

Board Reports January 16, 2019

Full Board Meeting

Treasurer
Gina Jolly

Account Balances

- First Tennessee Checking Account balance (as of 1/9/19): 24,846.71
- Highland Capital balance (as of December 31, 2018): \$131,409.62

Donations

Fund	Donations November 2018	Previous Balance	Expenditures	Balance
General Sisterhood Fund	\$60.00	\$934.00		\$994.00
Temple Grounds and Beautification	\$249.00	\$733.00		\$982.00
Service to the Blind	\$36.00	\$554.46		\$590.46
Beulah Voss Library Fund	\$0	\$9380.17		9380.17
Total	\$345.00	\$11,601.63		\$11,946.63

Membership
Jennifer Ross

As of January 7, 2019:

Woman of Valor	9
Chesed	11
Kavod	26
Simcha	76 (up 1)
Sustaining	429 (up 3)
Clergy	8

New Temple Members	43 (up 9)
Total	602 (up 13)

Renewal Overdue	82 (down 7)
Total Temple Female Members*	1,673
Total Temple Families*	1,428

Percentage of Temple female members who are also Sisterhood members*	41.2%
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****as of 11/9/18. Still working with Jan on compiling up-to-date figures***

President

Melissa Faber

- Rosh Chodesh was held January 8, 2019. Eighteen attended. The theme was Jewish Jeopardy, and the program was organized by Susan Hiller with Carla-Marie Meyers, Becca Tobias, Sue Margulis and Melissa Faber contributing. The foods listed in the Torah for Tu B'Shevat were served.

Vice Presidents

Waynette Besser

- I need information for the following events:
 - Sisterhood Shabbat, February 2
 - Spring Program, March 3
- Cathy Kessler handled mailing the Mazel Tov card mailer for last semester's bar & bat mitzvahs and consecration students the first week of January.

Sarah Eckstein

- MIFA Cooking was held on January 2 at 5:30 pm. It was great fun. Join us for the next MIFA Cooking on February 6 at 5:30 pm in the Temple kitchen.

Sondra Price

- Chanukah dinner was held along with the consecration dinner after services on December 7, 2018. See attached for post-mortem.

Chanukah/Consecration Dinner Post-Mortem

December 7, 2018

- Temple's Chanukah celebration was combined with a dinner for consecration on Friday, December 7, 2018, after services. Temple sent out separate invitations to the consecration families, and artwork was done through Audrey Brantz for the Chanukah part.
- **Food:** The menu consisted of bar-b-que beef brisket, slaw, baked beans, latkes, applesauce and sour cream, and rolls. The kids had chicken tenders, mac and cheese, rolls, slaw and baked beans. Donut holes were on the tables. One and Only BBQ catered.
- We had excess brisket and beans, but mac and cheese and chicken fingers ran out.
- We thought we were going to run out of latkes, so they were positioned at a separate table and Temple staff doled out one per person, but later we realized there were enough and we let people get all they wanted.
- **RSVPs:** The RSVPs went through Temple's system since it was combined with consecration. Jan provided updates on numbers. The RSVPs dramatically increased in the last ten days before the event (hence the fears about running out of latkes, which had been ordered by Scott Giles through Trader Joe's several weeks ahead. Latkes for Religious and High School and the dinner are all ordered at the same time by Temple.)
- **Attendance:** Two hundred thirty people attended.
- Families could light their own menorahs at tables set up in the rear of Scheidt.
- **Decorations:** ELC had their Chanukah celebration two days before ours, so we re-used their supplies: Chanukah gift bags with balloons attached. Dreidels and gelt from the Judaica Shop were sprinkled on the tables. White tablecloths were used along with china. Sisterhood handled room set-up.
- Brotherhood picked up the food, cooked the latkes, and served.
- The event was held in Scheidt Hall.
- Cost: \$8 adults/\$4 children
- Expenses: (to be added)

Suggestions:

- Stagger the pricepoint so that the cost increases after the RSVP date: \$12 adult/\$8 child.
- Invite a Sisterhood member who has a child in ELC to oversee the event--it would be an opportunity to wrap someone into Sisterhood who has young children.

- Cut down on the beans and brisket and increase the chicken and mac and cheese.