



The annual ORT Brunch began in 1972 and provides a tradition and legacy of more than 45 years of honoring men and women whose leadership has had a significant impact on both ORT and the greater Jewish and general communities.

The Jewish Sage Maimonides is well known for his outline of the seven levels of charity; the highest level is to help someone help himself. As this has always been and will continue to be, the essence of ORT's mission, the annual award presented by ORT America is called

The Maimonides Award.

The Ohio Region has been privileged to honor the following individuals whose outstanding community service has been a source of pride and inspiration to their community, family and friends.

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| 1972 - Joseph Spivak * | 1996 - Alan Schonberg * |
| 1973 - Bennet Kleinman * | 1997 - Robert Goldberg |
| 1974 - Alex Miller * | 1998 - Stephen J. Weinberg |
| 1975 - Judge Saul Stillman * | 1999 - Victor J. Cohn |
| 1976 - Nate Shafran * | 2000 - Robert L. Sill * |
| 1977 - Bennett Yanowitz * | 2001 - Allen L. Miller * |
| 1978 - Sidney Vincent * | 2002 - Marvin L. Lader |
| 1979 - Henry Zucker * | 2003 - Norton W. Rose * |
| 1980 - vic gelb * | 2004 - Mitchell C. Schneider |
| 1981 - Robert Deitz * | 2005 - Larry Kadis |
| 1982 - Rena Blumberg | 2006 - Scott Wolstein |
| 1983 - Stanley Rothenfeld * | 2007 - Ronald A. Fisher |
| 1984 - Lawrence Williams * | 2008 - Jane and Lee Seidman |
| 1985 - Peter Rzepka | 2009 - Bill Joseph * |
| 1986 - Alvin Gray | 2010 - Daniel Zelman |
| 1987 - Gov. Richard Celeste | 2011 - Barnett Bookatz |
| 1988 - Norman Wain | 2012 - Suellen Kadis |
| 1989 - Alva T. Bonda * | 2013 - Celebration of 60 years of ORT
in Cleveland |
| 1990 - Gordon and Evie Safran | 2014 - Lewis A. Zipkin |
| 1991 - Roland Moskowitz * | 2015 - Darrell A. Young |
| 1992 - Lawrence C. Sherman * | 2016 - Trish and Mark Adler |
| 1993 - Harley Gross | 2017 - Sue and Mitch Frankel |
| 1994 - Ronald B. Cohen | 2018 - Kenneth Liffman |
| 1995 - Tim Wuliger | |

* Of Blessed Memory