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**POST PASSOVER
CHAMETZ HAVDALLAH**
Saturday, April 3
7 PM via Zoom
See page 6 for details!



Yom Hashoah Observance

Tuesday, April 6, at 2 p.m.
Via Zoom - registration required

Please join the Buffalo Jewish community for a unique presentation commemorating the six million Jews who perished in the Holocaust and honoring the heroism of survivors

Register at <http://bit.ly/HolocaustPhotography>.

More details on page 13.

FLOWER SALE!

Purchases will be available for pickup on
Mother's Day - Sunday, May 9
at the Broder Center from 9 a.m. to Noon
Order form on page 11

*Plants provided by: Bengert Greenhouses



The Summer Celebration is Back!

August 2, 2021

Co-chairs Kenneth Polk
and Tom Lansing

Mark your calendar to
join us on the links!

If you are interested in being a
sponsor or participating,
call Julie at (716) 836-6565, ext. 134.



TEMPLE BETH ZION



Letter from the President

Spring is in the Air

We have just “celebrated” our second Passover virtually. I can speak for my family when I say I missed the laughter, the leaning on each other as we drank wine, and the togetherness. Yet, we still had our family on the laptop at the end of the table. It was not as fun, but we still had our family in the room with us. It is still better than not having the freedom to celebrate our holidays.

The last two months saw us try a number of events that were fun and raised some additional funds for the temple. They included the virtual meat raffle, and two drive-thru dinners; one with fish fry and another with Chiavetta® chicken. These were nice opportunities to greet many who came to support TBZ.

Later this month, on the 25th, we are hosting a second Artisan® Fair in the Broder parking lot. When we did this last fall, it was tremendously well received, and the vendors were very happy with the day and are eager to return. It also is another wonderful way to see members of our Temple family in a safe, socially distant, and outdoor way. Join us - rain or shine!

Ken Polk (TBZ) and Tom Lansing (CSS) are again Co-chairing the Summer Celebration to be held on August 2. They are working closely with Transit Valley Country Club on getting plans together while being mindful of state restrictions (which change often) and the safety and fun of participants. If you are interested in participating, sponsoring or donating toward this event, reach out to Ken at kenpolk8791@msn.com or (716) 830-6438 or Julie Feldman at julie@tbz.org or (716) 836-6565.

I had hoped to be able to provide you more information on our efforts to open up our board meetings. We have a committee which is meeting to lay the groundwork on this effort. More work needs to be done, and we are committed to moving forward with this.

Spring is in the air. The leaves are growing back and our world is turning green. The winter coats can be put away. The bikes and golf clubs, hopefully, are in use now. The changing of the seasons leads us to better things!

David Goldberg



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Zoom links 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, April 2

Shabbat Evening Service 7 p.m.
Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

Saturday, April 3

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.
Last Day Pesach & Yizkor

Friday, April 9

Shabbat Evening Service 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 10

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.
Bat Mitzvah of Esther Halfon

Friday, April 16

Classical Shabbat Evening Service 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 17

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.
Bar Mitzvah of Nate Johnson

Friday, April 23

Shabbat Evening Service 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 24

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

Friday, April 30

Shabbat Evening Service 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 1

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

Stay Connected, Stay Informed

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

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.



Letter from the Rabbi

“Reaching the Summit with Strength, Fortitude and Resilience”

(Life in the Wilderness – Part II)

At the start of the pandemic one year ago, I started walking and hiking. One of my most rewarding – and challenging – hikes was to the summit of a mountain in New Hampshire. I was rewarded with a magnificent panoramic view! I had to overcome some personal hurdles, however, to both ascend and descend that mountain.

To me, this past year has been like a “mountain” that we had to climb. It has been challenging and difficult for all of us. This week marks one year since the global pandemic totally changed life as we knew it here in North America. The difficulties have been compounded for Temple Beth Zion because of the challenges taking place.

How do we make sense of everything? How do we get through all of this?

I'd like to suggest three words: strength, fortitude and resiliency (and support from those of us who are providing assistance).

The human spirit is remarkably strong, possesses tremendous fortitude and is extremely resilient under trying circumstances. We've seen these traits throughout our history, not just during the past year.

1. Strength of the Human Spirit: Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day begins the evening of April 7th. As we recall all those who perished in the Holocaust at the hands of the Nazis, we remind ourselves that we still live in a world filled with hatred, xenophobia and violence.

The Jewish people survived, despite the Nazis. We are testament to the strength, fortitude and resilience of the human spirit in the face of incredible evil. We can overcome any obstacle that comes our way, whether it is personal challenges, global threats or communal difficulties.

2. Fortitude: This year, despite the global pandemic, we have shown our fortitude and solidarity by learning new ways to “be together apart”, by celebrating our essential workers and health care professionals on the front lines in unique ways, by devising “drive through” holiday celebrations, by shopping for groceries for those who were homebound and don't have a computer and so much more. We cannot control this pandemic, but we can deal with its effects with our patience, fortitude and helping those

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Cofeld's Corner

"Scent-sational" Spice Boxes

There is something intensely joyful about a spice box container. Perhaps because it's an object of fortification, promise and hope, all rolled into one satisfying intake of olfactory breath! The spice box is used during the Havdalah ceremony to mark the conclusion of Sabbath and Holy Days. Special blessings, a braided candle with extra wicks and the spice box are part of an intimate home-based ceremony that is also visual, aural and sensory. Inhaling the spices and their sweetness allows us to leave Shabbat fortified by delightful scents and strengthened for the weekday routine. It's also a fragrant reminder that Sabbath will return soon, and the time in between is full of opportunity and possibility. Typical spices include nutmeg, cinnamon and cloves, but historically have included jasmine, rosemary, eucalyptus and balsam among others.



In the past, spice containers or spice boxes have assumed a great variety of forms, and we have many different kinds of shapes represented in the Cofeld collection. The most popular of these are the towerform celebrating medieval urban life and made of sterling silver or silver plate often with several pennants, or bells and doors through which the spices are inserted.

These miniature architectural forms were common from the 13th century, and this style continues in contemporary manufacturing and modern art forms. An example of this modern take on an old form in the Cofeld Judaic Museum is a twentieth century tower created by artist, Ludwig Wolpert. The tower shape had historical connections to medieval towers which were used to store spices, although this shape has also been interpreted as an adaptation of vessels used by the Catholic Church. From place to place, the styles of the towers varied. For example, in Germany, the towers were often rounded. Polish artisans decorated towers with flowers and animals, while Russian towers used multiple tiers and bells in their designs.

Look closely at the image of the case at the Cofeld and you will see that tower-like forms were not the only shapes of spice containers. The Cofeld showcases an incredible variety of other shapes including windmills, delicate filigree carriages, fruits and animals including fish! Indeed the fish-style spice containers were common in

Scandinavian countries, while the lacelike filigree styling used in the intricate carriage was very popular among Italian and Hungarian craftsman. Fruit was a popular form for Polish artisans. In the Cofeld we have all of these and more, and many were donated for special events or had particular meanings and connections for the donor.

If you have a spice container, what is its shape and backstory? Was it received as a wedding gift, or was it a family heirloom? Perhaps it was connected to an anniversary or special event or even just selected for its artistry? We are currently in the process of digitizing photographs of a limited number of individual spice boxes, so that you can see each spice box at an individual level. We are also researching each item and its family backstory, so that we can have a fuller understanding of their wider connections. Eventually, we will be photographing every spice box separately with the aid of interns and volunteers, so keep checking back for opportunities to help.

Until next month...Chana Kotzin (museum@tbz.org).

Chana Revell Kotzin, Ph.D.

"Reaching the Summit with Strength, Fortitude and Resilience"

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around us. The same goes for our communal challenges. We need patience and fortitude, time and the expertise of those who are assisting us.

3. Resilience: One of my colleagues was diagnosed with breast cancer. She wrote the following to her congregation: "Resilience is a distinct kind of strength. It has something to do with the ability to cope when hardship comes along... Jewish resilience is a distinct kind of resilience. It has to do with time. When the Jewish People is faced with adversity, our greatest evidence that we can endure it is the past and our greatest motivator to endure it is the future..." We are resilient. We have to look to the future and strategize the best outcome that will ensure our continued success.

As we approach the days, weeks and months ahead, partnering together to overcome our challenges, let us keep in mind that if we find our inner strength, fortitude and resilience, along with faith in God's abiding presence in our midst, we too, can reach that summit and rejoice in the beautiful view at the top.

Esa enai, el he-harim, me-ayin ya-voy ezri? Ezri, me-yim Adonai, oseh Shamayim, va'aretz.

I lift up my eyes to the mountains, from where shall my help come? My help comes from the Eternal, maker of Heaven and Earth. (Psalm 121)

Rabbi Sharon L. Sobel

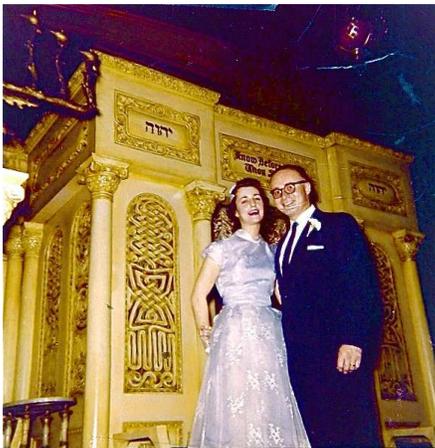
We Are Family

Temple Beth Zion has such a rich history, going all the way back to its founding in 1851. With this 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 **Roberta Faxstein Handel**.

"I visualize my parents and my aunts sitting together praying on the High Holydays and seeing Richard's cousins and so many dear friends with whom we have a long-shared history. We listen to the names being read for *Kaddish* and remember the individuals, sadly more with each passing year. The death anniversary of Richard's uncle, Jerome Michel, the only temple member who was killed in action in the first World War, is read at Rosh Hashanah, as is that of Uncle Isadore Melzer.

I attended Sunday School, and later the Youth Group. We were a cohesive unit and we enjoyed our joint activities with others in LEFTY (the Lake Erie Federation of Temple Youth). A highlight occurred when Dr. Fink called me into his office to tell me that my essay had been selected for the "What Confirmation Means to Me" writing award. I was to deliver that essay on behalf of the TBZ Confirmation Class of 1948.

Richard and I became acquainted at the first meeting of the Mr. and Miss Club, a group formed for single adults.



We were the second couple of many who married as a result of membership in that club. Dr. Fink was too ill to perform the ceremony and the young Martin Goldberg, who was to be our rabbi for over forty years, heard our marriage

vows on a bright chilly Thanksgiving afternoon in 1958 at 599 Delaware Avenue.

Now, in my eighth decade, Temple Beth Zion continues to play an important part in my life. The feeling of community and of belonging is, indeed, a blessing for which I will always be grateful."

Thanks Roberta 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!**

Engagement Committee News

I write this column every month. I talk about "Engagement" but it often seems more like a buzz-word than something tangible. What is engagement...and how can we work together to make Temple Beth Zion a more engaging place for all of our members?



When I first was asked to join your Board of Trustees in 2018, I made it my mission to develop our Engagement Committee. Temple Beth Zion had many committees including Building, Financial Planning, Ritual, Education, Governance...but never something specifically geared to Engagement. I read books on Jewish Engagement and set up an Engagement Conference for all of our staff, board, and committee chairs. I was given a generous donation with which I was able to hire Jay Lewis from Hillel International to lead, teach, and inspire us. He explained these "Principles of Engagement":

- ◆ Engagement is about people and relationships, not "butts in seats".
- ◆ Engagement is being value-added in people's lives and helping Judaism be personally meaningful, not recruiting them to programs.
- ◆ Engagement includes, but is not limited to, being welcoming.
- ◆ Engagement may not happen in our building.
- ◆ Engagement is holistic. It is an organizational mindset, not a committee, staff person, or program.
- ◆ Engagement requires us to evolve our definition of community.
- ◆ Engagement should be data-informed.
- ◆ Engagement requires getting to know and listening to people "not in the room".
- ◆ Engagement involves innovation and risk-taking.

We are currently undergoing many changes at Temple Beth Zion. This is the perfect time for our congregants...all of you...to make our Synagogue the place that you want it to be. Please join me in my mission to make Temple Beth Zion a place where every congregant can feel connected and valued...and where their membership will bring positivity and spiritual enrichment to their lives.

If you are interested in joining our Engagement Committee, please let me know. We look forward to hearing your opinions. We look forward to making positive changes. 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)
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TRIVIA NIGHT FUN

Saturday, April 17
5:45 PM, via Zoom

Come join your TBZ friends and Chris Fallon "The Quiz Master" for an evening of fun, fact-based team trivia. Grab some snacks and a beverage and log in at 5:45 p.m.

There is room for 10 teams with 10 players each. Prizes will be awarded to the team that gets the most correct answers!

We'll place you on a team when you log in or, if you want to join with friends you know are going to play, let us know in advance so we can place you on a team together.

Looking forward to competing with you on April 17! Just go to [Zoom.us](https://zoom.us) and log in with meeting id 919 3991 9656.

Questions? Call Kara at
(716) 836-6565

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.



Honorable Menschen

Thank you to all the TBZ members who took a night off from cooking to support the temple by purchasing a drive-thru dinner.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who braved the chilly April temperatures at the drive-thru dinner events. David Goldberg, Margy Zeckhauser, Frans de Waal, Sofia Maxick, Sam White, Sharon Winer, Robin Ostrov, Amélida Weinmann, Elaine Higgins, Judy Swadron, Clareanne Silver, Susan Nadler, Sara Schultz, Halli Glina, Ken Graber and Maria Blackburn. Thanks also to Kara Kane for organizing the fundraisers and to the always supportive and helpful Jeff Clark, Julie Feldman, Ann Marie Randall, Becky Schiefer and Darcie Beattie.

See more photos on page 9.



Getting 'Back to Normal' Is Going to Take **All of Our Tools**

If we use all the tools we have, we stand the best chance of getting our families, communities, schools, and workplaces "back to normal" sooner:

Get vaccinated.



Wear a mask.



Stay 6 feet from others,
and avoid crowds.



Wash
hands often.



www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/vaccines

12/09/20



From the Director

By the time this Bulletin is in your hands, we will have conducted 20 sessions of Zoom Religious School this year - with only four Sundays left to go!

I am so amazingly proud of our teachers, madrichim, students, and parents. Not everyone who was involved with TBZ Religious School last year made the commitment to teaching/learning online this year. Those decisions were frustrating to me, but I got it.

How could I possibly judge anyone who felt really anxious or miserable about spending their Sunday mornings online? I feel very uncomfortable during zooms, too! It's hard to concentrate. It's hard to listen carefully. It's hard to be heard. I never want to be on camera. And no matter how many precautions you take, some days your computer stuff just doesn't work.

So I have enormous gratitude for everyone who joined with me to make 2020-2021 a wonderful year for Religious School! It was different, for sure, but it was wonderful.

Besides dealing with the technological challenges of teaching online, I tossed a lot of new curriculum and methodology at our faculty. I knew we had to make significant changes to how we were used to meeting and teaching — and we did it. We broke out of our comfort zones and discovered we could approach our work in new and different ways.

Our students also handled being in Religious School very differently — being “in class” while family members strolled in and out of your space. Wearing your pj's and eating your breakfast in front of your classmates. Not being able to find the mute button. (Or the unmute!) I applaud all the little ones who happily brought their “bubot” (Hebrew for “dolls”) to Mrs. Herman's “Hebrew Through Movement” class and followed when she guided them in Hebrew to sit, stand, point, jump, and run! I appreciate every child who dug into their La-Bri'ut Activity Bags between sessions and applied their creativity to discover more about the Jewish values they were learning in their kovutzot (cohort groups). I honor every student who devoted time and effort towards engaging with the La-Bri'ut Challenges to expand their understanding. I know who some of you are from the videos you posted to our Flipgrid, but I also suspect some of you just worked quietly and chose not to share. You deserve recognition as well.

Praying, singing, learning to read Hebrew... none of these are easy to do in person. Doing any of these things online just multiplies the challenges. But it also multiplies the joy that results from having done it. My heart is full

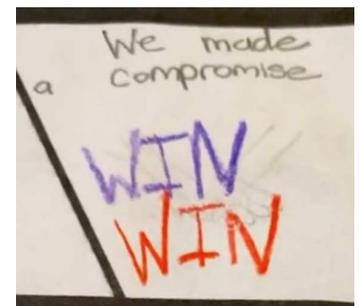
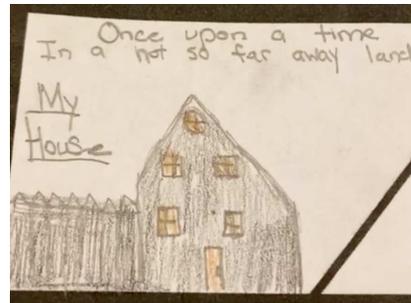
when I think of the students I have seen smiling, clapping, and dancing during Tefilah! And I am thankful for every student who struggled to read aloud during class. Your teachers and I have noticed and admire your courage and your diligence.

And parents...without your guidance, very little of this would have happened. I appreciate every time you expected your child to get up and online, every time you assisted with the tech, every time you coached your kid to do an Activity, Challenge, or practice a few lines of Hebrew. Your support and commitment are a gift.

We still have a few more weeks of Religious School to go and, as the weather gets nicer, I hope everyone decides that a few hours on zoom with your Temple Beth Zion family and friends is still worth it.

It will be the last sessions we have together before we merge with the Religious Schools of Congregation Shir Shalom and Temple Beth Tzedek. I will continue to be in touch throughout the summer, and I'll see you on Sunday morning! (AFTER Pesach).

Leshalom,
Beth Steinberg



The photos above are from the final Challenge of the La-Bri'ut G'vurah module: Writing and Illustrating a comic book with YOU as the SUPERHERO!

These are from one student's comic book. The problem he faced was that he and his sister often argued with each other over who would choose what TV show they would watch. He used his G'vurah (his strength for good) to offer a compromise to his sister and resolved the situation.

Presidents' Message

We hope everyone experienced a wonderful Passover holiday!

Our Sisterhood is delighted to announce that we will be celebrating our "Woman of the Year", Julie Feldman, at our Zoom Sisterhood Sabbath on Friday, May 7! Julie, who has been a long time member and supporter of Sisterhood, is behind the scenes of so much that Sisterhood does! She gives us reminders, useful suggestions, and always her time! She is so deserving of this award!

Sisterhood also has planned a fundraiser with Panera Bread for Thursday, May 13, from 4 to 9 p.m., at the Panera at 8200 Transit Road. We will send more information in the May bulletin along with a code that will give Sisterhood up to 20% of sales that evening. We hope you will join us! (Takeout will be available as well as indoor and/or outdoor dining.)

Plans are currently being made for our opening luncheon! Stay tuned!!

Any questions? Call us!

Marilyn Schillroth 832-4757
Susan Bruckheimer 982-2099
Co-Presidents

Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

We hope you had a Happy Passover
and got to communicate with your family and friends

April 2021 Special
20% off everything in the shop

Since we have been closed for over a year,
we just want you to know that we care about you.
Dee and I are only a call or email away if you need
to just talk - **we are here!**

Susan (716) 982-2099 or nana4susan@gmail.com
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**Look for pictures on
Temple Beth Zion Facebook page**
**The shop is not open for in-person sales
but we can take pictures and send them to you
and make arrangements for curbside delivery**

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



Esther Rose Wang Halfon
Saturday, April 10
Daughter of: Marc Halfon &
Eunice Wang



Nathaniel Jonah Johnson
Saturday, February 6
Son of: Corrie Stone-Johnson &
Benjamin Johnson

*Please join Esther and Nathaniel as they lead Shabbat Services
for their Temple community via Zoom. The links can be found
in your weekly email and also at www.tbz.org.*

Simchas

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 graduations, births, special birthdays, weddings, awards and various other noteworthy events.

We are counting on you to share your good news with us so we can share with the community. Please contact Julie at julie@tbz.org or 836-6565 ext. 134.

The TELL Fund

Buffalo Jewish Federation & Temple Beth Zion

Invite you to join this Zoom event

Rabbi & Comedian: Bob Alper
"THE SPIRITUALITY OF LAUGHTER"

THURSDAY, MAY 20TH
7:30 P.M. on Zoom



Rabbi Alper, former Rabbi of Temple Beth Zion, is a stand-up comedian and entertainer! He has been featured on the Today Show, Good Morning America, ABC Evening News, CNN, Comedy Central, and in hundreds of articles. He will inspire and make you laugh in his uniquely kind, intelligent, and completely "clean" humor.

Suggested Donation: \$18.00
Register at: http://bit.ly/TELLFUND_ALPER
Prior to the event, you will receive your Zoom link to join.

To co-sponsor this event, or for more information, please contact
TELLFund@gmail.com

Board Notes

The Board of Trustees met via Zoom on Tuesday, February 9, 2021. Attendees included Board Members Susan Bruckheimer, Adam Field, Philip Glick, David Goldberg, Jody Goldstein, Kenneth Graber, Michael Komm, Daniel Kotzin, Toby Laping, Kenneth Polk, Sharon Schwartz, Lewis Shaevel, Julie Dressler Weinberg, Amérida Ortiz Weinmann, Kaarsten Wisnock and Stephen Yonaty. Also present were Jeff Clark, Julie Feldman, Judy Henn, Bob Marcus, Kenneth Rogers, Rabbi Sharon Sobel, and Beth Steinberg.

The meeting was called to order and the Prayer Before a Meeting was led by Judy Henn. Philip Glick gave the D'Var Torah.

David Goldberg announced that The Buffalo Jewish History website has been launched. David gave a special "shout out" to Chana Kotzin and everyone else who was a part of the effort.

In his Treasurer's Update, Kenneth Graber announced that Lougan, Valenti, Bookbinder & Weintraub are up to date with our financials.

The 2021-2022 Budget will be presented to the Financial Planning Committee in March and will be ready for Board review in April and Board vote in May.

Governance Chair, Andrew Shaevel, announced that Robin Ostrov has agreed to be nominated to the Board of Trustees. A motion to accept the nomination was approved.

Regarding transparency, the Governance Committee suggests the creation of a Board sub-committee to examine policies regarding congregant access to Board meetings and/or member designated Board meetings.

David Goldberg shared information regarding inquiries and initial information gathering in preparation for the search for a Cantor or soloist. Musical accompaniment for services is in place through June.

Kenneth Graber and David Goldberg have met with treasurers from Congregation Shir Shalom and Temple Beth Tzedek regarding the Community Religious School. The group is working on a budget for the coming year. The hope is for in-person learning to start the 2021-2022 school year, but contingency plans will be ready if learning must continue to be virtual when school begins in September.

Kenneth Rogers shared a comprehensive Powerpoint presentation regarding the proposed TBZ/JFS Lease renewal. The presentation covered lease values, Delaware operations, capital improvements, financing and a cost/benefit summary.

The minutes from the January 12, 2021 meeting were approved.

The meeting continued in Executive Session.

Drive-thru Dinner Volunteers



Purim 2021!

Our virtual Purim Celebration was a delightful event! Thank you to all who participated or attended this fun event. Special thanks to the talented and hilarious Judy & David who produced the event and to Rabbi Sobel and Jeff Clark for all their work behind the scenes.



Mother's Day Flower Sale 2021

Pre-Order & Payment Form

Name (please print): _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Make check payable to & mail by **Tuesday, April 27, 2021** to:

TEMPLE BETH ZION

Attn: Kara Kane (Flower Sale)

700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst, NY 14226

Purchases will be available for pickup at The Broder Center from 9 a.m. to Noon on

Sunday, May 9, 2021

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ANNUALS

4 1/2" Square Pots
\$6.00

ARGYRANTHEMUM (Daisy)

_____ Yellow

GERBERA DAISY

GERANIUMS

_____ Red
_____ Pink
_____ Purple
_____ Salmon
_____ White

NEW GUINEA IMPATIENS

_____ Red
_____ Pink
_____ Orange
_____ Purple
_____ White

NON-STOP BEGONIAS

_____ Red
_____ Pink
_____ Salmon
_____ White
_____ Yellow

10" PATIO POT \$18.00

GERANIUMS

_____ Assorted



#1 Total Qty: _____

10" HANGING BASKET \$20.00

DOUBLE ROSEBUD IMPATIENS

_____ Pink
_____ Purple
_____ Red

FLORABUNDA GERANIUMS – upright Geranium

_____ Red
_____ Pink

IVY GERANIUMS

_____ Red
_____ Pink
_____ Purple

LANTANA

_____ Orange/Yellow

LOBELIA

_____ Blue/White

MILLION BELLS

_____ Pink
_____ Purple
_____ Mix

NEW GUINEA IMPATIENS

_____ Red
_____ Pink
_____ Salmon
_____ Purple
_____ Orange
_____ White

PETUNIAS

_____ Pink
_____ Purple

SCAEVOLA

_____ Mini Blue Flower

TORINEA

_____ Blue Flower

#2 Total Qty: _____

ANNUALS FULL FLATS 48 Plants \$ 20.00

ALYSSUM

_____ White

BEGONIA

_____ Red
_____ Pink
_____ White
_____ Mixed

COLEUS

_____ Assorted

DUSTY MILLER

IMPATIENS (Limited supply)

_____ Red
_____ White
_____ Pink
_____ Lavender
_____ Purple
_____ Salmon
_____ Orange
_____ Mixed

BLUE LOBELIA

MARIGOLDS SHORT

_____ Yellow
_____ Orange
_____ Mixed

PANSIES

_____ Assorted
_____ Blue
_____ Yellow

PETUNIAS

_____ Red
_____ Pink
_____ Purple
_____ Salmon
_____ Mixed
_____ White

SALVIA RED

#3 Total Qty: _____

ANNUALS FULL FLATS (Cont'd) 48 Plants \$20.00

SNAPDRAGON

_____ Mixed Short
_____ Mixed Tall

TORINEAS

_____ Blue
_____ Pink
_____ Mixed

#4 Total Qty: _____

TOTALS:

#1:

Total ___ x \$ 6 = \$ ___

Total ___ x \$18 = \$ ___

#2 Total Qty: _____

___ x \$20.00 = \$ ___

#3 Total Qty: _____

___ x \$20.00 = \$ ___

#4 Total Qty: _____

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Yom HaShoah – Holocaust Remembrance Day

April 6, 2 p.m.

JCC Online Event

Holocaust Photography – The Lodz Ghetto Photographs of Henryk Ross

In commemorating the six million Jews who perished in the Holocaust and the heroism of survivors, join Galicia Jewish Museum Chief Curator Tomasz Strug, Robert Hirsch artist, curator, educator, historian, and Dr. Shawn Kelley, Professor of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Department Chair, Daemen College to discuss the photography of the Holocaust, specifically focusing on The Lodz Ghetto Photographs of Henryk Ross. From 1940 to 1944, Ross documented life inside the Lodz Ghetto. Officially, Ross worked for the ghetto's Jewish Administration's Statistics department, photographing the Jewish ghetto's inhabitants for identification cards and for Nazi propaganda images. When Ross was not working in his bureaucratic capacity, he risked his life to photograph the reality of daily ghetto life. Ross understood the importance of photographically documenting the Nazi genocide to repudiate those who would not believe or who would deny it happened. The event will conclude with a Q&A.

This is a free event but advance registration is required at: <http://bit.ly/HolocaustPhotography>. The link for the event will be emailed once you register.

This event is presented by the JCC of Buffalo in partnership with the Holocaust Resource Center of Buffalo, Jewish Community Relations Council, CEPA Gallery, Daemen College and the Galicia Jewish Museum. Made Possible in part by the Buffalo Jewish Federation.

For more information contact Katie Wzontek, JCC of Greater Buffalo at (716) 204-2084



Permanent Yahrzeit Anniversaries

April 23 & 24

Ceil Balber	George A. Mattis
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Aaron Billowitz	Meyers
Jennie Stone	Florence Beck
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Levine	Morris Sternberg
Harold Z. Levy	Elka H. Wile
Muriel Brumberg	Sara Faxstein
Levy	Yeager
Arthur E. Lewin	Regina Zolte
Harry F. Markson	

April 30 & May 1

Minnie Benderson	Katherine L.
Lillian K. Block	Meyers
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Establishing a Permanent Yahrzeit Memorial with Temple Beth Zion is a wonderful way to honor your loved one's memory and continue their legacy within our TBZ family.

If you are interested in establishing a Permanent Yahrzeit for a loved one, please call Becky at (716) 836-6565 for more information on how to establish this special honor.

Yahrzeit Notifications

For those who receive Yahrzeit notifications, the notices will be sent both by mail and email beginning May 1.

If you wish to receive your notice by email only or by mail only, please contact Becky at becky@tbz.org (be sure to include your full name) or (716) 836-6565, Ext. 110.



Permanent Yahrzeit Anniversaries

April 9 & 10

April 16 & 17

April 2 & 3

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We offer our condolences to the families of:

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 Jon Neenos
 Mitchell Levy
 Rakhil Khinkis

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