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Choosing Hope by Helping Others

TBZ Launches Our Afghan Family Refugee Sponsor Program in partnership with JFS of Western NY.

This has been a difficult time for many of us. One of the best ways to lift ourselves up, to find hope for the future, is to reach out to others in friendship, support and kindness.

Temple Beth Zion is launching a new social justice partnership with Jewish Family Services of Western New York: we are JFS' first Afghan refugee family synagogue sponsor as part of a special grant JFS has received.

The Torah demands of us to love the stranger, for we were strangers in the land of Egypt. (*Exodus* 23:9) Since we know what it is like to be refugees living in a country that is not our own, we should have wisdom, compassion and understanding for those who have experienced something similar.

The rabbis explain it is not enough to be compassionate. We must also take action – to care for the refugee, to feed the hungry, to care for the sick, to make peace when there is strife. We must not remain indifferent.

And so, TBZ is taking action. And we are doing so now. We would like you to join us on this endeavor. I am spearheading this project with team captains David Goldberg and miriam treger. Email me to learn how you can get involved: rabbisobel@tbz.org.

We commit ourselves to welcoming those who are fleeing from war-torn Afghanistan into our community with nurture and care, helping to meet their basic needs and to ensure that they are able to rebuild their lives with dignity. We will not only meet their basic needs, we will embrace them with open arms and help them find community, friends and a sense of "family."

We dedicate ourselves to learning more about the global refugee crisis so that we are better equipped to create a world in which everyone has a safe place to call home.

Ani v'atah, n'shaneh et ha-olam: together, you and I can change the world.

Rabbi Sharon L. Sobel rabbisobel@tbz.org





We look forward to working collaboratively to offer friendship, support and kindness to the newest arrivals to our WNY community. Details and plans are being refined and we welcome your support. Below are some of the ways you can help now and in the months ahead:

★ Donations: Temple Beth Zion is committed to raise a minimum of \$5,000 to provide additional support to the family. We have already raised \$3300 to date! Donations can be made by mailing a check to TBZ, 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst, NY 14226, by calling the office at (716) 836-6565, or through the "Giving" page at tbz.org. **Please make all donations to: Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, note in memo: "Afghan Refugee Program".**

Once we receive information on the specific family or individual we will be assisting, volunteers will be able to help by:

- **★** Committing to six months of engagement
- Initial home set-up (after JFS case managers find the apartment)
- * Commitment to a team member participating in Cultural Orientation with the family
- **★** Bus/transportation support
- In-home or zoom language tutoring for the family and after-school support for youth: family with teens needed
- Participation in community events and activities with the family: a few volunteer families needed

All volunteers will be trained via JFS's volunteer training programs.

Please watch your Temple emails, website and Bulletins for more details from Team Captains David Goldberg and miriam treger.



TBZ Board Invitation

If you are interested in being considered by the Governance Committee for its slate of nominees to the Board of Trustees, please contact Andy Shaevel, Governance Committee Chair, at Andrew.shaevel@bobalew.com or (716) 860-1125. We are actively looking for the best of our congregation to help us look forward and restore our congregants' confidence in our Congregation. The Annual meeting will take place in June and we hope to consider interested candidates between February and March.

Members of the TBZ Board of Trustees agree to:

- 1. Understand roles and responsibilities as a TBZ board member;
- 2. Act in accordance with my role as a board member and distinguish that from my role as a Temple volunteer;
- 3. Become and remain familiar with TBZ's uniqueness, strengths and short-comings, and be able to articulate its contributions to our Jewish and general communities;
- 4. Be conscientious in keeping pace with new developments in Reform Judaism;
- 5. Set an example for other members through personal commitment and actions, including participation in a significant number of Temple functions;
- 6. Prepare adequately for board and committee meetings so that my participation is meaningful;
- 7. Participate actively at board and committee meetings, expressing my opinion respectfully and openly while difficult subjects are under discussion;
- 8. Listen actively to other viewpoints expressed by fellow board members to understand all aspects of the issue;
- 9. Support publicly the decisions of the Board and the mission of TBZ;
- 10. Exercise discretion in dealing with sensitive matters and ensure that matters requiring confidentiality are unequivocally respected;
- 11. Embrace tzedakah by financially supporting TBZ to the best of their ability;
- 12. Receive the kind of information needed to monitor TBZ's health and to suggest sound policies;
- 13. Maintain positive relationships and open communication with colleagues on the Board;
- 14. Have a good working knowledge of TBZ history, its bylaws and its policies;
- 15. Work collaboratively with the clergy and professional staff as well as with members of the congregation.
- 16. Fulfill the obligation to carry out bima greetings and other duties as directed by the board and its officers.

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Covid rates in Erie County necessitate that our Shabbat Services in February be held remotely. Please watch your Friday Temple emails for service links. Additionally, information and links can be found on the Temple website (www.tbz.org).

Torah Study is held at 9:15 a.m. each Saturday via Zoom.

Friday, February 4 Shabbat Evening Service via Zoom Birthday & Anniversary Blessings	7 p.m.
Saturday, February 5 Shabbat Morning Service via Zoom	10:30 a.m.
Friday, February 11 Shabbat Evening Service via Zoom	7 p.m.
Saturday, February 12 Shabbat Morning Service via Zoom	10:30 a.m.
Friday, February 18 Classical Shabbat Service via livestream	7p.m.
Saturday, February 19 Shabbat Morning Service via Zoom	10:30 a.m.
Friday, February 25 Shabbat Evening Service via Zoom	7 p.m.
Saturday, February 26 Shabbat Morning Service via Zoom	10:30 a.m.

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

Office Schedule

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Monday, February 21.

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



Letter from the President

Well, 2022 has started off with a feeling of deja vu, as we are still dealing with this virus and its continuing variants. We have already been completely remote through most of January and we continue to monitor and evaluate our procedures and policies. Our Covid Task Force continues to meet regularly. We will continue to evaluate and assess our vaccination and mask policies.

It is our responsibility and our Jewish values to always keep the well-being and safety of our congregants in mind in all the decisions we make. And as this pandemic continues to linger, I urge you to contact us if you are in need, or feeling overwhelmed, or just need someone to talk to. Please allow your temple family to assist you in any way we can.

As Rabbi Sobel mentioned, we are in the very early stages of our involvement with Jewish Family Services and their Afghan Refugee project. I am very pleased to be co-chairing this wonderful endeavor with Past President miriam treger, and we are very eager to get busy on this. On the cover of this issue, Rabbi Sobel has provided information on how you can help and how you can contribute if you wish. Temple Beth Zion is honored to be involved in this program, and there is a lot more to come on this.

Our Rabbi Search Committee is hard at work reviewing candidates for our opening for July 1. We will continue to keep you posted on their progress.

Last December, Rabbi Sobel hosted a congregational retreat. The response and feedback was extremely positive by those that attended. We promised to hold additional events, but we have had to put our initial plans on hold as we continue to deal with virus issues. We will be looking at how we can continue to hold additional events in the remote world.

Finally, our Board Liaison project is in full swing, and you should have all received a letter informing you of whom your contact is with their dedicated email address. If you do not use email, please contact the office, and ask for your liaison to contact you.

Please stay safe, stay protected, and stay healthy. We are a family. And we will get through this together.

David Goldberg president@tbz.org

Welcome New Members

Rebecca Thompson & Carolina Pickens Theodore & Julia Ross



Building a Family Legacy,

Chana R. Kotzin, Ph.D.

February marks the Yahrzeit Anniversaries of Bertha S. Cofeld and Benjamin C. Cofeld. In their memory and in honor of their important and generous contributions to TBZ, the Cofeld Judaic Museum and the WNY Jewish community, we share with you their stories.

Bertha S. Cofeld, nee Bertha Nannette Strauss was born on September 5, 1887 and lived for almost seventy years of her 103 years in her adopted city of Buffalo. Her parents, Albert Strauss and Fannie Berkowitz were from Ashtabula, Ohio and it was in Ashtabula that at the age of 37 in 1927, Bertha married Benjamin Cofeld, a pharmacist and widower from Buffalo, seven years her senior. Setting up a home on Ashland Avenue, Bertha and Benjamin raised Edgar Richard Cofeld, who later became a doctor in private practice.

Benjamin Charles Cofeld was born on September 2, 1881 in Germany and emigrated to America in 1886 with his sister Augusta and parents Charles and Eva born in Eastern Europe and Germany. The family settled on Spring Street in the heart of the East Side and Benjamin completed school and then trained as a pharmacist at the University of Buffalo. By 1902, he was working as a druggist at 313 William Street. He married Elizabeth Cohen in 1903 and together they had a son, Edgar in 1913. By the time Benjamin registered for the draft in 1918 he was working for the Schopf and Berger pharmacy on Elmwood Avenue, and he and his family were living on Manchester Place. Elizabeth died in October 1924.

All three members of the Cofeld family, Bertha, Benjamin and Edgar, became intimately bound to the development of the museum at Temple Beth Zion in one way or another. When Bertha first became a donor of items to the museum in its earliest days, the collection numbered less than 50 objects. She witnessed its growth alongside temple members, to a repository of over a thousand pieces drawn from all over the Jewish diaspora as well as from personal family items such as her own Ketubah and wedding invitation. Her connection with Harriet and Mortimer Spiller, long time custodians and curators of the museum, was close and her lasting tribute to temple members, her late husband, Benjamin and son, Edgar, was the creation of the Cofeld endowment in their names in the 1980s. This generosity enabled the museum to expand and reinvent itself through several remodels in 1995 and 2005. In addition, her devotion encouraged generations of temple members to donate their own family history materials and objects over the decades, each of which has enriched the story of Temple Beth Zion, its members and Jewish living in Buffalo and Western New York.

Benjamin C. Cofeld died on February 7, 1945 and Bertha died on February 2, 1991. They are buried together in their family plot with Edgar at Forest Lawn in Section FF.

The photographs and description below are taken from the Cofeld Judaic Museum scrapbook compiled by Harriet and Mortimer Spiller.









MRS. BERTHA COFELD VISITED, FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE TEMPLE BETH ZION JUDAIC MUSEUM WHICH SHE MAGNANIMOUSLY FUNDED IN MEMORY OF BENJAMIN AND DR. EDGAR COFELD. THESE POLAROIDS OF MRS. COFELD, RABBI GOLDBERG AND HARRIET SPILLER COMMEMORATE THIS VISIT. 5/18/82

Rabbinic Search

The work of the Rabbinic Search Committee continues. As of the submission date for this article, we have reviewed multiple applications from highly-qualified candidates and conducted interviews. We are committed to work expeditiously and confidentially.

Please continue to watch your Bulletins and emails for updates.

Warren Clark Aaron Mango
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Ethel Melzer Errol Sull
Grant Golden Samantha White

Chana Kotzin Irv Levy

Covid Task Force

The TBZ Covid Task Force, staff and volunteers continue their diligent work ensuring our community's health and safety. The Task Force meets bi-weekly to review the data and conditions and to determine the most appropriate policies for the safety of our congregants, staff and guests. We continue to place safety and security of human life above all else.

Given the Covid numbers and highly transmissible Omicron variant, the Task Force determined that worship services will be held remotely in February.

We encourage you to read your Temple emails and check the website for the most current information on policies and events, or simply call the Temple office at (716) 836-6565. We will continue to keep you up-to-date.

From the Youngest Among Us

George (pictured here with his parents) is a sweet and bright 5-year old who read a PJ library book about refugees and decided to help by donating money (from his Disney savings) to help Afghan Refugees. It was our pleasure to accept this special donation! Thank you, George.



TBZ Buildings

The Remodel at Delaware:

A great deal of work has been completed at 805 Delaware, addressing items that have long needed attention.

- * A roof leak over the Rabbi Fink Auditorium has been repaired.
- * The roof over the JFS spaces has been partially replaced and reinforced in preparation for new HVAC units that will arrive soon. The ductwork for the HVAC is in process.
- * Storm windows are being installed on the second floor of the building.
- * Asbestos abatement measures have been taken in stair wells.
- * Demolition has begun on the coatroom on the left side of the main entrance (formerly known as the men's coatroom) to convert it into a new ladies restroom.
- * Museum displays have been painstakingly removed from the walls in the hallway between the main entrance and the Barker Street entrance.
- * The Cofeld Judaic Museum spaces have been emptied and Chana Kotzin continues the herculean task of cataloguing the Museum's holdings.

As you can imagine, some parts of the project are taking longer to complete, due in part to the global shortage of building materials, but we are very excited to be moving forward.

When we've completed the work associated with our lease with JFS, we will turn our attention to other projects such as looking at lighting in the Chapel, and replacing the carpet in the hallway.

Broder Center:

We always have an open mind regarding our options as they relate to the future of the Broder Center. Absolutely no decisions have been made.

If you have questions regarding our facilities, please feel free to contact me at jeff@tbz.org or (716) 836-6565, ext. 135.

Jeff Clark Executive Director

Stay Connected, Stay Informed

Each Tuesday, Temple Beth Zion sends an email that provides information on upcoming events. Each Friday, and email contains the Rabbi's Corner message and the service schedule and links.

If you wish to receive email notifications from TBZ, please contact Julie Feldman at julie@tbz.org.



From the Directors

"I wake up every day, right here, right in Punxsutawney, and it's always February 2nd, and there's nothing I can do about it."

—Bill Murray as Phil Connors in *Groundhog Day*

Anyone else feel like they're in Punxsutawney? Thanks, Omicron. You've made our lives scary, uncertain, confusing, and frustrating... ALL OVER AGAIN.

If you know the movie *Groundhog Day*, you know the feeling. In this 1993 comedy, Bill Murray plays a grumpy and arrogant TV weatherman visiting the small town of Punxsatawney, Pennsylvania, to report on the annual Groundhog Day festivities. Somehow he gets trapped in a time loop where EVERY day is Groundhog Day. (Which, being on February 2nd, should be right around when this article lands in your mailbox.) So each morning he is awakened by the clock radio playing Sonny and Cher's "I Got You Babe" and the same day unfolds. Same activities, same encounters, same results. Much like many of our days in 2020 and the early part of 2021.

Mid-way through last year, though, the availability of vaccines gave us hope and allowed us to work, learn, play, and congregate together again. The CRS opened in person and everyone welcomed being together for religious school. We could see the end of COVID on the horizon.

Until this latest variant emerged and our rates of infection suddenly soared higher than ever before. Like the main character in the movie, many of us reacted with disbelief, anger, and depression. We just did this. It wasn't fun. Do we have to do it again? And, is it ever going to end?

At the Community Religious School, we had to make some very quick and critical decisions in early January for how to proceed in the face of a variant that was causing more and more serious infections in children — our population.

Many other congregations throughout the US had already postponed the January reopening of their religious schools. Doing the same, especially as it would be followed by the Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend, gave us another few weeks for things to hopefully settle down.

If the situation improved enough, on Sunday, January 23, our students will have enjoyed an exciting morning of Tu B'shevat activities at the JCC Benderson Building and Camp Centerland. If not, CRS will have been remote that morning for the first time this year.

We will continue with online religious school for as long as appropriate and, as we go forward with the hope of meeting again in person, we will also be revisiting our policies regarding student vaccination.

Many thinkers and theologians have analyzed the themes presented in *Groundhog Day* and note how the main character alters his behavior and his perceptions so that by the end he is a *mensch* (someone to admire and emulate, someone of noble character) living a joyful life. He performs what we call *mitzvot*, and appreciates his blessings. Perhaps we should all follow his example.

L'shalom,
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NOTE: Harold Ramis z''l co-wrote and directed Groundhog Day.

Read about his thoughts on the movie at https://www.latimes.com/entertainment/movies/moviesnow/la-et-mn-

MAY HER MEMORY BE FOR A BLESSING...

Gretchen S. Gross

You are all most likely aware of the tragic passing in December of Gretchen S. Gross, a prominent educator, philanthropist, and leader in the Buffalo Jewish community. What you may not know is that Gretchen was one of our dearest friends here at the Community Religious School.

Gretchen was a driving force behind the creation of the CRS. She was absolutely thrilled when we opened this past September, making her dream of a community Jewish school in Buffalo a reality.

She always offered us inspiration, guidance, encouragement, assistance, and kindness. Gretchen had a heart of gold and the smile of an angel! She will be dearly missed.

זכרונה לברכה ... Zichrona Livracha



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Co-Presidents Message

We hope this message finds you healthy and happy. With Covid cases on the rise again, we have had to continue to modify our activities, but we are working hard to find safe and innovative ideas. Our newly formed Engagement Committee is scheduled to meet this month to find creative ways to keep our members engaged and connected.

Are you looking for the perfect Valentine's Day gift for the love of your life? We know it's not a Jewish holiday, but it is the perfect opportunity to honor your wife, daughter, daughter-in-law, granddaughter, sister, or anyone else special to you with a Sisterhood Lifetime Membership. A Miriam Life Membership is only \$500 and includes membership into our wonderful Sisterhood for your loved one. It is literally a gift of a lifetime that keeps on giving year after year. This special level of membership includes a package of Uniongrams as well as a one time 30% discount for our Judaica shop. Uniongrams are cards that can be used for any occasion such as Jewish or secular holidays, birthdays, Mazel Tov and general well-wishes. Please contact us for more information or make a check out to TBZ Sisterhood and mail to: Margy Zeckhauser, 36 Wingate Avenue, Buffalo, N.Y. 14216-2135. Thank you!

Still looking for that perfect gift? Our Judaica shop is open for in-person and curbside sales by appointment. See the Shop ad on this page.

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

Marilyn Schillroth (716) 832-4757 Susan Bruckheimer (716) 982-2099 Cindy Stover (716) 803-2884



Israeli Presidents and Their Wives - Virtual Israel Experience with Shari Robins

February 1, Noon - 1 p.m.

The Women for Reform Judaism Northeast District invites you to join Shari Robins, Israeli tour guide, for a one hour virtual tour where we will look at the role of the Israeli President, how they are elected and who has held the position. We will visit where they and their wives lived, and what we can learn from their contribution to Israeli society. Most of these homes, their stories and their legacies are very "off the beaten path" places in Israel.

Advance registration required at: https://wrj.org/calendar/israeli-presidents-and-their-wives-virtual-israel-experience-shari-robins.

Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

February 2022 Special 40% Off Purim and Passover items

We know you are not sure if you will be entertaining this year for Passover, but that doesn't mean you can't have holiday items out for yourself to enjoy

New discount: TBZ members receive 40% off when they buy a tallit for a Bar or Bat Mitzvah child. We can send you pictures of our Tallit stock.

We are OPEN by appointment for in-store shopping or for curbside pick up. We can email or text you pictures of whatever items you would like to see.

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

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







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In Honor of:

Yahrzeit of Morris Goldstein, by Wendee & Art Lorbeer

Fund Focus

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Provides for the acquisition, display and care of artifacts and all associated expenses of the Cofeld Judaic Museum of Temple Beth Zion.

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Establishing a Permanent Yahrzeit

Establishing a Permanent Yahrzeit Memorial with Temple Beth Zion is a wonderful way to honor your loved one's memory and continue their legacy within our TBZ family.

Through a permanent Yahrzeit Memorial at Temple Beth Zion their name will be:

- * Listed on the memorial scroll displayed at the entrance of the main sanctuary.
- * Listed in the temple Bulletin each year during the month of Yahrzeit
- * Read by the Rabbi or Cantor on the Shabbat during the week of Yahrzeit

Each of these will continue to preserve and celebrate their memory as part of the Temple Beth Zion community. In addition, family members will receive notification ten days prior to the Yarzheit anniversary.

Permanent Yahrzeits can be established with a donation of \$700. Please call Becky at (716) 836-6565 for more information on how to establish this special honor.

Permanent Yahrzeit Anniversaries

February 25 & 26

Leo A. Beir Lenore Boasberg Sidney Wile Bock Sadie Bregger Barney Bronstein Alfred F. Cohen Audrey B. Cohen Ilona Dean Corinne Ellis Bertha Estry Barbara Gelman Isaac S. Given Helen Mitchell Goldman Gerald J. Goldsmith Haskell Goldstein Melta Fleishman Goldstein Richard S. Gordon Sr. Joseph A. Greenstone Samuel L. Jacobs Ernest Kohn Morris J. Kranitz Isydor Lasser Dr. Dexter Levy Samuel C. Markel David Marvin Mason Evelyn I. Meyers

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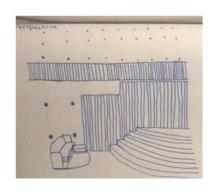
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It's Academic

Each year, we receive requests from art and architecture professors to allow their classes to visit our inspiring, beautiful, and architecturally significant spiritual home.

In November, art students from the University at Buffalo and Buffalo State College visited our sanctuary. They selected various locations and sketched sections of the sanctuary from their perspective. The students were in awe of the space and its beauty. The UB educator said the sanctuary is exactly as he remembers it from his Bar Mitzvah and Confirmation. Below are a few of the drawings.







Permanent Yahrzeit Anniversaries

February 4 & 5

February 11 & 12

February 18 & 19

Esther Polowin Abeles Max Bargman Meier Bendheim Rose B. Bilsky George Bladen Rosalind Blanke Jerry Blanke Samuel Block Jr. Harold Brooks Bertha Strauss Cofeld Donald Cohen Lillian W. Cohen Camille Cohn A. Frank Cowen, Sr Marjorie Cristall Jon D. Daniels Madeleine L. Ehrlich Jerome R. Ellis Harry N. Faxstein Ruth Goldwater Fernandez Harry A. Freedman Leslie Grossman Regina Kirsch Grossman

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> Theodora Cowen Speser by her family

has been established for

We offer our condolences to the families of:

> Marvin Cohan Mildred Daniels Gretchen Gross Sylvia L. Rosen Raymond Wolkind

Yahrzeit Anniversaries for February 25 & 26 can found on page 9.





Providing Warmth

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

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

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

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

N95 Masks Available Locally

N95 Masks, approved by NIOSH (National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health), are made locally by Pure Environments by Shatkin FIRST, Inc. Due to the rise in Covid cases in Erie County, Pure Environments has begun to make their N95 masks available to the public at wholesale cost.

Masks can be ordered at shatkinmasks.com, by calling (716) 43-smile or by stopping at their office at 2500 Kensington Avenue. The wholesale cost is \$25 for a box of 25. Masks can be picked up by driving under the breezeway and an attendant will come to your car.

"Together we can do our part in reducing the Covid cases in our community and by doing so, keep ourselves and families healthy."