**September 2016 ORA Steering Committee Meeting**

Attendance: Esther, Eddy, Diane M, Sharon, Brauna, Linda

**Dates to Remember**:

November 5-6: TOA/COA (Late fee $25 begins 9/15; deadline 10/5)

December 4: Social event at Esther’s

**Treasurer Report:**  No official report—need back up plan for Glenn’s absences. TOA/COA sign-up numbers unknown—at least 20. Eddy, Esther, Glenn and Lou will set up a finance meeting when all are in town.

**Membership:** 4 new members, including 2 from the 9/11 event

* Sharon will contact Jane Means to facilitate process for Jane being new contact for badge ordering.
* Linda to email members who haven’t paid (after Glenn reports) to see if interested in membership.

**Publicity:** OR Jewish Life article is in current issue (not yet seen).

* MJCC graphics dept will help create COA poster. New flyer needs to be developed by High Holidays.
* COA participants need to be asked to send Eddy art photos for their individual postcards, and to post info to social media regarding event
* Blog info should be sent to Esther
* Mara (new member/photographer) will take photos at COA/TOA
* Esther will meet with Diane F regarding new banner—goal is having by High Holidays

**Education:** Sharon reports the September 11 event was well received—16 people including 2 new members. Presentation was great, and an informational website was created for our members’ use.

* December event 12/4 2-3:30pm at Esther’s. Latkes. Cradleboard debut. Small discussion groups. Social!
* Cradleboards: will be displayed (how TBD) at JAM, $36 each, scholarship fund, “Light” theme. Raffle incentive for participants was discussed.
* Sharon will send Save the Date email after High Holidays.

**COA/TOA**: 20 (+ whoever is in Glenn’s mailbox) participants. Maximum number set at 24.

* Eddy has one more wine possibility and Linda will check with Potter’s Vineyard. Or no wine this year.
* Eddy suggested Odwalla juice be contacted for donation possibility.
* Agreed that buying-incentive raffle tix should also be given for donations to scholarship fund.
* Eddy will continue to discuss scholarship possibilities with new members in need. A quick jury may be convened in Eddy’s new office for a few new members interested in COA.

**JAM:** Wendy Russell to head event. Bethany will coordinate schedule.

* Week 1—2/26—Young Artist Show. 4th-8th grade, 1-3 parents will coordinate. 9am setup, 4pm reception. Early February: mini-jury @MJCC (suggestions & praise)
* Week 2—3/5—3pm setup (Friends of Center brunch?)
* Week 3—3/12—9am setup (Purim activity)
* Week 4—3/19—9am setup
* Week 5—3/26—PJA art show
* Eddy will clarify with Wendy regarding evening date for movie, panel, cradle boards…

**More JCC:** Mara is leaving MJCC employ (and joining ORA).

* Laurie Fendel is having wrist surgery (9/21)—Brauna will send get well card and flowers.
* MJCC got a grant for a wall gallery. Eddy will promote ORA participation with new staff.

**Neveh Shalom:**  Leslie needs more artists. Rabbi Kosak may participate—possibly as honorary member.

* September 20th is next take down/put up date

**Future Meetings:** Diane F. working full time now 7-3:30. Trying out alternating Tuesday eves/Sundays.

* October 9th 11:30 @ Eddy’s—potluck lunch
* November 15th 6pm—skype Linda and Diane M (if not otherwise birthday busy)
* December 4th—after social event