



Rabbi's Reflections

*Rabbi Elizabeth S. Zeller
Senior Rabbi*



Shanah Tovah! This time of year is my absolute FAVORITE time of year — and not just for the turning of the leaves or the change in weather. It's because the High Holidays give us a great moment in time to pause and reflect on our own lives, in ways that we don't otherwise normally get to do. We are asked to set aside time and find intention and purpose to all the day-to-day dealings we have.

Intentionality can be a hard thing to work on — sure it's easy for us to mean well and even to do well, but how do we cultivate a practice of intentionality? That is to say — in what ways can we always be disciplined about being mindful? This time of year begs for us to think about the ways in which we frame our lives and, moreover, the way we can make a practice of caring about how we intentionally live our lives. And with so much competing for our attention all the time, it can be hard to recognize how much we DO have and how often we can acknowledge it.

One of the ways I like to do this is by combining the two things I just mentioned — distraction and mindfulness. I am so often on my phone or on technology (who isn't, really?) and so I decided to be intentional and mindful about what I see when I'm on my home screen. Instead of labeling a gathering of apps as "Social Media" I rewrote it to say "I am connected." Instead of gathering Netflix and Hulu together and

calling it "Entertainment" I've chosen to label it "Relaxation." When I pull together all the apps for doctors and healthcare platforms, I label it "I have health." I find that this particular language change, from passive to active, makes a big difference in my own mindset around my life. It reminds me that instead of mindless distraction or technological autopilot, I am constantly reminded about what I DO have in life — the ways in which blessings can abound and we can be grateful for what we DO have, even if we occasionally forget.

Our High Holiday season is built around the notion that we must take time and cultivate an awareness of our lives. It's certainly not always easy and we often have to look at some hard truths. But if we are honest with ourselves and put in the work, we can begin to create a mindset of intentional living — actions with purpose, contributing to the community around us, acknowledging our mistakes, and counting our blessings. We can do it in small ways or big ways, but the most important thing is that we do it. Rabbi Hillel said, "If not now...when?" And indeed there is no time like the present, and this High Holiday season, for us to be introspective and proactive about a healthy mindset towards living with the best of intentions to create real change in our lives and in the world.

Wishing you and your family a Shanah Tovah u'metukah -- a happy, healthy and sweet New Year ahead filled with love and blessings.

Please share with us...

What can we do to
accommodate you?

President's Message

Michael Zutler, President



Shalom Chaverim,

The recent passing of the beloved performer, Jimmy Buffet sent my thoughts down many roads: memories of concerts, visits to Key West, and singing songs I know by heart (the name of one of Buffet's albums). But, what strikes me is how some of Jimmy's lyrics, which I thought of as whimsical for so many years, relate to very significant current facts of life.

One of Buffet's lyrics describes a young woman dodging "sharks"... "You got fins to the left, fins to the right, and you're the only bait in town."

Those words got me thinking about how as Jews we have threats to the left and threats to the right. This isn't necessarily a political commentary (though some may argue it can be), but rather a recognition that we have threats to Judaism all around us,

and if we don't act, we are vulnerable.

Colleyville, Texas; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; New York City, we all hear the headlines. Attacks on Jews, just because they are Jews happens daily. Some reports indicate that Antisemitic actions have risen by 71%. As Buffet says, "Can't you feel 'em circling honey." Sometimes those actions are subtle, like scheduling events on Jewish holidays, other times quite overt, perhaps hate flyers in mailboxes in Jewish neighborhoods. The point is, it is important to make sure that we combat these actions and help embolden strong Jewish institutions. And it is vital for those institutions to provide programming that is meaningful in strengthening its congregants, as well as the community at large.

That is why I want to share four initiatives Temple Chaverim is working on that we ask your help in expanding:

- Israel — education about and candid exploration of an ancient and complicated land
- Battling Antisemitism — understanding the circling sharks and how to address them
- L'dor V'dor — Holocaust education and remembrance
- Interfaith — Over 60% of recently married families identifying as Jewish are interfaith families... Let's explore

I'm hoping that one of these initiatives (or others at the Temple) resonate with you and stimulate you in exploring them. Even better, we would love to have you share in or lead discussions and programming to advance these causes.

As we approach Rosh Hashanah, let's make the New Year one in which we each find a greater connection to our heritage and in so doing to our beloved Temple Chaverim.

I wish you and your families a L'Shana Tova.



Mazel Tov Bar / Bat Mitzvah



9/9/2023	Shane	Mergentime
9/9/2023	Chase	Gindi
10/7/2023	Emma	Rogovin
10/7/2023	Jordan	Greene
10/12/2023	Ryan	Ginsberg
10/14/2023	Leah	Schack
10/21/2023	Alexa	Kaplan
10/21/2023	Ava	Cohen

11/4/2023	Andrew	Herschfeld
11/4/2023	Noah	Lepselter
11/18/2023	Seth	Kaplan
12/2/2023	Brady	Kotler
12/2/2023	Chaya	Fischer
12/9/2023	Drew	Sacks
12/9/2023	Elana	Malkoff

Cantor's Corner

Cantor Mariel Ashkenazy



This year, Erev Rosh Hashanah, which always is on the first of Tishri (the Head of the Year), falls in our Gregorian calendar on the 15th of September. If we count back to the first of Elul, the month in which we begin our spiritual preparations for the High Holidays, this period of personal preparations begins on August 18th. During this month, we traditionally recite penitential liturgy and poems that help us ask for forgiveness from God. Doing this helps us to get into the correct frame of mind needed to begin to have our slates wiped clean in order to begin this next year anew.

Among the tasks required to receive God's forgiveness during this time are not only confessing our sins but also apologizing to those whom we have harmed either through action or deed. Facing others in this way with vulnerability and even self reflection in this process can be challenging. I am reminded of a children's book by Jacqueline Jules titled *The Hardest Word*. In it, a bird keeps making mistakes and asks God for help to try to fix things.

God asks the bird to bring God the hardest word. The bird brings back many words to God in an attempt to find the hardest one, but none of them are correct. At the end of the book, it is revealed that the hardest word is indeed "sorry."

Is "sorry" actually the hardest word to say or does it just represent the hardest process? There are several reasons I can think of that would explain what makes both so hard. Maybe we are scared to admit our mistakes and have to answer for them, or to dredge up things that we hope may have been forgotten, or are even embarrassed of our past behavior and are worried about confronting someone we hurt. I think this is an important part of our tradition because of what can come from engaging in this work of teshuva. In doing so, we strengthen not only ourselves but our relationships, have the chance to consciously decide to do things differently next time and finally, clear away some built up resentment or other feelings that have stagnated some relationships. Perhaps it is uncomfortable and difficult because it is so necessary. I offer you strength and courage to confront the hardest word and hardest process so that you may truly begin this coming year anew.

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APPLE PICKING FUN!

Rosh Hashanah Day 2

Lewin Farms

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday,
October 22, 2023
11:30 am

All pets must
be on a leash

[Click here to register](#)



SANCTUARY LOBBY DEDICATION

Schreiber & Schiff Family



Welcome to our newest Temple members!

As of July 2023



Besser, Keren & Kevin
Chanin, Jason & Jodi
Ernst, Robin & Lauren
Felton, Lindsay & Michael
Friedberg, Amy & Justin
Fuchs, Michael & Lauren
Gerson, Bari & Robert
Grill, Darren & Sheryl
Grossman, Melanie & Andrew
Hankin, Jeremy & Amanda
Kalanthroff, Ilana & Carey
Kaplan, Jonathan and Rachel

Klein, Fiana & Peter
Klein, Jeffrey & Kohler, Sharon
Krain, Lauren & Jonathan
Lasher, Danielle & Rick
Leeper, Karen
Liss, Jason & Stacie
Meisel, Judy & Matthew
Ohebsion, Jonathan & Marissa
Paticoff, Ellen & Scott
Peretz, Corrine & Lee
Pfeffer, Evan & Jamie

Pfeffer, Linda & Saul
Samansky, Arthur & Helen
Schaefer, Jeffrey & Jaime
Schechter, Robbie & Stanley
Schechter, Tatyana & Steven Jay
Schimmel, Richard
Schwartz, Douglas & Jennifer
Smith, Sharon & Bradley
Tejeda, Danielle & Henao-Tejeda, Renzo
Wiener, Harris & Debra
Zaidman, Mindy & Jonathan
Zavadoff, Lisa
Zeller, Jessica & Schneiderman, Steven

Welcome

Mrs. Marla Peckman, RJE

**Religious School and
Youth Activities Director**



As we begin this new school year together, I am reminded of one of my favorite quotes,
"By doing what you love, you inspire and awaken the hearts of others."

I love working with the children and families at Temple Chaverim. I hope that what I can offer our school is a ruach (spirit) that resonates in the hearts of our children when they participate in our programming and our class lessons. I want our children to feel inspired and connected to Judaism in a fun, hands on way. I want them to feel that they belong to our beautiful Jewish community and to feel comfortable with the prayers and values that we hold so close to our hearts.

Growing up as an active member of my temple community and participating in Jewish youth programming through the years and attending URJ Eisner Camp has really connected me to my purpose. During my college years , I

focused on Art, Jewish Studies and Education, all of the things I enjoyed. It eventually led me to becoming a Jewish Family Educator. In that role, I had the opportunity to use all of my experiences from my past in the best way possible. It allowed me to teach thematic programming through hands on experiences and helped to create new traditions and conversations amongst families.

As the years went on and I raised my own children — I have 3 daughters, my availability changed. I returned to the classroom eager to teach and absolutely adored that role. During that time I really enjoyed working with students on strategies that encouraged them to learn and connect to Judaism in a meaningful way.

Currently, this new opportunity as the Religious School and Youth Activities Director seems like the perfect next path for me to use these skills and expertise. My degrees include a Bachelors of

Science in Judaic Studies from the State University of Albany, a Masters in Elementary Education and Early Childhood from Hofstra University and an RJE (Reform Jewish Educator) certification to culminate my Jewish Education and experiences. I am well versed in the classroom , having been a teacher for over 25 years. I am very familiar with how to support children and encourage them to be their best selves. I am excited to work alongside our amazing clergy ,staff and Educational Committee to develop and maintain programs that foster and grow a love for learning , curiosity and experiences in our beautiful synagogue, Hebrew school and in the Jewish community at large.

If I have not had the chance to teach your children or meet you yet, I look forward to the opportunity.

L'Shanah Tovah ,
Mrs. Peckman, RJE



**DON'T FORGET
TO WEAR YOUR
PAJAMAS!**

PJ's and Prayers

A special Shabbat for our congregation's youngest members (with an adult) filled with songs and stories as well as blessings, music, dancing and crafts!

Moving to
Saturday mornings at 9 am!

September 9
October 21
November 18
December 9

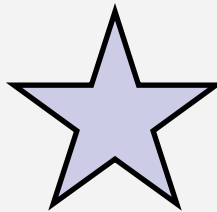
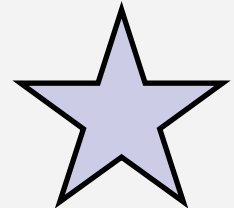
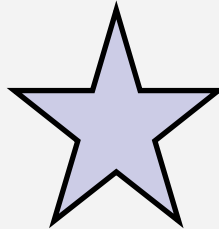
**Members and
Non-Members are
welcome!**

[Click here to register](#)



Ice Cream and Fun!

What better way to celebrate the end of the Religious School year!



Rabbi's Remarks

Rabbi Debra Bennet
Associate Rabbi



There is a story told of a man, a wise, pious man, who dies and goes to heaven. He sees before him the most remarkable banquet he has ever seen: an abundance of food, music playing delightfully in the background, and entering guests speaking happily to one another. But then he notices something else. As the guests find their seats, he sees that their arms have been replaced by long wooden spoons. The spoons stretch long enough for each person to reach the food, but simultaneously making it impossible for them to bring the food to their mouths to feed themselves. "How terrible," thinks the man, "If this is heaven, why would I want to be here?" Then something remarkable happens. They reach their spoons to the food and feed their neighbor next to them or across the table. Everyone helps and everyone enjoys. This, then, the pious man realizes, is truly heaven.

I have always appreciated this story because, for me, it perfectly illustrates what it means to be a part

of a community. We can do so much for ourselves, but we cannot do it all. We can do so much for others, but we cannot do it all, and we most certainly cannot do it alone. What the guests at this banquet understood was their own limitations could be strengths for others. The help they needed was the assistance they could give to someone else. And in return, they, too, could feel loved and cared for by another.

At Chaverim, I am so grateful for the community of which we are a part. For the acts of tikkun olam, we do for one another and for others beyond the walls of our synagogue, for the ways we care for each other at challenging moments in our lives and rejoice together at joyous ones, for the ways we learn and grow together, I am grateful. As we begin this new Jewish year, it is an honor to continue to be a part of this remarkable congregation.

Shana tova u'metukah! May you have a Healthy and Happy and Sweet New Year!

TEEN ENGAGEMENT

8th - 12th Graders

Tuesday Night Live (TNL)



Every Tuesday!

6:15-7:45 pm
Pizza Served

See pictures on following page



Justice League



An opportunity to come together once a month to plan and participate in community service projects

Dates through December:

Tuesday, September 26th 7:00 pm - 7:45 pm
Sunday, October 22nd 11:15 am - 12:30 pm
Sunday, November 5th 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Sunday, December 3rd 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

[Click here to register](#)

Teen Engagement questions? Contact Rabbi Bennet at rabbibennet@templechaverim.org

YOUTH AND TEEN ENGAGEMENT



Temple Chaverim's youth group — CHATY (CHAverim Temple Youth) — provides our youth an opportunity to engage in interesting and meaningful activities with their Jewish peers.

CHATY is divided into a senior youth group (for grades 9-12) and a junior youth group JCHATY (for grades 3-7). They have their own programming and activities appropriate for that age group. CHATY is proud to be a part of NFTY, the North American Federation of Temple Youth, and is part of the worldwide Reform Jewish youth organization of NetZer.

Our calendar consists of an array of fun-filled events, social action projects, and holiday celebrations that seek to strengthen their connection to Judaism by building upon past Jewish experiences while creating new ones.

The bonds formed in youth group often last a lifetime! CHATY's past events have included trips to Broadway shows, a visit to the Carnegie Deli, a NYC Scavenger Hunt, Gaga for Tzedakah, and our amazing Purim Carnival. Rabbi Debra Bennet, the congregation's Associate Rabbi, oversees all teen programming, and is joined by Temple Chaverim's enthusiastic and outgoing youth engagement staff led by Marla Peckman.



Teens at CHAVERIM



Chocolate Seder



Paws of War event



Making sandwiches for the Mercy Soup Kitchen



Bring a Friend Night



Cooking for the Rudman Family Food Pantry at the Mid-

Follow TNL on
Instagram!

@tnlchaverim



Shabbat on the Beach



Memorial Day Parade



Springfest at the JCC



Sukkot

Join us and help build our Sukkah!

Tuesday, September 26th
4 pm - Sundown

Enjoy cookies and coffee too!

[Click HERE](#) to sign up



Hosted by Men's Club

Please join us for Pizza in the Hut,
followed by our Sukkot
Service

Friday, September 29th, 2023

Pizza in the Hut at 6:00 pm
Sukkot Service at 7:30 pm

[Click here to
register](#)

(pre -
registration
required)



Sukkah Social

There's still time!

[Register Here](#)

*Saturday,
September 30th
7 pm—10 pm*

Hosted by Religious Practices Committee and Sisterhood



\$10.00 Members
\$20.00 Non Members

WOW!!

Complimentary for:

- New Members
(in the past year)
- Members bringing
dishes

- ❑ **Dinner, wine and desserts**
- ❑ **Music by our own
Cantor Ashkenazy**
- ❑ **Indoor and Outdoor**

For questions or if you
would like to make a dish
contact:

Jessica Novins:
jallen627@yahoo.com

Ilene Samuel:
Ilenesam@aol.com

Women's Seder

Sponsored by Sisterhood



Men's Club

Andrew Bernstein, President

Men's Club meets the last Wednesday of each month for Poker Night from 7:30-11. Dinner, beverages and dessert are included and it is always a fun night so please reach out to Men's Club President Andrew Bernstein at 516-480-6809 to join. Men's Club's other activities include summer barbeques before Friday night services, ushering during the High Holidays, building the Sukkah — which is a great family event— and being a major sponsor of the Temple summer golf outing as well as all other Temple events. Looking forward to having more members join our Men's Club.



Sisterhood

Sisterhood is looking forward to a great year! We have so many exciting programs that we are planning.

We look forward to seeing all of you at our Sisterhood welcome back event this fall.

Wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year!!

Sharon Goldberg
Sisterhood Chairperson

YOGA: Ladies Night Out



Cooking for Comfort



Calling all
Members !!

**Membership
Renewal
Reminder**

[Click here to renew your
membership](#)

Please call the office at (516) 367-6100 if you have any questions.



Small Groups

Small Groups are peer-led groups of 6-10 people that come together around a shared interest or topic in an ongoing way, for a specific length of time.

Some groups may meet biweekly for 8 weeks or weekly for 4. The goal is to get together with other members, to interact, connect, have fun and to create a closer-knit community.

Please keep an eye out for Small Groups this year.



Ronald McDonald House

Michael Wright, Community Action Chair

Cooking meals at the Ronald McDonald House keeps families seeking medical treatment for their sick children near the care they need and the families they love.



The Holocaust Collective: L'dor V'dor— From Generation to Generation

We visited the Holocaust Memorial & Tolerance Center in Glen Cove as well as the Jewish Museum in New York City. At each visit we were fortunate to have docents who made our visit even more meaningful.

For Yom Hashoah, we presented a program on

zoom and it was an honor to have Dr. Bernice Lerner speak with us on the Horrors of War. It was a wonderful program and very enlightening. We received very positive feedback from many who attended.

Check our weekly Shabbat Blast for future events.



Introducing....
MACHON

Calling all 7-12 graders!

Student Teacher Program

Hebrew School Hours:
Tues/Wed 4:15-6:00 pm
Sun: 9:15-11:00 am

Please contact Marla Peckman,
Religious School and Youth
Director:

mpeckman@templechaverim.org

- Learn leadership skills
- Learn public speaking
- Learn classroom support
- Learn about student engagement
 - Teach a lesson
- Help with special activities and holiday events
- Make new friends, big and little

BONUS: Earn community service hours!



College Connections

Calling all college parents!

Would you like your child to receive Jewish holiday greetings or birthday wishes from Temple Chaverim?

If you would like us to reach out to your student to connect on these important occasions, please click below and fill out the form with your child's personal email address and school name. We will do the rest!

Click [HERE](#) to submit.



Weekly Torah Class

Deep Dive



Please click [HERE](#) to register and receive the zoom link.

- Read Torah from start to finish.
- Class runs at it's own pace, spending as much or as little time as needed on each verse or chapter
- Bring your own copy of the Torah (recommended: Plaut Commentary, JPS Commentary, Women's Torah commentary, etc.) so different views and interpretations can be discussed.

Sunday
Mornings
9:15 am-
10:15 am

Beginning
October 1, 2023

Come every week or
come once in awhile

Chaverim News

To submit your noteworthy news to share with your fellow chaverim -- births, engagements and marriages; special awards at school and work; promotions, honors and awards; college acceptances, graduations and degrees conferred; book signings, gallery shows and other special accomplishments [CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT](#)

Alyssa and Michael Feller joyfully announce the birth their grandson Logan Isaac Feller born July 11, 2023 at 7 lbs 2 oz. He is welcomed by proud parents Rebecca and Zach Feller and puppy brother Findlay.



Our younger daughter, Amanda, got married. Her husband's name is Stephen McDowell.

Karen and Jon Bressner



Susan and Craig Wolfson celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in July.



Mazel
Tov



A SWINGIN' GOOD TIME



BETHPAGE STATE PARK GOLF COURSE



Thank you to Judy Weiss, 2023 Golf Outing Chair; Andrew Bernstein, Florence Halperin, Susan Borko, Randi Bernstein, Darlene Friedman, Shelly Wool, Craig Wolfson, Gayle Grossfeld, Jan Kreckel, Jackie Zutler and Donna Weiss. A special thank you to Alan Borko for capturing our memories of this amazing day!

Looking forward to 2024!





A SWINGIN' GOOD TIME



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Meet the STAFF



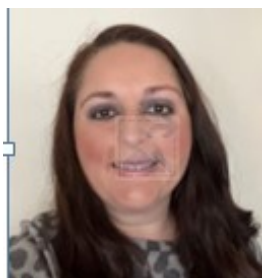
JULIE FEINMAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

I started my journey here at Temple Chaverim in July 2020. I am proud to be a part of our Chaverim family of friends. As your Executive Director, I supervise all day-to-day temple functions as well as non-clergy staff and so much more. I am here for your membership questions and synagogue needs. My door is always open, so please feel free to stop by. I look forward to sharing in your simchas and all life cycle events.

julie@templechaverim.org

L'shalom, Julie

STEPHANIE MIDDENDORF
TEMPLE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT



Hi! My name is Stephanie and I am the Administrative Assistant for the Temple. I will start my second year here in October. I am married to my husband Adam and have three children, Daniela and Nicolette my twins and youngest son Robert (RJ).

stephanie@templechaverim.org

RONNIE DILLER
CLERGY ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT



My name is Ronnie Diller and I have been the Clergy Administrative Assistant for the past 9 years. I'm here to help you with anything clergy related. I am your guide through the Bar/Bat Mitzvah process, setting up your child's lessons, Rabbi appointments and answering any questions you might have along the way. I have three children of my own who have been through this experience so I am personally familiar with all the joys and angst surrounding this milestone. Welcome!

ronnie@templechaverim.org

VICKY GLADOWSKY
BOOKKEEPER



Hi! My name is Vicky Gladowsky and I have been the bookkeeper at Temple Chaverim for 16 years. Family is a very important part of my life. Barry and I are fortunate to have a wonderful

family. My children (Arielle and Josh, Danielle and Nate) and my four grandchildren (Jordyn, Abby, Eli and Ryder) are members of Temple Chaverim. You can usually find me at Temple Chaverim on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays but you can leave me a message or email any time.

vicky@templechaverim.org

Hey!
WELCOME
We're very GLAD
you're here!

Meet the STAFF

CONTINUED

LYNNE KURTZMAN

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE
ASSISTANT, TEACHER



Hi! My name is Lynne Kurtzman. I have worked at Temple Chaverim for 12 years as a Religious school teacher and presently I'm the Religious School administrator. I'm here to help you and your children

with questions concerning school. I also teach K1,2 on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. It is wonderful working with the children and getting to know the Chaverim families.

lynn@templechaverim.org

MARLA PECKMAN

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL AND
YOUTH ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR



See "WELCOME"
message on
page 5

mpeckman@templechaverim.org


MARK TAYLOR, MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

My name is Mark Taylor and I have been the Building Maintenance Manager at Temple Chaverim for over 21 years.

I am responsible for maintaining the building's appearance and supervising the maintenance staff.

*Do you have a program suggestion you would like
to share with us?*



Click here to share your suggestion.

We want to hear from you!

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Thank you!

Summer Bakers



- Sheila Schroeder & Judy Kandel
- Judy Weiss & Florence Halperin
- Paige Bravin & Jessica Novins
- Ilene Samuel & Hannah Wolfson
- Pam Abramowitz & Sabrina Blumkin

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your tax
advisor**

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CIRCLE OF LIGHT

A donation of \$5,000 or more above the basic dues:

- All Circle of Excellence recognitions
- After 5 consecutive years of Circle of Light status, a permanent plaque will be dedicated at the \$25,000 level on the Capital Campaign Wall

CIRCLE OF EXCELLENCE

A donation of \$1,500 or more above the basic dues:

- All Circle of Distinction recognitions
- A personalized plaque

CIRCLE OF DISTINCTION

A donation between \$1,000 to \$1,499 above the basic dues:

- All Circle of Honor recognitions
- An honor at a Friday night service

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A donation between \$500 to \$999 above the basic dues:

- Listing on Circles plaque in the Temple lobby
- Listing in *Connections* throughout the program year
- A Certificate of Appreciation presented at the Circles donors wine & cheese reception

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