

LEADER OF THE YEAR **JOLIE NEWMAN**



Jolie Newman was born on the East Coast, raised in Dallas, and spent a decade living on the West Coast. She has a psychology degree from the University of Southern California and worked in nonprofit management in the Bay Area before returning to Dallas in the late nineties. Jolie spent 20 years working in marketing and public relations for local healthcare, accounting, and telecommunications firms. These days, she is focused on raising her children, studying financial planning at SMU and providing affordable housing to underserved families in the Dallas and Richardson areas.

Jolie spent many years involved in the J's programs and services. Her first job was as a counselor-in-training at Camp Simchah when she was 14. She worked there throughout high school and eventually met her future husband, Michael, at the J when they were both counselors singing about "that Camp Simchah feeling." Their two children, Ryan and Jordan, have also attended many of the J's summer camps, and participated in the JCC Maccabi Games®. Ryan followed in his parents' footsteps as a counselor at the J's tennis camp for the past two summers, and Jordan hopes to do the same as a CIT this summer in the gymnastics camp.

Jolie is entering her fourth year on the J's board as Chair-Elect. She is currently a member of the Capital Campaign committee and co-chair of the Development committee. She previously served as a member of the Governance committee.

Outside of the J, Jolie has served on the boards of the National Council of Jewish Women, the American Jewish Committee and Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas, where she served as Board Chair. Most recently, she co-chaired the Jewish Federation of Greater Dallas' annual fundraiser, One Night, and led the Empowering Leadership Program of the Federation's Jewish Women's Philanthropy Center.

LEADER OF THE YEAR **DEBRA PHARES**



Debra Goldstein Phares is a Senior Vice President and Philanthropic Client Director at Bank of America Private Bank, with 27 years of experience in nonprofit management and foundation administration. Debra is an experienced fundraising professional who brings her knowledge and understanding of nonprofits, board management and family relationships, grant making, and fiduciary administration to Bank of America. Debra works directly with high net worth individuals, private foundations, and nonprofit organizations providing guidance and best practices in philanthropy. She also directs grantmaking for foundations for which Bank of America, N.A. serves as Trustee or Co-Trustee.

She joined the Bank of America's Philanthropic Solutions group in September 2012, where she directed philanthropic services for the South Central region. Prior to joining the Bank, Debra has held numerous leadership roles in nonprofit management since 1992. She began her career working in the museum industry; joining the Dallas Museum of Art in 1994. Following her career with the Museum, Debra worked with the Communities Foundation of Texas and Parish Episcopal School.

Debra is a graduate of The University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelors of Arts in Art History. She holds the Chartered Advisor in Philanthropy® (CAP®) designation, received from the Richard D. Irwin Graduate School of The American College in Bryn Mawr, PA. Debra devotes her time and development experience to assisting different art, civic, religious and charitable organizations with fundraising activities. Debra lives in Dallas, TX with her two children.