

In November of 1984, Rich Schupper called for a meeting of men who would be interested in discussing the possibility of reinstating a men's group at Temple Israel. Among the reasons for calling this meeting was a feeling that there was a lack of involvement by men in the Temple. Some men felt like strangers when they stepped into Temple. There was a lack of comradery among men. After a typical Friday night service at an Oneg Shabbat, women seemed to know and converse with other woman while many men seemed not to know others and stood by themselves in a corner. Ten men showed up at that first meeting on Sunday morning. They were Rich Schupper, Larry Rosenblatt, Harvey Bender, Norman Newman, Bob Lavenberg, Jerry Reinlieb, Charlie Linz, Ely Kalish, Milt Poler, Steve Cony and Howard Phillips. There was much discussion about the need for a men's group that would be social with the purpose to build better relationships among each other. Our programs would be held mainly on Sunday morning. Finally, at the conclusion of this first meeting it was decided that we would form a men's club at Temple Israel and eventually join the National Brotherhood Temple Association which was affiliated with Reform Judaism. We agreed that a small committee with Charlie Linz as chair would put together our by-laws, that we would all work together to attract new members to our group and that we would have our first Sunday morning breakfast in January to elect officers and discuss the future of a men's club at Temple Israel.

The first official breakfast was held on January 27, 1985. The cost for our breakfast program was set at \$5.00 per person. By the time of that first meeting the men's club had 45 paid members. These men met and elected the following people: President- Rich Schupper, Vice Presidents- Harvey Bender and Larry Rosenblatt, Secretary- Bob Lavenberg, Treasurer- Stew Brickman, Board members- Joel Brandt, Jack Heilpern, Hank Helbraun, Charlie Linz, Norman Newman and Jerry Reinlieb. The new by-laws were presented by Charlie Linz including the suggestion that we call ourselves The Brotherhood instead of men's club. We also committed ourselves to supporting the Jewish Chauttaqua Society. We put together a proposed list of events for the following 6 months. At that meeting we decided to sell the entertainment book as our first fund raiser.

Our second breakfast was held in March at which time we had a speaker on Financial Planning. In April, Ed Burchman joined the board. Charlie Linz became the chairperson of our Jewish Chautauqua Society committee. In April, we held our first Passover breakfast and had 65 people attend. This was followed in May when we had our first Mother's Day breakfast. We also led our first Brotherhood service at which time we honored Rabbi Mike Robinson. We ended the year by putting together a picnic for the children in our Hebrew school at George's Island. By this time we were well on our way to establishing ourselves as an arm of our Temple. In June we elected the officers and the board for the New Year and held our first cruise on the Hudson River aboard the boat, The Commander. Because of the great job that Hank Helbraun did in organizing the trip, he was nicknamed the Commander from that time on. In September the Brotherhood took on all of the responsibilities associated with ushering for the High Holidays. Our speaker at our September breakfast was Rabbi Robinson, speaking about business ethics and Judaism. In October, Representative Ben Gilman spoke about Soviet Jewry. The theme for our November breakfast was Jews in South Africa. We ended

1985 by making potato latkes from scratch on Hanukah for the children in our Hebrew School. We were well on our way to becoming a success.

Over the years since that very first meeting the purpose of Brotherhood has slowly evolved as we have become an important arm of the Temple. We have gone from an organization that began as a social one into one that would become more spiritual in nature, more supportive of Temple Israel in general, and more in keeping with the meaning of Tikkun Olam, repairing the world. In addition, we would do more fund raising to be in a position where we could offer more educational programs for all the members of our Temple and to support our congregation's children and finally to give us funds in order to make donations that helped other people outside of our Temple. An example of an early fund raiser was the successful Tagmania sales that we held at the Temple. It was basically a multifamily tag sale. The men would rent a truck to pick up heavier items at the homes of Temple members. It would include everything from couches to TV's. Also, congregants would drop off all types of items that we eventually sold. As a means of becoming more spiritual we began holding retreats in 1986. The subjects of which have varied from the Jew as a warrior, Jewish business ethics, relationships with our fathers and with our children, the Jewish soul, our relationship with God and many other topics. As a result of this, we have sung together, danced together, hugged, laughed, complained, talked and cried together. We got to know each one of our Brothers in different ways. We have come to understand and appreciate each one of them and ourselves more than we ever did before. From the beginning, our retreats have been very unique. Even our very first one led by Rabbi Robinson at the Thayer Hotel at West Point was unique in that Rabbi Robinson was known to be anti-military, yet agreed to be our leader at a retreat that was held on the grounds of a military installation. A good example of what these retreats meant to us can be understood by examining my personal feelings that I had at the end of our retreat having to do with relationships with our fathers. I came to appreciate the fact that the lack of a relationship that I had with my dad was not very much different than many of the other men who attended that retreat. I came to understand that the most important goals of my dad, being a child of the depression and fighting in WWII, was to provide any way possible the financial means to make the lives of his children better. His priority was to protect his children without showing lots of emotion. He was still part of that generation where men had to show that they were tough on the outside. I walked out of that room after listening to my fellow Brothers knowing that many of them had the same misguided feelings about their dads as I did. This was what Brotherhood had become. It became a place where we were not afraid to share our thoughts and emotions with other men. It became a place where men respected the thoughts of others and embraced each other. One just has to observe this feeling at each Brotherhood Shabbat service that we have held over the years. It has become a wonderful tradition at the end of the service for all of us to unashamedly hug each other. We have come a long way since the beginning when we didn't even greet each other at a Shabbat service. We have indeed become more spiritual as it relates to God, our families, our Temple and to each other.

We have donated money and time to the Temple over the years. We have given to funds for our building additions, music funds and Rabbi and Cantor endowment funds. We have purchased equipment for our office and for our classrooms. We have sponsored tot Shabbat dinners for our younger children and their families. We support our Confirmands with grants to help them go on their trips to Washington DC. We also give grants to our youth group to help defer the cost for their NFTY trips. We have given money for a new playground and to help establish a young mens Shevet Achim group. One of the most important accomplishments of Brotherhood is that we have become a stepping stone where many of the men have gone on to become leaders of our Temple. They became committee chairs, members of the board of trustees, executive board members and Presidents of our Temple. We are very proud of all of these men and what they have contributed to our Temple over the years.

We have sponsored many exciting and meaningful programs. Our most successful breakfast was the one where we had some of the survivors from Schindler's list come and speak. We had well over 165 people attend this very successful program to listen to an emotional presentation. Another important breakfast we held in 2005 when rockets were raining down on Israel and had representatives of the Israeli Mogen David speak at this breakfast. As a result of it we mobilized the Brotherhood and within two weeks we held a telethon and raised thousands of dollars to help Mogen David in Israel. We have sponsored many programs in and outside of our Temple. One of the most meaningful to all of us has been the midnight run. Founded and organized by Peter Goldich, three to four times a year we make meat loaf sandwiches and collect all types of toiletries and clothing. With the help of many teenage members of our Temple, late Saturday night we go into Manhattan and distribute these items to the homeless and offer them needed friendship. In a small way we are trying to help those that are less fortunate than ourselves. When the economy went downhill, we established a Temple wide job bank for those who were out of work. Even today, thanks to the work of Norman Newman, the job bank remains. Also, thanks to Norman, since 2011 we had begun an adult educational program with speakers on many different subjects. We are proud of the fact that over the years we have been supporters of the Jewish Chauttaqua Society by donating over \$50,000 in the names of people whom we have honored over the years with Torch Bearer plaques. (A list of those that have been honored is included in the summary). This money has been spent to fight anti-Semitism on high school and college campuses as well as to teach the non-Jewish students what being Jewish is all about.

We have sponsored many social events over the years. Twice we have gone to Yankee Stadium to witness a no hitter by David Cone and a perfect game by David Wells. At each one of these, over 75 members of our Temple were there to see baseball history being made. We also were very successful in holding a 50's & 60's party at Temple attended by well over one hundred people. We have put on talent shows and have sponsored a comedy night with professional comedians once a year in the middle of the winter for over 20 years. We also organized tennis parties, a golfing event, softball/baseball games and trips to shows and museums in New York City. Even many of our meetings reflect the social aspect of the Brotherhood by having been held at Italian, Portuguese and Chinese restaurants. We even

have had get-togethers at a local bar in Peekskill attended each time by over 25 men. Our Sunday morning breakfast programs have not only been educational and sometimes entertaining, but have become very social. To see 15 men working together to set up tables and to prepare food for our breakfasts, while having so much fun doing it, is a sight to be seen.

In the past 30 years, we have held over 200 educational programs by way of our breakfasts and evening programs. We have raised and donated over \$100,000. We have had more than 300 men participate as board members of the Brotherhood. We have led close to 30 Shabbat services, helped over 1,000 homeless people, and guided thousands of people in and out of our building during High Holiday services. We have cooked thousands of hot dogs and hamburgers for school picnics and Brotherhood picnics, broken thousands of eggs, cut hundreds of bagels and made thousands of cups of coffee at our breakfasts.

The years have come and gone, but we know that this dedicated group will continue together into the future to strive to improve ourselves in becoming better Jewish men in our daily lives, as family men, temple members and members of the human race. We will continue to reach out to the men of Temple Israel so that they can use us as a vehicle to becoming more involved in our community.

Summary of Board Members and Programs

January '86- May '86

President- Rich Schupper, Vice Presidents- Harvey Bender and Larry Rosenblatt, Secretary- Bob Lavenberg, Treasurer- Stew Brickman, Board members- Joel Brandt, Jack Heilpern, Hank Helbraun, Charlie Linz, Norman Newman and Jerry Reinlieb

January breakfast- "Volunteers for Israel"

February breakfast- "Equal Rights for Men"

March- Our first Brotherhood retreat led by Rabbi Robinson and held at West Point

Our first Passover wine sale

Passover breakfast-speaker from Israeli Bonds

Our first Brotherhood trip to see the Yiddish play "The Golden Land "

Sponsored a 50's dance

June '86 - May '87

President- Rich Schupper, Vice Presidents- Larry Rosenblatt and Harvey Bender, Secretary- Mark Davidoff, Treasurer- Charlie Linz, Board Members- Norman Newman, Jerry Reinlieb, Steve Cony, Jack Halpern, Scott Poritsky, Ely Kalish, Hank Helbraun, Stew Brickman, Sid Franks, David Troy, Milt Poler, David Helfand, Oscar Scherzer

9/86 - Summer program, boat ride on the Commander
10/86- Breakfast- "Mid-life Crisis"
11/86- Breakfast, Lubavitcher Rabbi about Mysticism
11/87- Shabbat service
12/86- Breakfast, Wolf Blitzer from CNN
1/87- Breakfast- Adventure in Israel
2/87- Breakfast- "Interfaith Dating & Marriage"
3/87- Breakfast- President of NFTB spoke on "Why Have a Brotherhood"
5/87- Mother's Day program- "M is for Meshugah" by Steve Cony

June '87- May '88

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Had 107 paid up members

10/87- Breakfast- "Crime & Drugs-Impact on the Jewish Community"
11/87- Brotherhood Shabbat speaker from NFTB
11/87- Trip to NYC to see "On Second Avenue"
11/87- Breakfast- Presentation of anti- Semitic postcards by Sol Gluck and a collection of mezuzahs from abandoned buildings
12/87- potato latkes for kids in school
1/88- Breakfast- "The PLO, a group to reckon with"
4/88- Brotherhood Shabbat- Chauttaqua award to Ted Stone
5/88- Mother's Day- "Tribute to Mom"

June '88- May '89

Presidents- Milt Poler, Larry Rosenblatt, Vice Presidents- Steve Cony, Art Stein, Ken Spiegelman, Secretary- Mark Davidoff, Treasurer- Shelly Zellezer, Board members- Jerry Reinlieb, Norman Newman, Charlie Linz, Ely Kalish, David Helfand, Hank Helbraun, Warren Katz, Steve Friedman, Oscar Scherzer, Milt Kaplan, Ron Copel, Mike Stern, Neil Zimmerman and Rich Schupper

6/88- Tour lower east side of NYC

8/88 - One hundred people joined us for a night on the Hudson aboard The Commander

9/88- Breakfast- "Elections in Israel and in the United States"

10/88- Breakfast- "Stages in a Man's Life after 30"
11/88- Breakfast- "Why high yield fixed investments make sense now"
11/88- Brotherhood Shabbat- Charlie Linz spoke about Kristallnacht
12/88- Breakfast slide presentation on life in Gaza by Andrew Courtney
1/89- Breakfast- Rabbi Koch- "Reform Judaism, Past, Present and Future"
2/89- Breakfast -"Living a healthy lifestyle"
3/89- Brotherhood retreat- "Getting in touch with our inner selves"
4/89- Passover Breakfast- "The current problems of Jewish immigration"
5/89- Mother's Day breakfast—75 people attend, TV tribute to mom.
5/89 50's dance

June '89 – May '90

Co-Presidents- Norman Newman, Artie Stein, Vice Presidents- Steve Cony, Ron Copel, Jerry Reinlieb, Secretary- Oscar Scherzer, Treasurer- Shelly Zelizer, Board members- Harvey Bender, Mark Davidoff, Steve Friedman, Hank Helbraun, Perry Goldman, David Helfand, Eli Kalish, Milt Kaplan, David Mersten, Milt Poler, Rich Schupper, Alan Seide, Abe Landsman, Bob Cohen, David Troy, Lorin Wolf, Neal Zimmerman

6/89- 200 people attend end of year picnic at Georges Island
12/89- Brotherhood Shabbat- "Contemporary Thoughts from a Jewish Man"
4/15- Passover Breakfast- "The significance of the Passover Holiday"

June '90 – May '91

Co-Presidents- Norman Newman, Artie Stein, Vice Presidents- Steve Cony, Ron Copel, Jerry Reinlieb, Secretary- Oscar Scherzer, Treasurer- Shelly Zelizer, Board members- Harvey Bender, Mark Davidoff, Steve Friedman, Hank Helbraun, Perry Goldman, David Helfand, Eli Kalish, Milt Kaplan, David Mersten, Milt Poler, Rich Schupper, Alan Seide, Abe Landsman, Bob Cohen, David Troy, Lorin Wolf, Neal Zimmerman

6/90- Brotherhood retreat at Beaver Ridge
7/90- White water rafting trip
8/90- Softball game and dinner
9/90- Breakfast- "Judaism -20 years from now"
10/90- Father/son fishing trip
10/90- Breakfast- "Power of Humor", by Steve Cony
10/90- Family road rally
11/90- Breakfast- "The Joy of Midrash"

11/90- Brotherhood Shabbat- "The Joy of Judaism"

2/91-Breakfast- Assemblyman Richard Brodsky

5/91- Mother's Day breakfast- "The world of Jewish music" Laura Wetzler

5/91- White water rafting

June '91- May '92

Co-Presidents- Rich Schupper, Jerry Reinlieb, Vice Presidents- Jeff Levy, Charlie Linz, Secretary- Oscar Scherzer, Treasurer- Shelly Zelizer, Board members- Neil Zimmerman, Art Stein, Bob Rossin, Bob Sack, Irwin Tyler, David Merstein, Norman Newman, Milt Poler, Andy Warren, Bruce Applebaum, Harvey Bender, Mark Davidoff, Earl Faber, Marty Fisher, Richard Fisher, Steve Friedman, Jack Judd, Eli Kalish, Milt Kaplan, Alan Lebowhl Steiner

6/91- picnic for school

7/91- movie night- Woody Allen- Play It Again Sam

8/91- Trip to Yankee Stadium Yankees vs. Texas, paid \$6.00 per ticket

9/91- Breakfast- "Academic Freedom of Expression", Jack Judd

11/91- Trip to Ellis Island

11/91- Paid up members' dinner- "Will our Children remain Jewish?"

1/92- Breakfast- "World Union for Progressive Judaism" speaker

4/92- Men's Shabbat service

4/92- Retreat

5/92- Tagmania- Was so successful that traffic was backed down Glengary Road

June '92 – May '93

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Co-Presidents- Rich Schupper, Jerry Reinlieb, Vice Presidents- Jeff Levy, Charlie Linz, Secretary- Oscar Scherzer, Treasurer- Shelly Zelizer, Board members- Neil Zimmerman, Art Stein, Bob Rossin, Bob Sack, David Merstein, Norman Newman, Milt Poler, Andy Warren, Bruce Applebaum, Harvey Bender, Mark Davidoff, Marty Fisher, Jack Judd, Eli Kalish, Milt Kaplan

9/92- Breakfast- "Importance of Networking"

10/92- Breakfast- "Yugoslavia today"

11/92- Paid up members' dinner- panel discussion on financial planning for the future

12/92- Fundraiser brotherhood show, "Shlep in the woods"

1/93- Breakfast- "Anti-Semitism in Germany, yesterday and today"

3/93- Mystery night social event

3/93- Breakfast- An American-Israeli view of Israel's social and political issues

4/93- Brotherhood Shabbat

4/93- Retreat

5/93- Mother's Day breakfast- "Take a Sweater" by Pearl & Henry Marcus

5/93- Softball and dinner

June '93 - May '94

Co-Presidents- Rich Schupper, Andy Warren, Vice Presidents- Jeff Levy, Marty Fisher, Earl Faber, Secretary- Oscar Scherzer, Treasurer- Shelly Zelizer, Board Members- Milt Kaplan, Bob Rossin, Arnie Marden, Jerry Reinlieb, Charlie Linz, Ed Burchman, Rene Frayman, Bob Sack, David Merstein, Harvey Bender, Neil Zimmerman, Jack Judd, Milt Kaplan, Ely Kalish, Steve Friedman, Norman Newman, Artie Stein, Sam Koret, Syd Koch

6/93- Fund raiser- World Yacht NYC

8/93- Barbeque to support JCC

7/93- Trip to Tanglewood

10/93- Trip to Jewish Museum

10/93- Paid up dinner- "Palestine & Israel- can there be peace?"

2/94- Fundraiser- Brotherhood show "Schlep to the Negev"

3/94- Breakfast- "Tragedy of the Holocaust"

3/94- Fund Raiser- tennis party

4/94- First time Brotherhood participates in Yellow Candle program

4/94- Passover Breakfast- "My personal Exodus"

4/94- White water rafting

4/94- Retreat-Beaver Ridge

5/94- Brotherhood Shabbat- Honoring Eli Kalish

5/94- Mother's Day- "Jewish Women in Song", Laura Wetzler

June '94- May -95

Co-Presidents- Rich Schupper, Marty Fisher, Vice Presidents- Art Stein, Jack Judd, Jeff Levy, Secretary- Stew Brickman, Treasurer- Shelly Zelizer, Board Members- Syd Koch, Sam Koret, Harvey Bender, Charlie Linz, Bob Rossin, Jerry Reinlieb, Andy Warren, Alan Seide, Mark Davidoff, Oscar Scherzer, Norman Newman, Arnie Marden, Eli Kalish, Earl Faber, Steve Friedman, Milt Kaplan, Bruce Selman

6/94- Brotherhood Shabbat

8/94- Summer activity- boat ride on the Hudson

9/94- Breakfast- "Schindler's List speakers", 165 people attended

10/94- Breakfast- Candidates for Congress

10/94- Men's discussion group- The challenge of being a Jewish man in today's world
11/94- Men's discussion group- Role of men in Reform Judaism and within our congregation
11/94- Paid up dinner- "Dialogue on Black/ Jewish relations"
1/95- Breakfast- Jews in Brooklyn
2/95- Breakfast- "Fighting Drug Abuse"
2/95- Fundraiser- Tennis party
3/95- Retreat
3/95- Breakfast- "The role of Jews & other ethnic groups in baseball"
5/95- Yom Hashoah Yellow candle program
5/95- white water rafting
5/95- fund raiser- Tagmania

June '95 – May '96

Co-Presidents- Rich Schupper, Marty Fisher, Vice Presidents- Art Stein, Jack Judd, Jeff Levy, Secretary- Stew Brickman, Treasurer- Shelly Zelizer, Board Members- Syd Koch, Sam Koret, Harvey Bender, Charlie Linz, Bob Rossin, Jerry Reinlieb, Andy Warren, Alan Seide, Mark Davidoff, Oscar Scherzer, Norman Newman, Arnie Marden, Eli Kalish, Earl Faber, Steve Friedman, Milt Kaplan, Bruce Selman

6/95- Mother's Day Breakfast- "Magic for Moms"
6/95- Brotherhood service- Rabbi Moleno- "The Role of Brotherhood"
9/95- Breakfast- Jack Judd, "Trends in historical writings"
12/95- First time men made potato latkes for school
1/96- First Comedy Night- \$25 per person
2/96- Brotherhood talent show- fundraiser
4/96- Passover breakfast- "Archeological tour of Jerusalem"
5/96- Mother's Day Breakfast- Comedian, Jackie Jason Exit
5/96- Brotherhood Shabbat- "Honoring Families"
5/96 - End of school picnic
5/96- Tagmania fundraiser
9/96- Breakfast- speaker from the Israeli consulate office

June '96- May '97

Co-Presidents- Rich Schupper, Bob Rossin, Vice Presidents- Artie Stein, Paul Ghiron, Bill Seeger, Treasurer- Shelly Zelizer, Secretary- Stu Brickman, Board Members- Jack Judd, Harvey Bender, Charlie Linz, Michael Stern, Jamie Rich, George Gabor, Sid Koch, Ely Kalish, Martin Fisher, Larry Kanterman, Peter Goldich, Oscar Scherzer, Bob Sack, Jerry Reinlieb, Sam Koret, Steve Cohen, Bruce Selman, Rocco Vicari, Ed Burchman, Norman Newman, Roy Marcus, Milt Kaplan, Jim Bertie, Jay Moskowitz, Geoff Levy

7/96- Yankees vs. Kansas City
8/96- Family fishing trip – day trip to Catskills
9/96- Breakfast- “What is the meaning of the Israeli elections?”
10/96- Breakfast- Candidates Forum
11/96- Breakfast- Rabbi Ferris- “Ask the Rabbi”
1/97- Men’s Retreat- Facilitator, Cantor Scher, “Jewish men’s issues”
2/97- Fundraiser- tennis party
3/97- Breakfast- “Famous Jewish Sports Legends”
4/97- Passover breakfast- Arza speaker
5/97- Brotherhood Shabbat- “honoring our fathers”

June '97- May '98

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9/97- Breakfast- Candidate debate for county executive
12/97- Beginning of Brotherhood Torah study group
12/97- Men’s discussion on health
12/97- Hanukah party for school
12/97- Brotherhood service honoring Charlie Linz
1/98- Breakfast- “Jewish pride, 101 reasons to be proud of your Judaism”
3/98- Brotherhood retreat- “Being a father, husband & a modern day Jewish man”
4/98- Yom Hashoah candles
4/98- Breakfast- “History of Reform Judaism in U.S.”
4/98- White water rafting
5/98 Brotherhood Shabbat honoring Ted Stone- Chauttaqua award and Israel at 50
5/98- Mother’s Day program
5/98- Brotherhood Shabbat- “Musical tribute to Israel”

June '98 - May '99

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Treasurer- Shelly Zelizer, Secretary- Stu Brickman, Board Members- Jack Judd, Harvey Bender,

Charlie Linz, Michael Stern, Jamie Rich, George Gabor, Sid Koch, Ely Kalish, Martin Fisher, Larry Kanterman, Peter Goldich, Oscar Scherzer, Bob Sack, Jerry Reinlieb, Sam Koret, Steve Cohen, Bruce Selman, Rocco Vicari, Ed Burchman, Norman Newman, Roy Marcus, Milt Kaplan, Jim Bertie, Jay Moskowitz, Geoff Levy

6/98- Tagmania

6/98- 100 people attend Yankee game

6/98- Men of Brotherhood compete in the Jewish Westchester softball league

9/98- First schmooze breakfast

9/98- First of Torah studies at night led by Gordon Cutler

10/98- Breakfast- Rabbi Ferris- "Ask the Rabbi"

11/98- Breakfast- Bonia Shur on Jewish music & jazz

12/98- Breakfast- "Interfaith Dating and Marriage"

12/98- 700 latkes for the school

1/99- Men's health network lecture series

1/99- Comedy night

1/99- Ski trip to Windham

2/99- Fundraiser- tennis party

2/99- Breakfast- "Past American Presidents"

3/99- Breakfast- "Reform Judaism family of the future"

3/99- First Brotherhood job bank started by Norman Newman

4/99- Yom Hashoah candles

June '99 - May 2000

Co-Presidents- Rich Schupper, Jim Bertie, Vice Presidents- Art Stein, Jonathan Wexler, Roy Marcus, Randy Zapakin, Treasurer- Ed Burchman, Secretary- Stu Brickman, Board Members- Marty Fisher, Jamie Rich, Bill Seeger, Marty Aronchik, Syd Kock, Peter Goldich, Al Ojeda, Charlie Linz, Warren Landesberg, Eli Kalish, Jerry Reinlieb, Milt Poler, Larry Kanterman, Bob Sack, Gary Labelson, Jack Judd, Bruce Selman, Jerry Mennell, Harvey Bender, Jay Moskowitz, Jim Rice, Bob Rossin, Norman Newman, Steve Kohn, Babe Wolosky, Oscar Scherzer, Rocco Vicari, Neal Freiman, Milt Kaplan, Dennis Sternberg

8/99-Trip to Yankee game, David Cone pitches perfect game, 80 members of Temple present

11/99- Breakfast- "Estate Planning"

11/99- Brotherhood retreat-"The nature of wholeness"

12/99- potato latkes

1/00- comedy night

1/00- Breakfast- "Jewish Continuity"

2/00- Breakfast- "How to use the internet"

3/00- Breakfast- "Steve Summers from WFAN sports dj"

4/00- Brotherhood fundraiser show- "Salute to Broadway"

June 2000- May '01

Co-Presidents- Jim Bertie, Randy Zapakin, Vice Presidents- Warren Landesberg, Jamie Rich, Roy Marcus, Treasurer- Ed Burchman, Secretary- Oscar Scherzer, Board Members- Marty Fisher, Bill Seeger, Jerry Menell, Art Stein, Jim Rice, Harvey Bender, Bob Rossin, Charlie Linz, Gary Herbst, Jerry Reinlieb, Milt Poler, Neal Freiman, Ron Laufer, Milt Kaplan, Dennis Sternberg, Judd, Marty Aronchik, Stu Brickman, Johnathan Wexler, Peter Goldrich, Matt Copel, Rich Schupper, Norman Newman, Steve Kohn, Rocco Vicari, Gary Labelson, Bob Sack, Larry Kanterman, Darrell Goodman, Eli Kalish, Syd Koch

Brotherhood begins to have Torah study one evening every month.

9/00- Breakfast- "The Israeli peace process"

11/00- Breakfast- " ADL speaker on hate groups and mail". This was as a result of hate mail appearing around Croton.

1/01- Comedy night

3/01- Breakfast- "Elder care & challenges for the future"

4/01- Passover breakfast- Rabbi Helen Yaccov- Exodus

5/01- Brotherhood fundraiser- musical review

5/01- Brotherhood Shabbat- Chauttaqua award to Sid Koch

June '01 – May '02

Co-Presidents- Jim Bertie, Randy Zapakin, Vice Presidents- Warren Landesberg, Jamie Rich, Roy Marcus, Secretary- Jim Rice, Treasurer, Ed Burchman, Board Members- Marty Aronchik, Harvey Bender, Ken Bookbinder, Noah Bookbinder, Howard Cohen ,Matt Copel, Mike Czernick, Marty Fisher, Neal Freiman, Peter Goldich, Gary Herbst, Jack Judd, Larry Kanterman, Warren Katz, Charlie Linz, Bruce Masserman, Jerry Menell, Norman Newman, Milt Poler, Jerry Reinlieb, Bob Rossin, Steve Samuels, Peter Schecter, Oscar Scherzer, Rich Schupper, Bill Seeger, Art Stein, Michael Seeger, Rocco Vicari, Harold Zabitz

6/01- Mother's Day breakfast- jazz band

9/01- Breakfast- "the situation in the middle east"

10/01- tennis party

11/01- Brotherhood retreat- Cantor Scher

June '02 – May '03

Co-Presidents- Jim Bertie, Randy Zapakin, Vice Presidents- Warren Landesberg, Roy Marcus, Jamie Rich, Secretary- Jim Rice, Treasurer- Ed Burchman, Board Members- Marty Fisher, Bruce Masserman, Harvey Bender, Mal Schwartz, Peter Goldich, Howard Cohen, Jack Judd,

Art Stein, Matt Copel, Neal Freiman, Jerry Reinlieb, Gary Herbst, Steve Samuels, Oscar Scherzer, Rich Schupper, Milt Poler, Harold Zabitz, Larry Kanterman, Marty Aronchik, Warren Katz, Norman Newman, Charlie Linz, Bob Sack

10/02- First defensive driving course

12/02- Brotherhood retreat- Cantor Scher, David Schwab- business ethics

2/03- Breakfast- Rabbi from Kabbalah, discussed mysticism

3/03- Breakfast- Speaker from midnight run

4/03- Breakfast- Speaker from Westchester Holocaust Commission

June '03 – May '04

Co-Presidents- Peter Goldich, Art Stein, Vice Presidents- Jamie Rich, Warren Landesberg, Treasurer- Roy Marcus, Secretary- Warren Katz, Board Members- Marty Aronchik, Harvey Bender, Jim Bertie, Matt Bloom, Ed Burchman, Matt Copel, Mitch Feir, Marty Fisher, Neal Freiman, Peter Goldich, Harvey Harlem, Jack Judd, Larry Kanterman, Warren Landesberg, Bruce Masserman, Norman Newman, Jeff Ohlbaum, Milt Poler, Jerry Reinlieb, Jim Rice, Jamie Rich, Bob Sack, Steve Samuels, Oscar Scherzer, Rich Schupper, Marc Schwartz, Michael Stern, Mark Schwedelson

10/03- First midnight run organized by Peter Goldich, 17 adults and children participated

11/03- Breakfast- College application process

1/04- CPR course

3/04- Breakfast- "Work of the Jewish National Fund"

4/04- Brotherhood fundraiser raffle

4/04- Breakfast- "Identity Theft"

4/04- Brotherhood service

5/04- Mother's Day breakfast

5/04- Fundraiser- Golf outing at Garrison Country Club

June '04 - May '05

Co-Presidents- Peter Goldich, Artie Stein, Vice Presidents- Jamie Rich, Warren Landesberg, Treasurer- Roy Marcus, Secretary- Jim Bertie, Board Members- Marty Aronchik, Harvey Bender, Jim Bertie, Matt Bloom, Ed Burchman, Matt Copel, Mitch Feir, Marty Fisher, Neal Freiman, Peter Goldich, Harvey Harlem, Jack Judd, Larry Kanterman, Warren Landesberg, Bruce Masserman, Norman Newman, Jeff Ohlbaum, Milt Poler, Jerry Reinlieb, Jim Rice, Jamie Rich, Bob Sack, Steve Samuels, Oscar Scherzer, Rich Schupper, Marc Schwartz, Michael Stern, Mark Schwedelson

6/04- Rafting trip
6/04- trip to Yankees vs. San Diego- David Welch pitches no hitter
9/04- Breakfast- "Being Jewish & serving in Kuwait"
10/04- Defensive driving
10/04- Midnight run
11/04- Retreat with Cantor Sher at Beaver Ridge
3/05- Breakfast- movie- "The Life & Times of Hank Greenberg"
4/05- Breakfast- "The Israeli-Palestinian dilemma"

June '05 – May '06

Co-Presidents- Bruce Masserman, Warren Landesberg, Vice Presidents- Jamie Rich, Neal Freiman, Treasurer- Roy Marcus, Secretary- Jim Bertie, Board Members- Art Stein, Peter Auster, Harvey Bender, Marty Fisher, Peter Goldich, Mark Goodman, Jack Judd, Charlie Linz, Roy Marcus, Norman Newman, Rich Schupper, Steve Samuels, Oscar Scherzer, Jeff Schwartz, Mitch Taube, Jim Rice, Rocco Vicari, Randy Zapakin

Raised \$5000 for Mogen David
4/06- Breakfast- Rabbi Ferris
5/06- Midnight run
5/06- Mother's Day program

June '06 - May '07

Co-Presidents- Bruce Masserman, Warren Landesberg, Vice Presidents- Neal Freiman, Jerry Reinlieb, Marc Schwartz, Treasurer- Ed Burchman, Secretary- Jim Bertie, Board Members- Art Stein, Peter Auster, Harvey Bender, Marty Fisher, Peter Goldich, Mark Goodman, Jack Judd, Charlie Linz, Roy Marcus, Norman Newman, Rich Schupper, Steve Samuels, Oscar Scherzer, Jeff Schwartz, Mitch Taube, Jim Rice, Rocco Vicari, Randy Zapakin

Brotherhood affirmation class held all year
11/06- Retreat- "Where have all the prophets gone?"
12/06- Fundraiser- ebay store
3/07- Breakfast- Rabbi Jaech, "Vision for the future"
4/07- Breakfast- Rabbi Ferris, "Special moments as a spiritual leader"
4/07- Fundraiser- art auction
5/07- Brotherhood Shabbat- "Building Community"

June '07- May '08

Co-Presidents- Warren Landesberg, Steve Samuels, Vice Presidents- Randy Zapakin, Neal Freiman, Treasurer- Marc Schwartz, Secretary- Matt Copel, Board Members- Marty Fisher, Bruce Masserman, Mark Goodman, Jerry Reinlieb, Randy Zapakin, Art Stein, Jack Judd, Ira Weinbaum, Norman Newman, Ed Burchman, Harvey Bender, Rich Schupper, Mitch Taube

Fundraiser- EBAY \$3000

9/07- Breakfast "Polish Jewish Revival"

10/07- Breakfast Rabbi Hartman, "Difference between Reform & Reconstruction Jews"

11/07- Breakfast Rabbi Jaech, "Creating a sacred community"

3/08- Breakfast "Ethiopian Jews in Israel"

June '08 – May '09

Co-Presidents- Warren Landesberg, Randy Zapakin, Vice Presidents- Neal Freiman, Steve Rubinstein, Treasurer- Marc Schwartz, Secretary- Ira Weinbaum. Board Members- Gary Tannenbaum, Rich Schupper, Eric Keiter, Mark Goodman, Harvey Bender, Rob Schickman, Steve Krisky, Jamie Rich, Mitch Taube, David Rosen, Steve Samuels, Lee Welling, Harvey Harlem, Peter Goldich, Neal Freiman, Norman Newman, Art Stein, Marty Fisher, Steve Rubinstein, Matt Copel

1/9- Fundraiser- comedy night, silent auction

2/9- Film night

3/9- Breakfast- Paul Galon, "Holocaust survivor"

4/9- Breakfast- Ethiopian Jews

5/9- Brotherhood service- "Israel at 60"

June '09 –May '10

Co-Presidents- Warren Landesberg, Steve Rubinstein, Vice Presidents- Neal Freiman, Steve Rubinstein, Treasurer- Marc Schwartz, Secretary- Ira Weinbaum, Board Members- Gary Tannenbaum, Rich Schupper, Eric Keiter, Mark Goodman, Harvey Bender, Rob Schickman, Steve Krisky, Jamie Rich, Mitch Taube, David Rosen, Steve Samuels, Lee Welling, Harvey Harlem, Peter Goldich, Neal Freiman, Norman Newman, Art Stein, Marty Fisher, Steve Rubinstein, Matt Copel

9/09- Breakfast schmooze

11/09- Retreat- "Revisiting Being a Jewish man"

12/09- Breakfast- IDF speakers Tzal Shalom

3/10- Breakfast- Lilly Friedman- Getting married in a German POW camp
4/10- Breakfast- Cantor Avery, trip to Russia & Ukraine
4/10- Fundraiser- Gold buying event
5/10- Brotherhood Shabbat – Chauttaqua honoring David Schwab

June '10 – May '11

Co-Presidents- Steve Rubinstein, Steve Samuels, Vice Presidents- Neal Freiman, Michael Metz
Secretary- Matt Copel, Treasurer- Mike Stern, Secretary- Ira Weinbaum, Treasurer- Ed
Burchman, Secretary- Ira Weinbaum, Board Members- Marty Fisher, Charlie Linz, Jack Judd,
Peter Goldich, Bruce Masserman, Lee Welling, Jerry Klein, Marc Schwartz, Meryl Roth, Mark
Shapiro, Rich Schupper, Norman Newman, Jim Rice, Eric Keiter, David Rosen, Mitch Taub, Art
Stein, Harvey Bender, Harvey Harlem, Mark Goodman, Steve Krisky

8/10- Barbecue at Senasqua Park
10/10- Breakfast- Story of Jacob Seebacher, first NYS Jewish state senator
11/10- Retreat- “going from others to brothers”
2/11- Breakfast- “Conceptual understanding of Islam”
2/11- Film night
3/11- Breakfast- “The Hidden lives of Cryptic Jews”
4/11- Brotherhood funds tot Shabbats
5/11- Brotherhood Shabbat- “The Joy of Shabbat”, Chauttaqua honoring Neal Freiman

June '11 – May '12

Co-Presidents- Steve Samuels, Steve Rubinstein, Vice Presidents- Neal Freiman, Matt Copel,
Michael Metz, Treasurer- Mike Stern, Secretary- Ira Weinbaum, Board Members- Marty
Fisher, Charlie Linz, Jack Judd, Peter Goldich, Bruce Masserman, Lee Welling, Jerry Klein, Marc
Schwartz, Meryl Roth, Mark Shapiro, Rich Schupper, Norman Newman, Jim Rice, Eric Keiter,
David Rosen, Oscar Scherzer, Randy Zapakin, Mitch Taub, Art Stein, Harvey Bender, Harvey
Harlem, Mark Goodman, Steve Krisky, Michael Metz

10/11- Breakfast- Zvi Bielski, “Defiance”
11/11- Retreat, Guy Felexholt
2/12- Breakfast- “Interfaith Assembly on homelessness and housing
4/12- Breakfast- “Liberating Concentration Camps, and Anti-Semitism in the lower east side
of New York
5/12- Brotherhood Shabbat- Honoring Steve Samuels with Chauttaqua plaque
5/12- Mother’s Day breakfast, music by the Fountainheads

June '12 – May '13

Co-Presidents- Steve Samuels, Steve Rubinstein, Vice Presidents- Matt Copel, Neal Freiman, Michael Metz, Secretary- Ira Weinbaum, Treasurer- Mike Stern, Board Members- Marc Casso, Mark Schwartz, Evan Janush, Bruce Applebaum, Harvey Bender, Phil Brandon, Ed Burchman, Marty Fisher, Mark Goodman, Harvey Harlem, Jerry Klein, Peter Goldich, Norman Newman, Rich Schupper, Warren Landesberg, Charlie Linz, Bruce Masserman, Jim Rice, David Rosen, Merryl Roth, Steve Rubinstein, Art Stein, Randy Swan, Ira Weinbaum, Lee Welling, Ben Wiesin

- 9/12- Breakfast- "Supporting Israel"
- 10/12- Putting up and taking down Sukkah
- 11/12- Lecture series- Rabbi David Sperling- "Yiddish expressions "
- 2/13- Lecture series- Bruce Applebaum- Jewish comedians
- 4/13- Fundraiser, art auction
- 4/13- Lecture series- Jack Judd- "History of anti-Semitism"
- 4/13- Breakfast- Rabbi Jaech- what she learned on her sabbatical
- 4/13- Social night get together at Birdsall house
- 5/13- Brotherhood Shabbat- "Teachings of our fathers", also honored Randy Zapakin posthumously with a Chauttaqua award
- 5/15- Mother's Day breakfast- Mike Risko band

June '13 – May '14

Co-Presidents- Steve Samuels, Matt Copel, Vice Presidents- Neal Freiman, Michael Metz, Secretary- Mark Casso, Treasurer- Marc Schwartz, Board Members- Bruce Applebaum, Harvey Bender, Ira Carman, Barry Feinberg, Marty Fisher, Ron Goldberg, Peter Goldich, Mark Goodman, Harvey Harlem, Jerry Klein, Evan Janush, Jack Judd, Steve Krisky, Warren Landesberg, Charlie Linz, Bruce Masserman, Norman Newman, Jim Rice, David Rosen, Merrill Roth, Steve Rubinstein, Ken Samuels, Rob Schickman, Rich Schupper, Art Stein, Randy Swan, Ira Weinbaum, Ben Wiesen

Brotherhood sponsors a bi-monthly lecture series on various subjects.

- 6/13- Trip to Jewish Museum in NYC
- 9/13- Breakfast- Westchester Jewish film festival speaker
- 10/13- Breakfast- Tzaka Shalom IDF speakers
- 10/13- Breakfast- "When a grandparent dies"
- 10/13- Lecture series- Jerry Klein- "The Jewish seat on the Supreme Court"
- 11/13- Breakfast- Estelle Laughlin- Holocaust survivor- Warsaw Ghetto uprising
- 11/13- Lecture series- Rabbi Jaech- Why the Old Testament gave rise to the new
- 11/13- Retreat- "More than a Mensch"

- 12/13- Lecture- Bruce Applebaum- "Jews in Crime"
- 2/14- Breakfast- Jeff Smith- Osborne Association
- 3/14- Lecture series- Dr. Kurt Johnson- "Comparative Religions"
- 4/14- Lecture series- Denny Johnson- "The Holocaust, What led to it"

June '14 – May'15

Co-Presidents- Steve Samuels, Matt Copel, Vice Presidents- Neal Freiman, Michael Metz, Secretary- Mark Casso, Treasurer- Marc Schwartz, Board Members- Bruce Applebaum, Harvey Bender, Ira Carman, Barry Feinberg, Marty Fisher, Ron Goldberg, Peter Goldich, Mark Goodman, Harvey Harlem, Jerry Klein, Evan Janush, Jack Judd, Steve Krisky, Warren Landesberg, Charlie Linz, Bruce Masserman, Norman Newman, Jim Rice, David Rosen, Merrill Roth, Steve Rubinstein, Ken Samuels, Rob Schickman, Rich Schupper, Art Stein, Randy Swan, Ira Weinbaum, Ben Wiesen, Evan Janush

- 9/14- Lecture series- Jews in the media
- 10/14- Breakfast- Tzahal Shalom IDF
- 10/14- Defensive driving
- 11/1- First Food Nosh Fundraiser
- 12/14- Midnight run
- 3/15- Breakfast- Sam Zeligson, Holocaust survivor
- 5/15- Mother's Day breakf

June '15

Co-Presidents- Matt Copel, Mark Schwartz, Vice Presidents- Neal Freiman, Michael Metz, Treasurer- Rob Schickman, Secretary- Mark Casso, Board Members- Bruce Applebaum, Harvey Bender, Ed Burchman, Marty Fisher, Peter Goldich, Mark Goodman, Harvey Harlem, Jerry Klein, Evan Janush, Jack Judd, Steve Krisky, Warren Landesberg, Charlie Linz, Bruce Masserman, Norman Newman, Jim Rice, David Rosen, Merrill Roth, Steve Rubinstein, Rich Schupper, Art Stein, Randy Weinbaum, Ben Wiesen, Mike Lewis, Barry Feinberg, Ken Samuels, Brad Bruckner

Chautauqua Golden Torchbearer honorees:

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| 1990- Rich Schupper | 2004- Oscar Scherzer |
| 1991- Art Stein | 2005- Cantor Sher |
| 1994- Rich Schupper | 2006- Rabbi Ferris |
| 1995- Charlie Linz | 2007- Peter Goldich |
| 1996- Ely Kalish | 2008- Norman Newman |
| 1997- Manny Gordon | 2009- Warren Landesberg |
| 1998- Jack Judd | 2010- David Schwab |

1999- Jerry Reinlieb

2000- Ted Stone

2001- Sid Koch

2002- Bruce Selman (posthumously)

2003- Ed Burchman

2011- Neal Freiman

2012- Steve Samuels

2013- Randy Zapakin (posthumously)

2014- Marty Fisher

2015- Bruce Masserman