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Michael Doran interviewed by Warren Kozak

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## Purim Extravaganza Weekend!



## Spiel

Saturday, March 15, at 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. 805 Delaware Avenue

Put on your mask, get your grogger and prepare for a rousing, alcohol-fueled evening!

## **Kid Spiel**

Sunday, March 16 9:30 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.

The festivities continue at the Broder Center with two showings of a brand new spiel written just for us .

Music parodies by Stephanie Pokras and script by Cantor Penny Myers.

## Community Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 16 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road**Games, magic, great food and lots of fun

Games, magic, great food and lots of fun.
All are welcome!





## Join Us on the Second Night of Passover!

#### 20th Annual Seder

Laurie Criden and Sari Kagan, Chairs



Tuesday, April 15, at 6 p.m. Westwood Country Club 772 North Forest Road, Amherst

See special insert for all the details and for R.S.V.P. form.

Reservations are required.

## Jewish History in Buffalo



Chana Revell Kotzin

Sunday, March 30 (New Date!), at 1 p.m. Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

The Sisterhood of TBZ is pleased to host special guest speaker Chana Kotzin. Come and remember Jewish Buffalo as it was so that we can tell our stories and preserve our heritage. See page 8 for more details.



Letter from the President

### The Glue

In Reform Judaism, our focus is generally more on deeds than on beliefs. We don't expect that everyone who enters into the life of the congregation will come in at the same level of spirituality or Jewish knowledge. We also know that everyone in the congregation will not have the same level of experience or expertise in finding ways to make a difference in the lives of our fellow members and our neighbors. However, I truly believe that each of you, at whatever level you can or choose to, does practice kind deeds towards others. It is our common denominator – our greatest shared belief and our greatest shared activity.

In June 2012, the congregation adopted seven **core values**. These core values (<u>www.tbz.org</u> "About TBZ") have been major drivers in determining the priorities of your Board and in suggesting the appropriate path when we are faced with sticky decisions. I have talked in this space about the values as something that we ALL share, no matter how religious we feel or from where we came. In fact it is my belief that it is the core values that hold us together – **the glue that binds** – even more than a commitment to Reform Jewish practice.

The value that stands out most (among equals) for me is this one: We involve ourselves in ensuring that our communities and neighborhoods thrive. Look at yourself. Look at your fellow members. We all, in some way, live this value. Most of us are reaching out to others and are helping when asked. It seems we all believe that we are better off as Jews and citizens when we can help make the community thrive.

In the month of April we will be devoting much of this TBZ Bulletin to the concept of **social action** and the many current and potential social action opportunities provided by this synagogue. I **posit here that congregational social action does not take place without shared underlying values.** As a start, you probably have noticed in the Bulletin that there is now a section called "Honorable Menschen." This is the direct result of my call for suggestions (thank you, Anna Marie Richmond) from the congregation, but goes right to the point. We want to take note of those who are living our values. Please make sure that Julie in the Temple office knows when someone deserves such a "menschen." You can e-mail suggestions to julie@tbz.org.

Rabbi Pokras regularly reminds me and our Board that we may fail in our initiatives, even after a good try. Even if we fail to reach our objective, we learn something every time we make an attempt, and as long as the learning stays with us, the venture has an element of success. We have learned. New ideas are in process. This March, open your minds to the possibility of venturing forth anew with your congregation toward making a difference in our community. You won't regret it.

L'Shalom Kenneth Rogers



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## Worship Opportunities

Saturday, March 15

All worship services, except as noted, are held at 805 Delaware Ave. Torah study is held every Saturday at 9:15 a.m.

Saturday, March 1 Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, March 6 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, March 7 Shabbat Alive Service Birthday and Anniversary Blessings	7 p.m.

Saturday, March 8 Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, March 13 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.

Friday, March 14	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Shabbat Evening Service	7 p.m.
Shabbat Tzedek Tirdof: The Pursuit of Justice	

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Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Purim Spiel & Megillah reading	7:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 20 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.

Friday, March 21	
Tot Shabbat @ Broder	5:45 p.m.
Shabbat Evening Service	7 p.m.
Maming of Zohar Cini	

Friday, March 21 Tot Shabbat @ Broder Shabbat Evening Service Naming of Zohar Gini	5:45 p.m. 7 p.m.
Saturday, March 22 Shabbat Morning Service Canterbury Woods Service	10:30 a.m. 11 a.m.
<b>Thursday, March 27</b> Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.

Friday, March 28	
Shabbat Evening Service	7 p.m.
Classical Service	7 p.m.

Saturday, March 29	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Bar Mitzvah of Joshua Bloom	

Please Join us for

## 2nd Shabbat -Shabbat Tzedek Tirdof: The Pursuit of Justice

Our Jewish Values and the ongoing pursuit of Marriage Equality.

Friday, March 14, at 7 p.m. 805 Delaware Avenue



## Letter from the Rabbi

On occasion Rabbis get to carve out a little time just to think. For me, productive thinking begins with a question. Most recently I asked myself the question: What makes TBZ so special? We all think TBZ is special, but are we really? Or do we just call ourselves special because it makes us feel good? It did not take long for the answer to find me, and when it did, it was so obvious. I was a little embarrassed to have even asked the question. What makes TBZ so special? You do.

Our congregational community is remarkable because of the amazing people who make it their own. You make this congregation a blessing by being the blessings that you are, and I would like to highlight just a few TBZers who have given so much of their time and talent in support of our mission to enrich Jewish lives, promote Jewish values, strengthen Jewish bonds and foster life-long learning.

I hope you have had an opportunity to check out our new website, which was redesigned under the leadership of Deny Adelman, who also has chaired our annual Summer Celebration for many summers now with the inestimable David Goldberg. Not only has each Summer Celebration been more successful than the last, but the new website is a significant step forward that will help us to remain connected in a rapidly changing world, and to make sure we are warm and welcoming online as well as in

Speaking of welcoming, Carl and Linda Snitzer have put an amazing amount of time and energy into spearheading our hospitality efforts before services, and our hospitality initiative has expanded to include not one but two groups of bakers who make our onegs even more enjoyable, one group led by Laurie Criden and the other by the ladies of our Sisterhood. I personally always look for whatever baker extraordinaire Errol Craig Sull has prepared. Yummm.

And then there is the important work that Larry Scheur does whenever we have a complex Shabbat service, to make sure that everything sounds perfect no matter how complicated our setups. Larry has donated countless hours and a great deal of hi-tech sound equipment so that the rest of us can have incredible Shabbat worship experiences.

Yet, without being there for each other, we could not really call ourselves a community. Leslie Garfinkel has devoted herself along with the other members of our Caring Community to the welfare of our congregants for many, many years. And this year in particular, both Sara Schultz and Kitty Goldman have gone far beyond the call of duty in helping to provide our mourning families with shivah minyanim when clergy schedules were overburdened. Sara also made occasional hospital visits, and both Kitty and Sara are in Chaplaincy training programs through the Roswell Park Cancer Institute.

Of course, we also know that it is not enough for us to look after each other; we must also be citizens of the world. I have been

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## Social Action News

We are thrilled to announce that Michele Lash and Susan Goldberg will co-chair the Social Action Committee. Plans are underway for the future of Social Action at TBZ. If you are interested in becoming involved on the committee or in future Social Action opportunities, please send e-mail to socialaction@tbz.org.

## **Family Promise**

Family Promise is a national organization that helps homeless families. We started our third year assisting Crossroads Lutheran Church. The families are housed at a different church each week. They spend their days at the Family Promise Day Center, where children are picked up for school and the adults look for permanent housing.

This is a very respected organization with a high rate of success. I would like to expand on what we already do. To do that I need more volunteers. The next time we assist is the week of June 20 - 27. We will serve dinner one or two nights. We also sit and have dinner with the families, and that part is engaging and humbling. This is an excellent way to volunteer as a family. Please get in touch with me so I can explain this in detail. Most of us at Temple Beth Zion have been blessed with good fortune and healthy families. It is time to give back.

Sharon Winer swiner4@gmail.com

## Letter from the Rabbi

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deeply impressed by the work that **Chana Kotzin** has done in putting together a communitywide Jewish archive. Chana will be sharing her work not only with the Sisterhood later this month, but also at our Annual Meeting on June 13. And last, but certainly not least, I feel a special debt of gratitude to **Carol Speser** for the incredible job she has done in helping us to launch a marriage equality initiative to help our clergy team express some of the highest values of our tradition by officiating for out-of-state Jewish gay couples who cannot be legally married in their own states of residence.

By the way, you should know that it was my intention to only highlight five or six folks for this column, which I found to be just impossible to do. Similarly, you should also know that I found it difficult to keep the list down to twelve. There are so many more of you who have made profound contributions to the spiritual quality of our community this year, and we want to acknowledge and honor all of you. In fact, we intend to do just that during our June 13 Volunteer Recognition Service. And we want to give a special award for service to our synagogue that evening as well. We welcome nominations for this singular recognition, so please let us know of anyone and everyone whom you think is deserving. And in the meanwhile, may we all continue to grow from strength to strength, together.

Warmly, Rabbi Gary Pokras



## Planning for the Future

We are approaching a very interesting and challenging season for all of us – tax season. As the commercials for tax preparation continue to dominate television and radio, do you tune out, or does it lead you to think about your finances?

Some events that may have occurred in your life in recent years can affect your financial plans for the future: a change in family, a change in tax laws, a change of assets, a change of needs and desires, a change of job or business, or perhaps a change of residence. Sound advice from a reputable attorney, tax accountant or financial planner can help determine options that best suit your situation and goals.

When planning for the long-term future, the will is the most common estate-planning tool. When properly drafted, it will specify how you want your assets distributed and specify donations to charitable causes. Yet less than half of all Americans have a will. If you die without a will, state laws will determine how your assets are distributed. The state has no way to know how much you want to leave to the important people in your life, or which charitable organizations you want to support with bequests.

Thousands of charitable organizations, including Temple Beth Zion, are helped each year by bequests. As you go through another year of preparing yourself and your finances for this tax season, please also remember to plan for the future. Please help insure the future of Temple Beth Zion by calling Mark Criden at 836-6565 or Peter Fleischmann at the Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies at 882-1166.

Orrin Tobbe David Desmon

Development Steering Committee Chairs

### Still More Shabbat Greeters Needed

During our visits to other Reform Temples for worship, we see a number of opportunities to make our TBZ Hospitality Initiative more effective in making our members and guests even more welcome, further raising the spirit of friendship and warmth. Among these opportunities are additional Points of Personal Contact being covered during the entire Shabbat experience by congregants obviously dedicated to making our experience as visitors even more meaningful.

At TBZ, we have over two dozen well-advised and wonderfully dedicated volunteers who have helped to raise the spirit of our worship experiences. We've had obvious success during the nearly two years of the TBZ Hospitality Initiative, and we all really appreciate their generous engagement. We now, however, need even more volunteers, to make it possible to cover those additional Points of Contact we believe will add to and further enhance the Shabbat worship experience.

However often you attend service, you may wish to receive more information on what our Shabbat Greeters do, how often, and so forth. Please tell any member of our clergy, or any of our officers, or our auxiliaries, of your interest. Or contact Linda and Carl Snitzer (<a href="mailto:carlsnitzer@gmail.com">carlsnitzer@gmail.com</a>) or Madalyn Fliesler (<a href="mailto:Madfliesler@gmail.com">Madfliesler@gmail.com</a>), the coordinators of our Hospitality Initiative, directly.



## Talmud Study With the Rabbis

Tuesday, March 4, 11, 18, & 25 Noon –1p.m. 805 Delaware Avenue

Bring your lunch and study with Rabbi Pokras and Rabbi Scheldt. Study as a group, exploring the rich history of Oral Tradition. Discover how Talmudic teachings have practical relevance in your life today.

## Women of the Book

With Cantor Penny Myers and Director of Lifelong Learning Susan Goldberg Schwartz Tuesday, March 4, 7 p.m. (offsite)

Women of all ages and backgrounds are invited to join Women of the Book as we discover what women's perspective on Torah can teach us about life today.

For additional information and meeting location, contact Kara Kane, 836-6565, Ext. 112.

## PASS - Parents At Sunday School

Sunday, March 2 - The Jewish Perspective of Heaven and Hell Sunday, March 9 - Talmud Torah Sunday, March 23 - Introduction to the Talmud 9 a.m., Broder Center

TBZ's children come to school to learn about Judaism several times each week. It's the perfect time for adults to learn too! Join Rabbi Gary Pokras and Rabbi Adam Scheldt for a bagel and cup of coffee and study and some learning too.

## Become a Minyon-aire

Join the Temple Beth Zion Minyon-aires. The first class will take place at the Broder Center on Thursday, March 6, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Come join our terrific group of TBZ congregants who will help in leading shiva minyans for our members. NO EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY! To find out more or to sign up, contact Tina at 836-6565, Ext. 132.

## Scholarships for Israel Travel

The Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies has announced it has financial assistance available for high school and college-age students to travel and study in Israel. The goal of the Israel Scholarship Committee is to encourage participation of our young people in structured, supervised programs of travel to Israel under Jewish organizational auspices.

Applications are available by contacting Lisa Collins at the Foundation office at 204-1133 or through their website at <a href="https://www.jewishphilanthropies.org">www.jewishphilanthropies.org</a>. The deadline for applications is Friday, March 7.

#### **Tot Shabbat**

Susan Schwartz leads the children and their parents at Tot Shabbat in January. Join us for our next Tot Shabbat on Friday, March 21, at 5:45 p.m. in the Broder Center.



## **Knitting Affinity Group**

This winter is turning out to be one of the coldest on record. The Knitting Affinity Group is busy making hats and mittens to donate to local schools. Many of the students who receive the winter wear are refugees from Third World countries such as Burma, Sudan, Somalia, Ghana and Congo.

If you would like to join us, we would enjoy meeting you and welcoming you to our club. We meet on the second Thursday of every month at the home of Marie Levy Meyers.

Or if you would like to contribute hand-knit, hand-crocheted hats and mittens that you knit from home, please email me, and I will pick them up. For more information, my email address is <a href="mailto:doxiemom33@verizon.net">doxiemom33@verizon.net</a>. We would welcome all contributions!

Karen Wiseman

## **Purim Volunteers Needed**

We have a Purim tradition! Each year, TBZ members who are confined to hospitals, nursing homes or their own home receive beautiful Purim baskets, through the joint volunteer efforts of the Caring Community Committee.

#### We really need your help baking and delivering baskets!

Please call Tina at 836-6565, Ext. 132, if you are able to participate. Bags will be packed on Friday, March 14.On Sunday, March 16, the bags will be delivered after Religious School.

## Speaking of Purim...

Purim just wouldn't be Purim without Hamentaschen. If you



need a recipe or want to try one different from your usual recipe, go to the TBZ website (www.tbz.org) and click on the "What's Happening" tab. Want to make them but don't want them in the house? Consider baking and donating them for the Caring Community Purim Baskets described above.



## **Healthy PALS**

February was "Healthy Bodies Healthy Minds" month at PALS. We invited our parents to come in to the classroom and share special talents or favorite stories. Dr. Rebecca Utech (picture below) paid us a visit and taught the PALS classes about our ears and what the audiologist does. Dr. Jeff Levy also came to teach us about keeping our teeth sparkly white and strong.

PALS students also learned about the Mishkan from Rabbi Scheldt, Rabbi Pokras and Cantor Myers. The students LOVE the interactive way that our fabulous clergy team-teaches the stories from the Torah at Shabbat Magic. (See pictures on page 10.)

Looking for a terrific 6-week summer camp experience for your 2-4 year old? Summer PALS will run from July 7 to August 15. Registration materials will be available soon! Contact Melissa Milch-Klein for more information at pals@tbz.org or 836-6565.



Dr. Utech, with the assistance of a brave little Care talks Bear. **PALS** students about their ears what expect when they visit their doctor.



## **PALS Registration Open** for the 2014-2015 School Year!

Aaron & Bertha Broder Center 700 Sweet Home Road

#### Shefanim (2's)

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9am - noon

Zekitot (3's)

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9am - 1pm

Tziporim (4's)

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9am - 2pm

Call PALS Assistant Director Melissa Milch-Klein at 836-6565 or e-mail pals@tbz.org for more information.

## **Religious School Families**

Check us out on Facebook for up-to-date information, school happenings, Jewish trivia, quotes from our students and more! www.facebook.com/TBZRS

## Mitzvah Project of the Month

When Hannah Maxick and Sarah Moyer decide they want to do something, they put themselves into motion! These two young ladies chose to do their Bat Mitzvah project together, organizing events to benefit children at the Ronald McDonald House.

In December, Hannah and Sarah organized a Toy Drive showing the "Polar Express" movie in exchange for an Unwrapped Toy for a child in need. The girls then wrapped the gifts and delivered them to the Ronald McDonald House. In January they hosted another gathering, asking their friends to bring craft materials, and they made Valentine's Day cards for the children.



The Ronald McDonald House becomes a home away from home for families that have a child being treated at one of our area hospitals, offering them food and hot meals, transportation to/ from the hospital, and items they may need for comfort or entertainment. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/rmhbuffalo">https://www.facebook.com/rmhbuffalo</a>

Hannah and Sarah believe they can make a difference in other people's lives, and so do we! Way to go girls!

## The TBZ TimeZ

The TBZ TimeZ, published twice a year by our Religious School students Newspaper Chug (elective) can now be found on the new www.tbz.org. Enjoy interviews, drawings, articles and photos from our 5th - 7th grade students.

## **Upcoming Events**

#### Play And Learn School

Mar 13	PALS Purim celebration at noon
Mar 16	Community Purim Carnival 11 a.m.
Mar 21	PALS is OPEN (no Staff Development Day)
	Religious School
Mar 2	6th Grade Family Day
	PASS – Parents At Sunday School
	New Chuggim begin!
Mar 7	Shabbat Alive – Family Shabbat
Mar 9	Sunday Tots
	PASS – Parents At Sunday School
	Madrichim meeting (9:30 a.m.)
	Faculty Meeting (11:45 a.m.)
Mar 16	Religious School @ Broder until 11 a.m., FOLLOWED
	by Purim Carnival

Mar 23

Chuggim – 3rd – 7th grade

PASS - Parents At Sunday School

Family Mitzvah Projects 4th – 6th grades

Mar 30 7th grade Family program - Mah La'asot -

What would you do?

# Youth Groups

## TBaZY and TBaZY Jr Update

January and February were both very busy for our youth groups. The photo below is from the joint weekend of NFTY NEL's 7th & 8th grade Winter Camp, as well as the 9th-12th grade Debates Competition January 17-19. Our 7th-12th graders in this picture were very excited for this action-packed event at Hiram House Camp in Cleveland, and everyone had a wonderful time. In the photo, clockwise from front left, are: Nathan Gellin, Elliot Snitzer, Jackie Oestreicher, Director of Youth Engagement Hannah Donner, Sarah Moyer, Madeleine Weinmann and Eva Muir.

Please join us for our excitement in March: The Purim Carnival will be Sunday, March 16, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Zion's Broder Center! Join us for games, a magician, great food and, of course, everyone's favorite, the pie toss!

Families of 7th and 8th graders, please also join us Sunday, March 30, for lunch and Lasertron right after Sunday School! More details will be coming soon.

Thank you all again for your continued support of youth programs at TBZ.

L'Shalom, Hannah Donner



#### Honorable Menschen

We "Menschen":

Larry Rubin and Debra Chernoff, for coordinating our potluck dinner on January 25.

The Radical Hospitality folks, for giving a warm and inviting welcome to all those attending services.

Kitty Goldman, for faithfully visiting TBZers who live in nursing homes.

Our talented bakers, who supplied delicious desserts in January for the Sisterhood-sponsored Oneg: Peggy Stone, Lucille Sherlick, Carole Weingarten, Getelle Rein and Errol Craig Sull. We hope everyone in attendance appreciated their endeavors. If you are interested in sharing a dessert for an Oneg, contact Sharon Winer for the Sisterhood Onegs at swiner4@gmail.com or Laurie Criden at laurie725@gmail.com for the Baking Affinity Onegs or call the Temple office at 836-6565.



#### Joshua Samuel Bloom Saturday, March 29

Son of: Gale Burstein & Peter Bloom Mitzvah Project: Violin Concert at Weinberg Campus Donating to: Food Bank of WNY

## **Mazel Tov**

To Michal Cohen Gini and Liel Gini on the birth of their son, Zohar. His grandparents are Barbara & Shaul Cohen and Moseh an Tali Gini. Arnold Fernandez is the proud great-grandfather and he is looking forward to Zohar's naming at Temple Beth Zion on Friday, March 21.



## Join Us and Participate

We are pleased with the response so far for our membership drive and wish to thank the men for their response. We do wish that all men of TBZ would join our organization. By now you know that Brotherhood sponsors Achim at the Meadows at the Weinberg Campus, participates individually and as a group in social action projects, sponsors and supports various Temple programs and auxiliaries. It is very easy to join us and participate in any of the worthwhile programs and activities we sponsor or participate in. Just join Brotherhood, volunteer and give up a little of your free time, that's all you have to do.

The guest speaker at February Achim program was Dave Sherman, Bee Newspapers Managing Editor, who spoke about local news events and news of the world in general. Dave is an informative and entertaining speaker whose presentation was enjoyed by everyone in attendance.

The Achim programs are open to all our Temple members and the community at large. The residents and their guests always make us feel welcome, and they appreciate the program and our speakers. Please take the opportunity to attend an Achim meeting and discover what it's all about. The next program is Sunday, March 9, at 10 a.m. in the Meadows Lounge at Weinberg Campus.

Sincerely, Philip Chazen



## Welcome, New Members

Carol Oleshansky
Ira & Cheryl Schwartz
Michael & Lauren Klenosky
Ronald & Donna Kossow
Randy Slepian & Giannina Lucantoni
Renee Mullen
Harvey Brody & Barbra Rae
Jonathan Eisenberg
Dan Kushel & Janet Kaye



## Presidents' Message

For most of us, it has been a difficult winter. But Sisterhood is always in a planning mode, preparing interesting programs, arranging tasteful luncheons with speakers or musical entertainment and, of course, our annual events such as the Women's Seder in April, Sisterhood Sabbath and Woman of the Year in May, and the Donor Fashion Show in June.

Watch for these upcoming events and please, please join us.

Marilyn, Sharon, Shellie and Kaaren
Co-presidents of Temple Beth Zion Sisterhood

## Intergenerational Women's Seder

Co-Sponsored by Sisterhoods of Temple Beth Zion and Congregation Shir Shalom Sunday April 6, at 4 p.m.

#### Broder Center for Jewish Education, 700 Sweet Home Road

This special service is open to ladies of all ages, whether Jewish or not. It will be led by Cantor Penny Myers, Susan Goldberg Schwartz and Sharon Jacobs.

We will serve a traditional turkey Passover dinner with contributions of side dishes. Please choose one of the following to bring and serve 10-12 people: Jello molds, hot veggie sides, kugels or cut-up fruit.

Cost: \$18 per person. Make checks payable to: Temple Beth Zion Sisterhood and mail to: Ellen Capell, 1095 Youngs Road, Williamsville 14221. R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, March 26 - Your check is your reservation.

Financial arrangements are available to all who would like to join us. Call Ellen at 636-0166 with questions or any special needs.

Name:	
Tel:	_ Email:
Side Dish Contribution:	
# attending @ \$18 ¡	per person = \$(including guests)

## Jewish History of Greater Buffalo

Dr. Chana R. Kotzin will present her program on Sunday, March 30 in the Broder Center at 1 p.m. Through a grant made possible by the Foundation of Jewish Philanthropies, Chana has collected and preserved materials of the Buffalo Jewish community and joined the staff of the Bureau of Jewish Education. She will present a program that will be both exciting and interesting to all generations. Come and remember Jewish Buffalo as it was so that we can preserve our heritage and tell our stories.

Dr. Chana Revell Kotzin is the Director, Archivist and Historian of the Jewish Buffalo Archives Project, a special project of the Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies, People of the Book and the Bureau of Jewish Education in partnership with the University Archives, University at Buffalo. You can visit her website at www.chanakotzin.org.

Coffee and dessert will be served after the presentation. If you have any questions, please call Jane at 632-3835.

# Ruth Fernandez SISTERHOOD JUDAICA SHOP Broder Center



## Purim is March 15!



Masks, groggers and books can all be found in the Judaica Shop - stop in to your Purim headquarters today!

#### **Regular Hours:**

Thursdays 4 - 6 p.m. Sundays 9 - 11:30 a.m.

Please Support Your Temple Gift Shop

## **Optimal Onegs**

Sisterhood of Temple Beth Zion happily supplies the baked goods on the fourth Friday of every month. Our bakers spend time finding new recipes or delving into old ones to create a wonderful display of delectable delights. We also plate the goodies and try to present them in a memorable way. If you would like to participate and help us in any way, please contact me.

Sharon Winer swiner4@gmail.com

## Sylvia Morris Theater Bus Trip

"The Philadelphia Story" Niagara-on-the-Lake Wednesday, May 21

Open to the community!

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"The Philadelphia Story" is about a socialite, Tracy Lord, who has divorced her dashing but unreliable husband and fallen in love with a self-made (but dull) business tycoon. Things become complicated when a newshound arrives to cover her wedding ceremony, and Tracy has a hard time keeping her nuptials and her heart on the right track!

The cost, which includes the bus trip, a buffet lunch and the matinee, is \$130. The bus will leave Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, at 10:30 a.m. Participants must bring either a passport or an enhanced license to cross the border.

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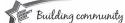
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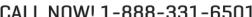
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