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Attention Seniors

The Better Business Bureau of Upstate New York, AT&T and TBZ are offering free Senior Scam Prevention Seminars.

Thursday, January 11, at 10 a.m. 805 Delaware Avenue

Wednesday, January 17, at 11 a.m. Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

Seniors will learn important tips from the Better Business Bureau of Upstate New York on how to protect their identity, how to identify a scam, and what to do if they fall victim to a scam.

These seminars are free and open to the public. If you would like to attend either day, please call the Temple at 836-6565 to RSVP.



Tuesday, January 23, at 7:30 p.m.

At the home of Rabbi Jonathan and Ginny Freirich
What is Jewish mysticism? Is it interesting, helpful,
or just weird? All questions are open for discussion
as we enter into the world of Jewish mysticism.

All in English – no experience necessary!

Dessert and coffee will be served.

Please RSVP to Rabbi Jonathan, rabbifreirich@tbz.org, in order to get the address and directions.

Insurance and Point Reduction Program Offered in January



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The class will be taught by Warren Clark.

See page 5 for complete details and registration information.



Tu biShvat Seder and Potluck Dinner Celebrate the Jewish New Year of the Trees

Tuesday, January 30, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Sisterhood Chapel, 805 Delaware Avenue
Join students from our Religious School for a multigenerational (kids of all ages welcome!) dip into the traditions of the New Year of the Trees – a mystical journey into our connections to nature. Fruit, juice, wine, potluck dinner, and fun for everyone.

Please RSVP to Kara Kane: kara@tbz.org



Letter from the President

A Brit Olam Congregation

Happy 2018! I am writing this before the URJ biennial as I plan my strategy for networking to glean which resources and information we can use at Temple Beth Zion. I am proud to announce that we have joined a community focused on social justice and social action as a URJ Brit Olam Congregation. As of today, over 130 congregations have formally committed to meeting the urgency of now and working together to create a world we want by engaging in meaningful social justice work grounded in our sacred and enduring Jewish values. More information will be available on the website and future Bulletins.

The synagogue world is changing and we must change with it. By drawing on our rich traditions and looking at the demographics of WNY and our Jewish brothers and sisters, we can reimagine our spiritual selves. From classical Reform ideas to our progressive Reform "regular" services or to attending a program or event, there is a piece for everybody to share.

We are saddened that Rabbi Scheldt will be leaving TBZ after June 2018. He has helped us further recognize our spirituality. Yet we must continue to look at how we use our resources to meet our congregational needs and change the way we work. Cantor Myers, Rabbi Freirich, along with Amy Schaefer are focused filling a "para-clergy" position to support those needs. I look forward to sharing more details with you as we further define the job and look to our Jewish network to find the right individual.

There are some great events coming up at TBZ so check out the website and read the weekly email. Save April 14 for the BBC Band Concert. This is a local Beatles band with an amazing following. We expect to draw many different people within our community and many in the larger area. This is an important event and fundraiser for our synagogue.

B'shalom Miriam

(miriam treger (right) and Julie Weinberg at the URJ Biennial in Boston)



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Worship Opportunities

All Shabbat services, except as noted, are held at 805 Delaware Avenue.

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

Thursday, January 4 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, January 5 Shabbat Evening Service at Broder Birthday and Anniversary Blessings	7 p.m.
Saturday, January 6 Shabbat Morning Service 5 th Grade Shabbaton	10:30 a.m. 10 a.m.
Thursday, January 11 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, January 12 Shabbat Evening Service Martin Luther King Jr. Shabbat	7 p.m.
Saturday, January 13 Shabbat Morning Service Canterbury Woods Service	10:30 a.m. 11 a.m.
Thursday, January 18 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, January 19 Tot Shabbat at Broder Meditative Prayer Service	5:45 p.m. 7 p.m.
Saturday, January 20 Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, January 25 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, January 26 Sha-Camp Shira Service	7 p.m.
Saturday, January 27 Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Tuesday, January 30 Potluck Dinner Tu biShvat Seder and Service	6:30 p.m. 7 p.m.



Letter from the Cantor

Sha-Camp Shira!

"We have spirit, yes we do! We have spirit, how 'bout you?"

This chant, yelled at the top of my lungs while standing on my chair in the Dining Hall at Lakeland (of blessed memory) is a memory that still gives me a visceral adrenaline rush whenever I think of camp.

Jewish summer camp plays an integral role in our children's lives. It is often the springboard that solidifies Jewish identity for adolescents.

Whether it is a Jewish day camp through PALS-Kadimah, the JCC, or a sleep-away camp like Camp George in Canada or Camp Seneca Lake in the Finger Lakes, camp is an amazing experience. Our kids often come home excited about who they are and the friendships they have made. Camp gives them an opportunity to develop more profound and new connections to the varied, beautiful rituals that are observed at their camps, especially during Shabbat.

This year's Shabbat Shira theme is camp. Please join us in our beautiful Sanctuary on Friday, January 26, for a special worship experience that will use many melodies that are part of the musical tradition of camps. It will be an evening of ruach (spirit) and fun.

We'd love to see you that evening as we celebrate Shabbat Shira as Sha-Camp Shira. Wear your favorite camp T-shirts and apparel. Stay after for a very special Camp Oneg - with bug juice and gorp! You certainly don't want to miss this Shabbat.

Cantor Penny Myers

Learn More About Camp Opportunities

Each summer our children have the opportunity to attend a Jewish Camp, whether it be in the Finger Lakes of New York or in the countryside north of Toronto.

On Sunday, January 7, representatives from both Camp Seneca Lake and Camp George will visit TBZ at the Broder Center during Religious School. Parents are invited to hear presentations, and the representatives are happy to meet some of the kids. We hope many of our families will consider sending their child/children to camp this summer.

Discussing, Dining, and More

Deli Judaism

Wednesday, January 3

Noon - 1 p.m.

Joe's Deli, 534 Elmwood Ave.

What does Judaism say about...?

We start with Torah and Talmud, and we end up in the ethics and politics.

Could happen!

Have an opinion – bring it!

No prerequisites – everyone welcome.

Materials provided.

No host lunch.

Talmud Talk

Wednesdays, January 10, February 7

Noon – 1 p.m.

Milos, 5877 Main St., Williamsville

All our Judaism, especially Reform Judaism, starts in the Talmud.

Everyone welcome – we are all beginners in the ocean of Jewish learning.

Materials provided.

No host lunch.

Jolt of Judaism

Wednesdays, January 17, February 28

Noon - 1 p.m.

The Daily Planet, 1862 Hertel Ave.

Have a burning Jewish question and a midday need for caffeine?

Join the Jolt of Judaism and discuss any and all topics from a Jewish perspective over wake-up beverages and light lunches.

Send questions and topics for discussion to Rabbi Jonathan.

Open to all.

No host refreshments.

Torah Study

Saturday mornings

9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Temple Beth Zion, 805 Delaware Ave.

TBZ's clergy delve into the week's reading from Torah, the Five Books of Moses. Learned and open-ended, join this group and discuss how our ancient texts still bring meaning to our Twenty-First Century lives.

Coffee provided.

Looking for something you don't see here? Let us know by e-mailing Rabbi Jonathan (rabbifreirich@tbz.org).

National Congregational Assessment Project

I am excited to share that TBZ has been selected by the URJ (Union of Reform Judaism) to participate in its January 2018 congregational benchmarking study group. This is an ideal opportunity for TBZ to work with leaders in the field to conduct a three-part assessment of our Congregation: Congregational Survey, Financial/Operating Data Evaluation, and Board Self-Assessment.

As part of this URJ study group, TBZ will look inwardly on how we do things from a Congregation, Board and staff point of view. We will have the added benefit of seeing how TBZ compares to other congregations of similar size, location and histories so we can truly understand where we are doing well and where there is room to improve. As a study group participant, we do not have to do this alone – we will receive support from the consultants, the URJ, and be provided a specific mentor to help us understand and, most importantly, act on the results.

Your input is needed and critical – there is work for us all to do. As a congregant, a member, you will be invited to share your thoughts through a congregational survey. More information will come. I expect invitations will be sent from our research partner at the end of January/early February. Please make sure that your email address is up to date with the TBZ office. (Hint: If you don't get the weekly Wednesday email, please confirm with the office we have your correct email address.)

Additional information about the project with specific timelines will be posted on our website as we get underway. I thank you in advance for your feedback and greatly look forward to the conversations that we will have together about the results and feedback. If you have any questions, please reach out to me.

Amy Schaefer



In the February Bulletin, we will share with you, and thank, the long and still growing list of Kol Nidre Campaign donors.

In the meantime, we would like to thank the Kol Nidre Committee for its dedication and caring, not just to the

"bottom line," but to the congregants of Temple Beth Zion.

If you have not already pledged to the Campaign, please do so now. If you have pledged but have not yet sent in your check or credit card information, please do. Contact Julie at 836-6565, or simply mail in your contribution.

Jennifer Patrick Amélida & Peter Weinmann 2017-2018 Campaign Co-Chairs

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Shabbat

Civil Rights - From the Sea of Reeds to the City of Good Neighbors

Friday, January 12, 7 p.m. 805 Delaware Avenue

Our Second Annual Pulpit Exchange brings our neighbors together to organize for a city, country, and world, infused with greater justice for everyone.

Keep an eye out in your service programs and weekly emails for details to come, including Rabbi Freirich's sermon at a church on Sunday, January 14, and the City-Wide Day of Action on Monday, January 15.

Winter Kulanu Service

Friday, February 9, 7 p.m. 805 Delaware

All members of the Congregation are invited to join our circle of light and warmth, and to take that light and warmth back into the winter night with them.



This year's service will feature our beloved Kulanu liturgy prepared by Mat'an Schwartz. A special speaker is planned. We will be joined by members of Jewish Pride of Western New York.

Kulanu ("all of us") is Temple Beth Zion's group committed to making our Congregation an embracing and

supportive home for our LGBTQ members of all ages. We are proud to partner with Jewish Pride of WNY to help make our entire community equally supportive and welcoming for all Jews. For more information, or to join with us, please contact Rabbi Scheldt at 836-6565.

Insurance and Point Reduction Program Offered in January

Temple Beth Zion is pleased to announce a terrific benefit. We will offer the New York State-approved motor vehicle insurance and point reduction program. The class will be taught by Warren Clark.

* Receive 10% off your collision and liability insurance premium for three years and up to 4 points reduced from your driving record for 18 months.

Sundays, January 21 and 28, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Temple Beth Zion Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road. You <u>must</u> attend both sessions to get the certificate; it is a 6-hour program.

\$30 per person for Temple Beth Zion members \$35 per person for non-members

To sign up, contact Becky at (716) 836-6565. Class size is limited by state law, so advance registration is required.

805 Delaware Named to Register of Historic Places



Following a detailed review, the State Review Board has recommended to the Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation that Temple

Beth Zion at 805 Delaware be listed on the New York State Register of Historic Places and nominated to the National Register of Historic Places.

This distinguished designation is something that all of us, as stewards of our house of worship, can be proud of. Our spiritual home is a special place, an architectural gem and now, a recognized Historic Place.

We look forward to keeping you updated on the progress of the National Registry decision and what the designations will mean for our congregation and our community.

BBC Band Is Coming to TBZ



Saturday, April 14 7 p.m. 805 Delaware Avenue

Buffalo's own BBC Band, known across the Queen City for their tributes to the Beatles and '60s music, will be playing at TBZ for a fundraising concert. Buffalo Rising said the BBC Band is "Buffalo's best-kept secret."

Open to the entire community. Come and help us have a sold-out crowd. Concert proceeds will go to directly TBZ.

Help is needed – ticket sales, concessions, greeters and, of course, concert-goers. If you are interested in helping plan or work this event, please contact Warren Clark at wec@wareclark.com or Amy Schaefer at 836-6565 or amyschaefer@tbz.org.

Youth and Education

Tzedakah of the Month

In December, while we collected Toys for Fifth Night we also began collecting winter weather gear such as scarves, hats, gloves, mittens, boots and coats for our friends at Jewish Family Service. This collection will continue throughout January.

Each January, the Jewish Federation of Buffalo holds a fundraiser called Super Sunday. We have continually supported Super Sunday by having our 6th & 7th graders attend and donated our Tzedakah collection from the month to Super Sunday.

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Please RSVP to Kara Kane at 836-6565, Ext. 112 or kara@tbz.org

Upcoming Religious School Events

Jan 6 5 th Grade Shabbaton – TBZ De	laware, 10 a.m.	
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Jan 7 Classes resume

Sunday Tots

Jan 14 No Religious School

Jan 28 6th & 7th Grade program at the JCC

Ian 30 Potluck Dinner & Tu biShvat Seder

Delaware building at 5:30 p.m.

Emergency Closing Information

In the event of inclement weather, please watch WKBW-Channel 7, WGRZ-Channel 2 or WIVB-Channel 4 for closing information. We will also include school closing information on our phone system at 836-6565 and on our Facebook pages. School closing decisions are made independent of local school districts.



Sha-Camp Shira

Friday, January 26, 7 p.m. Happy half hour begins at 6:30

Whether you went to sleep-away camp or day camp, this energetic service features the music and songs of the camps that our TBZ children attend.

There will be special camp treats too!

Busy Sundays in December



Students in the consecration class make Torah holders.



Each year the students look forward to the Chanukah Bazaar.



Enjoying Winter

Shalom and Happy New Year,

Our TBZ youth groups are busy and have a winter season filled with many events and programs.

Our first 6th -12th grade program in January is on Sunday the 14^{th} and is at Lasertron.

Also, for our TBaZYites, we are traveling to Cleveland for NFTY-NEL Winter Kallah February 2 - 4. Any 9th through 12th graders wanting more information about NFTY-NEL, or if you are interested in any of our youth groups, please feel free to email us at youth@tbz.org or call us at 867-8541.

Beth and Tammy



Representatives from TBaZY attended the NFTY-NEL Fall Kallah in November. The weekend took place in Thornhill, Ontario, with Temples Har Zion and Kol Ami hosting. Attendees participated in a hands-on Social Action project and other fun and interesting activities.

Honorable Menschen

To Badding Brothers Farm Market, who have donated fresh produce for the Town Square Food Pantry every week from August through the end of November. Their generosity is greatly needed and appreciated.

To Kaarsten Wisnock for hosting Women of the Book.

To Bob Skerker for providing tours of our beautiful Sanctuary for Explore Buffalo and for architectural students.

To Ken Graber for leading a tour for the Canisius Interfaith Religion class.

To Rabbis Alex Lazurus-Klein, Rabbi Sarah Rich and Rabbi Ori Bergman for leading Shabbat Magic for the PALS-Kadimah children. The children are very fortunate to get to know and learn from the Rabbi moms and dads of PALS-Kadimah.

To Cindy Oppenheimer for taking care of getting the Temple's Hanukiah repaired.



Check In for New Year

We wish everyone a wonderful New Year. As you turn to the first page of your new calendar, why not write your new check to join Brotherhood? We are still looking forward to exceeding last year's membership total and are very close to accomplishing that now.

Annual membership is still only \$25, but we have two additional levels of membership at \$36 and \$50 for those who wish to contribute to Brotherhood and assist in funding our programs. If you have not responded to your membership mailing, please do so now and help us continue our service to the Temple and Congregation.

Your membership helps underwrite scholarships for the Religious School and to the pre-school program, Brotherhood's annual support of youth programs and capital contributions to the Temple. Between your membership dues and Brotherhood's fundraising programs, all our funds go back to the Temple.

January's Achim program will be held at 10 a.m. on the 14th in the Weinberg Campus Meadows second-floor lounge. The residents will enjoy an informative program by Errol Sull, a Brotherhood member and frequent presenter, local author, educator and culinary expert, and a very nice community breakfast. Stop by and see what it's is all about.

Please feel free to contact the Brotherhood at TBZBrotherhood@aol.com with any suggestions you may have in regard to programming, fundraising or any issue or area that you think Brotherhood's involvement would be of benefit.

Philip Chazen

Mazel Tov!

To artist and TBZ member Eta Rottenberg on opening a Buffalo Roots store at the Walden Galleria. The store sells Buffalo-themed gifts, clothing and accessories.

Eta designed the popular "Four Seasons Buffalo" watercolor, depicting four trees topped with a buffalo composed of summer flowers, fall leaves, winter snowflakes or spring buds. Her work is also sold in some local stores, including the Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaic Shop.

Please note: We relish the opportunity to offer Mazel Tov! for the simchas and achievements in the lives of our community members. We often include notes of congratulations on births, weddings, awards and various other events. We are counting on you to share your good news with us so we can share with the community. Simply send an email to Julie Feldman at julie@tbz.org or call her at 836-6565.

Presidents' Message

We wish everyone a Happy New Year! After a very busy and successful December, we are looking forward to many activities in the new year. We hope many of you will



join us at Webster's Kitchen on January 21 for our "Demo and Dine" luncheon, which promises to be informative and delicious.

Save the date for our Women's Seder on Sunday, March 18; our "Donors' Brunch" on Sunday, April 29; and Sisterhood Sabbath on Friday, May 11. Sylvia Morris Theatre bus trips are also being planned for June and August.

If you haven't yet joined Sisterhood, it's not too late to send in your dues. They are only \$40, and you will reap so many benefits: You'll meet new friends, enjoy varied activities that are fun and informative, and participate in fundraising projects that help our Temple and charities. Mail your check, payable to TBZ Sisterhood, to Margy Zeckhauser, 36 Wingate Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14216.

Please feel free to call us about any of the things you are interested in.

Marilyn Schillroth 832-4757 Sharon Winer 741-4200 Susan Bruckheimer 982-2099

Walk With Us

Our Sisterhood walking group is indoors for the winter. We generally meet on a weekend morning at 8:30 at the Boulevard Mall entrance across from Macy's. We have a great time, chat the whole time and do some window shopping too. Join us!

If you are new and plan to join us for the first time, please email Carole at weincsw@verizon.net so we will know to watch for you.

Sister to Sister

If you know of a Sisterhood member who is ill, has had surgery or an accident or a death in her family, please take a moment to notify our Corresponding Secretary, Susan Ward Nadler, by calling her at 689-4682 or sending her an email at: shoshana37@yahoo.com so she can send a note on behalf of Sisterhood. We'd like to let our members know that we are thinking of them, so please help us do that by letting Susan know.

Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

January Sale Specials Select Chanukah items tax-free

Store hours: Sundays 9 a.m. to noon Thursdays 4-6 p.m.

Still available in the shop: Save Around Buffalo coupon books, \$25 Anderson's Ice Cream coupon books, \$4

Thank you for shopping at the Chanukah Bazaar. We are proud to be able provide our children and the community with items for their Chanukah celebrations.

Thank you to all the people who volunteered to help set up, sell and pack up at the end.

For information or to help out, call Susan at (716) 835-0421 or email susan_b@roadrunner.com

By supporting the Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop, you support the TBZ Youth Scholarship Fund.

Sylvia Morris Theater Bus Trips



Grand Hotel

June 28, 2018
Festival Theatre
Niagara-on-the-Lake
Love. Murder. Jealousy. Tangos.
It's the most glamorous and
exciting musical of the year.

Come From Away

August 2018

Royal Alexandria Theatre, Toronto

A remarkable true story. A celebration of humanity.
A modest, earnest, life-affirming musical.

Check your February Bulletin for more details.



Demo & Dine Luncheon



Webster's Kitchen 110 Webster Street, North Tonawanda Sunday, January 21, at 11:30 a.m.

Enjoy a cooking demonstration with a three-course lunch. Luncheon is open to all women and men.

> **First course - Soup** Creamy Squash Bisque

> Second course - Entrée

Choice of Salmon en Croute OR Chicken Française (Cooking demo will feature the salmon)

> **Third course - Dessert** Crème Brulee

Coffee, tea and water included. (Wine or beer is available for an extra charge.) Cost: \$35 per person inclusive.

Seating is limited, so reserve your spot today. The deadline for reservations is January 4.

Demo & Dine Luncheon

Name:
Phone #:
Email #:
Salmon Chicken Française = Total Guests
$\hfill \Box$ Yes, I am interested in carpooling from the Broder Center.
Mail reservation with your check made out to TB2
Sisterhood to: Sandra Wolchok, 6872 Forestview Drive
Lockport, NY 14094.

If you have any questions, contact Marilyn Schillroth at

832-4757.

Holy Rollers - Lunch and More

Friday, January 19, Noon 805 Delaware Avenue

Please join our reinvigorated Holy Rollers us as we unroll and maintain our 13 "sifrei Torah" – the Torah scrolls in our arks in the Sanctuary, the Sisterhood Chapel and at the Broder Center in Amherst.

Sharing in the presence of these beautiful hand-written scrolls is a unique experience.

Join us for lunch and an opportunity to begin servicing our Torah scrolls.

Lunch provided.

Please RSVP to Rabbi Jonathan at rabbifreirich@tbz.org.

Bereavement Support Group

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

The TBZ Bereavement Support Group is lay-led by members of the group in an informal and warm setting. All members of the community are welcome.

If you would like more information and to find out the next meeting date, call Carol Caserta at (716) 873-2836.



Family Promise

I am pleased to announce that after a short hiatus, we will again be active in feeding the homeless families in Family Promise. We will be assisting St. Stephens-Bethlehem United Church of Christ. It is located at 750 Wehrle Drive, almost at the corner Union Road. It is easily accessible to the city residents as well as the suburban residents. I have met with the coordinator of the church and also toured the church and it has a great deal to offer these families. They host five times during the year. We will join them in March.

We will start out by volunteering for one night and perhaps increase it to two after we have become acclimated to our new surroundings. If you have assisted during the last five years, or if you have never helped and would like to, please get in touch with me. I am organizing a new volunteer list and plan on having a meeting sometime in the new year.

Please join us for this amazing opportunity to volunteer and help people that have lost so much. Families are always welcome. Please contact me at swiner4@gmail.com or 741-4200.

Sharon Winer



Developing a love for reading and books gets children off to a great start. These PALS buddies are comparing their reading materials - and having a great time!

See below if you are interested in helping keep the library stocked with great new books for our kids.

Honor That Special Somebody

What better way to honor somebody special than to donate a new book in their honor? Donate a book and share in the growth of the TBZ Library. New books can be chosen from a selection of new titles.

Your book(s) will display a bookplate naming the person of honor inside the front cover.

Books are \$18 each; however, contributions of any amount are welcome.

Name
Phone
I/We wish to donate \$ for the purchase of book(s)
Type of Book (optional):
In Honor/Memory of:
Please notify:
Address: Please send form with your check made out to TBZ

Please send form with your check made out to TBZ Library Fund to: Temple Beth Zion, 700 Sweet Home Road, Buffalo, NY 14226.

Shabbat Unplugged -Jews in Jeans

Friday, February 2, at 7 p.m. Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

Join us for a coffeehouse-style worship service with mellow music and melodies to warm your winter souls. Congregation Beth Abraham will also join us for this special Shabbat. Wear your jeans and get cozy with us.

Women of the Book

Women of the Book will meet on Thursday, January 18. We will continue our discussion about our new books, *Pirkei Imahot* and the *Women of the Wall Siddur*.

Women of the Book meets once a month at members' homes from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Contact Jennelle at jennelle@tbz.org or 836-6565 for the location, to order the books or if you have any questions.

TBZ Ride Sharing

Let's help each other! We often get calls in the office from members who need some assistance in getting to TBZ services and events. If you are willing to lend a hand (or rather a seat in your car) to those in our TBZ family, please let us know.

We are gathering a list of people who may be able to give someone a ride to services or other TBZ events so that we can check with you when we have a member who needs a ride. The list will be based on address, so when there is a need in your area we know whom to call.

Please contact Jennelle at 836-6565, Ext. 132, if you are able to help or in need of help.

Away for the Winter?

If you are heading south for a month or more, let us know where you will be staying so we can do our best to make sure you continue to receive your mail in a timely manner.

If we don't have your winter address, contact Julie in the Temple office at 836-6565 or julie@tbz.org to send the address via email.

Office Schedule

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Mondays, January 1 and January 15. If you have an emergency and need to reach a member of our staff, call (716) 836-6565 and follow the instructions.

PALS-Kadimah Pre-School Open House

Broder Center for Jewish Education 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst Thursday, January 25, 9:15 - noon for toddlers (2 years of age by December 1)

Friday, January 26, 9:15 - 2 p.m. for 3 and 4-year olds

PALS-Kadimah is a warm, welcoming, Jewish community pre-school with an enriched Judaic, Hebrew and values-based curriculum. Through creative play and experiential learning our children thrive and discover the world around them.

Come see us in action! Meet the teachers, share Shabbat Magic, explore our classrooms and experience all that PALS-Kadimah has to offer. Join us for all or part of the day. We welcome you.

Contact Melissa Milch for details: pals@tbz.org or (716) 836-6565, Ext. 139.

Tot Shabbat Hop

Friday, January 19, 5:45 p.m. Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

Please join us for an evening of snacks, song, stories, prayer and fun! For more information, contact Melissa Milch at 836-6565, Ext. 139, or pals@tbz.org





Shabbat Magic (above) and making corn husk dolls.









Career exploration? Uber driver, builders and chefs. Finally, our newest and youngest Administrative Assistant. Independent play leaves lots of room for creativity. There is no limit to their imagination.



The Turkey Basket Project was a huge success. Thank you to Sharron Frommann who coordinates our donations and to all the families who generously donated food and money.



Among this year's Turkey Trot participants were TBZ's own Rabbi Jonathan Freirich, Cantor Penny Myers and Saul, Hunter and Bennett Myers. Go team!

Jewish Federation Clergy Interfaith Mission to Israel

Among the travelers on the Interfaith Mission was TBZ's Cantor Penny Myers. She shared with us these amazing photos including: with Rabbis Perry Netter and Alex Lazarus Klein at Buffalo's partnership regional hospital; with Franciscan Monk Reverend Greg, who led mass on one of the mornings of the trip; a festive dinner with tablemates Lana and Howard Benatovich, Reverend Darius Pridgen, Monique Pridgen, Reverend Craig Pridgen and Reverends Xandra and Jim Wells.









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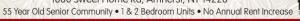
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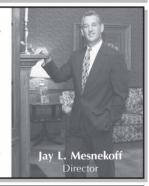


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