

Family Ties

JSSA 2014 SPRING GALA

Honoring the Sondra (z"l) & Howard Bender Family

6:00 pm, Sunday, May 18th, 2014

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Program

Welcome, Introduction and Chair Recognition
Jeffrey Abramson, JSSA president

Motzi
Bert Abramson

Presentation of the 2014 Joseph Ottenstein Award
Nina, Grant and Joseph Ottenstein

Acceptance on Behalf of Award Recipients
Jason Belinkie

JSSA Family Story
Diana Martin

Dinner

Introduction of Guest Speaker
Julie Bender Silver

Goldie Hawn

Dessert

FROM THE CHAIRS

Family Ties. You may think first of the beloved '80s television classic but, more important, it's the threads which bind relatives, friends and community together as one and our theme for this evening's event.

We chose this title because it so aptly reflects our immediate and extended family's longstanding relationship with JSSA. Among us, there have been clients, board presidents, board members, financial supporters, professional employees and now gala chairs. Our commitment to this agency and its continued viability is so strong that we consider it a family responsibility!



JSSA's services support our community in so many ways: hospice care, behavioral health counseling, caring for Holocaust survivors who are struggling emotionally and financially, food delivery through Meals on Wheels and help for children with autism making their way in the world, to name just a few. All of these services change lives and, thanks to your support, more than 35,000 individuals and families can access services that might have been financially out of reach.

Your generous response to tonight's gala is overwhelming and we are so grateful. Special thanks go to those who went above and beyond to make this event a success: the extraordinary gala pre-dinner hosts and co-chairs Diane and Michael Sapir and Norman Freidkin and Hilary Dworkin; this evening's Honorary Host committee; the Development Committee of the JSSA Board of Directors; JSSA's president (and extended Flyer family member) Jeff Abramson; CEO Ken Kozloff; Martha Bindeman; Lori Ulanow, Kristin Goen and the JSSA development staff team.

Finally, we would be remiss if we did not recognize the entire JSSA family of staff, volunteers, lay leadership and supporters. Together, we are able to reach out and support those in need and extend our *Family Ties* to the greater community.

Best,

Ellie & Mike

Mike and Ellie Flyer

Laurie & Dave Flyer

Dave and Laurie Flyer

FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Friends,

As CEO and President of JSSA's Board of Directors, we come from opposite ends of the local Jewish community. One of us has family that has lived here several generations while the other arrived more recently; Montgomery County is home to one while the other resides in Fairfax County. But we have joined together through shared concerns for others and, like all of you here tonight, forged a sense of *family ties* to the greater Washington metropolitan area.



We welcome a record number of generous JSSA supporters to this evening's annual spring gala and thank you for recognizing the importance of *Tikkun Olam* — commitment to heal and repair the world — and *Tzedekah* — charity, justice and responsibility to care for one's neighbor — in our Jewish tradition.

The challenges of overseeing the delivery of crucial social services to a community as large and diverse as our own are great, the rewards even greater. We are grateful to you, the donors and generous sponsors of *Family Ties*, who make it possible to meet the ever-increasing requests for JSSA services. JSSA understands and has deep respect for the value and uniqueness of each individual, even as we come together as one family to address crucial needs.

Thank you to co-chairs Ellie, Mike, Laurie and David — you are a wonderful example of *l'dor v'dor* and the importance of tending to our communal roots, however deep. To the entire Bender family (all four generations of which are here tonight!) — you, too, represent an exemplary model of collective responsibility much in the same vein of your beloved matriarch, Sondra (*z"l*); your value to this community is beyond measure.

With sincere thanks for your support... welcome to the JSSA family and joining together in the ties that bind.

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Jeffrey Abramson
President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ken Kozloff', written in a cursive style.

Ken Kozloff FACHE
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Joseph Ottenstein Award Honorees: Sondra (ז"ל) and Howard Bender Family



“When you teach your child, you teach your child’s child.” *Talmud*

There is no better example of local family ties holding fast and philanthropic roots running deep than the extended Sondra (ז"ל) and Howard Bender family. All the way back to Jack Bender, Howard’s father, the family’s commitment to *tikkun olam* (repairing the world) here in our greater Washington DC community, Israel and beyond is unparalleled.

Perhaps it would be easier to list the communal institutions and organizations that have not benefited from Bender support! The Bender Family Foundation contributes to more than 70 nonprofit organizations annually, including the JCCGW’s Bender-Dosik Parenting Center, Jewish Women International’s Sondra D. Bender Community Leadership Institute, Israel Bonds, University of Colorado’s Sondra D. Bender Visiting Scholars Fund and JSSA’s Sondra Bender Fund for Senior Services. Blake Construction, the family business founded over 50 years ago, has been instrumental in the realization of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, American University’s Bender Arena and JSSA’s own Ina B. Kay Building at Fallsgrove, to name but a few.

But the real story is not just in bricks-and-mortar or the family’s support of life-altering programs; it’s the *l’dor v’dor* (generation-to-generation) communal spirit passed from Jack, down to Howard and Sondra, through to their children — Barbara, Julie, Eileen and David, and their spouses David, Richard and Nan. And that spirit has continued on to their 11 grandchildren — Jason (Michelle), Jena (Chris), Nikki (Jason), Joshua (Adriane), Rachael, Daniel, Jake, Ross, Gabriella, Sara and Diana. Their heart-warming story of caring continues as Howard Bender recently welcomed two great-grandchildren, Jackson and Siena.

It is easy to understand why the Benders are the first family to be honored with JSSA’s Joseph Ottenstein Award for Community Service — they are, in fact, the “first family” of charitable giving in Washington.

THE JOSEPH OTTENSTEIN AWARD

In 1959, the Jewish Social Service Agency's Board of Directors approved a recommendation of a committee appointed by JSSA president, the Honorable David L. Bazelon, to create a new agency award. The award would recognize the excellent community service leadership of Joseph Ottenstein, past president of JSSA (1951), and would bear his name. The honoree selection would be based on outstanding community leadership in the field of "Social Service – Human Service," a slogan that Mr. Ottenstein coined.

Since then, the Joseph Ottenstein Award has been presented annually to those whose efforts and achievements have improved the life of our community. We pay tribute to all of the Ottenstein Award winners.

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A MESSAGE FROM GOVERNOR MARTIN O'MALLEY

Dear Friends:

Welcome to the Jewish Social Service Agency's 2014 Spring Gala honoring three generations of the Howard Bender Family.

Since 1959, the JSSA has awarded the Joseph Ottenstein Award to members of our community who distinguish themselves through leadership, community service, and civic engagement. By giving hope and assistance to those who seek it, the Howard Bender Family embodies the spirit of dedication, sacrifice, and leadership.

Frederick Douglass once wrote, "We are one, our cause is one, and we must help each other if we are to succeed." Tonight is not only a testament to the work of the Howard Bender Family, but to all the members of the JSSA who have worked to ensure that every Marylander has the chance to lead a gratifying life. In this great State, we believe in service, the dignity of every individual, and our responsibility to advance the common good. When we join behind causes greater than ourselves, we can overcome insurmountable odds and grow as a community.

Best wishes for a memorable event.

Sincerely,

Governor



May 18, 2014

Dear Friends,


I am pleased to offer a warm welcome to everyone attending tonight's Jewish Social Service Agency Gala, "Family Ties." JSSA is an outstanding organization which provides necessary services to a great many people in our region. JSSA is well-known for not just the quality of its services, but the compassion, support and care of its providers. Families and individuals in crisis know that when they turn to JSSA, they will find empathetic professionals, ready to guide them through challenges in their lives.

Your speaker, Goldie Hawn, has her own "Family Ties" to Maryland. Growing up in Takoma Park, she graduated from Montgomery Blair High School where stole the show in the school production of *Bye Bye Birdie*. We all know Goldie Hawn as a fine actress but she is also a generous donor and founder of The Hawn Foundation, helping children learn by encouraging their social and emotional development.

Tonight's Joseph Ottenstein Award Honorees, the Sondra (*z"l*) and Howard Bender family, is a truly outstanding example of "Family Ties." The generosity of the Bender Family has been well-known for over fifty years. They have passed that commitment down through the generations - the embodiment of *I'dor vador*. The Bender Family Foundation was started by Jack Bender and carried forward by Sondra and Howard. Their daughter Julie Bender Silver serves as its current president, and their grandchildren are now picking up the mantle with their own projects and causes. I am truly honored to have many members of this fine family as my constituents.

I commend all guests here tonight along with your speaker and honorees for your dedication to Jewish values, attending to those in need, and for your commitment to *tikkun olam*. Best wishes for a festive and celebratory evening.

Sincerely,


Benjamin L. Cardin
United States Senator

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BARBARA A. MIKULSKI
MARYLAND

May 18, 2014

Mr. Jeffrey F. Abramson, President
Jewish Social Service Agency

Dear Mr. Abramson & Friends:

Greetings to the members, guests and patrons of the Jewish Social Service Agency on the occasion of your 2014 Spring Gala: *Family Ties*. I am delighted to share this uplifting event with my friends from the social service advocacy community.

Congratulations to this evening's very deserving honorees, *Sondra (z"l) and Howard Bender*, on the receipt of the Joseph Ottenstein Award for Outstanding Community Leadership. The best of parents, the Benders have raised a wonderful family and helped to build the Jewish community in the National Capital Area. In addition to maintaining one of the largest and most successful racing stables in Maryland, together Howard and Sondra have given generously of their time and talent in the spirit of *tikkun olam* to many worthy organizations and worthwhile causes. They will always be an inspiration to families, friends and colleagues.

Friends, we agree that social work and its practice is neither an abstraction nor merely a course of study. Rather is it about people, their lives and how we can best empower them, no matter where we practice, who we are, what we do or what we believe. That is why I led the Senate bipartisan action to refresh and reform the vitally important *Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 2014*, that will bring peace of mind to the thousands of Maryland families who rely upon this program for child care.

I wanted to ensure that child care across America is available, affordable, reliable, safe and exceptional. Child care is something all families worry about regardless of their zip code or the size of their wallet. For 19,000 families in Maryland, CCDBG provides a lifeline so that all children have the care that they need and deserve. It will help keep working parents at work while ensuring children have a safe environment that provides the skills they need to begin to develop their potential and be better prepared for school.

We must all be advocates for the people we serve, whether you are a volunteer, clinician, social strategist, administrator or policy maker. We must be a voice for the voiceless and to empower those we serve. And the JSSA has done just that for 120 years and done it exceptionally well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Barbara A. Mikulski".

Barbara A. Mikulski
United States Senator

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CHRIS VAN HOLLEN
MEMBER OF CONGRESS
8TH DISTRICT, MARYLAND

May 18, 2014

Dear Friends:

I am happy to extend my warmest greetings to everyone attending tonight's Spring Gala as we honor the Bender family with the Joseph Ottenstein Award for Community Service.

The Bender family's commitment to the Jewish community is, in a word, extraordinary. Through their decades of determination and dedication, the Benders have touched every corner of the Jewish community. From building our communal organizations to inspiring the next generation of Jewish women leaders, from helping to establish the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum to unyielding support for Israel, and so much more, each member of the Bender family has played an invaluable role in creating the community and the organizations in which we all take pride. Their commitment to *tikkun olam* – and their ensuring that that commitment is handed down from generation to generation – has earned them the recognition given tonight.

Tonight we also express our appreciation to JSSA for all it does. For more than 120 years, JSSA has provided a helping hand to all who have needed it. We are indeed fortunate to have such an outstanding organization in our community.

You have my gratitude and admiration for all you do, and my best wishes for an enjoyable evening.

Sincerely,

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Chris Van Hollen
Member of Congress

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Dear Friends at the
Jewish Social Service Agency (JSSA):

We are delighted to congratulate you on another year of outstanding service to our community!

Over the years, the needs of our community have changed, and JSSA has changed with them. While your services have evolved and grown, your standard of excellence has remained the same. Thank you for serving our large and diverse community with such professionalism, respect and care.

We are thrilled that JSSA is honoring the Sondra (z"l) and Howard Bender Family, a family that has always been committed to building an educated, inclusive and joyful Jewish community. Like JSSA itself, they are change agents who bring strength and humanity to the many organizations with which they are associated. Their love of community and their fellow human beings never wanes. As we learn in Pirke Avot, "Make for yourself a teacher and acquire for yourself a friend." In the Bender Family, we have wonderful teachers and friends.

We are proud to have JSSA as a partner agency of The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington.

Our best wishes for your continued success.

Warmly,



Liza Levy
President



Steven A. Rakitt
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The Jewish Social Service Agency (JSSA) has been helping people across the Washington metropolitan area meet emotional, social, and physical challenges for more than 120 years. A nonsectarian provider, we serve people of all religious backgrounds, races and ethnicities, helping the youngest child to the most fragile senior, from individuals to entire families. JSSA provides services and support to more than 35,000 individuals a year through our wide range of counseling, educational, employment, in-home support, hospice and nursing care, and social services.

Mission

JSSA shall be the first place for the Jewish community, as well as the community at large, to turn for clinical and social services of the highest quality that sustain and nurture all who seek assistance.

Vision

JSSA, the Jewish Social Service Agency, strives to be the preeminent coordinator and provider of a broad range of clinical and social services for individuals and families residing in the greater Washington metropolitan area who seek help with life's many challenges.

Values

JSSA is rooted in the Jewish traditions of *Tikkun Olam*, commitment to heal and repair the world, and *Tzedakah*, charity, justice and responsibility to care for one's neighbor. In all that it does, JSSA is guided by a set of deep-seated values:

- We strive for *EXCELLENCE*. In everything we do, we have the highest commitment to quality, customer service and employee satisfaction.
- We respect *INDIVIDUALITY*. We work to understand the needs of each person turning to us for assistance, the needs of their families and caregivers, and the needs of our employees.
- We honor *DIGNITY*. In all situations, we honor every client's, family member's and employee's right to respect and privacy.
- We promote *INDEPENDENCE*. At all times, we encourage every client's and family's right to personal choice and self determination.
- We accept *RESPONSIBILITY*. We make our services available to all regardless of their ability to pay.
- We encourage a *SENSE OF BELONGING*. Through collaboration and cohesive teamwork, we create an atmosphere that is welcoming, inclusive, compassionate and supportive.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

Before JSSA, I was not able to get a handle on my personal issues. With help from my JSSA therapist my problems are finally disappearing. I cannot describe enough how thankful I am to have found JSSA.

~ Child & Family Counseling Client

Having special needs children isn't always easy. We will always be grateful to JSSA for understanding the importance of providing accessible/no cost support groups. They are truly a lifeline for me and my family.

~ Mother of a Special Needs Child

JSSA's help is a comfort beyond words. It is not possible to rely on our families for everything and JSSA is always there to fill in the gaps. You treat us like family. The community of Holocaust survivors can turn to you and that means more than words can express.

~ Holocaust Survivor

No words can adequately express our gratitude to all of you who worked with us to make the best of a miserable situation. Please never doubt your value to those of us you sustain; never question the significant impact you make in the lives of families. We will never forget how much you have helped us.

~ Family of a Hospice Patient

Thank you to JSSA for always being there for our family, especially most recently during our mom's hospice care. We can never thank you enough!

And thank you to JSSA for all you do to take care of our entire community!



The fourth generation of Benders will continue with their legacy of giving like their parents, grandparents, and great grandparents taught them.



And thank you for honoring our family with the prestigious Ottenstein Award!



Welcome Goldie Hawn, whom our family has always admired and enjoyed through the years, from Laugh-in to Overboard, we think you're adorable, fun and talented! Thank you for being here!

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to all who know you. You have clearly
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and the entire Bender family
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and for the lifetime of service
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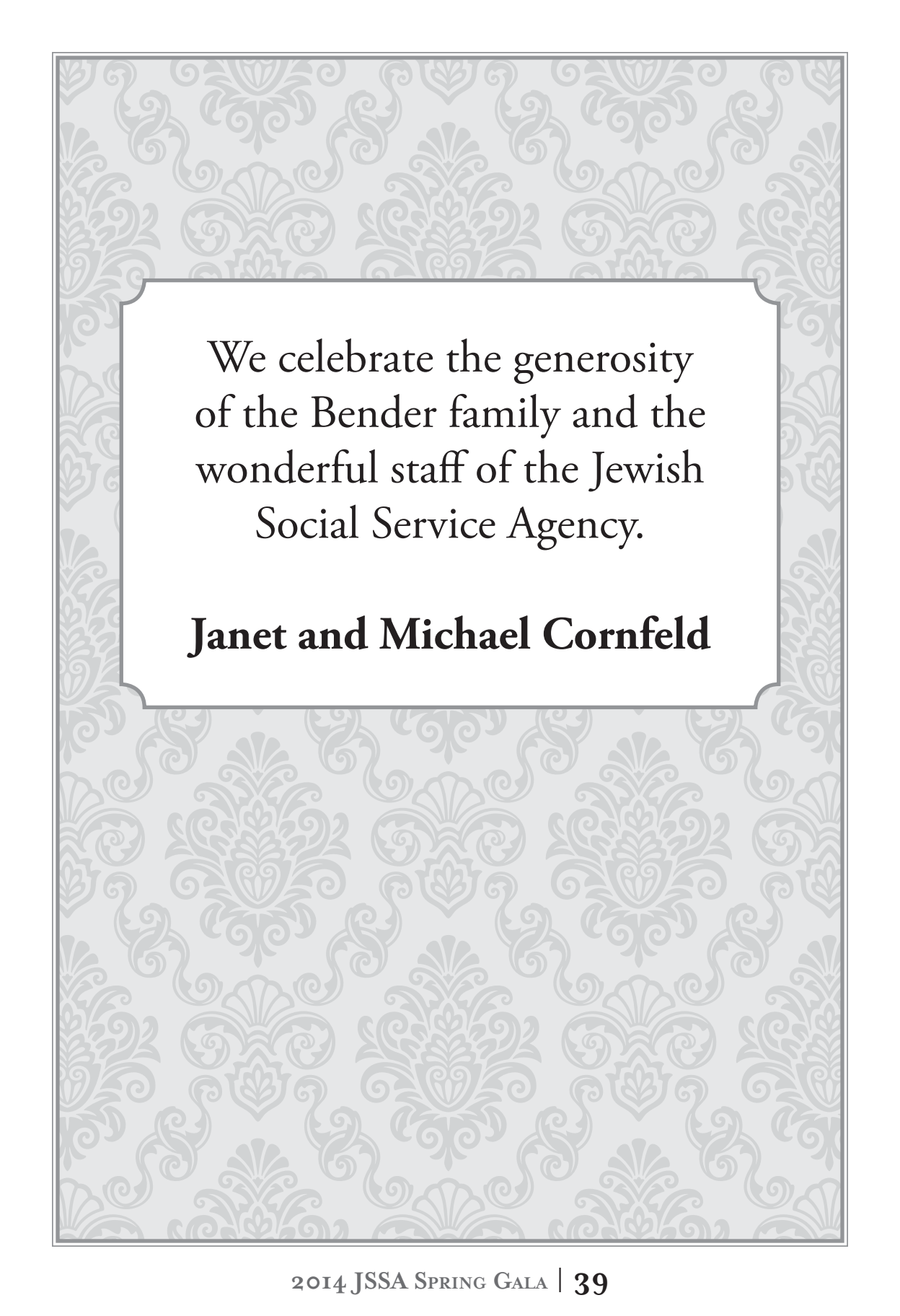
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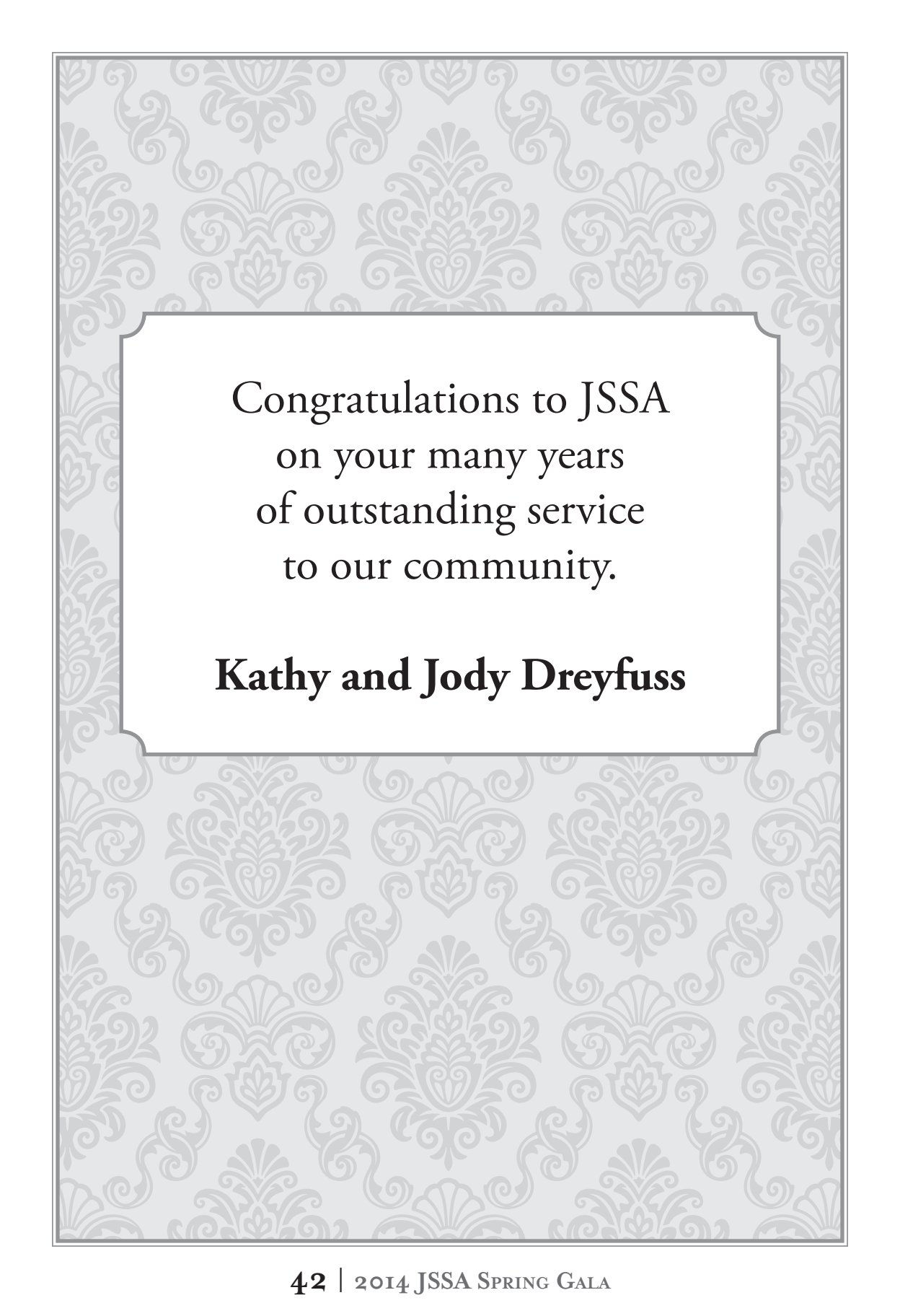
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to numerous projects.

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and created opportunities
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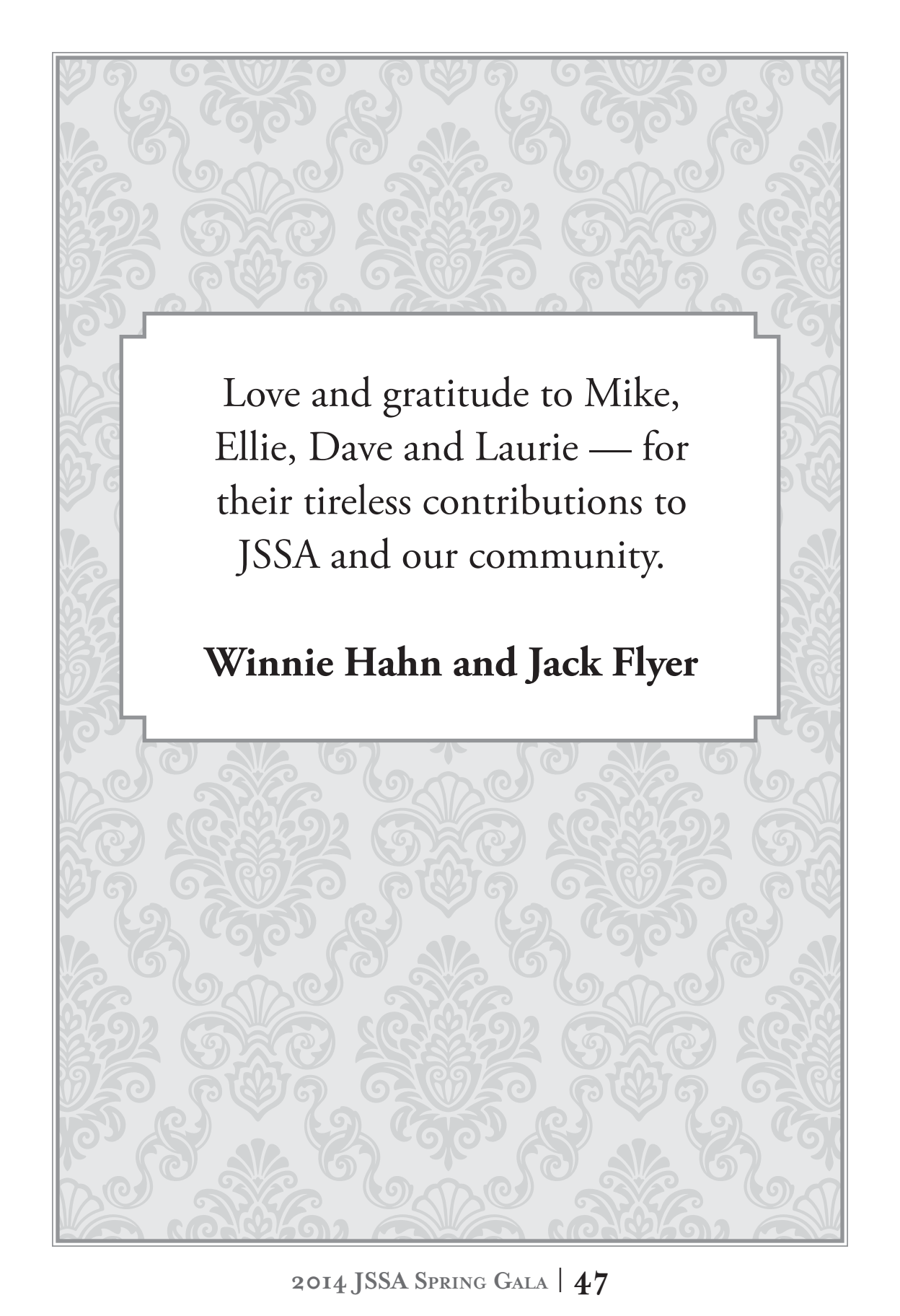


To our wonderful Gala Chairs
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You are the best role models we can imagine.
Your dedication inspires us.
Thank you for teaching us the importance
of community support and *Family Ties!!*

Lots of Love,

**David & Laurie, Jack & Winnie,
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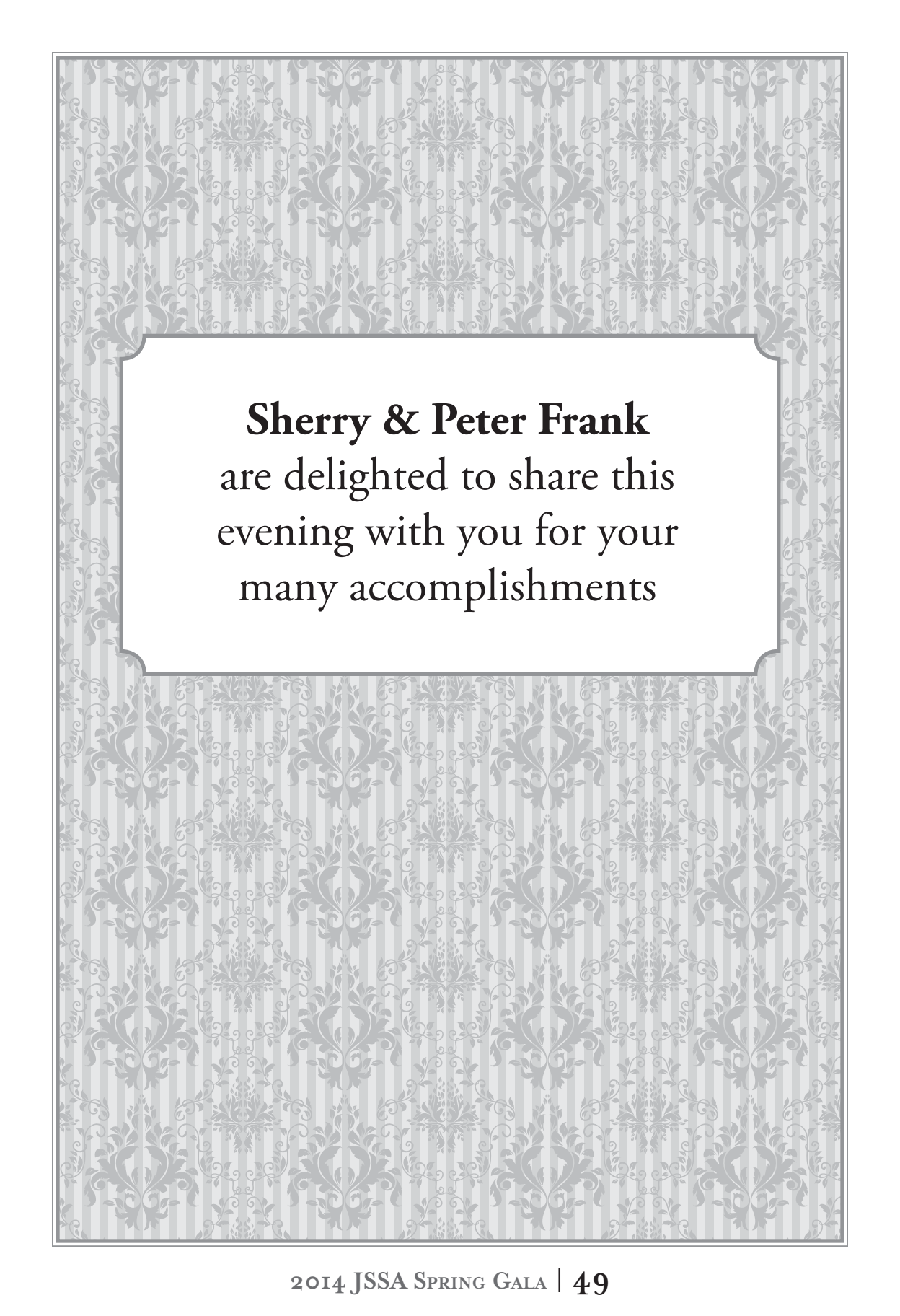
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Best wishes to
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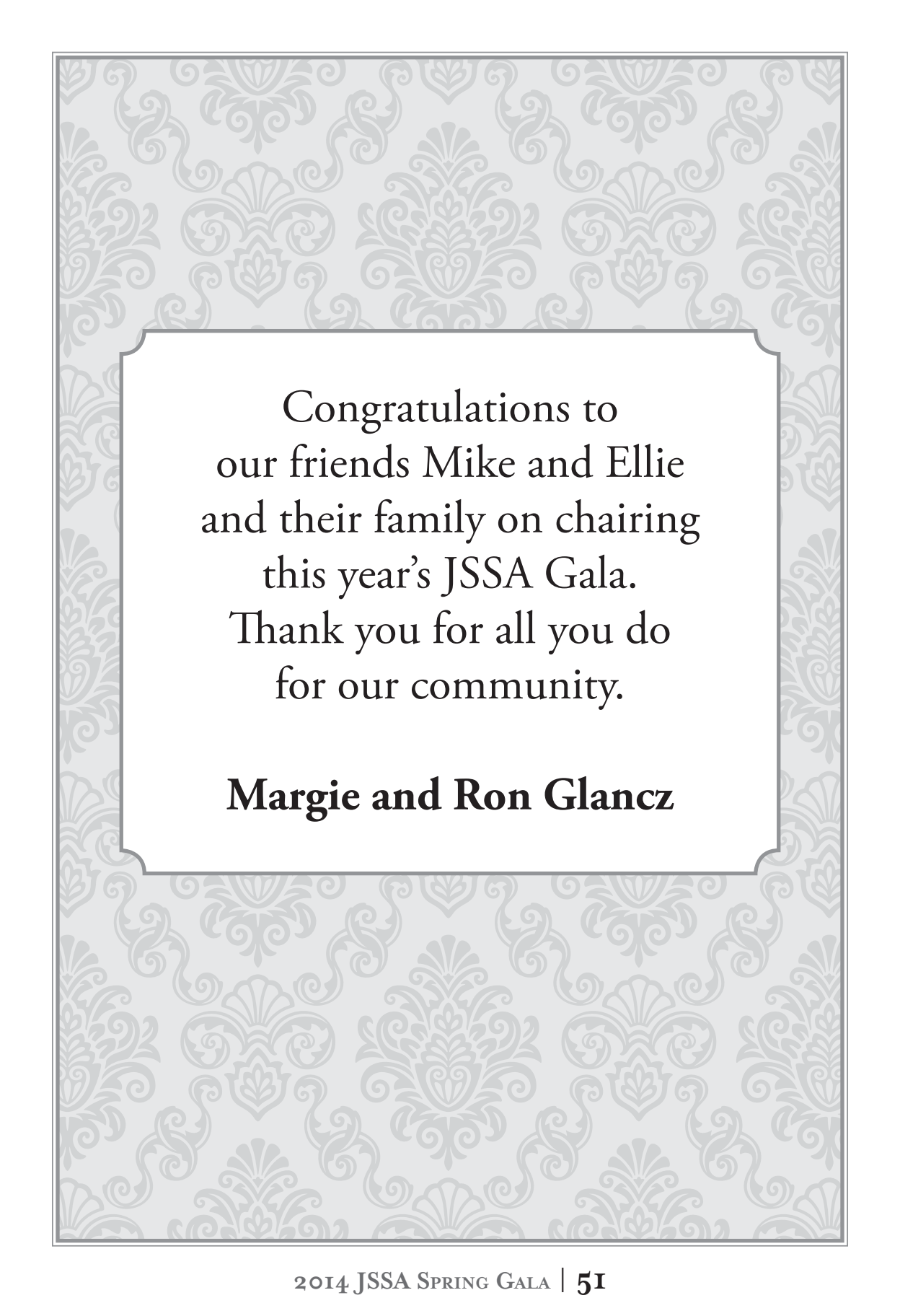
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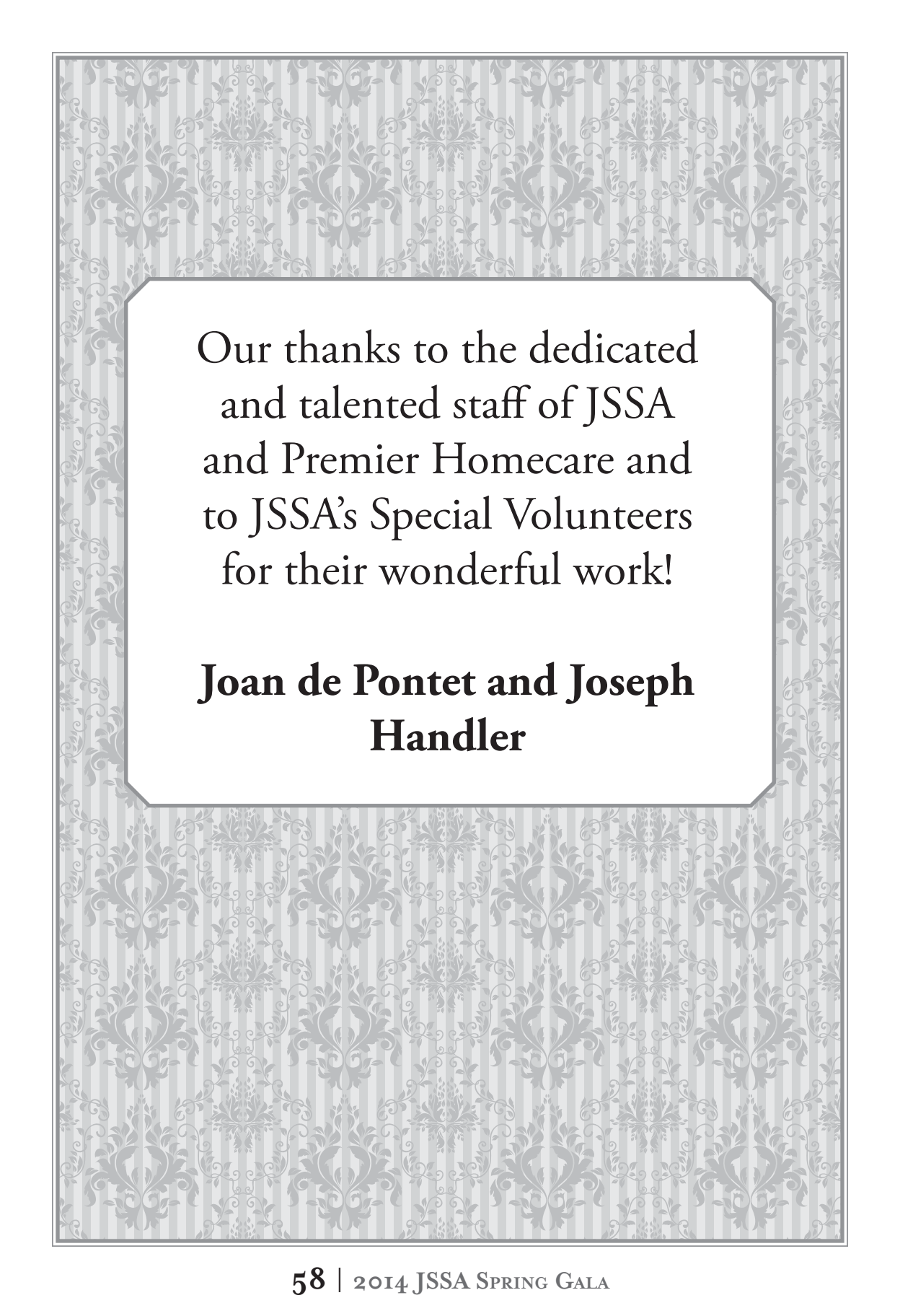


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While being Jewish was a significant part of his identity, Lawrie was not affiliated with a particular synagogue. Indeed, as a Kohain, he cultivated his own spiritual path, which emphasized rallying behind Jewish causes, and celebrating Jewish holidays with his family. At the time of his death last year, his family called upon JSSA to help with the funeral service.

With gratitude for Rabbi James Kahn's guidance and the assistance of the JSSA community, Lawrie's family has established the Lawrence A. Kaplan Endowment for Jewish Chaplaincy. This endowment will continue Lawrie's legacy of supporting the Jewish community and honoring the fine work of JSSA and its rabbis.

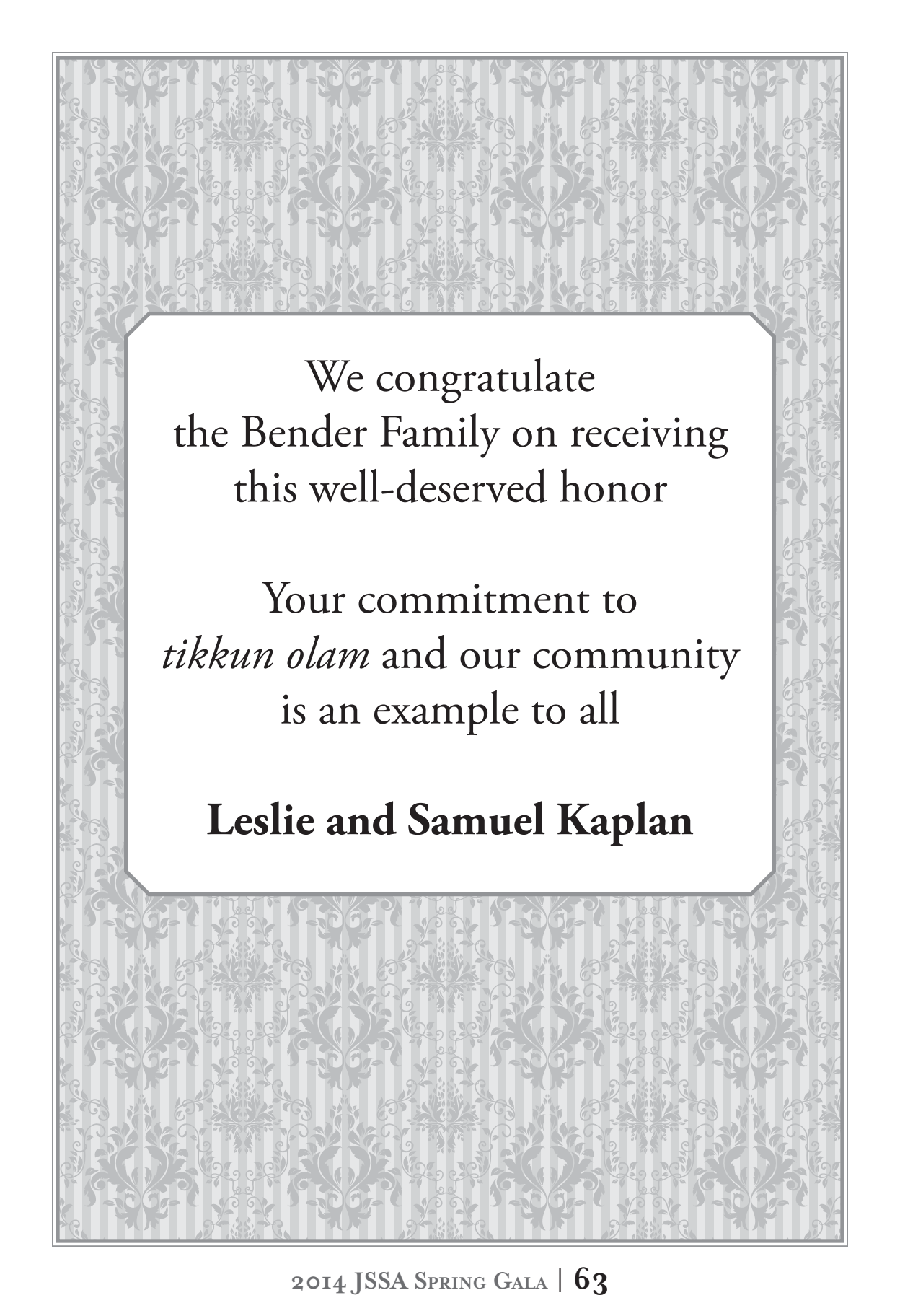


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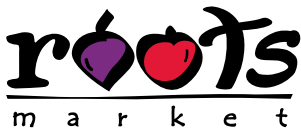
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And a special thanks to our chairs — the Flyer family for their help and hard work in making this event a great success!

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The Lebbins

Mazel Tov to the Bender family on its well-deserved receipt of the Joseph Ottenstein Award for Community Service.

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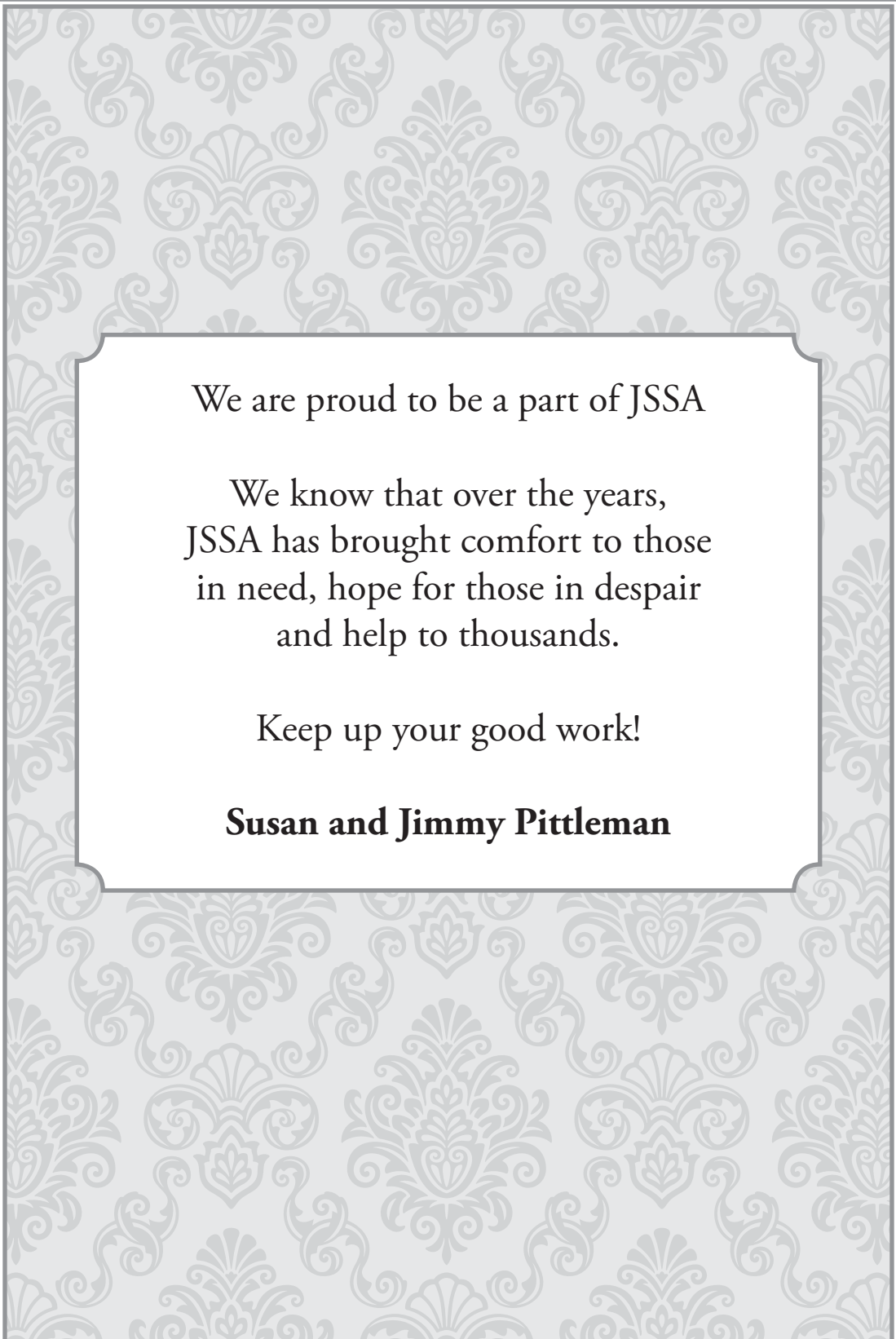
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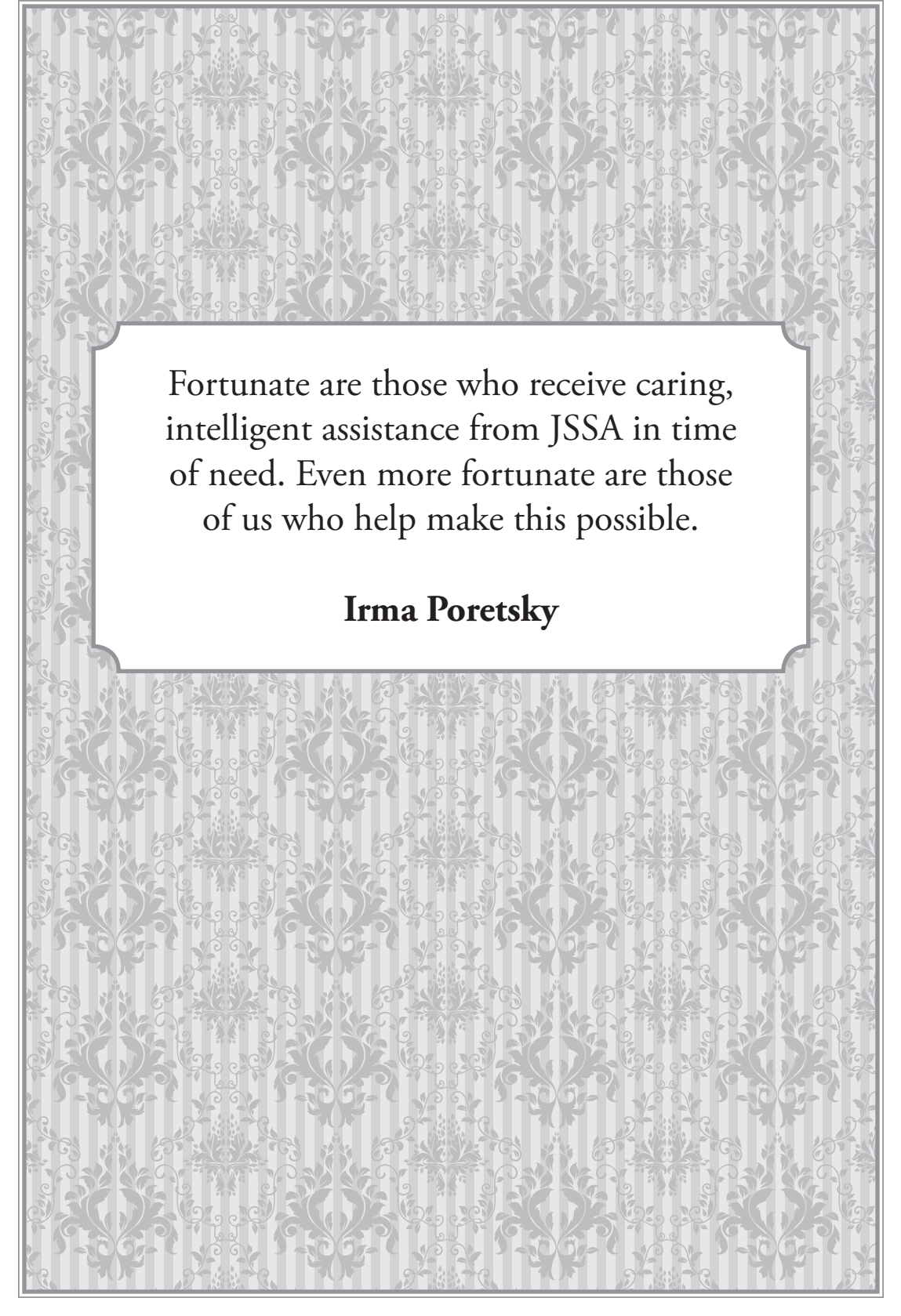


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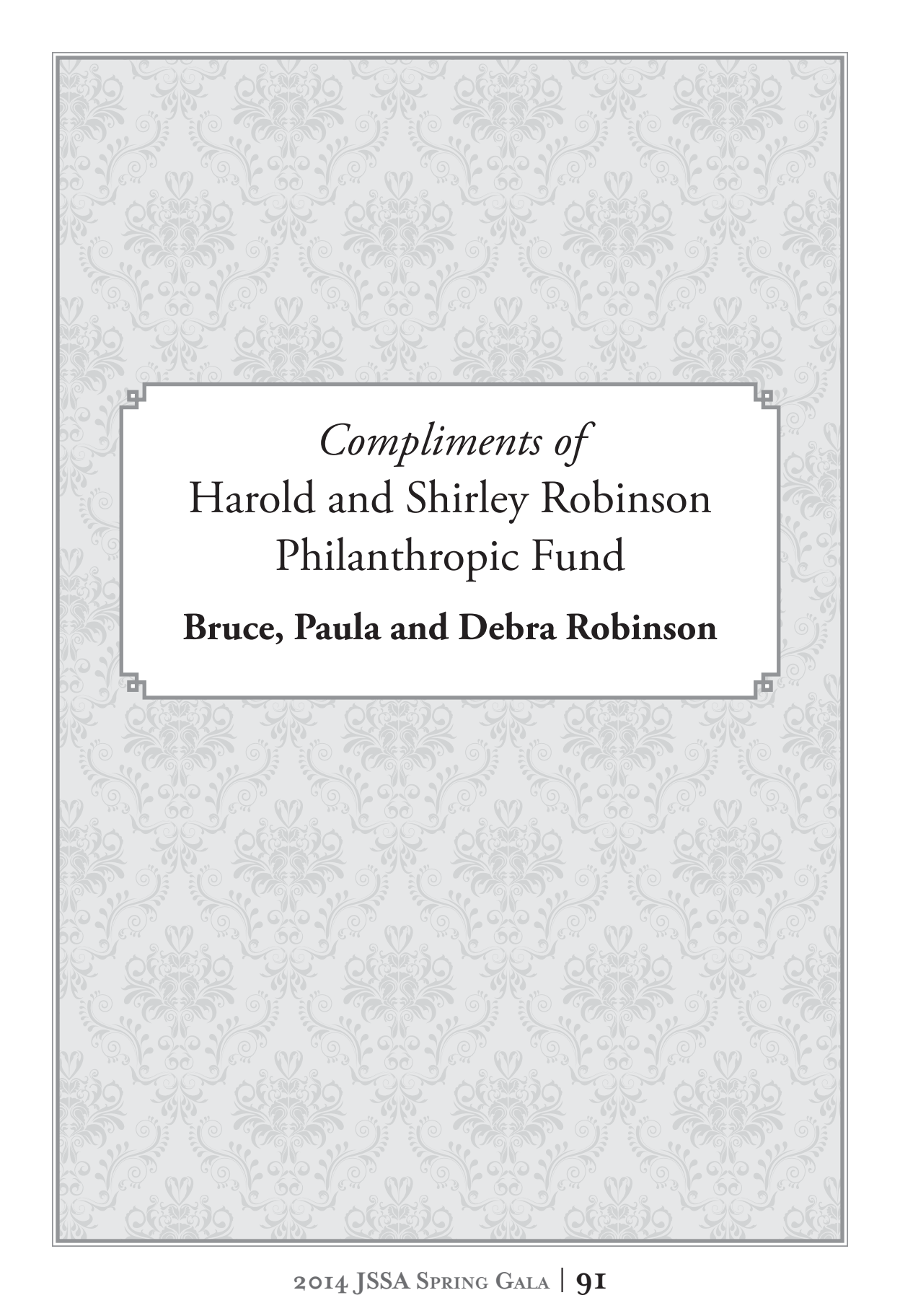
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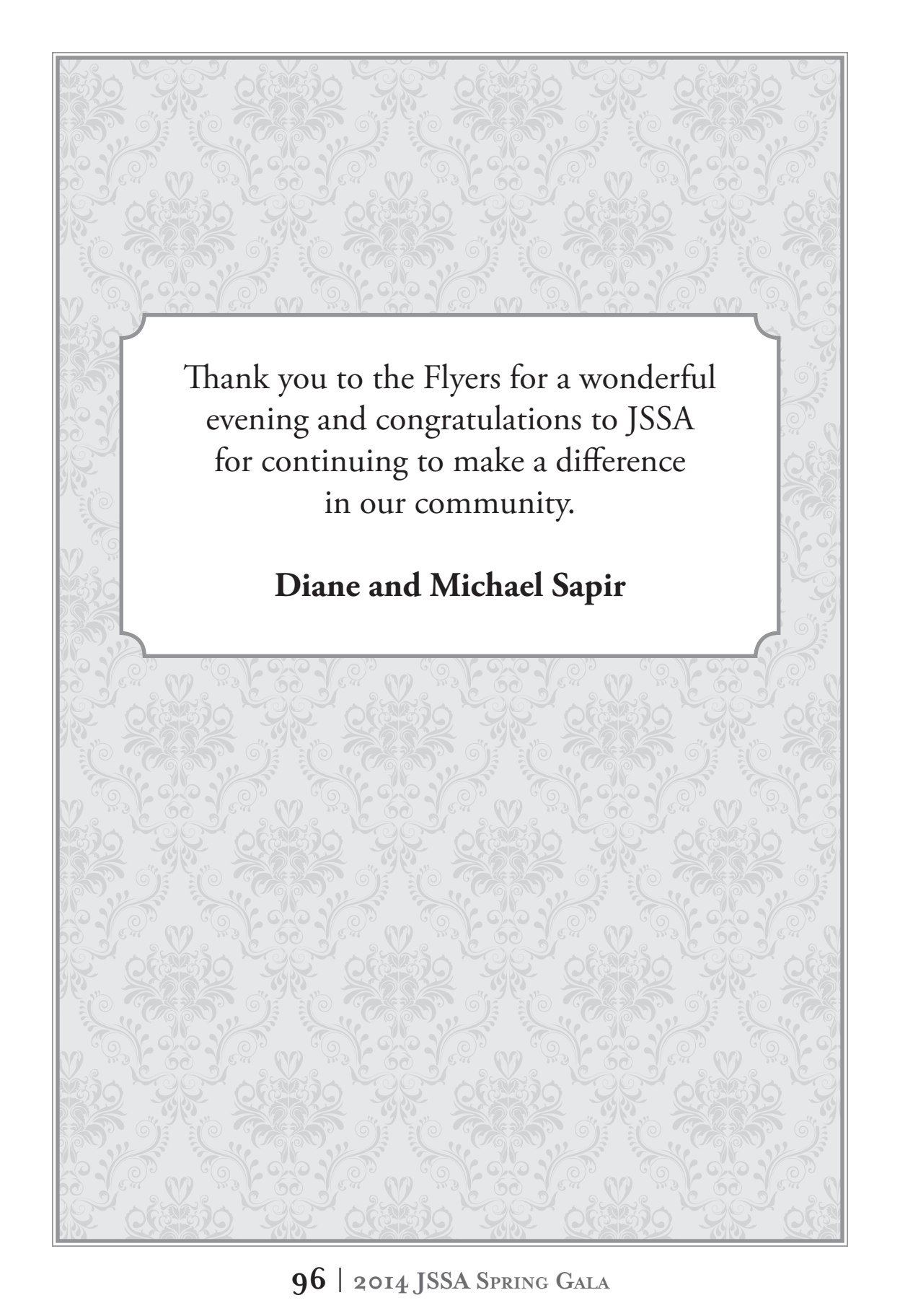
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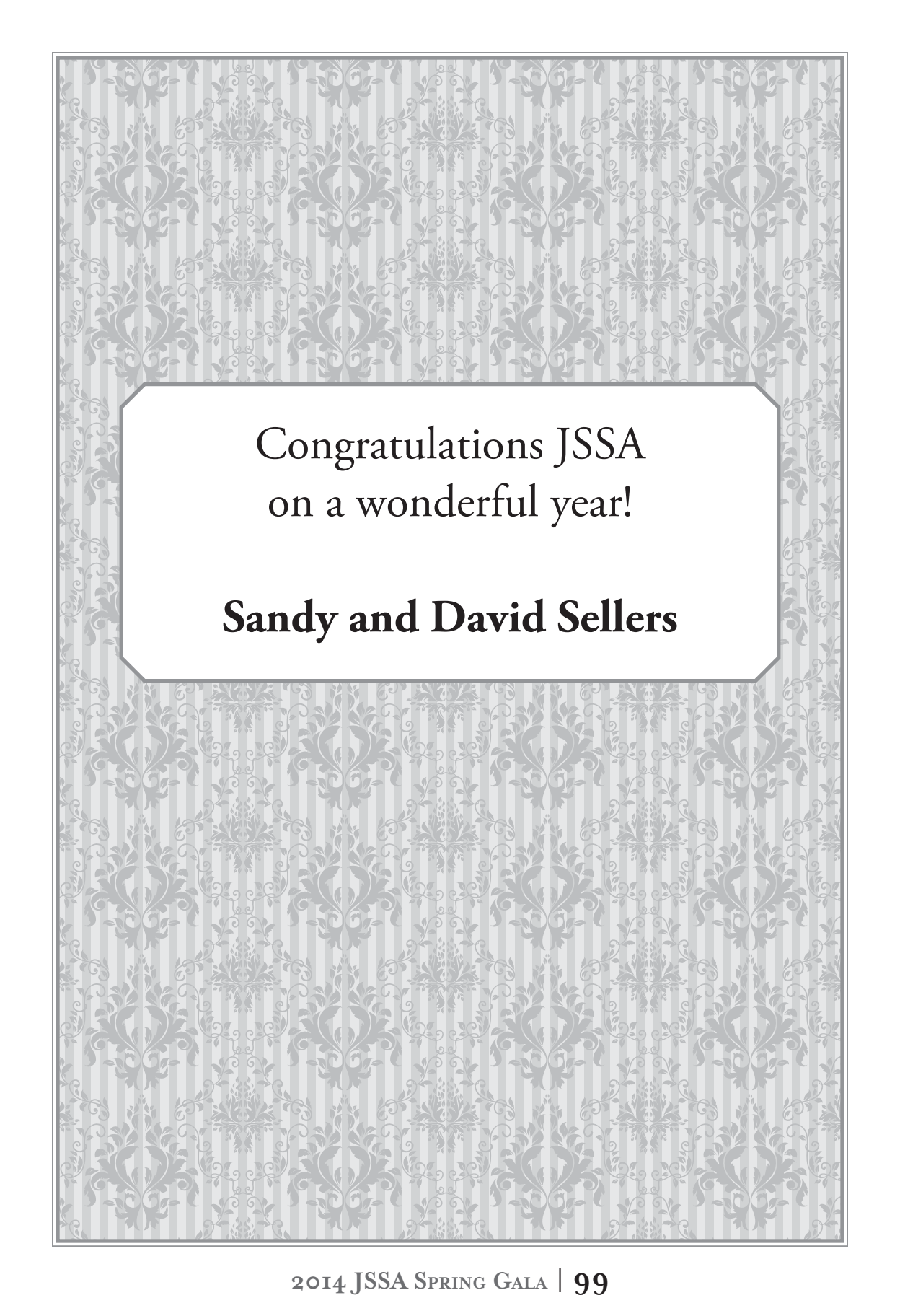


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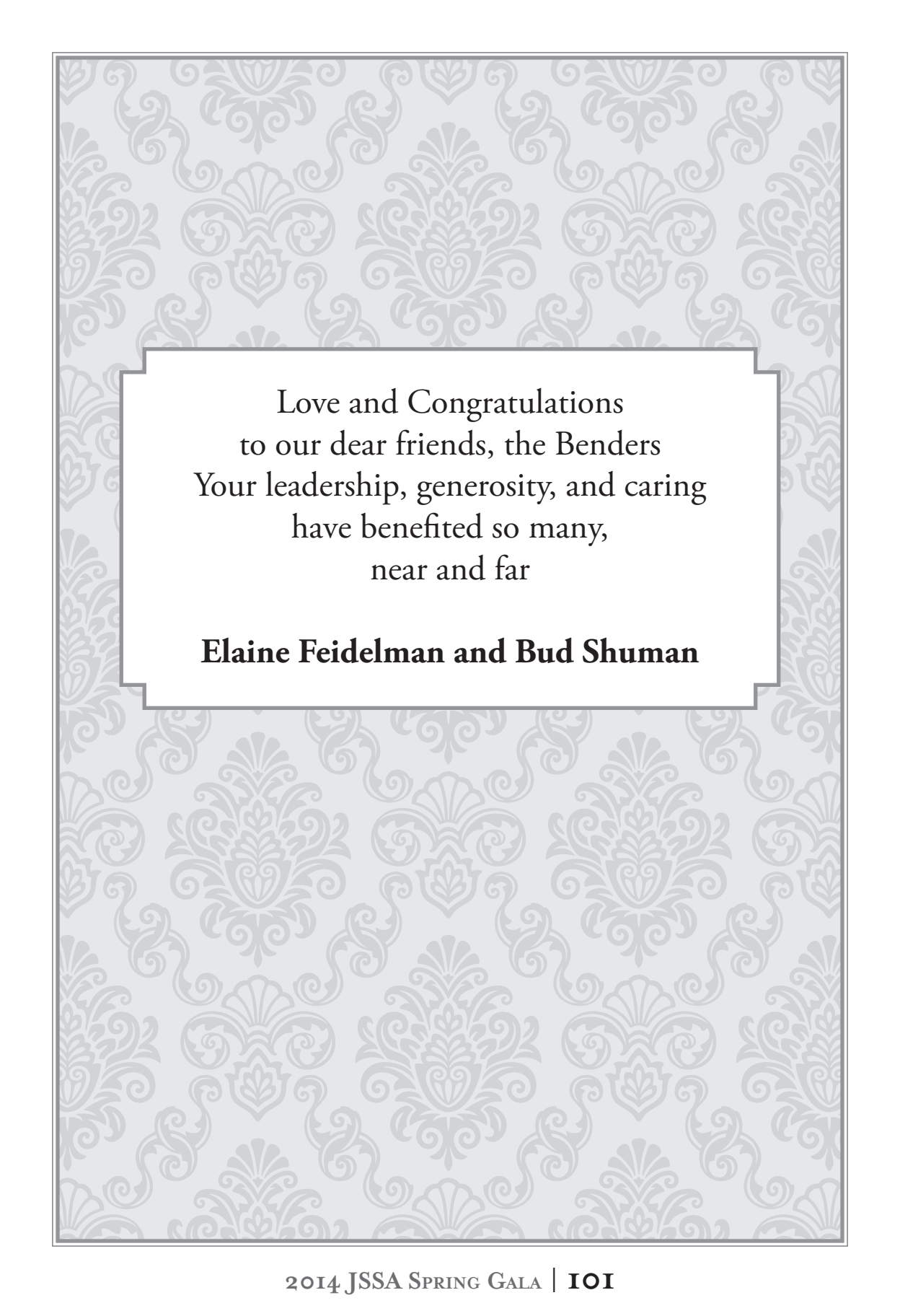
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Congratulations to
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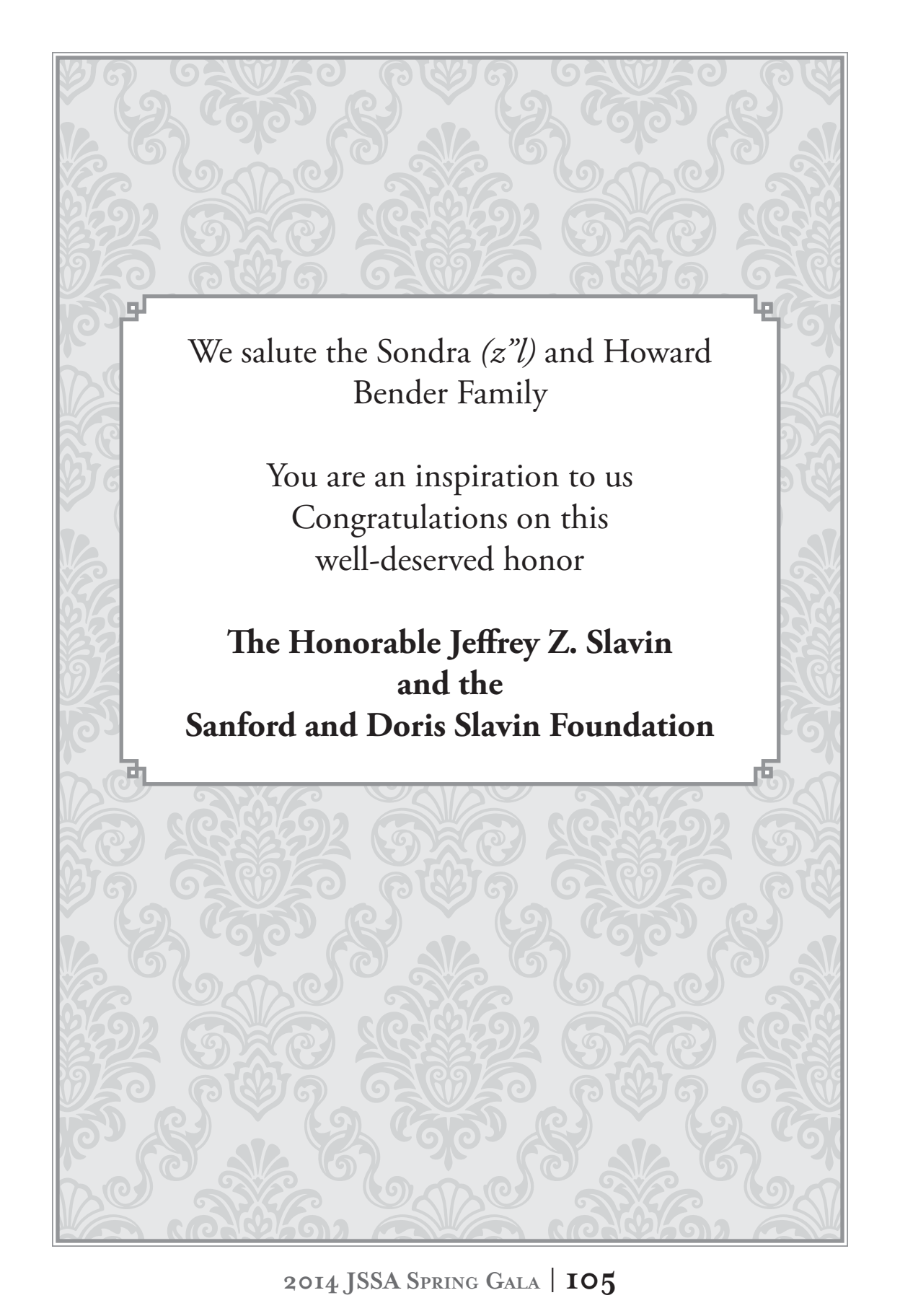
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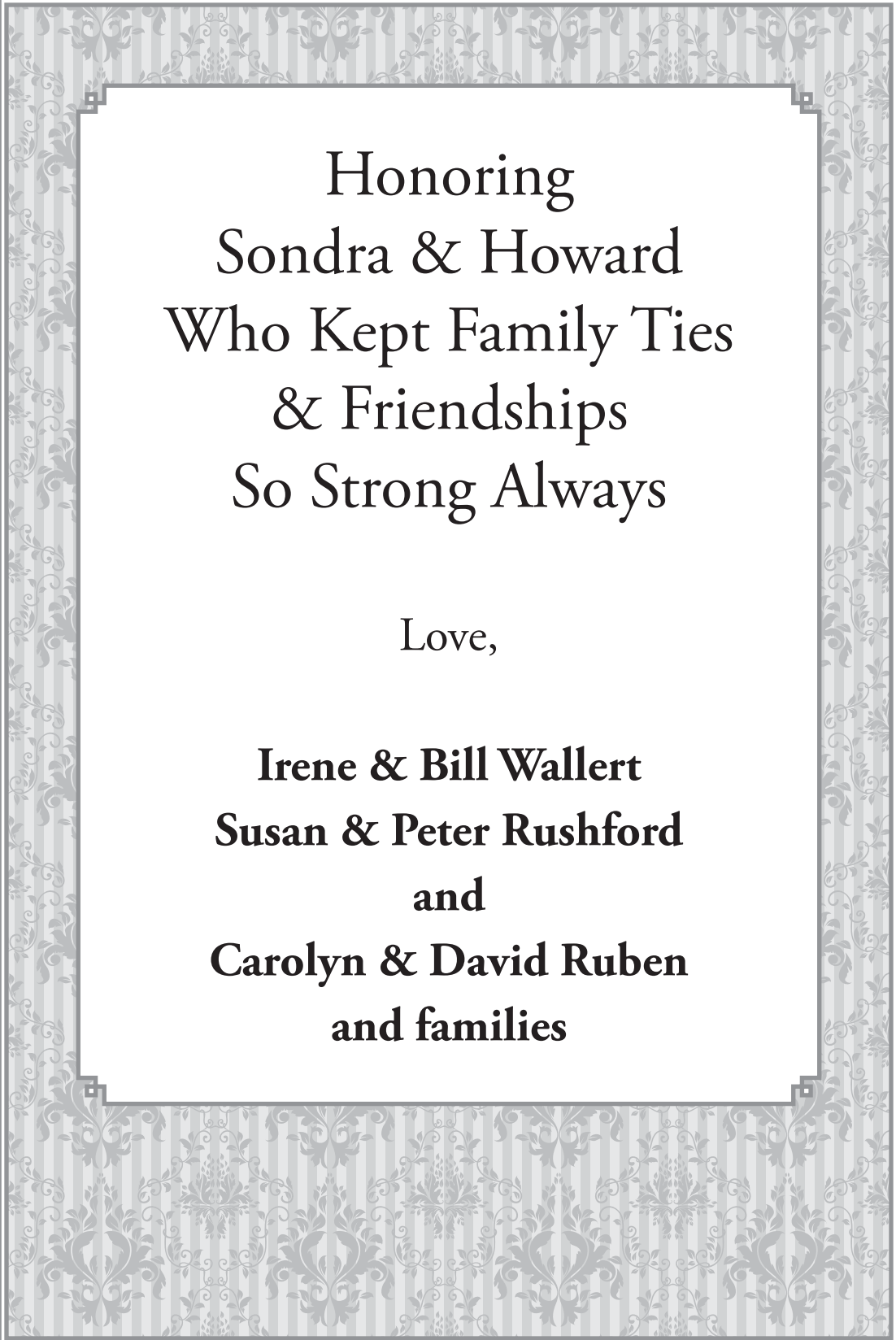
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