

November 1, 2016

Dear Friend,

We ushered in October with creative expression using our mind, body and spirit. We created art for art's sake and art for community connection. In our last newsletter, we didn't have a chance to highlight our Gratitude Luncheon in September, so let's catch you up this month along with a look at some of the beautiful art we made.

Remember the teaser about Ray Frank, "Girl Rabbi of the Golden West" that was the topic of September's Gratitude Luncheon? We promised to share where she spent some of her time. Ray Frank studied right here in Cincinnati at Hebrew Union College for a semester. That caused some newspapers to claim she was the *first female ordained rabbi!* Of course, this was not the case. **Sally Priesand, the first female rabbi** was ordained nearly 100 years later in 1972.

Our friend Carol painted this night scene during one of our art classes. Our friends Sharon and Richard created these two beautiful designs on platters during our Stargazers' visit.



In October we joined together for a celebration of Sukkot and some took part in shaking the Lulav. We all passed the Etrog to experience its fragrance and texture. Fall was ushered in with a luncheon of butternut squash soup, quinoa salad, potato kugel, and lemon glazed poppy seed cake. Connie and Rini treated us to a beautiful feast. Thank you to Simon, our Rabbinic Fellow, for stories of the Baal Shem Tov and the origins of Sukkot and Simchat Torah.



Looking forward to seeing you at our Thanksgiving Luncheon this month!

Sincerely,

Fran

Sandra

Connie

Sharon

Christy

Debbie

