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**HIGH
HOLY
DAYS**



We are looking forward to sharing Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur with you, whether you join us in-person at our spiritual home on Delaware Avenue or remotely.

Turn to page 4 for helpful information regarding tickets, child care, and more.

Meet Rabbi Gutmann



If you haven't yet had an opportunity to meet Rabbi Brent Gutmann, please consider attending one of our small-group "Meet and Greet's".

Turn to page 5 for more information.



2022-2023 Campaign

The 2022-2023 Kol Nidre Campaign will soon be underway!

Please turn to page 5 for a message from Kol Nidre Chairs Ken and Adrienne.



Opening Day Sunday, September 11

All CRS parents are invited to participate in Opening Day! A drone will capture a photo of the parents, holding Tallitot, as their children begin the new year.

See page 6 for a message from the Director and links to the CRS webpage and online registration.



Letter from the President

Prior to joining the Board at Temple Beth Zion, I served on the St. Lawrence University Alumni Executive Council for 10 years, two as its president. During my tenure, I was an ex-officio member of the Board of Trustees and was invited to share the invocation at my very first meeting. Not sure what to do, I did what most nice Jewish boys should do and I called my rabbi. At that time, it was Rabbi Harry Rosenfeld, who after hearing my question, immediately had an idea. He told me of a prayer:

"Baruch atah adonai eloheinu melekh ha'olam asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu la'asok betzorkhei tzibur.

Blessed are you God, ruler of the universe, for commanding us to busy ourselves with the needs of the community."

I shared this prayer with the St. Lawrence Board of Trustees in October 2008 and they loved it! In fact, some asked for a copy of it to share with other organizations which they supported as it was so meaningful to them.

Fast forward from 2008 and the end of my time on the St. Lawrence Alumni Board, to 2010 when I first joined the TBZ Board and found out that all board meetings opened with this prayer...and it is still used today.

As I thought about its meaning, I found out some interesting things. First, the verb "la'asok" is the same verb in Hebrew as the one used in the prayer "to engage in the study of Torah." I also found that according to Jewish law, Torah study sometimes takes precedence over other mitzvot. On top of that, some rabbis believed that serving the community was at the same holy level as Torah study, and therefore being occupied with the needs of the community is equivalent to being occupied with matters of Torah.

So, in addition to me having a personal connection to this prayer, Clergy Associate Judy Henn shared with me that her good friend, Cantor Susan Wehle, of blessed memory, used to translate the prayer for studying Torah as "La'asok b'divrei Torah - let us soak ourselves in the words of Torah." Since the same word, "la'asok", is also used in this blessing, we could say "Let us soak ourselves in the needs of the community together."

Whether "busy-ing", "occupying," or "soaking" ourselves with the needs to the community, the prayer is a reminder at the beginning of each board meeting that our time together is sacred and that our work, too, is sacred as we focus on the needs of the community.

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Worship Opportunities

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

All services are available remotely.

Links can be found in your weekly Temple email
and at www.tbz.org.

Friday, September 2

Shabbat Evening Service 6 p.m.
Birthday & Anniversary Blessings
Service at Amberleigh 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 3

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.
Bat Mitzvah of Zoe Feuerstein

Friday, September 9

Shabbat Evening Service 6 p.m.

Saturday, September 10

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

Friday, September 16

Classical Shabbat Service 6p.m.

Saturday, September 17

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.
Service at Canterbury Woods 11 a.m.
S'lichot Service 7 p.m.

Friday, September 23

Shabbat Evening Service 6 p.m.

Saturday, September 24

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

Friday, September 30

Shabbat Evening Service 6 p.m.

Saturday, October 1

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

Office Schedule

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Monday, September 5 and Monday, September 26. If you have a lifecycle emergency and need to reach a member of our staff, call (716) 836-6565 and follow the instructions.



Letter from the Rabbi

Turning and Returning

As Jews, we live our lives by two calendars, the English and the Hebrew, and both have their ebbs and flows. The Hebrew year is structured around two intensive Jewish festival periods, Spring and Fall. In this sense, our yearly calendar moves in a cycle, but our world also has its trajectory.

We are gradually emerging from what has been one of our world's most challenging periods. Our strength has been tested and so has our faith, but as the Hebrew calendar approaches the Days of Awe again, an opportunity to check in on this path to physical and spiritual healing is before us. Our liturgical calendar reflects the calendar of the year. Traditionally, we start reciting the words of Psalm 27 daily during the month of Elul and continue through Sukkot. This psalm contains the words, "One thing I ask of the Eternal, only that do I seek: to live in God's house all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Eternal, and to frequent God's Temple." (Ps. 27:4)

As we return, our liturgy evokes memories of comfort—memories of being at Temple. I personally remember climbing beneath the metal bleachers as a young child in my grandpa's synagogue as the cantor chanted the prayers, and I have heard some of you share stories of disappearing to the youth lounge or lazily exploring Becker Farms while the service was conducted. All of us hope to rediscover joy from seasons past. This itself, return, rediscovery, and our rebirth as former, purer, less-beleaguered selves is contained in the High Holy Days overarching theme of *t'shuva*, return.

For so many of us, Temple Beth Zion is central to our Jewish identity. As our world emerges from its trauma, we also yearn to see our Temple emerge and return to health. But, things are not as they were. The landscapes of American and Jewish life have changed. Indeed, our Temple has been hurt, but we have not lost hope. There is a way to be a healthy, vital congregation whatever our state, and we will endure.

Moreover, we still have the chance to gather with old friends and family, and, if they live only in our memories, we still can rejoice in their continued legacy of children and grandchildren. As time cycles and we experience the trajectory of the years, it is possible "to live in God's house again"—to be inspired once again, yet, what inspired yesterday may not be the same as today. Some things remain the same while others change.

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High Holy Days 2022/5783 Information

High Holy Day 5782-5783 Information

All Services (with the exception of Becker Farms and Tashlich) will take place at 805 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14209 and will be available virtually.

Tickets

If you do not receive your High Holy Day tickets by September 12, call the Temple office at (716) 836-6565. If you require reciprocal tickets to attend Services at another synagogue, please contact Becky at (716) 836-6565 no later than September 2.

Masking Protocol

Masks, although appreciated, are no longer required for attendance at worship. We thank you for staying at home if you are unwell and/or have flu/cold-like symptoms (Covid or otherwise). We continue to monitor the guidelines of the CDC and the Erie County Health Department.

Security

Arrangements have been made for security at all services. ALL attendees will be required to show their tickets upon entry.

Participating Virtually

The links to view services virtually/remotely will be shared in congregational emails and on www.tbz.org.

S'lichot

S'lichot traditionally begins the season of repentance with the changing of the Torah covers to white and the blasting of the Shofar. This year, Temple Beth Zion is thrilled to offer a service in partnership with Congregation Shir Shalom on the evening of September 17. The evening will feature an elegant 5:45 pm chocolate and chamber music reception followed by a beautiful candlelit S'lichot service with our cantors and choir at 7 p.m.

Book of Remembrance

Among the ways we can honor our loved ones in memory is to include their names in the Book of Remembrance. The form for the Book can be found in your High Holy Day mailing. If you have questions, contact the Temple office at (716) 836-6565. Names must be received no later than September 12.

Rosh Hashanah at Becker Farms

This annual event is available to TBZ members by advance registration only. See the High Holy Day information that was mailed in August or call the Temple office at (716) 836-6565. Reservations are due no later than September 6. Please note, space is limited.

Tashlich - Casting Away Our Transgressions

We invite you to join us following the conclusion of the Rosh Hashanah Morning Service on Monday, September 26, for a brief, meaningful *Tashlich* ritual. We will meet at the Terrace at Hoyt Lake in Delaware Park, 199 Lincoln Parkway, Buffalo.

We will symbolically rid ourselves of the transgressions of the last year. Everyone is welcome to celebrate the New Year with this beautiful ritual.

Tishrei Memorial Service

A memorial service will be held Sunday, October 2, at noon at Forest Lawn Cemetery (section Z). Rabbi Brent Gutmann will lead a brief service in memory of beloved members of our families. This service offers comfort to the living while remembering our departed loved ones and the opportunity for personal prayers with the rabbi at the graveside of loved ones.

Yom Kippur Food Drive

On Yom Kippur, the most important fast day of the Jewish Year, we make a powerful statement to help those who have no choice about hunger and need assistance. Donations of non-perishable food will be welcomed at Yom Kippur Services, Wednesday, October 5. Please be sure to check expiration dates on donations.

Yom Kippur Interlude

Temple Beth Zion offers opportunities for learning, prayer and community all throughout the day of Yom Kippur, Wednesday, October 5. Consider remaining with us through the afternoon and evening and attending one of the programs listed on the worship schedule you received with your tickets.

For Young Children

Temple Beth Zion is pleased to provide FREE High Holy Days Child Care for our members' children (or grandchildren) ages 2-7 during the Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Morning Services (RSVP requested). For details and to register, go to: <https://www.jotform.com/build/222064783020144>.

You are also welcome to attend a Tot Program and Service with your child beginning at 10:30 in the Sisterhood Chapel. Following, families will be welcomed to join the main service for the Shofar and the conclusion of morning services.



Cofeld Museum

A new Rabbi, new President, a (mostly) new Board, and coming soon...a new Benjamin and Dr. Edgar R. Cofeld Judaic Museum. As you have noticed, the entire first floor hallway of 805 Delaware is taking on a brand new look. A new entrance for Jewish Family Services is under construction on the Barker Street end of the building to allow them to have their reception space and boardroom on the first floor, and a long needed elevator to their second floor headquarters. This work will keep an important Jewish community agency as our tenant for the next 15 years. It also created an opportunity for us to move the Cofeld Museum out of its cramped spaces at the end of the building, and to reimagine how this priceless collection of Buffalo Jewish history and Jewish religious and community life will be preserved and presented for future generations.

By these High Holidays, you should see the fruits of the work of the Cofeld Museum Task Force, comprised of Co-Chair, Susan Adelman, Museum Curator, Chana Kotzin, PhD., Jean DuBow and Judith Judelsohn, and local museum exhibit designer, Scott Wood. The Museum will be centrally located in the main hallway between the Sanctuary and Sisterhood Chapel, and Rabbi Fink Auditorium. You will literally experience the museum as you walk from one end of the building to the other. The main exhibits will be in the library and courtyard rooms with lots of natural light (but with plenty of UV protection). It will be open and far less crowded than the original Museum, and with more information about the history of Temple Beth Zion and the building itself, which is on the National Register of Historic Places.

While you will notice that there will be fewer artifacts on permanent display at any one time, (we actually had over 1,000 on display previously) we are making plans to do programs and special exhibits with our entire collection, periodically rotating pieces, reaching out to the congregation to lend some of their own family history for these events, and working with other local institutions such as the Buffalo History Museum and the Burchfield Penney Art Center. Our long term goal is to have the Museum experience be woven into many aspects of Temple life. We want to acknowledge the foresight of Bertha Cofeld whose generosity created the endowments for the Museum, and to the incredible work of Harriet and Mort Spiller in their dedication to carrying our Bertha's vision.

The next step is to reactivate the Cofeld Museum permanent committee to be stewards of the collection, plan special events and programs, and train docents to provide tours of our incredible building and museum. If you are interested in serving on the committee, please contact Susan Adelman at susan.adelman@gmail.com.

Larry Rubin, Co-Chair, Cofeld Museum Task Force



Dear Fellow Congregants:

We are Back. After experiencing several years of isolation, Zoom and separation we are once more able to join in person with friends and family and resume our temple activities.

Now is the time of the year when we give thanks for all that we have and remember the needs of our temple and our congregation.

All members of Temple Beth Zion will soon be receiving information about the 2022 Kol Nidre Campaign. This annual campaign is very important to the mission and membership of TBZ. It allows us to have the many programs and services that we all need and can now enjoy regardless of our personal finances and situations.

When you receive your Kol Nidre Campaign materials, please send in your pledge and donation. It is very important that each congregant make a pledge to the campaign. Pledges of all sizes are encouraged and appreciated. The size is not as important as your participation.

Thank you for your support and dedication to our Temple. *Shanah Tovah Umetukah* - Have a Good and Sweet Year. We look forward to again greeting you in person this year at our High Holy Day services.

Ken and Adrienne Graber, 2022-23 Campaign Chairs

Meet Rabbi Gutmann

The Rabbinic Transition Team has scheduled small group gatherings for Rabbi Gutmann to meet with TBZ members. These "Meet and Greets" offer Rabbi Gutmann an opportunity to share a bit about himself, answer questions and get to know you as well. September dates include:



Thursday, September 8, 7 - 8 pm, at 805 Delaware
Monday, September 12, 7 - 8 pm, at the Broder Center
Sunday, September 18, 2 - 2:30 pm, via Zoom

Advance registration is required and available at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CA5AD2AAAF5C25-meet> or by calling Kristen at (716) 836-6565. If your preferred date/location is filled, Kristen can add your name to a list so we can contact you once additional dates are scheduled.

Cindy Stover (thestovers@gmail.com)

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Mah Koreh B'CRS?

(What's Happening at CRS)

As Rosh Hashanah can be felt on the horizon, it brings with it a promise of new beginnings. First, I truly hope it is the beginning of a healthy year, not restricted by Covid!

The Community Religious School serves the students of Temple Beth Tzedek, Temple Beth Zion, Congregation Shir Shalom and unaffiliated families. One community, one community school. CRS provides engaging curriculum which includes Holidays, Israel, Torah, Ethics/Values, Life cycle, History, Art and Music. The Hebrew curriculum is taught as private, remote lessons to students from 1st through 7th grade. Hebrew is reinforced during T'fillah time on Sundays. This initiative has been highly successful and was well received by the students:

- "I loved learning Hebrew! It gave me time to work privately and at my own pace." (Evelyn F, 3rd grade)

- "I really like Hebrew online tutoring because it is one-on-one and when I make mistakes, it is not in front of the whole class, and I don't get embarrassed." (Hannah C., 4th grade)

- "Online tutoring helped me a lot. I started the year not knowing any Hebrew. It was easy to get on Zoom meetings. I was excited to learn how to read within few months!" (Ramona G, 6th grade)

As the Community Religious school is embarking on its second year, new initiatives such as expanding the Hebrew one-on-one to 1st and 2nd graders and new curriculum intensives for 6th and 7th graders are going to be implemented. Since we are not limited by social distancing this year, we are excited to be planning various social opportunities for our students and their families such as apple picking, Havdalah, and Friday night dinners. CRS is further collaborating with LiNK and the JCC to enhance programming for all ages.

Opening day for the school year is September 11. A drone will be capturing the parents, holding Talitot, as their children begin the new year. All parents are invited to a Zoom parent orientation on September 15 at 7:30 pm. Ganainu will meet on September 18, and the whole community is encouraged to join us at apple picking on September 25. Please check our school calendar on our website www.crsbuffalo.com where you will also find the latest updates and information. This QR code in the next column will take you directly to our website.

I want to thank the numerous donors who freely stepped forward to support the Community Religious School, even without being asked. I thank you for recognizing the importance of a successful, consolidated, and collaborative quality Jewish education in Buffalo.

As the Director of CRS, it is my mission to foster an organization that lives up to its name: it is the **Community Religious School, made by and for our community**. I will ensure that at our school, all are heard, represented, and can find meaningful connections as they embark on their own unique Jewish journeys.

For more information on our academic program for students Pre-K through 7th, our Madrichim program for 8th-12th graders, or to become a supporter, please contact Einav Symons, the CRS director.

Wishing all a Healthy and Happy New Year!

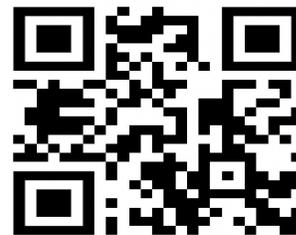
Shanah Tovah U'metukah!

Einav Symons

Community Religious School Director

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The QR code below will take you directly to the CRS website.



If you have not yet registered for school, the QR code below will take you directly to online registration.





Director of Member Experience

Shalom! My name is Beth Steinberg and I would like to RE-introduce myself to you.

For the past three years I have served Temple Beth Zion as the Director of our Religious School and then as a Co-Director of the Community Religious School (CRS). Getting to know you and your children, collaborating with talented faculty members, mentoring the Madrichim, and adopting new curriculums and modes of learning (for pandemic and other reasons) were very rewarding and meaningful for me. However, Einav Symons, my former co-director, is now the sole director of the CRS and as a result, my role and title at TBZ have changed.

I am delighted to have been given the title of TBZ's Director of Member Experience. In this position, my priority is serving you, the members of this congregation, through all the various lifecycle events and other "touchpoints" you may have with TBZ.

As Director of Member Experience I will coordinate a warm welcome for you when you first affiliate with TBZ. When a new baby is welcomed into your family, I will assist you in arranging a *B'rit Milah/B'rit Bat/B'rit Chayim* ("Baby Naming Ceremony"). In collaboration with our staff and clergy, I will manage the B'nei Mitzvah experience for our families. I will also assist anyone navigating the path towards conversion. If you or your child is hoping to celebrate a wedding at TBZ, I will guide you through the process. And when you are coping with the death of a loved one, I will help to coordinate between you and our clergy. For all these significant moments in your life, I will provide you with information about our processes and offer my support to you. This is how we build and maintain our Kehillah Kedoshah, our "sacred community".

My responsibilities will also extend to education, engagement, and programming designed to enhance our members' connections to TBZ. I look forward to collaborating with Rabbi Gutmann as we re-invigorate and expand our Adult Education offerings and provide inviting and meaningful experiences for our families with young children, our teens, and others in our congregation. I will also be the liaison for TBZ families at the Community Religious School.

I greatly appreciate that others in the TBZ office will continue to handle some of these tasks as we navigate through this transition. I am grateful for everyone's kindness and patience and I look forward to creating new experiences with all of you.

Shanah tovah um'tukah, May you have a sweet new year!

Beth Steinberg
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Mazel Tov!



**Bat Mitzvah
Zoe Feuerstein
Saturday, September 3**

Daughter of:
Jennifer Catherine & Jesse Feuerstein

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Welcome!

Welcome New TBZ Members

Jonathan & Rachel Friedman

Jay & Beverly Gutmann

Roger Simon

Andrew & Einav Symons

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Mazel Tov!

Mazel tov to Maddy Martin and Matt Dehr, who were wed on July 2 at a ceremony held at their home in South Wales, NY. Maddy's parents are Mark and Laurie Criden, Mart's parents are Ronald and Bette Dehr.

Mazel tov to Rachel Shatkin and Jonathan Friedman, who were wed on July 3 in a ceremony held in the Temple Beth Zion sanctuary. Rachel's parents are Joni and Sam Shatkin and Jonathan's parents are Robin and Jeff Friedman.

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Honorable Menschen

Congratulations to Samantha White who chaired the East Buffalo Garden Walk & Children's Garden Festival. The event aims to create and build relationships among gardeners, neighbors and visitors.

"I think the East Side Garden Walk is something that's beautiful because it's a way to bring people who are like-minded together in order to share their love of gardening with people from inside and outside of the community," said Sam White.

Sam also served as Founding Chair of Buffalo's first ever diversity career fair for attorneys, the Empire State Legal Diversity Career Fair in August. The Career Fair was a joint effort of the Minority Bar Association of WNY, the Bar Association of Erie County and UB Law. The employers, students and attorneys came together to diversify Buffalo's legal community.

Sam and her family are members of TBZ and Sam began her first term on the Board of Trustees in June.

Co-Presidents Message

We hope you are enjoying the last few weeks of summer with a multitude of wonderful activities at TBZ and around the WNY community.

Many of us shared a lovely evening at Broder on 7/16. The Havdalah service led by Rabbi Gutmann was lovely. Sisterhood provided many of the delicious desserts, including 716 cookies, brownies, chocolate chip cookies, and much more. Big thanks to Sharon Winer for organizing the dessert buffet.

We also hosted two Sisterhood tables at the Summer Celebration on August 1. It was a wonderful evening with delicious food and great company.

On August 10, Lynn Klein hosted a Sisterhood Board Meet & Greet, with Rabbi Brent and Jill Gutmann as special guests. It was a lovely afternoon!

Sisterhood organized a brunch at Bagel Jay's on August 16 that was open to all members of the TBZ community. It was nice to sit and schmooze with everyone who attended.

Save November 3 and join our Book Nook to discuss "Woman on Fire" by Lisa Barr. This is the perfect opportunity to meet a great group of ladies and expand your reading list. To join the email list, please reach out to Cindy at thestovers@gmail.com.

We look forward to seeing you at the High Holy Day Services and wish you a happy and healthy New Year.

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Turning and Returning

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Some of you may have noticed changes to our recently announced High Holy Day calendar. We are starting services earlier at 10 a.m. on Rosh Hashanah so that we can end earlier and avoid grumbling tummies, and Becker Farms has moved from the morning to the afternoon so that Cantor Labow and I can join you following the morning service in the city. Yom Kippur also begins at 10 a.m. and includes additional opportunities for learning and music and will still conclude early enough that you can be among first to Break Fast. Most excitingly of all, Temple Beth Zion will have the opportunity to host Congregation Shir Shalom for a new Chamber Music, Chocolate, Candlelit S'lichot observance as we commence this year's High Holy Day season with a return to our Sanctuary at 805 Delaware Avenue, may it be a magical moment not to be missed.

While we hope these changes will be embraced, some may be indifferent, confused or unhappy about them. Change always creates uncertainty, yet our promise to you is that we will continue to tinker. Whether next year's schedule maintains these adjustments or returns to previous plans, we welcome you. Temple's lay and professional leadership remain committed to you as our Temple endures and transforms. So, let me be among the first to wish you fulfillment this High Holy Day season:

May each of us experience health, sustenance and rebirth. May we all find ourselves excited by our return to Temple and may our friends and our families know fewer days of trouble and more days of plenty as we enter this New Year.

Shana Tova U'Metukah. May this New Year be sweet for all.

Rabbi Brent Gutmann
rabbi@tbz.org

Message from the President

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Speaking of board meetings, I'm pleased to announce that I'll be sharing "board happenings" once per month in the email communication that goes out on Fridays. If you have any questions or comments about what's going on at TBZ, please reach out to me at president@tbz.org.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity from my family and me to wish you and your family, our entire TBZ family, and all of Jewish Buffalo a "*shana tova umetukah*"—a sweet and happy new year. May the year 5783 bring all of us a year of peace, healing, and connection. I look forward to seeing you at services!

Ken Polk
president@tbz.org

Return to TBZ: It's Addicting!

It's time to come back!

TBZ is a wonderful architectural gem; its main sanctuary soars and invites and comforts...the staff is a professional and interactive and personable group that easily match any staffers in a Fortune 500 company...a *je nae sais quoi* blooms with a gathering of TBZ congregants to pray, to kibbitz, to bond as the two mighty pillars of the Ten Commandments soar while Ben Shahn's beautiful stained glass windows bathe all in a gentle and embracing glow.

Yet this has been hollow – until now.

A temple needs a rabbi, one who takes the physical building, the cogs of its daily life, and the devoted members, and brings all to a joyous, exciting, and hopeful future. Finally, Temple Beth Zion is about to regain its lost essence, finally Temple Beth Zion is stepping out of the shadows.

Rabbi Brent Gutmann is here.

No, he is no miracle worker nor shaman nor wizard; Rabbi Gutmann is a man. Yet what he has shown the membership in his short tenure here is that combination of vision, knowledge, humor, engagement, sympathy, scholarship, and motivation that has the temple sighing, "Oh, how nice to feel alive again! How wonderful to once again be on the cusp of all that Temple Beth Zion once was!"

For members still here, it's a simply grand time to be a congregant of Temple Beth Zion. But for you who left – for one of many reasons – it's time to return. Jewishness abounds and permeates in each of us, yet we need an anchor, we need guidance, we need to better understand. Come back to Temple Beth Zion and say hello to Rabbi Gutmann.

You'll say and feel what I do: "Ah, it's good to be home again!"

Errol Craig Sull

Tikkun HaYam

Reverse TASHLICH

International Jewish Community Cleanup

October 2, 2022 | 10:30 am - Noon
Unity Island Park

All equipment will be provided.
Please wear long pants and a long-sleeved shirt.

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Summer Celebration 2022

Another Summer Celebration is in the books! The 23rd annual event was a hit...and the weather was perfect! With 82 golfers, 31 on the Wine & Spirits Tour, and another 62 who joined us just for dinner, a good time was had by all.

In partnership with Congregation Shir Shalom and Buffalo Jewish Federation, the community-wide event started with lunch on the patio at Transit Valley Country Club. Golfers then jumped into their carts for a challenging round while wine and spirit tour attendees boarded an air-conditioned bus with their host, Ken Rogers, and visited a distillery, a winery and a brewery. At the end of the day, everyone came together for cocktails and dinner which included a basket raffle, as well as a silent and live auctions.

This year, we had many sponsors step up to help our cause. Ranging from Friends of the Event and Tee Sponsors to an overall Tournament Sponsor, needed funds were raised by TBZ. Co-chairs Ken Polk (TBZ) and Tom Lansing (CSS) thank the following sponsors for their support: **Tournament Sponsor:** Aesthetic Associates Centre, **Gold Sponsors:** BRD Construction, Howard Rosenhoch, Saperston Companies; **Silver Sponsors:** Amherst Memorial Chapel, Choice Employee Benefits Group, Kenny Carpets, DBSR & Associates/Merrill Lynch, Northtown Automotive, ROI Financial; **Bronze Sponsors:** Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies, Dr. Philip Glick & Dr. Drucy Borowitz, Howard Hanna Real Estate-miriam treger, R. E. Kelley, Inc., Lougan Valenti Bookbinder & Weintraub, Mesnekoff Funeral Home, Premier Wine & Spirits, Reich/Emerson LLP, T.L.S. Landscaping, Inc., Toshiba, Wolfgang & Weinmann; **Lunch Sponsor:** M & T Bank; **Wine & Spirits Tour Sponsor:** Jewish Federation Apartments; **Hole-In-One Sponsor:** Northtown Automotive Companies; **At The Turn Sponsor:** Harris Beach PLLC; **Beverage Sponsors:** Amazing Bargains LLC, Rabbi Alex Lazarus-Klein; **Cocktail Hour Sponsor:** Lippes Mathias LLP; **Dinner Sponsor:** Delta Sonic; **Tee Sponsors:** Bagel Jay's, Better Business Bureau, Brotherhood of Temple Beth Zion, BXI Consultants, Cannon Heyman & Weiss LLP, Gerry's Service, Rob & Shira Goldberg, R.E. Kelley Building Restoration, Kimil Construction, Lawley Insurance, Lumsden & McCormick, Mollot & Hardy, Men's Group of Congregation Shir Shalom, Larry Rubin & Debra Chernoff, Sisterhood of Temple Beth Zion, Windsong Radiology Group, Women of Shir Shalom, **Friends of the Event:** Jeff & Deb Clark, Warren & Lynn Clark, Kathy Ellis, Julie & Ed Feldman, Madison Tile Carpet One, Minority Bar Association of WNY, Ken & Cara Polk, Edward & Sharon Schwartz, Todd & Pam Sugarman.

Additional thanks to the many volunteers who made baskets, found auction and raffle items, worked at the event, or supported our efforts. We couldn't have done it without you!

Special congratulations also goes out to both David Goldberg and Julie Feldman for being chosen as the 2022 recipients of the Burt Notarius Award for their long-term dedication to this event.

Stay tuned for more information about next year's event. It truly was a summer celebration and 2023 will be even bigger and better!





716 Outdoor Dinner & Havdalah

Todah rabah (many thanks) to everyone who helped make our 716 Havdalah Service a success. More than 70 people shared a beautiful summer evening outdoors at the Broder Center. Many brought their own picnic dinner and had a chance to catch up with old friends and meet new people. Following dinner, we had delicious homemade desserts that included a variety of cookies and brownies. Next, Rabbi Gutmann led an inspiring Havdalah ceremony with prayer and music to end Shabbat. Havdalah is a Hebrew word that means separation and the service separates the end of Shabbat from the start of the new week. Our service included wine to symbolize the joy of Shabbat. Each person had their own aromatic spice sachet full of cinnamon and other sweet smelling spices to symbolize the lingering scent of the sweetness of Shabbat. A multi-wicked, braided candle was lit to symbolize the many different types of Jews in the world woven together in unity, strength and love. The candlelight, wine and sweet smelling spices all come together to help us carry Shabbat through the week until the next Shabbat. At the end of the service, the candle was extinguished into the wine, as a way to say goodbye to Shabbat. Rabbi Gutmann introduced each segment of the Havdalah service with a niggun (wordless melody) and a meditation on the 36 Tzadikim (righteous ones) who help to sustain and repair the world.

Special thanks to all those who made the evening enjoyable, including: the Rabbinic Transition Team, Ken Graber, Susan Adelman, Anna Marie Richmond and Warren Clark; the 716 Havdalah Co-Chairs, Anna Marie Richmond, Jody Goldstein and Zack Steinberg; our fantastic bakers, Sharon Winer, Debra Coniglio, Susan Nadler, Judy Swadron, Lynn Klein, Marilyn Schillroth and Errol Sull.

Thank you Zack Steinberg and Steve Lattimore for singing before the service, and musical accompaniment for our service and to Amelida and Lillian Weinmann for making the aromatic spice sachets for our service.

Thank you Rabbi Gutmann, Jeff Clark, Kristen Keil, Beth Steinberg, Julie Feldman, Ann Marie Randall, Becky Schiefer, R.J. Dehima, Ahmed Salih, and Albert Trautman for helping to make this evening a success.

Thank you to the many volunteers who helped in so many different capacities: Ginny Ellis, Taylor Stover, Josh Stover, Matthew Eichhorn, Mary Alice Groat, Susan Schruett Goldberg, David Goldberg, and Gary Richmond.

Are you interested in volunteering at TBZ? There are so many opportunities to get involved. Please email TBZ president Ken Polk at president@tbz.org so he can match your interests to a committee!

Kathy Ellis and Cindy Stover
Rabbinic Transition Team Co-chairs



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October 1 can
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*We offer our condolences
to the family of:*

Dr. David Davidson
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Chocolate & Chamber Music - S'lichot Service -

Saturday, September 17, 2022
805 Delaware Avenue | Buffalo NY 14209

5:45 pm | Enjoy chamber music by Roman Mekinulov's string quartet while indulging in a chocolate buffet

7:00 pm | Join us for a beautiful candlelit S'lichot service, followed by the Shofar blast to lead us into the High Holy Days.

Led by:
Rabbi Brent Gutmann
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Cantor Ted Labow
And a choir



Guest Cantor, Ted Labow, to Co-Lead Services



Cantor Ted Labow will join us in September and co-lead several services with Rabbi Brent Gutmann and Clergy Associate Judy Henn. Cantor Labow will be with us for Erev Shabbat and Shabbat Morning Services on the weekends of September 16, 22 and 30.

So many of you mentioned last year how much you enjoyed Cantor Labow's rich voice and commanding presence. We are pleased to have him with us again.