

**Religious School Committee**  
**Annual Report**  
**May 7, 2017**

We had another successful year because we have a truly dedicated staff. We may be small in numbers but we are large with enthusiasm. Debbi and the teachers create a rigorous curriculum that challenges the kids to learn, yet excites them to want to learn.

Cantor Vera is busy getting our students ready for any upcoming Bar or Bat Mitzvahs and has led some fun and educational family connection programs. She is a welcome addition to our religious school community.

The religious school committee is a dedicated team of parents and other congregants which makes us well rounded. The guidance of Rita Harris has been very valuable throughout the last couple of years and the committee would like to wish her well in her retirement.

Cheryl is constantly making sure the parents are notified of what we have going on with the school, as well as the temple events related to the school, we are thankful that she keeps us organized.

Don is always keeping up with our new ideas of how we want rooms set and he does so very willingly (we really appreciate that). He also keeps our classrooms and buildings clean which we are all grateful for.

Thanks to Lisa Desberg and the rest of the PTO for successfully raising money for the Adeline B. Watnick Religious School Children's Fund. That money is always put to good use to purchase supplies related to our enrichment activities during the school year. This year's fundraisers included Square One Art, Kugel Contest (in conjunction with Adult Ed) and the Silent Auction.

Debbi is the backbone of the religious school, she pitches in wherever and whenever she is needed. She always keeps us up to date about any issues that may arise, as well as what is going on in the temple and BCA.

We as families and as a community must come together to support the religious school, our children and the teachers. Please remember that coming to services and getting involved with events that go on during the year also helps promote Jewish learning and shows the children how important it is to be connected to other generations of temple members.

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Co-Chair