June 1, 2022

21 Sivan 5781

Dear Friend,

As we are celebrating our Fiftieth Year as a Congregation and a Community, our Temple Brith Achim membership renewal season is upon us. Now, more than ever, we must keep our community strong and thriving for the next fifty years and beyond –for our children and grandchildren. All members of the TBA community are stakeholders and builders carrying the hopes and dreams of those who came before and those who follow.

Act now:

\*\*\* ***Renew online at www.brithachim.org***, log in to your personal account, and scroll down to the renewal link. If you have forgotten your password, select the “forgot password” link in the upper right-hand corner. If you prefer, you can return the enclosed forms to the office. Either way, complete your renewal (including updating your family information) by July 30th.

We ask you to make a ***Gift of the Heart*** (your financial pledge, according to your heart and means) and a ***Gift of the Hand*** (your pledge of volunteer support). Please consider your Gift of the Hand and Gift of the Heart commitments as sacred obligations between your family and our Community. Each family should consider its Gift of the Heart commitment as a partnership entered into to sustain the Community, including those among us with limited means. And please consider that for TBA to be a vital place for worship, education, social gathering, celebrating joyous occasions together, and helping each other through difficult times, we need to meet our expenses –just some of which are: salaries; maintenance of the building and grounds; utilities; and security-related expenses.

*As you determine your Gift of the Heart*, please consider:

* In order to maintain our fiscal health, Temple Brith Achim asks each household to contribute an annual Gift of the Heart of **$2,940, $245 per month**. That amount, if paid by all families allows us to meet our expenses.
* We ask households unable to commit to $2,940 to consider a minimum Gift of the Heart of **$1,932, $161 per month** and more, if possible.
* If you are able --please give at a higher level to offset the lower amounts of giving by those of limited means. A gift in any amount will help, but consider:
  + Become a **Maccabee** by committing to a pledge of **$5,000** in addition to your Gift of the Heart, each year, for a period of 3 years.
  + Become an **Ozer Member** by pledging **$5,000 ($416 per month)** or more for the year.

*As you determine your Gift of the Hand*, remember that much of what we accomplish is done by our volunteers. There really is no “they” in TBA. There is only “us” and “we.” Please contribute your time and talents --contact me so we can find the right place for you to help. We will welcome you into meaningful and much-needed service.

Please contact Gregg Stein at 610-405-4522 or gregghstein@gmail.com, if you would like to discuss, confidentially, your gift of the heart.

**High Holy Day Information will be sent to you after the office receives your renewal information and first payment.**

What is most important is our community remains together and strong. Each one of us is an important part of Temple Brith Achim –it wouldn’t be the same without you. Please remember as you renew and pledge that TBA is the only Jewish organization in the greater King of Prussia area –Synagogue, School, Community Center, anything. We are here for Jewish and interfaith families and want to sustain our community at a time when many similar Congregations are not thriving, and some are not surviving. Please ensure that your Community is here for the generations to come –renew and include your generous Gift of the Heart pledge!

Kol Tuv,



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