

# Impact

“The American Jewish Committee has become one of the world’s most influential organizations.”

Rupert Murdoch, Chairman and CEO, News Corporation

“AJC’s inspired devotion to the defense of human rights represents yet another dimension of its sacred work.”

Nobel Peace Laureate Elie Wiesel

“AJC does a wonderful job of building bridges of understanding.” Steven Spielberg

“AJC focuses on highlighting the stark danger posed by the current Iranian regime...”

Stuart Levey, U.S. Treasury Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence

“AJC is the most effective, most influential, and most respected of American Jewish organizations.”

Nicolas Sarkozy, President of France

**AJC:**

- Builds Bridges
- Advances Security
- Promotes Human Rights
- Supports Israel
- Strengthens Jewish Life

## GOVERNING STRUCTURE

### PRESIDENT

Richard J. Sideman

### CHAIR, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Mimi Alperin

### CHAIR, NATIONAL COUNCIL

Stanley Bergman

### CHAIR, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Michael Gould

### ASSOCIATE CHAIRS, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Harriet Hochman

Roy J. Zuckerberg

### CHAIR, POLICY AND PROGRAM

Julie Baskes

### CHAIR, ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Marvin Israelow

### CHAIR, PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Sherry Weinman

### TREASURER/SECRETARY

Lawrence Ramer

### ASSOCIATE TREASURER

Richard Berkman

### AT-LARGE OFFICERS

Harris L. Kempner, Jr.

Judah Kraushaar

Kenneth Levine

Karen Levy

John M. Shapiro

Stephen Joel Trachtenberg

### HONORARY PRESIDENTS

Howard I. Friedman

E. Robert Goodkind

Alfred H. Moses

Bruce M. Ramer

Robert S. Rifkind

Harold Tanner

Elmer L. Winter

Maynard I. Wishner

### VICE PRESIDENTS

Dottie Bennett

Milton Cooper

Lois Frank

Nicholas Lane

Daniel S. Och

Deborah Rosen

Debra Smith Saidoff

Richard Volpert

Steven Wisch

### HONORARY VICE PRESIDENTS

Roger Aaron

Rhoda Baruch

Robert A. Belfer

Shoshana S. Cardin

Stanley M. Chesley

Richard H. Davimos

Stuart E. Eizenstat

Edith Everett

Howard A. Gilbert

Elliott Goldstein

Jerome R. Goldstein

Brindell Gottlieb

Leonard Greenberg

Barbara Hirschhorn

Charlotte G. Holstein

Gershon Kekst

Walter Nathan

Morris W. Offit

Louis Perlmutter

Charles I. Petschek

Elaine Petschek

S. Stephen Selig III

Harold Shapiro

Carol Siegler

Morton Siegler

Shale D. Stiller

### CHAIR, PRESIDENT'S CABINET

Lester Crown

### CHAIR, NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Alfred H. Moses

### HONORARY CHAIRS, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Jack Lapin

Leo Nevas

### EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT EMERITUS

Bertram H. Gold

### COMMISSIONS

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES

Robert Elman, Chair

#### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Dov Zakheim, Chair

#### INTERRELIGIOUS AFFAIRS

David Rouso, Chair

#### CONTEMPORARY JEWISH LIFE

Cheryl Fishbein, Chair

#### DOMESTIC POLICY

Jerry H. Biederman, Chair

#### ENERGY COMMISSION

Henry Dubinsky, Chair

### COMMITTEES

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Jerry Biederman, Chair

#### NATIONAL LEGAL COMMITTEE

Carol Nelkin, Chair

#### EMERGING LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

René-Pierre Azria, Chair

#### SHOLOM D. COMAY FELLOWS

Richard Berkman, Chair

#### ADVOCACY TASK FORCE

Susan Abravanel, Chair

#### ACCESS NEW GENERATION

Judah Kraushaar, Chair

### WOMEN'S CAMPAIGN BOARD

Mindy Heyer, Chair

### GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Jane Silverman, Chair

### STRATEGIC POLICY GROUP

Peter Rosenblatt, Chair

### RUSSIAN JEWISH COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Daniel Igor Branovan,

Co-Chair

Cheryl Fishbein, Co-Chair

### INSTITUTES AND CENTERS ADVISORY BOARDS

#### JACOB BLAUSTEIN INSTITUTE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

E. Robert Goodkind, Chair

#### LATINO & LATIN AMERICAN INSTITUTE

Thomas Kahn, Chair

#### LAWRENCE & LEE RAMER CENTER FOR GERMAN-JEWISH RELATIONS

Lawrence J. Ramer, Chair

#### ASIA PACIFIC INSTITUTE

Gary Jacobs, Chair

#### PROJECT INTERCHANGE

Nanci Rands, Chair

#### UN WATCH

Alfred H. Moses, Chair

David A. Harris, Co-Chair

#### HARRIET AND ROBERT HEILBRUNN INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL INTERRELIGIOUS UNDERSTANDING

#### DOROTHY AND JULIUS KOPPELMAN INSTITUTE ON AMERICAN JEWISH-ISRAELI RELATIONS

Harold Shapiro, Chair

#### ARTHUR AND ROCHELLE BELFER CENTER FOR AMERICAN PLURALISM

Richard Volpert, Chair

#### WILLIAM PETSCHKE NATIONAL JEWISH FAMILY CENTER

#### TRANSATLANTIC INSTITUTE

Louis Perlmutter, Chair

#### AFRICA INSTITUTE AND DEVELOPING WORLD COUNCIL

Stanley Bergman, Chair

### ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

#### BUDGET

Richard Berkman, Chair

#### CAPITAL BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE

Henry Dubinsky, Chair

#### AUDIT

Barry Alperin, Chair

#### INVESTMENT

Lawrence Cohen, Chair

#### RETIREMENT PLAN

Harris L. Kempner, Jr., Chair

#### PLANNED GIVING

Beth Paradies, Chair

## PRESIDENT'S CABINET

S. Daniel Abraham

Jeffrey S. Berg

Eli Broad

Matthew Bucksbaum

James S. Crown

Barry Diller

Jack Farber

Leonard Feinstein

Paul Fireman

Joseph H. Flom

Stephen Friedman

David I. Fuente

Ronald J. Gidwitz

Jamie S. Gorelick

Michael Gould

Alan C. Greenberg

Jack M. Greenberg

Brian Greenspun

J. Ira Harris

King Harris

S. Roger Horchow

Frederick A. Klingenstein

Henry R. Kravis

Sherry Lansing

Leonard A. Lauder

Ralph Lauren

Martin Lipton

Frank Lowy

Bernard Marcus

Heidi Miller

Joseph Neubauer

Morris W. Offit

Ronald O. Perelman

Abe Pollin

Albert B. Ratner

Stephen Robert

Felix G. Rohatyn

Henry Samueli

Marc J. Shapiro

Muriel Siebert

Sheldon H. Solow

Jerry Speyer

Steven Spielberg

Louis B. Susman

Burton M. Tansky

A. Alfred Taubman

Morry Weiss

Leslie H. Wexner

## AJC Mission

To safeguard the welfare and security of Jews.

To strengthen the basic principles of democracy and pluralism around the world.

To enhance the quality of American Jewish life.

To deepen ties between American and Israeli Jews.

### Contents

|                                                |    |
|------------------------------------------------|----|
| From our President and Executive Director      | 2  |
| Promoting Democratic Values and Mutual Respect | 4  |
| Enhancing Jewish Security and Well-Being       | 8  |
| Getting the Message Out in Multiple Media      | 12 |
| Honoring Civic Concern                         | 14 |
| Board of Governors                             | 16 |
| Horizon Society                                | 17 |
| National Leadership Council                    | 18 |
| Financial Reports                              | 20 |
| AJC Staff                                      | 22 |
| In Praise of a Friend                          | 24 |

# From our President and Executive Director



**AJC Executive Director David A. Harris** (r.) presents AJC's Light Unto the Nations Award to **French President Nicolas Sarkozy**.

In times like these, we all consider the *personal* effects of economic downturn. Our families, businesses, and organizations must find ways to adjust. But, of course, a global economic shift can also bring with it perilous effects of a *political* nature. Pushing back against this possibility is now central to our agenda at AJC.

Yes, even as we pare down wherever possible (including the size of this Annual Report), we are determined to redouble our work in the global arena.

We will ceaselessly champion the tolerance, mutual respect, and human liberty that democracy demands. And we will likewise stand up for Jewish communities everywhere and for the people and State of Israel.

At this moment, our task at AJC includes working to preemptively defeat those hungry to take advantage of crisis. Those yearning to peddle bigotry and hatred. Those eager to blame imaginary enemies—chief among them, Israel and the Jews.

As a leading global Jewish organization, AJC plays a unique and vital role in the battle for public opinion.

In this interconnected age, we get our message out on a global scale. In addition to our headquarters in New York, our twenty-



**AJC President Richard J. Sideman** with **Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Admiral Mike Mullen** at AJC's 2008 Annual Meeting.

eight U.S. offices, our independent affiliates, and our twenty-eight international partnerships, we maintain full-time offices in the world's key diplomatic hubs.

Just as our global presence is simply unparalleled, so is the degree of access we enjoy at the highest levels.

Why are doors open for us? What gives us the ability to forge partnerships with leaders like those pictured on these pages?

Above all, it's the credibility we've earned that explains our ability to be heard. It also explains, to be sure, French president Nicolas Sarkozy's describing us as "the most effective, most influential, and most respected of American Jewish organizations."

As you read this Annual Report, we hope you'll keep in mind this concept of credibility—and the trust, shared values, and bonds of friendship it implies. It is the key to the selected accomplishments, among many, you'll read about in the pages that follow.

And it is the key as well to this organization's bond with its 175,000 members and supporters. Certainly, that bond, more than anything, is what empowers AJC and makes possible our work across America and around the world.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Sideman  
President

David A. Harris  
Executive Director

# Promoting Democratic Values and Mutual Respect

## Impact

At both the Republican and Democratic national conventions, political and civic leaders participated in AJC conferences on strengthening intergroup relations.

AJC's Jacob Blaustein Institute for the Advancement of Human Rights, in New York, and UN Watch, in Geneva, battled to stop Durban II from turning into an anti-Israel hatefest.

**U.S.-India Agreement** It was an eight-year effort involving many parties. And it ended in an historic agreement between America and India. The 2008 U.S.-India Civil Nuclear Cooperation Act means increased partnership between these two democratic powerhouses—not only on nuclear issues, but also on promoting energy security and combating the terrorist threat. For years, AJC, working with Indian-American allies, played a leadership role in advocating passage of the deal. And we were present in force when it was finally signed. “AJC has done so much to help build friendship between India and America,” declared Anand Sharma, Indian minister of state for external affairs, and a key proponent of the agreement.

Thirty-two Mexican-American leaders from sixteen states gathered for a three-day intergroup workshop conducted by our Latino and Latin American Institute.

Over one hundred political, religious, and civic leaders attended a conference, conducted by our Washington Chapter, exploring Jewish and Lutheran relations and views of Israel.

Democracy is not merely a system of government, but a definite vision of society. And it is a vision with committed opponents and sworn enemies all over the world. On the international, national, state, and local levels, AJC works to promote the human liberty and intergroup respect that set democracy apart. We speak out forcefully, bring people and groups together, and take a strong stand everywhere for the abiding values of humanity.

At a community breakfast organized by our Long Island Chapter, **Suffolk County Executive Steve Levy** speaks about the killing of immigrant Marcello Lucero. **Nassau County Executive Thomas R. Suozzi** also addressed the gathering.



**Rallying Against Hate** A teen gang in Patchogue, Long Island, decided to “get some Mexicans.” So they senselessly murdered Ecuadorian immigrant Marcello Lucero. Two days later, our Long Island Chapter, along with a Latino group, took action. They put together the first public response: a large rally addressed by twenty elected officials and community leaders. The chapter has been working tirelessly to heal the wounds, unite the community, and promote civil discourse on the subject of immigration. “The rally sent a loud and clear message about mutual respect,” said Galen Kirkland, commissioner of the New York State Division of Human Rights. “AJC is a potent, deeply appreciated voice for human rights on Long Island.”

**Anniversary in Berlin** At the tenth anniversary celebration of the opening of AJC's Berlin Office, German interior minister Wolfgang Schäuble praised AJC's forward thinking. He cited our decision to open an office in Berlin in 1998, before the federal government moved from Bonn. He also discussed AJC's Hands Across the Campus prejudice-reduction initiative, now under way at eighteen Berlin and Brandenburg public schools, and the AJC-Adenauer Foundation exchange program that connects Jewish leaders to Germany and German leaders to American Jewry. Another AJC exchange program connects young German military officers to America and American Jewish concerns. "We consider our warm friendship with AJC—including our annual visits to AJC's New York headquarters—to be immensely important," said Major General Robert Bergmann, commander of Germany's Staff and Command College.



During a young leadership mission to Germany, AJC ACCESS members joined in a Kristallnacht commemoration at Berlin's Rilke Street synagogue. German Chancellor Angela Merkel, front, addressed the gathering.

**Preparing Europe's Police** In the largest gathering of its kind, senior police officers from more than thirty nations recently traveled to London for a series of intensive training sessions. The subject: preventing hate crimes and understanding intergroup dynamics. The fifty-five-member-nation Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) founded the program in 2004. Since then, thousands of senior officers have taken part. Paul Goldenberg, who also serves as AJC's consultant on international law enforcement, directs all the training. In fact, it was Goldenberg, along with other AJC professionals, who pioneered the idea and helped OSCE launch the effort. "We couldn't have done it without AJC's nonstop involvement," said Jo-Ann Bishop, the OSCE official in charge of the program.



An AJC-pioneered intergroup relations and hate crimes training program in London drew senior police officers from more than thirty nations.

**Immigration Reform** "What's called for is comprehensive immigration reform," wrote AJC Arizona Chapter director Maynard Bell in a recent *Arizona Republic* op-ed. "Meanwhile, an attitude of 'us against them' will never help." Bell's views reflect AJC's. And his chapter's work on immigration is part of an ongoing national AJC campaign. Our goal: to encourage an approach that protects human dignity, upholds the rule of law, and preserves America's national security. "I applaud AJC's balanced thinking—and its extensive advocacy efforts—on the issue of immigration reform," said Tamar Jacoby, senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute and immigration policy expert.



**Placed where it counts:** AJC staff leaders serve in top posts around the world. Our **Director of International Jewish Affairs, Rabbi Andrew Baker**, for instance, was appointed Personal Representative for Combating Anti-Semitism of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe. **The head of our Blaustein Institute for Human Rights, Felice Gaer**, chairs the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom. And our **International Director of Interreligious Affairs, Rabbi David Rosen**, chairs the International Jewish Committee on Interreligious Consultations. (Pictured top to bottom.)

**Jewish-Latino Relations** "Pentecostalism may surpass the movie business as Los Angeles's most influential export," suggested the *Los Angeles Times*. Indeed the explosive growth of Pentecostalism—its Latino variety, in particular—caught the attention of our Los Angeles Chapter. An Associated Press article told part of the story: "They [AJC] took a group of Pentecostal Hispanic pastors to Israel, offered a course called 'The Essence of Judaism' at Southern California Pentecostal Seminary, and invited Hispanic pastors and their families to Passover Seders and Sukkot harvest celebrations." "AJC's course on Judaism and its groundbreaking interreligious outreach to the Latino Evangelical laity in Los Angeles have monumentally impacted relations between our two previously disengaged cultures and religions," declared Dr. Manuel Tijerino, president of L.A.'s Latin University of Theology, an institution with extensions in Latin America, Europe, and Africa.

# Enhancing Jewish Security and Well-Being

## Impact

AJC delegations traveled around the world to advance our views, meeting with, among many other officials, the heads of state of Argentina, Egypt, Germany, Mexico, and Ukraine.

Our Paris office played a major role in ensuring French sanctions against Iran and advocating French efforts to encourage expanded EU measures.

**Solidarity Mission** While Israel battled Hamas, an AJC solidarity mission visited towns within rocket range of Gaza. The group met with Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni and senior defense officials, among others. “Imagine being a parent constantly in fear for your children’s safety. For some Israeli children, it’s the only life they’ve ever known,” said AJC Executive Director David A. Harris in a CBS radio message. The commentary was recorded during the mission and heard by tens of millions of Americans. While the group was in Ashkelon, a code red alert sounded as a missile struck a house nearby. At Ashkelon’s Barzilai Hospital, the group visited the injured, both Israeli and Palestinian. AJC granted \$25,000 to the hospital for emergency room equipment. AJC also granted \$25,000 to the Sha’ar Hanegev Regional Council for transporting the elderly and disabled to bomb shelters. AJC previously equipped Sha’ar Hanegev, near the Gaza border, with a secure communications center.

After the Mumbai terror attacks, we cosponsored a trip to India by a team of Israeli trauma experts and advised Chabad on strengthening its international security.

Our Promoting Tolerance program, for the sixteenth year, hosted leaders from Central and Eastern Europe for a nine-day educational journey through America.

AJC fights on a global scale against the forces of extremism and hatred. Around the world, we’re forging vital partnerships and building effective coalitions.

We work to win friends for Israel and to ensure the security and well-being of Jewish communities everywhere.

At AJC, we’re striving to build the kind of safe and secure world that we all hope to see—for ourselves, for our children, and for the generations to come.

AJC members visit a wounded Israeli soldier during an AJC Solidarity Mission to Israel. **Buzz Warren, Executive Committee Member of our New Jersey Chapter**, extends his hand as **Maxim Behar, a leader of the Bulgarian Jewish community and an AJC partner**, looks on.



**Iran's Nuclear Threat** Iranian president Mahmoud Ahmadinejad calls for Israel's destruction and sponsors terrorist groups. Now he wants a nuclear arsenal. AJC has mobilized all our resources to help ensure he doesn't get one. Nonstop global outreach, a relentless media campaign, testimony before Congress, and publications exposing Iran's intentions are all part of our effort. Who does Ahmadinejad fear most? Perhaps it's Stuart Levey, under secretary for terrorism and financial intelligence at the U.S. Treasury Department. His international campaign for sanctions on Iran's banking and finance industries has hit the country hard. Says Levey: "I am grateful for AJC's focus on highlighting the stark danger posed by the current Iranian regime's support for terrorism and pursuit of a nuclear and missile program."

▲  
U.S. Treasury Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence Stuart Levey (r.) and AJC Executive Director David A. Harris after an AJC meeting on halting Iran's nuclear ambitions.



**Technologies Park in Beersheva** Ben-Gurion University, the city of Beersheva, and KUD International, a leading California-based construction company, recently came to an agreement on the development of a \$250 million technologies park. The project is expected to transform Israel's struggling Negev region. How did it happen? Quite simply, Robert Peckar, a New Jersey construction attorney and board member of AJC's Project Interchange, reached out to his friend. He invited KUD CEO Marvin Suomi to take part in a Project Interchange trip to Israel for construction executives. "There's no question that the trip is the link—the only link—to what we've initiated in Beersheva," said Suomi.

**Bringing young Jews into the world of Jewish public affairs**—that's the mission of ACCESS: AJC's New Generation Program. ACCESS members engage U.S. policy-makers and opinion leaders around the world and participate in a range of programs connected to the AJC agenda. We maintain ACCESS chapters in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Colorado, Los Angeles, Miami, New York City, San Francisco, and Washington, D.C.



**AJC and Energy Security** "What would happen if you put together T. Boone Pickens, the green billionaire Texas oilman now obsessed with wind power, and Shai Agassi, the Jewish Henry Ford now obsessed with making Israel the world's leader in electric cars?" asked *New York Times* columnist Thomas Friedman. His answer: "You'd have the start of an energy revolution." But how to move forward? Agassi recently explained: "While we in private enterprise are able to bring one element to the table, we rely on public advocacy to put the right policies in place." Declared Agassi: "AJC has been a pioneering and dynamic force in energy advocacy." In 2008, AJC pressed ahead with our decades-long energy security campaign. We were named a "Green Power Leader" by the Environmental Protection Agency and an "Energy Hero" by the Set America Free Coalition. In addition, we launched Project New Car, an AJC initiative promoting high-mileage, flex-fuel, and plug-in cars.

▲  
"Green" entrepreneur and Project Better Place CEO Shai Agassi participated in a recent AJC forum on ending America's addiction to foreign oil.



**A Marathon of Diplomacy** Every year, during the fall session of the UN General Assembly, AJC conducts a "diplomatic marathon" in New York. This year, Iran's nuclear ambitions topped our agenda. As usual, however, we addressed a range of issues at the separate meetings with leaders from more than seventy nations. Swiss foreign minister Micheline Calmy-Rey, for instance, assured us her country would make every effort to see that the 2009 UN Durban Review Conference, to be held in Geneva, remained a dignified event. And Senegal's president, Abdoulaye Wade, responded positively to our request that he break new ground. We asked that he seek Jewish participation at a major interreligious gathering to be held in Dakar, Senegal's capital city. At one of several subsequent meetings with President Wade, who heads the Organization of the Islamic Conference, he invited our Africa Institute to assist in organizing the upcoming event.

# Getting the Message Out in Multiple Media

## Selected Publications

2008 American Jewish Year Book

African American-Jewish Relations: An AJC History

The American Jewish Experience through the Lens of Cinema: Film History as Haggada

Wide Horizons: Abraham Joshua Heschel, AJC, and Nostra Aetate

Post-Zionist Israeli Historians

Palestinian Textbooks: From Arafat to Abbas and Hamas

The Arab Minority in Israel: An Analysis of the "Future Vision" Documents

AJC and Israel at Sixty

Israel at 60: The Road to Independence

Year of the Triphammer: AJC in 1968

A Primer on the American Jewish Community (Third Edition)

Iranian Leaders Speak

AJC in the Courts 2008

The Durban Diaries

Latino-Jewish Relations: An AJC History

**aslalyahud.org**, an Arabic-language AJC website, builds bridges of understanding by providing information on Jews, Judaism, and Jewish culture.

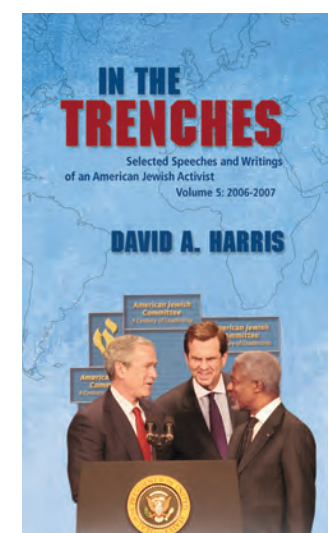


Every day, AJC enters into the white-hot battle for public opinion. Our efforts involve diplomatic outreach across America and around the world. They also include publications, op-eds, letters to the editor, websites, advocacy ads, and video and radio commentaries.

In fact, our weekly radio commentaries, by AJC executive director David A. Harris, reach more than 35 million listeners on the CBS radio network. In addition, Harris's hard-hitting blog at the *Jerusalem Post* reaches an extensive international audience.

**"A Dear Friend of Israel"** *In the Trenches, Volume 5* gathers together AJC executive director David A.

Harris's most recent speeches, opinion pieces, and radio messages. The book has won wide praise. Harris is "a dear friend of the State of Israel and the Jewish people," remarked Israeli Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni. He's "the most thoughtful and intelligent thinker and writer about the Jewish community and its participation in the universal quest for human rights," declared Mortimer Zuckerman, editor-in-chief and publisher of *U.S. News and World Report*.



**The most serious threats to Jewish identity and existence**—this and other vital topics, including the "cultural sensitivities" that give a pass to human rights violators—are examined in the newest edition of *In the Trenches*.



AJC presented its International Human Relations Award to Laurence Graff, Chairman and Founder, Graff Diamonds International Ltd. L to r: Eli Broad, former CEO, Sun America; Mrs. Anne Marie Graff; Laurence Graff; Peter M. Brant, Chairman and CEO, White Birch Paper Company; David Koch, Executive Vice President, Koch Industries, Inc.



Our San Francisco Chapter paid tribute to Richard Blum, Chairman and CEO of Blum Capital Partners, L.P., at its Distinguished Civic Leadership Award Dinner. L to r: AJC President Richard J. Sideman; Richard Blum; former U.S. Secretary of State George P. Shultz.



Members of our Chicago Chapter's Campaign Cabinet attended the Chapter's National Leadership Council Bank Luncheon. L to r: Laurence Geller, President, Chief Executive Officer, Director and Founder of Strategic Hotel Capital, L.L.C.; James H.M. Sprayregen, Partner, Kirkland & Ellis LLP; Norman J. Ornstein, Resident Scholar, American Enterprise Institute; Jack S. Levin, Partner, Kirkland & Ellis LLP; Ronald Gidwitz, Partner, GCG Partners.



At our Wall Street Reception, AJC honored Bennett Goodman, Senior Managing Partner of GSO Capital Partners. L to r: Alan C. Greenberg, Vice Chairman Emeritus, Bear Stearns, a division of J.P. Morgan; Daniel S. Och, Senior Managing Member, Och-Ziff Capital Management Group; Bennett Goodman; Harold Tanner, President, Tanner & Co., and AJC Honorary President.

## Honoring Civic Concern

Leaders from business, law, entertainment, and other fields serve as pillars of support for AJC's projects and programs. On these pages are photos of some of the extraordinary people whose generosity and involvement have made a difference.



"AJC fights with great effectiveness for the values I believe in. I'm talking about international cooperation, intergroup respect, and human dignity for all."

Michael Gould, Chairman and CEO, Bloomingdale's, and Chairman, AJC Board of Trustees



Our Herbert H. Lehman Human Relations Award was presented to Paul S. Levy, Founder and Senior Managing Director, JLL Partners LP. L to r: John M. Shapiro, Managing Director and Co-Founder, Chieftain Capital Management, Inc., and AJC At-Large Officer; Paul S. Levy; Michael F. Price, MLP Investors LLC; Alan C. Greenberg, Vice Chairman Emeritus, Bear Stearns, a division of J.P. Morgan.



Our Seattle Chapter presented its Distinguished Leadership Award to Deborah Rosen, former Chapter Board President and a member of AJC's National Board of Governors. L to r: event co-chairs Deborah Jacobs and Yaffa Maritz; Rabbi David Rosen, AJC's International Director of Interreligious Affairs; Deborah Rosen; event co-chair Ann Ramsay-Jenkins.



At our Learned Hand Award Dinner, AJC honored Daniel A. Neff, Co-Chairman of the Executive Committee and Partner, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz. L to r: Charles "Casey" Cogut, global head of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP's Mergers & Acquisitions Group; Roger S. Aaron, Managing Partner, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom; Bernard W. Nussbaum, Partner, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz; Martin Lipton, Founding Partner, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz; Daniel A. Neff; Laurence Summers, Director of the National Economic Council.



Fashion industry leaders joined AJC to honor Oscar Feldenkreis, Vice Chairman, President and COO, Perry Ellis International, and Jane Elfers, President and CEO, Lord & Taylor. L to r: Oscar Feldenkreis; Jane Elfers; Michael Gould, Chairman and CEO, Bloomingdale's, and Chairman, AJC Board of Trustees.

Roger S. Aaron  
Bernard Abrams  
Susan Abravanel  
Stanford M. Adelstein  
Barry Alperin  
Mimi Alperin  
Honey Kessler Amado  
Mark Atkins  
Alexandre Attal  
René-Pierre Azria  
Henry Bamberger  
David Barish  
Rhoda Baruch  
Roberta Baruch  
Julie Baskes  
Martin F. Beck  
Janine Behrman  
Stephen Beiner  
Robert A. Belfer  
Dottie Bennett  
Paula Bennett  
Marion Bergman  
Stanley M. Bergman  
Richard L. Berkman

Robert Elman  
Edith B. Everett  
Steve Fadem  
Jack Farber  
Joseph Farcus  
Stephen L. Feinberg  
Jo Renee Fine  
Cheryl Fishbein  
Sam Fishman  
Martine Fleishman  
Lois Frank  
Gerald Franks  
Lawrence J. Freundlich  
Beatrice Friedman  
Howard I. Friedman  
Bonnie Fuller  
Beth Furman  
David Garfinkle  
Norman Gelman  
Howard A. Gilbert  
Lawrence D. Ginsburg  
Bertram H. Gold  
Billie Gold  
Alex Goldin

Susan O. W. Jaffe  
Suzanne Denbo Jaffe  
Arthur Jaspan  
Tom Kahn  
Martin S. Kaplan  
Dawn Kapner  
Arthur Karafin  
Judi Kaufman  
Manette D. Kaufmann  
William Kaye  
Gershon Kekst  
Harris L. Kempner, Jr.  
Bernita King  
Philip Kirsh  
Dr. Samuel Klagsbrun  
Benedict M. Kohl  
Daniel Kohl  
Martin Krall  
Judah Kraushaar  
Jimmy Kuhn  
Marjorie Kuhn  
Stephen Kurzman  
Donald Landis  
Nicholas Lane

M. Richard Meyers  
Edward J. Miller  
James Miller  
Lee Miller  
Barbara Mines  
Linda Mirels  
Joel Mogy  
Belinda Morris  
Alfred H. Moses  
Walter Nathan  
Carol Nelkin  
Lawrence Neubauer  
Leo Nevas  
Herbert L. Newmark  
Robert Newmark  
Daniel Och  
Morris W. Offit  
Ellen Palestrant  
Beth Paradies  
Harry Paul  
David Pedowitz  
Barbara Perlmutter  
Louis Perlmutter  
Charles I. Petschek

Harold Shapiro  
John M. Shapiro  
Lawrence Shelley  
Henry Sherman  
Jerome J. Shestack  
Richard J. Sideman  
Tobyanne Sidman  
William D. Siegel  
Carol Siegler  
Morton Siegler  
Jane Silverman  
Donald Simon  
Les Simon  
Ken Smith  
Richard Sokolov  
Daniel J. Spiegel  
David F. Squire  
Sylvia Steiner  
Alfred Stern  
Shale D. Stillier  
Marion Stoltz-Loike  
Jeffrey Stone  
Harold Tanner  
Stephen Trachtenberg

David Abel  
Bernard Abrams  
Harold E. Abrams  
Roy Adams  
Stanford M. Adelstein  
Norman\* and Adele Agin  
James R. Alexander  
Mimi Alperin  
Michael Altenberg  
and Libby Bortz  
Judy Altenberg  
Evelyn and Walter Averick  
Maurice Axelrad  
Michael and Jo Anne Bander  
Selma and Stanley Baron  
James S. Baumann  
Susan Baumann  
James S. Bay  
Leonard Bechick  
Lorraine and Martin F. Beck  
Judith and Stephen Beiner  
Ruth and Norman Beitner  
Robert A. Belfer  
Joseph Beneza\*  
Dottie A. Bennett  
Kathy and Jerry Berenstein  
Steven N. Berger  
Bernice D. Berkenfield  
Eliot S. Berkley  
Bernard S. Berkowitz and  
Rita S. Berkowitz

Mrs. Robert T. Cutler  
Betty Dasteel  
Richard H. Davimos  
Roslyn and Norman Denard  
Samuel Dove  
Patricia and Eugene DuBow  
Alan Dworkin  
Ruth Ebel  
Philip and Rita Edlin  
Sylvia and Robert Elman  
Jacob Epstein  
Norman L. Epstein\*  
Howard S. Farmer  
Eugene Feldman  
Jerry K. Fields  
Mr. and Mrs. Jules Fields  
Ruth G. Finn  
Judith Forman  
Albert Franco  
John J. Frank, Jr.  
Lois and Larry Frank  
Gerald E. Franks  
Amy and Lawrence J. Freundlich  
Anita and Richard L. Fricklas  
Elise K. Friedman  
Howard I. Friedman  
Victor S. Friedman  
Gloria and Geoff Frisch  
Arnold B. Gardner  
Ethel Gardner  
David Gavrin  
Esther and Norman Gelman  
Jim G. Germer  
Edward Gerson  
Ann and Frank Gilbert  
Howard A. Gilbert  
Lawrence D. Ginsburg  
Buff Given  
Bob and Lesley Glasgow  
Ellen S. Glazer  
David G. Glickman  
Marvin Glyder  
Adolph Goetz\*  
Bernard E. Goldberg  
Roz Goldberg  
Barbara Goldenberg  
Joan Golder  
Peyrets E. Goldmacher  
Heartha Goldschmidt\*  
Donald F. Goldsmith  
Michael A. Goldstein  
Nancy Goldstein-Levine  
Leila and Michael Gompertz  
E. Robert Goodkind  
Eugene and Madeline Goodwin  
Esther Z. Gordon  
Barbara Gottlieb  
Ellen Grabois  
Martin A. Gradman  
Arthur N. and Audrey Greenberg  
Howard L. Greenberger  
Dr. Oscar and Mrs. Rita Greene  
Sally and Robert D. Gries  
Miriam Groman  
Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gross  
Leonard E. Grossman  
Marshall B. Grossman  
Cy Gruberg  
Virginia S. Grumbach  
Monroe Guttman\*  
Leonard and Fleur Harlan  
David A. Harris  
Nelly Harris  
Leonard C. Harrison\*  
Dr. and Mrs. Alex Harvey  
Gerry Haspel  
Harriet Hausman  
Jean N. Heller  
Frances A. Hess  
Barbara and Robert T. Hexter  
Harvey and Terry Hieken  
Barbara Hirschhorn  
Selma G. Hirsh  
Alvin Hochberg  
William I. Hochberg

Arline H. Hoenigsberg  
Bee Hoffman  
Gene R. Hoffman  
Charlotte and Alexander Holstein  
Kathleen Horan  
Deborah G. Horwitz  
Mel Howard\*  
Joseph Ingber  
David W. Inlander  
Gayle and Robert Jacobs  
Gary Jacobson  
Eleanor Judd, Ph.D.  
Charles Kahn, Jr.  
Gale and Ron Kahn  
Aaron Kaplan  
Karen and Michael Kaplan  
Bobbi and Arthur S. Karafin  
Leslie S. Karpas  
Joan Kasner  
Jerome Katzman  
Judi and Roy Kaufman  
Manette D. Kaufmann  
Frances V. Kehrer  
Anne Kelemen  
Martin Kellner  
Jaime Kelstein  
Mr. and Mrs. Harris L. Kempner, Jr.  
Sharon Kesselman  
Rae Klasson  
Clive Klatzkin  
Miriam and Joseph Klein  
Roberta and Mel Klein  
Marion Kleinkramer  
Sandra Kloner  
Linda and Benedict M. Kohl  
Elizabeth and Edward F. Kornblith  
Margaret S. Kramer  
David Kremen  
Joan R. Kremler  
Ernest R. Kretzmer  
Shirley Krohn  
Jeff Kroll  
Lynn Korda Kroll  
Stephen Kurzman  
Nicholas D. Lane  
Nancy Lang  
Susan and Jack Lapin  
Seymour J. Lapporte  
Harold S. Larkin  
Eleanor S. Lazarus\*  
Nancy Leeds  
Irene Leff  
Solomon L. Leftin  
Kenneth Leventhal  
Herbert M. Levetown  
Lawrence L. Levin  
Dorothy and Irving B. Levine  
Jonathan and Abbey Levine  
Patty and Stanley Levine  
Stanley and Tochia Levine  
Sol Levites  
Clarice Levy  
J. David Levy  
Leon L. Levy  
Mont S. Levy  
Sally S. Levy  
Dr. Eva F. Lichtenberg  
Allan Lieberman  
Josephine and Harry Liebhaber  
Myra Lieblisch  
Jack C. Lipsey  
Stephen Loeb  
Kurt Loebel  
Eleanor S. Loewenstein  
William S. Louchheim, Jr.  
Rita and William G. Loventhal  
Marjorie G. Lubin  
Dolly Maass  
Howard Mager  
Ronald and Joy Mankoff  
Roger L. Manshel  
Fred and Susan Mardell  
Judith Markstein  
Jonathan and Maxine Marshall

Matthew Martin  
Albert Mass  
Phyllis and Bertram Massing  
Shirley Matkoff  
Norman S. Matthews  
Miriam and David Mendell\*  
Ora and Joseph Mendels  
Ann Meranus  
Ray Merenstein and  
Ilana Steinberg  
Louis Milender\*  
Eric Miller  
Miriam T. Miller  
Ruth Miller  
Scott Miller  
Aaron Milner  
Barbara Mines  
Joel R. Mogy  
Theodore Morse  
Alfred H. Moses  
Ron Moses  
Hon. Judith Moss  
Mrs. Estelle Nadler  
Ann and Walter Nathan  
Lester Nelson  
Leo Nevas  
Dr. Kenneth J. and  
Mrs. Susan W. Newmark  
Daniel H. Ninburg  
Margaret Norden  
Martin Oppenheimer  
Bonnie M. Orkow  
Beth H. Paradies  
David H. Peirez  
Robert L. Pelz  
Frederick H. Pelzman  
Oscar Peretz  
Martin Perlberger  
Raymond Steven Perry  
Ed Peters  
Robin Ann Phillips  
Ted Pincus  
Jeffrey Poppel  
Morton and Sandra Porwick  
Revella Price  
Eleanor Rabb  
Gary Rabiner  
Bruce M. Ramer  
Lee and Lawrence J. Ramer  
Jack Rappoport  
Gale and William Rattner  
Fred Rawicz  
Allan J. Reich  
Regina Reichman  
Gerald Richman  
Stacey Riddell  
Reni Roberts  
Mary E. Robinson  
Clyde Rodbell  
Beatrice and Milton Rohde  
Charles Rojer  
Aaron M. Rose  
Leonard S. Rosen  
Cal B. Rosenbaum  
Richard Rosenberg  
Robert Rosenberg  
Shirley Rosenberg  
Mr. and Mrs. Peter R. Rosenblatt  
Albert Whiter  
Charlotte and David Rosensweig  
Mildred and Robert H. Rosenthal  
Mrs. Newton Rosenzweig  
Eve Rosove  
Sharon R. Roth  
Lori and David Rousso  
Arnold B. Rubenstein  
Elaine Rubenstein  
Norman Rubin  
Lanny Rubin  
David and Barbara Rubin  
Norman Rubinstein  
Marjorie and Bernard Sagman  
Hyman L. Sall  
Roy G. Saltman  
Seymour Samet  
Benjamin Samuels and  
Marci Rosenberg

Livia and Leo Schenker  
Jerry Schindelheim  
Nathaniel L. Schmelzer  
Charles I. Schneider  
Gustav Schonfeld  
Victoria E. Schonfeld  
Marilyn and B. Robert\* Schwartz  
Arthur Seigel  
Regina Seltzer  
David Seserman  
Robert M. Shack  
Harold Shames  
Hon. Walter Shapero  
Lawrence A. Sherman  
Michelle Greenberg Sholkoff  
Sanford Milner  
Kendra Z. Shore  
Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Sideman  
Colette and William D. Siegel  
Joan Siegel  
Carol and Morton A. Siegler  
Jane Silverman  
Abraham Simcovitz\*  
Donald Simon  
Elaine and Sidney Simon  
Julie Simon  
Kenneth D. Simon  
Ruth and Leslie Simon  
Selma Sloane  
Mary Ann and Stanley Snider  
in memory of Herbert T. Mines  
Emily Soloff  
Mr. and Mrs. O. David Solomon  
Abraham Somach  
Robert Spiegel  
David F. Squire  
Carol Stahl  
Dr. and Mrs. Alvin Star  
Steven M. Stark  
Olga\* and William Stark  
Paul E. Steen  
Morris Stein  
Claire and Jacob Steinberg  
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Steinberg  
Charles Stendig  
Alfred P. and Susan Stern  
Amy and Howard B. Stern  
Frances and Ralph Stern  
Walter P. Stern  
Bernard Stolbun  
Adelaide Suplin  
Steven L. Swig  
Janet F. Szabad  
Naomi Tamerin  
Nicki and Harold Tanner  
Stuart K. Taussig  
Charles H. Tobias, Jr.\*  
Jerry and Felice Traktman  
Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Traum  
Dorothy Vogel  
Marcia and Dick Volpert  
Margie Warren  
and Dr. Leonard Warren  
Ronald G. Weiner  
Baret Weinstein  
Stephen and Sherri Weinstein  
Margaret E. Weinstock  
Robert P. Weisberger  
Fred Weisman  
Albert Whiter  
Jerry Williams  
Steven Windmueller  
Elaine and Maynard I. Wishner  
Iris Witkowsky  
Rick Wolf  
Donald Yale  
Martin and Sylvia Yohalem  
Elihu York  
Allan J. Zachariah  
Thelma Zackin  
Paul M. Zatulove  
Ruth and Sidney Zilber  
Arthur B. Zimmerman  
Stanley Zimmerman  
Herbert Zuckerman  
Anonymous (6)  
\*deceased

# Board of Governors

**AJC National Director  
of Development  
Jaime Kelstein (l.)  
with Rupert Murdoch,  
Chairman and Chief  
Executive Officer, News  
Corporation.**



# Horizon Society

AJC gratefully acknowledges the foresight of those supporters who include AJC in their estate planning. Our Horizon Society was established to recognize these friends.

Jerry H. Biederman  
Gail Binderman  
Hyman Bookbinder  
Daniel Igor Branovan  
Martin I. Bresler  
Marcia Burnam  
Bernard Cantor  
Shoshana S. Cardin  
Stanley M. Chesley  
Matt Coen  
Charles Cogut  
David Cohen  
Gary Cohen  
Larry Cohen  
Sidney Cole  
Michael Coles  
Estelle Comay  
Milton Cooper  
Herbert Corbin  
Betty Cotton  
Richard H. Davimos  
Michael M. Davis  
Sidney Dickstein  
Alisa Robbins Doctoroff  
Andrew Doctoroff  
Ned Dubilo  
Stephen V. Dubin  
Henry Dubinsky  
Moshe Dunie  
Stuart E. Eizenstat

Dorian Goldman  
Clifford Goldstein  
Elliott Goldstein  
Jerome R. Goldstein  
Todd Goodglick  
E. Robert Goodkind  
Brindell Gottlieb  
Michael Gould  
Carol Gown  
Eugene M. Grant  
Leonard Greenberg  
Robert D. Gries  
Leonard E. Grossman  
Marshall Grossman  
Gloria Haffer  
Raphaelle Haimowitz  
Leonard M. Harlan  
David A. Harris  
Karen Hauser  
Frances A. Hess  
Robert T. Hexter  
Barbara Hirschhorn  
Selma G. Hirsh  
Harriet Hochman  
Alexander E. Holstein  
Charlotte G. Holstein  
Deborah G. Horwitz  
David Inlander  
Marvin Israelow  
Gary Jacobs

David Lang  
Ruth Lapidus  
Bobby Lapin  
Jack Lapin  
Jack S. Levin  
H. Fred Levine  
Kenneth Levine  
Florence Levitt  
J. David Levy  
Karen Levy  
Mont Levy  
Sally S. Levy  
Steven Levy  
Kenneth Lewis  
Eva F. Lichtenberg  
Frank Linde  
Hannan Lis  
David Lonner  
Carol Lowenthal  
Stephen Lowey  
Dolly Maass  
Kenneth D. Makovsky  
Fred Mardell  
Jesse Margolin  
Bertram K. Massing  
Thomas Meier  
Alan Melamed  
Andrew Melnick  
Donald Meltzer  
Anthony Meyer

Elaine Petschek  
Bonnie Podolsky  
Michael P. Price  
Bruce M. Ramer  
Lawrence J. Ramer  
Nanci Rands  
Fred Rawicz  
Allan J. Reich  
Nancy Reichman  
Guy Reiss  
Arleen Rifkind  
Robert S. Rifkind  
Stephen Robert  
Deborah Rosen  
Peter Rosenblatt  
Robert H. Rosenthal  
David Rousso  
Lawrence Ruben  
Martine Trink Rubenstein  
Bruce Rubin  
Rabbi A. James Rudin  
Betty Sachs  
Debra Smith Saidoff  
Naty Saidoff  
Benjamin Samuels  
William Sater  
Harriet Schleifer  
Linda Selig  
S. Stephen Selig, III  
Walter Shapero

Thomas I. Unterberg  
Mario Vessid  
Richard S. Volpert  
Barry R. Wallach  
Bernard S. Wallerstein  
Leonard Weinberg  
Alexander Weindling  
Sherry Weinman  
Stephen Weinstein  
Margaret E. Weinstock  
Helene White  
Elmer L. Winter  
Steven J. Wisch  
Elaine Wishner  
Maynard I. Wishner  
Allan Zackariah  
Dov Zakheim  
Sidney Zilber  
Roy J. Zuckenberg  
Herbert L. Zuckerman

AJC remembers two cherished friends on the Board of Governors who passed away this year:  
Dorothy Dubin  
Saul N. Mirowitz

# Financial Report

AJC, Institute of Human Relations,  
UN Watch, Thanks To Scandinavia,  
and Transatlantic Institute

## Combined Balance Sheet, June 30, 2008 (in \$000's)

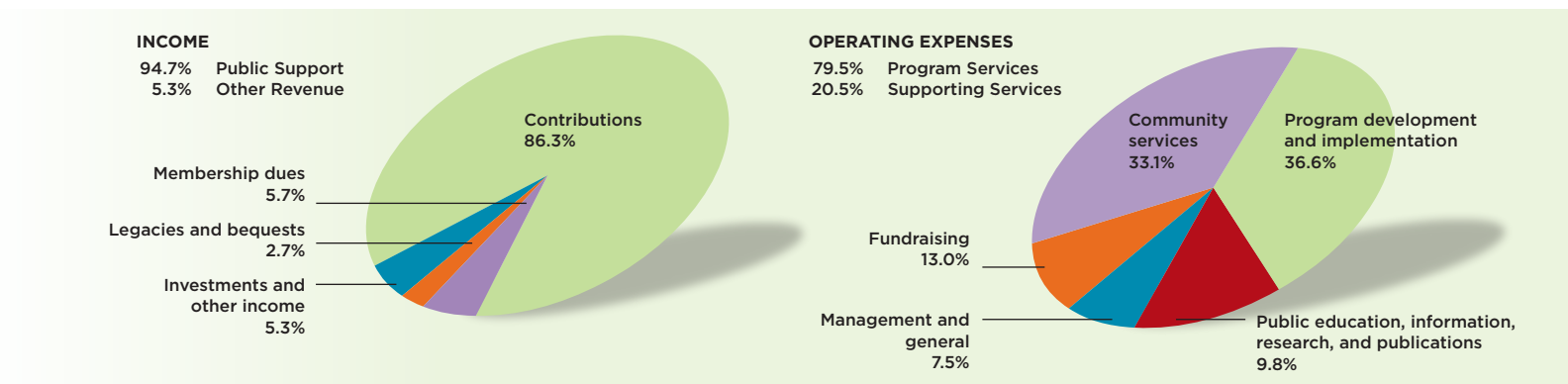
| <b>ASSETS</b>                                                 |                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents                                     | \$ 10,591         |
| Contributions receivable, net of allowance for uncollectibles | 30,298            |
| Investments, at fair value                                    | 88,866            |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets                             | 1,139             |
| Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation of \$14,881     | 7,900             |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                                           | <b>\$ 138,794</b> |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                                            |                   |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses                         | \$ 7,045          |
| Accrued unfunded special retirement benefits                  | 1,029             |
| Accrued pension and other benefit obligations                 | 4,847             |
| Liability under split-interest agreements                     | 1,888             |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>                                      | <b>14,809</b>     |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                                             |                   |
| Unrestricted                                                  | 30,705            |
| Temporarily restricted                                        | 32,766            |
| Permanently restricted                                        | 60,514            |
| <b>Total Net Assets</b>                                       | <b>123,985</b>    |
| <b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>                       | <b>\$ 138,794</b> |

## Combined Statement of Activities, Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008 (in \$000's)

| <b>TOTAL SUPPORT AND OTHER REVENUE</b>                                              |                   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>PUBLIC SUPPORT</b>                                                               |                   |
| Contributions and special events                                                    | \$ 47,530         |
| Membership dues                                                                     | 3,163             |
| Legacies and bequests                                                               | 1,512             |
| <b>Total Public Support</b>                                                         | <b>52,205</b>     |
| <b>OTHER REVENUE</b>                                                                |                   |
| Publications                                                                        | 47                |
| Rent                                                                                | 650               |
| Interest and dividends, net                                                         | 1,911             |
| Other                                                                               | 301               |
| <b>Total Other Revenues</b>                                                         | <b>2,909</b>      |
| <b>Total Public Support and Other Revenue</b>                                       | <b>55,114</b>     |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                                                                     |                   |
| <b>PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT</b>                                                          |                   |
| Domestic policy                                                                     | 2,108             |
| Interreligious affairs                                                              | 1,451             |
| Government and international affairs                                                | 13,152            |
| Contemporary Jewish life                                                            | 1,380             |
| <b>PROGRAM DELIVERY</b>                                                             |                   |
| Community services and membership                                                   | 16,764            |
| Public education, information, research, and publications                           | 4,937             |
| Thanks To Scandinavia                                                               | 438               |
| <b>Total Program Services</b>                                                       | <b>40,230</b>     |
| <b>SUPPORTING SERVICES</b>                                                          |                   |
| Management and general                                                              | 3,818             |
| Fundraising                                                                         | 6,553             |
| <b>Total Supporting Services</b>                                                    | <b>10,371</b>     |
| <b>Total Operating Expenses</b>                                                     | <b>50,601</b>     |
| <b>OTHER LOSSES</b>                                                                 |                   |
| Net realized and unrealized loss on investments                                     | 6,503             |
| Pension and postretirement changes other than net periodic benefit cost             | 5,000             |
| <b>Total other losses</b>                                                           | <b>11,503</b>     |
| Excess of operating expenses and other losses over public support and other revenue | (6,990)           |
| Net assets July 1, 2007, as restated                                                | 130,975           |
| <b>Net assets June 30, 2008</b>                                                     | <b>\$ 123,985</b> |

**Treasurer's Report** The American Jewish Committee is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, tax ID #13-5563393. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, 11.9% of total public support and other revenue was applied to fundraising expenses. 79.5% of total operating expenses was applied directly to program services.

Based on the percentage of our income used for fundraising versus programming, we are listed among the *Chronicle of Philanthropy's* "Philanthropy 400." This is an impressive distinction when you consider that there are over 800,000 publicly supported nonprofits in America.



The current economic crisis has negatively impacted many nonprofit organizations, including AJC. In an urgent response to this crisis, AJC is taking diligent action to reduce or eliminate nonessential spending, hold open unfilled positions, reduce the workforce, and pursue incremental revenue opportunities.

Please note that the financial information in this report was obtained from our certified annual financial report.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Ramer

Treasurer

# National Staff

## OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

David A. Harris, Executive Director  
Shulamith Bahat, Associate Executive Director  
Jaime Kelstein, Associate Executive Director  
Jason Isaacson, Assistant Executive Director  
Jonathan Levine, Assistant Executive Director  
Victoria Schonfeld, Assistant Executive Director for Strategic Planning  
John Thomason, OGA Chief Administrative Officer  
Yehudit Barsky, Director, Division on Middle East and International Terrorism  
Rebecca Neuwirth, Director of Special Projects

Ann Tourk, Senior Advisor for Community Services Department  
Kara Stein, Director of Legal Advocacy, Associate Director, CSD

## PUBLIC RELATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS

Kenneth Bandler, Director  
Ben Cohen, Associate Director  
Laura Anne Shay-Hupé, Webmaster

## RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Jaime Kelstein, Director  
Suzanne Resnik-Hardy, National Campaign Associate  
Cathy Bezozo, Director, Foundation Relations  
Laina Richter, Associate Director, Foundation Relations  
Lisa Hoff, National Director, Direct Mail and Membership

Robin Phillips, National Director of Planned Giving  
Janice Hyman-Wolpo, Director, Campaign Communications  
Joel Grossman, RE Database Manager  
Susan Manoukis, Supervisor, Campaign Records  
Simcha Druck, Donor Systems Information Manager

## NEW YORK DEVELOPMENT STAFF

Randi Dubno  
Dru Finkelstein  
Leonard Myron  
Susan Tanenbaum

## INTERRELIGIOUS AFFAIRS

David Rosen, International Director  
Gary Greenebaum, U.S. Director  
A. James Rudin, Sr. Consultant

## DOMESTIC POLICY

Kenneth Stern, Director, Anti-Semitism and Extremism  
Harvey Belkin, General Counsel  
Danielle Samulon, Assistant Director and Counsel

## BELFER CENTER FOR AMERICAN PLURALISM

Ann Schaffer, Director  
Dalit Ballen-Horn, Assistant Director  
Nissim Reuben, Program Director for Indian-Jewish Relations

## CONTEMPORARY JEWISH LIFE

Steven Bayme, Director  
Noam Marans, Associate Director

## DOROTHY AND JULIUS KOPPELMAN INSTITUTE ON AMERICAN JEWISH-ISRAELI RELATIONS

Steven Bayme, Director

## RESEARCH

David Singer, Director  
Lawrence Grossman, Associate Director; Editor, American Jewish Year Book

## BLAUSTEIN LIBRARY

Michele Anish, Director of Library and Historical Archives

## ARCHIVES

Charlotte Bonelli, Director

## PUBLICATIONS

Roselyn Bell, Director  
Gary Spruch, Assistant Director  
Linda Krieg, Art Director  
Sharon Schwartz, Production Supervisor

## GOVERNMENT & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Jason Isaacson, Director  
Aaron Jacob, Associate Director of International Affairs  
Andrew Baker, Director, International Jewish Affairs  
Richard Foltin, Director of National and Legislative Affairs  
Guy Billauer, Associate Director, International Jewish Affairs  
Marta Mucznik, European Affairs Research Associate/International Programs Coordinator

Dina Siegel Vann, Director of Latino and Latin American Affairs  
Stephanie Guiloff, Assistant Director, Latino and Latin American Affairs  
Jacob Kovadloff, Senior Consultant, Latin American Affairs  
Amanda Farfel, Research and Program Associate  
Eliseo Neuman, Director, Africa Institute  
Carmiel Arbit, Special Projects Coordinator

## PROJECT INTERCHANGE

Samuel Witkin, Director  
Ida Singeleberg, U.S. Programs Director  
Nisha Shrier, International Seminars Programs Director  
Veronica Machtey, International Programs Assistant Director  
Leah Wagner, Director, Leadership Management  
Sarah Marcus, Assistant Director, External Relations  
Patrick Morris, U.S. Programs Associate

## JACOB BLAUSTEIN INSTITUTE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Felice Gaer, Director  
Jo-Anne Prud'homme, International Rights Officer

## ASIA PACIFIC INSTITUTE

James Busis, Director  
Neil Sandberg, Consultant/  
Director Emeritus

## ISRAEL/MIDDLE EAST OFFICE, JERUSALEM

Eran Lerman, Director  
Edward Rettig, Associate Director

Tzippi Barnea, Associate Director and Missions Coordinator  
Ayelet Zelig, Assistant to the Associate Director

## BERLIN OFFICE

Deidre Berger, Director

## TRANSATLANTIC INSTITUTE, BRUSSELS

Emanuele Ottolenghi, Director  
Daniel Rackowski, Senior Fellow in EU Affairs

## UN WATCH, GENEVA

Hillel Neuer, Director  
Hannah Gaywood, Office Administrator  
Leon Saltiel, Assistant Executive Director

## PARIS OFFICE

Valerie Hoffenberg, Director

## COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVES

Stanislaw Krajewski, Warsaw  
Lisa Palmieri-Billig, Rome and the Holy See  
Priya Tandon, Mumbai

## FINANCE, IT, & OFFICE SERVICES

Richard Hyne, Chief Financial Officer  
Clifford Surloff, Associate Chief Financial Officer  
Tailin Chen Brecher, Controller  
Adam Molinary, Senior Acct.  
Valerie Blair, Accountant  
Carolina Segovia, Account/  
Systems Coordinator  
Sharon Chiu, Payroll Administrator  
Romeo Dapito, Accountant  
Larry Lebow, IT Director  
Yukihiro Urisaka, Network Administrator  
Adam Sundel, Technical Services Administrator  
Linda Lansky, Director of Office Services  
Michael Picozzo, Mailroom/  
Printshop Manager

## HUMAN RESOURCES

Shifra Sharbat, Human Resources and Employee Relations Manager  
Sala Schmigelski, Human Resources and Benefits Manager  
Sarah Page, Human Resources and Benefits Associate

## ARIZONA

Stephen M. Bressler, President  
Rabbi Maynard Bell, Director  
Elizabeth Tregor-Dokken, Associate Director

## ATLANTA

Sheri Labovitz, President  
Judith Marx, Director  
Dov Wilker, Assistant Director  
Wendy Bearman, P/T Assistant Director

## BALTIMORE

Nancy Civin, President  
Lois Rosenfield, Director

## BOSTON

Ken Levine, President  
Rob Leikind, Director  
Larry Lowenthal, Senior Advisor

# Chapters

Suzanne Schuller, Associate Director

## CHICAGO

Allan J. Reich, President  
Emily Soloff, Director  
Todd Winer, Director, P.R. Marketing Chicago and CSD  
Jonathan Schwartz, Assistant Director  
Myrna Frankel, Director of Development  
Eleanor Wolfe, Associate Director of Development  
Jennifer Minkus, Assistant Director of Development

## CINCINNATI

Patti Heldman, President  
Barbara Glueck, Director

## CLEVELAND

Scott C. Matasar, President  
Lee C. Shapiro, Director  
Jennifer Marks, Assistant Director

## COLORADO

Steven M. Stark, President  
Gale Kahn, Director  
Kendra Shore, Assistant Director  
Jessica Gronich, ACCESS Coordinator

## CONNECTICUT

Mark Sternlicht, President  
Barbara Muller, Director

## DALLAS

Maddy Unterberg, President  
Kim Kamen, Director  
Ellen Avraham, Coordinator

## DETROIT

Kenneth C. Gold, President  
Kari Alterman, Chapter and Regional Leadership Director

Jennifer Ludwig, Assistant Director

## HOUSTON

Tracy Stein, President  
Randall Czarlinsky, Director  
Barbara Cohn Shepard, Assistant Director

## KANSAS CITY

Michael J. Abrams, President  
Marvin Szneler, Director  
Judy Hellman, Associate Director

## LONG ISLAND

Alon Kapen, President  
Caroline Levy, Director  
Melissa Sostrin, Assistant Director

## LOS ANGELES

Fredrick S. Levin, President  
Seth Brysk, Director  
Saundra Mandel, Associate Director  
Randall Brown, Assistant Director, Interreligious Affairs  
Karen Stone, Director of Development  
Elinor Goodman, Associate Director of Development  
Kathy Cucher, Asst. Director of Development  
Gary Greenebaum, National Director of Interreligious Affairs

## MIAMI AND BROWARD COUNTY

Bernita King, President  
Brian Siegal, Director  
Juan Dircie, Assistant Director

## CENTRAL NEW JERSEY

Herb Horowitz, President  
Allyson Gall, Director  
John Rosen, Director of Development  
Ferne Hassan, Assistant Director

## METRO NEW JERSEY

Kenneth Peskin, President  
Allyson Gall, Director  
John Rosen, Director of Development

## NEW YORK

Billie Gold, President  
Diane Steinman, Director  
Liza Kramer, Assistant Director  
Linda Senat, Director of International Relations

## ORANGE COUNTY

Miki Sholkoff, President  
Rabbi Marc Dworkin, Director  
Lisa Grajewski, Assistant Director

## PALM BEACH COUNTY

M. Richard Meyers, President  
Kelley Whiter, Director  
Rachel Miller, Director of Development

## PHILADELPHIA

James A. Rosenstein, Esq., President  
Ilana Wilensik, Director  
Rebecca Karp, Assistant Director  
Marcia Bronstein, Director of Development

## ST. LOUIS

Robert Newmark, President  
Nancy Lisker, Director  
Sara Felix, Coordinator

## SAN DIEGO

Tad Parzen, President  
Linda Feldman, Director

## SAN FRANCISCO

Mark Bostick, President  
Mervyn Danker, Director  
Linda Twain, Assistant Director  
Ernest Weiner, Consultant  
Jonathan Feldman, Director of Development

## SEATTLE

Moshe Dunie, President  
Rabbi Anson Laytner, Director

## WASHINGTON, D.C.

Roberta Baruch, President  
Melanie Maron, Director  
Nadine Greenfield-Binstock, Associate Director  
Eli Wald, Assistant Director  
Esther Schaffer, Director of Development  
Maggie Auerbach, Assistant Director of Development

## WESTCHESTER

Marvin Israelow, President  
Scott Richman, Director  
Jill Friedman, Associate Director

## WEST COAST FLORIDA

Andy Maass, President  
Brian Lipton, Director  
Lisa Silva, Director for Community Programming


## INDEPENDENT AFFILIATES

*Milwaukee Area Jewish Committee*  
Harriet McKinney, Director  
*Pittsburgh Area Jewish Committee*  
Lisa Steindel, Director  
Nan Krushinski, CJEEP  
*Oregon Area Jewish Committee*  
Emily Georges Gottfried, Director

**In 1960, when Martin S. Kimmel** launched his real estate development business, he had an excellent idea. He'd follow utility trucks in South Florida to find out where new power lines were being laid.

That way, he once said, he'd know "where the traffic was going." His determination to learn where things were going helped him and his partner, Milton Cooper, lead Kimco Realty to spectacular success.

That same uncanny instinct to discern what lay ahead drew Marty to AJC. He soon saw for himself the nature of AJC's impact. And he developed an immense respect for the way AJC, after his own heart, sought ceaselessly to know "where the traffic was going."



In Praise of a Friend  
**Martin S. Kimmel,**  
1916-2008

Indeed, he came to view AJC as a versatile, strategic, highly effective champion of the values he cherished. Before long, Marty made an extraordinary commitment to a range of AJC projects and programs. In doing so, he became the most generous benefactor in AJC's history.

Among other major gifts, in January 2008, he established the Helen and Martin Kimmel Young Leadership Institute, allowing AJC to more energetically engage and train emerging Jewish leadership. Once again, Marty had the future in mind.

He was an AJC Honorary Vice President and, along with his beloved wife, Helen, a member of our National Leadership Council. We were proud to pay tribute to him in 2005 with our most prestigious honor, the Herbert H. Lehman Human Relations Award.

He loved Israel, the Jewish people, and the Jewish heritage, and dreamed of a brighter, better, more compassionate world for all. He was eager to help bring these dreams to life through his wonderfully generous support for AJC's global agenda.

Generosity, it is said in Psalms, confers honor and life upon those who practice it. Marty, in so many ways, practiced it with all his heart and soul. May his memory be for a blessing.

**HEADQUARTERS**

The Jacob Blaustein Building  
165 East 56 Street  
New York, NY 10022

**INTERNATIONAL OFFICES**

Israel/Middle East  
Transatlantic Institute  
UN Watch  
Germany  
Paris

**INTERNATIONAL BUREAUS**

India  
Italy  
Poland

Colombia  
Centro Israelita de Bogota  
Costa Rica  
Centro Israelita Sionista  
Czech Republic  
The Federation of Jewish Communities  
Estonia  
Jewish Community of Estonia  
Europe:  
Euro-Asian Jewish Congress (EAJC)  
European Council of Jewish Communities (ECJC)

European Union of Jewish Students (EUJS)  
Greece  
Central Board of Jewish Communities in Greece (KIS)  
Latin America  
Zionist Federation of Latin American Students (FUSLA)  
Latvia  
Jewish Community of Latvia  
Mexico  
Tribuna Israelita  
Morocco  
Conseil des Communautés Israélites du Maroc

Peru  
Asociación Judía del Perú  
Poland  
Association of Religious Jewish Communities of Poland  
Portugal  
Comunidade Israelita de Lisboa (CIL)  
Romania  
Federatia Comunitatii Evreiesti din Romania  
Slovak Republic  
Union of Jewish Religious Communities  
Spain  
Federación de Comunidades Israelitas de España

Switzerland  
Fédération Suisse des Communautés Israélites  
Tunisia  
Communaute Juive de Tunisie  
Turkey  
Turkish Jewish Community(TJC)  
Venezuela  
Confederación de Asociaciones Israelitas de Venezuela (CAIV)

**PROGRAM OFFICES**

New York:  
The American Jewish Year Book  
Hilda Katz Blaustein Leadership Institute  
Jacob Blaustein Institute for the Advancement of Human Rights  
Jacob and Hilda Blaustein Human Relations Research Library  
Arthur and Rochelle Belfer Center for American Pluralism  
Harriet and Robert Heilbrunn Institute for International Interreligious Understanding  
Dorothy and Julius Koppelman Institute on American Jewish-Israeli Relations  
William Petschek National Jewish Family Center

Thanks To Scandinavia  
The Africa Institute and Developing World Council  
Washington, DC:  
Government and International Affairs  
Project Interchange  
Asia Pacific Institute  
Latino and Latin American Institute

**CHAPTER OFFICES**

Arizona  
Atlanta  
Baltimore  
Boston  
Chicago  
Cincinnati

Cleveland  
Colorado  
Connecticut  
Dallas  
Detroit  
Houston  
Kansas City JCRB/AJC  
Long Island  
Los Angeles  
Miami  
Central New Jersey  
Metro New Jersey  
New York  
Orange County  
Palm Beach County  
Philadelphia  
St. Louis  
San Diego  
San Francisco  
Seattle  
Washington, DC  
Westchester  
West Coast Florida

**INDEPENDENT AFFILIATES**

Milwaukee Area Jewish Committee  
Pittsburgh Area Jewish Committee  
Oregon Area Jewish Committee

**WORLD WIDE WEB**

www.ajc.org

AJC  
Offices

**INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS**

Argentina  
Asociacion Mutual Israelita Argentina (AMIA)  
Australia  
Australia/Israel and Jewish Affairs Council  
Australasian Union of Jewish Students (AUJS)  
Bulgaria  
Organization of Jews in Bulgaria  
Canada  
Canadian Federation of Jewish Students (CFJS)  
Chile  
Comité Representativo de las Entidades Judías Chile (CREJ)

**2008 Annual Report:**

Written by **Gary Spruch**  
Art Direction, **Beth Singer Design, LLC**  
Graphic Design, **Linda Krieg**  
Production, **Sharon Schwartz.**