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24th Annual
Summer
Celebration

Monday,
August 7, 2023

- LUNCH
- GOLF TOURNAMENT
- WINE & SPIRITS TOUR
- COCKTAILS & DINNER
- AUCTION



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*Sisterhood
Opening Luncheon*

Please Join Us!
Tuesday, July 18
11:30 a.m.
The Grove at Banchetti
550 N. French Road, Amherst

Details and registration on page 9.

*Healing Circle
for the Recently Bereaved*



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See page 4 for details.

FOOD TRUCK SHABBAT
"Back by Popular Demand!"

FRIDAY, JULY 28
5 PM DINNER, 7 PM SERVICE
EVERYONE WELCOME, FAMILY-FRIENDLY
DETAILS TO COME. WATCH YOUR EMAILS!



TEMPLE BETH ZION
BRODER CENTER, 700 SWEET HOME RD.



Letter from the President

A Great Summer at TBZ

They say Buffalonians enjoy the summer more than most. Maybe that is because they enjoy being with friends, having a barbeque, or enjoying a few hours on the golf course.

Well, what if you could have all those things in one day? What if you could spend an afternoon with friends that begins with lunch on a patio, followed by 18 holes on the golf course or a wine and spirits tour, and ends with a happy hour and dinner with raffles, prizes and more? What if you didn't have to dream of that day? What if you joined us on Monday, August 7 for our 24th annual Summer Celebration at Transit Valley Country Club?

In partnership with the Buffalo Jewish Federation and Congregation Shir Shalom, this is TBZ's biggest fundraiser of the year. It's also a fun event with the option of joining us for lunch and golf, or lunch and a wine and spirits tour, or just for dinner. There is also a live and silent auction, as well as basket raffles to win! It's a great way to spend a day and I encourage you to attend, become a sponsor, or help us with basket, raffle, or auction items. Just reach out to Julie at julie@tbz.org to see how you can help. You can also contact me at president@tbz.org. I have chaired this event for the last four years and we are always excited to get more people involved in the planning process. For details and registration information for the Summer Celebration, turn to page 5.

However, you don't need to wait until next month to get involved. On July 18, you can attend the Sisterhood opening luncheon, on July 23 do the East Side Garden Walk Guided Tour, on July 28 you can join us for an outdoor Food Truck Shabbat, or you can sign up to attend a Buffalo Bisons game with your TBZ family on July 30.

It's going to be a great summer at TBZ. Please join us for services, events, and more!

Kenneth Polk

Office Schedule

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Tuesday, July 4. If you have a lifecycle emergency and need to reach a member of our staff, call (716) 836-6565 and follow the instructions.



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Worship Opportunities

Services below are held at 805 Delaware Avenue unless noted otherwise. Services are also available via livestream. Links can be found in your weekly Temple email and at www.tbz.org.

Torah Study begins at 9:15 AM at 805 Delaware in person and via Zoom each Saturday.

Saturday, July 1

Shabbat Morning Service **10:30 AM**

Friday, July 7

Shabbat Evening Service **6 PM**

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

Saturday, July 8

Shabbat Morning Service **10:30 AM**

Service at Canterbury Woods **11 AM**

Friday, July 14

Shabbat Evening Service **6 PM**

Saturday, July 15

Shabbat Morning Service **10:30 AM**

Service at Canterbury Woods **11 AM**

Friday, July 21

Classical Shabbat Service **6 PM**

Saturday, July 22

Shabbat Morning Service **10:30 AM**

Service at Canterbury Woods **11 AM**

Friday, July 28

Food Trucks at Broder **5 PM**

Shabbat Evening Service at Broder **7 PM**

Saturday, July 29

Shabbat Morning Service **10:30 AM**

Service at Canterbury Woods **11 AM**

Delaware Building Parking Lot

Construction is set to begin in our Delaware building parking lot at the end of June, beginning with the JFS side of the lot along Barker Street. Much of the usual lot will remain available. After roughly 2 weeks, the JFS part of the lot will reopen and the Linwood side will close for 2 weeks.

We will also be replacing the stairs to our entrance from the Linwood/Barker lot. As needed, members will be able to park in the spaces alongside the Chapel and in the JCC lot.



Letter from the Rabbi

The Book of Numbers, also known by its Hebrew name, *Bamidbar* literally meaning “In the Wilderness,” contains what may be the most significant biblical narrative on the topic of group formation. Describing the mishaps, ordeals, and triumphs of the Israelites, this book forms a thirty-nine year long bridge between the Mosaic revelation that was received on Mount Sinai and the conquest of the promised land of Canaan. Moreover, the wilderness is a necessary moment of liminal transformation as our ancestors transition mentally from slavery to freedom.

The transformation the Israelites experienced took decades and was full of challenges. Along the way they confronted obstacles such as intimidating enemies, thirst, biting snakes and more. Moreover, God revealed to Moses that most of the Israelites were not even meant to make it through the wilderness, and those who emerged to lead the next generation into the promised land—Joshua and Caleb—merited this position on their faith in the capacity of the Israelites to overcome tremendous odds.

This month marks one full year since I began serving as the Senior Rabbi of Temple Beth Zion. We have been through and continue to experience tremendous changes. We have affirmed the vitality of our congregation as we continue to chart our way through the wilderness. At the end of a year, our board leadership remains strong, our members are engaged, we have rededicated the Cofeld Judaic Museum and you threw a killer Installation party for me, but we have not yet reached the promised land.

Major goals remain. Work will continue over the summer at 805 Delaware Avenue repairing the parking lot and skylights, replacing the furnace and climate control systems (which are on their last legs), and making many other physical improvements. Furthermore, our Personnel Committee continues the search for our next Executive Director and begins the search for an additional Cantor or Rabbi to join us in July 2024. Achieving these goals is possible only because of your continued support.

I am so grateful for your gracious care for my family and my own personal wellbeing in this pivotal time. As part of my annual summer leave, I will be participating in my fifth Rabbinic Torah Seminar in Jerusalem in early July at the Shalom Hartman Institute. Judy Henn will be on call for congregational and community pastoral needs while I am gone and I look forward to returning reinvigorated and freshly inspired to continue our journey together.

Rabbi Brent Gutmann



Cofeld Corner

In the early 1960s, the Warner family commissioned a new piece of music by Darius Milhaud to premiere in April 1967 at the opening of the new sanctuary at 805 Delaware Avenue. This month we feature an article by Museum Research Assistant, Noah Kotzin. He is a former PALS participant and became bar mitzvah at TBZ in 2016. He is a junior at Bard College, majoring in Film Studies and Music Composition.

Darius Milhaud and the *Cantata from Job*

by Noah Kotzin

Darius Milhaud (1892-1974) was one of the 20th century's most prolific composers. With hundreds of compositions to his name, Milhaud was also eclectic and an important link in the neoclassical style that came to dominate mid-20th century classical music. As important as Milhaud was to French music, however, he made a significant impression on music in America after moving to the United States as a Jewish refugee in 1947.

In France, Milhaud grew up in Aix-en-Provence, learning violin, then completed his studies at the Paris Conservatoire. But it was in Brazil and England, that Milhaud found his artistic voice incorporating Brazilian folk music and jazz into his own classicism. Milhaud's interest in expanding the bounds of classical music brought him into the circle of *Les Six*, a group of French composers all of whom were interested in polytonality. As the only Jewish member of the group, Milhaud and his family were forced to flee France in 1940, just as his opera, *Medee*, was being staged. Making a home for himself at Mills College in America, he taught students that included Steve Reich, William Bolcom, and jazz pianist Dave Brubeck.

In America, Milhaud also began to embrace his Jewish roots, writing a number of works on Jewish themes. The *Cantata from Job* (1965) was commissioned by Temple Beth Zion and is scored for baritone solo, chorus, and organ. Despite Milhaud's interest in simplicity, his works often displayed a baffling complexity rivaled only by Schoenberg, leading one critic to remark "there is simply so much (sometimes too much) going on at the same time." The *Cantata from Job* is replete with polytonality and divided into two movements. At the premiere, Lawrence Bogue sang the baritone solo in Hebrew, while the chorus sang in English. Hans Vigeland of Westminster Presbyterian Church was the organist. The composition was dedicated to Nellie B. Warner and Eugene Warner. This expanded article can be read at <https://cofeldmuseum.org>.

Healing Circle for the Recently Bereaved

Temple Beth Zion will be forming a support group for adults who are experiencing grief following the loss of a loved one. Joining a support group offers the opportunity to share and connect with others in similar circumstances. We will offer a safe space to engage in community, express yourself and remember your loved one. While every loss is unique, listening to the experiences of others can provide validation that the grief you are feeling is normal and can also offer suggestions for ways to cope.

If you are interested in learning more about this group, please call Judy Henn at (716) 836-6565 extension 137.

East Side Garden Walk

JOIN US
SUNDAY, JULY 23
12 - 4PM
FOR AN INTERFAITH
GUIDED BUS TOUR OF
THE EAST SIDE GARDEN WALK

TOUR BEGINS IN FRONT OF
MANNA AT NORTHLAND
683 NORTHLAND AVE
BUFFALO, NY 14211

REGISTER FOR THIS FREE EVENT BY JULY 10
RSVP AT [BIT.LY/GARDENWALK23](https://bit.ly/gardenwalk23)

QUESTIONS? CONTACT RACHEL BEERMAN
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24th Annual Summer Celebration

Monday, August 7, 2023

Transit Valley Country Club
8920 Transit Road | East Amherst, NY 14051

Lunch • Golf Tournament • Wine & Spirits Tour • Cocktails • Dinner

Join us for a wonderful event with something for everyone!

Schedule of Events

Check-In @ 11:00 AM
for Golf Tournament and
Wine & Spirits Tour Participants

Luncheon on the Patio
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM

Golf Tournament
12:30 PM - Shotgun Start

Wine & Spirits Tour
12:30 PM - Board luxury motorcoach

Cocktails & Dinner
5:30 PM

Auctions

Special auction items include wine, jewelry, golf certificates, sporting event tickets, memorabilia, & more!



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Transit Valley Country Club | 8920 Transit Road East Amherst, NY 14051

COUNTRY CLUB ATTIRE REQUIRED: Collared shirts. No denim or cargo shorts. NO METAL SPIKES.

To benefit community programming at TBZ and CSS.



Buffalo Jewish Federation

REGISTRATION FORM

Complete this form and return it with payment to:

Temple Beth Zion 700 Sweet Home Road Buffalo, NY 14226

Secure online registration available at bit.ly/SummerCelebration2023

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Names of Additional Participants:

Please note any dietary restrictions (vegetarian, kosher, allergies, etc.): _____

Reservations:

Cocktails & Dinner Only: \$95 x _____ = \$ _____

Golf Tournament Player: \$250 x _____ = \$ _____
(includes lunch, 18 holes with cart, cocktails & dinner)

Wine & Spirits Tour: \$200 x _____ = \$ _____
(includes lunch, tour and tastings, cocktails & dinner)

Sponsorships:

Tee Sponsor \$300 = \$ _____

Summer Celebration Friend (listing in program) \$100 = \$ _____

Check enclosed, payable to Temple Beth Zion

Credit Card

Card Number _____ / _____ Exp. Date _____ CVV _____

Signature _____ Zip Code _____

Deadline to register is **July 26, 2023**



Mah Koreh B'CRS?

(What's Happening at CRS)

Rabbi Gutmann, Rabbi Lazarus-Klein, Rabbi Rich, the education committee and I are busy planning for the upcoming year at the Community Religious School. Please check our website for registration at www.crsbuffalo.com.

Please contact me at (716) 574-6016 if I could be of any assistance.

Einav Symons
Community Religious School Director
buffalocrs@gmail.com



Mazel Tov to Our Graduates!

Leah Shatkin graduated from UB law school (B.A. from McGill University in 2020) and will be moving to NYC for a job with Davis Polk as a corporate attorney.

Leah Heffter graduated from Daemen University PA school and passed her certification and is now a full PA-C. She's currently looking for a PA position in Dermatology in the Buffalo area.

Nicole (Niki) Heffter graduated from Nursing school. She is finishing her Bachelor of Nursing at Daemen next fall while working full-time at Millard Fillmore Hospital.

Confirmation 2023



*Avery Field, Lillian Weinmann,
Rabbi Brent Gutmann, Theo Bellavia-Frank*

Confirmation

During Erev Shabbat services on a beautiful Shavuot evening in late May, three Temple Beth Zion teens participated in the ceremony of Confirmation. An invention of the Reform movement in the late-1800s, Confirmation is significantly different from B'nai Mitzvah. As high school students, confirmands are more mature, and have had more life experience, than 13-year-olds. Following several months of exploring Jewish traditions and texts with Rabbi Gutmann, as well as learning about the development of Reform practice and theology, these students were ready to come face-to-face with their own beliefs to make a statement of commitment to Judaism, to living Jewish lives, and to the Jewish community. And they did so not as individuals, but as part of a class, a *k'hilah*, a sacred community.

Wearing white robes and carrying flowers, our three confirmands were each escorted into the sanctuary by an adult of their own choosing – someone who has been significant in the confirmand's life as well as in the life of the congregation. All three participated in leading parts of the service and each shared their own thoughts about the meaning of being Jewish and of their relationship to TBZ.

Avery Field, daughter of Jenn Field and Adam Field, spoke of her life-long connection to the spiritual community at TBZ and what a blessing it is to her. She is especially appreciative of the music she hears and sings at temple, as it has comforted her during difficult times and helped her celebrate during joyous times.

Theo Bellavia-Frank, son of Gina Bellavia and Eric Frank, shared his appreciation of the "Reform Jewish encouragement to follow doctrine only after careful examination, assessment, and reconciliation with one's personal values..." Theo loves Judaism because of its teachings of ethics, of justice, of fairness, and of the concept of *b'tzelem Elohim* – that we are all created in the divine image of Adonai.

Lillian Weinmann, daughter of Amérida and Peter Weinmann, talked of her deep sense of belonging to the Jewish community in Buffalo and at TBZ, and how the traditions, culture, and lessons of Judaism have shaped her into who she is today. Celebrating holidays with friends and family, attending religious school, performing acts of *tzedakah* and *tikkun olam*, gathering with her peers at summer camp and through NFTY, all of it has helped to form her strong identity... her strong Jewish identity.

The future of Judaism lies in the hands of thoughtful, caring, energetic young people like these three. We should all be proud and celebrate their Confirmation!



Platter's Tour

In June, members of the Sisterhood of TBZ enjoyed a wonderful tour of Platter's Chocolate Factory. It was an educational, fun and delicious day!



Honorable Menschen

Thank you to Margy Zeckhauser, Frans de Waal, Shellie Rutstein, Marilyn Schillroth and Maria Blackburn for stuffing our Opening Luncheon mailing, and to Julie Feldman for preparing the materials.

Sandy Wolchok



TBZ Sisterhood Dash's Receipt Fundraiser

Please help Sisterhood by saving your **Dash's Market** receipts.

This ongoing fundraiser will benefit Sisterhood sponsored activities for Temple Beth Zion.

We are happy to receive receipts of any amount from 2022 and/or 2023.

Receipts can be dropped off at the Broder Center or Delaware building. Ask your friends and neighbors to help too!

Thank you in advance for your support!

Harold Grinspoon LIFE & LEGACY® Update

On Friday, June 2 we held a special Shabbat Service in honor of those who have pledged their support to Temple Beth Zion through the Harold Grinspoon Foundation's LIFE & LEGACY® program and/or the Rabbi Joseph and Janice Fink Legacy Society. Temple Beth Zion is in the second year of our Grinspoon LIFE & LEGACY® partnership with the Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies. It was my honor to share the news that night that we have reached our second year goal of 18 new LIFE & LEGACY® commitments. Since June 2, we have received new commitments and welcome our newest members: David H. & Joan B. Alexander, Cathryn Cohen, Marcia Rashman Frankel, Lynn L. Hirsch, David J. Oestreicher, CPA, MBA, CF, Eugene & Ellen Warner, and Jake Warner.

The team at Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies, Irv Levy, Lorne Steinhart and Linda Barat, have been instrumental in the success of LIFE & LEGACY® for Temple Beth Zion and for Jewish Buffalo and we greatly appreciate their efforts on our behalf.

We welcome your interest and questions regarding this amazing opportunity to make a difference in the future of Temple Beth Zion and Jewish Buffalo. Please contact me for more information.

Kenneth Polk, President
president@tbz.org

Mazel Tots Outdoors

On Sunday June 11, a group of young TBZers and their adults took a delightful hike in the woods at Billy Wilson Park. They sang songs with Rabbi Gutmann, he read them stories, and everyone learned about metamorphosis and made adorable butterflies to complete a perfect morning.



Hi Everyone! We are introducing a new article to our Sisterhood page. Instead of the Presidents writing the article every month, some members of our group will alternate doing it. We would like it to be informative. For instance we may write some interesting facts about Temple or Sisterhood. We may just talk about things that pertain to our daily life. We will always keep you informed of the programs that we initiate and sponsor. Most importantly, we would like to hear from you. Do you have questions about Temple, or our Jewish community? We will do our best to get the most up-to-date answers. We look forward to creating a new and interesting page.

Please join us for the Opening Luncheon! We also support and help sponsor the Summer Celebration on Monday, August 7. Come and join us for dinner. Please get in touch with us. We hope to hear from you soon. You can reach us at shellier378@gmail.com or swiner4@gmail.com.

Shellie Rutstein and Sharon Winer

What Are Uniongrams?

As you, hopefully, filled out your Sisterhood membership form, you may have noticed an option to purchase Uniongrams. Uniongrams have been produced by Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ) for over 100 years. A Uniongram is a special note card that can be used for any occasion such as Jewish and secular holidays, congratulations, thanks, get well wishes, birthdays, B'nai Mitzvah, graduations, weddings, and general well-wishes. Proceeds benefit the Women of Reform Judaism YES fund. WRJ provides grants through its YES Fund for Youth, Education, Special Projects, and Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion. Through this fund, WRJ is able to achieve what no one individual or one Sisterhood could accomplish alone, because it represents the collective efforts of Sisterhoods and individual donors to advance our mission.

Uniongrams can be purchased in the Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop. You can also add a \$5 donation to the YES Fund, along with your Sisterhood membership dues, to receive a package of Uniongrams.

For Knitters and Non-knitters

The Sisterhood is once again collecting new handmade and purchased winter hats, mittens, gloves and scarves for programs sponsored by Jewish Family Services. Please get knitting and drop off your donated items at the Broder Center Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 2 PM.

Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

JULY 2023 Specials

Shabbat, Rosh Hashanah, Chanukah, Passover
20% off almost everything

TBZ members receive 20% off
when they buy a Tallit for a Bar or Bat Mitzvah child

Look for Pictures on Temple Beth Zion
FaceBook and Marketplace

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*

SISTERHOOD OF TEMPLE BETH ZION

Book Nook

Please join TBZ's Sisterhood for
Book Nook
Thursday, August 10, 7 - 8:30 PM
Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

Our selection is *The Matchmaker's Gift*
by Lynda Cohen Loigman.

"A heartwarming story of two extraordinary
women from two different eras who defy
expectations to utilize their unique gift of
seeing soulmates in the most unexpected places.
This is a funny and moving novel that will put a
smile on your face from beginning to end."

New members are always welcome!

Please contact Cindy at thestovers@gmail.com or
the Temple office at (716) 836-6565 to RSVP.

Sisterhood Opening Luncheon

Please Join Us

for the Sisterhood 2023-2024 Opening Luncheon

Tuesday, July 18 at 11:30 a.m.

The Grove at Banchetti, 550 N. French Road, Amherst



Candace K. Vogel, Guest Speaker

Candace Vogel will talk about her 33-year career as an Erie County Assistant District Attorney prosecuting financial crimes, particularly scams and fraud.

2023-2024 Sisterhood members pay \$10 for lunch.

Guests are welcome at \$38 per person.

Enjoy a delicious luncheon with friends.

Basket and 50/50 raffles (cash or check only).

Sisterhood will be collecting gift cards and check donations for Haven House. (Tops, Tim Horton's, McDonald's, Walmart & Target gift cards are always popular).

Reservations for this outdoor event must be received by July 3.

PLEASE DETACH AND MAIL WITH YOUR CHECK payable to TBZ Sisterhood
to: Sandra Wolchok, 6872 Forestview Drive, Lockport, NY 14094.

PLEASE PRINT

Your name: _____

____ Sisterhood (\$10) members _____ guests (\$38) _____ Total enclosed

Guest name(s): _____

List people you would like to sit with: _____

For questions, please contact Sandra Wolchok
at sandrawolchok@gmail.com or 716-628-4959.

Observations on Rabbi Brent Gutmann's Installation

The gleaming temple soul and the Hebrew prayers that enveloped it, the joyful and attentive and appreciative congregants filling the synagogue, the glitz and glamour of Saturday evening's festivities, and the heartfelt meaningful and gracious comments from visitors afar: all the result of, all coming together for the installation of Rabbi Brent Gutmann, the 11th Senior Rabbi of Temple Beth Zion. But celebrations fade, days become memories, and toasts vanish with the wind. We are left with our newly installed rabbi – and how fortunate we are to have his legacy begin.

The installation began with a mix of the solemn, soulful, and splendiferous Friday evening services. Memories of past moments in those pews danced about in so many minds – of previous rabbis, meaningful sermons, Sabbath beginnings, Hebrew prayers and chants, relatives and friends no longer about. The Ben Shahn stained glass and imposing twin pillars of the Commandments added reverence and delight and Jewish history and self-reflection. Suddenly, all were gently placed on a shelf as our new rabbi spoke. He offered confidence without hubris, intensity without confusion, insights without braggadocio, humor without giddiness. His stature as Senior Rabbi grew that eve, a wonderful beginning.

And finally came Saturday, an upscale dinner event with white tablecloths, servers at the ready, wine and more wine, and excellent food. Rabbi Gutmann began with a short Havdalah service, marking the end of the Sabbath. And then, as if a fireworks of happy had exploded, all were suddenly laughing, discussing, reminiscing, conjecturing with one another: family members, congregants we knew, and congregants new to us. This was all about joy, all about a new genesis. More than a celebration, we bonded on the dance floor that night. Pure celebration could be seen, could be felt, could be inhaled in each nook and cranny, on every face, with every breath. Evenings always end, but with this one went souvenir memories for each of an exuberant, dedicated, and meaningful rabbi.

Can there be such a thing as a perfect beginning and a perfect ending? The two days sounded a horn of plenty with no "This should have been done," "That was way off," or "No, no – that's not right!" To the congregants and visitors and service leaders many kudos for the right tone Friday eve, and a tip of the yarmulke goes to Joni Shatkin and Jenn Field for the without-a-glitch Saturday eve. These were perfect bookends for the beginning epic tale of Rabbi Brent Gutmann. It is now his temple, we are now his flock – and both look forward to a Temple Beth Zion that fortifies and grows its Jewish heritage, to go boldly into the future.

Errol Craig Sull
Temple Board member, Brotherhood President



Allentown Parking

What a great weekend of parking at TBZ for the Allentown Art Festival. We had a number of experienced volunteers and some new ones as well. Thank you to each and every volunteer who came to share the work: Matt Eichhorn, Donna Yablin, Dennis Dickman, Amy Feldman, Julie Feldman, Phil Chazen, Ken Graber, Ken Polk, Mike Bruckheimer, Amy Beth Freedman, Norm Weingarten, Kerri Blabac, Robin Ostrov, Steve Yonaty, Bob Klein, Anna Marie Richmond, Dave Goldberg and Sandra Montgomery. Thank you also to Julie Feldman who gets us organized and connects with our volunteers.

It was a good couple of days and a wonderful way to help the Temple. And, of course, thanks to folks who came to park.

Warren Clark
Chair, TBZ Allentown Parking



Pride Shabbat Treats

Errol Sull provided delicious and colorful creations for the Oneg reception following our Pride Shabbat Service.

Social Action in Spring

More than a dozen Temple Beth Zion volunteers came out to help beautify Good Neighbors Garden, a Grassroots Gardens site at 67 Box Avenue, on Buffalo's East Side. The garden was mowed, trimmed, mulched, and seedling veggies were planted for the community to enjoy (free of cost) in 8 raised beds. The crew also planted ornamental flowers and bush seedlings, and of course watered. Some Social Action committee volunteers brought plants from their own home gardens to share. Thank you to all the volunteers for your enthusiasm, hard work and help!

Shout out to Timothy Chen, Executive Director of Grassroots Gardens and Justin from Grassroots Gardens for taking a moment to stop by the garden with some additional seedlings and for sharing a little bit about all the great work Grassroots Gardens does.



Pride Parade

On June 4, Jewish Buffalo was represented in the Pride Parade behind an incredible float featuring Queen Esther. TBZers carried our "b'tzelem Elohim in the image of God" banner. It was a beautiful, colorful day!



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completion of their
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Correction

In the June issue of the Bulletin
we thanked all those who made
donations in honor of Rabbi
Gutmann's official installation.
Although Betsy Goldstein's
name was correctly listed, we
unfortunately omitted Bruce
Goldstein's name from the list of
Simchah donors. We sincerely
apologize for the error.



Permanent Yahrzeit Anniversaries

June 30 & July 1

Henry Altman	Goldie S.
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Dr. Robert S. Berkson	Emanuel Katz Lena Warner
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July 7 & 8

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TBZ is looking for volunteers to assist at Friends
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Volunteers are needed on the 2nd Tuesday of
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