

# Tree of Life Synagogue

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ROCHESTER, PENNSYLVANIA

Dear Members,

Once again we are nearing another New Year - 5717. We, who are fortunate yet to be together, still have the privilege of congregating and offering our prayers in what ever ways we so desire. Here in Rochester, we do have our own Shule for just this purpose. At our Tree of Life Synagogue, we all meet with a determined air of pride that such a building is collectively ours.

Throughout the year, there are Minyans each Friday evening to usher in the Sabbath. Yahr Zeit services are held for any member or friend wanting a Minyan. On each Jewish Holiday of the year, major or minor, conditions, or weather.

True, all the above facts listed are known to us. Perhaps we take them for granted, perhaps we sometimes don't think of our Shule as representing anything more than a building. It IS MORE than a building --- it is a symbol of our Jewishness!

Throughout the year, the majority of us are not called upon to contribute anything more than our regular dues which, by today's standards is very low. This year, to help us maintain the pride in our Shule building, the executive committee has decided to have some painting and renovating done. It will also be necessary to thoroughly clean the inside before the High Holidays. In addition to this, the expenses for our Religious Leaders this year will be greater than last.

Aside from the current expenses yet to come, there have been other repairs to our building made necessary by defective gutters and roof leakage.

In view of the fact that our expenses and needs for the year will be more, and our income will be less because some of our members have moved away, we should all voluntarily assess ourselves at least an additional \$10.00 or more.

We urgently request and need your support! Enclosed, you will find a self-addressed envelope for your convenience. Don't let us down!

Wishing you and yours a Healthy, Happy, and Prosperous New Year.

Respectfully yours,

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Corresponding Secretary