

## **President's Message October 2005**

NEVER AGAIN. How often do we use those words to describe the Holocaust? Do we remind ourselves that we must be diligent in searching out those who seek the destruction of a people? If we are ignorant of a situation and we hear of it, we must do our best to become informed. And once informed, we must act. There is a crisis in Darfur where people are being annihilated. As people of conscience, we need to educate ourselves and do what we can to help. Being a Jew is not to be passive, but to participate in "Tikkun Olam," the repair of the world.

I was very proud of the efforts of the congregation to help the survivors of Hurricane Katrina. A special thanks to Laverne Pollak, Iris Hirsch, Bonnie Kelly and the members of the NFTY group for making this happen.

My wish for you this year is that you enjoy good health, enjoy your family and friends and be able to find peace within yourself. It is my honor to serve you.

Shalom,  
Howie Hirsch