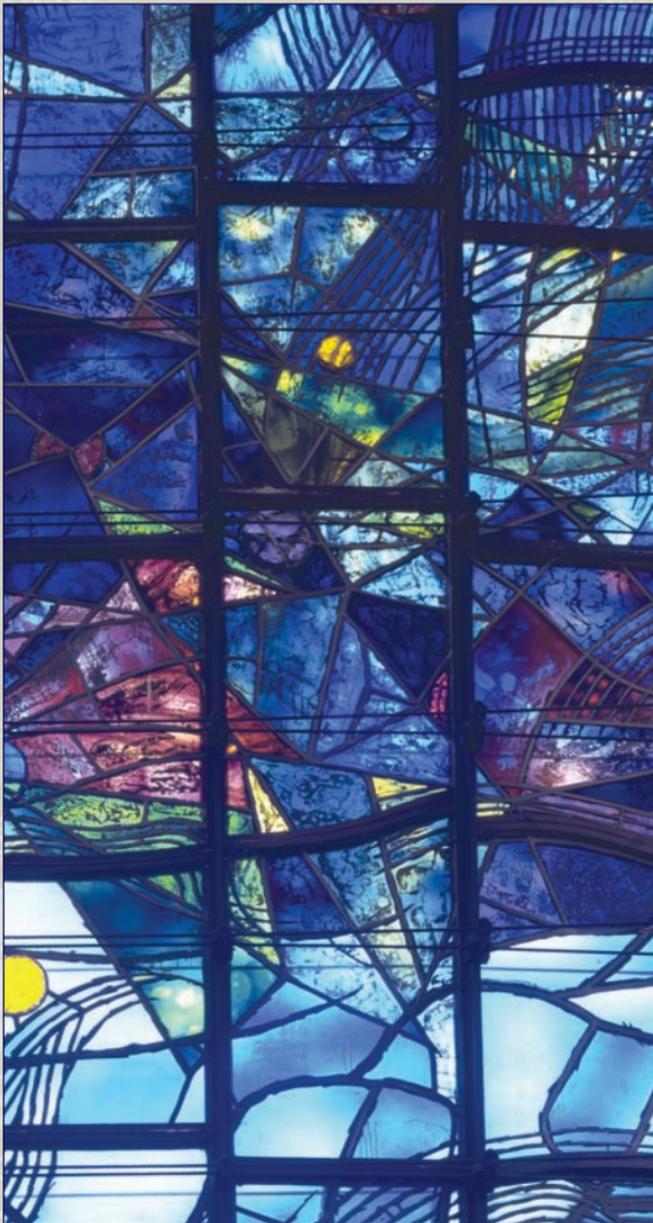


*Temple Beth Zion*

RABBI JOSEPH AND JANICE FINK

*Legacy Society*



*As my parents planted for me, so do I plant for my children.*

- TALMUD SOTAH 49A -

*As the generations  
who preceded us  
provided the means  
for Torah to flourish  
we must provide for those  
who will succeed us.*

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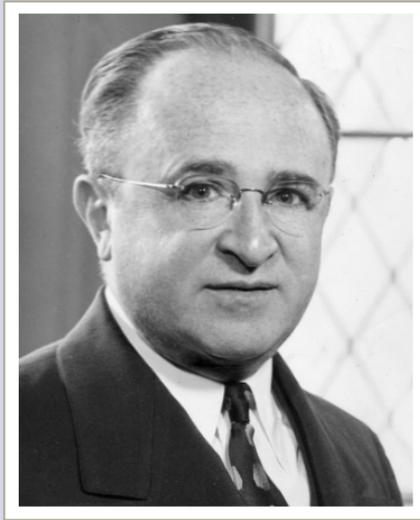
*Be a part of the  
Fink Legacy Society  
and ensure the future of  
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Since its founding in 1850, Temple Beth Zion has served as a spiritual and cultural home to thousands in Buffalo and surrounding communities. Temple Beth Zion's history includes countless stories of individuals who, through their dedication and generosity of spirit and resources, have built and sustained it for over 160 years.

Rabbi Joseph and Janice Fink were great visionary leaders of Temple Beth Zion. Our Legacy Society, which we have named in their honor, reflects their belief in the strength of Temple Beth Zion as an institution of Jewish life, of worship, of learning, and of *tikkun olam*.

The Rabbi Joseph and Janice Fink Legacy Society allows us to ensure that Temple Beth Zion will continue to be a vibrant center of Jewish life for the community.





## *Rabbi Joseph Fink*

Under Rabbi Joseph Fink's leadership, Temple Beth Zion became the most potent Jewish force in Western New York and one of the leading reform congregations in the United States.

Respected and admired as Temple Beth Zion's spiritual leader, Rabbi Fink was elected president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis and founded the CCAR Journal. He was regarded as an outstanding spokesman on all issues affecting the community. Well-known to both Presidents Roosevelt and Truman, his voice was familiar to thousands who listened to his weekly Humanitarian Hour radio program on WBEN radio.

Rabbi Fink was perhaps best described in the commemorative book published on the 25th anniversary of his rabbinate at TBZ: "To say that he is the leader of Buffalo's Jewish community is a vast understatement; he is that and much more. Through his unceasing efforts to build understanding among those of all creeds, through his ubiquitous appearances before groups having diverse faiths and purposes, through his profoundly effective radio broadcasts, and through his extensive and intensive participation in community affairs, Dr. Fink is to Jew and Gentile an eminent humanitarian, a peerless ambassador of goodwill, a great American."

Under the brilliant leadership of Dr. Fink, Temple Beth Zion grew substantially from 1924 until his retirement in 1958.

*The whole work of a benevolent deed lies in the love that inspires it.*



## *Janice Fink Denner*

Two weeks after receiving her MA from Columbia University, Janice Gutfreund married the young Rabbi Joseph L. Fink and became his lifelong partner. Mrs. Janice Fink was loved, respected and admired not only at Temple Beth Zion but throughout the Western New York community.

A super volunteer and an inspiration to thousands of women of her generation, Mrs. Fink led a life of real service. Mrs. Fink served as the President of the Temple Beth Zion Sisterhood and conceived, developed, and opened the first Judaica Shop in any temple in the US. During WW II, she led weekly religious services for women with relatives in the armed forces. Mrs. Fink served as Vice President of the Visiting Nurse's Association, Chair of the Commission on Mental Hygiene of the Council of Social Agencies, and member of numerous boards of trustees, including the Council of Church Women, Red Cross, Chamber Music Society, Community Chest (now United Way), VNA, Zonta International, and Erie County Mental Health Board.

Mrs. Fink was a lecturer much in demand before church and community groups with hundreds of speaking engagements and lectures relevant to Judaism and mental health. In retirement, after the death of Rabbi Fink, she married Harry B. Denner and was active in volunteer circles in Florida.

*L'Dor VaDor*



## *A variety of ways in which Society members can leave a legacy*

### WILLS AND BEQUESTS

When you leave a bequest to Temple Beth Zion, you make a generous gift without reducing your current income. After providing for your loved ones, a bequest specifies a gift in your will to Temple. Your gift may be for a specific dollar amount or a percentage of the remainder of your estate. Charitable bequests are normally deductible for estate tax purposes.

### IRA OR OTHER RETIREMENT SAVINGS

Your retirement assets, such as 401(k) plans and IRAs can be taxed heavily upon death. Naming Temple Beth Zion as one of the beneficiaries of your retirement assets enables you to avoid estate and income tax on those assets.

## LIFE INSURANCE

When the added protection of a life insurance policy is no longer needed, transferring the policy's ownership to Temple will create a valuable gift and may result in tax benefits to you. Or you may name Temple as one of the beneficiaries of a new or existing policy. In either case, you have created a lasting gift.

## GIFTS PRODUCING INCOME TO YOU

An increasingly popular option is the Charitable Gift Annuity, which provides an immediate income tax deduction and income to you for life. We would be pleased to work with you and your financial advisors to set up an income-producing gift to Temple. Whether it's a Gift Annuity, Charitable Trust or Pooled Income Fund, your gift provides Beth Zion with future support and may provide you with current income tax and capital gains tax savings, too.

## LIFETIME GIFTS

Like many members of the Society, you might prefer to create a legacy for future generations by making a current gift of \$1,000 or more to any of our Temple Beth Zion Endowments, including the Rabbi Martin Goldberg Endowment Fund.

Please consult your financial advisor before making any changes to your estate plan.



Temple Beth Zion

RABBI JOSEPH AND JANICE FINK  
*Legacy Society*

## MEMBERSHIP

Members of the Rabbi Joseph and Janice Fink Legacy Society are visionaries who recognize the critical role Temple Beth Zion plays in our lives and the importance of sustaining Temple for generations to come. In the tradition of our Jewish faith, members have shared their blessings by remembering Temple Beth Zion in their estate plans or by providing significant lifetime gifts to Temple Beth Zion endowments.

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Society members receive a personal memento commemorating their decision, are given personal invitations to attend special Fink Society events and celebrations, and are listed, if they wish, in TBZ publications.

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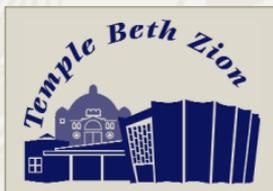
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Imbued with the core values of Reform Judaism, members of Temple Beth Zion Community aspire:

To welcome openly all who seek to join in Jewish spirit and congregation as they experience and share the changing stages of their lives.

To lead, through personal and public experience, toward a basic sense of oneness with God, oneness with our extended Temple family, and oneness with the community at large.

To foster through the dream of Israel an ever-deepening affiliation with Jews across the boundaries of territory, time, and tradition.

To nurture inwardness and transcendence through study, song, silence, and spoken prayer.

To teach mindfulness, caring, ethical judgment, and the meaning of being Jewish through Torah and Mitzvot; accordingly, to encourage each of us to fulfill our role in ***Tikkun Olam***, in healing the world.

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