

President Board Report: September 15, 2016

Since we last met, our Temple held the following events: 1) the Installation Shabbat on August 26 with a very nice Oneg that was sponsored by the Board, the Sisterhood Council, and the Mensch Club; 2) a Friday Shabbat service on September 2 led by Monika Kimball and Ruth Rubin and Saturday Shabbat service led by Stuart Kelter and Leora Zeitlin on September 3 when the Rabbi was out of town; 3) a lively and enjoyable Shabbat Under the Stars Family Service at Veterans' Memorial Park on Friday, September 9, followed by a delicious potluck; 4) a lovely Sisterhood luncheon sponsored by Sisterhood Council on Sunday, September 11 at the Temple with donations collected for the Safe Haven Animal Shelter; and 5) the first of several Grant Proposal Planning Meetings on Thursday, September 8 at the Temple—attended by Bill Stein, Alison Mann, Irv and Barb Ross, Ned Rubin, Sue Brown, Jane Grider, Rabbi Larry, and me. We came up with some interesting ideas, which we will share later in the meeting. The Rabbi Review Committee has finished its interviewing and collecting of information, and Ned and I will review the information in order to give the Board an update of findings and to meet with the Rabbi to hold an annual review with him.

We received a nice thank you email from Phil Alkon for the Get Well card we sent him, a thank you note from Camp Hope for our donation, and a very lovely letter from new member Diana Blum for the warm welcome she and her husband received from the Temple community and from the Rabbi.

After the High Holy Days, we will put together a letter to the congregation to inform them about our semi-annual meeting, which will be held in very late October or early November. I would also like you to consider adding an item to the congregational ballot that would reduce the required number of Board members for future years, due to the small size of our congregation. I also suggest this because the Nominating Committee had a difficult time getting people to run for the Board, and, as you know, was able to secure enough candidates but was not able to have the usual two nominees over the number to be elected.

Constitution Article 6: Board of Trustees

Section 1. The Board of Trustees will consist of thirteen (13) members in good standing, eleven (11) elected by the Congregation, one (1) appointed by the women's auxiliary/sisterhood and one (1) appointed by the men's group/brotherhood.

Thank you for your thoughtfulness, your dedication, and for trying to observe the norms we established collaboratively.