

Program

WELCOME

Florence Roffman

Chair, Women of Valor Awards Gala

INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Alon Y. Kapen

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Roya Hakakian

Founding member, Iran Human Rights Documentation Center;
Author, *Assassins of the Turquoise Palace*

DINNER

Women of Valor Award Presentations

V. Elaine Gross

PRESENTATION BY DEAN HOWARD A. GLICKSTEIN

Roya Hakakian

PRESENTATION BY SHARON HAKAKIAN BERGMAN

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Dr. Ruth Gruber

PRESENTATION BY KENNETH BANDLER

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2008

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2007

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V. Elaine Gross is founder and president of ERASE Racism, a not-for-profit organization, based in LI working to expose forms of racial discrimination and advocating for laws and policies that help eliminate racial disparities.



Ruth Gruber is a pioneering international foreign correspondent and humanitarian who emerged as the eyes and conscience of the world during and prior to World War II. Dr. Gruber, a noted author, will celebrate her 100th birthday at the Gala.



Roya Hakakian, Woman of Valor and Keynote Speaker is a founding member of the Iran Human Rights Documentation Center, serves on the board of Refugees International and is the noted author of *Assassins of the Turquoise Palace*



Bonnie Rechler is a Vice President of AJC LI and leader of many Long Island and national organizations including North Shore Child and Family Guidance Center, Friends of the Park Foundation, among many others. She is active in the Rechler Family Foundation supporting Technion Israel Institute of Technology.



Shirley Stier is a leader in the LI Jewish Community active in UJA, Sid Jacobson JCC, Hadassah, Old Westbury Hebrew Congregation, YPO/WPO, Mentoring Partnership of Long Island among other organizations. As an AJC LI board member, Shirley has been active on the International, Outreach and Israel Advocacy committees.

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