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Temple Sholom Legacy Circle Another Successful Year!

Our Temple Sholom Legacy Circle had another successful year despite the COVID-19 pandemic. Since the beginning of the program, 65 individuals and families have now made a Legacy Commitment and have become part of our Legacy Circle. This is now nearly 25% of our temple community. We estimate that we have had current donations and future commitments totaling well over \$700,000 to support the future of Temple Sholom.

Because of your support, we also will receive another \$6,000 grant from the Jewish Federation, and we already have a head start towards another \$8000 grant in the CYJL incentives period that started May 2021. Many Legacy Circle members also increased their unrestricted giving to Temple Sholom during the last fiscal year when many of our chaverim had significant financial difficulties due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Thank You!

This past year, we also received a generous donation from Marian Rubin and the Rubin family to set up a new endowment fund to support colleges scholarships for Temple Sholom students. You can read more about this on page 3 and

can donate to this fund in memory of Bob Rubin, a Past President.

To help us receive the \$8,000 grant next year, we will need our members who signed an LOI to formalize their estate plans by signing a commitment letter formalizing their planned gift to Temple Sholom.

We are also excited about our endowment performance. Over the past five years, our endowments have grown significantly. You can read more about our endowment and investment growth and returns on page three.

We have two more requests of our Legacy Circle members. First, please spread the word about this great opportunity to help support our Temple's future. Second, if you have referrals for those who might be interested in making a legacy commitment, please email Carol Shore with their information.

Thank you again from the Legacy Circle Committee to our members. As the pandemic eases, the committee looks forward to getting together with everyone physically in the coming fiscal year and over the High Holy Days.



DONOR PROFILE



Gerri Goodwin

Greater Cincinnati became my home in the spring of 2018 when I relocated from the Nashville area to Northern KY. My husband Leonard had passed away the previous year, and I wanted to be near family.

I had had no experience with the Cincinnati area except with visits to my son and his family during the twenty some years they had lived here. At the time I was halfway through conversion classes at Congregation Ohobai Sholom, aka "The Temple" in Nashville, so I asked Rabbi Michael Shulman who had come from Cincinnati to Nashville if he could recommend a Reform temple in Cincinnati. He quickly pointed me in the direction of Temple Sholom and here I am.

In my short time as a congregant, I have been impressed with the emphasis on social action, inclusivity, social and cultural activities, and educational opportunities for all levels found in the programming at Temple Sholom--both in quantity and in range of subject matter. As I think back to all the classes and learning opportunities I have participated in at Temple Sholom, I feel very blessed and realize just how important they have been to my spiritual growth. The opportunity to participate in four classes and a worship service while I was isolating on top of a ridge in Northern KY during the pandemic enhanced my quality of life immensely. For that I will be forever grateful. Most recently I completed an 8-month study which culminated in my Bat Mitzvah.

We are all aware of the state-of-affairs in our country as well as on the rest of our beautiful Planet Earth. Never before in my lifetime has our world been in greater need of tikkun olam. This repair will only come about through social action and education. When I heard of the Legacy Circle, I saw it as a way of participating in tikkun olam in the present as well as in the future through the social consciousness of our young people. There are various ways to contribute to the Legacy Circle - through a bequest in a will, by means of an IRA beneficiary, or through an outright gift to the Endowment fund, among others. I chose to gift the Legacy Circle with an outright gift, which worked best for me.

NEW NAMED ENDOWMENT FUND



Bob & Marian Rubin Endowment Fund

The Legacy Circle Committee is pleased to announce that Marian Rubin has established the Bob & Marian Rubin College Scholarship Fund of Temple Sholom, in loving memory of Bob Rubin. This named fund was the result of an early gifting of their Legacy commitment to Temple Sholom. This fund was established with an early gift of their Legacy Circle commitment.

Bob was a fixture at Temple Sholom for over 50 years, serving in nearly every lay leadership role (except Sisterhood President!).

Among many things, Bob was known for his good humor and his generosity with his time and resources, which brought such joy to his family, friends, and even strangers. Bob's devotion to his children, his granddaughters, and those he mentored led to the creation of this fund. In honor of Bob, the Bob & Marian Rubin College Scholarship Fund will carry his legacy forward and impact the youth of Temple Sholom for generations to come.

Returns from this endowment fund will provide college scholarships each year for our graduating seniors starting in the Fall 2021.

Donations are also being accepted into this fund.

To donate, please send a check to the Temple office with the Fund Name in the memo line or donate online through our website (templesholom.net) and note that the donation is for the Rubin Scholarship Fund.

Thank you to Marian and the Rubin family for establishing this endowment fund.



Legacy Circle Havdalah

The Temple Sholom Legacy Circle thanked its members with a well-attended and meaningful special Legacy Circle Havdalah led by Rabbis Terlinchamp and Stratford in which they recognized and thanked our Legacy Circle members. Many of our participants ordered dinner before the Havdalah services from Artemis restaurant and Legacy Circle members were provided Havdalah kits.



Endowment Fund Update



Temple Sholom is pleased to announce that the total value of our endowment funds had risen to over \$430,000 as of the end May 2021. This is an increase of \$157,000 over the last five years. The endowment funds have had healthy average annual investment returns of 10% over that time, and a 33% investment return over the last 12 months.

These funds are invested for the long-term with a growth focus and are managed professionally by Morgan Stanley. The investment policy, portfolio, and performance of these funds is overseen by the

investment sub-committee that meets quarterly to review fund performance.

We have also had two new named endowment funds established during the last several years thanks to the generosity of Alan and Julie Solomon (supporting our religious school) and Marian Rubin (college scholarships) as part of their Legacy Circle participation.

Temple Sholom distributes a portion of the average returns from the endowment funds each year. This percentage is approved by the board annually with a goal of sustaining the spending power of these funds in perpetuity. Our endowments have distributed \$81,000 over the last five years to support Temple programs and will distribute over \$17,000 for our next fiscal year

Donations are accepted into our endowment funds at any time. If you are interested in setting up a named fund, which requires a \$25,000 minimum donation, please contact either Carol Shore or Bob Ziek.



The Temple Sholom Legacy Circle as of May 19th, 2021

The Temple Sholom Legacy Circle includes those who have made Legacy Commitments through a formal Letter of Intent, Commitment Letter for an estate gift, or at least a \$1000 outright donation to our endowment funds.

The Legacy Circle also includes those who have established a named endowment fund and those of blessed memory who have left an estate gift to Temple Sholom.

Barry & Susan Austern	Harold & Sophie Mitnik (z'l)
Richard & Donna Barasch	John R Moffatt & Deborah E. B. Moffatt
Marvin Barsman (z'l)	John & Marcie Molander
Bernice Bingman	David Ness
Tina & Tom Bernheimer	Ann Newberg
Victor Max Bluestein (z'l)	Barbara Paris
John & Karen Bunyan	The Les & Molly Polasky Family
Ethel Cogen	Jeff Rhein
Ed Freeman & Maralynn Martin	Rachael Rosen
Melvin S. Gale, M.D.	Marcia & Walter I. Rubin
Harold (Pat) & Inge Goldberg (z'l)	Marian & Bob (z'l) Rubin
Dr. Meryl S. Goldman (z'l)	Dr. Sanford Scheingold (z'l)
and Rabbi Mark N. Goldman	Peggy Segall
Gerri Goodwin	Jim Shapiro
Ed Griff & Janet Raczynski	Carol L. Shore & John H. McCready
The Guttman Wright Family	Marjorie & Art Shriberg
Valerie & Ray Habib	Leo Shuller
Stephena Harmony	Alan & Julie Solomon
David Heck & Margaret Archangel	Charles & Carol Specter
Neal & Erin Hoffman	Stephen Stein
Stuart & Janice Kirschner	Sharon Stone
Hyman & Gladys Kirtchik (z'l)	Harris & Thelma Tash (z'l)
Dr. Jerrold & Judy Kirzner	Rabbi Miriam Terlinchamp &
Mrs. Irvin (Doris) Lehrner	Ryan Mulrone, Esq.
Herbert & Ellen Lenk Family	Clifford Van Duzen (z'l)
Bob & Rae Levin (z'l)	Stuart & Gladyl (z'l) Warshauer
Barbara & Steven Levinson	Marv (z'l) & Linda Whitman
Sandy Manheimer Lewin (z'l)	Marv Wick (z'l)
Sandra Mendel	Larry & Gail Zakem
Dick & Rhoda (z'l) Meyer	Bob & Marcy Ziek
Robin & Fred Miller	Anonymous (7)

If you are interested in learning more about joining the Legacy Circle or there is a missing or misspelled name, please contact Carol Shore at carolshore@hotmail.com

