This fall, the Orthodox Union welcomed its most generous supporters for the dedication of its Wall of Honor, which pays tribute to members of the OU’s prestigious Union Society. New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer was the guest speaker at the exclusive reception, held at OU national headquarters in New York.

1. The Union Society Wall of Honor at OU national headquarters in New York.

2. OU Executive Vice President Rabbi Dr. Tzvi Hersh Weinreb chats with OU Honorary President Rabbi Joseph Karasick.

3. Rabbi Weinreb talks to OU Senior Vice President Michael Wimpfheimer and his wife, Susanne.

4. Israel Center supporters Herbert and Hadasah Lerner, of Miami Beach, share their thoughts with Rabbi Karasick.

5. OU President Stephen Savitsky welcomes Attorney General Spitzer.

6. Mr. Savitsky and Rabbi Weinreb flank Attorney General Spitzer.

7. and 8. Attorney General Spitzer addresses the crowd.

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One of the Orthodox Union’s most admired initiatives received a new name this past September. The Jewish Learning Initiative on Campus (JLIC) program, now in its sixth year, was endowed in honor of Heshe and Harriet Seif.

There are currently twelve schools in the United States participating in the ever-expanding Heshe and Harriet Seif Jewish Learning Initiative on Campus. Each campus hosts a young rabbi and his wife who provide an oasis of religious life for Orthodox students on campus while also reaching out to non-Orthodox students.

A standing room only reception and buffet dinner in recognition of the Seifs, held at OU national headquarters in New York, featured the dedication of an elegant wall display highlighting the Seifs’ gift and listing the schools in the program. Yeshiva University President Richard Joel was the keynote speaker at the event.

1. Mr. and Mrs. Seif stand in front of the new JLIC wall display at OU national headquarters. This year New York University, Rutgers University and the University of Florida joined the program.
2. OU President Stephen Savitsky, M. r. Joel, M. r. Seif, OU treasurer, and OU Executive Vice President Rabbi Dr. Tzvi Hersh Weinreb.
3. Mr. Seif shares a laugh with Mr. Savitsky and Mr. Joel.
4. Executive Vice Chairman, Conference of Presidents Malcolm I. Hoenlein converses with Mr. Seif.
5. Martin Jacobs, OU vice president and chairman of the OU’s JLIC Commission, introduces the program.
6. Mr. Seif and his son, Rabbi Yehuda Seif, speaking with M. r. Joel. Rabbi Seif and his wife, Orit, head up of the JLIC chapter at the University of Pennsylvania.
7. Mr. and Mrs. Seif are introduced by Rabbi Weinreb, who acknowledges the Seif’s contribution to the JLIC program.

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On the eve of Hoshana Rabbah, OU leadership from the United States and Israel paid tribute to Sol and Ruth Teichman of Los Angeles, whose gift made possible the Teichman Family Youth Center at the Orthodox Union's Seymour J. Abrams OU Jerusalem World Center (Israel Center) in Jerusalem.

OU President Stephen Savitsky, OU Executive Vice President Rabbi Dr. Tzvi Hersh Weinreb and Israel Center President Yitzchak Fund, along with more than one hundred people, attended the event.

1. Joel Kahn and Devorah Levene, graduates of NESTO (Native English-Speaking Teen Olim), the Israel Center's English-speaking teenage organization, present Mr. Teichman with a collage of activities at the Youth Center.

2. Mr. Teichman, Mr. Savitsky and Mr. Fund listen to guest speaker Rabbi Michael Melchior, deputy minister in the Office of the Prime Minister, who emphasized the importance of Jewish unity and the Israel Center's role in promoting it.

3. Mr. Savitsky presents Mr. Teichman with a plaque. Looking on are Rabbi Weinreb and Mr. Fund.

4. Rabbi Melchior; Dafna Teichman, the Teichman's granddaughter; Rabbi Marvin Hier, dean and founder of the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles; Dubby Teichman, the Teichman's son and Mrs. Teichman listen to Mr. Savitsky.

5. Rabbi Melchior, Dafna Teichman, Mr. and Mrs. Teichman and Dubby Teichman.

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