

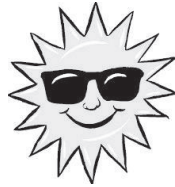


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## Sign Up Now for Summer PALS!

For four glorious weeks we will:

- ⚙ Play in our amazing outdoor classroom
- ⚙ Splash and dig in outdoor water and sand features
- ⚙ Visit with nature and art specialists
- ⚙ Tend to our vegetable Tzedakah Garden
- ⚙ Stroll on local walking field trips
- ⚙ Learn about our amazing world through a science and nature based curriculum

See more information on page 6.

## Community Observances

### Joint Pesach/Yizkor Service

Friday, April 10, at 10:30 a.m.

Congregation Shir Shalom, 4660 Sheridan Drive

Service will be followed by lunch.

### Liberation 1945

### Community Yom Hashoah Commemoration

Sunday, April 19, at 10:30 a.m.

Congregation Shir Shalom

Temple Beth Zion's youth choir will participate in this memorial service.

### Yom Ha'atzmaut

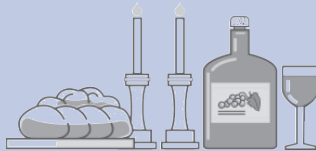
### Israel @67 Community Birthday Celebration

Sunday, April 26, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

JCC Benderson Building

## Shabbat Halimud – Teacher Recognition Shabbat

Friday, May 1, at 7 p.m.  
805 Delaware Avenue



*"Find yourself a teacher;  
acquire for yourself a friend"*  
- Pirke Avot 1:6

The Shabbat Service will be followed by a special oneg reception honoring our PALS and Religious School teachers and madrichim.

## Save the Date!

## The All-Day Party Is Coming Soon!



## Golf Tournament and Wine Tour and Dinner

Monday, August 10

Transit Valley Country Club

Come for all or part of the day.  
Watch your Bulletins and emails for all the details.  
This event is open to the entire community.



## Letter from the President

### Dedicated to Serve

One of the greatest pleasures I've enjoyed being President of Temple Beth Zion has been the opportunity to work closely with and get to know much better our tremendous clergy and staff. What an incredible and dedicated group!

Because they do their jobs so well, we rarely think about the work they do. The phones, letters and emails get answered; services and events take place regularly; educational offerings for all ages are prepared and delivered; bulletins and weekly greetings arrive; bills get paid; buildings are clean and maintained; and the list goes on and on.... What most of you cannot know is how much work is done by how few. I thought it appropriate to thank them publicly.

Our clergy: three people who must be super-human. Rabbis Pokras and Scheldt and Cantor Myers are a tireless group—who never appear tired! I've had the honor and privilege to work closely with each and to offer the support of the Board in their endeavors. They are all loving and caring professionals, who are essentially on-call constantly.

Susan Schwartz is nationally recognized as a top Jewish educator. She leads the educational efforts, with strong support from Melissa Milch-Klein and Kara Kane, and a host of wonderful teachers. Nancy Spector coordinates youth engagement, a critical function to us as we strive to develop the congregants of the future.

Mark Criden lives and breathes TBZ. As Executive Director, most of you know him at least a little. I know he has a secret clock with additional hours built in.

Ed Feldman keeps our creditors happy and Mark informed on the state of our finances.

Ann Marie, Becky, Julie and Tina literally keep the office running. They are the cheerful voices that answer the phones, letters and emails, schedule the clergy and generally do everything that needs attending to day-to-day.

And literally keeping the doors open and the lights on, RJ, Nick, Salat, Jen and Al make sure both our buildings are in the best condition they can be. (An especially challenging task this winter).

Of course, there are numerous volunteers who do tremendous work. There will be more about that in the future. So when you interact with any of the folks I've mentioned, remember how very important they are to us having the beloved TBZ functioning. I can't thank them enough, and invite you to do that when you have the chance!

L' shalom  
Warren E. Clark



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## Worship Opportunities

All worship services, except as noted,  
are held at 805 Delaware Ave.

Torah study is held every Saturday at 9:15 a.m.

### Thursday, April 2

Afternoon Service at Broder 5:30 p.m.

### Friday, April 3

Brief Shabbat Evening Service at Broder 5:45 p.m.

Brief Shabbat Service at Brookfield Country Club 5:45 p.m.

Seder at Brookfield Country Club 6 p.m.

### Saturday, April 4

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

### Thursday, April 9

Afternoon Service at Broder 5:30 p.m.

### Friday, April 10

Joint Passover/Yizkor Service  
at Congregation Shir Shalom 10:30 a.m.

Shabbat Evening Service at Broder 7 p.m.

Earth Day Service - Sara Schultz to speak

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

### Saturday, April 11

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

Canterbury Woods Service 11 a.m.

### Thursday, April 16

Afternoon Service at Broder 5:30 p.m.

### Friday, April 17

Shabbat Evening Service led by TBaZY 7 p.m.

### Saturday, April 18

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

Bar Mitzvah of Zachary Liddick

### Thursday, April 23

Afternoon Service at Broder 5:30 p.m.

### Friday, April 24

Shabbat Evening Service 7 p.m.

Classical Service 7 p.m.

### Saturday, April 25

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

Bar Mitzvah of Ira Mylchreest

### Thursday, April 30

Afternoon Service at Broder 5:30 p.m.

### Friday, May 1

Shabbat Halimud Service 7 p.m.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

### Saturday, May 2

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

Canterbury Woods Service 11 a.m.



## Letter from the Rabbi

Dear Friends,

During my very first trip to Israel I was fortunate to meet a tremendous teacher of Zionism by the name of Avram Infeld. Although my time with him was all too brief, the meeting was one of those moments that has stayed with me with so much clarity that I can remember it as if it were just yesterday (which I assure you it wasn't!) What I remember most is what he taught me about dreaming. You probably already know, but when we enter certain periods of sleep our dream cycles engage, and when we dream, no matter how strange and "out there" our dreams may be, they are always based upon our experience of reality. For example, it is impossible for us to dream a fourth primary color, or sixth physical sense or anything else that is not somehow connected to the world as we know it. From this, he could very easily conclude that our dreams are derived from our memories, and cannot exist outside of them. Now, and here is the kicker, this led him to the following simple yet profound statement: **"Without memory we cannot dream, and without dreams we have no future."**

In just a few days we will gather around our tables to remember. The Exodus from Egypt is our primary narrative, and in many ways, it defines what it means to be a Jew. We remember, indeed we are commanded to remember, how God took us out of Egypt, the land of our bondage, with a strong outstretched hand and led us to freedom in our own land. We remember what slavery is like, so that we can dream of a future of ever greater freedom. We remember how God redeemed us so that we can dream of a day when there is nothing we need saving from (including ourselves). We remember our suffering, so that we can dream of a time where suffering is no more. And we dream these dreams so that we will be inspired to make them a reality. There is a legend that *Olam HaBah*, the World to Come in which all this and more will happen, will be announced by the arrival of the Messiah – a direct descendent of David. And the arrival of the Messiah will be announced by the return of the prophet Elijah (which is why we fill a cup for him at every seder, hoping against all hope that this year he will come). Yet, there is another tradition that teaches that the Messiah will only come when we no longer need him, because we have done the work of redeeming Creation ourselves.

For me, this is the greatest teaching of Passover: Tomorrow will come, and we can make it better than today. So let us celebrate together, let us eat and drink and remember together, and then, let's work together so that next year we will be more in the Promised Land, more in the World to Come, than this year.

Shauna, Stephanie and Marshall join me in wishing you all a truly meaningful and *zissen Pesach* (a sweet Passover).

L'Shalom,  
Rabbi Gary Pokras

## Office Schedule

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Friday, April 10.

## Town Square Food Pantry

Much has transpired at the Town Square Food Pantry, and there is so much more yet to come. In past weeks we have moved forward in joining the Food Bank of Western New York's food pantry network. (Remember, food *banks* are supply hubs, whereas food *pantries* actually distribute food to those in need.) Thanks to a very generous gift from Clarus Linen Systems, we have received new donation centers to replace our donation bins. (They are getting spruced up and will be out and about quite soon.) And we also successfully gathered a great deal of jelly and jam—something our pantry very much needed in past weeks.

Perhaps most importantly, the amount of people seeking help has increased. Over the past weeks, as warmer temperatures have made some appearances here and there, we have seen more people coming into the pantry. And we expect, as the warmth of spring comes and as more people continue to learn about the pantry, we will see even greater numbers of people in need seeking our help. With those greater numbers, however, comes even greater need for constant donations. Early this month, we are particularly looking for Passover foods (and other Passover supplies) as well as other non-perishable Passover friendly items.



## A Warm Welcome in Florida

On February 13, TBZ Executive Director Mark Criden and Senior Rabbi Gary Pokras joined many of our snowbirds and warm-weather transplants for a luncheon on the East Coast of Florida. This year, the Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies and TBZ combined for one luncheon. Peter Fleischmann of the Foundation

for Jewish Philanthropies and Howard Rosenhoch, of Jewish Federation, spoke along with Rabbi Pokras. The attendees were glad to have the opportunity to connect with each other and to get an update on the goings-on in Jewish Buffalo.

If we missed you in Florida this year, or you will be there in February 2016, please let us know so we can include you.



*Pictured here are Audrey Cohen and Norma Adel.*

## Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to take part in the Thursday Afternoon Service at the Broder Center. The service is held from 5:30 to 6 p.m. If we can get at least three volunteers, it would be a once-a-month commitment. The service is simple and can be adapted to your preference. We will show you everything you need to know. The best way to observe is by joining us, so come to the service on any Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at the Broder Center. I look forward to seeing you soon!

Herman Stone

## A Covenant Between Presbyterian and Jews in Pursuit of a More Just World: An Interactive Learning Event

**Monday, May 4**

Temple Beth Zion, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Congregation Shir Shalom and North Presbyterian Church, with generous support from the Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies, are organizing and co-sponsoring a panel conversation with Rev. Dr. Katherine Henderson (President, Auburn Theological Seminary) and Rabbi Steve Gutow (President and CEO, the Jewish Council for Public Affairs) on Jewish-Presbyterian relations.

The evening will start with dinner (for a nominal fee) at 6 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 724 Delaware Avenue, followed by remarks and discussions at Temple Beth Zion, 805 Delaware Avenue at 7:30 p.m.

More information will be available in your weekly emails and in the May Bulletin. Mark your calendar now and plan to come to this amazing event.

## Membership Directory – Last Chance!

Letters were mailed to each member of our congregation describing our efforts to republish what has been a valuable resource for our members — a membership directory. While inclusion in the directory is voluntary, we hope that everyone will be included. The directory is designed for use only by our members and not for any commercial purpose.

We plan to begin printing the directories after Passover, so the **deadline for changing your information or withholding any information is Monday, April 13.**

Many of you have already returned the form or contacted us via email, and we thank you for your fast response. If you did not receive the letter and form, or if you have any other questions or corrections for your listing, email [directory@tbz.org](mailto:directory@tbz.org) or call 836-6565.

## Got Room in Your Car?

Carpooling is a great way to make friends and help your travel time go by quickly. It is also a wonderful mitzvah and greatly appreciated by those who may not feel comfortable venturing out by themselves.

If you are able to offer a ride to services or programs at Temple Beth Zion, please contact Tina at 836-6565, Ext. 132, or [tina@tbz.org](mailto:tina@tbz.org).

## Caring Community Says Thanks

The Caring Community Committee would like to thank Ellen Capell, Allison and Debbie Pieri, Sharon and Ron Meer, Margy Zeckhauser, Jen, Adam, Marc and Melody Rosen, David and Sue Goldberg, Adina Garfinkel, Susan Goldberg Schwartz, Steve and Zoey Binder, Jack and Joan Karet, Amy Freedman, Marilyn Schillroth, Clareanne Silver, and Leslie and Charlie Garfinkel and everyone else for all your help with the Purim baskets.

In addition, thank you to all those who make donations to the Dorothy Rosenfelder Caring Community Fund. Your donations make it possible for us to continue this tradition and mitzvah.



## What Is Zionism?

This course, taught by Dr. Daniel P. Kotzin, will examine the development of the Zionist idea. A particular area of focus will be on the modern Zionist movement, the variety of perspectives on Zionism within the movement and their conflicting visions. The major theme for the course is that the Zionism movement has always been heterogeneous, reflecting the diversity of world Jewry.

TBZ will host the course along with Congregation Shir Shalom and Temple Beth Tzedek. The classes will be held at the Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, at 7 p.m. on the following dates:

April 23: The Foundation of the Zionist Idea and the Zionist Movement

May 7: Building up the *Yishuv*

May 14: Zionism and the Arabs

May 21: The Creation of the State of Israel

The class is free and open to the community. For more information and to register, contact Kara Kane, 836-6565, Ext. 112.

### A MUSSAR THOUGHT...

on *Nedivut*/Generosity

**Seek out a friend or a person in need  
and be generous with your attention and caring.**

*"The giver gets more than the recipient. The recipient acquires something material and limited. The one who gives, however, acquires for himself a good and pure heart."*

Rabbi Yosef Yozel Hurwitz, the Alter of Novardok  
(1847–1919)

## Women of the Book

Thursday, April 16, at 7 p.m.

Join Cantor Penny Myers and Director of Lifelong Learning Susan Goldberg Schwartz as we discover how Jewish texts can provide a lens for understanding our lives as Jewish women today.

For the location of our meeting or to order a copy of the book, contact Education Assistant Kara Kane, 836-6565, Ext. 112.

## Book Club

The last Book Club meeting for this season will be Tuesday, May 5. We will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the conference room at the Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road. The book we selected is "The Art of Hearing Heartbeats" by Jan Phillpp-Sendker, a love story set in Burma.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Book Club this year. We have had a great time!

Julie Newberger

## Inspecting the Megillah



Master Sofer Rabbi Gedaliah Druin and Claire Goldberg discuss the origin and condition of the megillah that was donated to TBZ by the Goldberg family in 2013. The megillah was given to our beloved late Rabbi Dr. Martin L. Goldberg z"l by his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Morris Goldberg, and it is believed to have come from Lodz, Poland. We have used this special megillah each year at Purim since the donation was received.

Rabbi Gedaliah spent a few days at TBZ inspecting and making repairs to the megillah and some of our Torahs. Our Torahs are greatly in need of tender loving care, and over the last few years, professional Sofers and our volunteer Holy Rollers have made repairs. It is a mitzvah and a privilege for our TBZ family to be good caretakers of these sacred scrolls.

## Purim 2015

The Sisterhood Chapel was filled for this year's Purim celebration on Friday, March 6. The evening featured a delicious potluck dinner and rousing Purim Spiel, written by Grant Golden. Hamantaschen, of course, capped off the fun event.



*Queen Esther*  
(Cantor Penny Myers)  
and *Vashti* (Susan Goldberg Schwartz) are flanked by *Shabbat candles* (Rabbi Gary Pokras and Rabbi Adam Scheldt).



*Creative costumes  
(like salt & pepper above)  
ran the gamut from scary to silly.*





**Annual Religious School  
Mother's Day Flower Sale  
Sunday, May 10  
9 a.m. to noon  
Broder Center Parking Lot**

*Cash-and-Carry or  
use the Pre-order form found at  
[www.tbz.org/education/](http://www.tbz.org/education/)*

Call Kara at 836-6565 or  
email [kara@tbz.org](mailto:kara@tbz.org) for more information

**P.A.S.S. - Parents At Sunday School**

with Rabbi Pokras and Rabbi Scheldt  
Sundays, 9 a.m.

Broder Center Conference Room

April 26 – What Happens After Bar/Bat Mitzvah?

May 3 – Reel Theology: Jews and Film

Join the Rabbis for a bagel and coffee as we study, share and get  
to know one another and strengthen our TBZ community.

**Upcoming Events**

**Play And Learn School**

April 1 & 2	Model Seders
April 3 - 10	Passover/Spring Break – PALS closed
April 13	PALS resumes
April 23	Yom Ha'atzmaut celebration @ PALS

**Religious School**

April 2 – 12	Passover/Spring Break – NO Religious School
April 10	Last Day of Passover – Office closed
April 19	6th/7th grade Yom Hashoah program@ CSS No CHUGGIM 5th – 7th grade Faculty Meeting
April 26	4th grade Family Day P.A.S.S. – What Happens After Bar/Bat Mitzvah?

**Sign Up for Summer PALS!**

The winter has been long, cold and hard, but things are looking up. You can sign your child up today for the fantastic fun and learning at Temple Beth Zion's Play And Learn School. Summer PALS includes weeks beginning July 20, July 27, August 3 and August 10.

3 to 5 year-olds attend on Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 2 year-olds attend on Tuesday/Thursday from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Call Melissa Milch-Klein at 836-6565, Ext. 139, or email [pals@tbz.org](mailto:pals@tbz.org) for more information. Registration is also available for the 2015-2016 school year.



*Tumbling mats are a great place for friends to rest after an exhausting round of duck, duck, goose!*



*Brushing can be fun! Well...maybe not with this particular brush. Guest Miriam Shainbrown came to PALS to teach our young brushers how to keep their smiles sparkly and healthy. Each child received a gift bag with floss, toothpaste and a toothbrush. (Again, not this particular brush.)*



## TBaZY Update

TBaZY Sr. was busy in March. Five members attended NIFTY-NEL Spring Boards from March 27 to 29 in Hamilton, Ontario, and three of them ran for regional offices. Information about running for TBaZY offices is being prepared as well. We're always looking for new teens to become involved. TBaZY youth will also participate in the last big regional event of the year, Spring Kallah, from April 24 to 26, at Camp George in Seguin, Ontario. This is a great opportunity for your teens to meet other Jewish youth and become tomorrow's Jewish leaders. More information about how to attend will be sent by email.

At the March 8 Purim Carnival at Shir Shalom, our youth volunteered at games, face painting and craft booths to help the younger ones celebrate in style. We all send a big thank-you to those of you who donated baskets and items for the carnival's Persian auction. This event is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the youth groups at TBZ, Temple Beth Tzedek and Shir Shalom.

Our teens are now working with teens from Temple Brith Kodesh (BRiKTY) in Rochester to plan a subregional overnight shul-in on April 11 with programming, food, music, dancing and fun. Look for more information via email. And don't miss Shabbat Service on April 17, which will be led with incredible ruach (spirit) by our religious and cultural events team.

Over 20 members of TBaZY Jr. had a wonderful time ice skating with our own Rabbi Scheldt on March 1 at Northtown Center. (See photo below). We are going to be sure to repeat and expand this event next winter. Our delicious and educational Chocolate Seder on March 29 will begin our celebration of Passover. Information about April programming will be coming soon, and stay tuned for a Bisons game in May.

I am always available at (716) 308-9285 or by email at youth@tbz.org

Nancy Spector, Youth Engagement Director



*Hamming it up for the camera are members of TBaZY Jr. with Rabbi Adam Scheldt. The group had a wonderful time ice skating at Northtown Center*



**Zachary Liddick**  
**Saturday, April 18**

Son of: Beth Grossman & Shawn Liddick  
Mitzvah Project: Gaming for Hunger  
Donating to: Town Square Food Pantry



**Ira Mylchreest**  
**Saturday, April 25**

Son of: Lori & Richard Mylchreest  
Mitzvah Project: Providing books and magazines for low-income seniors  
Donating to: Town Square Food Pantry

## Mazel Tov

To Ezra Donner, who is participating in the 2nd Annual George Gershwin International Music Competition in Chicago. Ezra performed on piano in the Preliminary Round and has been selected to move on to the Finals of the competition to be held May 1 and 2. *Mazel Tov and B'hatzlachah* (good luck)!

## Uniongrams

The students listed below are members of the 2015 Confirmation and Graduation classes. There is no finer way of honoring the occasion than by sending a congratulatory message in the form of a Uniongram. You may do so by circling the name of the student you wish to congratulate and sending this form with you check (\$2.50 per Uniongram) made payable to the Sisterhood of Temple Beth Zion, and mail to miriam treger honig, Realty USA, 6000 Sheridan Drive, Williamsville, NY 14221.

### Graduate

Elissa Baum  
Grace Florian  
Adam Moyer  
Alanna Sadler  
Benjamin Wald  
Miranda Weiss

### Parents

Steven Baum and Ellen Baum  
Robert and Pamela Florian  
Brian and Lynn Moyer  
Ronald and Laurie Sadler  
David Wald and Shelly Wald  
Steven and Ellen Weiss

### Confirmand

Zachary Bloom  
Alexandra Kane  
Sophia Kaplan  
Eva Muir  
Ethan Mylchreest  
Stephanie Pokras  
Samantha Wojcik

### Parents

Peter Bloom and Gale Burstein-Bloom  
Sean and Kara Kane  
Leonard and Beth Kaplan  
Jodi Benatovich  
Richard and Lori Mylchreest  
Rabbi Gary and Shauna Pokras  
Amy and Scott Schaefer and Steven Wojcik

Enclosed is a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ Uniongrams (\$2.50 each). Please note any special messages on a separate sheet of paper (i.e., Grandparents, Mazel Tov and Congratulations...).  
**All orders must be received by May 12.**

## Presidents' Message

Half a century of Sisterhood action in four states will be acknowledged when Peggy Stone receives the Woman of the Year Award. It will be presented May 8 at the annual Sisterhood Sabbath Service at the Delaware building.



For five of those years, Peggy was a Sisterhood president. She was a treasurer for 15 years and on regional, national and international boards for 10 years. She represented WRJ (Women of Reform Judaism) on the North American Board of World Union for Progressive Judaism for two years and conducted World Union workshops as well as leadership training sessions at the WRJ Biennial Convention.

At present, Peggy is our Sisterhood's World Union Chair as well as being a member of TBZ's Ritual Committee, Book Club, Caring Community and baking volunteers. Among past activities, she twice co-chaired TBZ Second Seder, taught "survival" English to Russian immigrants, marched on Pennsylvania State Capital for Choice, organized "women's conferences," mini conventions and art auctions. In 1996, she was presented the Distinguished Service Award of Beth Israel Congregation (Hazleton, Pa.).

An Ohio State University graduate in journalism, she wrote for newspapers in New Jersey, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania before becoming Public Information Officer for Penn State's Hazleton Campus. She has been married for 65 years to Herman Stone, Ph.D., TBZ Brotherhood's 2006 Man of the Year, and is mother to six treasures, and grandmother to a precious dozen. She loves tennis, bridge, Words with Friends, Sudoku, snow, and family (not necessarily in that order).

Please join us at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 8, at 805 Delaware Avenue when Peggy will receive the prestigious Nancy J. Borins Woman of the Year Award.

Marilyn, Sharon, Shellie and Kaaren

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## Oneg Bakers

Sisterhood sponsors the Oneg on the fourth Friday of every month. We offer some wonderful, homemade baked goods each month. The bakers for February were Cindy Fridenberg, Errol Sull, Sharon Meer and Lynn Klein. We thank them for taking the time to volunteer to do this.

If you would like to bake for one of our Onegs, please get in touch with me at swiner4@gmail.com.

Sharon Winer

## Sylvia Morris Theater Bus Trips

### "Sweet Charity"

**Festival Theater, Niagara-on-the-Lake**

**Tuesday, June 16**

Cost per person: \$130

The trip includes round-trip bus transportation, a delicious buffet lunch, followed by a matinee of this dazzling musical. The deadline for reservations is April 24.

### "Newsies"

**Ed Mirvish Theater, Toronto**

**Thursday, July 9**

Cost per person: \$150

The trip includes round-trip bus transportation, play and dinner at Joe Badali's Ristorante. The deadline for reservations is May 10.

### "Kinky Boots"

**Royal Alexandra Theater, Toronto**

**Wednesday, August 19**

Cost per person: \$150

The trip includes round-trip bus transportation, play and dinner at Joe Badali's Ristorante. The deadline for reservations is June 15.

For each of these trips, the bus will leave TBZ Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, around 10:30 a.m. \*Participants must bring either a passport or an enhanced license to cross the border.

Fill out the form below and send your check made out to "TBZ Sisterhood" to Marilyn Schillroth, 116 Hilton Blvd., Amherst, NY 14226. Your cancelled check is your receipt. Any questions? Call Marilyn at 832-4757.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_

Please reserve the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ tickets for "Sweet Charity" @ \$130 per person = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ tickets for "Newsies" @ \$150 per person = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ tickets for "Kinky Boots" @ \$150 per person = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## It's Now or Never!

His name was Nachshon. His story emerges out of the richness of both Torah and Midrash. The Israelites were on the move, leaving behind the bitterness of slavery. The Egyptian army was rapidly approaching from the rear, and the Red Sea was in front of them. So our people froze. And then Nachshon, an Israelite, walked straight into the sea. An act of faith. An act of courage. He took the future into his hands. The sea split. And the rest is part of the history of Passover.

These are the last days in which you can cast your vote for the Association of Reform Zionists of America (ARZA) delegation to the World Zionist Congress, that singular parliament of the Jewish people that will convene in Jerusalem in October. On the agenda of the Congress will be items critical not just to Israel's future, but to the future of our own children and grandchildren in America.

Each of us can be a Nachshon. Cast your vote for ARZA and for Israel's future as a light unto the nations. Don't be indifferent. Don't for a moment think that your single vote is not important.

Want more information? Visit [www.reformjews4israel.org](http://www.reformjews4israel.org). And while you're there, cast a vote for ARZA, Representing Reform Judaism in Israel.

Voting concludes April 30. Remember — our people's greatest miracles have emerged out of our decisions to shape our own future.

There can be no *DAYYENU* until each of us has voted.



## Join and Participate

I would like to thank the men of the Temple for demonstrating their support of Brotherhood through our membership campaign. Membership is still only \$25, but we also have two additional levels of support - \$36 and \$50 - for those of you who would like to provide additional support for Brotherhood.

Please remember that all funds raised by Brotherhood, except those used as operating funds, go back to the Temple as support for programs such as the Irving Haber Achim Program held at the Meadows at the Weinberg Campus, as scholarships for the Religious School, as gifts to the B'nai Mitzvah classes and as support for the Temple's operations.

It is very easy to join us and participate in any of the worthwhile programs and activities we sponsor and participate in. Join us, volunteer and give up a little of your free time, that's all you have to do.

The next Achim program will be 10 a.m. Sunday, April 12, and feature Dr. Amy Beth Taublieb as our guest speaker. Dr. Taublieb is a well-known clinical psychologist based in Williamsville. April's program continues to bring to the Weinberg residents thoughtful, informative and enjoyable programs. Come on out, join us.

Passover, with all its traditions and programs and activities at Temple, quickly approaches. We wish you a Happy Passover.

Sincerely,  
Philip Chazen

## Prepping for Pride

TBZ has Pride! Pride in all of our members, pride in our history and pride in our diversity. In each of the past several years, a growing number of congregants have marched in the annual Pride Parade in Buffalo and have enjoyed the music and sunshine at the Pride Festival. This year, TBZ is planning to have a float, in addition to the more than 50 marchers we had last year. We will also staff a table at the Canalside Festival.

The parade and festival are Sunday, June 7. In May, we need volunteers to help design and build the float. If you want to help, please contact Tina at the TBZ office, 836-6565, or [tina@tbz.org](mailto:tina@tbz.org). The beautiful TBZ Pride T-shirts are still available on Zazzle. Get yours in your choice of colors at [www.zazzle.com/templebethzion](http://www.zazzle.com/templebethzion), where you can also find hats, buttons and stickers. And set aside part of Sunday, June 7, for a day of fun in the sun at Canalside with your TBZ friends and family.

## Honorable Menschen

To Rob Rothkopf for recording our Shabbat Shira service.

To Deborah Goldman for beautifully chanting Torah in January.

To Karen Wiseman for leading Shivah Minyan.

To Sharon Meer and Leslie Garfinkel for delivering the wine and challah on behalf of the Caring Community Committee to families in bereavement.

To Robyn Meyer and Steven Baum for picking up donated food from TBZ and delivering it to the Food Pantry.

To Purim Spiel writer and director Grant Golden.

To Larry Scheur for sound support on Purim and to Amelida Weinmann for taking and sharing great photos.

## Purim in PALS and Religious School



PALS kids listened to "Miss Susan" and the story of Purim. They also baked hamantaschen, made shalach manot bags (Purim baskets) for the amazing TBZ staff and had a costume parade.

At left, Religious School students, under the direction of Rabbi Pokras, acted out the Purim Spiel. Volunteers from each grade took part in the Spiel.



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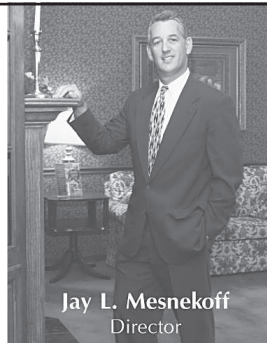
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