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It's almost here!

The All-Day Party of Summer

Monday, August 10 Transit Valley Country Club

Come for all or part of the day.

This event is open to the entire community.

See page 4 for all the details.

Now Is the Time to Register for the 2015-16 School Year

Return your paperwork as soon as possible.

Additional forms can be located on the Religious School and PALS pages of the website at www.tbz.org/education.

For additional information about PALS, contact Melissa Milch-Klein at 836-6565, Ext. 139, or pals@tbz.org.

For additional information about Religious School, contact Kara Kane at 836-6565, Ext. 112, or kara@tbz.org.



The High Holy Days will be here before we know it. Come to Elul Studies and learn about ways we can prepare ourselves for the coming year.

August 14 with Rabbi Adam Scheldt 805 Delaware at 6 p.m.

August 21 with Susan Schwartz

Broder Center at 6 p.m.

Picnic dinner to follow (dinner reservations required)

August 28 with Rabbi Gary Pokras 805 Delaware at 6 p.m.

See page 4 for all the details.



Co-chairs Announced For 2015-2016 Campaign

Temple President Warren Clark announced that Deborah Goldman and Grant Golden and David and Marilyn Brock have agreed to co-chair the 2015-2016 Kol Nidre Campaign.

The campaign allows our Congregation to be open to all who wish to be members.

If you are interested in participating on the committee this year, please call Mark Criden or Julie Feldman at the Temple office.



Letter from the President

Annual Meeting Highlights

Dear Friends:

As I begin my second year as the 45th President of Temple Beth Zion, I want to thank you for this continuing honor, and I pledge to work with you to enhance our Temple life. This is an exciting time for Temple Beth Zion, and while your Board of Trustees and I will be hard at work with our clergy and professional staff, you and every other member have the opportunity to help make Temple Beth Zion the vibrant center of our Jewish community that we all want.

If you were unable to attend our annual meeting on June 12, here is a summary of the highlights:

- The Congregation adopted amendments to our bylaws In 2013, New York enacted the Nonprofit Revitalization Act (NPRA), requiring nonprofits, including Temple Beth Zion, to conform to certain governance practices. The Governance Committee and Board of Trustees, in accordance with best practices for synagogues and the requirements of the NPRA, recommended amendments to the bylaws, which were adopted by the Congregation at the Annual Meeting. I want to offer thanks to Past President David Brock, the members of the Governance Committee, and especially to Trustee Eric Bernhardt for his tremendous work in conforming our bylaws to the requirements of the NPRA. To read the new bylaws, please click on the link on our website's home page or call the Temple office for a copy.
- Rabbi Gary Pokras and I presented a combined visual annual report utilizing some of the technology we expect to soon permeate our weekly Shabbat worship experience. We touched on many of the highlights of the past year, including
 - The opening of the Food Pantry at Town Square in Amherst in partnership with Catholic Charities, a project spearheaded by Rabbi Adam Scheldt,
 - Our ambitious cultural program led by Cantor Penny Myers, culminating in the *It Takes a Village* concert this spring,
 - Our growing role in the LGBTQ community, especially our participation in the Pride Parade and growth of our Kulanu group,
 - The burgeoning of our Mussar education program, run by Director of Lifelong Learning Susan Goldberg Schwartz.
 - o The addition of the Shatkin Outdoor Classroom, which, thanks to the generosity of the Shatkin family, has so greatly enhanced our Play and Learn School under the auspices of Melissa Milch-Klein and Shira Godlberg.
 - A continuing realization of the ambitious vision for our future brought by Senior Rabbi Gary Pokras.

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Saturday, August 1 Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of Maxwell Saperston	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, August 6 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, August 7 Kabbalat Shabbat Service Birthday/ Anniversary Blessings	6 p.m.
Saturday, August 8 Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, August 13 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, August 14 Kabbalat Shabbat Service / Elul Series	6 p.m.
Saturday, August 15 Shabbat Morning Service B'nei Mitzvah of Andrew and Hayley Boehnlein	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, August 20 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, August 21 Kabbalat Shabbat Service/Elul Series @ Broder Picnic dinner to follow	6 p.m.
Saturday, August 22 Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah of Nicole Heffter	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, August 27 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, August 28 Kabbalat Shabbat Service / Elul Series Classical Service	6 p.m. 6 p.m.
Saturday, August 29	

Mitzvah Opportunity

Shabbat Morning Service

Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Wolffe-Levine

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 TBZ, please contact Tina at 836-6565, Ext. 132, or tina@tbz.org.



Letter from the Rabbi

Dear Friends,

Travel to Israel can be a remarkable and even transformative experience. I have been to Israel many times, but our Buffalo Community trip this summer was unique in my experience. It's not just that we learned so much about Israel. We had our own American Jewish assumptions challenged by our unusually talented guide, whom I think is an educator of great ability. And it's not the powerful emotional undercurrents that each person on the trip feels deep in their hearts, some of which we shared with each other during our farewell banquet. This trip was unique, and in the best possible ways, for several other reasons.

First, we traveled as synagogues, but also as a community. To be honest, I was not sure how that would work. I wondered (before we left) how long it would take for us to "get on" and then I wondered *if* we would. After only a couple of days I was delighted to observe how our preconceptions about each other's synagogue communities had completely been forgotten, and how we had forged a new and special series of bonds as part of our larger Western New York Jewish community. I certainly hope that we will build on those connections to strengthen all of our synagogues and our larger community.

Second, it was a real blessing to travel as part of a three-rabbi team with Rabbis Alex Lazarus-Klein and Perry Netter. I enjoyed learning from my colleagues (and sharing my own ideas), and I am sure that the participants benefited as well from our various bits of knowledge and our perspectives. This made for a very rich journey not only for the participants, but also for us as leaders.

Third, thanks to the generous support of our local Jewish Federation, we were able to see first hand how the funds we contribute through Federation are put to very good use in Israel, in really life-affirming ways. And in the middle of a tough and volatile neighborhood (the Middle East), we took tremendous pride in the many examples we encountered of people going to extraordinary lengths to help folks in need or otherwise at risk.

For me that's a real triple play, and I am grateful to be part of a community that operates in this way. It is my hope that this is only the beginning of many more trips to come. Next year in Jerusalem!

Rabbi Gary Pokras

Camels and Commentary

If you have not yet had the opportunity to check out the blog from the community trip to Israel, the web address is: https:// tbzinisrael.wordpress.com/. The site contains photos, video and commentary on this amazing trip.

10:30 a.m.



A Party Like No Other!

Join us on August 10 for the Summer Celebration featuring our 17th Annual Golf Tournament and 5th Annual Wine Tour. This event raises vital funds for education programs at TBZ.

The day begins at Transit Valley Country Club with a fabulous lunch on the newly renovated outdoor patio. At noon, those on the wine tour board a luxury air-conditioned coach to tour wineries in Niagara County. Temple sommelier and Executive Director Mark Criden leads this popular tour.

The golf tournament has a 12:30 shotgun start at this premier golf course. Our golfers love the "best in foursome" format that allows them to play their own ball.

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres follow the wine tour and golf tournament. The event is capped off with a delicious dinner and rousing auctions in the country club dining room.

Join us for the wine tour (space is limited!), on the golf course, or just come for cocktails and dinner.

Deny Adelman and David Goldberg co-chair this amazing and highly successful event, and they invite you to join the fun. If you are interested in participating and/or volunteering at this event, please contact Mark Criden or Julie Feldman at 836-6565

Elul Studies

Discover your own way to prepare for and to experience the beauty and meaning of the High Holy Days during our Elul Study Series. This year, Rabbi Gary Pokras, Rabbi Adam Scheldt and Susan Schwartz invite you to come with them as they share their personal ways to engage and prepare for the High Holy Days. Through experiencing very different ways to journey toward the High Holy Days, you are invited to pray, learn and grow as you discover new ways to craft your own preparation for the Days of Awe. We look forward to seeing you.

August 14 with Rabbi Adam Scheldt

805 Delaware at 6 p.m.

August 21 with Susan Schwartz

Broder Center at 6 p.m.
Picnic dinner to follow
Dinner is \$10 for adults and \$8 for children ages 4 to 12
Dinner reservations can be made by calling 836-6565
no later than Wednesday, August 19

August 28 with Rabbi Gary Pokras 805 Delaware at 6 p.m.

Summer PALS

Summer PALS is off to a great start! Our campers enjoyed planting the Tzedakah garden in the Shatkin Family Outdoor Classroom, and we can't wait for our first harvest. Our young campers also made binoculars for bird-watching with wildlife artist Wende Essrow. We went on nature hikes, planned ways to help protect the environment and made some masterpieces out of recyclable materials.

A special thank-you to our community participants: Jessica Altman, Wende Essrow, Cynthia Oppenheimer and Rachel Weiss, who are sharing their expertise in camping, s'more making, birdwatching and bug catching this summer.

Presidents Message

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- Treasurer Steve Yonaty presented a budget, which was passed by the congregation, balanced using a draw from our reserves to pay for capital expenditures, loan repayments and potential rental income shortfalls. As you might imagine, we live in a challenging economic and demographic climate, and this was an extraordinarily difficult budget to compose. But Steve, assisted by Executive Director Mark Criden and Ed Feldman, our Temple accountant, put together a budget that provides support for all of our wonderful programs and services and again manages to increase dues less than 4%.
- We thanked outgoing Trustees Cindy Gradl, Deny Adelman, Sharon Winer and TBaZY President Lexi Boehnlein, whose efforts as Temple leaders are greatly appreciated, and upon whose talents we will count on for many future initiatives.
- Eric Bernhardt, Philip Glick, miriam treger honig, Jennifer Patrick and Julie Dressler Weinberg were elected to the Board of Trustees. Eva Muir, our new TBaZY President, Susan Bruckheimer, one of our Sisterhood Co-Presidents, and Ken Graber, our Brotherhood President, will represent their auxiliaries on the Board.
- Immediately **following the Annual Meeting**, the newly constituted Board elected the following officers:

Warren Clark President
miriam treger honig First Vice President
Kenneth Polk Vice President
Susan Bring Tobe Vice President
Amy Schaefer Secretary
Steven Yonaty Treasurer

Soon, you will receive your High Holy Day information, and you should be getting ready for the Summer Celebration on August 10, under the continuing strong leadership of Deny Adelman and David Goldberg.

In closing, let me remind you that the future of Temple Beth Zion depends on each and every one of us. We want to be able to report to you at next year's meeting that our synagogue is again vibrant with new life as we celebrate our 166th year of Jewish life in Buffalo. I eagerly look forward to working with you during the coming year as we continue to strengthen our congregational community. Please feel free to call me at 716-276-3675 or contact me at president@tbz.org to discuss anything about TBZ.

Lynn and I wish you the best for a happy, healthy summer.

Warren E. Clark

High Holy Days 5776

Information on the 5776 High Holy Days has been mailed to all Temple Beth Zion congregants. If you do not receive the mailing by August 1, or if you have questions regarding services or any other matter, contact our administrative staff at 836-6565.

Ticket Information

All High Holy Day tickets will be mailed in mid-August to everyone whose Temple support is paid in full for the year ended June 30 (as well as for all prior years) and who have returned the 2015-2016 Support Payment form with the appropriate payment.

Please call the office if you still owe a balance on your dues. You may pay it by mail with a check, or phone Ed Feldman at 836-6565, Ext. 133, with your credit card. Your ticket will be mailed after your support is paid. If you are unable to pay your support in full before the High Holy Days, or if you have any other questions about ticket policies, call Mark Criden, Executive Director, at 836-6565, Ext. 135.

Book of Remembrance

Our TBZ Book of Remembrance will be available during the Yizkor Memorial Service on Yom Kippur. Each book will list the names of those you wish to memorialize, followed by your name and the names of others wishing to remember the same loved one.

Please use the form you received with your tickets to designate the names to be listed in this year's edition. All information MUST be at the Temple office by August 21 so that the editing and printing can be completed on time.

Tishri Memorial Service

A memorial service will be held Sunday, September 6. Rabbi Pokras will be present at 11 a.m. in Forest Lawn (section Z) to hold a service in memory of beloved members of our families.

High Holy Day Greeters/Ushers

Each year at the High Holy Days, ushers and greeters help make our services a warm, inviting experience. If you are interested in participating at any of the High Holy Day services, please contact Sandy Beckman at ssbeck332@verizon.com or Brotherhood at TBZBrotherhood@aol.com, or contact Mark Criden at 836-6565.

Please consider participating in this important mitzvah.

Rosh Hashanah Service at Becker Farms

The service formerly known as the "Centerland" service will be held at Becker Farms in Gasport. A kiddush luncheon will follow the service at the farm.

Space is limited. Reservations and advance payment are strictly required and must be postmarked by August 31. Registration forms were included in the High Holy Day information envelope. Additional forms can be obtained by calling the Temple office at 836-6565 or at www.tbz.org/worship.

Yom Kippur Food Drive

The youth from TBaZY will again coordinate the food drive at the Delaware Building on Yom Kippur. Details will be in your September Bulletin.

Pride Service

On Friday, June 26, nearly 200 members of the Congregation came together to celebrate Pride Shabbat at TBZ. The banners from the TBZ float at the Pride Parade proudly proclaiming: "We are all made b'etzelem Elohim" (in the image of God) were hung at the entrances to the Delaware Building and from the reader's desk on the bimah.

The timing of the service was b'shert, because on that very morning, the Supreme Court of the United States announced its holding in *Obergefell v. Hodges*, that, "The Fourteenth Amendment requires a State to license a marriage between two people of the same sex and to recognize a marriage between two people of the same sex when their marriage was lawfully licensed and performed out-of-State."

The mood of celebration was enhanced before the service by a slide show of images from the Pride Parade on June 7, and the members of Kulanu joined together in blessing the Shabbat candles. Marcia Valente introduced the candle blessing with a poem by Danny Siegel, titled "The Good People." David Shemtov, Lindy Korn, Carol Speser and Dan Dobies offered *iyyunim* (meditations) introducing four of the major prayers, and Holly Baum led us in prayer. Over and over again, the speakers focused on moving forward from here, "joining hands, and marching together." Rabbi Scheldt and Cantor Myers led us with *ruach* and joy.

Kulanu ("all of us" in Hebrew) is a group of people working to ensure that our Congregation continues to make TBZ a warm, welcoming and supportive home for our LGBTQ members. If you are interested in joining in the conversation, or in planning and working on a project, please contact Rabbi Scheldt, at rabbischeldt@tbz.org or 836-6565, Ext. 137; or Robyn Meyer, at rabbischeldt@tbz.org or 836-6565, Ext. 137; or Robyn Meyer, at rabbischeldt@tbz.org or 207-9921.

Family Promise

We assisted Crossroads Lutheran Church on Wednesday, June 17, and Thursday, June 18. We prepared two fabulous meals and enjoyed having dinner with the two families in the program. My sincere thank-you to Carla Bernhardt, Elaine Klein, Susan Nadler, Jody Goldstein, Matthew Eichhorn, Amy Freedman, Allen Becker, Eileen Mullaney and miriam treger honig. These wonderful people brought volunteering to a new level. As representatives of Temple Beth Zion they showed our humanity and our desire to create a better world. We will be assisting again the end of August. Please consider joining us. We would love to have you and your family join us.

Sharon Winer swiner4@gmail.com

Bakers & Drivers Needed

The Caring Community will be making Rosh Hashanah baskets and delivering them to our members at nursing homes and members who find it hard to get around. We really need your help for bakers and delivering baskets!

Please call Tina at 836-6565, Ext. 132, if you are able to participate. Baskets will be packed on **Thursday**, **September 10**, at 10 a.m. Bags will be delivered on **Friday**, **September 11**, any time before 1:30 p.m.



Jewish Learning and Living

We are gearing up for another year of Jewish learning and living at TBZ! School may be out for the summer, but we use this time for cleaning, reflecting, planning and preparing for next school year. The first day of Religious School is **Sunday**, **September 20**.

Highlights include:

Technology in our classrooms – including smart boards and online resources

Chuggim – weekly special elective classes for students in grades 3 – 7

Learning through the Arts - including specialists in visual arts, music & movement

P.A.S.S. - **Parents At Sunday School** – ongoing study and dialogue with our clergy

Shmooze and Shmear – a monthly social get-together for families

Creative Hebrew Curriculum - Featuring Hebrew through Movement, Hebrew Yoga and modern conversational language learning beginning in Kindergarten

Hebrew Enrichment – an additional weekday option for 1st & 2nd graders

Meeting the needs of all Learners – we welcome students with special learning needs and provide 1:1 aides as well as professional special education teachers

Sunday Tots – a monthly parent and child program for 3 & 4 years, open to the entire community

City and Suburban weekday class options – Tuesdays at 805 Delaware Avenue, Thursdays at the Broder Center

NEW! Thursday evening class option for 3rd – 6th graders

NEW! Family Mitzvah projects and field trips

We look forward to welcoming all of you on September 20!

Susan Goldberg Schwartz

Director of Lifelong Learning

Upcoming Events

Play And Learn School

August 3–7

August 10 – 14

Summer PALS

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Summer PALS

September 2 - 4

PALS staff meetings

PALS Visiting Day

First Day, Zolitat &

September 9 First Day, Zekitot & Tziporim

September 10 First Day, Shefanim

Religious School

September 13 Staff and madrichim meeting

September 20 First Sunday (for students and parents)

Bar Mitzvah Project of the Month



Max Saperston and his sister both love to be on the ice! For his Bar Mitzvah project, Max chose to volunteer for *Learn to Skate* at the Northtown Center. He volunteers twice a week and works with coaches and volunteers, teaching young kids how to skate. He chose this project because skating is so important to his family and he believes that everyone should be given the chance to skate.

Max worked with young children, the 4-year-olds, either helping a class or a group of students during a lesson. Sometimes he also worked one-onone with children who were

struggling. He said, "I also enjoy watching kids that do not know how to skate turn into kids that love to be on the ice."

Max began doing this volunteer work well before his Bar Mitzvah, and this year he invested more of his time with the *Learn to Skate* program. Not only has he made a difference in other children's lives, but has also become good friends with other volunteers and the students he has worked with.

If you have any questions or concerns about **Religious School**, contact Susan Goldberg Schwartz, Director of Lifelong Learning, at education@tbz.org or 836-6565, Ext. 131. Questions regarding **PALS** preschool can be directed to Melissa Milch-Klein, Assistant Director PALS, pals@tbz.org or 836-6565, Ext. 139.

TGIS... Thank God It's Shabbat!



TGIS! is our Shabbat Attendance program for all Pre K – 7th grade students enrolled in our Religious School. Attending Shabbat services on a regular basis helps your child become comfortable at services, understand the Hebrew that he or she is learning and gain proficiency in its usage all while celebrating the joys of Shabbat with your TBZ family.

Every time a child attends a Shabbat Service at TBZ during the school year, evening, morning or afternoon, make sure to see one of the clergy immediately following services to say Shabbat Shalom and receive a sticker for your attendance card. Attendance cards will be kept at both buildings. All students who attend at least five Shabbat services during the upcoming year will receive special recognition at the end of the school year.



Exciting Plans

Both Jr and Sr TBaZY are looking forward to a new year of events and fun for the coming year, 5776.

The NFTY-NEL schedule is out! NFTY-NEL brings together Reform Jewish Teens from Northern Ohio, Western Pennsylvania, Western and Upstate New York, and the Province of Ontario (except for Windsor). Members come together at many times during the year for learning, fun, worship, community service and fellowship to help young Jewish adults throughout the region build and strengthen lifetime ties with each other and Reform Judaism. We know that youth who attend regional events through NFTY-NEL become active in their local youth groups, so encourage your teen to attend one of these great weekend events in the upcoming year:

October 16-18, 2015: Derech Atid in Rochester.

November 20-22, 2015: Ani V'Atah Kallah in Erie.

January 29-31, 2016: Winter Kallah in Cleveland.

April 15 - 17, 2016: Spring Kallah in Parry Sound, Ontario.

For more information about NFTY-NEL, including updates on summer activity, please visit http://www.nfty.org/nel.

The TBaZY Jr schedule for the fall and winter has been set, so mark your calendars now. Information about participation, membership and more will be forthcoming, but please save September 27 for a welcoming event for grades 3-7 after Sunday Religious School that will include games, pizza, Erev Sukkot fun, and more. Sunday, November 1 we will again host a family skate with Rabbi Scheldt, and on December 13, both our TBaZY Jr and Sr members will all celebrate Chanukah at a TBZ congregational party.

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. See you in September!

> Nancy Spector Youth Engagement Director



A New Year

The Temple Beth Zion Brotherhood is about to begin another year of programming and events and annual membership drive. We are pleased that Ken Graber will continue as our President.

Ken will again this year be the guiding hand behind Achim, which will continue to be held at Weinberg Campus.

Our annual membership drive will kick off shortly. We invite all men of the Temple to join and contribute to Brotherhood and assist in funding our programs. When you receive our membership mailing, please take a few minutes to fill it out and return it with your dues. Please remember that all funds raised through fundraisers or programs go back to the Temple to help fund Temple operations, programs, scholarships, etc.

As the High Holy Days approach, we are again requesting your assistance in ushering at this year's services. You can contact Sandy Beckman at ssbeck332@verizon.com or Brotherhood at TBZBrotherhood@aol.com, or Mark Criden at 836-6565.

Thank you for your previous support of Brotherhood, and we look forward to your continued support in this coming year.

Philip Chazen





Maxwell Richmond Saperston Saturday, August 1

Son of: Scott and Kristin Saperston Mitzvah Project: Amherst Skating Club "Learn to Skate" Program



Hayley Boehnlein Saturday, August 15

Daughter of: Nikki Boehnlein Mitzvah Project: Tops Soccer and Food Drive for Town Square Food Pantry



Drew Boehnlein Saturday, August 15

Son of: Nikki Boehnlein Mitzvah Project: Food Drive for Town Square Food Pantry



Nicole Heffter Saturday, August 22

Daughter of: Steven and Maria Heffter Mitzvah Project: Assisting during activities at Weinberg Campus



Benjamin Wolffe-Levine Saturday, August 29

Son of: Bruce Levine and Corey Wolffe-Levine Mitzvah Project: Friends of Night People

Mazel Tov

To Philip Glick and Drucy Borowitz on the birth of their grandson, Lewis Jesse Swerdlin. Zoey Glick and Matt Swerdlin are proud first-time parents. Also welcoming Lewis to the family are grandparents Diane Richter and Larry Swerdlin and great-grandfather Rabbi Eugene Borowitz.

To Rabbi Adam Scheldt on being awarded the Progress Award by the Amherst Skating Club. Rabbi Scheldt earned First Place in the Adult Freestyle category.

Honorable Menschen

To Howard and Valerie Rosenhoch for giving a congregant a ride to services.

To Sharon Meer and Leslie Garfinkel for delivering the wine and challah to families in mourning.

To Karen and Howard Wiseman, Kitty Goldman and Susan Goldberg Schwartz for leading Shiva minyan services.

To Peggy Stone, Sue Chazen, Amy Freedman, Mary Anne Clarke, Suzanne Grossman, Clareanne Silver, Ellen Capell and Marcia Valente for assisting with the High Holy Day mailing.



Presidents' Message

Sisterhood is putting the final touches on a super year ahead. We hope many of you will join us, whether it's at the Milo's "Bagel & Lox Brunch" August 10, our "Opening Luncheon" on September 27 featuring Donna Fernandez from the Buffalo Zoo, coming to one of our theater outings, or our "Games Galore" card party November 3. We will also have some wonderful fundraising projects as well as community projects. Please read the Bulletin's Sisterhood Page for exact dates and times. There is always something going on that will hopefully pique your interest. We are always looking for new members; the Membership Sign-up should be in your mailboxes toward the end of August. Sisterhood supports many aspects of our Temple; we hope you'll become a member.

Marilyn, Susan & Sharon

Lox-N-Laughter!

Sunday, August 9, at 10:30 a.m. Milos, 5877 Main Street, Williamsville

Join us for a fabulous new fundraiser. Come for your very own lox and bagel platter with all the fixin's along with coffee, tea or pop for only \$12 per person. Live entertainment during brunch by Tom Bender (http://www.tombendermusic.com/). There will also be other surprises.

Invite your friends, bring your spouses and have a ball. The party is limited to 55 people, so get your reservation in now. Mail your check, made out to **TBZ Sisterhood**, to Dr. Bambii Rae, 135 Frankhauser Road, Williamsville, NY 14221.

This brunch is going to be great, so come have fun and support your TBZ Sisterhood at the same time.

Stuffing Party

Monday, August 17, at 10 a.m. Broder Center



Come to a "Stuffing Party"! We will prepare our 2015-16 Sisterhood Membership Dues mailing. Help us stuff envelopes, and we will provide some sweet goodies to "stuff" you with. Please let us know if you can help by calling Carole at 688-6432 or writing to tbzsisterhood@tbz.org.

Ruth Fernandez SISTERHOOD JUDAICA SHOP Broder Center

August Special: 20% off all mezuzahs. Perfect for wedding and housewarming gifts!

The Gift Shop will be open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Inquire at the Front Desk.

Special Appointments may be made by calling Lynn Klein—689-9207.

Please Support Your Temple Gift Shop

Baking for Sisterhood Onegs

Baking for the Oneg Shabbats will begin again in September. Sharon Winer will still be in charge of getting bakers, but we are looking for "captains" who would sign up for one of the fourth Fridays to make sure everything is set out on trays, and wrap up leftovers. We need captains for a few of the Sisterhood Shabbats (some have been filled). Each volunteer would be responsible for only one Shabbat per year. If you would be willing to take charge on one of the Friday evenings that Sisterhood provides the baked goods, please call Sharon Winer at 741-4200. Extra helpers would be greatly appreciated.

Attention Walkers

The coming months offer the best weather Western New York has to offer. Join us and enjoy a walk with friends. Our group usually meets on Sunday mornings at 8:30 at the bike path on North Forest Road. New walkers are always welcome. If you are interested in joining us, e-mail tbzsisterhood@tbz.org.



Opening Luncheon

Sunday, September 27 Broder Center



Our opening "paid up" luncheon will feature guest speaker Donna Fernandes of the Buffalo Zoo. You will need to have paid your 2015-16 dues by September 21 to gain admission.

Watch your mailbox for the Sisterhood Membership mailing for details.



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Irwin Davis' special birthday, by June Adler

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Rabbi Gary Pokras for preparing Sarah Gellman for her Bat Mitzvah, by Wendy & Ryan Gellamn

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Rabbi Adam Scheldt for preparing Sarah Gellman for her Bat Mitzvah, by Wendy & Ryan Gellamn

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Deborah Weintraub, by Bonnie Clement, Stacey Spokane

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In Appreciation of:

Shira Goldberg, the PALS Teachers & the PALS Program, by Bonnie Clement In Honor of:

Patty Wolfsohn's birthday, by JoAnne Goldfarb

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Hadassah Happening

Hadassah is busy preparing for the Hanukkah Hadassah Happening, scheduled for Sunday, November 8. As part of the event, Hadassah will host the sale of donated used Judaic objects. If you have items you wish to donate, please contact Ellen Capell at 636-0166 or ecapell@roadrunner.com.



Garden Dedication

The J. Milton Zeckhauser International Garden was dedicated on Sunday, July 12. The Garden is located on the Barker Street side of the TBZ Delaware building.

Jewish Family Service received funding and supplies for the project from Grassroots Gardens of Buffalo, which was founded by Mr. Zeckhauser, a past president of Jewish Family Service and an active leader at Temple Beth Zion.

The brief dedication ceremony emphasized the concept of "welcoming the stranger, as we were once strangers." JFS provided participants with inscribed and inspirational stones along with packets of vegetable seeds for planting in their own gardens. Rabbi Adam Scheldt provided remarks and a shehecheyanu blessing. The garden is a direct legacy of J. Milton "Zeke" Zeckhauser. His son Jim and widow Amy both spoke eloquently.

Permanent Yahrzeit Anniversaries August 21 and 22

Anita K. Altman Morris Victor Antflick Beatrice P. Bergman Harold S. Besso Ellen Biltekoff Shora M. Blumberg Max Brock Ruth Setel Brock Lucile Manheim Brown Olga Miller Irwin M. Chertoff Milton D. Cohn Dr. David Cornblum Bernard Edelman Dr. Sidney David Friedman Jack Gelman Anna B. Goldberg Edith S. Goldstein Gusta M. Goldstein Leon Charles Graber Mildred Gordon Haniford Anna Harris Ann H. Jacobson Siegbert Jagusch Ida Jeanette Kahn Esther Fineberg

Kaufman

Benjamin Kempner Rose Lichtman Lederman Henry Lightman Stephanie Heusler Macks Dr. Theodore Mariam Levin Michaels Jesse N. Packard Anna Peckoff Charles Posmantur Dr. Abe I. Rock Max M. Rosen Hannah Rothman Leonard Rovall Howard T. Saperston Sr. Dr. Samuel I. Sherris Julius Singer Benjamin Smith Betty W. Stovroff Lewis Sultanik Bertha Weil Ruth Friedman Zeligman

August 28 and 29

Jean Berger Joseph J. Blumenthal Rose Barr Brock Jack Brownsten Anne H. Cohen Richard D. Daniels Norman Ellerstein, MD Carolyn Ruth Fass Simon J. Feinsinger Dr. Samuel Feinstein Sally Wolkind Fingold Rose A. Gerstman Morris Goldberg Gertrude Goll Marjory C. Greenfield Norman Gromer Justice Philip Halpern Hattie Roblin Harris Raymond Hoffman Sue Hyams Caroline Cohn Kavinoky Minnie Kriegler E. Alice Levitan Ann Michelson Dr. Marvin H. Milch Kenneth Miller Georgiella S. Morris Dorothy Marsey Morrison

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Permanent Yahrzeit Anniversaries

July 31 and August 1

Mabel Altman Iris Biltekoff Morris Dozoretz Philip Eisenberg Nettie Fleishman Ellis Mildred Beck Gerstman Phyllis Goodman Fanny Roblin Greenberg Clara G. Israel Shirley Sapowitch Lans Ceceila Lawrence Rhoda Spector Leisner Edward I. Levy Jerome Livingston Florence L. Louis

Lester Markel Robert Marks Gloria Anne (Levi) Mayer Saul R. Myers Penny Peckoff Marguerite Reinauer Joseph H. Rosenthal Dinah Hittleman Rothenberg Richard S. Ruslander Joseph Sparberg Samuel J. Weinstein Sheldon Weisberg Blanche S. Weiss Edward H. Wolkind Herbert Zeplowitz Paul Zinn

August 7 and 8

Hatty Rosenberg Barmon Hannah M. Beck Esther Mages Berman Samuel Bloom Michael Elliott Brown Jacob Carrel Janet B. Clark Esther Cohn Samuel Feldman Bess Fierstein Myles Navlord Fox Mollie Freedman Anna Fuhn Irving Gerstman Julius Goldstein Richard Alan Gould Louise Jellinek Gross John Gunzberger Melvin B. Hoffman Alphonse Isaac Jacob Kanel Cecelia H. Laping Nathan Lightman Blanche R. Meister

George Meister Susan Miller Lisbeth Ann Morrison Israel (Sol) Newman Rose Panimo Dr. Irving B. Perlstein Carolyn Frohan Pfeiffer Benjamin Rabinowitz Charles Haskell Raphael Blanche Barmon Reich Anna C. Remson Molly Revzin Jennie Rosenthal Beatrice Rothschild Lillian Kadet Shapiro Stuart E. Silverschatz G. Robert Strauss Jr. Luba Taylorson Rose Tegler Albert D. Weil Daniel H. Weinberg Sarah Weinberg Sophie Weinstein

August 14 and 15

Samuel Caplen David I. Cooper Harold Doran Harold B. Ehrlich Robert L. Fierstein Philip Freedman Jane Freudenthal Bella Goldberg Dr. Allen L. Goldfarb David J. Goldstein Samuel Greenfield Ieannette M. Handel Suzanne Kempner Hoffman Steven D. Horowitz Amy Klopher Jacobson Herman Juvelier Della B. Kempner

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We offer our condolences to the families of

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Norman Harold Goldstein
Rose Sull
Dr. Kenneth H. Cohn
Judith Chick
Dr. Howard L. Wolfsohn
Maxine Steinhart Graber
Jennifer Lynn Pinsof
Iris Bondi
Hayley Oppenheimer Houston

Yahrzeit Anniversaries for August 21 & 22 and August 28 & 29 can be found on page 10. Permanent Yahrzeit Memorials Permanent Yahrzeit Memorials have been established for:

Bernice Yasinow Fogel by Howard Fogel

Daniel Shern Abeles by Pattie Abeles

Esther Polowin Abeles by Pattie Abeles