

DHFLA Today

Seeds of Hope III 2012 Virtual Gala

The Dallas Hebrew Free Loan Association (DHFLA) will proudly honor Miriam and Bruce Waltzer this year in our Seeds of Hope III Virtual Gala. Hurricane Katrina brought the Waltzers from New Orleans to Dallas in 2005. Together with their children and grandchildren, they were welcomed with open arms by our community, receiving loads of help to find housing, get clothing, and much more.



Miriam and Bruce Waltzer

After seven years Miriam and Bruce decided to return to New Orleans. They wanted to be closer to their children and grandchildren. Another hurricane, named Isaac, was there to greet them.

During their time in Dallas, the Waltzers sowed Seeds of Hope within our community. They were grateful for all our community did for them.

Miriam served two terms on the DHFLA Board of Directors, was active on the CSI board, in the CSI Sisterhood, Jewish Family Service, Hadassah, and the Florence Melton Adult School housed at the Aaron Family JCC. Bruce was active with the Dallas Historical Society, the JCRC, Hillel, and the Ann and Nate Levine Academy.

We invite you to be part of this gala honoring Miriam and Bruce. Instead of spending money on a dinner, this virtual gala allows all funds raised to directly fund interest-

free loans for members of our community. Loans are approved for general needs, home health care, adoption, higher education, and Jewish Youth experiences.

We are publishing a virtual tribute book giving you the opportunity to include your well wishes for the Waltzers. Please become a sponsor or include your well wishes.

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Sponsorships and tribute donations are fully deductible. For nearly 100 years, DHFLA has provide a “helping hand” instead of a handout through interest-free loans, an important service to the community, that helps build futures while maintaining the dignity of people in need.

Thank you for your previous support. The virtual tribute book with well wishes for the Waltzer’s will go live on the DHFLA website (www.DHFLA.org) in mid-January. To participate call 214-696-8008 or email dhfla@sbcglobal.net We hope to see you represented at our virtual gala.

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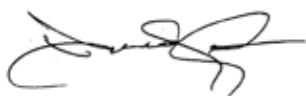
President's Letter

As I pass the torch to Louis Marx, I want to thank you, the members of the Dallas Hebrew Free Loan Association, for the opportunity to have served as your board president – a position that has meant a lot to me. When I first became involved with DHFLA, the idea of a “hand up not a hand out” hooked me, and the first loan interviews I witnessed brought tears to my eyes and instilled in me an even greater commitment to the organization's success.

I had the honor to serve on the board under the presidencies of Stanley Kaye, Ann Kahn, and Arthur Skibell, and I learned from each of them. During the past two years I've served as president, we've accomplished much, including being able to allow for significantly more loans to be made. I want to commend our board of directors for their support and input as we move forward to face the challenges of the future.

There is one person without whom my presidency simply would not have been possible: Deborah Dana, Agency Coordinator. When I was asked to be president of DHFLA, I requested to make one phone call before I gave my answer; that phone call was not to my wife, Jackie, it was to Deborah. I said, “Deborah, they've asked me to be president of DHFLA. I simply don't have the time; if I accept, will you do the work?” Deborah agreed, and I became president. Deborah has served DHFLA with 12 years of exemplary service, and I want to thank her for her commitment.

I also want to thank you, our members, for your continued support of DHFLA and our mission: to assist people of the Greater Dallas Jewish Community who are in need by providing interest free loans. Our world keeps getting more complicated and challenging, which translates into an ever increasing need for DHFLA loans. So it's imperative that we all continue our support of this superb organization through membership and donations. I appreciate all you do to make it possible for DHFLA to help fellow Jews in their time of need.



— Donald Gross

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Mark Lowey (left) and Jay Levine (right) presented a check on behalf of the Jewish Business Alliance (JBA) to Dallas Hebrew Free Loan Association's Vice President Dorothy Wolchansky (center). The presentation took place at Jewish Business Alliance's holiday luncheon on December 13th at Lawry's Restaurant.



JBA is an industry exclusive business to business networking group that seeks to promote business relationships with Jewish small business owners in the D/FW Metroplex. To learn more about the group go to their web page at <http://www.jbadallas.org/page1.php>

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