



Letter from the President

Well, a lot has happened, and is happening, since my last column. I hope you are not tired of my weekly Shabbat messages but I have committed to keeping the lines of communication open. Rabbi Sobel has completed her move to Western NY and is adjusting to our area and learning her way around.

As I look forward to spring and the change of the seasons, I am also encouraged by the changes and progress we are making here at TBZ. Rabbi Sobel has met with a number of our members, both in small groups and individually. The feedback she has received has been invaluable.

As promised, we have made several changes in the past few months:

- Minutes from monthly board meetings are published
- The entire Board of Trustees and the staff have taken the New York State mandated sexual harassment training
- Several members have been put on new committees

We are also working out the details to make our monthly Board meetings open to TBZ members. More details should be made available in next month's column, along with additional opportunities to further open lines of communication with the Board. I feel that this is an important step in improving our transparency.

On February 20, we hosted a virtual Meat Raffle. Drive-thru Fish Fry dinners and Chicken dinners will be available on March 5 and March 18 respectively. I hope you take a night off from cooking and support the Temple at the same time. We are always looking for a good idea for a program or fundraiser. We welcome your ideas and your help.

Our Congregation has been through a lot. Our community has been through a lot. For that matter, our world has been through a lot. We are committed to moving forward, with the guidance of Rabbi Sobel, to make the necessary institutional and cultural changes to allow us to flourish and rejuvenate.

The Community Religious School is on schedule to start in the fall and our effort continues to work toward making the new school a reality. We will continue to share updates as they are available. This community school is a very exciting collaboration with Congregation Shir Shalom and Temple Beth Tzedek.

I pray that you are all well. If you need assistance from your temple family, do not hesitate to reach out as we are here to support you in both good times and difficult ones.

David Goldberg



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Worship Opportunities

Zoom links are provided below, are included in the TBZ Friday email and can also be found at www.tbz.org. Torah study is held every Saturday at 9:15 a.m. via Zoom.

Friday, March 5	
Shabbat Evening Service	7 p.m.
 Birthday & Anniversary Blessings	
Saturday, March 6	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Friday, March 12	
Shabbat Evening Service	7 p.m.
Saturday, March 13	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Friday, March 19	
Classical Shabbat Evening Service	7 p.m.
Saturday, March 20	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Friday, March 26	
Shabbat Evening Service	7 p.m.
Saturday, March 27	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Saturday, March 27	
Passover Seder on TBZ YouTube channel	
Accessible at your convenience	
Sunday, March 28	
Shared 2 nd Night Seder	6:30 p.m.

Zoom Information for Services

We are pleased to announce that the links to our services are now consistent week-to-week. The electronic link and service information can also be found at www.tbz.org.

Zoom link for Erev Shabbat and Shabbat Morning Services:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6227882185>

By phone: (929) 205-6099

Meeting ID: 622 788 2185

The Zoom "waiting room" feature is used and attendees are admitted two minutes before the service begins.



Letter from the Rabbi

Life in the Wilderness – Our Intentional Pause Part I

Our Work Together During Our Time as
"Intentional Interim Rabbi & Congregation
on a Journey to Wholeness"

With Purim behind us and Pesach just ahead, our tradition reminds us we are always living in the "in between" spaces, as if we are waiting to get from "here to there."

The same could be said of us at Temple Beth Zion - we are living in the "in between" spaces from what existed previously to waiting to arrive at our renewed and enlivened future.

It is what we do, how we act during this "in between" time, this critical juncture of our history, that will ultimately determine our enlivened future.

This month, I want to focus on one key action, or rather a **non-action**, taking time to intentionally pause and reflect, instead of immediately reacting to a situation, to an email, to a phone call.

We can learn something about intentional pauses from music. In a musical piece the rest notes, the pauses, the spaces between the notes are just as important as the musical notes themselves. If there were no rests, no pauses, we would have a jumble of non-stop music. We wouldn't understand the message that the composer was trying to convey. We need those rests and pauses to give us time to reflect on the music itself. These pauses allow us to connect to the music, to understand it, to get caught up in its emotion. The music speaks more loudly, strongly and clearly when the pauses and rests are placed in just the right spots.

And so it is with our congregational life as well.

There are moments in which the most courageous and productive thing we can do is engage in "the intentional pause."

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Life in the Wilderness – Our Intentional Pause

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Synagogue and organizational leadership expert Larry Dressler shares wonderful insight on “intentional pause” which is critical for our work together:

*Intentional pause...means recognizing moments in which:
Stillness might be more important than an immediate response.
Staying silent might yield more insights than talking.
Reflecting, even for a moment, might be more useful than making
an impulsive decision.*

*Many of us have learned that to be strong and capable means to
“keep going,” “advance,” “push forward in the face of adversity,”
and “do whatever it takes!” But this impulse to push ahead and
work harder can result in overwhelm and exhaustion. It also
causes us to lose perspective and make poor decisions that can
negatively impact those around us...*

Five key elements to ‘intentional pause:’

- 1. Recognize.** Recognize that there is value in non-action, pause and reflection under these circumstances.
- 2. Respire (breathe).** After taking three slow, intentional breaths so that you are no longer in default reaction mode. You’ve now created just enough space for choice rather than acting from anxiety, fear or habit.
- 3. Reflect.** Ask yourself or those around you: What’s happening out there? What’s happening within me? What’s most important to attend to at this moment? Then, listen to the answers.
- 4. Reframe.** To see the situation with new eyes, ask: How might this moment be an opportunity to clarify what is really important? How might this challenge become a gift?
- 5. Reclaim.** To reclaim is to claim one’s own agency. In the words of Viktor Frankl, the psychologist who wrote about his experience as a prisoner in a Nazi concentration camp: “The one thing you can’t take away from me is the way I choose to respond to what you do to me. The last of one’s freedoms is to choose one’s attitude in any given circumstance.”

An intentional pause involving these five elements can last five seconds, five minutes or five days depending on the situation.

I pause to ask myself if I’m about to take action that might cause suffering or damage.

I pause to ensure that my deeds are aligned with my values.

I pause because I always discover something new and valuable in the silence – like clarity, inspiration, calm, and resolve.

*(Larry Dressler, Blog: On My Mind,
“The Power of the Pause, 9/24/2020)*

Rabbi Sharon L. Sobel

Passover

This year, the first night of Passover falls on Saturday evening, March 27. We are pleased to be able to offer our members two different options to celebrate the Seder.

Once again, Temple Beth Zion will be offering our congregants a pre-recorded, participate-at-your-own-convenience Seder, led by Rabbi Sobel and Clergy Associate Judy Henn, with music and guest appearances by our congregants. The Seder will be available online beginning on Friday afternoon, March 26, and will remain accessible throughout the seven days of Passover. This Seder offers the option of starting at any time you choose, and taking as long or as short a time to eat the Passover meal as you wish.

Additionally, all Congregants are invited to join with fellow TBZ members, and with Congregation Shir Shalom and Temple Beth Tzedek on the second night of Passover, Sunday, March 28, beginning at 6:30 p.m., for a live, online shared Seder led by the Clergy of all three congregations. This Seder will offer us the opportunity to share the Festival of Freedom with many of our neighbors throughout western New York. Watch your email, or call the Temple Office at 836-6565 for details on accessing the Seder online.

We are also delighted to be able to provide information on a delicious catered Seder meal from Catering by Karen. Details about ordering the Seder meal from Karen Goodman are on page 11.

If you are interested in donating funds to help provide Passover meals to persons who need financial assistance, or if you need to make arrangements for a full or partial subsidy of your meal(s), please contact Executive Director, Jeff Clark, at jeff@tbz.org, or at 836-6565, Ext. 135.

Anna Marie Richmond

Passover Chametz-Havdallah

Saturday, April 3, at 7 p.m.

Via Zoom

When is it ok to eat when on Zoom? At a Chametz Havdallah! Get out your bread, pizza, cookies or pasta and join your Temple friends and family for a post Passover Chametz Fest.

A brief Havdallah Service will be followed by time to safely visit with those outside of your household. Celebrate the end of Passover by eating the foods you missed and by seeing the faces you miss.

Watch for the Zoom link in your weekly email.

Congregants' History Corner

Temple Beth Zion has such a rich history, going all the way back to its founding in 1851. With this new column, we want to hear the stories of TBZ congregants (whether that story dates back for generations or if it is new) because each member of TBZ has a history that is worth telling. Here's the family story of **Kathy Ellis**:

Some 170 years ago, Emanuel Van Baalen, my great-great-great-grandfather, led a group of dissatisfied Temple Beth El members to secede, and they then started Temple Beth Zion. Let me guide you from me back up the family tree.

My mother was Harriet Michaels Ellis. Her confirmation picture from 1940 from TBZ is included below. (As indicated by the arrow, she is in the first row, third person from the left.) Her mother was Phyllis (Boasberg) Michaels. Phyllis' father was Herman "Tidy" Boasberg, and his parents were Rachel (Van Baalen) and Nathan Boasberg. Rachel's father was Emanuel Van Baalen. This makes me a sixth-generation TBZer! Unfortunately, on this side of the family I am the only one still at TBZ. Neither my siblings, cousins nor children are TBZ members.



On the Ellis side, I am a fifth-generation member. Isaac Ellis, my great-great-grandfather, was an early member of TBZ. His son was Newman Ellis, his grandson was Michael F. Ellis Sr., and his great-grandson was my father, Michael F. Ellis Jr. The good news is that some of my relatives on the Ellis side of my family are still members of TBZ.

Do you have any information about your ancestors and the founding of TBZ? If so, please email me at: ellis-donner@ecc.edu.

Thanks Kathy for this interesting family story! We look forward to learning more about our congregants and their (long or short) history with Temple Beth Zion. Please send your stories to jagoldstein827@gmail.com. **We are family!**

We Are Family

Would you like to share your story? All members, whether new or longer term, of our synagogue community are welcome to submit their story with TBZ. Please contact jagoldstein827@gmail.com. We are looking forward to learning a little bit more about each other!

Engagement Committee News

Spring is almost here! And, at the end of this month it will be Passover. I love this time of the year! After the long, dark winter, it is wonderful to see the days getting longer and to think of the first leaves awakening on the trees. For me the taste of *karpas* (parsley in my family) dipped in salt water is the very flavor of springtime. It represents hope and renewal.



Last year at this time was the beginning of the pandemic. Rather than either attending the Temple Beth Zion annual *Seder*, or celebrating around a full table, many of us had our first experience with Zoom. Near Elijah's place sat our computers....as we read from our *Haggadot*. We lifted our *Seder* plates so friends and family could see them in our small squares of existence, as we ate and drank and told the story of our exodus from Egypt...our story of liberation and freedom. It felt so strange not being together.... facing the unknown together yet apart. Now a year has passed, and Zoom has become more of a permanent fixture in our lives, and we are once again facing a Passover where most of us will not be together in-person. Yet, even though somewhat familiar, it still feels strange.

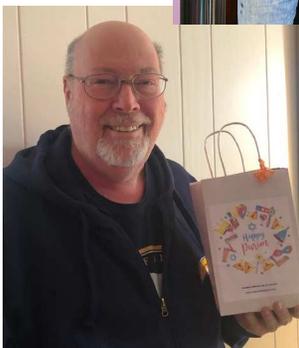
I cannot help but draw parallels between the Passover story and the situation we are currently living through. Not only are we living through a modern-day plague, but many of us are feeling disconnected and afraid. Many are feeling like strangers in an unpredictable world. Let us not be strangers within our Temple Beth Zion community. Just as every year the *haggadah* tells us we must see ourselves as if we personally left Egypt and were personally redeemed from oppression, so every year we must push ourselves out of our comfort zones and try to embrace new and "strange" habits.

Let us form deeper connections to one another just like our ancestors did during their journey to the promised land. I am hoping that many of you will join me at our Temple Beth Zion on-line *Seder*. And, after Passover, let's get together to break bread (or pizza or cookies or pasta) virtually at our Post-Passover *Chametz-Havdallah* Zoom on Saturday, April 3 at 7 pm. We can enjoy a brief and beautiful Havdallah service followed by time to schmooze as we enjoy the foods we could not eat during Passover. Please contact me at any time with questions, comments, or just to say, "hi." I want to connect with each and every one of you.

Jody Goldstein (Your Engagement Committee Chairperson)
JAGoldstein827@gmail.com

Shalach Manot Smiles

You can't see the smiles under the masks, but they are there. Thank you for all the wonderful feedback and appreciation of the *shalach manot* (gifts of food and drink). The goal was to help increase joy and we believe that was achieved. An anonymous donor made it possible for us to send these goodies. We also thank Rabbi Sharon Sobel for conceiving the idea, Jeff Clark for arranging all the logistics, Karen Goodman for baking the hamantaschen and especially Dotty Mayle of Oh Goodie! for their efforts in this huge undertaking. Below are a few shots of those made deliveries and those who received them.



Ritual Committee Survey Concerning High Holy Days

In an effort to improve our virtual worship services, the Ritual Committee surveyed the Temple community in November 2020, seeking feedback on the 2020 High Holy Day services. Kathy Ellis, Rob Rothkopf and TBZ Executive Director, Jeff Clark, prepared a short survey, distributed it to the Congregation via email, and compiled and analyzed the results.

Our High Holy Day services were collectively watched 7,405 times, by 577 unique visitors, each representing a household. Most viewers lived in the US and Canada, in New York State and Ontario, with respectable numbers viewing from Florida, New Jersey, and Quebec.

Congregants were asked if they enjoyed the services, about their ease of accessing the services, and about whether they felt like a part of the community while viewing the services on-line, and whether they felt a strong spiritual connection to the services. The majority of respondents were satisfied with the Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. People who could not travel expressed gratitude for having access, and people at assisted living facilities appreciated getting DVDs. Multiple people said they loved being able to see the Torah Scroll when it was being read, both in the survey, and in-person.

Additional feedback included the following;

- The Feast before the Fast was a big hit.
- We should take a moment at the start of services to introduce the clergy and service leaders.
- Clergy need to find ways to convey warmth on the Bima, and connectedness with congregants (at least during remote streams).
- A large number of respondents did not feel a spiritual connection with the service, or our temple community.
- Some Congregants expressed a wish to experience a more interactive service.
- People would have liked us to find a way to be in-person.

The Ritual Committee will continue to work to improve how we serve our members. If you have suggestions or concerns, or would like a copy of the survey report, please contact Committee Chair, Anna M Richmond at annamrichmond@msn.com, or (716) 854-1100.



From the Director

Our La-Bri'ut students are now more than half-way through this year's innovative curriculum. In January and February, they focused on "G'vurah," or "Strength and Power for Good," the third of the year's five modules.

During their Sunday morning online sessions and by following through with their at-home Activities and Challenges, they explored several important questions: What is G'vurah? What are my powers and strengths? What are some of the ways different people use their g'vurah? What is the potential impact (for good or for bad) of combining our strengths with the strengths of others? And, how will I choose to use my g'vurah for good?

Our Kindergarten - 3rd grade learners enjoyed hands-on activities designed to enhance their understanding of these concepts, including painting rocks and embellishing little boxes in which to keep their "G'vuROCKS."



Our 4th - 6th grade learners engaged in a longer project, writing and illustrating their own Jewish Superhero comic books, featuring themselves and a partner Jewish hero!

In March they will move into the "K'hillah/Community" module. Our Jewish community is a network of groups which, hopefully, provides each one of us with strong support systems for our most joyous days, our most dreadful days, and our "every days." Community is an undeniably significant Jewish value and I am delighted for our Religious School students to discover that for themselves.

I am also delighted that Rabbi Sobel has been able to visit our virtual tefillot. Although remote, our students have had a chance to ask her questions, enjoy her responses, and hear some of her stories.

Finally, I do not want to ignore our marvelous 7th graders! This group of dedicated students brings enthusiasm, originality, intellect, and a spirit of cooperation to both their pre-B'Nai Mitzvah Hebrew classes and to their analysis of contemporary issues in their "Hot Topics" classes. I am always impressed when I visit their zoom breakout sessions and again when I read the Weekly Follow-ups I receive from their teachers, Jordan Einhorn and Rachel Lipman. With young adults like these, the future of our Jewish community is most promising!

L'shalom,
Beth Steinberg

ESCAPE ROOM

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

TBAZY IS HOSTING A VIRTUAL ESCAPE ROOM!
OPEN TO ALL JEWISH TEENS GRADES 6-12

EMAIL TAMMY.TAMARAVANWEY@GMAIL.COM
FOR DETAILS AND TO SIGN UP

Volunteers Needed

There are two TBZ fundraisers coming up in March. Volunteers are needed on March 5th and March 18th for the Drive-thru Fish Fry and Drive-thru Chicken dinner. At least 8 volunteers are needed to direct traffic, collect payments and help with boxing up and preparing the food for sale. The hours of the events are 2-6 p.m. If you can help, please contact Kara Kane at kara@tbz.org or 836-6565 Ext. 112.

Stay Connected, Stay Informed

Each week, Temple Beth Zion sends an email that provides information and links to services and meetings.

Additionally, when requested by the immediate family, we share news of the passing of a congregant or family member of a congregant.

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

Prayerbooks Available

If any TBZ member is interested in obtaining a copy (or a few copies) of a legacy TBZ prayerbook, please contact Anna M Richmond at annamrichmond@msn.com, or (716) 854-1100, not later than March 15, 2021. Anna Marie can provide more details about what books are available, and will compile information about which books people are interested in receiving, and will assist in arranging to get the books to you.



Larry Rubin, Debra Chernoff, Toby Laping and Anna Marie Richmond spent hours sorting through books in the Rabbi Fink Auditorium. Prayerbooks are now consolidated and shelved together. Larry (shown above in the crawl space under the stage) did the heavy lifting - literally. We offer our heartfelt thanks to all of you for taking on this challenge!

Presidents' Message

This month we share a poem by Barbara Holender, who passed away in January. Barbara was a member of Sisterhood and a prolific poet. She was fun, funny, brilliant, and full of vim, vigor, and wit – a pleasure to know. May her memory be a blessing.

Oseh Shalom

Barbara D. Holender

Giver of peace,
teach us to see ourselves
in the face of the Other,
that we may learn to be
patient with fault
generous with love
sparing with anger.

Help us to understand
that our little lives
are potent with great good,
that we are healers in Your image,
that reaching out in need of You
to others more in need,
we find You near.

Give us the grace
simply to be kind.

Then peace must surely come
to dwell among us.

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Cofeld's Corner

Tea Time!

A cup of tea. Sipped and savored. On a cold day it revives and warms. But what if that tea is from a samovar, perhaps set in corner, started just before Shabbat so that hot tea could be savored without breaking a Shabbat prohibition to light? It bubbles away gently throughout the Shabbat, and the tea becomes tangy as it condenses to its essence, sipped at various points during the day with lashings of sugar and lemon.

I remember my first sight of a samovar in Jerusalem in the home of a cousin, on a trip to Israel at the age of 11, and my mother's return to the place where she was born when Israel was the Yishuv, pre-State Israel. It was my first introduction to the fascinating samovar. Not the plastic kettle of home, or even the stovetop kettle of my grandmother, but a towering object, here linked to a particular time of the week, part of the weekly Jewish observance of Shabbat. I was hooked, what a marvel!

And so back to now, and the irony of the catalogue entry which defines the samovar as "not" a Jewish object, even as it was placed center stage in a Shabbat display (see in the photograph) in the Cofeld museum! Cataloguing maintains a hierarchical distinction between objects part of a lived experience of history (even if they allowed for, in this case, religious maintenance of Shabbat rulings) and a direct ritual object. Standard cataloguing rules, while technically accurate, had missed the world of practice, everyday living, identity and memory.

Historically, the samovar, a domestic urn and self-boiler, fashioned from brass, copper, or iron was used all over Eastern Europe, but was especially associated with Russia as a home object, which in a Jewish home, acquired its "Jewishness". It became a precious and practical heirloom passed from one generation to the next with the candlesticks and the *kiddush* cup, because unlike the cup and candlesticks it could also be monetized in extremis. Ultimately a secular object, it could be a bridge as it was used across cultures and religious identities, but it also represented oppression when viewed as a specifically Russian object that Jews fled from even as they carried that same object of "Russian-ness" with them overseas.



Yet in America, and wherever Jews travelled with it, the samovar represented not just practice, or conversely, tyranny, but a link with a former world, a culture and time as a bodily connection through the ritual of tea drinking. The Cofeld has a diverse range of holdings, that span from ritual objects, Jewish art and culture, Jewish history and lived experience. It's so many museums within one. Reflecting the global Jewish experience and a rich exploration of local Jewish history and identity, its objects are all united as "Jewish" through personal association, use, meaning or memory, and a liminal space that acts as a bridge from history and continuity.

"See" you next month to discuss this question and more!
Chana Revell Kotzin, Ph.D.

Does This Look Familiar?

Volunteers discovered this wonderful clay model of the sanctuary while working at 805 Delaware. There is no name or other information on it. We would love to identify the artist of this model. Can you help?

If you have any information on this gem, please contact Julie Feldman at julie@tbz.org or 836-6565, Ext. 135.



Board Notes

The Board of Trustees met via Zoom on Tuesday, January 12, 2021. Attendees included Board Members Adam Field, Philip Glick, David Goldberg, Jody Goldstein, Kenneth Graber, Michael Komm, Daniel Kotzin, Toby Laping, Sharon Schwartz, Lewis Shaevel, Julie Dressler Weinberg, Amélica Ortiz Weinmann, Kaarsten Wisnock and Stephen Yonaty. Also present were Jeff Clark, Julie Feldman, Judy Henn, Andrew Shaevel, Rabbi Sharon Sobel, and Beth Steinberg.

The meeting was called to order and the Prayer Before a Meeting was led by Judy Henn.

Sharon Schwartz shared a Kol Nidre Campaign update. Additionally, Sharon thanked members of the Board who increased their giving, knowing that this would be a difficult year.

David Goldberg welcomed Rabbi Sharon Sobel to her first TBZ Board meeting and invited her to share comments. Rabbi Sobel talked of the journey to be taken in partnership together.

Andrew Shaevel, on behalf of the Governance Committee, recommended Kenneth Graber for the position of Treasurer for the balance of the term, ending June 2021. Philip Glick made a motion to accept the recommendation. Adam Field seconded the motion. The motion was approved with unanimous consent.

Andrew, on behalf of the Governance Committee, recommended Kenneth Polk for the Board position. The motion was approved.

David Goldberg shared that as of July 1, 2020, a total of 36 members resigned. Some who resigned did express unhappiness with the situation at TBZ. Others resigned because they moved and some feel they don't need Temple membership at this time. Dues concerns may also contribute to some of the resignations, although Jeff Clark does his best to find solutions for those with financial hardships.

When asked how this compares to last year, David said that the number is higher, but we also were able to hold services and events in person last year.

Jeff Clark announced that on December 25, 2020, the Temple computers were hacked by an outside source. The staff was unable to access files and a message was received requesting ransom to have our access returned. Our IT contractor was able to locate and remove the point of entry and restore our files. Our congregant's information was not compromised.

Susan DeMari and the Amherst Police Department were both notified. The police are confident we were not specifically targeted and that this was a "standard hack".

Our computer server, which was already slated for replacement, is now replaced. Every computer and all security measures are fully updated.

During her Education update, Beth Steinberg shared her experiences from a creative and intense 3-day Association of Reform Jewish Educators Conference.

Our TBZ Religious School will continue remote learning for the balance of the school year. Rabbi Sobel was introduced to students and parents during the January 10 session.

Community Religious School planning stalled for a few weeks but a plan/agreement between TBZ, Temple Beth Tzedek and Congregation Shir Shalom should be ready by the end of January.

Lewis Shaevel reported that the TBaZY youth group, which traditionally runs a September – June model, is planning for 12 full months of programming this year. There has been at least one successful event each month over the last 6 months (2 virtual, 2 in-person and 2 virtual NFTY-NEL events).

Attracting new members has been difficult, but younger siblings of current members will be joining and hopefully bringing their friends.

This year's Purim Carnival is being planned through CJEL with participation from other local youth.

The minutes from the December 8, 2020 meeting were approved.

The meeting continued in Executive Session.



Cooking Series with Chef Marshall Goldstein

Babka, "My Israeli breakfast, lunch and dinner"

Thursday, March 11, at 7 p.m.

Join Chef Marshall Goldstein for a live demonstration of the Babka, a sweet braided bread or cake which originated in the Jewish communities of Poland and Ukraine. It is popular in Israel and in the Jewish diaspora and a sweet treat for any time of the day. The recipe will be emailed prior to the event so you can cook-along with Chef Marshall if you like.



The event is free and open to the public. Registration is required. Go to: <https://www.jccbuffalo.org/event/cooking-series3/>. After registrants will be sent an email confirmation with the zoom link.

PASSOVER 2021 MENU



Please place orders by NOON on Wednesday, March 17th, 2021
PLEASE CALL KAREN@ 716-636-0673

MENU: \$179.00 per 4 meals (same entrée, all inclusive)

Seder Plate (Lamb bone, roasted egg, parsley, shaved horseradish and charoseth)

Hard boiled egg

Gefilte fish w/ prepared horseradish

Chicken **OR** Vegetable soup w/ Matzo Ball

ENTRÉE CHOICES

Roasted brisket of beef w/natural jus

Lemon chicken (boneless, skinless & gluten free)

Quinoa Pilaf (rainbow quinoa w/ sliced almonds, craisins, kale, onions, & sweet potato)

SIDES (ALL INCLUDED)

Grilled asparagus w/ balsamic & olive oil

Tzimmus

Herb roasted creamer potatoes

Matzo

Passover roll w/ butter

Flourless Chocolate Cake

ADDITIONAL ITEMS AVAILABLE:

SOUPS: 32oz @ \$10.00ea

Vegetable OR Chicken

Matzo Balls (4ea) **\$3.00**

ENTREES (single portions)

Roasted brisket in au jus \$8.00ea

Breast of lemon chicken \$6.00ea

Quinoa pilaf \$6.00ea

- Please place orders by NOON on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17th, 2021
- Orders for pick up Saturday, March 27th, 11:00am – 3:00pm
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