



MAN OF THE YEAR AWARD RECIPIENT MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGION

FEDERATION OF JEWISH MEN'S CLUBS 2016-2017



ADATH JESHURUN MEN'S CLUB ASSOCIATION ELKINS PARK, PA ROBERT DROMBOSKI, M.ED., M.ED.

FAMILY

Spouse: Laura Frank, PhD

Children: Joseph and Daniel

EDUCATION

Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine arts 1972-1975

Philadelphia School of Psychoanalysis 1980 - 1990

Temple University 1986 - 1986, MEd Counseling Psychology

Temple University 1995 - 2005, MEd Educational Psychology

OCCUPATION

Licensed Psychologist

Private Practice, agency, hospital work, dept. head PA largest Max Sec facility

Corporate Consultant, Trainer

HOBBIES/INTERESTS

Fine painting at professional level

Political activism: past 2 years against PA pipeline and for marriage equality

National election campaign work 4 states

BUSINESS HONORS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Pennsylvania Licensed Psychologist since 1993
- Associate Mbr, American Psychological Association since 1993
- Career Achievement Award PA Forensic and Treatment
- Rights Conference 2006
- Planner, PA Forensic and Treatment Rights since 2007
- Corporate Consultant Health Insurance/trainer since 2010

MEN'S CLUB OFFICES HELD

Representative to Keruv Activity: Conferences/Keruv Program

Development 4 years

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SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN MEN'S CLUB

- Board Member, AJ past 2 years
- Keruv Programming, past 4 years
- Veterans Shabbat Planner

FAVORITE MEN'S CLUB PROGRAMS

- Keruv Program
- Sunday Football

WHAT MEN'S CLUB MEANS TO ME

As a Jew by choice, Men's Club filled a very needed role for me especially when I first came to synagogue to help my wife connect with her Jewish heritage. I wanted to learn what Jewish men were like as persons when not in services. What did they care about, talk about? How do Jewish men view their synagogue, rabbi, problems of the synagogue and what did they think might be done to make things better. More basically how do Jewish men see themselves, one another and the world. What do they think their place is in it? Could I relate to them? I found Jewish men to be humane, accepting, welcoming to me, and able with any joke I tried on them to return it back to me one better. I found them of service to the synagogue, their families, the wider community, and never without a point of view they are happy to share. The Schnaps in those early gatherings and compliments when I cut bagels for breakfast and still counted my fingers afterward helped.

I would like us to reach out more to Jews whose engagement has yielded to secularism, and to the intermarried. I trust that Jewish men's clubs will continue to be an essential part of having synagogues as a vital center of Jewish living. Long live Jewish Mens' clubs in America!

REASON FOR THE AWARD

Robert Dromboski has initiated a wide range of programs in the past few years in connection with the FJMC Keruv initiative. His strong personal interest in the Keruv initiative has really touched a chord in the Adath Jeshurun congregation.

As a Vietnam Veteran, Rob has been the perfect individual to take over, in recent years, responsibility for our congregation's Veteran's Shabbat. This meaningful event ensures that Adath Jeshurun's members who responded to our nation's call continue to get the recognition they so richly deserve.