## Presidents Message January 2021

I, for one, am looking forward to 2021. I see light at the end of the tunnel. The COVID-19 vaccine is being distributed, and hopefully within a few months, it will be safe to gather. I am extremely excited to be able to attend temple, and now, I can see that this might happen.

While I am excited to go back to temple in person, I will really miss the opportunity that we had this year to have services EVERY Friday night. For those of you who are regulars, you know the kind of preparation that Rabbi Dubin puts into these services. While most of the prayers remain the same, we add and subtract some on any given Shabbat to go with the theme that Rabbi has chosen for that evening. In addition, Rabbi changes the pictures on a weekly basis, again to emphasize the theme of the service. For those who only join occasionally or not at all, I would recommend that you join us for a service on Friday night, or for a joyful and short Havdallah service with Rabbi's with, Cantor Nancy Dubin.

Since we have been staying at home almost all the time these days, it warms my heart when I am able to see you on the Zoom services.

And if Friday night services are not your cup of tea, we will be having an extra special Havdalah service on January 9<sup>th</sup>. Our former Cantor, Ted Labow, has been working on a film on the life of our own Edythe Herson, which we will be premiering right after Havdalah on January 9<sup>th</sup>.

Looking forward to catching up on all the hugs I have missed this year.

Hug less Howie is not as cheerful a person as hugging Howie, who is preparing to make a return in the coming year.

My wish for all of you this year is the same as I wish for you every year, may you have a healthy year.

Love to you all.

Love Howie