

# It's exciting to have students filling our Hillel again

Dear Friends,

Once again our Hillel House is filled with the sights and sounds of Jewish students - our community is buzzing and the shift back to in-person events is having a tremendous impact on the well-being of our students! From lively Shabbats, lawn parties, student group events, and holiday services and kosher meals, our Hillel has already engaged hundreds of students across campus this fall.

We continue to plan wide-ranging fun experiences with our students leaders, while taking precautions to ensure the safety of our community as the pandemic continues to evolve.

As you browse through our annual newsletter, we



hope you enjoy seeing the impact of your support and photos of students reconnecting. You'll learn about the

programs we offer and read alumni highlights, including a very special Q&A with Ken Feinberg (Class of '67), Special

Master to the 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund.

Looking ahead, 2022 marks UMass Hillel's 80th year on campus and the formal launch of our three-year strategic plan! These initiatives will catapult student engagement and ensure our Hillel is here for generations of future Jewish students. I look forward to sharing more about our plans to recognize this milestone in the months ahead. In the meantime, we're celebrating all the moments, big and small, of being together once more. *On behalf of our community, thank you for making our work possible.*

L'shalom, Rabbi Aaron Fine

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