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I have proudly been the Vice President of Fundraising for the past four years. As with most positions of responsibility, this job comes with the joys of success, as well as criticism from unhappy people. Throughout my tenure, Rabbi and Judi have been supportive of my committee's endeavors. There have been many events including an Art Auction, Comedy Night, a Burlesque Show, Chinese Auctions and Dinners, an Antiques Show, a Murder Mystery Night and several, wonderful Journal/Dinner Dances. For each activity Rabbi and Judi have always been one of the first to respond. Not only were they supportive, but they were also willing to be part of the fun! At the Murder Mystery, the detective interrogated Rabbi with quite suggestive ideas. His answers were clever and humorous. At the Chinese Auctions not only would Judi actively bid, but she also would encourage others to do the same, while offering the auctioneer (me!) funny remarks. We appreciate and thank them for their backing. As they enter the role of emeritus, we look forward to continuing to see them at all of our events.

On a personal note-27 years ago, I remember meeting Rabbi Kenter during my visit to check out the GHC Nursery School for my daughter. First, I met the director, Irene Lustgarten, who immediately said "You must meet our Rabbi." As I told him that I came from an Orthodox congregation and had a wonderful husband who was not interested in attending services, he never-the-less, made me feel welcome and quite at ease. By the next day, Jenette was signed up for the two year old class and we entered the GHC family. One Shabbat morning Judi was leading Jr. Congregation, when she encouraged a very shy Jenette to stand next to her to lead a prayer. That little push gave Jenette the support to become an active leader at services and comfortable with the prayers. I am certain that as Rabbi and Judi have touched our lives, they have touched the lives of countless people. Those kind gestures have multiplied and will continue to affect others. We never know how a small interaction will affect others, but it usually does.

On behalf of our congregation, I thank Judi and Rabbi for the many years of dedication, generosity and love that they have given to GHC. We wish you success, good health and happiness as you continue your life's adventures. May you go from strength to strength.

I want to take this opportunity thank our hard working Journal committee for making this journal and dinner dance a huge success! Michael Feinkind, Naomi Feinkind, Alan Kravitz, Caryn Kravitz, Sheila Greenwald, Nora Contract, Robbie Goldberg, Jo-Ann Lutzky are an outstanding group of people. Thank you to Carol Lyons for once again providing the beautiful art work that graces the cover of our journal. A very special thank you goes to Madaline Bruno and Jacqui Walker who worked countless hours and put up with many committee members' phone calls and requests. To Pat Conlin and Ruben Rivera, we thank you for taking care of our every need. It is an honor and a pleasure to work with all of you.

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