



TEMPLE ALIYAH MEN'S CLUB 2010 – 2011 ANNUAL REPORT

This year has been a very successful one for the Temple Aliyah Men's Club.

Members of Men's Club worked hard to help organize the Annual Purim Carnival. Although rain made the event more challenging than usual, we brought a portion of the Carnival indoors, and had the support of over 100 volunteers working in game and prize booths, preparing and serving food, and providing entertainment over the course of two weekends. The Purim Carnival was memorable for all who attended, and established a model for how Men's Club and the Temple can plan for inclement weather in the future.

Men's Club coordinated the efforts of the volunteer Ushers for the High Holidays, with a record number of congregants stepping forward to help this year. Our Ushers make certain that the worship experience is able to be enjoyed by all members of the Congregation.

In addition to supporting the Temple by raising funds for various programs, we make a special effort to help our congregation's youth to attend Jewish summer camp and other educational programs. The Temple Aliyah Men's Club demonstrated its commitment to this important goal again this year by awarding a number of scholarships. In these difficult economic times, the need is great and Men's Club is pleased to have been able to make a small difference for these students and their families.

Men's Club barbecued for the community at the Welcome Back Bash at the end of summer. We hosted a Monday Night Football party with pizza, beer and good cheer for Men's Club members and guests, enjoyed a Men's Club Night Out, held a meeting in the Sukkah, learned some of the finer points of scotch tasting, sponsored the World Wide Wrap and helped teach our religious school students to wrap tefillin, and led services at the annual Men's Club Shabbat. Men's Club also made a yellow candle available to each Temple family to be lit in memory of the victims of the Holocaust, continued the Yad Shel Chai program to recognize our youth who regularly read from the Torah at services, and hosted informative and fun programs for our members and for the congregation.

The membership of the Temple Aliyah Men's Club is at a record high level for 2010 – 2011. We are grateful to each of our dues paying members for their support, and to the many men, women and youth of Temple Aliyah who have volunteered throughout the year to help us meet our objectives.

We look forward to the opportunity to continue to serve the community in the coming year.

Respectfully Submitted,

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President

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