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Two weeks in August are available for 2-year-old children.

For all the information, contact our summer fun specialist, Melissa Milch-Klein, at 836-6565, Ext. 112, or pals@tbz.org.





The All-Day Party of Summer Is Coming Soon!

Monday, August 11 Transit Valley Country Club

Come for all or part of the day.

This event is open to the entire community!

See page 5 for details.

# 35th Annual Merrill Molien Haven House Scholarship Luncheon

Tuesday, July 15 Noon Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

All proceeds benefit an educational scholarship for victims of domestic violence.

See page 8 for details.

If you are not able to join us but would like to make a donation to Haven House, see the wish list on the Sisterhood page at www.tbz.org.

# Kabbalat Shabbat Service & BBQ Dinner

Friday, July 18 Service at 6 p.m., followed by a BBQ dinner Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road



We hope to see you for this special evening.

Reservations are required for dinner.

The cost is \$14 per adult and \$10 for children ages 4-12.

For more details or to R.S.V.P.,

contact Becky at 836-6565 by July 11.





#### Dear Friend:

As I begin my term as the 45<sup>th</sup> President of Temple Beth Zion, I want to thank you for this honor. As a lifelong member of our synagogue, I know this is an exciting time for us, and while your Board of Trustees and I will be hard at work with our clergy and professional staff to enhance the many aspects of our Temple life, you and every other member have the opportunity to make Temple Beth Zion the vibrant Jewish community we all want.

If you were unable to attend our Annual Meeting on June 13, here is a summary of the highlights:

- \*We presented our Community Service Award to Chana Kotzin. Chana, as many of you know, has led the Jewish Buffalo Archives Project since 2007, published the book *Jewish Community of Greater Buffalo* last year and has become the successor apparent to the late Mort & Harriet Spiller at the Cofeld Judaic Museum here at TBZ.
- \* Rabbi Gary Pokras presented his annual report. Rabbi Pokras provided a beautifully illustrated overview of the progress he witnessed this year on so many fronts, from our social action initiatives, to Torah restoration, to hospitality to our new website. His address was presented visually and showed what we can expect soon with the further incorporation of Visual Tefillah into our worship experience.
- \* Now immediate Past President Ken Rogers presented his valedictory. Ken is justly proud of what has been accomplished on his watch, from the generosity of our members leading to the creation of the Golden Friendship Garden at Delaware and the Shatkin Memorial Outdoor Classroom at Broder, gifts from Harold & Arlyne Levy and David & Janet Desmon toward the full development of our technology initiative, and the trend-bucking growth in our membership. Both Ken and Rabbi Pokras extolled only a few of our many volunteers, who were honored that evening at worship services following the meeting, and hailed our professional "dream team."
- **★** The Congregation approved a new six-year contract for Cantor Penny Myers. Speaking of "dream team," Cantor Myers is a blessing to us, and we are excited that she will be with us for many years to come to share the pulpit with Rabbi Pokras and Rabbi Adam Scheldt.
- \* Outgoing Treasurer Cindy Gradl presented a budget that was passed by the Congregation, to be balanced using a draw from our reserves to pay for capital expenditures and loan repayments. As you might imagine, we live in a challenging economic and demographic climate, and this was an extraordinarily difficult budget to compose. But Cindy, assisted by Executive Director Mark Criden and Ed Feldman, our Temple accountant, put together a budget that provides support for all of our wonderful programs and services and again manages to increase dues only 3%, largely because of our new lease at the Broder Center with the Olmsted Center's Early Childhood Program. I must say, the relationship with Olmsted

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#### All worship services, except as noted, are held at 805 Delaware Ave. Torah study is held every Saturday at 9:15 a.m.

Thursday, July 3 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, July 4	•
Kabbalat Shabbat Service Birthday and Anniversary Blessings	6 p.m
Saturday, July 5	40.00
Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Moyer	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, July 10	
Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, July 11	
Happy Half Hour in honor of Warren Clark	5:30 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6 p.m
Saturday, July 12	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Bar Mitzvah of Oren Forgette	
Thursday, July 17	
Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, July 18	
Kabbalat Shabbat Service/ BBQ dinner @ Broder	6 p.m.
Saturday, July 19	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Bat Mitzvah of Madeleine Weinmann	
Thursday, July 24	
Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, July 25	
Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6 p.m.
Saturday, July 26	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, July 31	
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# Special Happy Half Hour

Afternoon Service at Broder

Friday, July 11, at 5:30 p.m. 805 Delaware

Please join us before services on July 11 for a special Happy Half Hour in honor of Warren Clark. Come and meet Warren and wish him well as he begins his term as TBZ's 45th President.



### My Mussar Lens

This year marked my "Bat Mitzvah" year at Temple Beth Zion. To put 13 years ago in perspective:

Rabbi Pokras was a 3<sup>rd</sup> year assistant rabbi at TBZ Our current High School Seniors were kindergartners This year's 7<sup>th</sup> graders were just born!

I have learned much in the past 13 years, and as taught in Pirke Avot, Sayings of Our Fathers, I have found many teachers and acquired many friends. I have attended national conferences, read inspiring Jewish books, studied Torah and most recently, and with the greatest impact on my personal spiritual growth, I have been studying and practicing Mussar.

Mussar study and practice focuses on a spirituality of ethics. This Jewish renewal movement was founded by Rabbi Israel Salanter in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and attempted to educate people about ethical behavior in the spirit of Jewish law. Mussar today focuses on studying principles to develop a meaningful spiritual practice, to better oneself for the sake of others. Mussar teachers believe that a good person must always strive to do better, to perfect the world and to increase righteousness.

I recently read an article where a new Mussar student described herself as now having a **Mussar brain**. Through my Mussar study and practice I have acquired more of a **Mussar lens**. I am more aware of the world and people around me and **see** things differently. At this year's *Shabbat Halimud*, held in May, I was able to use my Mussar lens when honoring our teachers.

- **1. Humility** *Anavah* Mussar teaches that humility is based on a foundation of self-esteem. It is defined by how much space you occupy, where space can be physical, verbal or emotional. As an educational leader, I provide the framework and set expectations, while giving our teachers the space to be creative in the classroom and to share their ideas with each other as well as their students. I am humbled daily by the breadth of what our teachers give of themselves to our students.
- 2. Honor Kavod We are all created 'b'tzelem elohim', in God's image, and therefore are all deserving of honor. We are taught again in Pirke Avot, "One who learns from another a single chapter, or a single law, or a single verse, or a single saying, or even one letter must treat the teacher with honor." Our teachers, who bring the holy words and lessons of our Torah to their students, are especially deserving of honor.
- 3. Lovingkindness *Chesed* The Mussar understanding of kindness stresses action over sentiment. We show kindness to others without any expectation to receive something in return. Mussar shows us that while an act of *Tzedakah* is obligatory, one of *chesed* is voluntary. Lovingkindness, in Mussar practice, is going above and beyond. *Our teachers practice chesed each week. They choose to do this work, and what they give when they teach truly comes from their hearts.*
- 4. **Gratitude** *Hakarat Hatov Hakarat Hatov* literally translated means recognizing the good. My teacher Alan Morinis, in his

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5:30 p.m.

#### **A Virtual Tour**

#### Dr. Samuel and Joan Ellis Shatkin Outdoor Classroom

Leviticus 19:9-11:

"When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap all the way to the corner of your field, or gather the gleanings of your harvest. You shall not pick your vineyard bare, or gather the fallen fruit of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the stranger; I the Lord am your God. You shall not steal; you shall not deal deceitfully or falsely with one another."

In designing the Dr. Samuel and Joan Ellis Shatkin Outdoor Classroom, we held the teaching of the Torah close to heart. Our outdoor classroom has four individually designed outer corners dedicated to Jewish learning: Chalom, Shalom, Tzedakah and Tikkun Oʻlam.

*Chalom* means to dream or imagine. In this corner, we have a sandbox with trucks, pails, shovels and molds to dream up adventures of castles and forts. We will create great sandcastles in the spring and summer. In the winter, we will build snow forts and sculptures. In the fall, it will be filled with leaves of different colors.

The *Shalom* (peace) corner is an area for friendly conversations and deep thoughts. There are two "buddy benches," plantings that attract butterflies and beautiful melodic wind chimes.

The *Tzedakah* (charity) corner is dedicated to helping others. We are planting blueberries, parsley, tomatoes, cucumbers, squash and green beans. The children will learn about planting, watering and caring for this garden. The vegetables we grow will be picked and delivered to area food banks.

*Tikkun Olam* is the Hebrew phrase for "repairing or taking care of the world." In this section of the outdoor learning space we have a wide range of bird feeders and hanging plants. This space will be the epicenter of our learning how to protect, nurture and care for our planet.

The center of our outdoor classroom has a large gazebo. In designing the center meeting space in our outdoor classroom, we were reminded of Abraham and Sarah's tent. The patriarch of the Jewish people welcomed all, made strangers and friends always feel welcome, and fed his guests the fruit of his bounty. Our center "tent" welcomes all children and their families to learn, play and discover. The dedicated granite benches in the center and inscribed pavers throughout the outdoor space serve as reminders of those who came before us. We honor our loved ones, as this is a space where we honor our past, engage our present and plant seedlings for our future.

If you would like to honor the memory of a loved one or commemorate a simcha and thereby leave a lasting mark on our classroom, bricks and pavers are available for inscription. All proceeds go to the PALS Scholarship Fund established by the Shatkin family. We graciously thank our friend and Temple Beth Zion member Leon Komm for inscribing these stones for us. For more information about purchasing a paver or stone, contact Melissa Milch-Klein, 836-6565 or <a href="mailto:pals@etbz.org">pals@etbz.org</a>.

Finally, and most important, this one of a kind outdoor classroom was made possible through the vision, generosity and hard work of Todd, Leslie, Joni and Sam Shatkin. Their commitment to PALS and Temple Beth Zion has borne a beautiful and peaceful outdoor space for learning, giving and dreaming.



PALS all together in the shade of the gazebo.



The Shalom Corner is the perfect spot for a shared laugh between PALS.

### Come and Join Our PALS!



# SUMMER PALS 2014

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# PALS Registration Is Open For the 2014-2015 School Year

The PALS school year program offers Shefanim (2's), Zekitot (3's), and Tziporim (4's) unlimited opportunities for learning, creative play, socialization and celebration of Jewish holidays and Shabbat. We provide a safe, loving and nurturing environment that enables the children to grow and thrive.

Contact PALS Assistant Director Melissa Milch-Klein at 836-6565 or pals@tbz.org for more information.

# 16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL Benefiting Educational Programming, Scholarships and Initiatives

CELEBRATION, GOLF TOURNAMENT & WINE TOUR

# Monday, August 11 Transit Valley Country Club

Make plans now to join us for the Summer Celebration featuring our  $16^{th}$  Annual Golf Tournament and  $4^{th}$  Annual Wine Tour. This event raises vital funds for education programs at TBZ.

The day begins at Transit Valley Country Club with a fabulous lunch on the newly renovated outdoor patio. At 12:30, those on the wine tour board a luxury air-conditioned coach to tour wineries in Niagara County. Temple sommelier and Executive Director Mark Criden leads this popular tour.

The golf tournament has a 12:30 shotgun start with 18 holes on this premier golf course. Our golfers love the "best in foursome" format that allows them to play their own ball.

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres follow the wine tour and golf tournament. The event is capped off with a delicious dinner and rousing auctions in the country club dining room.

Deny Adelman and David Goldberg co-chair this amazing and highly successful event with a committee that includes: Eric Bernhardt, Warren Clark, Alan Cohen, Larry Cohen, Laurie Criden, David Desmon, Sue Goldberg, Steve Heffter, Rachel Jackson, Donna Levy, Carri Milch, Melissa Milch-Klein, Mindy Monkarsh, Ken Polk, Ken Rogers, Howard Rosenhoch, Sandy Schechter, Tizzy Schechter, Zachary Schreiber, Joni Shatkin, Todd Shatkin, Lynn Weissman, Kim Yonaty and Jeff Zimmer.

Join us for the wine tour (space is limited!), on the golf course, or just come for cocktails and dinner.

If you are interested in participating, volunteering and/or being a sponsor for this event, please contact any members of the committee or Mark Criden or Julie Feldman at 836-6565.

# **Your Donations Appreciated**

The Caring Community Committee would like to thank all members of the Temple who have contributed generously to our fund. It has enabled us to provide Rosh Hashanah, Chanukah and Purim baskets to members who are in nursing homes or in other situations. We also deliver wine and challah to members who have lost loved ones. In addition, we provide gifts for new parents when they are naming their baby in Temple.

The Caring Community provides many other services. In doing so we hope that our projects are beneficial and help to make everyone feel that they are part of the Temple family.

We would greatly appreciate donations because we are completely funded by members' generosity.

Thank you, Leslie Garfinkel

#### TBZ Pride!

June was Pride Month, and Temple Beth Zion proudly participated in the Annual Buffalo Pride Parade on Sunday, June 1. It was a beautiful day for our trek down Elmwood Avenue After the parade, TBZ hosted a table at the Pride Festival at Canalside. Thank you to everyone who marched, cheered and supported our TBZ community efforts!

Pride Shabbat was observed on June 20 and 21. Rabbi Pokras and Rabbi Scheldt talked about how the Israelite rebellion against Moses in the desert provides a framework for all of us to change the world.

In June we held a kickoff meeting of Kulanu (*all of us*) to explore the pursuit of justice and LGBT programming. If you are interested in exploring how TBZ can continue this important work, contact Rabbi Scheldt at 836-6565 or e-mail him at rabbischeldt@tbz.org.



Marchers included (left to right): Melissa Milch-Klein, Ari Klein, Ken Rogers and Robyn Meyer.



Anna Marie and Gary Richmond welcomed visitors and answered questions at the TBZ table.

# **High Holy Days Information**

You will receive your High Holy Days ticket information shortly. All tickets will automatically be mailed to everyone whose Temple support is paid in full for the year ended June 30 (as well as for all prior years) and who have returned the 2014-2015 Support Payment form with the appropriate payment.

If you still owe a balance on your dues, you may pay it by mail with a check, or phone Ed Feldman at 836-6565, Ext. 133, with your Visa, MasterCard or Discover account number and expiration date. If you are unable to pay your support in full before the High Holy Days, or if you have any other questions about ticket policies, phone Mark Criden, Executive Director, at 836-6565, Ext. 135.

Admittance to the regular services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is by ticket only. Those under age 24 do not need tickets. College students need only show their ID cards.



#### Great End to Our Year

Our Religious School year came to an end with a Mitzvah Fair and Student Art Show. Thank you to art teacher Nancy Spector for inspiring the creative work of our students. Among the Mitzvah projects that were done that morning we: made fleece blankets for Family Promise (together with the TBZ Sisterhood), planted flowers around the Broder Center, made pet adoption gift bags for the SPCA and held a Car Wash (thank you, madrichim!) to support Mikey's Way. Lastly, we concluded the day with a schoolwide Bubble Blowing event to help BLOW AWAY Cystic Fibrosis.

Each year at *Shabbat Halimud* we acknowledge our terrific teachers and madrichim, as wonderful Jewish role models for our students. We said a special thank-you to those who will not be returning next year. We acknowledge 5<sup>th</sup> grade Hebrew Teacher Rachael Rabinowitz, graduating from UB, along with our graduating High School Seniors, Emily Cohen, Carly Gleichenhaus, Simon Honig, Isabella Kaplan, Brian Posner and Rachel Snitzer, and wish them all much success on the next leg of their personal journey.





Planting flowers and making fleece blankets were just two of the projects our Religious School students participated in at the Mitzvah Fair.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### Play And Learn School

July 7 - 11 Summer PALS "Camp Is Cool"

July 14 - 18 Summer PALS "Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun"

July 21 - 25 Summer PALS "Taking Care of Our World"

#### **Religious School**

Classes resume Sunday, September 14.

School may be out for the summer, but we are busy preparing for next year. Please return all your registration paperwork for PALS and Religious School!

# Youth Groups

## Passing the Torch

On June 1, TBaZY Sr had its Annual Hello/Goodbye Picnic to welcome some of our incoming youth group members for next year. (See photo from the event below). Our incoming youth group board was welcomed at our Annual Candle Lighting Ceremony. Our current board "passed the torch" to our new board members and said farewell to seniors Rachel Snitzer, Jacqueline Oestreicher and Nathan Gellin.

It is truly my pleasure to announce the following youth board members who will be leading TBaZY for the 2014-2015 year:

President: Lexi Boehnlein

Programming Vice President: Julia Helfman

Social Action Vice President: Eva Muir

Religious and Cultural Vice Presidents: Alex Kane and Stephanie Pokras

Membership Vice President: Andrew Oestreicher

Communications Vice President: Emily Pressman

I would also like to take this opportunity to announce that due to my pursuit of achieving my Master's in Education at the University at Buffalo, I will be stepping down from my position as Director of Youth Engagement at TBZ. Thank you, everyone, for a wonderful past 2.5 years. I am honored to have had the opportunity to serve as our youth group's advisor.

My good friend Dan Cohen will be taking over this position, and I am very excited that he will be working with our teens next year. Please warmly welcome Dan to the TBZ Team!

I look forward to seeing you all at TBZ soon, as I will still be in Buffalo! Have a wonderful summer.

L'Shalom, Hannah Donner



#### Tzedakah 2013-14

Religious School students collected a grand total of \$1,581.00 this year. The 3rd graders collected the most: \$250.69!

Donations were made to the following organizations: North Presbyterian Thanksgiving Baskets, Family Promise, SPCA of WNY, Haven House, UJA – Super Sunday, Mikey's Way, Buffalo Zoo, TBZ Caring Community



#### Confirmation 2014

On Tuesday, June 3, our 10th grade Religious School students were confirmed at Temple Beth Zion. In front row of the photo below are Confirmands (left to right): Amy Feldman, Bryan Garson, Jennifer Kingsley, Andrew Oestreicher and Alexis Boehnlein. In the back row are Rabbi Adam Scheldt, Rabbi Gary Pokras and Cantor Penny Myers.



Photo by Marty Kerker

# Sisterhood Walking Group

Our walking group is thrilled with the arrival of warmer weather and our return to the bike path. We meet on Sunday mornings at 8:30 at the bike path on North Forest Road. Come and walk with us! Send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:tbzsisterhood@tbz.org">tbzsisterhood@tbz.org</a> to let us know you are coming.

Nickel City Jews presents

# Party at the Pool

for families with young children!

Friday, July 25 4-7 p.m. JCC Benderson Outdoor Pool

Join Cantor Penny Myers and clergy from the community for Kabbalat Shabbat services for all at 6 p.m.

- •Music, games & time at the pool!
  - Bounce House
- •PJ Library Tye-Dye (R.S.V.P. for a free PJ Library tee shirt to tye-dye)



Free event includes ice cream bar and entrance to the pool, dietary laws observed.

R.S.V.P. encouraged. Please contact Miriam Abramovich at (716) 204-2247 or mabramovich@jfedbflo.com.





#### Sarah Naomi Moyer Saturday, July 5

Daughter of: Lynn and Brian Moyer Mitzvah Project: Events benefiting children's cancer treatment and research Donating to: Roswell Park and Ronald McDonald House



#### Oren Forgette Saturday, July 12

Son of: Efrat and Craig Forgette Mitzvah Project: Storm Water Medallions Installation



#### Madeleine Solene Weinmann Saturday, July 19

Daughter of: Amélida and Peter Weinmann Mitzvah Project: Ran concessions to raise funds for CAN (Companion Animal Network) Donating to: Pet Food Pantry & ANIMEALS

#### Honorable Menschen

To Sharon Winer, Sondra Shapiro, Marie Levy Meyers and Amy Freedman for giving up their morning to stuff envelopes for the Annual Meeting mailing.

To Sam, Todd, Joni, Jade, Jared and Michael Shatkin, George Schedel, Patrick Edman, Trevor Simonick, Christopher Potter, Robert Finn, Vasyl & Nick Kuriy, Yuri Bojcheniuk, Rob & Shira, Alana Seth, Mimi and Noah Goldberg and Melissa Milch-Klein and Warren, Ari & Hannah Klein for their hard work on the Dr. Samuel and Joan Ellis Shatkin Outdoor Classroom.

To Sara Schultz, Howard Rosenhoch and Karen and Howard Wiseman for leading Minyan services for the Fridenberg family.



To Sephra and Franco Vigna on the birth of their third daughter, Mia Rose.

To Matthew Eichhorn for winning the Excellence in Spanish Award, the RIT Gold Cup Medal and Scholarship, the U.S. Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award, the Harvard University Book Award and the President's Award for Academic Excellence at Williamsville South's Awards Ceremony!

To Danielle Tombak, who earned her Registered Nursing degree from the Trocaire College Catherine McAuley School of Nursing.

# **Temple Offices**

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed on Friday, July 4.



# Presidents' Message

We would like to invite all the women of Temple Beth Zion to join us and help us realize our goals. Over the summer we will hold meetings for Fund Raising Ideas and for Planning Programs. We need you to come and share your thoughts. We would love to plan some new and exciting events, but we need to know what you would like and support. Thank you to all our Sisterhood members, Temple members and guests for making this a successful year.

Marilyn, Sharon, Shellie and Kaaren

# Sisterhood Onegs

We will take a well-deserved rest over the summer and continue our baking in the fall. So many people have commented on how much they enjoy our homemade items. It would be wonderful if more people would volunteer. Please get in touch with me via e-mail to swiner4@gmail.com if you would like to help. Special thanks to all the people who have helped. You have made many people's lives a lot sweeter. Have a wonderful summer.

Sharon Winer

# 35th Annual Merrill Molien Haven House Scholarship Luncheon

Tuesday, July 15, Noon Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

Join us for an interesting speaker and a delicious lunch and our fabulous basket auction. All proceeds to benefit an educational scholarship for victims of domestic violence.

Want to help us help Haven House? Here's how:

- \* Join us and bring friends. **All are welcome to join!** Tables for eight may be reserved by calling Mary Anne at 633-9190 by July 8.
- \* If you would like to bring a dish or dessert for the luncheon, contact Lynn Klein at 689-9207, Susan Nadler at 689-4682 or Ellen Zucker at 580-3003.
- \* Bring an item or items from the Haven House Wish List. Even if you are unable to attend the luncheon, we welcome donations for Haven House. To see the list, go to www.tbz.org or call the Temple office at 836-6565.

Reservations are required by Tuesday, July 8, so please use the form below to save your seat!

Haven House Luncheon Reservation
Name:
Phone: e-mail:
#Chai Patron Tickets @ \$18
#Patron Tickets @ \$12 Total enclosed \$_
Please mail your check with this form to: Mary Anne C 352 Troy Del Way, Williamsville, NY 14221

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# Rosh Hashanah Tradition — Honey

It's Not Too Early to Start Thinking About Rosh Hashanah!

Share the celebration of the New Year with the traditional dipping of apples in honey, and help the Sisterhood at the same time. Family, friends and college students would love to receive a gift of honey for a sweet year! Each gift jar contains eight ounces of delicious Pure



Golden Honey, certified Kosher. A personalized gift card is enclosed. We will ship your gift package anywhere in the U.S. An exceptional value at \$9, all proceeds will benefit the Sisterhood of Temple Beth Zion. Jars are also available for purchase (without shipping) in the Sisterhood Judaica Shop for \$7.

Please clip the form below and return it with your check made out to: TBZ Sisterhood. **Order by August 20.** 

Mail to: Susan Nadler, 120 Fennec Lane, East Amherst, NY 14051 Send My Gift of Honey to:

\*\* For additional gifts please print names, addresses and greetings on a separate sheet of paper.

Be certain to include your name, address and phone number in case there are any questions concerning your information.

Number of gift jars	at \$9 each = \$	(total enclosed)



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#### In Honor of:

**Warren Clark** becoming President of Temple Beth Zion, by Phyllis Slesinger

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#### In Memory of:

Richard Runfola, by Stacey Runfola

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Cantor Penny Myers for her service at the naming of our granddaughters Scarlet & Delilah Marchant, by Frima & Bob Ackerhalt Cantor Penny Myers, by Stacey Runfola In Honor of:

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**Ethan Glaser's** Bar Mitzvah, by Wendy & Michael Dozoretz

**Ralph Halpern's** special birthday, by Sylvia Greenman, Kitty Goldman, Harold & Susan Halpern, Howard & Valerie Rosenhoch

#### In Honor of:

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#### In Honor of:

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#### In Honor of:

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#### In Honor of:

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#### In Memory of:

**Dr. Victoria Ann Kingsley**, by Margit Weinmann

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#### In Appreciation of:

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**Rabbi Adam Scheldt** for officiating at our marriage, by Liat & Josh Notaro

Rabbi Gary Pokras & Mark Criden for hosting the Florida luncheon, by Ronald & Audrey Cohen

#### **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND**

#### In Memory of:

Rena Reisman, by Susan & Steven Schwartz Barry S. Donner, by Susan & Steven Schwartz Amy Pici, by Susan & Steven Schwartz In Honor of:

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#### In Appreciation of:

**Teachers and Madrichim** for a great 2013-2014 school year, by Susan Goldberg Schwartz

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#### In Memory of:

**David and Edith Shatkin,** by Geraldine & Paul Shatkin

In Memory of:

Samuel Shatkin, DDS, MD, by Dr. Rodney Liebowitz

Natalie Lewis, by Todd & Leslie Shatkin In Honor of:

**Hunter Myers'** Bar Mitzvah, by Todd & Leslie Shatkin

Our Parents & Children, by Mark & Laurie Criden

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Donation by:

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In Honor of:

**Richard & Roberta Handel's** special recognition, by Mimi Brown

#### SISTERHOOD SERVICE FUND

In Memory of:

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In Honor of:

**Sharon Winer** being named Woman of the Year, by Amy & Eduardo Heumann, Suzanne Grossman, Sam & Jane Goorevich

**Ronald Meer's** special birthday, by Sam & Jane Goorevich

#### TORAH RESTORATION FUND

In Honor of:

**Hunter Myers'** Bar Mitzvah, by Susan & Rich Tobe

# MICHAEL D. WOLFSOHN MEMORIAL PRESCHOOL FUND

In Memory of:

Michael D. Wolfsohn's birthday, by Hallie

Natalie Lewis, by Howard & Ydawn Wolfsohn Mrs. Jack Smith, by Howard, Ydawn & Patty Wolfsohn

**Debbie Weintraub,** by Elaine Rosenthal Vogt In Honor of:

**Ydawn Wolfsohn's** birthday, by JoAnne & Allen Goldfarb

**Patty Wolfsohn's** birthday, by JoAnne & Allen Goldfarb

If you plan to attend services and wish to add the name of a loved one to the Yarzheit list, call Ann Marie in the Temple office at 836-6565, Ext. 111.

## President's Message

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is very strong, due largely to the creativity and energy of PALS Assistant Director Melissa Milch-Klein and Director of Lifelong Learning Susan Schwartz.

- \* We thanked outgoing Trustees Alan Mollot and Past President Howard Rosenhoch, and TBaZY President Rachel Snitzer, whose efforts as temple leaders are greatly appreciated, and whose talents we will count on for many future initiatives.
- \* Eric Bernhardt and Jennifer Patrick were elected to the Board of Trustees, and Robyn Meyer, Todd Shatkin and I were re-elected to the Board. Immediately following the annual meeting, the newly constituted Board elected the following officers:

Warren Clark President

miriam treger honig Vice President
Kenneth Polk Vice President
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Amy Schaefer Secretary
Steven Yonaty Treasurer

As one year closes, another begins on July 1. Soon, you will receive your High Holy Day information, and you should all be getting ready for our Summer Celebration August 11 at Transit Valley, under the continuing strong leadership of Deny Adelman and David Goldberg, with Executive Assistant Julie Feldman providing critical support.

In closing, let me remind you that the future of Temple Beth Zion depends on each and every one of us. We want to be able to report to you at next year's meeting that our synagogue is again vibrant with new life as we celebrate our 165th year of Jewish life in Buffalo. I eagerly look forward to working with you during the coming year as we continue to strengthen our congregational community. Please feel free to call me at 716-558-7930 or contact me at president@tbz.org to discuss anything about TBZ.

Lynn and I wish you the best for a happy, healthy summer.

Sincerely, Warren E. Clark President

# My Mussar Lens

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book, "Every Day, Holy Day," said, "Gratitude begins with recognizing the good that comes your way...." We take so much for granted that we often forget to recognize or show acknowledgement of the things we have been given. We are taught that we should count 100 blessings every day. I know that I can reach my daily hundred blessings, by counting the teachers and madrichim I work with.

I am obsessed with counting steps to stay physically healthy, setting a goal of 10,000 steps a day. I even have a great gadget to help me get there – my Fit Bit. Mussar is to my spiritual health, as my Fit Bit is to my physical health. Mussar is my "Fit Brit," my contract to stay spiritually healthy by opening my eyes to the goodness, kindness and blessings in my world.

Temple Beth Zion and the Bureau of Jewish Education will again offer you the opportunity to bring Mussar practice into your life. See below for more information. I encourage you to bring Mussar practice into your life.

Susan Goldberg Schwartz Director of Lifelong Learning

# Adult Education

A "Season of Mussar" is a 13-session program that will guide participants in active engagement with *Mussa*r, as a spiritual tradition and discipline.

A daytime course will be taught by Evie Weinstein on Wednesdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Jewish Community Center on North Forest Road. An evening course will be taught by Susan Goldberg Schwartz on Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Temple Beth Zion's Broder Center.

Both courses will meet on the following dates:

October 1 and 22, November 5 and 19, December 3 and 17, January 7, 2015.

The cost for either class is \$125 and includes weekly study materials from the Mussar Institute. The course is open to the community.

For information, questions, or to register, contact Susan Goldberg Schwartz: <a href="mailto:education@tbz.org">education@tbz.org</a> or 836-6565 or Ethel Melzer: <a href="mailto:ethel@bjebuffalo.org">ethel@bjebuffalo.org</a> or 204-5380.



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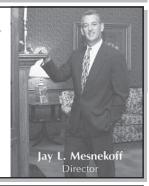


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#### July 11 and 12

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July 18 and 19

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