December 1, 2016

Dear Friend,

November brought us thanks! We featured Eighteen Tiny Treasures, Art, Jewish music, Yoga, card making and three pleasing programs with rabbinic fellow Simon.

Amanda Zahn, Curatorial Assistant, hosted a tour of Eighteen Tiny Treasures from the B'nai B'rith Klutznick Collection at the Skirball Museum. Even each piece was no bigger than a smart phone the craftsmanship and detail is larger than life. Two of our favorites were the Esther scroll made out of brass filigree and a Bible with a case made from ivory, metal and glass. Amada helped us understand the historical significance of each and described the research process for items that are selected for Skirball Museum.

Simon facilitated a group discussion group about Jewish music. Those that attended left with a different perspective about what makes a song or melody Jewish. We all had a soulful time singing a nigun of "ai-aiai!



Rini and our new volunteer, Lisa Mezibov, created a spectacular Thanksgiving lunch of roasted butternut squash with pecan topping, cranberry sauce, green bean casserole, vegetarian "chik" patties, and pumpkin pie with whipped cream. Simon led an interactive discussion about prayer and gratitude. Everyone shared something they were thankful for this year. Our thanks included having housing, friends, family, courage, animals, and the molecules around us, freedom, our Vital Support Community and the ability to help others.

Please welcome Amanda Goldner to our Vital Support Center team. Amanda is a first year MSW student at University of Cincinnati. Amanda will be working in Heldman Family Food Pantry and Barbash Center as a Care Manager.

Come join us for a Hanukah celebration in December!

Sincerely,

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