***Brown Bag/Short Story Program a Hit!***

***It’s just beginning and the first one was a joy***

**By Ira Laufer**

**We enjoyed a brown bag lunch in the cozy environs of  the Temple Isaiah Library, discussing a wonderful short story with friendly fellow ChaiVillagers.**

**So many of us forget how delightful these short novellas are.**

**In many cases they were the first published works of some of the world’s great writers, representing a huge variety ranging from Drama to Mystery, Comedy and Human Interest.**

**Quite a number of great motion pictures had their birth as short stories. Just think of Shawshank Redemption, South Pacific, Guys and Dolls, Double Indemnity,** **Brokeback Mountain to name a few.** **In fact, the short story has been a gold mine for discovering new writers.**

**And, they are so easy to work into your life – some as short as nine pages.**

**This pleasant mid-day break occurs one Friday per month, 11:30 AM to 1:00 pm.**

***Brown Bag Survey Results:***

***Salads outnumbered sandwiches,  two to one. Big win for Trader Joe’s!***