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In the coming weeks we will send to all members of the Temple Beth Zion family information on the 2018 Kol Nidre Campaign. The Annual Giving Campaign is critical to the mission and membership of TBZ.

When you receive your Kol Nidre Campaign materials, please send in your pledge. We are personally asking *every* congregant to make a pledge to the campaign.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

2018-2019 Kol Nidre Campaign Co-Chairs, Peter and Amèlida Weinmann

## S'lichot - An Evening to Start the Season of Repentance

"Challenging Our Souls"
Saturday, September 1
Temple Beth Zion Broder Center
700 Sweet Home Road
8:30 p.m. – Light refreshments
9 p.m. – Havdalah
9:10 p.m. – Learning and discussions
10 p.m. – S'lichot Service

Join Cantors Arlene Frank, Irwin Gelman,
Penny Myers, and Mark Spindler, and Rabbis Sam Barth,
Jonathan Freirich, Alex Lazarus-Klein and Sara Rich,
for an evening of engaging discussion,
meaningful worship, and inspiring liturgy,
as we begin the Days of Awe together.



## **Decorate the Sukkah**

Saturday, September 22 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Service 12:15 Pizza Lunch 805 Delaware Avenue

Adults and children are invited to come and decorate the outdoor Sukkah at 805 Delaware Avenue. All the decorations are supplied - just bring your creativity.

There is no charge for lunch but we need your reservation. Please RSVP by contacting Susan at (716) 982-2099.



Erev Sukkot Celebration
At the Home of Cantor Penny and Dr. Bennett Myers
Sunday, September 23, from 6 to 9 p.m.
Dessert potluck

Join your TBZ friends and come wave lulav, visit the sukkah, build your own edible sukkah and roast marshmallows by the outdoor fire.

Don't miss it! To RSVP, call 836-6565.

Joint Sukkot Morning Service Monday, September 24, 10:30 a.m. Congregation Shir Shalom, 4660 Sheridan Drive Lunch following service

TEMPLE BETH ZION



## Letter from the President

It is hard to believe that the High Holidays are almost upon us. For me, August was kind of a blur getting my kids ready to return to college. Shlepping stuff and kids to Boston and Binghamton. Making lists, going to Target, Wegmans and worrying. All of us get caught up in the busy details of our lives. The summer sped by, and now here we are preparing for Yom Tov.

As important as it is to attend to our families, job and community obligations, Yom Tov obligates us to take stock of ourselves to prepare for the New Year. The poet, Marge Piercy, wrote about this period of self examination in "Coming up on September"

The New Year is a great door that stands across the evening and Yom Kippur is the second door. Between them are song and silence, stone and clay pot. to be filled from within myself.

I will find there both ripeness and rot, what I have done and undone, what I must let go with the waning days and what I must take in. With the last tomatoes, we harvest the fruit of our lives.

During these first two months of my presidency it has been my pleasure to spend time with a number of our congregants. I listened to their thoughts and concerns for our beloved Temple Beth Zion. It has been tremendously moving to me to know that there are so many people who feel passionately about our shul.

On July 17 our board had an orientation - beautifully led by TBZ member Michelle Bulan. We had dinner, did an ice breaking game and then got to work. We brainstormed on the areas on which we want to focus as a board for the coming year. Those areas are - Development (both financial and board development), Lifelong Learning, Engagement/ Membership, Communication, and Facilities.

We are working on creating task forces to engage our members begin to do the work to make our synagogue the best it can be. It is challenging to try to meet the needs of 800 families, but that is our goal. In Pirkei Avot it states that ..."you are not obligated to complete the work, but neither are you free to abandon it." I want to assure you that your board is working very hard to do the Temple's business.

As we are about to begin the Days of Awe, my family and I want to wish you and all of your loved ones a New Year filled with sweetness and good health. May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year. Shanah Tovah.

Julie Dressler Weinberg



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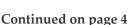
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# All Shabbat services, except as noted, are held at 805 Delaware Avenue. Torah study is held every Saturday at 9:15 a.m.

Saturday, September 1 Shabbat Morning Service S'lichot Service @ Broder	10:30 a.m. 8:30 p.m.
Friday, September 7  Kabbalat Shabbat Service @ Broder  Birthday & Anniversary Blessings	6 p.m.
Service at Amberleigh	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, September 8	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Bat Mitzvah of Melanie Cooper	
Service at Canterbury Woods	11 a.m.
Sunday, September 9	
Erev Rosh Hashanah	8 p.m.
Monday, September 10	
Children's Service	9 a.m.
Alternate Family Service @ Becker Farms	10 a.m.
Rosh Hashanah Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Tashlich at Canalside	5 p.m.
Friday, September 14	
Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6 p.m.
Saturday, September 15	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
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Sunday, September 16	
Cemetery Service at Forest Lawn	Noon
Tuesday, September 18	
Erev Yom Kippur	8 p.m.
Wednesday, September 19	
Tot Service	9 a.m.
Family Service	9 a.m.
Yom Kippur Morning Service	11:30 a.m.
Yom Kippur Afternoon Service	3:15 p.m.
Yizkor/Memorial and N'ilah/Concluding Service	4:15 p.m.
Friday, September 21	
Kabbalat Evening Service	6 p.m.





Leder from the Rabbi

## **Holy Days, Holy Actions**

How can I change for the better? How can I better contribute to a better world?

Self-evaluation and self-improvement, and then figuring out how to effect improvement in the world around us, are the heart of our Days of Awe: Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

This theme starts with the outside world and concludes with us. We begin with the holy day about the whole universe – Rosh Hashanah is also called the "birthday of the world" – and reach our peak with our day of personal introspection and repentance on Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement.

The Jewish calendar seems to say that working to improve the world helps us create better habits and personal norms. When we work to be a contributing part of a community then we find ways to work on ourselves.

Above, I started with my natural inclination – work on my soul and then the world. This may not work as well as I would like it to. The order of the Holy Days asks us to reverse this.

We should use our actions as the way to improve our thoughts, feelings, and spirit. Jewish wisdom recognizes that getting our fullest self to move in the right direction may be the best way to pull our hearts, minds, and spirits along for the effort.

Start with the good deed. Better thoughts and feelings follow in its wake.

We will be working on these actions and ideas in many ways during the holiest month of the Jewish year:

S'lichot – The Opening of the Days of Awe

Rosh Hashanah - The New Year

Shabbat Tshuvah – The Sabbath of Return – Friday evening and Saturday, September 14 and 15

Spiritual Place-Making Havdalah at Canalside

Annual Memorial Service at Forest Lawn

Yom Kippur – The Day of Atonement

First Night of Sukkot - The Feast of Booths

Consecration and Simchat Torah – Celebrating Torah

Information on all of these can be found in this Bulletin.

I look forward to acting for the better together in September and sharing our holiest days with all of you.

I am so grateful for the blessings of our Temple Beth Zion family.

L'Shanah tovah – a good New Year to all of you, Jonathan

## Message for the New Year

On Rosh Hashanah we proclaim the universal dominion of the divine. The Jewish New Year trumpets the importance of Creation, of a universal family of humanity, and of a universal understanding about the dignity of each and every human life.

Jewish traditions place Yom Kippur right after Rosh Hashanah to remind us that the seriousness with which we take the moral teachings of Judaism should never paralyze us with feelings of sin, guilt, or moral inadequacy. Our God who is Ruler on Rosh Hashanah is felt on Yom Kippur to be a loving parent who constantly accepts our frailties and keeps the doors of moral renewal always open.

[A reflection inspired by the words of Rabbi David Hartman]

As the Days of Awe, our High Holy Days, approach, we wish the entirety of our Temple Beth Zion family, and the Western New York Jewish community the full celebration of the blessings of creation and the energy and courage to dream up and work for a better future together.

To all of you, we wish *l'Shanah Tovah!* – a good New Year – and *G'mar Chatimah Tovah* – a good inscription for life in the year to come,

Rabbi Jonathan Freirich, Judy Henn, and Cantor Penny Myers

# **Erev Simchat Torah** and Consecration



Sunday, September 30 805 Delaware

5 p.m. dinner followed by 6 p.m. Service

Come and participate in the unrolling the entire Torah. Celebrate with our students and their families as they begin their formal studies. Dinner will be provided - reservations are required. Dinner attendees are asked to bring a dessert to share for approximately 15 people. Volunteers will be needed for setup and cleanup.

Call the Temple office at (716) 836-6565 by September 21 to place your dinner reservation.

## **Joint Simchat Torah Service**

Monday, October 1, at 10:30 a.m. 805 Delaware

Lunch will follow the service.

## A Rabbi and a TBZ Member Sit Down for Lunch...

...no joke! Rabbi Jonathan wants to meet TBZ members every week. If you haven't yet sat down for coffee, lunch, or any other type of meeting that you prefer, even in the Rabbi's office, please call Jennelle (716-836-6565) and get on Rabbi Jonathan's calendar.

Also, Jennelle will be calling TBZ people to set up meetings – please call her back!

Rabbi Jonathan looks forward to continuing to learn about as many TBZ families as he can.

L'Shanah Tovah – a Good New Year!

## **Worship Opportunities**

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Saturday, September 22

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m. Canterbury Woods Service 11 a.m.

Sunday, September 23

Erev Sukkot Service at Cantor Myers House 6 p.m.

Monday, September 24

Sukkot Service at Congregation Shir Shalom 10:30 a.m.

Friday, September 28

Tot Shabbat at Broder 5:45 p.m. Kabbalat Evening Service 6 p.m.

Saturday, September 29

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Kane

Sunday, September 30

Erev Simchat Torah & Consecration 6 p.m.

Monday, October 1

Joint Simchat Torah/ Yizkor Service 10:30 a.m.

## **Bereavement Support Group**

Thursday, September 27, at 7 p.m. Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

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

To RSVP, or if you would like more information, call Carol Caserta at (716) 873-2836.



#### **Service Schedule**

#### Rosh Hashanah:

Sunday, September 9, 8 p.m. Evening Service Monday September 10, 9 a.m. Tot Service & Program Monday September 10, 10:30 a.m. Traditional Service **Yom Kippur:** 

Tuesday September 18, 8 p.m. Evening Service Wednesday September 19, 9 a.m. Family Service Wednesday September 19, 9 a.m. Tot Service & Program Wednesday September 19, 11:30 a.m. Traditional Service Wednesday September 19, 3:15 p.m. Traditional Service Wednesday September 19, 4:15 p.m. Yizkor Service Wednesday September 19, 5:45 p.m. Break the Fast

#### **Greeters and Ushers**

Greeters and Ushers for the High Holy Days are needed. If you are interested, please contact usher captain Sandy Beckman at ssbeck332@verizon.net, phone (716) 633-1142 or cell (716) 864-9174. Our thanks to those who have already volunteered.

## **Live Streaming High Holy Day Services**

All High Holy Day Services held in the Sanctuary will be accessible for those who are not able to join us in person. The link for streaming services is available on the lower left side of the TBZ website (www.tbz.org) and on the TBZ FaceBook page.

### **Yom Kippur Food Drive**

Once again, our youth group, TBaZY, is collecting food for our Town Square Food Pantry. Our food pantry feeds many families and households in need, and has seen that need rise. On Yom Kippur, the most important fast day of the Jewish Year, it is such a powerful statement that we help those who have limited options and would otherwise go hungry.

# Tashlich - Casting Away Our Transgressions Monday, September 10, at 5 p.m. Canalside

Meet us on the Whipple Truss bridge over the commercial slip near Liberty Hound. We will sound the shofar and toss bird seed into the water, as we symbolically rid ourselves of the transgressions of the last year. Everyone welcome - celebrate the New Year with this very brief and beautiful ritual.

(Note: No bread please - it is unhealthy for waterfowl)

## Special Blessing for Spouses, Parents Who Happen Not to Be Jewish

We will recognize the extraordinary efforts non-Jews at Temple Beth Zion make in order to create Jewish families and raise Jewish children by offering a special blessing during the Yom Kippur morning service when the Torah is chanted. If you are one of these wonderful people, we hope that you will plan to attend so that we can call you up to the *bimah* to honor and bless you before the Congregation. The main Yom Kippur morning service will begin at 11:30 on Wednesday, September 19, in the Sanctuary.

#### **Ticket Information**

High Holy Day tickets were mailed on August 16. If you have not received your tickets by September 1, call the Temple office at 836-6565.

#### **Tishrei Memorial Service**

A Memorial service will be held Sunday, September 16. Join Rabbi Jonathan Freirich at noon at Forest Lawn (section Z) for a brief service in memory of beloved members of our families. This service offers comfort to the living while strengthening ties to our departed loved ones during the High Holy Day season.

#### Start the New Year with a Mitzvah

The Caring Community will be making Rosh Hashanah baskets and delivering them to our members at nursing homes and those who find it hard to get around.

We really need your help with baking and delivering baskets. This is a wonderful Mitzvah, and the recipients are very appreciative.

Please call Ann Marie at 836-6565, Ext. 111 if you are able to participate. We are in need of basket assemblers and deliverers. Baskets will be assembled with goodies on Friday, September 14 and delivered Sunday, September 16.

#### **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 for High Holy Day services or are in need of a ride, please contact Jennelle at 836-6565, Ext. 132, or jennelle@tbz.org.

#### Office Schedule

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Mondays, September 3, 10 and 24 and Wednesday, September 19. If you have an emergency and need to reach a member of our staff, call (716) 836-6565 and follow the instructions.

## **Board Notes**

The TBZ Board of Trustees is hard at work to support and strengthen the TBZ family. Following is a summary of recent discussions at the TBZ Board Orientation Meeting held July 17.

The new 2018-2019 board held an orientation session to identify the key priorities of the board to focus their work on over the coming year. In addition to setting priorities, we spent time getting to know each other and introducing our new board members. We spoke about what and where we as individuals and as a board want to see at TBZ. Our ideas centered around six principles:

- 1. Improving Financial Stability
- 2. Increasing Engagement among Membership and the Community
- 3. Identifying a strategy for our Buildings and Facilities
- 4. Re-energizing our planned giving and Fink Legacy Society programs
- 5. Providing Learning Opportunities for all ages
- 6. Improving our marketing and communication to our members and the community

These beginning ideas will shape the focus and decision making of the board and staff as we continue throughout the year. Our work is not completed with only one meeting and these ideas will continue to shape our discussions at future meetings. There are many other things important to our TBZ family so these will not be the only initiatives that we work on this year. Still, the board is committing to these principles as important priorities that need to be our focus for the long-term health of our community. We are excited to share more information on these ideas at our upcoming Community Forum on September 26, at 805 Delaware Avenue and through future communications.

If you wish to submit a topic to be discussed at an upcoming Board Meeting, please contact Julie Dressler Weinberg (<a href="mailto:president@tbz.org">president@tbz.org</a>) or Amy Schaefer (<a href="mailto:amyschaefer@tbz.org">amyschaefer@tbz.org</a>). The next scheduled board meeting is Tuesday, October 9.

## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

Temple Beth Zion is a Reform congregation that enriches Jewish lives, promotes Jewish values, strengthens Jewish bonds and fosters lifelong learning. Our congregation celebrates the rich diversity of our Jewish community, preserves sacred traditions while encouraging innovation, and affirms our Judaism through words and deeds.

Adopted by the congregation on June 8, 2012



Welcome Fall! TBaZY is TBZ's youth group for children in grades 3-5 (Jr TBaZY) and grade 6-12 (Sr TBaZY).

## Fall Events for Sr TBaZY (grades 6-12):

Volunteers are needed to collect donated food during Yom Kippur services at the Delaware building on September 19 before and in-between services.

Opening Event - Sunday, September 30, time to be determined, Camp Centerland ropes course/zip line and climbing wall! Join us to kick off a great TBaZY year.

NFTY-NEL Reginal Event - October 19-21 at URJ Camp George in Ontario. L'Dor V'Dor is a great way to build leadership skills in a fun camp-style weekend.

## Fall Events for Jr TBaZY (grades 3-5):

Pumpkin Explores Day - October 7, time to be determined. Join us as we spend he afternoon at the Pumpkin Farm picking pumpkins, taking hay rides and tasting yummy snacks.

Registration forms for the programs listed will be sent via email, so watch your in-box for more details. For further information on how you can become involved in the TBaZY programs please contact advisors Tammy VanWey at (716) 867-8541 or Beth Shapiro at (716) 609-2450. We look forward to another fantastic year!



## **Behind the Scenes**

In the last few summer days, our PALS-Kadimah teachers have been hard at work stocking up for the start of the 2018-2019 school year. Here are our top 5 tasks:

- \*Buy tissue...lots and lots of tissue. Once in a while the children need it, but the first few days of school it is all for the parents as they drop their children off for the first time.
- \*Stock up on chocolate chips. Busted! Sometimes your teachers fill their snack cups with a little Toll-House to get over the hump.
- \*Channel our inner interior designer: Set up the comfy corner, the block center, dramatic play, you name it!
- \*Crayons, playdough, paint and glue, oh my! Gather everything needed to get those fine motor muscles and creative juices flowing.
- \*Channel love, joy and excitement! This is the easiest part of our list. We love our families, feel joy every time we see those smiling PALS-Kadimah faces and are so excited to start the new year!

We are still accepting registration for our 2018-2019 school year and would love the opportunity to show you around! Please contact us (pals@tbz.org or 836-6565) for a tour or if you would like more information.

Melissa Milch





## **A New Year**

An Exciting Year is planned!

Our mission is to create a loving and caring learning environment where our students and families:

- **★** grow a love for Judaism, their Jewish community, and the world in which we live *Ahavah* (*love*)
- **★** learn Jewish traditions and blessings *Torah* (*learning*)
- \* develop a deep bond to our Jewish history and to Jews everywhere *Israel (people & land)*

We have been busy over the summer revising the curriculum for the upcoming school year. We have brought back Hebrew Enrichment for those in grades 1-2 that are looking for more, and we have extended our day on Sunday for some students to include Hebrew intensive classes.

We will assess the grade level knowledge of Hebrew for each child during the first two Sundays to place them in the appropriate level of learning for classes focusing on Hebrew on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. We can't wait to share with you all the methods we are implementing to help your child(ren) succeed at Temple Beth Zion's Religious School.

The Consecration Service for students in Kindergarten and newly registered students in grades K-3 will take place on Erev Simchat Torah, September 30, at TBZ's Delaware building. We will have a 5 p.m. dinner followed by the service at 6 p.m. We hope that you will join us to mark this special life-cycle milestone for our younger congregants.

If you have any questions regarding Temple Beth Zion's Religious School or would like registration information, please contact me at (716) 836-6565 or <a href="mailto:kara@tbz.org">kara@tbz.org</a>.

Kara Kane Religious School Director

## Opening Day and Open House Sunday, September 16

8:30 a.m. Registration and light breakfast

9:00 a.m. All Students to their classrooms

9:15 a.m. All Parents to the Social Hall

10:15 a.m. Tefillah for all students and parents

11:00 a.m. Students return to classrooms

Parents schmooze with Clergy

11:30 a.m. Dismissal





## Melanie Hannah Cooper Saturday, September 8

Daughter of: Robyn Cooper Mitzvah Project: Dance With Me Donating to: SPCA Serving Erie County



## Ethan Kane Saturday, September 29

Son of: Kara and Sean Kane Mitzvah Project and Donating to: 11-Day Power Play and Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Institute



## **New Members**

Anthony Kew & Beth Rosner-Kew Daniel Tobias & Sarah Sonenberg Gary & Margery Abelson Jennifer Messinger



To Marna and Irwin Burstein on celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

To Cantor Penny Myers on being invited by Dr. Mordechai Sobol and Zohar Zaltzto be the fifth female Cantor to record in Eshel studios in Tel Aviv. Cantor Myers recorded Kol Nidre with a huge symphony orchestra and male choir. The recording will be available on a variety of platforms, including iTunes.

## **Harvest Reminder**

Attention, gardeners! As your garden harvest is ready to



be picked, please remember that the Food Pantry can accept donations of fresh vegetables and fruit on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please call the Food Pantry at (716) 391-2921, if you have questions on how to share your bounty.



## The New Year

A very happy New Year to all! Our membership drive is going on now. Sisterhood does much to support our Temple and we need you to support us!

Sisterhood's "new" year will start with our Opening Luncheon on September 30 at Savatore's. Lunch is only \$18 if you renew your Sisterhood membership by September 20th. We hope all will attend. Judy Henn, our new Clergy Associate, will be our speaker. We will find out about her, "up close and personal," and about her "role" at TBZ.

Sukkah decorating will take place this month too - see information in this issue.

Hopefully many of you will join us for our "Making Strides for Breast Cancer" walk on October 13 at Canalside. It's lots of fun, and a great cause. Also mark your calendar for our annual "Games Galore" party on election day, November 6.

We hope to see everyone at our wonderful events! Marilyn Schillroth and Susan Bruckheimer (Co-Presidents)

## **Annual Opening Luncheon**

The Sisterhood annual Opening Luncheon begins at noon on Sunday, September 30 at Salvatore's Italian Gardens.



Sisterhood members are invited to enjoy a buffet lunch and meet Judy Henn, TBZ's new Clergy Associate, and the featured speaker. The cost is \$18 for members and \$30 for non-members.

Invitations can be found inside the 2018-19 Sisterhood membership dues packet. Dues and reservations must be

paid in advance of the September 20 reservation deadline. Mail checks to Sandra Wolchok, 6872 Forestview Dr., Lockport, NY 14094. Please include seating requests.

Questions may be directed to Marilyn Schillroth, Sisterhood co-president, at (716) 832-4757.

## **Save Around Buffalo Books**

Sisterhood is selling the Save Around Buffalo coupon book for \$25. We know you will love it! It will be available in the Judaica Shop and at the Sisterhood Opening Luncheon. Come into the shop to see all the special restaurants, events, dry cleaners and other items available. Please help support Sisterhood and enjoy dining out.

## Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

For your Shabbat and High Holy Days Celebrations We have a great selection of holiday table and hostess

gifts: Challah covers, plates, knives, candlesticks, candles, Kiddush cups and Havdalah sets

Also for the Holy Days:

Apple & Honey dishes, Shofars, children books, silver liquor sets, tablecloths, new jewelry, Mezzuzahs, and the new TBZ Sisterhood Cook Book

20% off silk and wool Tallit and Tallit bags for women, men and Bar or Bat Mitzvah students.

## **September Shop Hours:**

Sunday, September 16 & 23 - 9 a.m. - noon Thursday, September 27 - 4:30 - 6 p.m. Friday, September 28 - 5:15 - 5:45 p.m.

We are in need of volunteers and we will train you. For more information, contact 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.

## **Haven House Thanks**

The Haven House Luncheon, held on Tuesday, July 17, was again a great success. We raised substantial funds to benefit the Haven House Scholarship Fund, filled a large van with items from their wish list and collected hundreds of dollars in gift cards.

We want to thank Mary Anne Clarke for creating and addressing the invitations and arranging the seating. Thanks also to Carole Weingarten for taking all the reservations. Sharon and I appreciate the support from our TBZ members and guests and to all who brought their delicious salads, kugels, quiches and desserts. Thank you to Dee Block, Mary Anne Clarke, Bob Klein, Elaine Klein, Deborah Mondo, Pam Weinreib and Donna Yablin for making donations for the great baskets for the auctions.

Our guest speaker was a survivor of domestic abuse who shared her life experiences with us. Her presentation was very moving and she explained the importance of Haven House in her life.

Thank you to the Luncheon Committee for all their hard work in making this a memorable event.

Lynn Klein and Sharon Winer

# Docent-Led Tour and Lunch At Albright-Knox Art Gallery

Friday, September 7, 10 a.m. sharp 1285 Elmwood Avenue, Buffalo

The day begins with a docent-led tour of the art gallery, including a special showing of Robert Indiana – A Sculpture Retrospective.





After the tour, lunch will be served in the AK Café of the Gallery. Three delicious menu options are listed below. A non-alcoholic beverage and assorted pastries are also included with lunch.

Any questions? Contact Halli at (716) 553-8883.

## **Albright-Knox Reservation**

Name:
Email:
Phone:
Lunch choice:
Angus sirloin salad
Quiche du jour with side salad
Grilled chicken salad
(please indicate a lunch choice for each person on this reservation)
# attending x \$28 per person = \$ (enclosed)
□ check here if you are an Albright-Knox member
□ check here if you are interested in carpooling

Reservations limited to the first 30 paid reservations, so send yours in today. Please mail this form with your check, made out to TBZ Sisterhood, to: Halli Glina, 1385 Sweeney Street, North Tonawanda, NY 14120.

## **Making Strides**



In August, Clareanne and Marilyn attended the Kickoff Luncheon for the Making Strides for Breast Cancer Walk. The Walk will take place on October 13 and we hope many TBZ congregants and friends will join the Sisterhood team that morning. We hope to raise money that will help end breast cancer!

If you are interested in participating or have questions, please call

Marilyn 832-4757!



## A Great Day in Toronto

The Sisterhood Theatre Bus Trip to see the musical 'Come From Away' was amazing! The musical was funny, interesting, poignant and highly entertaining. Dinner offered something for everyone to enjoy. It was a memorable day.

## Air Force Football Player Bradley Kim: First Openly Gay Athlete at Service Academy

Bradley Kim said, "I did not think this day would ever come, but I've finally reached the point where I am comfortable enough with myself to say that I am gay."



Kim's public announcement is most noteworthy because of his school, where he is the first athlete to come out in the public eye at Air Force, Army or Navy. He will continue to serve in the military after his football career concludes.

Bradley Kim told his teammates and coaches that he came out to finally stop his internal feelings that he has to pretend like he's someone else. He wanted to be an example for other kids that you can be gay, you can pursue your dreams, and you can have an athletic career.

His teammates appreciated the fact that he felt confident enough, and that they meant enough, for him to tell them.

Kim also stated, "I've spent too many years worrying what other people will think and letting it affect what I do in my daily life. I am done with that. It doesn't affect my ability to play football. It doesn't affect my ability to serve my country. No one cares here. We all go through the same thing, we all go through basic training. What we go through at the Academy goes way deeper that worrying about what someone will think."

What does this mean for those struggling with the decision to come out?

What benefits can be realized with being comfortable with being gay?

There is no magical moment for someone to come out especially with fears that one will not be accepted, or worse that a family will reject oneself, or shame and blame you for being real.

Our TBZ community is filled with members who embrace the right for every person to be who they are and to experience respect for being true to oneself. The burden of gender identity secrets can cause feelings of loneliness and isolation.

It is our obligation as Jews to have empathy and understanding for personal struggles and know that we all have more in common than our differences. That is what it means to be a human being!

The courage of Bradley Kim being comfortable with himself — allowing him to declare he is Gay - is an example for all of us to admire.

Submitted by Lindy Korn on behalf of Kulanu

## Havdalah - Making Buffalo Locations Spiritual

Saturday, September 15, at 7 p.m. Canalside, on the bridge by the Naval Museum



Havdalah celebrates the transition between Shabbat and the regular week in four quick blessings and a beautiful tune.

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lives in a unique way.

Join us for a bit of Judaism in a local spot, a little Tashlich for the New Year too, and a lovely moment to start off Saturday evening. Come rain or shine.



The TBZ Brotherhood begins a new year of programming and events as well as the 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. Each month we invite a speaker to join the residents for a breakfast discussion on a topic of either the resident's interest or the speaker's choice whether that be current events, religious or general interest.



The first Achim program of the year will be September 9 at 10 a.m. in the Meadows lounge with guest speaker Rob Goldberg, CEO of the Jewish Federation of Buffalo. Rob's presentation is entitled "Seder Every Day," a discussion of the idea of the Passover Seder.

Even though the High Holidays are this month, you still have time to join us in assisting and greeting your fellow congregants by ushering at this year's services. Please feel free to contact Sandy Beckman, Usher Captain, at SSbeck332@verizon.net, text to 864-9174 or, if you prefer the old way, call him at 633-1142.

We invite all men of the Temple to join and contribute to Brotherhood and assist in funding our programs. If you are a Brotherhood member, please continue your membership and if you are not, what are you waiting for? This is a great time to join. 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, and more.

Thank you for your previous support of Brotherhood. We look forward to your continued support in the coming year.

Philip Chazen

# **Summer Celebration Draws a Crowd**

The Summer Celebration took place on a hot but fabulous day! This was the 20th Annual event, and the first year for the collaboration of organizations within the Buffalo Jewish community. As a result of this collaboration with Congregation Shir Shalom and the Buffalo Jewish Federation, all of us will benefit, not just financially, but in strengthening our shared beliefs and goals.

The golfers enjoyed the day on the beautiful Transit Valley Country Club course. Advance planning by David Desmon and Dave Goldberg guaranteed a comfortable pace for all the foursomes. One of our favorite foursomes this year was the new "Chai Handicap" group. (bottom photo on right includes (*l to r*) Ray Fink, Rabbi Jonathan Freirich, David Gordon and Jay Gershberg.

The Wine Tour, led by Ken Rogers, included stops at two wineries and a tour and tasting at Niagara Craft Spirits. The distillery tour and tastings were reported to be the highlight of the afternoon. The 30-person luxury coach was filled with a fun and happy crowd!

Dinner for 175 guests was delicious and the Transit Valley staff is top-notch. The evening included basket raffles and silent auctions, and a hilarious live auction, led by Rob Lederman.

This event hinges on our many donors and volunteers and we appreciate their dedication. Our generous sponsors are critical to the success of the event. Thank you to (those with an \* inidicate 20 years of sponsorship): Gold Sponsors Aesthetic Associates Centre; \*BRD Construction; \*Kavinoky & Cook; Silver Sponsors: Accessium Group Inc.; Chai Handicap; Choice Employee Benefits Group; Delta Sonic; Gross, Shuman, Brizdle & Gilfillan; Jewish Federation Apartments; Kenny Enterprises; L & M Financial; \*Merrill Lynch-Desmon/Biltekoff Group; \*Northtown Automotive Companies; Lunch Sponsor: \*M&T Bank; Hole-In-One **Sponsor:** \*Northtown Automotive Companies; **Beverage** Cart Sponsor: Dent Neurologic Institute; Cocktail Hour Sponsor: Lippes Mathias Wexler Friedman LLP; Dinner Sponsor: Bluebird Mobility; Bronze Sponsors: Amherst Memorial Chapel; Dr. Philip Glick & Dr. Drucy Borowitz; Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies; Howard Hanna Real Estate; Mesnekoff Funeral Home; Mollot & Hardy; Premier Wine & Spirits; Saperston Companies; TLS Landscaping; Toshiba; Trane; Tee Sponsors: Better Business Bureau; Brotherhood of Temple Beth Zion; Cannon Heyman & Weiss LLP; Rob & Shira Goldberg; Sisterhood of Temple Beth Zion; Switzer Manufacturing; Windsong Radiology; Flag Sponsors: Warren & Lynn Clark; Kenney Shelton Liptak Nowak LLP; AXA Advisors; Richard & Susan Bring Tobe; Summer Celebration Friends: Ellen Goldstein & Mitch Flynn; Ken & Adrianne Graber.











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This fund was established to enable Irv's legacy of anonymous giving to continue. Individuals can donate funds that will be used to provide financial support families or individuals who are in great need due to unforeseen circumstances, such as sickness, death, or job loss.

In the highest tradition of Jewish giving, Irv often would contribute to the Rabbi's discretionary fund with specific instruction for the Rabbi to pass along contributed amount to provide financial support a TBZ family who was in great need.

#### **FUND DONATIONS**

Looking for a way to honor a friend's birthday? Trying to think of a gift for a special anniversary for a couple that has no room for more tchotchkes? A new baby? Retirement? A Bar or Bat Mitzvah? Please consider making a tribute donation in honor, memory or appreciation of that special person or event.

When you select a particular fund, your gift is targeted toward and area or areas that are most meaningful to you or to those you are honoring. Donations can be made using the form on the reverse side of this page or by calling Ann Marie at 836-6565, Ext. 111. Secure online donations can be made on the TBZ website at www.tbz.org by clicking on the "giving" tab.

## Permanent Yahrzeit Anniversaries

## September 21 & 22

I. Lewis Alexander Lewis Gorbaty Mildred Weil Bertram Charles Hoffman Ballow Hyman Benatovich Michael C. Barbara M. Berg Ingrando Anna M. Block Sharon S. Karen R. Block Jacobowitz Harry Brock Harold Jacobs Sophia Fox Brown Goldie Kushner Leo Burwick Samuel Kushner Mildred Barmon Pasquale (Pat) J. Caserta Lazarus Nat L. Cohen Harry Lewin Isadore B. Cohen Pauline Lewis Geraldine Bladen Isadore Melzer Croner Irwin S. Morris Jacob L. Davis Alan Passen Libbie Elster Esther S. Rose Max Field Irving Sapowitch Sidney J. David A. Freedman Silverman Helen Fuhr Dr. Edgar Slotkin Ethel Garfinkle Blanche V. Stein Arline S. Gellman Geral S. Stern Sigmund Gellman Dorothy A. Birdie Robins Susman Goodman Claire K. Yablin

#### September 28 & 29

Dr. Reuben	Audrey Wall
Billowitz	Miller
Mina Bloom	Susan J. Morris
Rose B.	Marvin B.
Blumenthal	Morrison
Howard T.	Lillian Peckoff
Boasberg	Ethel Liebeskind
Issac Borg	Prince
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Edna Gladner	Rosenblat
Goldie Goldstein	Leopold
Nathan Gordon	Rothschild
Julius Halpern	Samuel Ryback
Harold Lerman	Florence Shaw
Dr. Sidney H. Levy	Helene G. Smith
Dr. John Josiah	Anne Swadron
Maisel	E. Walter Weil
Sophia Manoff	Cecelia Cohn
Rose Farber	Weisberg
Marcus	Baldy Wertheimer
	Bertha Yablin

## **Mitzvah Opportunities**

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 on occasion (especially for High Holy Day services) or are in need of a ride to services or programs at Temple Beth Zion, please contact Jennelle at 836-6565 or jennelle@tbz.org.



Volunteers for Friends of Night People are needed for the second Tuesday of the month. Night People Join us as we serve a warm meal to those

who would otherwise go hungry.

Please contact Ann Marie Randall, (716) 836-6565, Ext. 111 or Annmarie@tbz.org, to put your name on the list of volunteers. Come once or more often - whatever you can do is greatly appreciated.

#### August 31 & September 1

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Samuel Zimmer

### September 7 & 8

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Permanent Yarzheit Memorials for September 21 and 22 and September 28 and 29 can be found on page 13.

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## Sunday, September 16

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The first Tuesday class is September 25 and first Thursday is September 27.

We're excited to welcome back our students and looking forward to a new year!

# **Temple Beth Zion Community Forum**

Wednesday, September 26, at noon 805 Delaware Avenue

Please join Julie Dressler Weinberg and members of the Board of Trustees for a congregational meeting.

Start the new year with our new President and let her share with you the thoughts and plans of the Board and listen as you share your ideas, concerns and thoughts.

Refreshments will be served. RSVP by calling the Temple office at (716) 836-6565.