

## **Jon Miller**



### **What are your current roles at TI?**

I am presently an elected member of the Board of Directors. I have served on the Executive Board over the years since 1985 as vice president of Administration, financial secretary, treasurer, recording secretary, vice president of Finance, executive vice president and most recently as president from 2003 through 2005. Over the course of my membership with Temple Israel, I was one of the four founding members of the Ark Builders for all of its 29 years. I have served as the TI budget committee chair for nearly 10 years and most recently as co-chair of the Kol Nidre appeal committee. I served as a member of the Building and Design committee for the M'Dor L'Dor campaign in the early 2000s and am currently a member of the accessibility committee for the sanctuary Bima project.

### **How long have you been a member of TI?**

My wife, Ellen and I joined Temple Israel in 1982. Ellen has been a Sisterhood member since 1982 and has served in several Sisterhood board positions. We are proud parents of two sons, Adam and Benzi both of whom grew up in Temple Israel. Adam attended the temple's Nursery school before it was named for Judy Gordon (z"l) and went through the Temple's Hebrew School and Prozdor.

### **What do you do for work and in your free time?**

I am the product development engineering manager at Pratt & Whitney Engine Services in Norwood, MA where I've been for the past 12 years. In my free time, I love building things, whether they be home renovations or installing 8 kitchens as a volunteer for the Natick Housing Authority or the numerous furniture items I've built as an Ark Builder. I also am an electrical / mechanical mentor on a FIRST Robotics team in Franklin, MA since 2007 where as a volunteer, I have helped encourage High School age kids to excel in STEM education.

### **What excites you most about the future of TI?**

Temple Israel is a vibrant, welcoming community that was there for me at the beginning following a tragic family loss. The opportunities for our members to participate and be part of this incredible community are virtually limitless. The friendships Ellen and I made from our first days at the Temple as members of the Chaverim Club until the present have been long lasting and enduring. The Temple community has become our extended family and point of stability in our lives and it just keeps getting better. Our Temple leaders, both professional and lay are invested in the long-term viability of a sacred Jewish Community in the MetroWest community and this is what we find a strong motivating factor and why we have remained affiliated for as long as we have and plan to continue to do so for the foreseeable future.