



## *Charles E. Smith Life Communities*

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### ***Charles E. Smith Life Communities hosts 105<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting; Hoffman elected Chair***

*Rockville, Maryland. May 7, 2015* – The 105<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors and Board of Directors convened in the Bord Social Hall of the Wasserman Residence at Charles E. Smith Life Communities on Wednesday night (May 6) to install new officers, reflect on the “Moments That Mattered” in the past year, and to outline what’s ahead for the organization as it reaffirms its commitment to helping seniors in the community.

Joseph B. Hoffman, a partner in the Washington, DC office of the law firm Kelley Drye & Warren LLP, was elected Chair of the Board of Governors. Hoffman, a native of Pittsburgh, is a graduate of the University of Maryland and George Washington University Law School. He is a resident of Bethesda and an active member of Congregation Beth El of Montgomery County.

“The Hebrew Home – now Charles E. Smith Life Communities – has been a great personal fit for me – matching my passion for the elderly with a charitable mission in an organization where I’ve developed close friendships and been embraced by a community” Hoffman said, as he formally accepted the role.

Outgoing Chair Marc Solomon presented the Chair’s Award for 2015 to Steven H. Oram, Founding Principal of Oram & Moss Chartered, a Chevy Chase law firm. Oram is a graduate of the Kogod School of Business at American University and received his JD from the University of Baltimore School of Law. He is a native of Utica, New York, where he established the Give Back to Utica Fund at the Community Foundation of Herkimer & Oneida Counties, Inc. He currently resides in Potomac, Maryland.

In presenting the award, Solomon cited Oram’s “deep personal commitment to philanthropy, Jewish community, and caring for those who are vulnerable.”

The Board also recognized President/CEO Warren R. Slavin for 20 years of leadership, and installed the 2015-2017 Officers, Board of Governors and Board of Directors.

The complete list of the Boards of Governors and Directors can be viewed at [www.hebrew-home.org/2015bog](http://www.hebrew-home.org/2015bog).

*Charles E. Smith Life Communities was founded in 1910 in Washington, DC, as the Hebrew Home for the Aged, and moved to Rockville in 1969. Today, the organization provides services to more than 1,000 Washington-area seniors on its 38-acre campus in Rockville. Services include long-term care and the Post-Acute Care Center at the Hebrew Home of Greater Washington; independent senior living at Ring House and Revitz House; assisted living at Landow House; memory care assisted living at Cohen-Rosen House; a medical practice at the Hirsh Health Center; and the ElderSAFE Center which provides temporary shelter, advocacy, and education to benefit victims of elder abuse.*

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