President's Message May 2014

With the school year-end approaching, the JCNWJ takes a step back to reflect on the past year or two in order to assess our future needs and options and to keep up with our ever changing society.

Two very important upcoming events that will impact our future course are the Goals and Objectives meeting scheduled for May 10, 2014 and the Annual Congregation Meeting scheduled for June 1, 2014.

At the Goals and Objectives meeting, we will explore membership retention and membership outreach, communication with our congregants, our town and neighboring towns, and communication through social media. We will assess our education curriculum provided to both adults and youth and our development of future leaders for the JCNWJ.

At the Congregation Meeting, the members will be provided with a report from each of our committees outlining events from the past year and the upcoming activities. Reports will be provided by the Ritual Committee, the Finance Committee, the Education Committee, the Membership Committee, the Website Committee and Sisterhood.

With each passing year, we ask new and existing members to participate in this process by volunteering to join committees, take on active roles and have a voice in the direction of our temple. We cannot succeed without volunteers.

We anticipate many leadership opportunities and are hopeful that members will initiate new programs, like forming a youth group, and revitalize former ones, like the Men's Club.

Although there are many opportunities for you to become involved, we ask that you take the time and think of how your current leaders may improve temple life, spiritually or socially, in anticipation of upcoming meetings. If you have suggestions, please feel free to reach out to me either by phone or e-mail. The simplest suggestion could make a difference.

Your contributions are very much valued and welcomed. It is your JCNWJ.

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