



I am humbled and filled with gratitude to be honored tonight along with such great and worthy leaders. A hearty Mazel Tov to Rabbi Bill Rudolph on receiving the Distinguished Service Award and to Sheldon Grosberg on receiving the Community Leadership Award. Thank you both for all you do for our community! May you and the JCRC go from strength to strength! God Bless, *Stu Lessans*

It is important to recognize those individuals who contribute so much to making our community a better place in which to live and work. In this regard, I congratulate Rabbi Bill Rudolph and Dr. Stuart Lessans for their well-deserved honor and recognition this evening. May JCRC go from strength to strength under the continuing vital leadership of Ron Halber and Michael Friedman. *Sheldon Grosberg*

It is my pleasure to be included with Sheldon Grosberg and Stuart Lessans as honorees at the 2017 JCRC Annual Gala. Seeing what Stuart and Sheldon have done to support and grow our community has always impressed me. To be honored with them, by the JCRC which does such important and admirable work, is humbling. *Rabbi Bill Rudolph*

In recognition of this year's honorees, Dr. Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg, and Rabbi William Rudolph, whose work, commitment and dedication is an inspiration to our community. May you continue to inspire us all. *Galia Messika Greenberg & Dr. Edward Greenberg*

Mazel Tov to the 2017 Honorees, Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg, and Rabbi William Rudolph with thanks for all you do for our community! May you and the JCRC continue to go from strength to strength! *Leena & Erwin Groner*

Stuart and Rabbi Rudolph, Your leadership and generosity are a model for us all! Kol Ha'kavod on this well-deserved honor. Fondly, *Laura & Michael Cutler*

Mazel Tov to Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg and Rabbi William Rudolph. Your exemplary leadership and passionate devotion to the Jewish community sets a standard for us all to emulate. *Kerry Iris & Eric Kassoff*

Thanks to Stuart, Sheldon and our beloved Rabbi Rudolph for everything you do. The Washington Jewish community is enriched by your leadership, wisdom and contributions; may you go from strength to strength in peace, good health and happiness. *Margie & Joe Hoffman*

Rabbi Amy & Gary Perlin are proud to support the important work of JCRC.



Mazel Tov to Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg, & Rabbi William Rudolph.

Dennis & Debra Berman

The Jewish Funeral Practices Committee of Greater Washington congratulates our V-P, Bill Rudolph, our partner in serving members of the Jewish community with their funeral needs Sheldon Grosberg, and Stuart Lessans. All well deserved.

Mazel tov and Kol Hakavod to all the Honorees and JCRC on the outstanding contributions to our community.

Cookie Hymer Blitz & Nelson Blitz

BS"D Mazel tov to JCRC's distinguished honorees! With gratitude for your many and important contributions and commitment to our community and the Jewish people. May you continue with inspiration and strength. Many thanks to Ron Halber and the JCRC team for your deep dedication to our Jewish community. May Hashem continue to bless your efforts with ever increasing successes and fulfillment on every level.

Manette & Louis Mayberg

Mazel tov to the honorees for their well-deserved awards and many thanks to the JCRC for its important work.

Wendy & Harvey Reiter

Mazel Tov Rabbi Bill Rudolph! We're Proud of Your Accomplishments! ***Congregation Beth El***

Mazel Tov to all the honorees. A special shout out to our friend Stu for doing so much for so many, and to our friend Rabbi Rudolph for being a true community leader. You are both such an inspiration. With love and gratitude, ***Jocelyn & Danny Krifcher***

Mazel Tov to Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg, and Rabbi William Rudolph. Thank you for all that you do for our communities. ***Sheila & Bob Budoff***

Bill - Congratulations on your well-deserved award. Thanks for your many years of leadership in our community and for your friendship. ***Hilary Smith Kapner***

We want to extend our heartfelt congratulations to Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg and Rabbi William Rudolph. You are all extraordinary Jewish community leaders. Thank you for your outstanding service to our Jewish community, and may you go from strength to strength. ***Amy & Alan Meltzer***

Mazel Tov to Stuart, Sheldon, and Rabbi Rudolph! We appreciate all you do for the Jewish community in our area. Your efforts improve the lives of so many. Thank you for being such inspiring leaders. ***Mimi & Michael Kress***

With appreciation for the incredible work done by the JCRC during these unique times. Mazel Tov to all the honorees, especially Sheldon Grosberg for his leadership and care. ***From the Board, Clergy & Staff of Adat Shalom Reconstructionist Congregation***



Stu: Congratulations on this award and for all that you have done and are continuing to do for the Washington DC Jewish community, Israel, and the Jewish People. I'm proud to count you among my friends. **Lew Cohen**

Mazal Tov to CESJDS parent, Stuart Lessans, on his receipt of the Breslau-Goldman Award. CESJDS is proud of our partnership with JCRC, and recognizes all of tonight's honorees. We look forward to a bright Jewish future together. **Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School**

Thank you, Stuart, Sheldon, and Rabbi Rudolph, for your tireless efforts in supporting our community. Congratulations on this wonderful achievement as JCRC award winners! **Much love from JFGH!**

The Bender JCC's Board and Staff congratulate JCRC Award Winners Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg and Rabbi William Rudolph, in recognition of their long-standing commitment, leadership and support of our Greater Washington Jewish community.

Mazel tov to all the honorees and thank you for all you have done and continue to do.
Carol & Gary Berman

Congratulations and Hakarat HaTov to all three distinguished honorees – with a special word of appreciation to Sheldon Grosberg for our many years of collaboration together. Warmly, **Carey & Behnam Dayanim**

Congratulations to JCRC for another outstanding year. We are proud to support the important work you do in our community. **Leslie & Samuel Kaplan**

Gelman, Rosenberg & Freedman CPAs is proud to sponsor the JCRC Annual Gala. We support JCRC's mission to champion Jewish values while working with their neighbors to build a better world for us all.

The Jewish Council for the Aging joins in honoring JCA Past President Shel Grosberg and our friends Stuart Lessans and Rabbi William Rudolph. They inspire us, as does the JCRC!

To Michael Friedman, for all you have done for JCRC. Love, **Aunt Shelly & Uncle Tommy**

Stuart, Sheldon, and Rabbi Rudolph: Mazel tov on being awarded these well-deserved honors. Thank you for being leaders and for all you do for the Jewish Community.

Cindy & Rick Zitelman



JSSA honors the JCRC for its leadership and extraordinary commitment to the community. We also congratulate tonight's honorees: Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg, and Rabbi William Rudolph. ***Jewish Social Service Agency***

The Naomi and Nehemiah Cohen Foundation and the Greater Washington Forum on Israeli Arab Issues congratulates Rabbi Bill Rudolph for his leadership and commitment to educating the Washington Jewish community about Arab citizens of Israel.

The Jewish Federations of North America is pleased to help sponsor this annual gala. JCRC of Greater Washington is a community treasure. We look forward to partnering with Ron Halber and the JCRC's talented staff on many important future initiatives.

Mazel Tov to Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg and Rabbi William Rudolph for your outstanding contributions to the Jewish People. ***Margie & Ron Glancz***

Stuart - Congratulations on your leadership in the Jewish community and your support of a strong US-Israel relationship. ***Hilary Smith Kapner and your friends at AIPAC***

Bill, Mazel Tov on your well-deserved recognition by JCRC. Your leadership at Congregation Beth El and in the wider Jewish community has been inspirational and impactful. We are so proud to have you as our Rebbe. ***Kay Klass & Mark Levitt***

Best wishes in honor of our dear friends, Gala Chairs Leena and Erwin Groner. Fondly, ***Polly & Manny Miller***

Congratulations to Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg, and Rabbi William Rudolph. You are extraordinary Jewish community leaders. Thank you for your service, your devotion to the Jewish people, and may you go from strength to strength. ***Michelle & Ron Halber***

Stinson Leonard Street LLP is proud to support the vital community-building mission of the JCRC. Congratulations to Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg and Rabbi William Rudolph for their much-deserved recognition

The Board of the Garden of Remembrance would like to congratulate all of the honorees, and in particular GoR Executive Director Sheldon Grosberg, on the JCRC's recognition of their leadership, dedication and service to the community.

Charles E. Smith Life Communities congratulates the exemplary leaders being honored this evening, and the Jewish Community Relations Council for its exceptional work on behalf of the entire Washington Jewish community. ***Alan M. Freeman, Chair and Bruce J. Lederman, President/CEO***

Congratulations to this year's honorees, Dr. Stuart Lessans, Sheldon Grosberg and Rabbi William Rudolph, on receiving the JCRC's well-deserved awards. We are happy to support the JCRC's important and noble work and wish the JCRC and this year's honorees continued success. ***The Potomac Law Group***
Mazel Tov to all the wonderful honorees. ***Arlene Kaufman & Sandy Baklor***



To Michael Friedman, my hero. Love, *Laura*

Mazel Tov to our friend, Rabbi Bill Rudolph – thank you for your tireless devotion to the Washington community, the Jewish people and the State of Israel. With admiration,
Johanna Chanin & Randall Levitt

A hearty mazal tov to all of our honorees for this richly deserved recognition! Enormous thanks as well to our superb JCRC staff for your talent, dedication, and selfless teamwork. May you all continue to go from strength to strength! *Guila Franklin Siegel & Nathan Siegel*

Mazel Tov to Stu Lessans on receiving the Breslau-Goldman Award, Sheldon Grosberg on receiving the Community Leadership Award and Rabbi Bill Rudolph on receiving the Distinguished Service Award at this year's JCRC Gala. Thanks to each of you for your tireless commitment to our community. May you and JCRC go from strength to strength. *Yvonne & Jeff Distenfeld*