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Notes from the President

Biennial keeps us going and going . . .

By Ellen Azrael
President

If you ever watch television, you must have seen all the commercials about the Energizer Bunny. It just keeps going! That's what the Biennial is. It gives you that charge to just keep going! Once every two years we have a regional Biennial, bringing together clergy and lay leaders from Reform congregations in Pennsylvania, parts of New Jersey, New York, and West Virginia. The Rabbi and I attended a pre-conference program

entitled *Brit Kodesh: Building and Maintaining Sacred Partnerships*. We talked a lot about how the clergy and the lay leadership can better communicate and create mutual respect. Holly Michelson attended the sessions about the *Chai Curriculum: Education at the Center*. She heard more about the UAHC goals for education. Harlan and Carole Kutscher went to the session entitled *Roll Up Your Sleeves: Making Art in Community*. They spent their time creating a beautiful wall hanging, which

was auctioned off at the end of the Biennial.

On Friday the Biennial officially began in the morning. Harriet Baskin attended *Raising Your Congregation's Membership I.Q.: Recruitment, Integration and Retention* as well as *Engaging Generation "E": Today's Youth Culture and Our Congregations*. Marty Beckerman and Marshall Azrael attended *Creating a Culture of Leadership in Your Congregation* as well

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From the Rabbi's Study

Make Judaism live in your home

Children learn a great deal by watching and listening to adults they know and trust. Children need to hear words of affection, love, and devotion shared by adults in their lives for them to understand their meaning. They need these same words spoken to them and then fulfilled by actions. All too often, tragedies occur in families where children feel that they are unloved and unwanted. Parents will say: "We gave our lives for our children. How can they ever doubt that we love them?" Yet, children will doubt if they haven't heard words of love spoken.

A similar situation exists in Judaism.

Parents assume that because they are members of a congregation and send their children to Religious School, that their children will automatically be Jewish. They will not. Even those parents who hold high position in Jewish organizations in the community, are discovering that this does not in any way make their children Jewish, interested in Judaism, or affected by things Jewish. Not all the meetings, not all the Hebrew schools, not all the Sunday Schools are going to take the place of adults who create a Jewish atmosphere in the home.

In order for our children to be Jewish, they need to hear the words of Judaism

spoken and acted upon. The words of Judaism have to be spoken in the home from the time that a child is born. A home where nothing Jewish is mentioned, where no Jewish books are found, where no Jewish music is heard, where no Jewish art is seen is a Jewish vacuum. A Jewish home that has no excitement of observance of the Jewish holidays and no observance of the Sabbath, in any way shape or form, is not speaking the words of Judaism or fulfilling its actions.

The words of Judaism need to be spoken in our day. Its actions need to be performed and its flavor must be a part of our lives, our homes, and our dealings with our children and grandchildren. May we teach them by our own right examples how to love and how to be a Jew.

January Highlights

Friday, Jan 3: Shabbat service, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 4: Morning Shabbat Service, 10 a.m.

Saturday, Jan. 11: Tot Shabbat, 10 a.m.

Sunday, Jan. 19: Men's Club, 9:30 a.m.

Friday, Jan. 24: Shabbat Family Night starting at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 31: Special Shabbat service, Volunteer Recognition

Friday night services at 7:45 unless otherwise noted

Babysitting available at all services

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Religious School News

Be prepared to listen when winter storms hit

By Holly Michelson, RJE
Religious School Administrator

As I sit down to put the finishing touches on this month's article, I am also enjoying watching our girls play outside in the snow. Our first school snow day of the year and it is a good one. So now is the perfect time to review what would happen if we have a snow day on a Sunday or Tuesday. On Sundays, I am hoping to have a message on the synagogue's machine by about 7:45, if not earlier. In terms of Tuesdays, generally if all of the schools in the area are closed, in particular: Reading, Wyomissing and Wilson, we are closed as well. Bundle up and enjoy the snow.

A couple of weeks ago, I had the privilege of attending the Regional UAHC Biennial. Our region covers all of Pennsylvania (except for Erie), parts of New

York, New Jersey, Delaware and even Ohio. Most of the sessions I chose were, of course, education related, and I would like to tell you in particular about the pre-conference ones that dealt exclusively with the new UAHC Chai Core Curriculum.

As I mentioned last month, we have the honor of being a pilot site for the third grade component. This "core" curriculum is not meant to be the definitive Religious School Curriculum. It is meant to supplement our topics and themes with core Reform Jewish values and ideals. It is broken down into three major parts: Torah, Avodah (worship) and G'milut Chasadim (Good deeds/works). Within each part are 7-8 lessons. While the parts remain the same from 2nd grade through 7th, the depth and scope of each topic increases over time. To hear more, speak with one of our 3rd/4th

grade students or their teacher, Catherine Schultz. This curriculum was an immense undertaking and it is exciting to be part of it.

Developments down in the classroom wing... Check out the new bulletin boards. One board will be a showcase for some of the work our students do with our Art Specialist, Eve Pardo. Our teachers will fill the other board over the course of the year with important information, examples of class work, artwork and more. Happy Secular New Year.

Important Dates:

- Jan. 5: Religious School Resumes
- Jan. 19: No Religious School
- Jan. 24: 5th grade Service and Dinner

Men's Club News

Help is here as you get ready for the tax man

By Marshall Azrael
Men's Club president

We are all getting off to a bright start of a new year, but in the spring the tax man cometh! Do not fear. Our president, Ellen Azrael is an Enrolled Agent. An EA is a certification granted by the Internal Revenue Service. An EA has the same rights and privileges as CPAs and attorneys to represent taxpayers. Ellen currently is employed by Reinsel & Company, LLP of Wyomissing. A

graduate of Franklin & Marshall College, she has a certificate in accounting from Albright College. Ellen will be talking about some of the changes in the tax laws, and how they might affect you this year and next. She also will look at how you can make your tax preparer very happy this tax year.

So, don't miss our meeting Sunday, Jan. 19 at 9:30 a.m. I look forward to seeing you when you join us for breakfast. Please call me if you have any

questions or suggestions.

The next meeting will be Feb. 9. Our guest speaker will be the new President of Reading Area Community College, Dr. Richard Kratz. He will tell about his vision for the future of RACC.

Our officers are: Marshall Azrael, President; Sidney Symons, Vice President; Michael Pardo, Secretary; Arthur Becker, Past President.

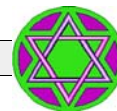
Future meetings, all on Sundays: March 16; April 6; May 11.

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as *Delineating Boundaries, Opening the Gates: The Role of the Non-Jew in Synagogue Life*, which I also attended. Paul Cohn went to *Securing your Temple's Financial Stability: Development, Endowments, and Capital Campaigns*. Holly Michelson attended *Small and Mighty: Strengthening your Small Congregation's Religious School*. Our Rabbi was one of the presenters of that session and Harlan Kutscher was the greeter. I was a greeter at *Maintaining a Congregational Connection: Outreach During and Beyond the College Years*.

Shabbat was welcomed by almost 300 attendees, with Rabbi Eric Yoffie's presidential address as the highlight of the evening. My only disappointment that evening was the Chavurah Ensemble (choir) from Cherry Hill, NJ. They were good, but not nearly as good as our fabulous choir.

On Saturday Jeff and Lynn Driben, and Dan Sklar joined us for the day for prayer and Torah study. There were many study

sessions that were facilitated by many leaders of the UAHC. I attended a session *When Jewish and American Jewish Values Collide* led by Rabbi Jan Katzew, the director of the UAHC Department of Jewish Education. In the evening there was a wonderful awards banquet, which included the presentation of the "Scroll of Honor" to Nancy Knoblauch.

The Biennial wrapped up on Sunday. Those of us who were still there attended breakfasts with different interest groups. I had breakfast with other area presidents as well as with Rabbi Yoffie. It was a small, intimate group, and we talked about a number of topics. After breakfast there were workshops about Israel, which culminated in a very interesting presentation *Israel 5763: Three Perspectives*. After everyone else left the Biennial I attended my first regional board meeting, and will be representing our temple as a member at large.

If you found any of the session topics interesting to you, please talk to the

people who attended the programs. We plan to integrate into our programs many of the ideas we gained at the Biennial, and it will take a lot of support by all of our membership.

At the end of January, the 31st to be exact, we will be having a Friday night service to honor some of our members who have been volunteers in the community as well as the Temple. Nancy Knoblauch will receive her "Scroll of Honor" award that night. Also, the choir will be singing, which will make this service even a little more special. Please attend this service. It's important for our community.

Thanks to all of you who do so many things for the Temple. The Chanukah dinner and service were outstanding. The blood drive was a great success. The Sisterhood's Chanukah baskets were wonderful. The new sign outside the school wing is fabulous. Thank you again for all you've done for the Temple.

FOOD FESTIVAL FACTS

We all know that the 2002 Jewish Food and Cultural Festival was a huge social and educational success.

Now here's the information that proves how vital this event has become to our congregation:

- \$21,000 Gross income
 - \$9,500 Net Income
 - \$500 Estimated net income for Sisterhood Gift Shop on festival day
 - \$11,235 Net income plus available reserves from last year
- Allocations voted on by Festival committee and volunteers

- \$6,000 toward student cantor program
- \$1,000 kitchen equipment
- \$735 landscaping fund
- \$3,500 reduction of principle balance of RCOS mortgage
- \$300 contribution to MAZON
- \$85 collected for Greater Berks Food Bank

Our future success is unlimited if everyone will increase their volunteer commitment to this project.

Next year's committee under the leadership of Ellice Gunter is already

planning for Oct. 26.

Save the date... Volunteer... Be part of and proud of our success... Have fun!

Two meetings will be held to organize a staff for the program/recipe/ad book for Food Festival 2003. Those who would like to participate need only attend one, whichever suits their schedule: Sunday, Feb. 2 at 9:30 a.m. or Wednesday, Feb. 5 at 6:30 p.m. Contact Jeri Kozloff if you're interested but can't attend a meeting.

WANTED:

Additional upright freezer for Food Festival and other occasions. Please call the Temple office if you have one to donate or sell.

Book group meets . . .

Sunday, Jan. 12 at 4 p.m.

We are reading Isaac Bashevis Singer's Collected works. Copies of the book are available in the RCOS office.



The Jane Henry Memorial Fund

The Jane Henry Memorial Fund is not just a camp fund for youth. It will help anyone in need, particularly young people. This fund will consider aiding someone during difficult, needy periods.

To Judith Kraines & Dr. Neil Hoffman in honor of the engagement of Joanna Katz & Seth Hoffman
Maxine & Dick Henry

To Phyllis Balis with get well wishes
Bob & Kaye Ullman

In honor of granddaughter Kelsi Stoudt's Bat Mitzvah
Irwin and Carole Beck.

A tribute has been earmarked for the Social Action Committee in appreciative acknowledgment of the honor made by the congregation in my Scroll of Honor.

Nancy Knoblauch

New Building Fund

To Sue Schlanger for a speedy recovery
Harriet Baskin

To Judith Kraines & Neil Hoffman in honor of Seth & Joanna's engagement
Seth, Barbara, Dana & Michael Rosenzweig.

Marilyn & Gerry Frank
Scott & Linda Bram
Leah Levin

Yahrzeit in memory of Richard's father Eugen Jaschek
Richard & Rosalye Yashek

To Ms. Geraldine Hirshland in honor of the Hirshland Exhibition Gallery at Cornell University
Bob & Kaye Ullman
Judy & Lee Katz

Yahrzeit in memory of Frances Beckerman
Norma, Marty, Andy & Erica

Beckerman
Heather Nazimov Scarletta
Fund in memory of Shirley Kurlancheek
Norma & Marty Beckerman.
Patricia L. Gilmore

Landscaping Fund

To Judith Kraines & Dr. Neil Hoffman in honor of Seth & his bride to be Joanna Katz
Ruth and Irvin Balis

Library Fund

To Judith Kraines & Dr. Neil Hoffman in honor of Seth & Joanna's engagement
The Loewenstein-Harting family

Music Fund

To Judith Kraines & Dr. Neil Hoffman in honor of Seth & Joanna's engagement
Sheila & Gary Lattin.
Iris & Leon Lonker

To Nan Kurlancheek in memory of her mother, Shirley
Harriet Baskin

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In honor of the Sisterhood and their beautiful Chanukah baskets
Saul "Marty" Miller

In honor of the Brit Milah (Bris) of Stewart E. Natkin
Cantor Mark Kushner

In honor of Julie Renee and John Carl Hawkins III
Stewart & Jane Goodman

In honor of Nancy Knoblauch's receiving the UAHC Scroll of Honor award

Norma & Marty Beckerman

Jerome R. and Jarret R. Smith

Shirley K. Jacobs

Religious School Fund

To Susan Schlanger with wishes for a speedy recovery
Norma, Marty, Andy & Erica
Beckerman

To Mrs. Jacobs with wishes for a Happy Chanukah
Jeffrey Hogg

To Dr. Irene Katz Weizer, a special thank you
Tammy, Dino & Joshua
Ciliberti.

Greater Temple Fund

In memory of Jerome R. Smith

To Judith Kraines & Neil Hoffman in honor of Seth & Joanna's engagement

Edythe Stern.
Gayle & Mike Kastenbaum
Gerald & Syndey Malick

With thanks for the congregation's kindness
The family of Nathan Harrison

For our family Yahrzeits
Sara & Al Diamond

In appreciation of the Chanukah "goodie" basket
Bob & Kaye Ullman

Sincere thanks to everyone who made donations, and sent me cards and good well wishes for my recovery. Love to all. Lisa Bratt

Perpetual Memorials

January 3 and 4

Samuel Frankel
Irving Bash
Anna Baerncopf
Claire Dershwin
Helen Simmons

January 10

Louis S. Levy
Margaret Gilbert
Frieda Goldstein
Sidney Spinrad
Beth Frankel
Norman B. Dunitz
Henrietta Weitzenkorn

January 17

Dora Lurio Greenberg
Josephine Meyers
Adolph Loewenstein
Fred Katz
Jonas Sondheim
Elaine Dunitz
Pauline Friedman
Levi Weitzenkorn
Ella Brok
Emanuel W. Loeb
Norman M. Regner

January 24

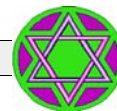
Sarah Fisher
Fannie Loeb
Goldie Natanblut
Elias Schulhoff
William Crane

Bessie Knoblauch

Carry Abrams
Julius Curson
Jacob Gernsheimer
Morris Knoblauch
Bertha Loeb
Estela M. Cohen
Ida Salberg Rapp

January 31

Leo Camp
Edmond E. Eschwge
Maurice Meier
Mayme Brok
Morris Weil
Julius Goldstein
Rose Griesemer
Leo J. Sondheim



Sisterhood News

Thankful for past events, looking to future

By Elyse Horowitz

Thanks to all who attended the Chanukah Family Night. A special thanks to Linda Bram, Karen Hogg and Jeff Driben for all their extra help.

All members of the congregation have received a directory information form, as well as questionnaire from the Sisterhood. Please take the time to fill it out and send it back in. We need your updated information for the Temple Directory and we would love to hear your

thoughts and opinions for future Sisterhood events.

Here are some dates to remember; March 18 is the Donor Lunch, April 5 Sisterhood Social event, Sisterhood Shabbat is April 25, and May 20 is the Spring General Meeting.

THERE IS SUCH A THING AS A FREE LUNCH! We started a great new volunteer system called Donor Dollars. For every hour you work at the Gift Shop you earn \$1 toward your lunch for the

Donor Luncheon in the Spring. All you need to do is volunteer your time. If you can work Tuesday afternoons 4:15-6, Friday evenings 7:30-7:45, after services 9-9:15, and Sunday mornings 9-noon, please call Donna Zimmer.

A big thank you to Donna Zimmer, for all her hard work on the Chanukah gift baskets, they were beautiful. Thanks to Carol Cohn, and Debbie Zelnick for the difficult job of doing the cards, and many thanks to all the volunteers who

Save the Date.... Save the Date... Save the Date.... Save the Date... Save the Date...

Mid-Winter Family Night Out At Oheb Sholom

Saturday, Feb. 8

(More details soon to follow...)

Everyone is welcome to join in the fun*

Adults: \$10 Children: \$4 *(Under 4 yrs. - no charge)*

The celebration will include the following and more...

Havdalah Service Cuban Style Dinner Buffet

Best Decorated Giant Cookie *(Provided by the Religious School children)*

& A Silent Auction

Items are needed to help make a successful auction.

Examples of goods or services donated by members of the community might include:

Epicurean services for a private dinner party

Home or Handmade special item; i.e. Ira Gelman's challah

Reading Royals tickets Reading Symphony tickets

Usable electronic game cartridges Babysitting services

Time-Share or vacation home for a week *(Your valuable in-kind gift)*

Let us know how you can help.

Deadline for confirmed donations: Jan. 17

Contact: Ira and Jill Gelman at (610) 369-1117

All proceeds raised at this fun, lively event will be donated directly to the very serious work of the Magen David Adom in Israel to aid victims of terrorist attacks and to provide support for disaster relief.



Sisterhood Florence Frank Offering Fund

Congratulations to Judith Kraines and Dr. Neil Hoffman on the engagement of their son Seth

Mrs. Ethel Sherman
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Friedman
Mr. & Mrs. Naum Ger
Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Symons

To Mrs. Helen Spinrad in memory of her husband
Mr. & Mrs. Albert Diamond
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Brok

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Martin White on their

new home
Mrs. Ethel Sherman
To Gerry Fogelman for a speedy recovery
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Isenberg

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Dessauer on the birth of a granddaughter
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Friedman

Birthday greetings to Norman Ginsberg
Mrs. Ethel Sherman

To Susan Schlanger for a speedy recovery

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Schlanger
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Friedman
Mrs. Sylvia Schiff

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Sher on their great-grandson
Mr. & Mrs. Albert Diamond

To Nan Kurlancheek in memory of her mother
Mrs. Sylvia Schiff

Thanks to the Sisterhood for the Chanukah baskets
Mrs. Ethel Sherman
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Schlanger

To Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Sigal in memory of his brother
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Brok

Thanks for the good wishes on my birthday
Mrs. Phyllis Symons

To Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Sigal in memory of his brother
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Friedman

To Mrs. Marsha Moody in memory of her mother
Mrs. Ethel Sherman
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Sherman
To Lisa Bratt for a speedy recovery
Mrs. Ethel Sherman
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Friedman
Mr. & Mrs. Naum Ger

Kindly send Florence Frank Offering Fund contributions to Mrs. Marilyn Frank, 2027

Important reminder

Have you returned your Temple Directory update sheet from the Sisterhood?

If you have misplaced this, please call the Temple office for another form.

Please mail your completed sheet to Linda Bram or drop off at the Temple.

Oneg and flowers sponsors

To sponsor flowers, a food basket or oneg, call Ellice Gunter

Support the Temple the Easy Way!
Buy Food Certificates good at Giant, Redner's & Weis

Call: Carole Kutscher 610-779-7590

Barbara Rosenzweig 610-775-5383

or Sue Wolfe 610-376-8117

Thanks to one and all

Dear Congregants,

The confidence you have shown in me, by placing my name on the Temple's Scroll of Honor, is inspiring. I can see how hard others so named have worked, and how they continue to serve. I hope to emulate their example to the extent of my ability. My thanks to you. It's a blessing to be part of this congregational family.

**B'shalom
Nancy J. Knoblauch**

Eat well . . .

and help the Temple's

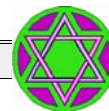
Mitzvah Meal Program.

We have entered into a partnership with Panera Bread to sell coupon strips for their breads and bagels.

For \$9 you receive coupons worth \$12 for bread or bagels and we keep 50% of the purchase price.

Stop by the Temple office and purchase a combo strip of 6 mixed coupons: 3 bread coupons, 1 bagel, 1 muffin and 1 cookie coupon or a strip of 6 bagel coupons (each coupon buys 3 bagels).

Enjoy delicious, fresh bread products and help the Temple's Mitzvah Meal Program at the same time.



Herbs in the Bible

By Iris Lonker

KANEH BOSM (CANNABIS IN THE BIBLE): The traditional Hebrew word for cannabis is Kaneh-bosm or kaneh or kannabus.

The root "kan" in this construction means "reed" or "hemp" while "bosm" means "aromatic". This word appears five times in the Bible; in the books of Exodus, the Song of Songs, Isaiah, Jeremiah and Ezekiel.

Evidently the hemp was mixed somehow with oil (probably olive oil) mixed to an ointment consistency and applied externally.

A combination of liquid myrrh, cinnamon, kannaabosm and cassia with olive oil. This was told to Moses so that it would be used as a sacred anointing oil. This anointing oil was used to anoint the tent of the meeting and the ark plus the table and all its articles of burnt offering and all its utensils along with the basin with its stand to be consecrated so they will be most holy and whatever touches them will be holy.

Since this anointing oil was considered to be Holy, it could only be used in the manner directed to Moses. No other perfume could be made in this formula or anoint anyone other person for if it is used by anyone other than a priest, in any other fashion than that directed, then the person who used it or makes a perfume like it will be cut off from his people.

Since the pipe had not as yet been invented, some ancient peoples burned cannabis and other herbs in tents in order to capture the smoke and have that smoke inhaled by certain people.

ALOE (aquilari agalloche): This plant was believed to be the only tree descended from

the Garden of Eden. But according to "Mr. Webster", any of various succulent mostly African plants related to the lilies

Mentioned in Numbers 24:6, "Like valleys that stretch afar, like gardens beside a river, like aloes that the Lord has planted, like cedar trees beside the waters."

Although Aloe is not an "herb", the mucous within the leaves was used as a cleanser of wounds and helper in the healing process.

Cutting the leaves along the length of a mature leaf will expose the gelatin-like mucous substance that can be used to cleanse wounds, help healing of burns and used on cuts and scrapes of the skin.

Aloe can be found in many homes. The unusual shape and nubbiness of the leaves make it a very interesting plant to watch.

Hopefully the plant owners are aware of how helpful this plant can be in a case of a burn.

Many years ago, I learned to treat a burn by: a) washing with cool water b) sprinkling baking soda over the burn while the area is wet c) after the baking soda sloughs off, cut a leaf of the aloe plant, wash with soap and water, split the leaf and apply the "mucous lining" of the leaf to the burn. A quick healing usually results with out the blistering.

CORIANDER (Coriandrum sativum): referenced several times in the Bible: Exodus 16:31) Now the house of Israel called it's name manna; it was like coriander seed, white and it was like wafers made with honey.

Regarding coriander-evidently the early Israelites ate the entire plant including some of the seeds. In "modern" times we know coriander gives us two herbs 1) coriander 2) cilantro. The leaves are known as cilantro

and the seeds known as coriander.

Perhaps when the violent storm winds blew, the seeds were scattered all over the earth. When the seeds landed in a friendly "growing" environment, they germinated wherever they landed. So Mexican food is flavored with cilantro and coriander.

GARLIC (Allium sativum): Mentioned only once in the Bible, Numbers 11:5-"We remember the fish we ate in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions and the garlic".

HYSSOP (Sorghum vulgare): also known as Hyssopus officinalis and is also known as the holy herb. Hyssop was used to cleanse the temples. David mentions hyssop in Psalms 51:7. Hyssop as we know it today may or may not be the hyssop mentioned.

According to "The Complete Book of Herbs and Spices" by Claire Loewenfeld and Philippa Black, Hyssop is a highly aromatic herb which has provided a culinary seasoning for many centuries.

Its flavor is very strong and needs to be used sparingly. It has also been used as a cough remedy and the pulverized leaves were used as a dusting powder for spots and swellings.

It is very doubtful that the hyssop mentioned in the Bible is the same as Hyssopus Officinalis. However Hyssop has been used for centuries prior to the Common Era.

Hyssop was one of the herbs used in the cleansing of the Holy Temple. The name Hyssop is of Greek origin derived from the name of a holy herb "azob".

Blood Drive in December a success

Thank you to our blood donors for giving the gift of life in December. We had 39 registered donors and 28 units were collected. 16 people register to be Bone Marrow donors.

Thank you to Jon Wachs and Lynn Bates for working on this mitzvah project and thanks to all who took time to donate blood. Watch for another blood drive next year.



Parents and college bound students. . .

We have a new book in the Temple library just for you: "Jewish U, a Contemporary Guide for the Jewish College Student" by Rabbi Scott Aaron.

"Jewish U" is an important breakthrough in college prep materials. It provides a nonjudgmental approach that helps students navigate through the maze of decisions they will be facing as contemporary Jews on the college campus.

We need your Help!

We are asking you to please call the office and inform us of the hospitalization of any congregation member so that we can arrange for visits from the Rabbi. We have no other way of knowing if you or a family member or friend is in the hospital, so please call us. This is also for those who may be ill and recuperating at home or in a nursing home facility. Please call and let us know so that we can visit and perhaps help with a meal.

COME HAVE BREAKFAST WITH US

SISTERHOOD COFFEE KLATCH

SUNDAY, JAN. 12,

9:15 A.M.



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