



# A Message From Our President

We, the human race, are creative. When faced with this "100-year Pandemic", covid-19, and told to self-quarantine, many beautiful wonderful works of art and music have been shared from homes via the internet. Creative musical compositions with new words to familiar Broadway show tunes, orchestras with members each playing from home, even new poetry in the "Dr. Seuss" style about Passover. I hope that each of you has an opportunity to try your hand at something creative during our "stay at home" time. Below is my creative offering to you.

- O – Omni
- P – Present;
- T - Tenaciously
- I – Inventive;
- M - Most
- I – Inspirational
- S – Serene Sanctuaries
- M – Manifest.

I would like to thank our amazing congregation for the spectacular support during our 8th Annual Corned Beef Fundraiser. At the time of this writing, the numbers are still being finalized. So far, it looks like we distributed close to 2300 sandwiches, more than last year, and earned at least \$18,000, also more than last year. Thank you to our sponsors for whom we are grateful, and to the corned beef committee who has successfully organized and orchestrated the fundraiser once again this year.

This month I'd like to "Tip my kippah" to our congregation and our rabbi, who have reached out in kindness as we have called to check on each other during our time of social distancing and self-quarantine. It is un-natural for a community such as ours to distance itself under normal circumstances. These times have been anything but normal. With hope and prayers, and compliance among all citizens of this great country, perhaps we will soon be at a point where we may once again gather for services and enjoy each other's company. If you need assistance with medication or groceries, or a ride to the doctor, please call the Augusta Jewish Federation's office (706) 228-3636 and they will connect you to our Jewish Family and Children's Services Coordinator. If you would like to add a friend or family member to our mi-shebeirach list, please call the synagogue office before Friday so their name can be added by Shabbat. Thank you all. May peace and health be with you.

Sincerely,

*Robyn S. Budenstein*



## Annual Dues - Pay Early...Save Money

Shown below is the dues table for both 2019-20 and 2020-21. 2020-21 dues are effective July 1, 2020. Please add to this amount the **\$100.00 Building Fee**. Any **SINGLE, FAMILY** or **MILITARY** member who has a **ZERO** account balance and pays 2020-2021 dues **IN FULL** on or before Tuesday June 30th may pay dues at the 2019 rate. **IMPORTANT:** Singles paying early will receive a **\$65.00** discount and dues will be \$1035.

As always, members are encouraged to pay in installments and for convenience, may use the secure credit card option on the **AYS** website. Dues may also be paid at the annual meeting (if it occurs as a face to face congregational meeting) on Sunday, June 7th at which time cash, checks, and credit cards will be accepted.

MEMBERSHIP TYPE	2019-20	2020-21
Full Time Student	\$0	\$0
Full Single	\$1100	\$1100
Family	\$2070	\$2200
Dual with CCI	\$700	\$700
Dual Part Year	\$700	\$700
First Year Membership	\$250	\$250
Associate	\$300*	\$300*
MILITARY		
E1-E6, W01-CW2, O1-O2	\$0	\$0
E7-E9, CW3-CW5, O3-O4 (33% discount)	\$500(s) \$1385(f)	\$740(s)
O5-O6 (10% discount)	\$600(s) \$1,500(f)	\$1000(s) \$2000(f)
O7 and above No discount	\$1100(s) \$2070(f)	\$1100(s) \$2200(f)

\*If you were "grandfathered in" with Associate Dues at \$200, you will continue to pay \$200.