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# Thank you, Jeff!





Please Join Us In Honoring Jeff Clark for his 4 years of service as

for his 4 years of service as Executive Director of Temple Beth Zion

Erev Shabbat Service Friday, June 2 at 6 PM 805 Delaware Avenue and via livestream

# "Mazel Tots" Outdoors

Led by Jill & Rabbi Brent Gutmann Sunday, June 11, 10 - 11:30 AM Billy Wilson Park, 1290 Hopkins Rd, Williamsville

Feel free to bring lunch or snacks to enjoy after our time together. We look forward to spending some Mazel Tots time together outside!

For more information, contact Beth Steinberg, beth@tbz.org, 716-836-6565, ext. 131



# **Pride Shabbat**

Friday, June 9 at 6 PM 805 Delaware Avenue and via livestream

Guest Speaker: Elliott Bystrak, MPH Engagement & Education Manager of Pride Center of Western New York Outdoon Picnic Dinner SHABBAT

**BRING-YOUR-OWN PICNIC DINNER!** 

Friday, June 30, 2023 5 PM - Dinner, 6 PM - Service TBZ Broder Center 700 Sweet Home Rd., 14226

Please register by Monday 6/26 at https://bit.ly/PicnicShabbatJune2023

TEMPLE BETHZION



# Letter from the President

They say, "time flies when you're having fun." As I head into the 12th month as your president, all I can think of is what a year it has been for all of us and Temple Beth Zion!

In the last year, we have:

- Held dozens of events as our transition team welcomed Rabbi Gutmann and his family to Buffalo
- Worshipped together in our sanctuary during High Holy Day for the first time in three years
- Completed another year as a partner in the Community **Religious School**
- Surpassed our goal in the annual Kol Nidre campaign
- Secured a \$150,000 security grant to further protect our congregation
- Received a \$300,000 grant over three years to begin a program educating area school children about TBZ's history, architecture, and the history of Jews in Buffalo
- Fixed the roof and updated the kitchen at 805 Delaware
- Hosted the first ever Freedom Seder with First Shiloh **Baptist Church**
- Co-hosted the first ever Community 2<sup>nd</sup> Night Seder with Congregation Shir Shalom
- Hosted Earth Day and community events at 805 Delaware
- Held the Grand Opening for the re-imagined Cofeld Judaic Museum
- · Celebrated with a wonderful weekend of events for the installation of our Senior Rabbi
- Launched a major capital campaign to repair, renovate, and restore our spiritual home at 805 Delaware
- Helped re-settle two refugee families in partnership with Jewish Family Services
- Re-established our committees with engaged members excited to do good work
- Led by example with board members serving as chairs of at least one initiative
- Continued to participate in the community's LIFE & LEGACY<sup>®</sup> program
- And more...

On June 29, we will look back at our year during our Annual Meeting. There we will highlight some of our accomplishments, review next year's budget, and vote on Board of Trustee members and bylaw changes. You will receive information in advance and I encourage you to vote in person or by proxy.

And, while we have had challenges...and will continue to in the future...I am encouraged by the future and know that it is bright! Please join us as we look ahead to the new year.

Kenneth Polk



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# Worship Opportunities

Services below are held at 805 Delaware Avenue unless noted otherwise. Services are also available via livestream. Links can be found in your weekly Temple email and at www.tbz.org.

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

Friday, June 2 Legacy Shabbat and honoring Jeff Clark Birthday & Anniversary Blessings	6 PM
<b>Saturday, June 3</b> Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of Joseph David Higgins	10:30 AM
<b>Friday, June 9</b> Pride Shabbat Service	6 PM
<b>Saturday, June 10</b> Shabbat Morning Service Service at Canterbury Woods	10:30 AM 11 AM
<b>Friday, June 16</b> Juneteenth and Classical Shabbat Service	6 PM
<b>Saturday, June 17</b> Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah of Sophia Autumn Harmon Service at Canterbury Woods	10:30 AM 11 AM
<b>Friday, June 23</b> Shabbat Evening Service at Broder	6 PM
<b>Saturday, June 24</b> Shabbat Morning Service Service at Canterbury Woods	10:30 AM 11 AM
<b>Friday, June 30</b> Outdoor bring-your-own picnic dinner at Broder Young Family Shabbat Service at Broder	5 PM 6 PM
<b>Saturday, July 1</b> Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 AM

# **Office Schedule**

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Monday, June 19. 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

# Acquire for Yourself a Friend

Thank you, thank you, thank you for the wonderful Rabbinic Installation celebration last month. It was a beautiful event and we all know now that Temple Beth Zion still knows how to party! My family and I feel deeply blessed to be here and we pray that you feel blessed that we are here as well.

Rabbi Joshua ben Perahiah teaches in Pirkei Avot, the oldest source of rabbinic wisdom, "Appoint for thyself a rabbi, and acquire for thyself a friend." (Pirkei Avot 1:6)

At the completion of my first full year at Temple Beth Zion, I feel your appreciation. You are loving and caring. You are deeply invested in temple's success and you have offered your friendship.

On the deepest level, a rabbi is a teacher. So, too, our tradition emphasizes learning among the most fundamental human needs. Even after fifteen consecutive years serving congregations, I recognize that I still have so much to learn and I am grateful for your willingness to be on this journey of growth and learning with me.

Temple Beth Zion has an esteemed 174 year history. We are among the oldest Jewish congregations in the country. We pioneered what it meant to be a synagogue in the American context as charter members of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Our members have led inside and outside the Jewish world and, throughout this time, we have never stopped learning and growing.

Today, change is as ubiquitous as it has ever been. The ways we pray, learn, and gather are all in flux. Ten years ago, Rabbi Ron Wolfson published "Relational Judaism: Using the Power of Relationships to Transform the Jewish Community." In it he writes, "It's not about programs. It's not about marketing. It's not about branding, labels, logos, clever titles, websites, or smartphone apps. It's not even about institutions. *It's about relationships*," and he argued that those communities with the strongest relationships will be most likely to thrive in this new era.

Part of what has impressed me the most about Temple Beth Zion has been how deep your relationships go. Within moments of announcing I would be moving to Buffalo to become your senior rabbi last year, no fewer than three of my former congregants shared genuine love stories about TBZ. Within moments, no fewer than three of my mother's friends shared love stories about TBZ with her. Only a very special congregation would remain with those who moved

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A packed audience of over 200 people enjoyed the opening ceremonies of the newly reimagined museum on Sunday, April 23, 2023. The welcome and history of the Art Committee and recognition of donors was given by Susan Adelman. Jean Dubow provided an overview of the new museum while Chana Revell Kotzin, Ph.D., Museum Curator and Temple Historian, gave a history of the museum and its new philosophy.

This brought to fruition more than two years of work by the museum reimagining committee of Jean DuBow, Jill Gutmann, Judith Judelsohn, designer Scott Alexander Wood and Chana Revell Kotzin, Ph.D., led by co-chairs Susan Adelman and Laurence Rubin. The creation of a new art gallery was led by Scott Propeack, Executive Director, Burchfield Penney Art Center, and committee members Susan Adelman, Chana Revell Kotzin, Ph.D., Judith Judelsohn, Catherine Linder Spencer and Ellen Steinfeld.

Music was provided by Ken Kaufman and catering by Karen Goodman Catering. Ellen Goldstein arranged extensive press coverage including several local television stations. Last, but by no means least, our thanks to Randy and Ron Benderson and the Benderson Family for their contributions to the Benjamin and Dr. Edgar R. Cofeld Judaic Museum which, in addition to the Cofeld Endowment Fund, enabled the relaunch of the museum.





# NASH HOUSE MUSEUM TOUR

Enjoy a free tour of the former residence of the Rev. J. Edward Nash, the pastor of the Michigan Avenue Baptist Church in honor of Black History Month. Many of Rev. Nash's sermons and letters are a crucial part of Buffalo's African-American community history and will be on display for viewing.



5:30 PM THURSDAY JUNE 15, 2023 THIS TOUR IS FREE BUT SPACE IS LIMITED TO 25 Contact julie@tbz.org or 716-836-6565 to RSVP



# Tiferet 2023

JUNE 20, 2023 5:00-8:00 P.M. 70 Barker Street, Buffalo

A WORLD REFUGEE DAY EVENT HONORING THE RICH TAPESTRY OF OUR COMMUNITY

International foods | artisan crafts | kids activities | and more!

Adult: \$20 | Youth \$10 Includes admission, SWAG, and food ticket starter

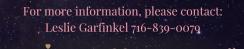


# jewish family services | wny

# Volunteers Needed!

"In the City of Good Neighbors, No one should go to bed hungry. No one should worry about where they'll sleep tonight. Everyone should know they have a friend they can turn to when they need help."

> TBZ is looking for volunteers to assist at Friends of Night People,
> a Buffalo soup kitchen/food pantry.
> Volunteers are needed on the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 4:45 - 7:15 PM.
> Duties may include welcoming guests, serving meals, and staffing the food/clothing pantry.
> TBZ members and non-members of all ages (12+) and all genders are welcome!



# ShulCloud

We are thrilled that so many TBZ members have become better acquainted with making reservations and accessing their accounts online through ShulCloud. In the April and May issues of the TBZ Bulletins we provided information and instructions on how to access your accounts. The information is available on the TBZ website at https:// www.tbz.org/membership/. We hope you give it a try and see what benefits it can offer you.

Please reach out to me at <u>beth@tbz.org</u> or by calling (716) 836-6565, ext. 131 if you need assistance navigating ShulCloud.

Beth Steinberg, Director of Member Experience

# For Knitters and Non-knitters!

The Sisterhood is once again collecting new handmade and purchased winter hats, mittens, gloves and scarves for programs sponsored by Jewish Family Services. Please get knitting and drop off your donated items at the Broder Center Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 2 PM.

During the first week of November the items will be delivered to JFS.

Our last donation drive was very successful. Thank you for considering our request.



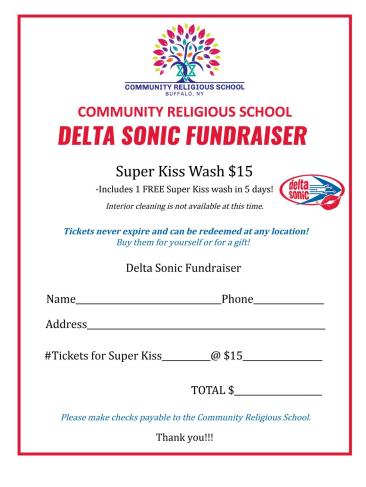
# Mah Koreh B'CRS?

(What's Happening at CRS)

Rabbi Gutmann, Rabbi Lazarus-Klein, Rabbi Rich, the education committee and myself are busy planning for the upcoming year at the Community Religious School. I look forward to sharing with all of you new initiatives, new curricula and exciting new programs. Until then, please check our website for registration at <u>www.crsbuffalo.com</u>.

Please contact me at (716) 574-6016 if I could be of any assistance.

Enjoy the summer!! Einav Symons Community Religious School Director buffalocrs@gmail.com



Mail the completed form, along with your check, to: CRS, 4660 Sheridan Drive, Williamsville, NY 14221





# Bar Mitzvah Joseph David Higgins Saturday, June 3

Son of: Ruth and Dennis Higgins

## Bat Mitzvah Sophia Autumn Harmon Saturday, June 17

Daughter of: Talia Harmon, Mark Wolfson and Scott Harmon

# **Mazel Tov to Our Graduates!**

We offer a hearty and heartfelt mazel tov to the graduates of 2023. We congratulate you on your hard work and your continued success. Below we share information on TBZ graduates and where their plans take them next. May their unique awesomeness and positive energy inspire confidence in others.

## Theo Bellavia Frank

Amherst Central High School Will attend Wesleyan University in Connecticut, with a Major in English/Creative Writing

Karen Honan Will attend Clemson University

Alexandra Kane University at Buffalo, M.A in Urban Planning and Design

**Ethan Kane** St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute

Leah Polk Williamsville East High School Will attend SUNY Geneseo to study Elementary Education

**Sophie Ridlon** Granddaughter of Harriet & Ralph Halpern American University with B.A. degree.

## **Taylor Stover**

Syracuse University summa cum laude with a B.A. in International Relations (with Distinction) and History with a minor in French.

Studies continue at SU in the fall, pursuing an M.A. in International Relations.



# Temple Beth Zion 173<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting

Thursday, June 29, at 7 PM Sisterhood Chapel, 805 Delaware

Please plan to join us! Information on the TBZ Annual Meeting will arrive in your mailbox in June. Please review the information and return your proxy by mail.

If you do not receive the information by June 26, contact Julie Feldman at julie@tbz.org or (716) 836-6565, Ext 134.

# **JUNETEENTH** Freedom Day Service

Friday, June 16, at 6 PM 805 Delaware Avenue

We are welcoming our brothers and sisters of the African American community to join us as we commemorate Juneteeth. We hope to see you there!



# **Delaware Parking Lot**

Construction is set to begin in our Delaware Building parking lot at the end of June, beginning with the JFS side of the lot along Barker Street. Much of the usual lot will remain available. After roughly 2 weeks, the JFS part of the lot will reopen and the Linwood side will close for 2 weeks.

We will also be replacing the stairs to our entrance from the Linwood/Barker lot. As needed, members will be able to park in the spaces alongside the Chapel and in the JCC lot.

# **Honoring Our Legacy Members**

"As my forefathers planted these carob trees for me so I too plant these for my children." - Talmud (Ta'anis 23a)

On Friday, June 2 we will hold a special Shabbat Service in honor of those who have pledged their support to Temple Beth Zion through the Harold Grinspoon Foundation's LIFE & LEGACY® program and/or the Rabbi Joseph and Janice Fink Legacy Society. The 6 PM service will be followed by afestive Oneg reception.

Temple Beth Zion is in the second year of our Grinspoon LIFE & LEGACY® partnership with the Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies. We have confirmed commitments from 26 members. We are thrilled to welcome our newest members, Fred and Maura Cohen.

We welcome your interest and questions regarding this amazing opportunity to make a difference in the future of Temple Beth Zion and Jewish Buffalo. Please contact me for more information and join us on June 2.

> Kenneth Polk, President president@tbz.org

# Mazel Tov!

To Samantha White, who has been selected by the Hololcaust Resource Center to receive the Sophia Veffer Upstander Award. The Award honors Holocaust Survivor Sophia Veffer's life and legacy by celebrating an individual who combats injustice and creates positive change in our community. Sam will receive this honor on June 8 at the HRC Awards Ceremony. Sam is a member of our Board of Trustees and Chair of our Social Action Committee.

To Lillian Weinmann, an enthusiastic member of TBaZY, who was recently elected as SAVP (Social Action Vice President) of the Northeast Lakes Division of NFTY. Lillian was also recently selected to participate in the RAC (Religious Action Coalition of the Union for Reform Judaism) Teen Justice Fellowship.

## Honorable Menschen

Thank you to our super stuffers Shellie Rutstein, Marilyn Schillroth, Jody Goldstein, Halli Glina, Carole Weingarten, Judy Swadron, Clareanne Silver, Sandy Wolchok, Sharon Winer, Patti Abeles, Frans de Waal and Julie Feldman for preparing and mailing Sisterhood membership materials.

Margery Zeckhauser



# Sisterhood Presidents' Report

Sisterhood started out this year with a wonderful outdoor Opening Luncheon where about 100 women met our new Rabbi Brent Gutmann and his wife, Jill. At that luncheon the ladies also gave generously to one of our favorite charities, Haven House. Later in the Summer, the Sisterhood Board sponsored a welcome dinner for the Gutmann Family at the home of Lynn and Bobby Klein. In the Fall, Sisterhood coordinated efforts to decorate both the downtown Sukkah and the one at Broder. In mid-October many of our members participated in the Making Strides for Breast Cancer Walk. In November we held our "Games Galore" card party. December brought our successful Chanukah Bazaar, and almost our Family Chanukah Party. Unfortunately, Mother Nature had other ideas! In January we, with Brotherhood, had a wonderful Havdalah evening with lots of food and Bingo! In March, we prepared and served the dinner for the Purim celebration. About 100 Congregants enjoyed the delicious homemade pasta dishes, hamentaschen, and the Purim Spiel that followed. Later that month, several of us attended a play at the Ghostlight Theater about children of the Holocaust. In June, we look forward to a tour of Platter's Chocolates. This year, Sisterhood also established an "Engagement Committee" which then began these continuing activities: "Book Nook" and our Bagel Brunches.

We have held two successful fundraisers: Our ongoing Dash's receipt collection and Anderson's Gift Card fundraiser. We have made the following commitments to our temple: to contribute toward Scholarships for Religious School, money for security personnel and the Summer Celebration, plus a pledge to help with a future Shabbat dinner. We are paying for the beautiful flowers at our Rabbi's Installation. Our Judaica Shop has also been successful this year and gives to the Sylvia and Alvin Small Fund to benefit our TBZ teenagers, and to the Passover Soldiers' Project. Our Sisterhood pledges, including those the Judaica Shop has donated for this year, amount to over \$11,500.

Sisterhood also donated to other charities in the community such as the "World Central Kitchen" and the "Jewish Federation of Buffalo".

We hope that you will continue to support Sisterhood and if you are not a member, you will consider joining this wonderful group of women.

> Marilyn Schillroth (716) 832-4757 Susan Bruckheimer (716) 982-2099 Cindy Stover (716) 803-2884

# Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

JUNE 2023 Specials

Wedding Sale Save 20% OFF Just let us know you are purchasing the item as a bridal shower or wedding gift

#### Tzedakah Box Sale Save 20% OFF

Tzedakah Boxes are the perfect gift for many occasions. New Baby ~ Wedding ~ New Home ~ Graduation We have a great selection for everyone!

We are open by appointment for in-store shopping or for curbside pick up. We can email or text you pictures of whatever items you would like to see.

For information or appointment, text, call or email Susan (716) 982-2099 nana4susan@gmail.com or call Dee (240) 446-1211

Funds from sales in the Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop help support Sisterhood and Temple programs

SISTERHOOD OF TEMPLE BETH ZION

Book Nook

## Please join TBZ's Sisterhood for Book Nook Thursday, June 8, 7 - 8:30 PM Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

Our selection is "Joy Comes in the Morning" by Jonathan Rosen. This book reflects on how Rabbi Deborah Green's life changes when she visits a hospital patient named Henry Friedman, a Holocaust survivor, who is recovering from a debilitating stroke and attempted suicide. Please join us in June to share your thoughts about Deborah's encounter with Henry and his family and how it draws her into a world of tragedy, frailty, love, and, finally hope.

New members are always welcome!

Please contact Cindy at thestovers@gmail.com or the Temple office at (716) 836-6565 to RSVP

Sisterhood Opening Luncheon

Please Join Us for the Sisterhood 2023-2024 Opening Luncheon **Tuesday, July 18 at 11:30 a.m. The Grove at Banchetti, 550 N. French Road, Amherst** 



Candace K. Vogel, Guest Speaker Candace Vogel will talk about her 33-year career as an Erie County Assistant District Attorney prosecuting financial crimes, particularly scams and fraud.

2023-2024 Sisterhood members pay \$10 for lunch. Guests are welcome at \$38 per person.

Enjoy a delicious luncheon with friends. Basket and 50/50 raffles (cash or check only).

Sisterhood will be collecting gift cards and check donations for Haven House. (Tops, Tim Horton's, McDonald's, Walmart & Target gift cards are always popular).

Reservations for this outdoor event must be received by July 3.

PLEASE DETACH AND MAIL WITH YOUR CHECK payable to TBZ Sisterhood

to: Sandra Wolchok, 6872 Forestview Drive, Lockport, NY 14094.

# PLEASE PRINT

Your name:		
Sisterhood (\$10) members	guests (\$38)	Total enclosed
Guest name(s):		
List people you would like to sit with.		<u> </u>
For questions, please	contact Sandra Wold	chok
at sandrawolchok@gn	nail.com or 716-628-4	1959.

## The Installation of Rabbi Gutmann

This issue of the TBZ Bulletin was sent to print just before the Installation of Rabbi Brent Phillip Gutmann as Temple Beth Zion's 11<sup>th</sup> Senior Rabbi. We look forward to sharing photos from the Installation in the July issue.

In the meantime, we thank the many TBZ members, friends and members of the Gutmann family, and those from our WNY community, who made donations in honor of Rabbi Gutmann's official installation.

Jenn Field and Joni Shatkin Installation Committee Co-Chairs

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Crystal Malachowski Nadine Ryback Clareanne Silver

# Women in the Law Shabbat

On May 5, we held a special Shabbat service honoring the contributions of Temple Beth Zion women to the legal profession. University at Buffalo Law School Dean Aviva Abramovsky was our guest speaker. Honorees included Retired Erie County Supreme Court Justice Penny Wolfgang, Retired Administrative Judge of the Eighth Judicial District Sharon Townsend, and Maryann Saccomando Freedman, the first woman president of the Bar Association of Erie County, and the New York State Bar Association. We also recognized the contributions of other women involved in the legal profession who are members of our Congregation.



# NFTY-NEL/MI Spring Kallah

Zack Steinberg (TBaZY Advisor), and three TBZ teens, Theo Bellavia-Frank, Lillian Weinmann, and Ethan Kane, at NFTY-NEL/MI Spring Kallah. The weekend, held at the URJ's Camp George north of Toronto, included programs planned by the regional teen leaders around social justice, Israel, celebrating Shabbat together, big fun, and more in an inclusive environment for all teens.



# Acquire for Yourself a Friend

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away years ago, and I feel blessed to serve such a congregation.

In our new era, a person's decision to join a temple has less to do with their desire to belong than it has to do with the feeling that they already belong. For that reason, the schmoozing that takes place before and after may be the most important part of the worship experience. Part of what has conveyed our warmth these past four years has been Jeff Clark's warm welcome to all who visit temple. Please join us as we honor Jeff at Shabbat Services on June 2 as he concludes his time as Executive Director to assume a new position as Executive Director of Buffalo Hillel.

More changes are on the way. Our search for a new Executive Director is ongoing. So too, we will need to attract an additional full-time ordained rabbi or cantor for a position to commence in July 2024. So too, our efforts to raise the necessary funds to restore our building at 805 Delaware Avenue are ongoing, as are our efforts to secure our future with legacy bequest gifts. My wife and I have already made a commitment through our estates to Temple Beth Zion. So have Jeff Clark and many of our members. Every dollar raised is appreciated and needed to secure our future and to empower us to fulfill our mission.

As we take a moment to celebrate our partnership and our friendship, let us recommit to our future. The world that will be is not the world that was, but it nevertheless offers an opportunity to be great. We will be called upon to fulfill our mission in new and innovative ways - yet, if we are truly to succeed, it will be thanks to all who maintain a special place in their hearts for Temple Beth Zion.

Rabbi Brent Gutmann

# Sisterhood Shabbat

Pauline Rogers inducts new Sisterhood Board members Samantha White and Bobbie Burstein-Markel. Maria Blackburn and Amelida Weinmann are also new to the Sisterhood Board.





# JUDITH F. ALEXANDER RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

In Memory of: Marvin Frankel, by David & Joan Alexander

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In Memory of: Lorraine Walaitis, by Warren & Patty Gelman

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In Memory of: Beni Berger, by Steven & Sara Schultz, Julie & Michael Weinberg, Beth & Richard Steinberg

In Honor of: Susan Adelman for her hard work & leadership, by Karen & Howard Wiseman

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<u>In Memory of:</u> Marvin Frankel, by Peggy Cohen

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**Claire Goldberg,** by Cindy & Randy Oppenheimer, the Ellis Family

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# RABBI JOSEPH FINK AUDITORIUM FUND

<u>In Appreciation of:</u> **Toby Laping for support given to our family,** by Ethel Melzer & family

## ROSE & LEONARD FRANK FUND

In Memory of: Marvin Frankel, by Ken Frank

# MAX & MOLLY FREEDMAN FUND

In Memory of: Dr. Gilbert Cushner, by Marlene & Jerry Freedman

### **GENERAL OPERATING FUND** In Memory of:

Marvin Frankel, by Dr. Phillip and Marie Stevens, Rhonda & Michael Frankel

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In Memory of: Marvin Frankel, by Marilyn Wagner Claire Goldberg, by Margit, Peter & Amelida Weinmann

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# PARKING AT TBZ FOR ALLENTOWN ART FESTIVAL JUNE 10 & 11

The annual Allentown Art Festival is on June 10 & 11 and we are in need of volunteers to staff the parking lot and direct traffic at our Delaware building. It's a fun fundraiser! You don't have to come all day – just sign up for a shift.

If you would like to sign up for a shift and assist this year, please contact Julie at (716) 836-6565, ext. 134 or julie@tbz.org.

If you attend the festival, plan park at TBZ. We're in a great spot convenient to the festival.