

President's Perspective . . .

I hope everyone had a wonderful Passover with friends and family. Passover always takes me back to my childhood and all the fun times we shared as a family and friends around the Seder Table(s).

Yes, the weather is getting better and the kids are pushing forward toward the end of school (and pushing boundaries). As our minds are wondering and spring is in the air, we are still hard at work to complete the Anshai year strong.

Mitzvah Day was a great success. Thank you to Sharon Ginchansky, her committee, and all the volunteers to make sure that Mitzvah Day went perfectly. Our Women's and Men's Passover events had a combined attendance of over 250 people. Being able to learn while having a great time is always a recipe for success. Ben and Lisa Kenter's hard work led to one of the most successful Anshai Spring Flower Sales we have ever had. Due to members' requests, we are looking to possibly have a Fall Flower Sale as well.

ALSO, YOU CAN STILL PURCHASE OUR NEW ANSHAI CLOTHING!! You can go directly from the email link, online, or Facebook link to find the purchase site.

As we look to the month of May, we have our **Anshai Torah Annual Meeting on May 21**. Please come, enjoy dinner and be a part of what is going on around the shul and all the different committees.

We will vote on the new slate of officers and board members, along with the upcoming year's Anshai Torah Budget. The night before—May 20—we will have our Kidney Donor Awareness Event. Come find out what it means to be a donor. You may even be a match to assist one of our own members in need of a kidney transplant. For all Chai Members and prospective members, we will be having our annual Chai Event on June 6. Please look for your invitation coming soon. If you want to know more about Chai Membership, please contact me anytime.

May 31 is Installation Shabbat. Please join us to say *thank you* for all the outgoing and incoming officers, Board of Directors, and Auxiliary Boards. I want to personally thank each of you for giving your time and energy to making sure Anshai continues to be successful year after year.

In addition, our Sisterhood is one of the co-hosts to this year's Women's League of Conservative Judaism Conference (IntraContinental Region Spring Conference) from Saturday, May 4-7. If you want any information on the event, please contact Paige Rothstein.

As always, if you have an interest and want to get more involved, let me know. Do or do not, there is no try.

Shalom,

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