

# Zionist Organization of America

## Greater Philadelphia Chapter

# 2018 Gala

## and Tribute to Israel Advocates

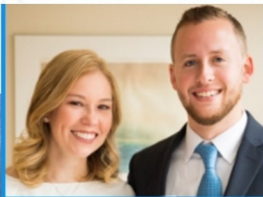
*Celebrating 70 years of friendship between the people of*  
**AMERICA** *and the people of* **Israel**



**Honoring:**



**Sharon & Menachem  
Meller**



**Sharon & Jeff  
Resnick**



**Sam  
Rohrer**



**Cynthia & William  
Wanger**

## Tribute Book & Ad Journal

**Wednesday, October 17, 2018/ 9 Chesvan 5779**



**"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER"**

*Oh say, can you see,  
by the dawns early light,  
What so proudly we hail'd at the  
twilights last gleaming?  
Whose broad stripes and bright  
stars, thro' the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watch'd  
were so gallantly streaming.  
And the rockets; red glare, the  
bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof thro' the night that  
our flag was still there.  
O say, does that star-bangled  
banner yet wave?  
O'er the land of the free and the  
home of the brave.*

**"HATIKVAH"**

*Kol od ba'le'vav p'nima,  
Nefesh yehudi ho'miyah.  
U'lefa-atei mizrach kadimah,  
Ayin le'Tziyyon tzofiyah.  
Od lo avda tikva-teinu,  
Ha'tikvah bat sh'not al-payim  
Lih-yot am chofshi b'ar-tzeinu  
Eretz Tziyyon v'Yerushalayim.*

**Translation**

As long as within our hearts  
The Jewish soul sings,  
As long as forward to the East  
To Zion, looks the eye –  
Our hope is not yet lost,  
It is two thousand years old,  
To be a free people *in our* land  
The land of Zion and Jerusalem.

**The Pledge of Allegiance**

I pledge allegiance to the  
Flag of the United States  
of America, and to the  
Republic for which it  
stands, one Nation under  
G-d, indivisible, with  
liberty and justice for all.

**"G-d bless America"**

*G-d bless America,  
land that I love.  
Stand beside her,  
and guide her, through the  
night with the light  
from above.  
From the mountains,  
to the prairies, to the  
oceans white with foam.  
G-d bless America,  
my home sweet home.*



**ZIONIST ORGANIZATION  
OF AMERICA**  
***GREATER PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER***

**GALA**

October 17, 2018/9 Cheshvan 5779  
HILTON PHILADELPHIA CITY AVENUE

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**SHARON AND JEFF RESNICK**  
**SAM ROHRER**  
**CYNTHIA AND WILLIAM WANGER**

**MASTER-OF-CEREMONIES:**  
**GARY ERLBAUM**

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# **ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA**

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# WELCOME

I welcome all of you who are attending the fabulous ZOA Philadelphia Gala. Your very presence here makes it clear that you are an ardent, activist and committed Zionist.

Your being here strengthens ZOA's ability to maintain our presence on more than 100 campuses teaching the truth of the Arab war against Israel; maintain a government relations office in Washington, D.C., educating Congress about Israel; maintain our Law and Justice Center, which fights for Jewish students to be free from discrimination and harassment; maintain ZOA's Fuel For Truth program, training young professionals how to advocate for Israel; and maintain our Israel office.

ZOA has had a number of successes recently. Our lawsuit against Rutgers' discrimination against Jewish students has been reopened; ZOA was the leader in the legislation to successfully move the U.S. Embassy to Jerusalem; ZOA's campaign to remove the hostile to Israel General McMaster from his post as national security chief was successful and opened the way for a great friend of Israel and ZOA, Amb. John Bolton, to be appointed as his replacement.

Thank you again for the pleasure of your company at the Philadelphia ZOA Gala.

**Morton Klein**

National President

# THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

Since its founding in 1897, ZOA has been fighting for the Jewish people and the Land of Israel. During our first 50 years we worked for the reestablishment of the Jewish State of Israel and since 1948, we have worked to safeguard it.

Under the leadership of such illustrious presidents as Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis and current National President Morton A. Klein, ZOA works to strengthen U.S.-Israel relations through educational activities; public affairs programs; lobbying on Capitol Hill; outreach to the under-informed; and combating anti-Israel bias in the media, textbooks, and on college campuses. ZOA has more than 25,000 members, with chapters in throughout America.

- ◆ ZOA was victorious in its campaign to get the Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights to use Title VI to protect Jewish students on campus who face hostile conditions due to anti-Semitic harassment, intimidation and discrimination. ZOA's Center for Law & Justice has filed complaints on behalf of Jewish students citing Title VI at many universities.
- ◆ ZOA is the only organization that documents and exposes Palestinian-Arab violations of the Oslo Accords and the "Road Map." ZOA's efforts for American victims of Palestinian-Arab terrorism led to the passing of the Koby Mandell Act.
- ◆ The ZOA has played a key role in Congress regarding victims of terrorism, keeping Jerusalem unified under Israeli sovereignty, fighting Hamas and Fatah, and working on the imposition of sanctions on Syria and Iran.
- ◆ ZOA's campaigns have succeeded in defeating hostile critics of Israel nominated for government positions.
- ◆ ZOA's Government Relations Department continues to educate lawmakers and discuss key legislation.
- ◆ The ZOA's growing Campus Activism Network regularly brings student activists to Israel for leadership training programs and is active on college campuses throughout the country. ZOA's Fuel For Truth was created with the vision of gathering leaders, visionaries, advocates and supporters to Israel and combining their efforts with those of ZOA for the benefit of Israel.

*The Wall Street Journal* has called us "The most credible advocate for Israel on the American Jewish scene today."



# Greater Philadelphia ZOA

We have been relentless in promoting, supporting and defending Israel throughout our region with activities and initiatives to educate, advocate and reach out on behalf of the people and land of Israel.

Our recent activities have included:

- ◆ Meeting with top editorial department officials of *The Philadelphia Inquirer*, *Daily News* and *philly.com* to point out their publications' blatant anti-Israel media bias;
- ◆ "An Evening With Frank Luntz" that included pro-active methods of pro-Israel advocacy. This was our first Taylor Forum event, in memory of Greater Philadelphia ZOA Board member Jerome Taylor;
- ◆ We created an exhibit called "Maps Tell the Story" – a collection of four 3'x2' maps – that vividly show that the land of Israel has belonged to the Jewish People for millennia, and that we have had a continuous presence in the land – and that our most significant and historic places within the land are in areas that much of the world seeks to take away from Israel and the Jewish People;
- ◆ Offering presentations and making speeches on Israel, the peace process and media bias;
- ◆ Meetings with lawmakers and candidates in both in Washington and in their local offices;
- ◆ Making sure Zionism and pro-Israel activism is at the forefront of the Jewish communal establishment;
- ◆ Leading the regional "Buy Israel" effort, now in its ninth year;
- ◆ Working with students on area campuses;
- ◆ Frequent media appearances locally, nationally and internationally;
- ◆ Monitoring and challenging anti-Israel speakers;
- ◆ Partnering with Jewish and Christian groups to promote Israel;

Check our Web site, social media and your email for news about up-coming special events.

As Israel's security and survival becomes more perilous, we urge you to join us, become active and support the continuation and expansion of our work. To learn more, phone us at 610-660-9466, email us at [office@zoaphilly.org](mailto:office@zoaphilly.org) or find us on the Web at [philly.zoa.org](http://philly.zoa.org).

***We appreciate each and every member and each and every donation.***

# **The ZOA *Amudei Ha' Kehillah* Award**

## **(Pillars of the Community Award)**

*Klal Yisrael* has had literal pillars (known as *amudim*) since the time of the Tabernacle, and figurative pillars even earlier, dating back to the Patriarchs and Matriarchs.

Today, the Greater Philadelphia-area Jewish community is blessed to have among us many people who can be described as “pillars” who are out in front, always reliable to be supportive and serve as role models.

They offer their leadership or their time, their expertise and encouragement, their dollars *and* their sense.

Typically they are selfless and act out of love for their people and for a near and dear cause. Their devotion and enthusiasm are often contagious — inspiring friends, relatives, and even strangers to try to match their passion, dedication, energy and level of participation in the community.

Even though they may have a title or prominent position, often they go about their work unnoticed. But surely, without such individuals, couples, and families, it is quite likely that the community might weaken and sag.

These “pillars” serve our community and the Zionist Organization of America's Greater Philadelphia Chapter in a variety of ways including by allotting time, energy and creativity to the cause of Israel, ZOA and the community-at-large, or via vital financial support.

It is only fitting that from time to time, ZOA and the community give back by recognizing their good and important deeds and the crucial roles that they play.

# **Amudei Ha'Kehillah Award Recipients (Pillars of the Community) Sharon and Menachem Meller**

Sharon and Menachem Meller both hail from Zionist families.

Menachem's father and uncles were active in Poland's Zionist Agudah party activities. The family's efforts in pre-WWII Poland centered around emigration to Palestine, which was limited by family resources and British mandate certificates. Only the 3 youngest sons succeeded in becoming olim at that time. Menachem's father, Moshe, hid in a barn during the Holocaust with his mother and brother Gershon. The two brothers survived and were fortunate to come to the U.S. In addition to becoming proud, productive Americans, their daily concern and efforts were about the safety and future of Eretz Yisroel. Another brother, Mordechai, emigrated to Jerusalem upon his retirement. The other family members ensured a permanent resting place on Har HaZetim.

Sharon's grandfather Mayer Yagoda was an early Zionist, having absorbed the principals of Ze'ev Jabotinsky as a young man. He passed on his love of Israel to his descendants. Several family members are staunch supporters of the ZOA: Sharon's elder brother is founder and president of ZOA's San Diego's chapter, and her younger brother has worked for National ZOA. Sharon and her mother, Sally Dyckman, have attended ZOA Washington missions and continue their Israel advocacy today.

The Mellers are strong supporters of many Israeli charities including Sanhedria Children's home in Jerusalem, CRIB-EFRAT, Yad Sarah, and are supporters of communities in the Yesha Region.

Menachem is the principal orthopedic surgeon and Section Head of Orthopedics at Mercy Philadelphia Hospital/Trinity Health. In addition to surgical and patient care, he has published extensively in his field and presents regularly at the American Academy of Orthopedics. Last year he was a guest speaker at the Israeli Orthopedic Society meeting in Tel Aviv. He spearheaded and leads the Hip Obesity Study Group.

Sharon has worked for many years in the private sector as a clinical ophthalmologist in Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Sharon and Menachem live in Lower Merion and have been members of the Lower Merion Synagogue for 24 years. where Menachem served as board member. They are the parents of 4 sons, 2 of whom are currently working and studying in Israel.

# **The ZOA Defenders of Israel Award**

While it comes naturally for those reading this to be pro-Israel in both words and deeds, let's face it: In today's climate, it's not easy to be a defender of Israel.

Anti-Israel propaganda from a variety of sources has poisoned many people's understanding about Israel and the broader Middle East.

Much of the media amplifies this propaganda, often adding its own nefarious agenda into the mix and thus filling many eyes and ears with lies and innuendo, creating false impressions about the Jewish State. History and context are omitted or twisted.

It is even worse for the younger segments of the population. Schoolbooks publish false or misleading histories, and many campuses have become cesspools, rife with anti-Israel activity and hostile environments for anyone who is openly pro-Israel.

The media and academia are among the ingredients that lead to misunderstandings at best, and open hostility at worst when it comes to Israel in many corners of life, including in social settings, in board rooms, in politics and even in congregations.

Frequently Israel is perceived as a villain, an impediment to peace, and the aggressors in a seemingly endless Middle East war. Meanwhile, the Palestinian-Arabs are perceived as the victims, while other Arabs as defending the "Palestinians" against Israel, and the Iranians are perceived as entitled to nuclear weapons

Yet despite all of the above, there are those who are undeterred from their mission to promote and defend Israel. They relentlessly fight back with information and facts, prodding opponents of Israel to take another look. The setting for their work seems to be irrelevant — siding with a strong, vibrant Israel and supporting an undivided Israeli capital of Jerusalem — even in the synagogue if need be.

It is important to recognize and honor this tenacity and inspire others to defend the truth.



## **Defenders of Israel Award Recipients**

### **William and Cynthia Wanger**

Bill and Cindy are long-time members and leaders of the Philadelphia/South Jersey chapter of the Republican Jewish Coalition, the Lower Gwynedd Township and Montgomery County Republican Committees, Congregation Beth Or and other community groups.

They have been vocal, visible and dedicated proponents of a strong and prosperous America/Israel relationship, including a close military alliance in fighting the "War on Terror;" the right of the Jewish People to express their national identity in the world's sole Jewish state and ancient homeland, including exercising the right of self-defense; the need to identify, engage with and support Jewish, Christian and secular people and groups who are truly pro-American and pro-Israel; and promoting context, clarity and fairness in reporting on Israel's military responses to terrorism, its Jewish identity and its rights of sovereignty.

Bill has also served as an advocate, forum panelist and audience participant, promoting pro-Israel, Republican and conservative positions.

Cindy and Bill have assisted state and federal candidates and incumbents in understanding issues of significance and sensitivity to the Jewish community, and developing their positions and policy statements on Israel. They have written op-eds and letters to editors supporting pro-Israel candidates and causes.

The couple have been instrumental in bringing authors and other speakers with perspectives and narratives different from the mainstream to their synagogue and community. In addition, they arranged for initially skeptical local rabbis and cantors to participate in CUFI's "Night to Honor Israel" programs, and providing the Jewish clergy with the opportunity to gain a different perspective on the sincerity and depth of the pro-Israel Evangelical Christian community.

Bill is a long-time partner at Fox Rothschild LLP, where his practice centers on helping family and other privately-owned businesses address their transactional, financing, growth and succession planning needs. Cindy is a Clinical Audiologist. They live in Montgomery County. Their son, Ben, daughter-in-law, Abby, and grandson, Blaine, live in Philadelphia.

Elsewhere in this book, please see an editorial cartoon which inspired Bill and Cindy.

# The Future Is Now Award

Many of us are bewildered why it seems that so many young Jews are not interested in Israel and Zionism, or worse: that so many young Jews participate in groups or activities that are actually anti-Zionist and anti-Israel. "How can this be?" we wonder. What kind of parents must they have? What kind of teachers? What kind of rabbi?

Yet there are plenty of young Jews who are engaged -- deeply engaged -- in pro-Israel advocacy and activism. They rarely get the recognition or the spotlight. More established figures tend to get the *koved*.

When we do see these young people doing what we expect all young Jews to do, we *kvell* and we proclaim "They are our future."

Yes, we hope they remain engaged, and we of older generations have to help keep them engaged and active in our movement.

But we must not only think of them as the "future." We must acknowledge that they are doing great things in the present and play an important role today. *They* deserve the recognition and the *koved* and need to be encouraged.

Thus, "The future is now."

Each one of us can help young Jews to be involved in pro-Israel and Zionist activities. Engage them in conversations about Israel. Ask them what they know and find out what they are learning in school or hearing from their friends, or in the media, or pop culture — and gently correct wrong information and fill-in knowledge gaps. Mentor them and suggest things they can do, be it posting on social media, helping to inform their friends, contacting lawmakers, monitoring the media and responding to bias and even analyzing their own textbooks and other materials. Help them find Web sites with factual reporting and accurate historical data. Yes, also introduce them to ZOA, bring them to a meeting or along on our annual Washington Advocacy Mission, and purchase a ZOA membership for them as a gift.

Each of us holds the key to a better future for Israel and Zionism and the Jewish community by helping to shape the young people in our lives now.

If you need suggestions for resources or activities, please phone our Office at 610-660-9466.

# **The Future Is Now Award Recipients**

## **Sharon and Jeff Resnick**

Greater Philadelphia ZOA is presenting this award for just the second time this year, and there is no one more deserving for this honor than Sharon and Jeff Resnick.

Sharon Resnick grew up in Venezuela, where she took part in Maccabi in both sports and leadership, and that is where her passion for Israel began. She moved to Philadelphia from Caracas in 2011 and quickly became involved in the Jewish community at Drexel University.

After graduating as an Industrial Engineer from Drexel and completing a Master's Degree in Financial Analysis and Risk Management from Temple University, Sharon spends her days working at Comcast, but always puts her passion for Israel in the forefront of her life. In the summer of 2016, she helped produce Focus, Israel Advocacy for Young Professionals. Relying on her hasbara experience that was developed in her home country of Venezuela, Sharon pushed to create a program that was designed to help her young professional peers gain their voices on Israel. Sharon and the Focus team run multi-week sessions to educate and empower young professionals with vital Israel advocacy knowledge and skills.

Jeff Resnick hails from Cherry Hill, N.J., and he was involved from a young age in his local NCSY and USY chapters. For the last 8 years, Jeff has resided in Philadelphia where he graduated with Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Drexel University in Mechanical Engineering including research opportunities and classes at universities in Italy, Spain, and Sweden.

By day, Jeff works as an eLearning Specialist at OSIsoft, a software company that works with real-time data. At work, Jeff spends most of his time coming up with ways of engaging and educating his customers by producing YouTube videos and teaching technical software classes. And by night, he acts as one of the leaders of Focus, Israel Advocacy for Young Professionals. Jeff's enthusiasm for education and love of Israel find purpose in helping his peers feel comfortable diving into the "Israel conversation" in their daily lives.

# The ZOA Friend of Zion Award

A man acquires friends with whom to associate; and there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

- *Mishlei (Proverbs) 18:24*

Some we call "friends" are pleasant and you can sometimes count on

them in a pinch. Then there are those by our side, who really show they care with both words and in deeds. Whenever they are needed they are there, offering sincere help, support or a boost — often before they are even asked.

Like every person and all nations, Israel needs friends — but perhaps more so given that Israel is under a relentless attack from a constant chorus of detractors and enemies who unleash barrages of propaganda that leads to irrational hatred, threats, violence and worse.

It is easy — too easy — to jump on the anti-Israel bandwagon today. The loyalty and amity to jump on the pro-Israel bandwagon and sometimes ride shotgun or even take a stint at the wheel is rarer.

Israel's and the Jewish People's friends harbor a sense of devotion in their hearts and are truly kindred spirits. They rise to our defense, and are proud champions of Zion and our cause. They do it out of love or kinship or a higher calling. Their solidarity is unshakeable.

This is what it means to be "Friends of Zion."

A good friend is a tower of strength; to find one is to find a treasure.

- *Apocrypha: Ben Sira (Shim'on ben Yeshu'a ben Eli'ezer ben Sira)*



## **ZOA Friend of Zion Award Recipient**

### **Sam Rohrer**

It takes no more than a few minutes when one is in the company of Sam Rohrer to learn two facts about him: He loves G-d, and he is 100% pro-Israel.

Sam serves as president of both the American Pastors Network and the Pennsylvania Pastors Network. APN is a network of biblical and faith based pastors and church liaisons. Sam hosts APN's "Stand In The Gap" Radio Program, and "Stand In The Gap TV." The shows are carried on hundreds of stations nationwide, and Israel is a frequent topic.

Sam served as a state representative in Harrisburg representing the 128th District for 18 years. The district covers parts of Berks and Lancaster counties. While in the legislature, he authored the Education Improvement Tax Credit scholarship. The EITC Law has been noted as the model school choice law in the nation. He served as chairman of the House Finance Committee and served on the Appropriations Committee and the Education Committee. During his political career, he has run for governor and also for the U.S. Senate.

In June of 2012, Sam was chosen to lead the Pennsylvania Pastors Network. Uniting his experience in public policy and his love for pastors, he encourages pastors to boldly preach Biblical Truth, especially on issues affecting our current society. In July of 2013, the inception of the American Pastors Network has enabled the creation of new state chapters and a nationwide voice for Truth into the public square.

Sam and Ruth Ann have been married for 36 years and are parents of six children and grandparents of eight. For 23 years they have homeschooled, and they are active members of their local church.

# Master of Ceremonies

## Gary Erlbaum

We are blessed to have Gary Erlbaum in our community and grateful that once again he is our master-of-ceremonies this evening.

Businessman, philanthropist, raconteur and good soul, he is the patriarch of a family who has touched the lives of so many people in a positive way.

The president of Greentree Properties Corporation, a real estate investment and development firm, Erlbaum has been an officer and director of multiple companies, both public and private.

Erlbaum has just completed a three year stint as vice president of the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia and also is a past chairman of Federation's Israel Advocacy Task Force, founding co-chair of Federation's Israel & Overseas Center and a former member of its board of directors and board of trustees. He is a past member of the board of governors of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem as well as its Task Force on Anti-Semitism. Over the years he has been intimately involved with the Federation Allied Jewish Appeal campaigns and has served as an associate chairman of major gifts. He has served as chairman of the Israel Emergency Campaigns.

Erlbaum has served both as president and chairman of the Jewish Publishing Group, which publishes the *Jewish Exponent* and *Inside* magazine.

He is also past chairman of the Philadelphia State of Israel Bonds and served with distinction as the North American Chairman of Israel Bonds Young Leadership.

Erlbaum serves on the boards of the Zionist Organization of America, the Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation, Boys Town Jerusalem, the Chevra, Etz Chaim and the Holocaust Awareness Museum. He is a member of the advisory board of Jerusalem Online University. He has served on the boards of the Jewish Community Centers of Greater Philadelphia, the Solomon Schechter Day School (now Perelman Jewish Day School) and the Shipley School.

# National ZOA President Morton A. Klein

Morton A. Klein is National President of the Zionist Organization of America (ZOA), the oldest pro-Israel group in the U.S., founded in 1897. He is widely regarded as one of the leading Jewish activists in America.

A child of Holocaust survivors, Klein was born in a displaced persons camp in Gunzburg, Germany. He was an economist who served in the Nixon, Ford, and Carter administrations. He has served as a biostatistician at the UCLA School of Public Health and the Linus Pauling Institute of Science and Medicine in Palo Alto, Calif., having worked closely with two-time Nobel Laureate Linus Pauling. He has been a lecturer in mathematics and statistics at Temple University.

Klein is a member of the National Council of AIPAC and a member of the International Board of Governors of Ariel University in Ariel, Israel.

Under Klein's leadership, *The Jerusalem Post* has called the ZOA "one of the most important and influential groups in the U.S. today." *The Wall Street Journal* called the ZOA "heroic and the most credible advocate for Israel on the American Jewish scene today" and added, we should "snap a salute to those who were right about Oslo and Arafat all along, including Morton Klein who was wise, brave, and unflinchingly honest."

Klein's successful campaigns against anti-Israel bias in leading textbooks, travel guides, universities, churches, and the media, as well as his work on Capitol Hill were the subject of 30 feature stories both here and in Israel, including in *The New York Times* and *Los Angeles Times*.

His scientific research on nutrition and heart disease was cited by *Discover* magazine as one of the Top 50 Scientific Studies of 1992. While a health economist in Washington, Klein was also the first to determine and publicize the dangers of annual mammograms for women under the age of 50, changing national policy in this area, including the reduction of radiation emission from mammograms.

Klein has appeared numerous times on TV and radio, including on NBC National News, Jim Lehrer News Hour, O'Reilly Factor, CNN, Fox-TV, The Kelly File with Megyn Kelly, Erin Burnett OutFront, CNBC, MSNBC, NPR, BBC, C-Span, VOA and Israel TV and radio.

He has delivered more than 400 lectures throughout the world including at Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Stanford, UC/Berkeley, MIT, Columbia, Penn, Michigan, Brandeis, Brigham Young, and at Israel's Hebrew University, Ben-Gurion University and Ariel University. He has also spoken at the National Academy of Sciences, Institute of Medicine, General Assembly (Federation) meetings, Israel Bonds, B'nai B'rith Canada, Rabbinic Council of America, JCRC's and synagogues from coast to coast, and the U.S. Department of State's Distinguished Lecture Series.

# Message From Our Board Chairman

But who speaks for me!

I am a Jew who reads about anti-Semitism on the rise in America and Europe; BDS effecting our children/youth on college campuses; and backlash from my conservative thoughts, beliefs and expressions concerning Iran/Syria/Hezbollah/Hamas/North Korea/Cuba/United Nations resolutions condemning the Jewish state of Israel — my/our ancestral Jewish homeland.

There are few places that address my concerns.

ZOA is one of the only Jewish organizations that speaks truth to power and tells the world to listen to ME and my people — the Jewish people.

A Jewish Zionist has very few options today. Many/most Jewish organizations are more concerned about social justice — for others, not necessarily the Jewish people — and for people who are outwardly hostile to Israel and Jews.

Although I do believe in helping others — others of my choosing — my primary concern is with Am Yisrael.

ZOA has developed strong relationships with powerful voices in America and Israel who enhance the safety of our people's lone Jewish state.

I can rest a little easier at night knowing ZOA is there in Washington, and Jerusalem, and in the Greater Philadelphia Region — for my family, me and my people.

With love of Zion,

Gene

## Message From Our Co-Presidents

We welcome you and thank you for joining us this evening to recognize some preeminent supporters of Israel and to help us raise the funds needed to defend Israel and the Jewish people for another year.

We celebrate some positive developments regarding Israel during the past year from the Trump Administration: Moving the American Embassy to Jerusalem, closing the PLO office in Washington, defunding UNWRA, pulling out of the Iran nuclear deal, and not allowing the International Criminal Court to constrain Israel's right to self-defense — there are dark clouds on the horizon arrayed against us including BDS, and anti-Israel hate groups on the left and right, the UN, and various NGOs. We mustn't let our guard down.

The ZOA is America's oldest Jewish defense organization. Since 1897, ZOA has been a fearless, determined and outspoken advocate — at first for the right of Jews to reclaim their homeland and live in a sovereign and secure Israel. Today, by necessity, the ZOA's role on the global stage has expanded dramatically. The ZOA's Center for Law and Justice fights anti-Semitism and bigotry, protecting Jewish and pro-Israel students, defends the rights of victims of terror, and promotes the creation of laws that defend the rights of the Jewish people in the United States and Israel. ZOA stands at the forefront as the staunchest pro-Israel advocacy group in the U.S., tirelessly fighting from college campuses to Capitol Hill, from the community lectern, to fighting BDS — all because of your support. Here in Philadelphia, we are respected because we act decisively. By being here tonight you are making possible the work we do.

To our members: Thank you for your continued support. To those who are engaged in the work we do as friends or supporters, we are grateful to have you as a trusted ally — especially in these challenging times when both Israel and the Jewish People are fighting for the very right to exist.

To those new to ZOA, we hope this will be the beginning of a lifelong relationship. To all of you: It gives us great comfort to know that we are unified in our love for Israel and the Jewish people, and are willing to act as one.

Thank you to the many businesses, families and individuals who continue to support our Gala with ads and notices in in this book. A special thanks to our Christian Zionist friends who continue to faithfully stand by our side.

Finally, a big thank you to our tireless staff including Steve Feldman, our indefatigable executive director, who does not know the meaning of 9-5, and who's commitment to defend Israel and the Jewish people is nothing short of awe inspiring.

ZOA is both a think tank and a battle tank, and we ask that you help us fuel the tank for another year of fighting for Israel and the Jewish people. We ask everyone here to actively assist us — help us fight injustice; not only to right the wrongs, but also to pro-actively advance the interests of Israel and the Jewish people; further the special relationship between the U.S. and it's greatest ally in the Middle East: the only Jewish state, Israel. May we all go from strength to strength.

Lee Bender and Kevin Ross

# Message From the Executive Director

Welcome to Greater Philadelphia ZOA's 2018 Gala. As I write, Dickens' gem comes to mind: "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times ... ."

The American Embassy is now in Jerusalem. The PLO "embassy" is on its way out of Washington. Yet Palestinian-Arabs murder our Israeli brothers and sisters in cold blood while others launch incendiary balloons and kites to destroy Jewish farms and preserves — and Gazan Arabs launch rockets with no warning.

Here, Jew-hatred — let's call it what it is — is in the open from politicians, to campuses, to media which practices it relentlessly against the Jewish State.

ZOA is stronger than it has been in decades, but sadly the need is stronger. That brings me to you. Whether you are holding this in your hand or reading it on a screen, **ZOA needs YOU!** We need you in so many ways.

Leadership is in short supply in so many walks of life. So is responsibility.

Meanwhile, tangible, meaningful advocacy for our cause seems to be going the way of the rotary phone where and when it is most needed for America and Israel.

But tonight, in this room, leadership, responsibility and advocacy are in abundance. Look around. Feel it. Take a deep breath and inhale it. Let it fill your lungs and circulate through your arteries. Let it inspire you to emulate our esteemed honorees and others here this evening. You will need it — we need it — tomorrow, and the next day, and for many weeks, months and years thereafter.

For Jew-hatred merely takes a respite. We must triumph where others failed!

Recently I asked a committed Zionist to get involved in a project. He said he would do only what a colleague did: The bare minimum. I was taken aback. Imagine, for example, a running back striving only to gain a yard because that was what his teammate did. **We each must strive to do more!**

It is an era when rabbis, in High Holiday sermons, question and condemn Israel and Zionism; when politicians are openly anti-Israel — and it gets them elected not shunned. Open Jew-hatred is acceptable, as leading activists and rank-and-file members of the community are mostly silent and invisible.

Join the ZOA. If you are already a member: Thank you! Whether you are a member or not, I need you to do more. Give more of your time; your energy; your talent; your connections; and yes, your money. We as an organization must do more, and that means that the grassroots: our members, friends and supporters — must commit to do more — and then do it! Become a leader within our chapter. Take on a project — don't talk about doing — let your actions do the talking.

I am willing to talk with and meet with all who have a genuine desire to get involved or more involved. 610-660-9466.

Many people make this Gala and our organization what it is. From Mort Klein, to each member. I especially also want to thank: Beth-Ellen, Evan Davis, Howard Katzoff, Heather Berman, Lee Bender, and our many wonderful volunteers. A special thank you to the ageless Beverly Sher. Enjoy the Gala — and call me.

*Steve*

## Message From the Gala Chairpersons

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to the Zionist Organization of America Greater Philadelphia Chapter's 8th annual Gala. To all of our guests: We thank you for your participation tonight as well as for your commitment to support ZOA and your unwavering love and support for Israel.

We are privileged to be able to recognize our honorees before an audience with such a strong commitment to Israel through their words and actions. This year's honorees are: Sharon & Menachem Meller; Sharon & Jeff Resnick; Sam Rohrer; and Cindy & Bill Wanger. We congratulate them on this milestone and are grateful that we will continue to benefit from your talents and efforts.

Our Gala is Philadelphia ZOA's chief yearly fundraising event and each year there are a myriad of tasks and details that have to be accomplished to make this Gala a success. There are no words to demonstrate the level of gratitude to the many people who have given their time and their talent to craft tonight into the exceptional experience that we will enjoy. We cannot thank them enough for their tireless efforts and appreciate their hard work: Steve Feldman, our executive director, and office assistants: Beth-Ellen Kroope and Evan Davis. To our volunteers, both here tonight and that work throughout the year, a heartfelt תודה רבה (thank you)! You are the driving force behind ZOA and we could not do this without your hard work and dedication.

We also extend our deepest gratitude to the businesses, institutions, and individuals whose generosity and solidarity you see throughout this Tribute Book/Ad Journal, and the elected and appointed officials who have also extended greetings herein. Please take note of these supporters of Israel and ZOA.

We warmly invite you all to continue to work with ZOA in our common efforts to help Israel so that the Jewish state may go from strength to strength, and that the special U.S.-Israel relationship be iron-clad. With your help, all of ZOA's energies are focused on educating our youth, developing new initiatives, and reaching out to the region's broader Jewish Community to fulfill the goals of a safer, more secure and more prosperous Jewish State of Israel.

**Howard Katzoff, chairman**

**Heather Berman, co-chair Eleanor Weinglass, co-chair**

# Thank you

- ◆ Heather Berman
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- ◆ David Warner
- ◆ Susan Warner
- ◆ Roberta Weiss
- ◆ Eleanor Weinglass
- ◆ All of tonight's Gala participants
- ◆ Those others who volunteered tonight and during the Gala process – particularly for the mailings
- ◆ Mort Klein
- ◆ Gene Shusman
- ◆ Lee Bender and Kevin Ross and the other Officers, Board and Executive Committee of Greater Philadelphia ZOA
- ◆ The Gala Committee
- ◆ Robin Moskow
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*If anyone's name was inadvertently omitted, we apologize.*

*If you would like to volunteer or get more involved to further the goals of our organization as we strive to help Israel and strengthen the mutually-beneficial U.S.-Israel relationship, please call the Philadelphia ZOA Office at 610-660-9466 or email us at: [office@zoaphilly.org](mailto:office@zoaphilly.org).*





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**GREETINGS:**

It is my pleasure to join with the Greater Philadelphia District of the Zionist Organization of America in recognizing this evening's honorees – Sam Rohrer, Sharon and Menachem Meller, William and Cynthia Wanger, and Sharon and Jeff Resnick – as well as this organization's 120 years of service.

Tonight, these individuals will be honored with this organization's prestigious awards. These recipients have displayed extraordinary commitment and devotion to the State of Israel and Jewish causes and deserve to be commended for their outstanding service. Their constant efforts to make the community, commonwealth, and world a better place for all people to live and work reveal the remarkable caliber of character and talent for leadership they each possess. It is my hope that the works of this organization and its members will inspire others for many years to come.

As Governor, and on behalf of all citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I am happy to join with everyone in attendance to congratulate tonight's awardees. Please accept my best wishes for a memorable event and continued success.



*Tom Wolf*  
TOM WOLF  
Governor

September 7, 2018



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PHILIP D. MURPHY  
GOVERNOR

October 17, 2018

Dear Friends,

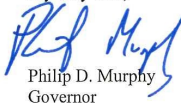
I consider it an honor and privilege to welcome all those in attendance for the 2018 Gala, hosted by the Zionist Organization of America's Greater Philadelphia Chapter.

I am proud that New Jersey has one of the largest Jewish populations in the country, who continue to add their unique culture, history and traditions to the tapestry of ethnic and cultural diversity within our Great State. For more than 120 years, the Greater Philadelphia Chapter of ZOA has maintained unwavering dedication to our local Jewish communities through education and advocacy to promote and celebrate the friendship that exists between the United States and Israel. I applaud the ZOA for their work and dedication to their members and to their commitment for Israeli awareness and peace.

As Governor, I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate this year's distinguished honorees Sam Rohrer, Sharon and Menachem Meller, William and Cynthia Wanger, and Sharon and Jeff Resnick for their outstanding work within the organization.

Best wishes for your continued success and always know that the entire State of New Jersey stands behind you as you continue to make us proud to be your, neighbors, family and friends

My very best,

  
Philip D. Murphy  
Governor



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October 17, 2018

Dear Guests and Honorees,

Welcome to the Zionist Organization of America Greater Philadelphia District's 2018 Gala. This is a fitting celebration of ZOA's many contributions to the Jewish community, and you should be proud of all you've done to promote Israel and strengthen America's critical alliance with the Jewish State.

Throughout its history, the Zionist Organization of America has been a strong voice for Jewish Americans, the protection and security of the Jewish State, and the special friendship and alliance between Israel and the United States. This year's honorees, Sam Rohrer, Sharon and Menachem Meller, William and Cynthia Wanger, and Sharon and Jeff Resnick, have all demonstrated a remarkable commitment to these important goals and the Jewish community. As Governor of Delaware, I am proud to join in recognizing them for their achievements.

Once again, congratulations to this year's honorees and on your annual gala. Thank you for your continued dedication to Israel and the Jewish community in our region. I wish you all the best for the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John C. Carney".

John C. Carney  
Governor, State of Delaware



## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ROBERT P. CASEY, JR.  
PENNSYLVANIA

August 29, 2018

Dear Friends,

It gives me great pleasure to extend my warmest regards as the Greater Philadelphia Chapter of the Zionist Organization of America celebrates its 2018 Gala.

This Gala is a wonderful opportunity to recognize the dedication of the ZOA and its 2018 honorees to a secure Israel. Your organization's long existence speaks to the noble ideals and values which have guided your work and which will continue to stand out as a positive example for future generations.

Thank you for all the work you have done and all that you continue to do. I look forward to your continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bob Casey, Jr." in a cursive script.

Robert P. Casey, Jr.  
United States Senator

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October 17, 2018

Zionist Organization of America  
Greater Philadelphia District  
2018 Gala

Dear Friends and Supporters of Israel,

It is my pleasure to extend my warmest greetings to this year's attendees of the 2018 Gala of the Zionist Organization of America's Greater Philadelphia District. Since its founding 121 years ago, the ZOA has been one of the strongest and most effective voices for the State of Israel. Now more than ever, ZOA's work to offer the true facts and history of Israel and the Middle East is essential. I would like to recognize and thank its members for their continued commitment and dedication to the organization over the years.

I would like to also congratulate the Philadelphia ZOA and tonight's honorees. Sharon and Menachem Meller will receive the Pillars of the Community Award, Sharon and Jeff Resnick will be honored as the Future is Now Award recipients and William and Cynthia Wanger will be recognized with the Defenders of Israel Award. I would also like to recognize Sam Rohrer who will be awarded the Friend of Zion Award for his strong support of Israel within the Christian community.

Once again, I would like to recognize and thank tonight's honorees, attendees and the Zionist Organization of America's Greater Philadelphia District for their tremendous support of Israel and the Jewish Community.

Sincerely,



Pat Toomey  
U.S. Senator

THOMAS R. CARPER  
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October 17, 2018

Dear Friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Zionist Organization of America –Greater Philadelphia District as you celebrate your annual Tribute Gala and your 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and extend warm greetings to everyone gathered.

As the oldest pro-Israel organization in the United States, ZOA has made vital contributions to our nation's culture and society. Through education, outreach, and leadership, your work extends and brings both energy and a richness to every life you touch. Please accept my personal thanks not only for your service, but for your presence as a positive force in the community.

I'd like to congratulate all of this year's honorees as follows: Friend of Zion Award honoree, Sam Rohrer, Pillars of the Community Award honorees Sharon and Menachem Meller, Defenders of Israel Award honorees, William and Cynthia Wanger, and The Future Is Now Award honorees, Sharon and Jeff Resnick. Thank you for all that you do!

Best wishes for an enjoyable event. May you celebrate many in the years to come!

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom Carper". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Tom" being more prominent.

Thomas R. Carper  
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September 4, 2018

Dear Friends,

I am honored to congratulate the Zionist Organization of America (ZOA) on the celebration of its 2018 Gala.

The Zionist Organization of America continues to ably represent American Jews and strengthen U.S. commitment to our ally, Israel. The Greater Philadelphia chapter of ZOA furthers these causes in eastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey, and my home state of Delaware. I thank ZOA for its work and congratulate the organization on its many successes.

I would also like to extend my congratulations to this year's honorees: Sam Rohrer, Sharon and Menachem Meller, William and Cynthia Wanger, and Sharon and Jeff Resnick. I applaud the commitment of these men and women to both a secure Israel and their local Jewish community.

As a United States Senator, I share ZOA's commitment to the unbreakable bond between the United States and Israel. On this night of celebration, I wish you all *mazel tov*.

Sincerely,



Christopher A. Coons  
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## *House of Representatives*

### **Recognizing the Zionist Organization of America Greater Philadelphia Chapter's 2018 Gala**

Representative Lou Barletta  
of Pennsylvania  
In the House of Representatives

August 28, 2018

MR. SPEAKER, it is a great honor to recognize the Zionist Organization of America's Greater Philadelphia Chapter as they celebrate their 2018 Gala. This event highlights America and Israel's important relationship, as well as provides an opportunity to honor individuals who have been especially active in their communities.

Since its founding in 1897, the Zionist Organization of America has sought to raise awareness of the American-Israeli relationship and to educate the American public on the realities of the Israeli experience. The Greater Philadelphia Chapter has remained a strong source of Israeli activism, as it provides educational opportunities and resources to the citizens of my home state of Pennsylvania.

I want to extend a special congratulations to this year's honorees at the 2018 Gala: Sam Rohrer, Sharon Meller, Menachem Meller, William Wanger, Cynthia Wanger, Sharon Resnick, and Jeff Resnick. These dedicated individuals are important advocates for one of the United States' most trusted allies, and their work remains vital to our nation's international strategy. Throughout their impressive careers, they have advanced and uplifted their communities, fostered the growth of young professionals, and empowered American and Israeli families. Such dedication to local and international service is certainly deserving of widespread recognition.

MR. SPEAKER, please join me in recognizing the Zionist Organization of America's Greater Philadelphia Chapter as they celebrate their 2018 Gala and honor these seven outstanding men and women.

LOUIS J. BARLETTA  
Member of Congress



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September 7, 2018

Zionist Organization of America Greater Philadelphia  
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Greetings:

I am pleased to extend my congratulations to the Zionist Organization of America Greater Philadelphia on the Chapter's 2018 Gala.

Throughout its long history of advocacy and outreach, ZOA has strengthened the bonds between Israel and the United States and helped spread awareness of our shared goals and values. Working with students, lawmakers, and diverse faith groups, ZOA has fostered a spirit of international community here in Philadelphia. The organization has demonstrated a strong commitment to combatting antisemitism and promoting U.S.-Israeli relations.

As America's most important ally in the Middle East and an epicenter of history and commerce, Israel holds a special place among America's partners abroad. Both nations are stronger today because of our shared commitment to freedom of speech, religion and democracy. As a Member of Congress and the House Foreign Affairs Committee, I will do all I can to continue furthering these ideals.

I commend and thank ZOA of Greater Philadelphia for its lasting commitment to the U.S.-Israel relationship.

Sincerely,

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Brendan F. Boyle  
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October 17, 2018

Zionist Organization of America Greater Philadelphia  
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Dear Friends,

It is with great respect and gratitude for the work of Zionist Organization of America (ZOA) Greater Philadelphia that I thank you for your attendance at this year's Annual Philadelphia ZOA Gala.

As the oldest pro-Israel group in America, the ZOA have advocated for the Jewish state since 1897. In the years following the establishment of the State of Israel in 1948, their work has been essential to advancing the United States-Israel relationship and communicating Israel's security needs to all American leaders. I have always enjoyed working with the ZOA Philadelphia Chapter, and I consider them one of my most important sources for information when it comes to topics related to Israel, Iran, and the Middle East at-large.

Tonight's awardees are deserving of the highest honors for their diligent work supporting Israel. With that in mind, I hope all of you will join me in thanking Sharon and Menachem Meller, Jeff and Sharon Resnick, William and Cynthia Wanger, and Sam Rohrer for their time and unrelenting commitment to this important cause. Standing up on behalf of Israel is seldom an easy job, but without question it is a noble one. I appreciate all that you do and I thank you for your work on behalf of Israel and its security.

Once again, thank you again for your dedication and passion in support of Israel. We are all very fortunate to have such dedicated individuals working as hard as you do during these turbulent times. I hope that you each and every one of you has a memorable experience on this special night.

Sincerely,



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October 17, 2018

Dear Friends and Supporters of Israel:

It is my honor to welcome you to the Greater Philadelphia Chapter of the Zionist Organization of America's 2018 Gala and to thank everyone at the Greater Philadelphia Chapter for their efforts to make this year's Gala event truly special.

This evening is a time to celebrate the special relationship between the United States and Israel, reflect on the tireless work of so many during the past year, and recognize the tremendous dedication and exemplary leadership of each of this year's honorees. I offer my sincere congratulations to Sharon and Menachem Meller, recipients of the Pillars of the Community Award; William and Cynthia Wanger, recipients of the Defenders of Israel Award; Sharon and Jeff Resnick, recipients of The Future Is Now Award; and Sam Rohrer, recipient of the Friend of Zion Award.

Each award recipient has used his or her incredible talents to make positive contributions to the Greater Philadelphia community and strengthen the unique bond between the United States and Israel. Tonight's recognition of their efforts is indeed well-deserved.

Best wishes to everyone for a memorable evening and for continued success during the coming year as you continue working on critical issues in the Jewish Community and highlighting the many good works of Israel.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Steve Feldman  
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Greetings Mr. Feldman:

It is with great privilege and honor that I extend greetings to you and your organization in recognition of the *Zionist Organization of America, Greater Philadelphia Chapter 2018 Gala!*

As your organization celebrates its anniversary this year, I commend Zionist Organization of America (ZOA), Greater Philadelphia on the service you provide to your community.

ZOA, Greater Philadelphia's mission of offering the true facts and history of Israel and the Middle East allows for all communities to learn about and appreciate Israel's many good works and the steps it continues to make for peace.

I wish to extend my sincere congratulations to this year's Gala Awards honorees! Sam Rohrer, Sharon and Menachem Meller, William and Cynthia Wanger and Sharon and Jeff Resnick.

I am excited to celebrate this milestone event with ZOA, Greater Philadelphia. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to those attending your Gala and visiting our city for this momentous occasion.

Again, my sincere congratulations on this important event.

Sincerely,

Dwight Evans  
Member of Congress

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October 17, 2018

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Pennsylvania, I would like to extend my greetings to the Zionist Organization of America Greater Philadelphia Chapter and all its members. Thank you for the work you do in our community and around the country to foster and promote a strong and resilient U.S. - Israel relationship.

As a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, I am proud to stand as a steadfast supporter of the nation of Israel. Not only is Israel a precious ally of the United States, but it is also the rightful homeland of the Jewish people. In addition, I am proud to stand alongside the ZOA and organizations like them in their ongoing fight against anti-Semitism and anti-Israel bias.

I would like to personally congratulate this year's award winners: Sam Rohrer - recipient of the *Friend of Zion Award*, Sharon and Menachem Meller - recipient of the *Pillars of the Community Award*, William and Cynthia Wanger - recipient of the *Defenders of Israel Award*, and Sharon and Jeff Resnick - *the future is Now Award*. I sincerely appreciate your efforts and commend you for your commitment to strengthening the Jewish community and supporting the invaluable relationship our nation shares with the state of Israel.

I look forward to working with the Zionist Organization of America in the future to promote our mutual interests. It is an honor and a privilege to serve you in the United States Congress.

Sincerely,

Brian Fitzpatrick

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Dear Friends,

It is with great pleasure to welcome you to the Zionist Organization of America (ZOA)- Greater Philadelphia District's 2018 Annual Gala. This night provides the community the opportunity to pay tribute to our honored guests, Sam Roher, Sharon and Menachem Meller, William and Cynthia Wanger and Sharon and Jeff Resnick for their leadership in the Greater Philadelphia area.

Since 1897, the ZOA's dedication to protecting the people and the land of Israel has played a vital role in improving the well-being of the Jewish community. As a proponent of the enduring U.S.-Israeli partnership, I understand the value and importance of the ZOA's grassroots outreach and government advocacy to help bring us closer to peace in the Middle East.

Tonight's honorees are recognized for their exemplary leadership within the Greater Philadelphia area's Jewish community. It is fitting that we honor their steadfast support for the ZOA-Greater Philadelphia District's mission to strengthen our U.S.-Israel friendship.

Thank you to the ZOA-Greater Philadelphia District, the honorees, and all of you in attendance for your positive contributions to our community. I wish each of you an enjoyable evening.

Sincerely,



Lloyd Smucker  
Member of Congress

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Mr. Steve Feldman  
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Dear Mr. Feldman:

I am pleased to have the opportunity to extend my sincere congratulations to the Zionist Organization of America – Greater Philadelphia as you celebrate your annual 2018 Gala.

Please extend my warmest congratulations to tonight's award recipients: Sam Rohrer for receiving the Friend of Zion Award; Sharon and Menachem Meller for receiving the Pillars of the Community Award; William and Cynthia Wanger for receiving the Defenders of Israel Award, and Sharon and Jeff Resnick for receiving the The Future Is Now Award. These honorees embody the meaning of service by contributing to the education, leadership training and volunteer spirit in Jewish communities across New Jersey and the region at large. I applaud their dedication and devotion.

Again, congratulations and best wishes for an enjoyable event.

Sincerely,

Frank A. LoBiondo  
Member of Congress

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Dear Zionist Organization of America Greater Philadelphia,

It is with great pleasure and enthusiasm that I commend the Zionist Organization of America on coming together for their Greater Philadelphia Chapter's 2018 Gala. Since its foundation in 1897, this laudable organization has made a lasting impact by educating the American public on the interesting history of Israel and the Middle East, Israel's positive contributions to the world and promoting the support of Israeli products and travel.

I would like to extend my congratulations to those being honored on behalf of the Zionist Organization of America. Sharon and Menachem Meller, the Pillar of the Community Award honorees, are supreme examples of generosity. Their support of Israeli charities such as Sanhedria Children's home in Jerusalem, CRIB-EFRAT, Yad Sarah and Jewish communities in the Yesha Region are admirable. Sharon and Menachem's careers as doctors are focused on helping those in need. Sharon has worked for many years in New Jersey and Pennsylvania as a clinical ophthalmologist and Menachem is the principal orthopedic surgeon and Section Head of Orthopedics at Mercy Philadelphia Hospital/Trinity Health.

William and Cynthia Wanger, who are receiving the Defenders of Israel Award, are fearless defenders of Israel, as well as strong American Patriots. Cynthia is a clinical audiologist and William is a long-time partner at Fox Rothschild LLP, where he focuses on helping family and other privately-owned businesses with their finance and growth planning needs. They are both active in their congregation as well as in Republican organizations.

Sharon and Jeff Resnick, The Future Is Now Award recipients, are pro-Israel, young professionals. Their support for Israel, lead to the founding of an organization that offers information about Israel and the peace process. Their organization, called Focus, also offers advocacy training and encouragement. Both Sharon and Jeff graduated from with Drexel with engineering degrees and both currently work in the technology sector.

Lastly, Sam Rohrer, Friends of Zion Award honoree, has spent much of his life being a leader in both government and religion. Sam served in the General Assembly of Pennsylvania for 18 years, representing Berks County and Lancaster County. Currently, Sam is the president of both the Pennsylvania Pastors Program and the American Pastors Network. He is the host of APN's "Stand In The Gap" Radio Program and the "Stand In The Gap TV," one-hour live daily radio program. These radio programs often discuss support for Israel. He is an asset to the Jewish community.

Again I congratulate each and every honoree and extend my sincerest wishes for the continued success of your organization. Thank you for all that you do and enjoy the 2018 Gala.

Sincerely,



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August 20, 2018

Zionist Organization of America Greater  
Philadelphia Chapter  
One Belmont Avenue,  
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Dear Friends,

It is a great pleasure to extend my warmest regards to everyone gathered at the Zionist Organization of America: Greater Philadelphia's 2018 Gala.

Holding the title as the eldest and one of the largest pro-Israel groups in America, the ZOA have worked to advance the United States-Israel relationship. Thank you, to the stakeholders in all capacities for your assurance and dedication to the organizations' strong mission.

Today we celebrate the common values of the United States of America and Israel and recognize exceptional honorees for their efforts to raise awareness throughout both countries. We appreciate your hard work thank you for your relentless work on behalf of the United States of America and Israel.

As you gather, it is my hope for everyone to enjoy a memorable time honoring the Zionist Organization of America: Greater Philadelphia's 2018 Gala. I wish you all the very best.

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August 29, 2018

Dear Guests and Honorees,

As The Congresswoman of Delaware, it is my honor to join the Greater Philadelphia District of the Zionist Organization of America (ZOA) in recognizing this evening's honorees, Sam Rohrer, Sharon & Menachem Meller, William & Cynthia Wanger, and Sharon & Jeff Resnick, and celebrating their hard work and support of the ZOA.

I would like to congratulate the Zionist Organization of America is celebrating its 121<sup>st</sup> anniversary this year of promoting a strong U.S.-Israel relationship. This chapter has members from eastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey, and, my own district, Delaware. The Greater Philadelphia District ZOA is the only local Jewish organization dedicated in maintaining safe and secure relations between the United States and Israel. Tonight's Award recipients have displayed unwavering support and commitment to the ZOA and the Jewish Community.

I wish a very enjoyable weekend and another 121 years of the Zionist Organization of America!

Sincerely,

Lisa Blunt Rochester  
United States Congresswoman



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October 17, 2018

Dear Friends:

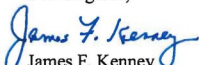
It is a pleasure to send a hearty Mazal Tov to the members of the Greater Philadelphia chapter of the Zionist Organization of America for its 2018 gala, which you will celebrate on Wednesday, October 17, 2018. I wish you all a fun, enlightening, and memorable event as you celebrate the 121<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the founding of your parent organization.

The City of Philadelphia is enormously proud of the rich diversity of its residents and encourages all of them to never lose sight of their cultural identity. We are appreciative of all organizations such as yours who have the mission to connect members of our public with their homeland through a variety of ways.

I am pleased to recognize and congratulate this evening's honorees: Sam Rohrer (Friend of Zion Award), Sharon and Menachem Meller (Pillars of the Community Award), William and Cynthia Wanger (Defenders of Israel Award), and Sharon and Jeff Resnick (The Future Is Now Award). This is a special night for you and an opportune time to reflect and revel in your many efforts and accomplishments as well as the great impact you have made in our region.

On behalf of the City of Philadelphia, I congratulate you again on a very special evening and wish you well as you continue your work with our vibrant Jewish community.

Best Regards,

  
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October 17, 2018

Zionist Organization of America Greater Philadelphia  
One Belmont Avenue, Suite 601  
Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004

Dear Friends,

Please accept our congratulations on the occasion of the 2018 Gala of the Zionist Organization of America Greater Philadelphia. The Gala will be an opportunity to come together to honor individuals who have been especially active in their efforts to raise awareness about America and our ally Israel.

We would also like to recognize this year's honorees: Sam Rohrer, who will receive the Friends of Zion Award; Sharon and Menachem Meller, who will receive the Pillars of the Community Award; William and Cynthia Wanger, who will receive the Defenders of Israel Award; and Sharon and Jeff Resnick, who will receive The Future is Now Award.

The Zionist Organization of America is the oldest pro-Israel organization in the United States and has a long and significant history nationally and in Montgomery County. Under the leadership of such illustrious presidents as Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis, Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, and current National President Morton A. Klein, the ZOA has been on the front lines of Jewish activism.

We commend all of you here today for your dedication to education, advocacy, and outreach and your commitment to fight anti-Semitism and foster the important relationship between America and Israel.

Sincerely,

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September 18, 2018

Dear Friends:

I am grateful to be offered the opportunity to congratulate the Zionist Organization of America (ZOA) – Greater Philadelphia District for continuing to fight for the Land of Israel as well as for the Jewish people. By offering educational programs, partnering with pro-Israeli entities, and working to combat anti-Israel bias, ZOA's advocacy strengthens, protects, and defends pro-Israeli thoughts, words, and deeds.

I would also like to acknowledge this year's selected honorees for their roles in advancing ZOA's mission. Specifically, I would like to recognize the outstanding contributions that my friend and true patriot, Sam Rohrer, has made to support ZOA's goals. His fine work as the President of both the Pennsylvania and American Pastors Networks has honed his commitment to the bold preaching of biblical truths. The importance of these truths is critically imperative, particularly when considering the vital role that Israel continues to play in our ever-changing world.

Again, I congratulate ZOA's 2018 honorees, and I wish ZOA much continued success in all future endeavors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark M. Gillen".

**Mark M. Gillen**  
State Representative  
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October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Dear Friends,

It is a pleasure to extend my personal greetings, through the pages of this journal to all those in attendance at the Zionist Organization of America Greater Philadelphia Chapter's 2018 Gala.

The Zionist Organization of America has served a crucial role in preserving and strengthening the State of Israel for over 120 years. Their support and solidarity with our country, through good times and bad, has been unwavering, and for this, we are grateful. From encouraging Israel advocacy on campuses, to promoting pro-Israel legislation, to combatting anti-Israel bias in the media, the ZOA of Greater Philadelphia clearly shows where they stand. The members of the ZOA of Greater Philadelphia fight for what they believe in and the people of Israel feel the effects of their efforts, each day. We may not know what the future holds but we do know that through it all, the ZOA will always be at the forefront in its support for the only free and democratic State in the Middle East.

The 2018 Gala allows the ZOA of Greater Philadelphia to recognize the dedicated individuals who contribute their time and resources towards this important mission and I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate tonight's honorees. Sam Rohrer, recipient of the Friends of Zion Award, Sharon and Menachem Meller, recipients of the Pillar of the Community Award, William and Cynthia Wanger, recipients of the Defenders of Israel Award, and Sharon and Jeff Resnick, recipients of the Future Is Now Award. As we celebrate the achievements of this wonderful organization, I congratulate each of these deserving honorees on their prestigious awards and thank them for their service to our community.

On behalf of the State of Israel, I wish you all the best and thank you for your devotion and commitment to our future.

Sincerely,

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Israel strong and secure

*Ed Altman and Ann Holstein*

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**Sam Rohrer**

With sincerest best wishes and  
thanks,

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Wyomissing, Pennsylvania

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for a strong, secure Jewish State of Israel.

We extend warm congratulations  
to the honorees and Gary Erlbaum  
on their well-deserved awards.

*Jill and Alan Miller*

*Mazal Tov*

to

Sharon & Menachem Meller

and all of this year's  
distinguished honorees.

May you go from strength to  
strength!

Scott Seligsohn & Family



*Mazel Tov and Thank You*  
*to the Honorees:*

**Cindy and Bill Wanger**  
**Drs. Sharon and Menachem Meller**  
**Sharon and Jeff Resnick**  
**Sam Rohrer**

*May you go from strength to strength*

Howard Katzoff  
Patti Klein

Congratulations,  
Sharon and Jeff,  
on such a well-deserved honor.

Fondly,

**Jeremy, Shayna, Ethan, Hannah,  
Lisa and Brandon Swartz**

מזל טוב

**To the Mellers  
and all of the honorees**

Victoria P. Werth and  
Kevin Jon Williams

MAZEL TOV!

*To our friends*

*Sharon and Menachem Meller*

*and all of ZOA's honorees.*

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**In tribute to our Co-Presidents, Lee Bender & Kevin Ross – your representation in every capacity is vital to ZOA!**

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*Mazel Tov*

to  
Sharon & Jeff  
Resnick

and all of the Honorees  
for all their good work  
on behalf of Israel!

Love,  
The Robin & Steven  
Katz Family



IN HONOR OF ALL THE ESTEEMED HONOREES

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Sam Rohrer

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Your unflagging support  
for ZOA and its vital work  
Is deeply appreciated.

Jerry & Marilyn Stern  
and family

Congratulations and all good  
wishes to our dear friends  
Sharon and Menachem Meller  
on this well-deserved honor.

*Sheri and Martin Friedman*

*Yasher Ko'ach*

to our friends Sharon & Mendy  
for all the work they do  
for this vital organization

Seth Zwillenberg & Rene Rubin

*Dear Sharon and Mende,*

*We appreciate and honor your  
friendship, your wonderful family  
and your steadfast devotion to  
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*Anne and Rod Elkin*

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**Cynthia and William Wanger**

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strength to strength!*

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***Mazel Tov* and best wishes to  
ZOA, and to all of the honorees.**

**Where would Israel be without  
you?**

**Betsy and David Rentz**

*Thank you ZOA for the wonderful  
accomplishments you achieve on behalf of  
Jewish people everywhere, and the  
State of Israel.*

*Mazel Tov to all of tonight's honorees.*

*Congratulations and a big hug to  
Cynthia and Bill Wanger – great and loyal  
friends – great American Patriots – great  
supporters of Jewish causes and Israel!*

*Love,*

*Lynne & Abelardo Lechter*

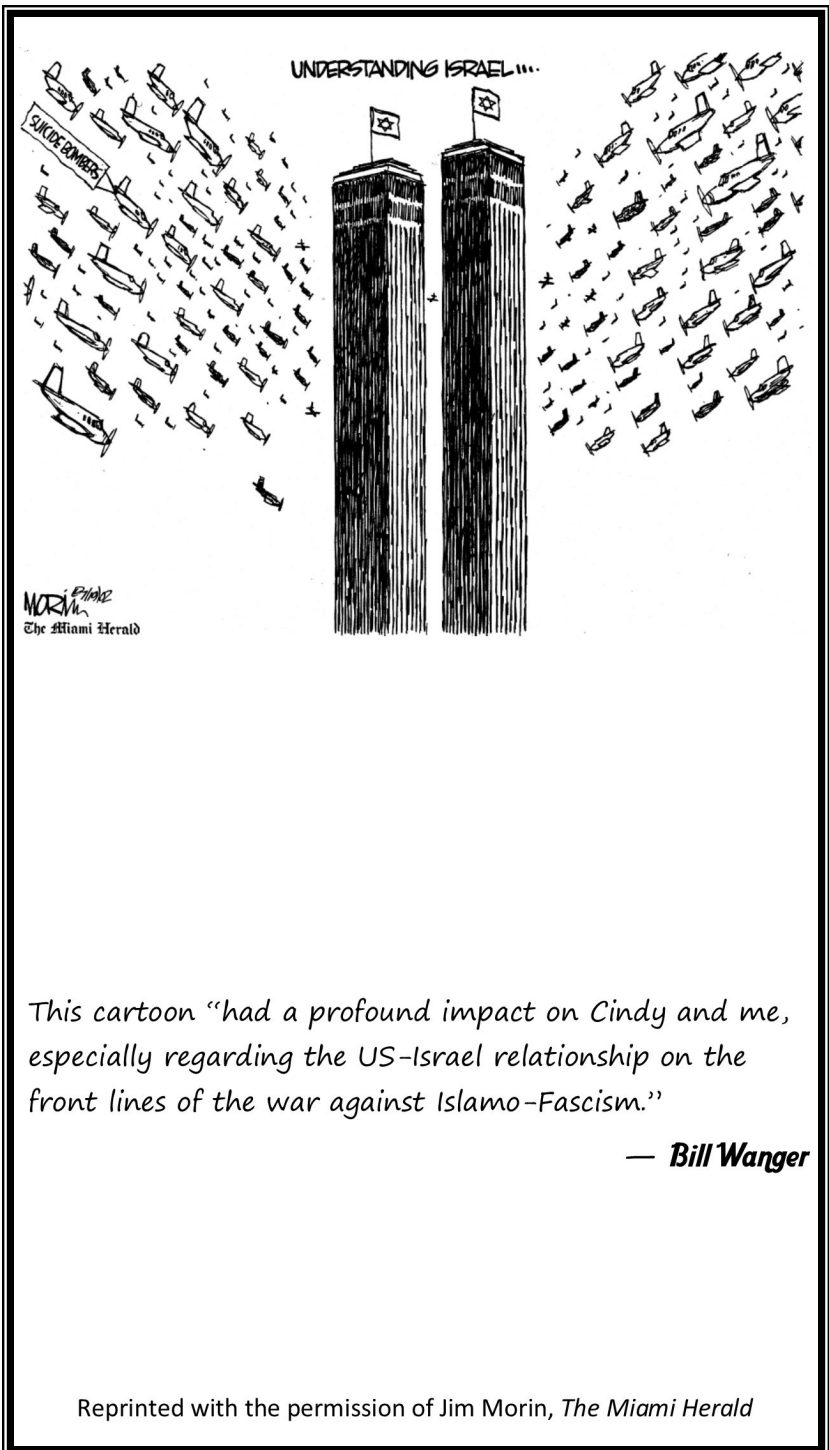
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— **Bill Wanger**

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**Sharon & Jeff Resnick**

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