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39TH ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DINNER AND PROGRAM

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019
MACKAY CAMPUS CENTER DINING ROOM
PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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MEAL

3:00 - 4:30 PM
PROGRAM

Program:
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Recognition of **Irene Etkin Goldman** for
15 Years as CFPA Board Chair

Honoring **Assemblyman Lou Greenwald** for
Legislative Leadership on Gun Violence Prevention

Honoring **Dr. Zia Mian** for Scientific Leadership
on the UN Nuclear Ban Treaty

Lifetime Achievement Award for **Norm Cohen**,
Longtime Coordinator for CFPA South Jersey Chapter



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After many years of being involved with CFPA, including serving as Vice-Chair for Outreach, **Irene Etkin Goldman** became Board Chair in January 2004. In that role, she has shown exemplary leadership. She instituted having an annual Strategy Retreat for the Board, which helps CFPA be more focused and strategic in our efforts throughout each year. Then Irene was a key leader in a highly successful Celebration of CFPA's 25th anniversary in November 2014. Irene also took major leadership in the Central Jersey Interfaith Group, which organized monthly programs to of houses of worship for a wide range of religious traditions, to foster understanding and mutual respect. She also was the primary leader in the US premiere of the MidEast Optimist, a group of Muslim and Jewish comedians who performed together, for two sold out performances. Irene has engaged over many years as a leader with persistant, inclusive peacemaking. She was instrumental in helping CFPA maintain unity in addressing challenging situations such as the wars in Lebanon and Gaza. We are deeply grateful for Irene's terrific peace leadership over many decades!

NJ Assembly Majority Leader **Lou Greenwald** will be honored for his leadership on gun violence prevention. In 2018, Asm. Greenwald led efforts to successfully pass eight new gun safety laws. Most recently he has introduced six legislative measures that will work to stem gun violence by engaging patients in the hospital, during their recovery and in the community following a firearm incident, putting much needed attention on mental health and counseling needs of gun violence victims.

Dr. Zia Mian of Princeton University's Program on Science and Global Security will be honored for his involvement as scientific advisor for the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. He provided technical advice on issues related to the core obligations of the ban treaty to the leadership of ICAN, and other NGOs, and to the ban treaty negotiators, and to the United Nations. He made two presentations to the ban treaty negotiating conference (including at the specific invitation of the President of the conference), and others to NGO groups working on the treaty. He worked with others at SGS to make recommendations on verification options for the ban treaty and contributing a working paper for the ban treaty conference. Since then, he has been working with key governments and others involved in the ban treaty on developing ideas for implementation of the treaty.

Norm Cohen served as Coordinator of Coalition for Peace and Justice, a South Jersey chapter of CFPA, for 35 years through the end of 2018. He felt so passionately that he wanted to devote his life to peacemaking that, despite CFPA not having the funds to employ him, used a "peace entrepreneur" model in which he raised his own salary and expenses to make it happen. Norm's outstanding leadership skills enabled him to bring together a very wide range of allied groups, including NAACP, religious community, environmental groups, and political activists to collaborate on common goals. He played a leadership role in the Unplug Salem Campaign, which advocated closing one of the largest nuclear power plants in the country. He sparked and coordinated significant anti-nuclear-weapon and anti-war rallies, vigils and marches throughout his region, one of the most conservative areas in NJ. Norm also recruited and renewed almost 200 members in his region, making his chapter the largest one outside of the Princeton area. In 2014, Norm initiated a new \$1,000 Lifetime Membership category for CFPA and recruited the first such member from his chapter. To date over 30 households, have used this category, significantly increasing CFPA's fundraising.

