howard Blitman

Reconstructing Judaism

Howard Blitman's life is a study in commitment to community. Howard has built a career as a civil engineer with a foundation in political science and government. He currently serves as the president of Blitman Building Corporation. Howard is a leader in the field of engineering, a community leader, and a veteran of the Korean War. Throughout his life, he has served as a trustee and on boards of health, social welfare, Jewish communal and professional organizations. He invests in the next generation of engineering leadership serving on the boards of his alma maters, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and the New School, with distinction.

Howard and his wife, Maureen, have three children and six grandchildren. The Blitmans are active and enthusiastic members of Bet Am Shalom, a Reconstructionist community in White Plains. Howard served as co-chairman of the congregation's building committee following a fire in 2003 and oversaw the rebuilding and expansion of the synagogue.

Since 2004, Howard has served as a passionate, effective supporter of and advocate for Reconstructing Judaism, the central organization of the Reconstructionist movement.

Howard encountered a Reconstructionist approach as a young man. As an adult, Howard returned to Reconstructionism as a vitalizing and meaningful way to live fully as an American and a Jew.

He articulates his commitments clearly and eloquently, and he acts on them. Howard is a longstanding member of the Reconstructing Judaism board of governors and serves on the executive committee. He led as the chair of the special programs committee, and served on the committees for strategic planning, as well as the search committee for the vice president for academic affairs.

Howard uniquely contributes leadership to Reconstructing Judaism on building projects. He aided the organization on both construction and loans for an expansion of its summer camp in the Poconos, Camp Havaya, and, after Reconstructing Judaism's headquarters flooded, led efforts to ensure a complete and safe recovery.

True to his visionary posture, Howard has championed outreach to new constituencies via new modalities on Reconstructing Judaism's board, leading younger leadership in making the case for investment in digital strategies. Howard is excited to have his passion and dedication recognized by this Julian Y. Bernstein Distinguished Service Award.

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Reconstructing Judaism is the central organization of the Reconstructionist movement. They train the next generation of rabbis, support and uplift congregations and havurot, foster emerging expressions of Jewish life, and encourage people to be their best selves – always helping to shape what it means to be Jewish today and to imagine the Jewish future.

Donna Vitale Ruskin

Scarsdale Synagogue-Temples-Tremont and Emanu-El

Donna and her family joined Scarsdale Synagogue-Temples-Tremont and Emanu-El over twenty years ago. From the first Tot Shabbat to adult B'nai Mitzvah to her service on the Board of Trustees, Donna has always enjoyed participating in all that SSTTE offers.

Donna learned the joy of volunteering from her mom, Sheila Pollack z"l, who, along with a few other friends, founded a Reform congregation in Cheshire, Connecticut, in the 1970s, and gave tirelessly of herself to many organizations. Donna always volunteered in her children's schools as well as civic organizations, but SSTTE offers Donna a unique opportunity to forge meaningful relationships with other members of that sacred community. She is grateful to the clergy, staff and lay leadership for their encouragement, support and friendship.

Her list of leadership roles is long. Donna chaired several annual gala fundraisers; the campaign for a new youth center; created Team Kehillah, a membership "think tank;" and served on the Board of Trustees and as President, during which time the board transitioned to a pledge-commitment financial model from the traditional annual-dues financial model. Currently, Donna is happy to be helping the Director of Congregational Learning revitalize the religious school, in part by participating in the Jewish Education Project's "Innovation Engine." What is more important to Donna than the projects she has worked on and the positions she has held, are the opportunities for learning and building community in a congregation that values collaboration and inclusivity.

Donna holds a Bachelor of Arts from Amherst College and a Master's degree in Health Advocacy from Sarah Lawrence College. She is an Education and Therapeutic Consultant, working with families and children who are struggling educationally, emotionally, or socially. Donna and her husband, Tom, reside in Westchester and always look forward to spending time with their three adult sons. Donna is grateful to be honored this evening by the Westchester Jewish Council.

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Scarsdale Synagogue Temples Tremont and Emanu-El is an inclusive, dynamic, and progressive Jewish community in Southern Westchester County. SSTTE is a Reform Jewish Congregation committed to creating a covenant community of shared lives and real relationships.

Lisa Cohen

Shames Jewish Community Center

Lisa Cohen has been a vibrant member of the Shames Jewish Community Center on the Hudson's Board of Governors for over 10 years. Not content to just be part of board discussions, committees and decisions, Lisa wanted to contribute in more ways. She stepped forward and offered to co-chair various fundraising events, the most recent of which was last year's very successful gala in which several members of the Rivertowns Jewish Consortium were honored. She has offered to co-chair the Shames' 90th anniversary gala this year as well. Lisa is proud to be a part of the growth of the JCC.

Lisa's passion is children and you can often find her helping out in the Shames JCC's early childhood program. With a smile on her face and her warm manner, the kids gravitate towards her. She is also very much involved in working with staff to create popular special needs programs, an area that is very close to her heart. Lisa currently serves on the Shames JCC Special Needs Strategic Advisory. Through friendships, networking and outreach, Lisa continues to expand the relationships between JCC members and the community.

Lisa gave and continues to give instinctively when it comes to the JCC. However, she is also involved in other volunteer ventures. She is on the board of SPARC, INC. a non-profit dedicated to enhancing the lives of people with developmental disabilities and she most recently joined Impact100 Westchester, a women's collective giving organization engaging women in philanthropy.

Lisa has a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice/Psychology and a Master's degree in Criminal Justice, both from SUNY Albany. She previously worked for a title insurance company and as an independent title closer. A resident of Irvington since 2001, she lives with her husband, Jason, their two children, Amanda and Daniel, and a spoiled golden doodle named Dunkin. Lisa hopes to visit Israel for the first time this year with her family.

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The Shames JCC on the Hudson is a vibrant campus center, connecting the Jewish community of the Rivertowns, offering social, recreational, educational, and cultural opportunities guided by Jewish values to the greater community. At the JCC, people socialize, take classes, exercise, learn and grow. From toddler drop off to active retirement groups, there is something for everyone.

Joel Iskowitz Temple Beth Am

Joel Iskowitz had been unaffiliated and inactive in the Jewish community for decades until a little over three years ago. Since then he has made up for lost time with a vengeance! Connecting with his son's Hebrew School lessons rekindled childhood memories, reminding Joel that Judaism was in his soul and could not be denied. It reinvigorated what he already knew from his parents' guidance and mentoring about human decency, kindness, and the thirst for knowledge, all born from the solidity of Jewish teachings. Joel's whirlwind tour of rising involvement at Temple Beth Am Yorktown was born.

Joel's involvement began with becoming a trustee on the Board of Directors and becoming a part of the recently revived Men's Club/Brotherhood. Joel had a vision of what the temple should feel like for new members: warm, friendly and inviting! That spirit led to his current positions as co-chair of the Membership committee and co-president of the Men's Club. Membership has had two very successful years. This year Joel and his co-chair, Sherri Feldman, doubled the number of new members versus most past years' average. Joel's smile and good nature help any new member feel welcome at Temple Beth Am.

Joel's involvement with Men's Club was inspired by the diligence, concern and care shown by his first Men's Club President, Allan Goldberg. When Allan chose to scale back his duties after years of volunteer work for the temple, Joel and Lee Kader stepped up. Under their leadership, the Men's Club has continued to grow and thrive, sponsoring numerous events and bringing the Temple Beth Am community together. The annual Dinner Dance has by far become the biggest fundraiser of the year for Temple Beth Am.

Noting that most past recipients of the Julian Y. Bernstein award have demonstrated decades of volunteer work in the Jewish community, Joel initially felt uncomfortable accepting this evening's honor. He was persuaded to do so by the thought that his story might inspire others to give their time and love to their own community to help it thrive.

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Temple Beth Am is Yorktown's only Reform Temple and as such provides educational and worship services in accordance with those principles. Temple Beth Am is a warm, caring congregation and welcomes all to services and social events.

Judith Grand

Temple Israel Center of White Plains

Judith moved to Westchester 17 years ago, settling in White Plains to be part of the Temple Israel Center (TIC) community and be near the Solomon Schechter School of Westchester, where her three children were educated. Shortly after settling in, the real estate agent who brokered their house purchase hosted a dinner for other newly relocated families and every family was part of the TIC nursery school with a 3-year-old. Almost 20 years later, these families are still friends and are part of the core community at TIC that Judith and her husband, Neil, love being an active part of.

TIC has provided many opportunities for Judith to help improve the lives of those around her. She manages the “food volunteer” initiative that collects food on a monthly basis from volunteers in the congregation and delivers it to a Yonkers soup kitchen. She initiated a partnership with Lifting Up Westchester, whereby she engages student and adult volunteers to help prepare and serve dinner to shelter residents who are transported to TIC. Judith was a co-founder of the Hesed Circle at TIC, an effort to engage and enhance the synagogue’s caring community. One of the areas covered by this initiative is Shiva Support, a committee she co-chairs, which has greatly improved logistical support for mourners. Judith is currently an honorary member of the TIC Board of Trustees, and was previously on the nominating committee.

Judith grew up on Long Island and went to Harvard College, studying Applied Math/Computer Science. Her entire career has been in financial software, primarily for Wall Street firms in NY and London. Interestingly, Judith had to go all the way to London to meet her husband, Neil, a “nice Jewish boy” from Long Island. She currently works for Citigroup. She has served as Treasurer on the Solomon Schechter School of Westchester PTO board for the past 10 years. Judith’s favorite extracurricular activity is playing and enjoying music; she is a violinist in the St. Thomas Orchestra.

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Temple Israel Center is a welcoming, traditional, egalitarian Conservative synagogue community. Participation at Shabbat morning services is a highlight of synagogue life. The entire Torah portion is read each week and our learning, singing congregation participates joyfully and actively. A vital and broad adult education program encourages learning at all levels and complements our programming in our Nursery School, Shorashim Religious School, Havurat Torah (Middle and High Schools), as well as our Youth Groups and Family Education programs. Our Bikkur Holim and Social Action groups are involved in community outreach and support, and the beautiful Mikveh is available by appointment.

David Itzkowitz

Temple Israel of New Rochelle

David grew up in Mamaroneck and (infrequently) attended Hebrew school at Larchmont Temple, where he celebrated his Bar Mitzvah. Following the chanting of his Torah portion, which he memorized by listening to a recording, David was not active in synagogue life for many years.

David moved to New Rochelle with his wife Lisa in 1990. They first became involved at Temple Israel of New Rochelle in 1994 when they enrolled their son Ben in the two's program. Six years and two more children (Nicole and Adam) later, the family became members of the temple in 2000.

David first became active as a TINR volunteer in 2003 when he took over as chairperson of the Temple Israel Blood Drive, which he expanded and strengthened several years ago by partnering with Beth El Synagogue to better serve the needs of the New Rochelle community. Since then, David has been an active member of the Board of Trustees and a member of the Executive Committee and has held leadership positions on the Finance, Membership and Catering Committees.

Most recently David was involved with the creation of Camp Pinebrook at Temple Israel, a full-service day camp incorporating Judaism and Jewish values into its camp programming. Camp Pinebrook celebrated its first successful summer in 2018 and is now actively recruiting campers and staff for the summer of 2019.

David currently chairs the Security Committee and the House & Grounds Committee. Recent projects on which David served in a leadership role have included the expansion of the Kehillah School for Early Learning; the renovation of the Temple's sanctuary; design and construction of the Gavrin Meditation Garden; rebuilding of the Courtyard; fit-out of the Lapidus Center; and securing Westchester Torah Academy as a tenant for under-utilized classroom space at the Temple.

David is a Managing Director and broker at the commercial real estate services firm Cushman & Wakefield in Manhattan. Among his many talents, David may be best known for his unnatural ability to secure free on-street parking in virtually any neighborhood in New York City. The SpotHero app means nothing to him.

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Temple Israel of New Rochelle is a community that adds meaning and purpose to modern lives through an inclusive approach to Judaism. TINR lives Jewish values in worship, celebration, lifelong learning and Tikkun Olam—the repair of the world. Temple Israel makes a difference in the many lives it touches through varied and inspirational worship services; innovative religious school, early childhood program and day camp; interfaith and interracial community outreach; adult education offerings; active youth groups; and support for Israel.

Warren Newcorn

UJA-Federation of NY/Westchester Region

Warren Newcorn's dedication to UJA-Federation has stood the test of time! In 1982, Warren went to his first Leadership Development Division (LDD) event, a Shabbaton in Asbury Park. The experience reawakened his strong, but dormant, Jewish identity. Warren became very involved with LDD, serving on the board for four years, and being awarded the Jack Weiler Young Leadership Award, which sent him to the North American General Assembly.

After LDD, Warren served as co-chair of Super Sunday. It was an amazing experience visiting call centers in Brooklyn, Queens, Long Island, and Manhattan. Seeing many volunteers making calls to encourage donors to make their pledge to UJA was inspiring.

Warren moved to Scarsdale in 1994. Young Israel of Scarsdale had a UJA campaign of its own, centered around a yearly event, chaired by Michael Kleinberg, a LDD alumnus. Warren co-chaired the campaign for eighteen years, retiring six years ago.

For the last seven years, Warren has been involved with two allocations committees: Jewish Peoplehood in New York and Jewish Life in the Neighborhood. Being an allocation member introduced Warren to how UJA allocates its resources. It's a fascinating experience to be a steward for the many donors who count on the partnership with UJA professionals and lay leaders to make good funding decisions.

In addition to allocations, Warren is actively involved as vice-chair of the Westchester campaign. Additionally, Warren serves on the Campaign Leadership Group, the central fundraising committee of UJA.

Janet and Warren are so pleased their daughter, Lauren, has followed in their footsteps. Lauren is an alumnus of the Shapiro Fellowship, a highly selective, year-long program, intended to foster the future UJA leaders of tomorrow.

It's an honor for Warren to receive the Julian Y. Bernstein award for his service to UJA-Federation. As a former board member of the Westchester Jewish Council, he knows the importance of an inclusive umbrella organization for the Westchester Jewish community.

Warren will forever be indebted to UJA because it was during his first trip to Israel in 1985 that he met Janet Yagoda. As Warren said in his speech when they were honored many years ago by the Young Israel of Scarsdale campaign: IT WAS HIS LAST FIRST DATE!

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UJA-Federation of New York delivers real solutions to real challenges: caring for Jews everywhere and for New Yorkers of all backgrounds, strengthening Jewish communities, connecting people to their Jewish heritage, and responding to a wide variety of needs – in times of crisis and every day. UJA inspires individuals and families to act on their values and invest in the community for the biggest impact.

Pearl Quarles

United Hebrew of New Rochelle

Pearl Quarles has served on the Board of Directors at United Hebrew since 2008. She brings tremendous energy and insights to her current position of board vice president and member of the Quality Assurance and Strategic Planning Committees.

In addition to the leadership role Pearl has on the board and its committees, she serves as a goodwill ambassador and leader for United Hebrew in the community. She is proud to have assisted her fellow board members in securing donations for a Torah Ark at United Hebrew. She is an ardent supporter of United Hebrew's mission and philosophy, which is to provide expert and compassionate care to Westchester's seniors, while helping them live their lives to the fullest. The Board of Directors has been so honored to work with Pearl Quarles that in 2015 they bestowed upon her its highest honor, the United Hebrew Community Service Award.

Pearl has been dedicated not just to serving the United Hebrew community but has selflessly spent her life volunteering in many different organizations across Westchester County, including the New Rochelle League of Women Voters; NAACP; New Rochelle Board of Education; Shiloh Baptist Church; Sister to Sister International; and the Westchester Black Women's Political Caucus.

Pearl retired in August 2002 from the County of Westchester, after 11 years, where she served as a County Legislator for the 8th Legislative District and Program Specialist Supervisor for the Office of Employment and Training. Pearl Quarles is proud of being a woman of many "firsts". She was the first African-American woman to serve as a Westchester County Legislator; the first African-American to serve as president of the New Rochelle Board of Education; and the first African-American to be hired in a "white collar" position in Westchester's banking industry.

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United Hebrew of New Rochelle is a vibrant not-for-profit, non-sectarian, multi-service senior living campus serving the Westchester metropolitan area since 1919. United Hebrew is a NYS Dept. of Health award winner for excellence in nursing home care and in the top 4% of nursing homes in NYS. United Hebrew offers a rich array of skilled and community-based programs and services that encourage and support a life of dignity and spirituality and promote the highest possible quality of life.

David Eppinger

Westchester Jewish Council

David has been an active member of the Westchester Jewish Council for eight years having started as a temple president with the Synagogue Presidents Roundtable during his tenure with Temple Beth Elohim in Brewster. Once his presidential term ended at TBE, David volunteered to join the Westchester Jewish Council board and has been a very active member, involved with the Interfaith Council, Security Council, Synagogue Presidents, and Israel@70 committee. His service to the Westchester Jewish Council is born of good heritage.

As a child attending Religious School at Temple Israel (New Rochelle) at Webster Avenue, he learned by the example of Rabbi Jacob Shankman z"l, Assistant Rabbi Daniel Schwartz, Rabbi Amiel Wohl z"l, and the dedicated service of his grandfather who became temple president in the '60's. Attending post-confirmation classes and learning of the similarities of all religions in our community helped set a path in motion. A great foundation was laid.

David's parents were very involved with Scouting, having both been involved on the Scout Council Board, and leading and developing innovative new programs and activities to help keep young people engaged and charted towards service to others. It is no surprise that David has almost 50 years of service to Scouting being an Eagle Scout, on the Westchester Putnam Council board, and on the Northeast Region Religious Relationships committee. David also is the co-chair of the Jewish Committee on Scouting.

After moving to Carmel, NY with his wife, Pamela, in the mid-80's and raising their daughter Sydney, David became active with Temple Beth Elohim in Brewster. Combining his friendships developed in Scouting with some of the membership of TBE was a natural fit. Eventually, Men's Club President, Temple Board, and Temple President were to follow. Participating in the Schmidt Seminar for Temple Presidents hosted by the URJ was certainly a highlight and great learning opportunity. Encouraged by the wonderful work of the WJC through the Presidents Roundtable, David has taken an active role on several committees and assignments for WJC.

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The Westchester Jewish Council connects, convenes and safeguards Westchester's Jewish communities and strengthens relationships among Jewish organizations and other ethnic and faith based groups, elected officials, Israel, and the community at large.

Michael Muss

Young Israel of Scarsdale

Michael Muss and his wife, Ellen, moved to New Rochelle in 1994 where they have raised their three children. Having searched many different shuls in the tri-state area, Michael landed at the Young Israel of Scarsdale (YIS), with Rabbi Rubenstein z”l at its helm. Michael’s parents and grandparents taught him by example the importance of commitment to the Jewish community, and he hopes to teach his family through his involvement in the amazing community of the Young Israel of Scarsdale.

With the encouragement of Rabbi Rubenstein and now Rabbi Morgenstern, Michael has committed his time to YIS, serving on the Board of Trustees and other committees throughout the years. However, it wasn’t until 2012 when Michael found his real niche. He saw that anti-Semitism was on the rise and he knew what was needed in Scarsdale: making the safety of his family and friends priority number one. Michael went through extensive training through the Community Security Service organization (CSS), a Jewish volunteer security group. He then formed the YIS CSS Team, which he now heads, and commits his time to ensure the safety of the YIS congregation.

Since 2012, throughout Westchester and the tri-state area, Michael has trained over 300 security volunteers who are now protecting their Jewish communities and he continues to train new CSS volunteers. Michael’s security work at YIS, CSS and at Jewish events is making it possible to openly practice Judaism without fear in Westchester and throughout the USA. After the Pittsburgh attack in October 2018, Michael became co-chair of the YIS Security Committee, a position he expects to remain involved with for a long time.

Michael is honored to accept the Julian Y. Bernstein Award on behalf of the Young Israel of Scarsdale’s CSS team, who stand with Michael, week after week, in the snow, rain and heat to protect the Jewish people and the Jewish way of life.

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The Young Israel of Scarsdale is Westchester’s largest Orthodox synagogue. The congregation aims at realizing the warmth, beauty and meaning of traditional Judaism within a community context. The synagogue is a vibrant center of Jewish activity and offers a wide range of programs to meet its members’ religious, educational, cultural and social interests. The congregation is an unusually special place of friendship and fellowship for Jews of all ages and backgrounds.

Leo Goldstein

Young Israel of White Plains

Leo joined the Young Israel of White Plains (YIWP) in 2011, when he moved to White Plains with his family. A lot has happened since then, but one thing that remains constant is Leo's commitment to community service and continuous improvement of his shul.

A native of Costa Rica, Leo traveled extensively worldwide for his work in economic research. Observing other synagogues' practices during his travels, Leo foresaw the need for increased security for accessing his home shul's premises. He was especially concerned because of the many young children that attend services every Shabbat.

Prompted by this vision, in 2012, Leo reached out to the Community Security Services (CSS), an organization that provides training in situational awareness and basic security theory to synagogue volunteers so that they can conduct security at their synagogues. Shortly after completing his training with CSS, and in partnership with David Goldenberg, a shul member and retired NYPD officer, Leo started the YIWP Security Committee, affiliated with CSS.

At its outset, the committee had only four members, including Leo and David. Many warned Leo that he was prone to fail because of the high level of commitment required and others questioned the real need for security at a US congregation.

But Leo was not discouraged. He believed in the paramount importance of his task. He persevered and led by example, taking the least desirable early morning shifts and consecutive shifts when needed. Today, the Security Committee has 27 members, all trained by CSS.

Leo also partnered with the local police department to assess key security improvements needed to the shul building, and he was instrumental in enabling the YIWP to become a recipient of the "Non-Profit Security Grant," a federal grant of \$56,000 to fund security improvement such as CCTV cameras, secured doors and access control systems, among others.

Leo maintains a continuous dialogue and close relationship with the White Plains Police Department.

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The Young Israel of White Plains may be Westchester's most diverse Orthodox synagogue, encompassing Modern Orthodox, Yeshivish, those new or returning to Judaism, and more. At YIWP, all find a warm, caring, and non-judgmental atmosphere. Members are united by a commitment to community and Ahavat Yisrael. The schedule of weekly classes includes Daf Yomi, Chumash, Gemara, Jewish practice, Teen learning, and more. YIWP has an active youth program for children of all ages including Shabbat morning groups. YIWP assists with all religious needs and services, including adoptions and conversions.

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| Ron Burton | American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) |
| Bobbi Baker | Bet Am Shalom Synagogue |
| Mark Silver | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Joan & Stephen Kass | Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester |
| Fred Schulman | Congregation Sons of Israel - Briarcliff |
| Steven Chill | Congregation Sulam Yaakov |
| Mark Stern | First Hebrew Congregation |
| Deborah S.K. Jagoda | Greenburgh Hebrew Center |
| Robert Fischer | Hebrew Congregation of Somers |
| Jonathan Franklin | Hillels of Westchester |
| Edward Sperling | Pleasantville Community Synagogue |
| Adar Gurvitch | Solomon Schechter School of Westchester |
| David Shatz | StandWithUs |
| Evelyn Cohen | Temple Beth Elohim |
| Joel Greenberg | Temple Beth Shalom |
| Richard Leroy | Temple Shaaray Tefila of Westchester |
| Mindy Unger | Tzahal Shalom of Northern Westchester |
| Marc Klee | United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism - METNY |
| Sarra Lorbert | Westchester Day School |

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| Robin Samot | AIPAC |
| Judy Grant | American Friends of Soroka |
| Emma Abramson | BBYO Westchester Region |
| Joanna Segal | Bet Torah |
| Charles Shapiro | Congregation B'nai Yisrael |
| Deborah Weinberger | Hebrew Institute of White Plains |
| Betty Knoop | Holocaust and Human Rights Education Center |
| Alexandra Rosenberg | JCCA |
| Chuck Lesnick | JCY-Westchester Community Partners |
| Carla Ifrah | Jewish Community Center of Harrison |
| Ruth Loebmann | Metropolitan Jewish Health System (MJHS) |
| Tania Weiss | Sinai Free Synagogue |
| Gayle Aaron | Temple Beth Abraham |
| Sandra Costin | Temple Israel Center of White Plains |
| Sari Bedevian | Temple Israel of New Rochelle |
| Carla Fiorentino | The New Jewish Home - Sarah Neuman |
| Shirley Shwiel | Westchester Jewish Community Services |
| Mona Abramson | Westchester Jewish Council |
| Jerald Seti | Westchester Klezmer Program |

2016

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| Joan Muss | The Alexander Muss High School in Israel |
| Joan Rosen | Bet Am Shalom Synagogue |
| Donna Bartell | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Gary Katz | Community Alliance for Jewish-Affiliated Cemeteries |
| Daniela Rosen | First Hebrew Congregation |
| Sherry Padva | Greenburgh Hebrew Center |
| Deborah Wiskind | Hadassah Westchester |
| Amy Post | Hebrew Congregation of Somers |
| Stephanie Kirwan | JCC of Mid-Westchester |
| Ed Jacobson | Larchmont Temple |
| Sol Gibbons | Mount Kisco Hebrew Congregation |
| Eugene Konigsbach | Northeast Jewish Center |
| Vivian Chang Freiheit | Pleasantville Community Synagogue |
| Elizabeth Spiro | Rabbi Max Maccoby Foundation |
| Karen Chapro | Scarsdale Synagogue |
| Ross Zelman | Solomon Schechter School of Westchester |
| Andrew Kligerman | StandWithUS |
| Hana Epstein | United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism/USY |
| Arnold Linhardt | Westchester Jewish Council |

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| Gregg Mashberg | Anti-Defamation League (ADL) |
| Elliott Rose | AJC Westchester/Fairfield |
| David Simhon | Congregation Anshe Sholom |
| Susan Hope Davis | Congregation Kol Ami |
| Richard Koh | Hillels of Westchester |
| Lisa Rosenshein Todes | Holocaust and Human Rights Education Center |
| Michael Maron | JCC on the Hudson |
| Robert Miller | Jewish Community Center of Harrison |
| Sarene Shanus | Jewish Education Project |
| Michael Salpeter | Jewish Family Congregation |
| Peggy Garfunkel | Jewish Womens Foundation |
| Jessica Morgenthal | Rosenthal JCC |
| David Rolle | Temple Beth El of Northern Westchester |
| Ruth Greenfield | Temple Beth Elohim |
| Richard Alter | Temple Israel of New Rochelle |
| Vivian Cohn | Temple Shaaray Tefila of Westchester |
| Trudy Cummings | The Mollie and Jack Zicklin Jewish Hospice Residence of MJHS |
| Robert Mensch | Westchester Jewish Community Services |
| Susan Miller | Westchester Jewish Center |

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| Haina Just-Michael | American Friends of Magen David Adom |
| Andrew Weissman | Bet Torah |
| Paula Markowitz Wittlin | Beth Am shalom Synagogue |
| Alyssa Erber | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Robin Blum | Bronx Jewish Community Council |
| Arlene Cole | Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester |
| Judy Boehr | Congregation Sons of Israel - Briarcliff |
| Joel Taman | Dorot |
| Mindy Steinholtz | First Hebrw Congregation |
| Vicki Prusnofsky | Hebrew Congregation of Somers |
| Alan Schulman | Hebrew Institute of White Plains |
| Wendy Hollander | JCY - Weschester Jewish Community Partners |
| Larry Benser | Sinai Free Synagogue |
| Pam Goldstein | Solomon Schechter |
| Melissa & Herb Baer | Temple Beth Abraham |
| Susan Rozin | UJA - Federation of NY |
| Michal Kellner | USCJ - METNY United Synagogue Youth |

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| Peg Kershenbaum | Academy of Jewish Religion |
| Candy Gould | AJC Westchester |
| John Harris | Anti-Defamation League (ADL) |
| Shari Kibel | Congregation Kneses Tifereth Israel |
| Judy Sarch | Congregation Kol Ami - White Plains |
| Phyllis Hartstein | Hadassah |
| Eugene Grant | Holocaust and Human Rights Education Center |
| Joel Rotner | Jewish Community Center of Harrison |
| Alexis Kashar | Jewish Deaf/HH Resource Center |
| David Alpert | Jewish War Veterans |
| Josh Goldstein | J-Teen Leadership * |
| Harriet Leibowitz | Mt. Kisco Hebrew Congregation |
| Leah Leonard | Pelham Jewish Center |
| Grace Fass | Rabbi Max Maccoby Foundation |
| Jay Sellinger | Sarah Neuman Center |
| Clifton Rothman | Temple Israel Center - White Plains |
| Linda Barat | Temple Israel of New Rochelle |
| Karen Blumenthal | Westchester Jewish Community Services |

2012

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| Evin Rubin | Congregation M'vakshe Derekh |
| Masoud Radpavar | First Hebrew Congregation |
| Arlene Lowenstein | Fleetwood Synagogue |
| Neil Siegel | Greenburgh Hebrew Center |
| Mitchell Maller | Israel Bonds |
| Andrew Benerofe | Jewish Community Center of Mid-Westchester |
| Iissa Warhit | Jewish Student Union |
| Michael Gold | Pleasantville Community Synagogue |
| Samuel Landau | Schnurmacher Center for Rehabilitation and Nursing |
| Susan Pecker | Temple Beth El of Northern Westchester |
| Lesli Klein | Temple Beth Elohim |
| Brian Cohen | Temple Sholom |
| Cookie Markhoff | The Jewish Education Project |
| Isabel Merrin | Metropolitan Jewish Health System (MJHS) |
| Susan Truwit | Tzahal Shalom of Northern Westchester |
| Heidi and Lloyd Widom | UJA-Federation of New York/Westchester Region |
| Cheryl Brause | Westchester Jewish Center |
| Barry Effron | Westchester Jewish Council |

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| David Fine | Bet Am Shalom Synagogue |
| Susan Rudolph | Community Synagogue of Rye |
| Larry Heligman | Congregation Anshe Sholom |
| Wendy Greenberg | Congregation Kol Ami |
| Sandy Waters | DOROT |
| Anne Schaeffer | JCY-Westchester Community Partners |
| Betsy Landis | Jewish Women's Foundation of New York |
| Lew Reznik | Mount Kisco Hebrew Congregation |
| Jill Goldenberg | Pelham Jewish Center |
| Meryl Moser | Shaarei Tikvah |
| Larry Prospect | Sinai Free Synagogue |
| Liz Landau | Solomon Schechter School of Westchester |
| Lynn Michaels | Temple Beth Shalom - Mahopac |
| Richard Grayson | Temple Israel of New Rochelle |
| Harriett Zeller | Temple Shaaray Tefila of Westchester |
| Ellen Brown | UJA-Federation of NY-Westchester |
| Naomi Snider | United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism/METNY Region |

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| Geralynn Reifer | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Emily Cohen | Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester |
| Leslie Novack | Congregation Kneses Tifereth Israel |
| Susan Darrow | Congregation Sulam Yaakov |
| Marty Tanenbaum | Congregation Sulam Yaakov |
| Barbara & Martin Marks | Hebrew Institute of White Plains |
| Jennifer Shepard | Hillels of Westchester |
| Karen Everett | Jewish Board of Family & Children's Services |
| Edwin Margolius | Jewish Community Council of Mt. Vernon |
| Barbara & John Stern | Jewish Family Congregation |
| Bernhard Storch | Jewish War Veterans |
| Barry Gold | Rosh Pinah Chavurah of the Rivertowns |
| Barbara Fix | StandWithUs |
| Ronit Ben-Tov | Tel Aviv Foundation |
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| Estelle Linz | Temple Israel of Northern Westchester |
| Elizabeth & Alison Schnitzer | UJA-Federation of NY-Westchester |
| Malcolm Lazarus | United Hebrew of New Rochelle |
| Russell Mannis | Westchester Day School |
| Samuel Fredman | Lifetime Achievement Award |

2009

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| Harriet Schleifer | AJC Westchester/Fairfield |
| Fred Claar | Jewish Education Project |
| Mona Abramson | David Project |
| Ella Newman | Hadassah-Westchester Region |
| Minna & Ken Brown | JCC Harrison |
| Naomi Brunnlehrman | Jewish Deaf Resource Center, Inc. |
| Cantor Erik Contzius | Kol Hazzanim: Westchester Community of Cantors |
| Rosel Wolf | Larchmont Temple |
| Larry Levy | Mount Kisco Hebrew Congregation |
| Ira Mines | Rabbi Max Maccoby Foundation |
| Gerald Cohen | Scarsdale Synagogue-Temples Tremont and Emanu-El |
| Joel Kudlowitz | Scarsdale Synagogue-Temples Tremont and Emanu-El |
| Melody Weisman | Temple Beth Shalom, Mahopac |
| Mark Shainker | Temple Israel of New Rochelle |
| Fran & Saul Singer | UJA-Federation of NY-Westchester |
| Albert Krull | United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism/METNY Region |
| Rabbi Neil Zuckerman | Westchester Board of Rabbis |
| Corey Friedlander | Woodlands Community Temple |
| Robert Mitgang | Yorktown Jewish Center |

2008

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| Cantor Susan Alcott | Academy for Jewish Religion |
| Ron Axelrad | Berkshire Hills Emanuel Camps |
| Fredda Cohen | Beth Am Shalom Synagogue |
| Karen Zaltz | Community Synagogue of Rye |
| AnnBeth Cohen | Congregation Anshe Shalom |
| Joseph Askinasi | Congregation Kneses Tifereth Israel |
| Bonnie & Eric Eilen | Congregation Kol Ami, White Plains |
| Phil Sassoon | Greenburgh Hebrew Center |
| Nancy Lonky | JCC on the Hudson |
| Stanton Selbst | Jewish Council of Yonkers |
| Shelley Rasekh | Magen David Sephardic Congregation |
| Hildy Martin | Pelham Jewish Center |
| Barbara Korner | Sinai Free Synagogue, Mt. Vernon |
| Eugene Lubin | Special Community Trail Blazer Award |
| Robert Friedland | Special Community Trail Blazer Award |
| Roy Stillman | Special Community Trail Blazer Award |
| Alan Weissman | Special Community Trail Blazer Award |
| Mel & Marion Lipetz | Temple Israel Center |
| Gary Cohn | Temple Shaaray Tefila, Bedford Corners |
| Karen Kasner | UJA-Federation of NY- Westchester |
| Carol Fasman | Westchester Jewish Center |
| Alan Markowitz | Westchester Reform Temple |

2007

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| Frank Linde | American Jewish Committee |
| Mitchel Kaphan | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Morris Hartman | Beth Emeth Synagogue |
| Marjorie Sunshine | Dorot |
| Marilyn Berkowitz | Hebrew Institute of White Plains |
| Spencer Rosman | Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center |
| Debbie Schiff | Jewish Community Center of Harrison |
| Amy Iles | Jewish National Fund |
| Terrance Elkes | Jewish Outreach Institute |
| Ruth Hendel | Jewish Theological Seminary |
| Esther Goldman | New Rochelle Jewish Coalition |
| Sylvia Stein | Northeast Jewish Center |
| Randee Horowitz | Scarsdale Synagogue-Tremont Temple |
| Olga Prince | Temple Beth Abraham |
| Aaron Marcus | UJA-Federation of NY-Westchester |
| Amanda Bilski | UJA-Federation of NY-Westchester |
| Stephanie Garry | Union for Reform Judaism-Greater NY Council |
| Tova Efron | Westchester Jewish Community Services |
| Harold Aspis | Young Israel of Scarsdale |

2006

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| Ted Brown | Beth Emeth Synagogue |
| Bertram Schwarz..... | Board of Jewish Education |
| Annleah Berger..... | Congregation Sons of Israel - Briarcliff Manor |
| Adrienne Price..... | Florence Melton Adult Mini-School of Westchester |
| Alan Ganapol..... | Hazon |
| Stuart Kolbert..... | Hillels of Westchester |
| Adam Seiden | Jewish Community Council of Mt. Vernon |
| Richard Cohen | Jewish Reconstructionist Federation of Metropolitan NY |
| Isaac Piha..... | Magen David Sephardic Congregation |
| Linda Altabef | Mount Kisco Hebrew Congregation |
| Joseph Gottlieb | Rosenthal JCC of Northern Westchester |
| Ellen Lewis | Shaarei Tikvah, Scarsdale |
| Marlene Subit | Sinai Free Synagogue, Mt. Vernon |
| Georgene Perlman..... | Temple Beth Shalom, Mahopac |
| Ella Badin | Temple Israel Center |
| Laura Copel | Temple Israel of Northern Westchester |
| Deanne Miller | United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, METNY Region |
| Rabbi Lester Bronstein | Westchester Board of Rabbis |
| George Mandel..... | Lifetime Achievement Award |

2005

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| Linda Dishner | Bet Torah |
| Norman Gordon | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Lynn Kotzen | Beth Emeth Synagogue |
| Janet & Gary Waller | Congregation Anshe Shalom |
| Lorraine Benowich..... | Congregation Kneses Tifereth Israel |
| Harriet & Joseph Fibel..... | Congregation M'vakshe Derekh |
| Robin Rosenberg..... | Greenburgh Hebrew Center |
| David Rosen | Hebrew Institute of White Plains |
| Trudy & Jack Goldberg..... | Jewish Family Congregation |
| Helen Schwartz..... | Lincoln Park Jewish Center |
| Jane Silverman..... | Temple Beth Abraham |
| Wendy Greenberg | Temple Beth Shalom |
| William Poltarak | Temple Israel Center |
| Herbert Horn..... | The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism |
| Civia Mclean..... | Westchester Fairfield Hebrew Academy |
| Louise Cohen..... | Westchester Jewish Center |
| Andrew Lewin..... | Youth Centers of Israel, Inc. |
| Annabelle Wolfzahn..... | Zionist Organization of America |

2004

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| Barbara Horowitz..... | Bikur Cholim of Westchester |
| Laura Leach | Community Synagogue of Rye |
| Lee Schwartz | Congregation Kol Ami |
| Tobi Rogowsky | JCC Harrison |
| Roger Challop | Jewish Community Council of Mt. Vernon |
| Meg Fienberg | Larchmont Temple |
| Ellen Rosenberg | Scarsdale Synagogue-Tremont Temple |
| Daniel Fass..... | Shaarei Tikvah |
| Harriet Kaplow..... | Sinai Free Synagogue |
| Raymond Topkis | Temple Beth El of Northern Westchester |
| Myra & Samuel Ross..... | Temple Beth Elohim |
| Eric Nodiff | Temple Israel of New Rochelle |
| Arlette Baker | Temple Shaaray Tefila |
| Alexandra Berdebes | The Hebrew Home for the Aged at Riverdale |
| Alan Legatt..... | Tzahal Shalom of Northern Westchester |
| Frannie Weinberg..... | Westchester Jewish Community Services |
| Roberta Roos | Woodlands Community Temple |
| Frances Pugatch | Workmen's Circle |

2003

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| Harriet Suvall | American Jewish Committee |
| Bruce Rapkin | Bet Am Shalom Synagogue |
| Anita Better | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Sue Merims | Congregation Anshe Sholom |
| Nancy & Bruce Lumish | Congregation Kneses Tifereth Israel |
| Leonard Fischman | Congregation Kol Ami |
| Robert Stone | Congregation M'vakshe Derekh |
| Doris Reich | Fleetwood Synagogue |
| Adrienne Silver | Hadassah-Westchester Region |
| Jonathan Goodblatt | Hebrew Institute of White Plains |
| Andrew Rothlein | Jewish Child Care Association/Edenwald |
| Arthur Citrin | Jewish Community Council of Mt. Vernon |
| Nancy Klein | Jewish Council of Yonkers |
| Richard Jacobs | Sarah Neuman Center for Healthcare & Rehabilitation |
| Joni Jablansky | Solomon Schechter School of Westchester |
| Marilyn & Robert Harris | Temple Beth Abraham |
| Sari Singer | Temple Shaaray Tefila |
| Bruce Freyer | Westchester Jewish Community Services |
| Gertrude Landau | Zionist Organization of America |

2002

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| Howard Lampert | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Dianna Andrus | Bikur Cholim of Westchester |
| Arlene Leiter | Community Synagogue of Rye |
| Judith Uhry | Community Synagogue of Rye |
| Ruth & LeRoy Grayson | Congregation Anshe Sholom |
| Monica & Alan Blum | Fleetwood Synagogue |
| Arlyn Vogel | Hadassah-Westchester Region |
| John Lightstone | Hebrew Institute of White Plains |
| Geralyn Rubenstein | JCC Harrison |
| Hal Greenwald | Jewish Council of Yonkers |
| Bob Gross | Larchmont Temple |
| Michael Karnes | Temple Beth Abraham |
| Larry Hepner | Temple Beth Elohim |
| Patricia Lampl | Temple Israel of New Rochelle |
| Sherry Wolf | Temple Shaaray Tefila |
| Sylvia Nissen | The Hebrew Home for the Aged at Riverdale |
| Michael Turek | Young Israel of New Rochelle |
| Judd Rosenblatt | Zahal Shalom |
| Helga Luden | Zionist Organization of America |

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| Barbara Gordon | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Barbara Morris | Bikur Cholim of Westchester |
| Janet & Stephen Meyers | Community Synagogue of Rye |
| David Tantleff | Congregation Anshe Sholom |
| Iris & Isadore Farber | Congregation M'vakshe Derekh |
| Herbert Ratet | Hebrew Institute of White Plains |
| Judy & Stephen Underberg | JCC on the Hudson |
| Barbara Weiss | Jewish Council of Yonkers |
| Carol Scharff | Larchmont Temple |
| Belle Fabel | National Council of Jewish Women |
| Joseph Greenfield | Temple Beth Elohim |
| Helene Handelman | Temple Israel of New Rochelle |
| Neil Rimsky | Westchester Jewish Community Services |
| Manred Moses | Westchester Jewish Conference |
| Susan Weiss | Westchester Jewish Conference |
| Diana Kern | Workmen's Circle |
| Jeffrey Kleinstein | Young Israel of Scarsdale |
| William Gips | Zahal Shalom |
| M. Mac Schwebel | Lifetime Achievement Award |

2000

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| Ferne Cogan | American Jewish Congress |
| Glen Hockley | B'nai B'rith, United Mid-Westchester |
| Kenneth May | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Michael Stolz | Community Synagogue of Rye |
| Honey Neier | Congregation Anshe Shalom |
| Jane Dubin | Congregation M'vakshe Derekh |
| Evelyth Lewis | Greenburgh Hebrew Center |
| Sue Zeidman | JCC Harrison |
| Roy Raizen | JCC of Mid Westchester |
| Gustave Nathan | Jewish Council of Yonkers |
| James Woolner | Sarah Neuman Center for Healthcare & Rehabilitation |
| Janet Mauro | Temple Beth Elohim |
| Thelma Fixler | Temple Israel of New Rochelle |
| Zina Klang | Temple Shaaray Tefila |
| Froma Benerofe | UJA-Federation of NY-Westchester |
| Marc Schulman | Westchester Fairfield Hebrew Academy |
| Alice Weiss | Westchester Jewish Center |
| William Blumstein | Westchester Reform Temple |
| Laure Kaminsky | Zahal Shalom |
| Jay Miller | Zionist Organization of America |
| Amiel Wohl | Lifetime Achievement Award |

1999

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| Richard Woodrow | Bet Am Shalom Synagogue |
| Linda Essner | Bikur Cholim of Westchester |
| Gloria & Gene Sosin | Community Synagogue of Rye |
| Carol Slotkin | Congregation B'nai Elohim |
| Rindi Klarberg | Congregation B'nai Yisrael |
| Bernice & Julie Chaiken | Congregation M'vakshe Derekh |
| David Morris | Fleetwood Synagogue |
| Lawrence Ecker | Greenburgh Hebrew Center |
| Stuart Gordon | JCC Harrison |
| Rita Grunbaum | Larchmont Temple |
| Florette Ganis | Temple Israel of New Rochelle |
| Stuart Kolbert | UJA-Federation of NY-Westchester |
| Terri Trieger | Westchester Jewish Center |
| Carol Corbin | Westchester Jewish Community Services |
| Rose Shuffman | Zionist Organization of America |

1998

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| Sue & John Baer | American Jewish Congress |
| Esther Goldman | AMIT |
| Allan Abrahams | Bet Am Shalom Synagogue |
| Bree Robin | Bikur Cholim of Westchester |
| Betty & Henry Krakeur | Congregation Kol Ami |
| Ernest Hammer | Congregation M'vakshe Derekh |
| Robert Immerman | Larchmont Temple |
| Rose Simon | National Council of Jewish Women |
| David Arnov | New Israel Fund |
| Barbara Kessler | Temple Israel Center |
| Jeffrey Simon | Temple Shaaray Tefila |
| Philip Halper | Westchester Jewish Community Services |
| Nir Barzilai | Westchester Jewish Conference |
| Norma Hurwitz | Westchester Jewish Conference |
| Beth Rosen | Westchester Jewish Conference |
| Sara Trauner | Westchester Jewish Conference |
| Miriam Maderer | Women's American ORT |
| Abigail Mandel | Workmen's Circle |

1997

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| Ann Schaffer | Bet Am Shalom Synagogue |
| Robert Schepp | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Mala Hermon | Bikur Cholim of Westchester |
| Elliot Kracko | Congregation Anshe Sholom |
| Marilyn Heimerdinger | Congregation B'nai Yisrael |
| Harley & Richard Lewis | Congregation Kol Ami |
| Michael Iechting | Friends of Israeli Disabled War Veterans |
| Julian Bernstein | JCC Harrison |
| Norton Shargel | JCC Harrison |
| Roy Stillman | Jewish Council of Yonkers |
| Lauren Lefkowitz Curry | Jewish Family Congregation |
| Paula Peck | National Council of Jewish Women |
| Shirley Queen | State of Israel Bonds |
| Allida Stauber | Temple Shaaray Tefila |
| Froma Benerofe | Westchester Jewish Community Services |
| Carol Grossman | Women's American ORT |
| Yvette & Larry Gralla | Woodlands Community Temple |
| Rose Lott | Workmen's Circle |
| Ellen Lazarus | YW&YMHA of Mid-Westchester |

1998

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| Aileen Gluck | American Jewish Congress |
| Arnold Bernstein | B'nai B'rith of White Plains |
| Frances Shahar | Beth El Synagogue Center |
| Janet Meyers | Community Synagogue of Rye |
| Barry Konner | Congregation Kneses Tifereth Israel |
| Stanley Goodman | Congregation Kol Ami |
| Norman Goodfarb | JCC on the Hudson |
| Susan Tolchin | JCC on the Hudson |
| Arlene Freudenberger | Jewish Community Council of Mt. Vernon |
| Claire Simpkins | Jewish Council of Yonkers |
| Bobbie Cohan | Jewish Family Congregation |
| Sanford Stogel | Jewish War Veterans of White Plains |
| Sherry Salzman | Jewish Women International |
| Richard Rosen | Linens for Olim |
| Mina Crasson | National Council of Jewish Women |
| Marilyn Shebshaievitz | Temple Emanu-El |
| Rita Rosen | Temple Israel of New Rochelle |
| Reta Koch | Temple Israel of Northern Westchester |
| Donald Fleishaker | UJA-Federation of NY-Westchester |
| Philip Schussel | Westchester Jewish Community Services |
| Judith Cohen | Westchester Jewish Conference/Singles Network |
| Helen Brauner | Women's American ORT |
| George Mandel | Workmen's Circle |
| Aba Ward | Zionist Organization of America |

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