

IFC Meeting on November 28th at PTBE in the Library

Attended:

- Joanne Aviel
- Michele Epstein
- Davida Talcove
- Dick Heiman
- Ryan Lewis
- Judy Maller
- Joel Miller
- Judy Miller
- David Prager
- Blair Fingerhut
- Nancy Schneider
- Edward Luby
- Wendi Gansen
- Pam Derish
- Dan Sharoni
- Judy Bloom

Welcome & Introduction by Michele E. & Judy Maller

Local Baha 'I Faith House Invitation on February 2nd, 2018

- Relatively small group from Baha'i
- Rabbi Eisner approached by Baha'i whose group meets in homes for prayer and fellowship
- They will be invited to February (2/2/18) Hallelu Shabbat Services
- They are also interested in possibly joining PMC and participating in MLK event
- Judy Maller will send out synopsis of their basic religious beliefs

Martin Luther King Jr Day of Service (PMC event) on January 15th, 2018 – Dick H.

- Joel sent out a Save the Date flyer to all IFC members
- Anticipate full volunteer participation as over 400 volunteered last year
- PTBE last year sent largest group of volunteers
- New projects include picnic tables and gardening at San Bruno Mountain park
- Signups start in two weeks or less

St. Matthews Episcopal Church & PTBE Joint Book Club - Michele E. & Judy Maller

- Rabbi Dennis & Father Eric had coffee and decided to move forward on a book club
- Unknown as to how many books will be reviewed although clergy will determine choice of books
- Clergy will facilitate book club meetings

Joint Interfaith Programs with Congregation Sinai and Peninsula Temple Sholom

- Lively engaged discussion about potentially collaborating with other synagogues in events
- The new Rabbi at Sinai (Rabbi Rebecca) seems to be very enthusiastic about interfaith events
- There needs to be a meeting with Rabbi Dennis and interested committee participants to determine "buy in" and ensure it is supported.
- One committee member also suggested we consider intrafaith events which generated interest amongst the group.
- Action item is to schedule meeting with Rabbi Dennis and then report back to committee

Other Interfaith Connections

- Judy Bloom & Dick H. will get together with St. Matthews Catholic Church in San Mateo

Visit Glide Methodist Memorial Church in SF

- Introduced the possibility of visiting the Glide Memorial Church as an “outing” for the committee to attend a service.
- Former PTBE clergy member Michael Lezak now has a leadership role at the church and Michele will contact him about potential dates when he will be present at a service.

Other Announcements – Dick H.

- Freedom Seder will be held at the Congregational Church of Belmont with Reverend Kristi Denham. Undetermined at this point who will be the partnering Rabbi

Meeting Adjourned

Notes taken Notes by Judy & Joel Miller on 11/28/2017