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Welcome the Stranger

Happy New Year!

We are beginning 2022 filled with hopeful anticipation for what is to come.

From our families to yours, we wish you a happy and healthy 2022.

Rabbi Sharon Sobel, President David Goldberg, the Board of Trustees and Staff of Temple Beth Zion.



Jewish Family Services of WNY is doing amazing work in helping Afghan Refugees get settled in the area, and they need our help!

TBZ, through the efforts of Judith Fales and Rabbi Sharon Sobel, will collect gift cards that will be used by JFS to furnish necessities for homes for refugees.

Please turn to page 4 for details on how you can uphold the core Jewish principle of welcoming the stranger.



Presenting the next chapter in our story. CJEL is now LiNK Jewish Buffalo.

TEMPLE

"As my forefathers planted these carob trees for me so I too plant these for my children." - Talmud (Ta'anis 23b)



Temple Beth Zion is proud to be a community partner in the Harold Grinspoon Foundation Life & Legacy program.

In the next issue of the Bulletin, we will thank the Temple Beth Zion members who have already committed to be an important part of this program and share details on how you can be a part of it.

BETH ZION



Letter from the President

Greetings! Please allow me to wish you the happiest of New Years! And I hope you had a safe and festive celebration.

As the new year is underway, I wish to take this space to introduce a new Board initiative. This came out of the listening sessions we had back in October. It is a board liaison program. The intention of this program is to provide our temple members a dedicated "go to" person within the Board of Trustees. Have a question? Contact your board liaison. Have an idea, or even a complaint? Contact your board liaison. Not sure how to get involved? Contact your board liaison.

We have taken the entire congregation and broken it into approximately equal sized groups. Each member of the Board of Trustees is assigned to a group. The members of the board were given an opportunity to select a few congregants whom they know and/or have relationships with.

Each member of the board has a dedicated Temple Beth Zion email address. If you have not already, you will soon be notified by your respective board liaison, introducing themselves and providing you this dedicated email address. It is my hope that this program will help facilitate a better flow of ideas and a quicker response to the needs and wants of our Temple members. We hope you utilize this program, and get to know your individual board liaison.

As the year progresses, I am looking forward to introducing a number of other new initiatives and opportunities to engage more members and encourage our members to be more involved. As we move forward into a new year, I would ask that you try to be more involved, and join us we soon start a new chapter in our storied Temple Beth Zion history. The search for a new settled Rabbi is in full swing, and I am hopeful for a wonderful 2022.

Happy New Year!

David Goldberg president@tbz.org



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Worship Opportunities

Torah Study is held at 9:15 a.m. each Saturday via Zoom. Links for livestream and Zoom are available in the Friday Temple email and on the website (www.tbz.org). Masks are required for all in-person services.

Friday, December 31 Shabbat Evening Service via Zoom	7p.m.
Saturday, January 1 Shabbat Morning Service via Zoom	10:30 a.m.
Friday, January 7 Shabbat Evening Service in the Chapel Birthday & Anniversary Blessings Service at Amberleigh	7 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, January 8 Shabbat Morning Service via Zoom Service at Canterbury Woods	10:30 a.m. 11 a.m.
Friday, January 14 Shabbat Evening Service in the Chapel	7p.m.
Saturday, January 15 Shabbat Morning Service via Zoom Service at Canterbury Woods	10:30 a.m. 11 a.m.
Friday, January 21 Classical Shabbat Service in the Sanctuary	7 p.m.
Saturday, January 22 Shabbat Morning Service via Zoom Service at Canterbury Woods	10:30 a.m. 11 a.m.
Friday, January 28 Shabbat Evening Service in the Chapel	7 p.m.
Saturday, January 29 Shabbat Morning Service via Zoom Service at Canterbury Woods	10:30 a.m. 11 a.m.

If you do not currently receive the weekly email from Temple Beth Zion and would to sign up, contact Julie Feldman at julie@tbz.org or (716) 836-6565, ext. 134.

Office Schedule

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Friday, December 31 and Monday, January 17.

If you have an emergency relating to an illness or death and you need to reach a member of our staff, call 836-6565 and press 4 once the recording begins.



Letter from the Rabbi

Tu B'shvat and Remembering Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

"...And All Shall Sit Under Their Vine and Fig Tree and None Shall Make them Afraid."

On January 17, the observances of the Jewish festival of Tu B'shvat (the "birthday of the trees" – similar to Arbor Day) and the day for commemorating Martin Luther King, Jr. Day coincide.

At first glance, the two observances appear to have nothing in common: Tu B'shvat celebrates nature, the day the first almond blossoms appear in the land of Israel. In its more contemporary setting, Tu B'shvat is about climate change. It gives us an opportunity to focus on our relationship with the environment, our connection to God and how these two are inextricably intertwined. On MLK Day, we commemorate the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr: the great civil rights leader, social justice activist, pastor, preacher, husband, father, scholar, orator and dreamer.

This same week, it is also no coincidence that the Jewish people have just finished reading the section of the book of Exodus in our weekly biblical reading where the Israelites were freed from slavery in Egypt.

So how are Tu B'shvat, the observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day and the story of our people's struggle for freedom all related?

It was a long, hard road for our people to find their way from Egypt to the Promised Land of Israel. A road fraught with disappointment, frustration and set-backs. Yet, on this road, our people, the Jewish people, was born. Our nation found its path toward building a covenantal relationship with God. We discovered some of the greatest eternal truths that still guide us today, thousands of years later.

Many peoples have experienced struggles of slavery, oppression and bondage. Many people have had to walk that same road our people did so many years ago. As we are all too well aware, the struggles are still not over.

The Jewish people's story of oppression and redemption strongly resonates with the lessons taught by Dr. King. Dr. King often spoke with a prophetic voice echoing those biblical values, morals and ideals. He fought for what was just, right and fair. Many rabbis and ministers, priests and good people of all religious and ethnic backgrounds walked

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Canopy of Neighbors Presents: Ann Philippone

A two-fisted solo pianist and singer of New Orleans-style barrelhouse, boogie & blues!

> Canopy of Neighbors 805 Delaware Avenue January 25 11 a.m. - Noon

Please join us for a musical performance to lift away the winter blues! Bring your friends and get swept away by the musical magic that is Ann Philippone — resident Sunday evening artist at Nietzsche's Music Club.

RSVP (716) 235-8133 or wendy@canopyofneighbors.org.

Masks are required for all attendees.

Chanukah Concert

On November 28, the JCC partnered with TBZ to host a kick off to Chanukah concert featuring Guy Mintus. Guy is a trained concert pianist, composer, vocalist and educator, and along with his wife, they delivered a wonderful performance for our guests.

Thank you to miriam treger honig and Howard Hanna Real Estate Services for their support as a community sponsor, along with Katie Wzontek and Gon Erez for organizing the event and choosing TBZ as their partner to showcase Guy Mintus and our beautiful TBZ sanctuary!



Tu B'shvat and Remembering Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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alongside him. His message still cries out to us today, in our broken, hurting world.

Our relationship with the environment and with nature teaches us that there is always hope for the future. Tu B'shvat in particular reminds us that we are blessed with what we have today because of those who planted seeds before us. These seeds can be the literal seeds for food, or the symbolic seeds of justice, peace, harmony and hope.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. often spoke about those seeds of justice, he tried to grow a field of hope. He caused the sun to shine on a forest of dreams for so many people, creating a positive environment of potential and opportunity: just as the Israelites saw their potential of opportunity as they marched on their journey toward the promised land.

So today we affirm our pursuit of justice, as well as our commitment to protect our environment. As the Rev. Dr. King taught:

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly." (Birmingham, Alabama, April 16, 1963).

This is my prayer for these dual observances: "Let violence be gone; let the day come soon when evil shall give way to goodness, when war shall be forgotten, hunger be no more, and all at last shall live in freedom." As the prophet Micah reminds us: Then all shall sit under their vines and fig trees and none shall make them afraid. (Micah 4:4)

Rabbi Sharon L. Sobel

Welcome the Stranger

Please help us support Jewish Family Services of WNY in their efforts to get Afghan Refugees settled in the area.

Temple Beth Zion will be collecting donations of gift cards for any of the following: Target, Walmart, Tops, Aldi, Price Rite. Gift cards can be placed in an envelope marked "attn: Rabbi Sobel" and dropped off at the Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road. If you prefer to support this effort by writing a check, please make it out to Temple Beth Zion Rabbi's Discretionary Fund and write "Afghan Resettlement" in the notes section of the check. Checks can be mailed or dropped off at the Broder Center.

If you have questions, contact Rabi Sharon Sobel at rabbisobel@tbz.org.



Shalom!

TBaZY had the opportunity to gather with NEL (the URJ Northeast Lakes region) in the fall and then again during Chanukah for virtual events with other teens. Even though we all cannot gather in-person, the teens are making the best of it and meeting via social media and planning programs remotely.

Our teens paid tribute and honored our Veterans by placing flags at Forest Lawn Cemetery on Veteran's Day and being present at the service following.

We are now gearing up for our annual Winter Maccabiah Games to be held in late January. The winter games are for 6th-12th graders and will be held right after Religious School and will include lunch. All are welcome. This is always a favorite event with indoor and outdoor games, prizes, etc. Be on the lookout or contact us for more information.

Tammy and I are always available to provide information about all our youth engagement opportunities and are happy to chat anytime. Please feel free to call or text us at (716) 867-8541 or email us at bshapiro44@gmail.com or tamarvanwey@gmail.com.

> Beth Shapiro and Tammy VanWey TBaZY Youth Group Directors

Chanukah Happened

Thank you to everyone who filled the 8th Night with light at the PJ Library/PJ Our Way Chanukah Happening! It was a spectacular evening of scavenger hunting, warm drink sipping, Jewish learning, donut filling, Chanukah menorah lighting, re-connecting, and dance partying in the Broder Center parking lot. More than 225 people attended!







Tu B'Shevat

Tu B'Shevat, beginning at sundown on Sunday, January 16 this year, was way ahead of its time. It is the first Earth Day. The birthday of the trees. Although the rituals most closely identified with Tu B'Shevat originated in the 16th century, it is even more relevant today as we try to embrace our role as stewards of the planet.

Over the past century, Tu B'Shevat has been closely associated with the environmental movement. Many celebrate by planting trees in Israel in honor of loved ones and eat foods from the Seven Species of Israel that are mentioned in the Torah: Wheat, Barley, Grapes, Figs, Pomegranates, Olives and Dates. Dried carob is also popular.

It's also the perfect time to commit to making changes in environmental practices, like reducing, recycling, and reusing. We also like to work on moving towards a Zero Waste

Tu B'Shevat is a special day not only for celebrating trees but also for celebrating everything the earth provides for us; all of our fruit and vegetables, nuts and seeds, wheat and barley, etc. Below is a simple and gluten-free recipe we hope you might like to try.



Almond Cloud Cookies Ingredients:

1/3 cup almond paste1/2 cup sugar2 large egg whitesPinch of salt1/2 cup sliced almonds, optional

Preparation:

1. Preheat oven to 300° F.

2. Combine almond paste and sugar in a food processor or blender and process until crumbly and sand-like.

3. Add in egg whites and salt until combined.

4. Drop by tablespoonsful onto parchment-lined cookie sheet.

5. Top with sliced almonds (optional). Bake for 25 minutes Recipe published in JOY of KOSHER with Jamie Geller Spring 2015

Consecration and Chanukah 2022

The Temple Beth Zion family enjoyed a meaningful opportunity during Erev Shabbat services in early December to honor and bless our youngest and newest Religious School students. The evening was extra special, as we held Consecration during Chanukah this year, so the Sisterhood Chapel glowed from the light of several hanukkiyot throughout the service.

While gathered together in front of the bima, parents read a special blessing to their children. Each student received a Certificate of Consecration and the gift of a beautiful mini-Torah to cherish. The students then stood together in front of the open ark, a tallit held over their heads, and received further blessings from Rabbi Sobel.

It was a joyful celebration of our people's rededication and of our young students and their families to the start of their formal Jewish education. We welcome Inessa Cortez, Lucius DePriest, Samuel Epolito, Edward Fazekas III, Evelyn Feuerstein, Ayla Freedman, Zoe Goldstein, Jonah Kelly, Olivia Sciandra and Alison White. L'dor va dor from generation to generation!













From the Directors

We wanted to have a party. We hoped to have a CELEBRATION! The first Chanukah observed by the new Community Religious School? It should have been a major event! Alas, as with so many other events and gatherings, Covid had other ideas. No school-wide, lots-of-food, games -to-play, singing-and-dancing, families-included Hanukkah party for the CRS this year. (Boo-hoo...)

So, we did the next best thing! During the two Sunday sessions before the holiday began, all of our classes learned about Hanukkah — its history and its traditions. With that background, each grade was challenged to produce a classroom hanukkiyah for "The Great CRS Hanukkiyah Contest of Kislev 5782" held in early December. Students, teachers, and madrichim planned, drew, painted, and built a big, beautiful, colorful assortment of hanukkiyot — no two the same and all of them terrific! We are thrilled to share photos of these works of art with you.

Because we couldn't bring all of our students together at one time, our students rotated with their Tefila groups (K-2, 3-5, and 6-7) through the social hall to play dreidel and participate in other table activities for fun and learning. All eight (how fitting!) of the hanukkiyot were on display for everyone to vote for their favorite and for the one they thought was most creative. We could offer no latkes or sufganiyot, but everyone was able to enjoy a playful, meaningful celebration, followed by each group enjoying a Tefila in the sanctuary featuring lots of Hanukkah music, courtesy of our "Shira Zack" and Cantor Arlene Frank.

Our next big event will be our Tu B'Shvat Festivities on January 23. We can't wait to share with all of you how we celebrated The Birthday of the Trees! *L'shalom*,

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Co-Presidents Message

We hope everyone had a very Happy New Year! To start 2022 off right, if you haven't joined Sisterhood, please send in your dues! Dues are only \$40 and you reap many benefits by becoming a member. We invite you to partake in meeting new friends, helping our temple and other community charities, participating in affinity groups (ex. knitting group and walking group) and, hopefully in the near future, more in person activities! We are currently working on "engagement" to make sure that all of our members will feel connected to TBZ Sisterhood.

Mail your check, payable to TBZ Sisterhood, to Margy Zeckhauser, 36 Wingate Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14214.

We would like to thank Susan Bruckheimer for her leadership in this year's very successful Chanukah Bazaar. Also a big thank you to all who helped set up, sell, and clean up. We couldn't have done it without you!

For more information about Sisterhood, please feel free to contact us.

Marilyn Schillroth (832-4757) Susan Bruckheimer (982-2099) Cindy Stover (803-2884)

Knitting Affinity Group

If you knit or crochet and would like to join to help others, Sisterhood is continuing an initiative that allows you to participate in volunteer activities and Tikkun Olam in the safety of your own home. And, for those non-knitters, newly purchased hats, scarves, and gloves are also welcomed to be donated.

Last year donations were made a number of organizations who gratefully accepted knitted hats, scarves and gloves/mittens for adults and children.

Please start knitting and collecting the items that you wish to donate. A collection bin is located at the Broder Center for your donations.

This mitzvah will keep help keep hearts and hands (yours and theirs) warm this winter.

Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

We wish you a healthy, happy New Year We hope everyone is well and safe!

> January 2022 Special 20% Off Early Bird Passover Sale B'nai Mitzvah Gifts Children's books and games

We are OPEN by appointment at this time for in store shopping. We also can email or text you pictures of whatever you want. We also offer curbside pickup for all your purchases

> For information or appointment -Text, call or email Susan (716) 982-2099 nana4susan@gmail.com or call Dee 240-446-1211

Funds from sales in the Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop help support Sisterhood and Temple programs.



WRJ to Offer Virtual Tenement Museum Tour January 23, at 10 a.m.

The Women for Reform Judaism Northeast District plans to offer a virtual docent-led tour of an early 19th century home and life of a Jewish American family on the Lower East Side of Manhattan.

Details for this event will be shared, once they become available, in the weekly Sisterhood email. If you do not currently receive the Sisterhood email, please contact Carole Weingarten at weincsw@verizon.net to be added to the list.



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January 28 & 29

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Yahrzeit Anniversaries for January 28 and 29 can found on page 9.

We offer our condolences to the families of:

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January 14 & 15

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This month we observe Tu B'Shvat. Although we cannot share this holiday together with a Tu B'Shvat Seder as a community, we invite you to turn to Rabbi Sobel's column on page 3 and also the Tu B'Shevat section on page 5 to learn more about this special holiday and how you can celebrate in traditional and new ways this year.

Providing Warmth

If you knit or crochet and would like to help others, please participate in the Sisterhood Tikkun Olam initiative that will provide hats, scarves, and gloves to be donated to those in need in our community. Newly purchased items are also welcome.

Organizations are grateful for hats, scarves and gloves/mittens for adults and children.

Please start knitting and collecting the items that you wish to donate. A collection bin is located at Broder for donations.

This mitzvah can help keep hands and hearts warm this winter.