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# GREETINGS

Happily the Riverhead Jewish Community brings its members and loyal friends together to celebrate its Second Annual Dance. We may rejoice in the thoughts of what the organization has meant to Riverhead and the surrounding communities.

To our friends, we wish to express our sincere gratitude. Their interest is to us a source of great encouragement. As to our advertisers—we would ask you all to carefully look through the pages of our Journal and make note of who they are. Their financial aid this year has been most important, and we feel sincerely grateful. Patronize them. Let us show them how appreciative we are of their support. I want also to thank those who have worked to make this annual affair a success. They have taken over a difficult task and have met their responsibilities.

Mid the gloom that exists in the world around us, in these United States, we take pride and joy in the efforts of American Jewry to carry on the culture and teachings born centuries ago. There are many who view with fear the great local problems which are to be solved. They fear that our members are not sufficient in numbers—that our organization potentially has not found itself. There are others self-satisfied, who see no need for self-sacrifices to aid the efforts of a united Jewry even in these days. To all these people the continuance of Temple Israel of Riverhead is the only answer.

We have been more united, more enthusiastic in our purpose, more than ever determined that the ideal and lofty purpose for which we are joined, shall and must be realized.

MOE GOLDSTEIN
President

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RABBI SIMON RESNIKOFF

### RABBI'S MESSAGE

Temple Israel was conceived in the desire to render Religion meaningful, and in the conviction that religious values must dominate the conduct and attitudes of men. "To the Glory of God, and the Brotherhood of Man" was the standard under which our religious body was given the breath of life. To glorify God in worship and through the service we render humankind is the pillar stone of our Faith. The ritual of the Synagogue is meaningless unless approached with this basic objective in mind.

The opportunity to be of service is greater today than ever before. The people of the world have survived another holocaust of war which has claimed the lives of millions of dear ones, twisted the bodies and minds of untold numbers of young people. In war's wake communities are physically impoverished and morally degraded. The sacred task to save lives and rescue spirits devolves upon every conscientious protagonist of Religion's truths. Thus do we acknowledge the existence of the Creator, and our responsibility toward Man, the work of His hand.

We do not minimize our share in this responsibility as an organization dedicated to spiritual objectives. Indeed, we stand ready with religious groups in the community in rendering effective man's yearning to right wrong and to rectify the grave injustices perpetrated against fellow-men in every generation and in every clime. Temple Israel is consecrated to the effort to make real the Code of Sinai in the lives of our members, and by example, in the lives of all men and women, with whom we come in daily contact.

In our almost four years of existence we have abided by this goal. Our services of worship are designed in prayer and sermon to stress the concept of Deity which renders imperative the acceptance of individual and group responsibility toward our neighbor who lives next door or in the farthest outposts of the world. Our Sabbath Eve Forums have been maintained in an effort to enable us to better understand what spiritual requirements we are called on to fulfill. Our Religious School curriculum and Youth Activity program have emphasized these spiritual objectives to our young people. We sincerely strive in the direction of meaningful Religion, and mature spiritually with our efforts in this direction. In this way we justify our existence and the continuance of our enterprise.

In this world of monetary values we must expand material effort before it becomes possible to establish spiritual institutions. There could be no Temple Israel, except in our hearts, without the material as well as the moral support of the community. This Journal acknowledges the recognition of this fact. Hence, as Spiritual Leader of Temple Israel I express my sincere thanks in behalf of myself and the members of my congregation to the men and women who have magnanimously contributed to our work through the medium of this publication, and to the members of the Temple Journal Committee who are responsible for the Journal's existence.

May the offerings of members, neighbors and friends continue to bear spiritual fruit so that in the words of our Prayer Book the time shall not be distant when God's name "shall be worshipped in all the earth, when unbelief shall disappear and error be no more, when corruption and evil shall give way to purity and goodness, when superstition shall no longer enslave the mind, nor idolatry blind the eye. So that all created in God's image shall recognize that they are brethren. Then shall His kingdom be established on earth." Amen.

### TEMPLE ACTIVITIES

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL Temple Israel maintains a Religious School curriculum which complies with standads of modernity and progressiveness in education.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S CLUB Our youth group meets for study and play every Thursday evening in the month.

SABBATH EVE WORSHIP Services are conducted every Friday evening at 8:00 P. M.

ONEG SHABBAT A program of discussion, songs and refreshment follows every Sabbath Eve Service in the Social Hall at 9:00 P. M.

Mrs. Max Hagler, Chairman
Oneg Shabbat, Refreshment Comm.

Mrs. Jack Sandberg, Chairman
Altar Decorations Comm.

TEMPLE LIBRARY Our Temple maintains a library of books on Jewish themes subscribed to by members of Temple Israel.

> Mrs. Jack L. Cantor, Chairman Temple Library Committee

ZIONIST CLUB A charter was awarded to Temple Israel by the Zionist Organization of America establishing a Zionist district in Riverhead to consist of Jewish families in Eastern Suffolk County.

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