

Accomplishments 2008-2010

- Interpreter for the 2008 High Holy Days (HHDs) Generation to Generation (G2G) Service
- Inclusion of friends from Jewish Foundation for Group Homes (JFGH) at services
- Welcoming letter in new member packet
- Tagline for newsletter, stationery, website and other publications stating that we are an inclusive, accessible, egalitarian congregation
- Large-print Shabbat programs and siddurim (plus lightweight copies in sections without heavy covers)
- Children's library books on disability themes
- Bathroom door openers (with a contribution from the Men's Club)
- Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC) programs with the Diener School (special education program housed at Har Shalom) and visits to the elderly
- Website Accessibility and Inclusion page created
- Newsletter articles on issues of sensitivity

Jewish Disability Awareness Month Activities

- Hall display - poster, brochures representing a multitude of resources and tip sheets
- Special prayer at Shabbat morning services each week
- Films on disability theme (in collaboration with the Religious School)—Joint showing of "Praying with Lior" with B'nai Israel (Nov 2008) and Academy Award nominee "The Collector of Bedford Street" (Feb 2010)
- Religious School program on autism
- USY "dinner in the dark" to simulate the experience of blindness (Nov 2008)
- USY Special Needs Night (Feb 2010)
- Shabbat speaker at Saturday morning services from the Maryland Disability Law Center
- ECEC - Mama Zooms, a book about a mom in a wheelchair, read to children by a mom who uses a wheelchair