June 2020 Message from President Howie Hirsch

Ain't no cure for the summertime blues.

As we head into summer, I am reminded of the old Eddie Cochran song, Summertime Blues. In an interview with Pete Townsend of The Who, I once read, regarding this song, that there ain't no cure for the summertime blues because you are not supposed to be sad in the summertime.

When we had our mental health day a few months ago, we were reminded that people can and have the right to be sad or depressed, and that we do not get to dictate to anyone how they should be feeling. With that being said, my hope is that we will be able to get out of our houses and possibly enjoy each other's company sometime this summer.

The <u>temple board</u> has created a subcommittee to discuss how we will have activities again. There are a number of ideas floating around, and I will keep you abreast as we meet and come up with ideas about how to best, (1) keep the congregation safe, and, (2) begin to have some SAFE social interaction.

For now, keep on tuning into the Zoom Shabbat and Havdalah services that Rabbi Dubin, Student Cantor Noa Dubin and Cantor Nancy Dubin have been leading each week.

Personally, I want to thank all of you who have been inquiring about Iris and how she is holding up during her treatments. I really appreciate the care and concern that you have shown to Iris and me.

Love, Howie

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