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The only Sephardic Synagogue North of Boston is Congregation Tifereth Israel. We were incorporated on February 15, 1922 and have been in continuous operation ever since.

The original charter members of Tifereth Israel were: Leon Eskenas, Nissim Eskenazi, Morris Gibely, Robert Hasday, Joseph Havian, David Leon, and Joseph Pernitchi. During our 90 year history, we have had only 7 presidents.

Traditionally our religious leadership comes from within our own membership which currently is approaching 100 members. In every generation, there have been members who stepped forward and made the commitment to continue our legacy by maintaining the Sephardic traditions and rituals. Even today, Joanne Pressman - granddaughter of both Joseph Havian and Joseph Pernitchi - has been our soloist since 1991 and co-officiates in leading our services.

While a large number of our members are descendents of these men and related to each other, those new members that join us soon discover the warmth, the caring, and the camaraderie of being a part of our friendly congregation.

The Ladies Auxiliary came into existence to support the Congregation and this cookbook is being published in our 90th year not only to commemorate our anniversary but also to record our family's delicious traditional Sephardic recipes that were prepared by our mothers and grandmothers. Also included in our cookbook are many tasty Askenazic and secular recipes of those more recent congregants who have become part of our congregation and they have shared their family favorites as well.

We hope you will enjoy our cookbook and that it will inspire you to try a new recipe!

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