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Opening Day of Religious School is Food Truck Sunday! September 14 Broder Center

Religious School classes begin at 9 a.m. Bring your appetite and wallet and stay afterward for lunch!



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High Holy Days Information



See the enclosed insert for the complete schedule of High Holy Day services and information on various items related to the High Holy Days at Temple Beth Zion.



Kol Nidre CAMPAIGN

As we begin to prepare for the High Holy Days, later this month we will be sending to all of the members of the Temple Beth Zion family information on the 2014 Kol Nidre Campaign. The Annual Giving Campaign is critical to your congregation's vitality as a Jewish home for all.

The campaign is as much about participation as it is about the size of donations. Each and every gift matters! So when you receive your 2014 Kol Nidre Campaign materials, please send in your pledge. We are personally asking *every* congregant to make a pledge to the campaign, no matter the size of that pledge.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Larry Rubin and Debra Chernoff Grant Golden and Deborah Goldman 2014 Kol Nidre Campaign Co-Chairs

Sisterhood Opening Luncheon

Sunday, September 21 1 p.m. Broder Center



Come and meet TBZ members Roman Mekinulov, Principal Cellist with the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, and Sebnem Mekinulov, renowned opera singer

See page 8 for details.



Letter from the President

Sharing Our Journeys

Last month I discussed my Jewish Journey, and what brought me to where I am today at Temple Beth Zion. I received a very positive response, so we decided to make that the focus of our first board meeting. We took the opportunity to have the board members, clergy and senior staff share their stories with one another. What a wonderful exercise! We learned we have taken very different routes to arrive at the desire to not only be members of TBZ - but also the desire to serve it and all its members. We are a dedicated and ambitious group, and I believe we can accomplish wonderful things during the next two years.

Things certainly started out on a terrific note. Our Summer Celebration was an unequivocal success! We had 84 golfers; 40 "winers" and 175 people at the dinner. Although as I am writing this we don't have a grand total yet, we are poised for it to be the most successful fundraiser ever—and a social hit as well. Check your October Bulletin for details on the committee, sponsors and donors. Thanks go out to all who worked on it and to all who attended. Special thanks to Julie Feldman and Mark Criden, who worked tirelessly on it; and to co-chairs Deny Adelman and David Goldberg, who have turned it into an amazing event.

A big reason for the growing success of this event is the amazing committee, both tried and true members and new members, who stepped up to help. We all are busy with our daily routines, and it's very easy to brush off the requests to get involved because we are just too busy. One of my priorities will be to continue the work begun by my predecessors in creating more opportunities for all our members to get the satisfaction and fulfillment of engaging in the well-being and growth of the Beth Zion community.

When my children were young, Lynn and I were looking for a place to volunteer; to give the kids the chance to help others. We called the Temple office, and there was nothing available. We wound up at St Adalbert's Church, helping in their soup kitchen. Today, there are numerous opportunities through Temple Beth Zion; and it keeps growing.

At the end of the month we'll be celebrating Rosh Hashanah. I look forward to seeing many of you at services; and I wish all of you a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!

L' Shalom Warren E. Clark



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Worship Opportunities

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

Thursday, September 4 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, September 5 Kabbalat Shabbat Service / Elul Series @ Broder Birthday & Anniversary Blessings	6 p.m.
Saturday, September 6 Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, September 11 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, September 12 Kabbalat Shabbat Service / Elul Series	6 p.m.
Saturday, September 13 Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of Jordan Polk	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, September 18 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.
Friday, September 19 Kabbalat Shabbat Service / Elul Series	6 p.m.
Saturday, September 20 Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah of Rachael Horst S'lichot Service @ Congregation Shir Shalom	10:30 a.m. 9 p.m.
Wednesday, September 24 Erev Rosh Hashanah	8 p.m.
Thursday, September 25 Children's Service Aternative Family Service @ Becker Farms Rosh Hashanah Morning Service	9 a.m. 10 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Friday, September 26 Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6 p.m.
Saturday, September 27 Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Thursday, October 2 Afternoon Service at Broder	5:30 p.m.

Office Closed

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Monday, September 1, and Thursday, September 25.



Letter from the Cantor

My dear friends, as we approach our High Holy Day season, I want to share a wonderful passage with you written by one of my colleagues, Hazzan Robert Zalkin, with some modifications germane to us at TBZ. As the Rabbis and I stand on the bimah in our beautiful Sanctuary, helping lead us all in worship, I hope that these words resonate deep within yourselves and provide you with a renewed *kavannah* (intention) as we gather together for Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur.

10 Commandments for Congregational Singing

- 1. Thou Shalt Sing!
- 2. **Thou Shalt Sing** with all they heart, with all thy soul and with all thy might.
- 3. Thou Shalt Sing Fearlessly, ignoring the possible wondering glances of your neighbors. They would like to sing with you if they had the nerve and they will sing with you, if you continue.
- 4. Thou Shalt Sing Joyfully, as it is written by the prophet Isaiah, "Sing O heaven, be joyful O earth, and break forth into singing, O mountains."
- 5. **Thou Shalt Sing Reverently**, for music is prayer.
- 6. **Thou Shalt Not Be Afraid to Sing**, for though an individual may pray in prose or even wordless silence, a congregation must sing.
- 7. **Thou Shalt Not Resist** new melodies, for is it not written in the Book of Psalms: "Sing unto the Lord a new song"?
- 8. Thou Shalt Not Mumble the melody, but shalt sing it out loud, even if with mistakes.
- 9. **Thou Shalt Not Hesitate** to sing together with the trained voices of the Choir or Cantor, we want you to join with us!
- 10. **Thou Shalt Not Forget** the words of the Psalmist: "I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live."

I look forward to not only seeing you during this upcoming High Holy Day season but hearing you as we lift our voices in prayer and song *together*.

> Shanah Tovah umetukah Cantor Penny S. Myers

A Blessing for the New Year

May we, each and every one of us, approach these High Holy Days and the Year to Come with soft hearts and open arms.

May we examine our lives with honesty and compassion, and will ourselves to grow as human beings created in the Divine Image.

May we infuse our relationships with love, and seek God's reflection in everyone we encounter.

May we fill our lives with purpose, and dedicate ourselves to *tikkun*, repairing our lives and our world, and strengthening our connections with each other, our families, our community, our people and our God.

And ... May, God the Source of Life and Blessing, Creator of All Things, bless and inspire each and every one of us with the strength and the courage to achieve all of this and more.

Wishing you a *Shannah Tovah U'Metukah*, a Sweet, Happy and Healthy New Year.

Rabbi Gary Pokras



Elul Studies 2014

Readying Ourselves for the High Holy Days

In his book "Everyday Holiness," Alan Morinis states, "The starting point for understanding Mussar is the verse in the Torah that tells us: 'You shall be holy...'. In essence, we are here on earth for no other purpose than to grow and blossom spiritually."

During the month of Elul, we will use Mussar tradition as our guide to prepare ourselves for the Days of Awe and follow a path toward holiness. Our Elul study series will take place during Kabbalat Shabbat services. Come to one or all of the sessions; all are open to the community.

September 5 6 p.m. @ Broder

Rabbi Pokras will present the trait of Humility – *Anavah*. Mussar teaches that humility is based on a foundation of self-esteem and is defined by how much space you occupy, where space can be physical, verbal or emotional. We must always try to recognize our failings and correct them by learning from others.

"No more than my space, no less than my place"

September 12 6 p.m. @ Delaware

Rabbi Scheldt will present the trait of Generosity – *Nedivut*. Mussar tradition teaches that practicing generosity opens the heart and, ultimately, lets God in. We should accustom ourselves to finding satisfaction in acting kindly toward others.

"The generous heart gives freely"

September 19 6 p.m. @ Delaware

Director of Lifelong Learning Susan Schwartz will present the trait of Alacrity/Enthusiasm – *Zerizut*. Acting with alacrity means moving forward without hesitation or barriers. We must always find something to do and never allow a moment of our lives to be wasted. "*If not now, when?*"

The Bureau of Jewish Education and Temple Beth Zion are hosting

A Season of Mussar I

Beginning October 1 Wednesday mornings 10:30 - Noon JCC Benderson Family Building Facilitator: Evie Weinstein

or

Wednesday Evenings 7:30 – 9 TBZ Broder Center for Jewish Education Facilitator: Susan Goldberg Schwartz

A Season of Mussar I is a 13-week program that guides participants in active engagement with Mussar as a spiritual tradition and a discipline in order to learn and transform.

Cost: \$125 includes study materials (limited scholarships available). For more information, contact

Susan Goldberg Schwartz at 836-6565.

A program of the Mussar Institute: www.MussarInstitute.org

Exhibit to Feature Photos by Kathy Corff Rogers

Convergence, an exhibit of photography by Temple Beth Zion member Kathy Corff Rogers, will take place in the Jewish Community Center Art Gallery, 787 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo. The exhibit will be on display from September 1 to October 31.

A reception will be held Wednesday, October 1, at 7 p.m. The entire community is welcome to attend. Please R.S.V.P. to kcorff@gmail.com. A portion of all sales will be donated to the Jewish Community Center.

Also on display in September and October is an exhibit of watercolors and acrylics by artists Joan Hambleton and Enid Edelman. The watercolors are on display in the Bunis Family JCC Art Gallery, 2640 North Forest Road, Getzville.

JCC Galleries are free to the public and open during regular JCC business hours, seven days a week. Private and group tours with the artists may be arranged by contacting the Director of Cultural Arts at jhalpern@jccbuffalo.org or 204-2255.

New Book Club

Beginning on **Tuesday**, **September 30**, a new book club, sponsored by Sisterhood, will meet in the conference room at the Broder Center. The club is open to all women in the community. Join us in September for a discussion on "All But My Life," by Gerda Weissman Klein. The book is a memoir of her survival during the Holocaust. The club will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

The club will meet about four times during the year and will discuss a different book each time. Anyone interested in attending should contact Julie Newberger by phone at 689-2815 or email juliebn26@gmail.com.

Women of the Book

Thursday, October 23, at 7 p.m.

Women of all ages and backgrounds are invited to join Cantor Penny Myers and Director of Lifelong Learning Susan Goldberg Schwartz and Women of the Book as we discover how the Jewish language and texts can provide a lens for understanding our lives as Jewish women today. We will read and discuss "Chapters of the Heart: Jewish Women Sharing the Torah of Our Lives," edited by TBZ alumna Rabbi Sue Levi Elwell.

Women of the Book, formally known as Women's Study Group, will meet monthly to learn and talk a little Torah, share our stories as well as a nosh.

For the location of our first meeting or to order a copy of the book , contact Education Assistant Kara Kane, 836-6565, Ext. 112.

Divorce Support Group

The Caring Community Committee is offering a Divorce Support Group. Sara Schultz will lead six sessions for those dealing with the difficulties that arise during and after divorce. Come and share your experiences, ask questions and benefit from the support of others in similar situations.

The sessions will begin this month. If you are interested in being a part of this group, contact Leslie Garfinkel at 839-0079. There is no charge for these sessions, and the group is open to the entire community.



Play And Learn School Chosen by Mussar Institute

We are pleased to announce that the Play And Learn School (PALS) at Temple Beth Zion is one of only four early childhood programs to be chosen to pilot a new curriculum sponsored by the nationally renowned Mussar Institute. PALS Assistant Director Melissa Milch-Klein and Curriculum Coordinator Shira Goldberg will be carrying out this innovative, value-based program designed specifically for young children.

The Mussar Institute (www.mussarinstitute.org) is an organization that develops and shares tools for character development through mindful actions and discovery of everyday holiness. The curriculum will introduce themes such as enthusiasm, kindness, responsibility and generosity that will be presented in a developmentally appropriate play-based manner.

This curriculum also incorporates a home/school component to create a community of learners.

Mazel tov to the Play And Learn School for achieving this coveted honor!

Summer PALS was a blast! In the photo on the right, kids and parents cover their eyes for Shabbat Magic. Below, each child has a "parsley bouquet" grown in their very own garden in the Shatkin Outdoor Classroom. The garden also yielded zucchini, which, when baked in the form of zucchini bread, made a delicious snack.

We can hardly wait for the new school year to begin!





PALS begins Monday, **September 8!**All paperwork must be received.
before your child's first day of class.
Call Melissa with any questions, 836-6565, Ext. 139.

Brotherhood

Welcoming a New Year

As the Days of Awe quickly approach, Brotherhood looks forward to this coming year and wishes L'Shana Tova to all of our Temple family. We look forward to bringing relevant and interesting programming to our members and the congregation in general and assisting the Temple in whatever way we can.

Sandy Beckman is again Usher Captain for High Holy Day services. Anyone wishing to assist in ushering at any of this year's services, please feel free to contact Sandy at ssbeck332@verizon.net or the Brotherhood at TBZBrotherhood@aol.com, or contact the Temple, which will forward your message. If you prefer to call Sandy directly, feel free to do so at 864-9174.

Our annual membership drive will kick off this month. Annual membership is still only \$25, but we have an additional level of membership at \$36, for those who wish to contribute to Brotherhood and assist in funding our programs. If you are a Brotherhood member, please continue your membership, and if you are not, what are you waiting for? This is a great time to join. Your Brotherhood dues can be paid right along with your Temple dues. No need for an additional stamp or another envelope. Men of the Temple, why not join the Brotherhood and participate in our programs? I cannot think of one reason why you should not. Please join and support the Brotherhood.

Ken Graber will again be overseeing the Achim program sponsored by Brotherhood at Weinberg Campus. This program continues to bring guest speakers from the community to speak on myriad topics relevant to the Weinberg residents and the Jewish community in general. The community has an open invitation to join us for any or all of the programs, which include breakfast provided by Weinberg. Please watch this monthly article in the Bulletin for this year's Achim schedule.

Please feel free to contact the Brotherhood at <u>TBZBrotherhood@aol.com</u> with any suggestions you may have in regard to programming, fund-raising, further information on Brotherhood or any other Brotherhood issue.

Thank you for your previous support of Brotherhood, and we look forward to your continued support in this coming year.

Sincerely, Philip Chazen

Social Action

Becoming Better People

When we work and strive to make the world a better place, with just a little mindfulness, we open ourselves up to growing and becoming better people. By engaging in mindful social action, we not only create a better world, but we make ourselves better as well!

Temple Beth Zion's Social Action Committee has outlined several opportunities for social action participation in the WNY community on www.tbz.org. In addition, as projects arise they will be posted on a special "Social Action at TBZ" Facebook page, which we invite you to join.

It is their hope that these resources will enable and empower all members of the community to roll up our sleeves, get active, make this world a better place, and improve ourselves in the process!



Family Education @ Religious School

"If I am only for myself, what am I?"

Pirke Avot 1:14

Our Family Education focus this year will be "B'tzelem Elohim, In the Image of God," or more simply put, finding everyday Holiness. In Pirke Avot (2:1) we learn, "The world stands on three things: on Torah, on service of God, and upon chesed (acts of kindness)." When we make the connection between our own mindful actions and how life unfolds around us, we learn what it means to live a holy life.

This year we will explore *middot* (Holy attributes) from the Mussar practice, including Enthusiasm, Generosity, Responsibility, Honor, Kindness, Humility and Truthfulness. On Sunday Family Day mornings, families will learn together using Jewish texts, connecting with local and national organizations. Throughout the school year, we will provide opportunities to volunteer together as a family, in the community. By living and actualizing the *middot* and experiencing what it feels like to act as God would (*B'Tzelem Elohim*, in the image of God), families will discover holiness in the everyday.

More than ever we need families to participate! Without parents and other adult role models, children miss the important part of learning together as a family and the benefits that follow. We grow stronger as families and as a community when we study and learn together. Our wonderful Rabbis and Cantor will be participating as well and look forward to getting to know you more deeply, as these programs build upon each other year to year.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding PALS, Religious School, Adult Education programs or other Lifelong Learning opportunities, please contact Susan Goldberg Schwartz,
Director of Lifelong Learning,
(716) 836-6565, Ext. 131 or by email at education@tbz.org.

Upcoming Events

Play And Learn School

September 3 - 4
September 5
September 8
September 9
September 9
September 25
PALS staff meetings
PALS cubby decorating
First Day, Zekitot & Tziporim
First Day, Shefanim
Rosh Hashanah - No PALS

Religious School

Religious School		
September 7	Staff orientation & classroom set up at 11 a.m.	
September 14**	First Sunday (for students and parents)	
	followed by food truck lunch	
September 16**	First Tuesday class (Delaware)	
September 18**	First Thursday class (Broder)	
September 25	Rosh Hashanah – No Religious School	
September 28	1st Grade Family Day	

The Excitement Begins In Our Religious School!

- Expanded chuggim (electives), including students' favorite
 Bubbie's Kitchen
- New Hebrew curriculum using Hebrew Through Movement
- Outdoor learning in the new Shatkin Family Outdoor Classroom
- Enthusiastic teachers and madrichim, new and returning, including our Israeli shlicha, Lital!
- Adult learning with the Rabbis and guests
- Technology in our classrooms
- Visual Tefillah! Music! Library! Art! Mitzvah projects!
- And did we mention Food Trucks?

If you haven't yet submitted your registration materials, please return your completed forms as soon as possible!

Opening Day of Religious School Sunday, September 14 Schedule of the Day

8:30 am Registration and light breakfast
9:00 am ALL STUDENTS to their classrooms
9:15 am ALL PARENTS to the Social Hall
10:15 am Tefillah for all students and parents
11:00 am Students and parents return to classrooms
11:30 am Dismissal and optional lunch

Dismissal and optional lunch with local food trucks!

B'nai Mitzvah Project of the Month

Part of becoming a Bat/Bar Mitzvah isn't only learning prayers, Torah and Haftarah. Our students are also responsible for developing and completing a mitzvah project. For her mitzvah project, Jayde Margulis chose to volunteer with Women & Children's Hospital of Buffalo.

Each month, the hospital hosts an event for children with chronic illnesses and their families, set up by an organization called Stone's Buddies. (http://www.stonesbuddies.org/about) Created in memory of former patient Stone Filipovich, the mission of the Stone's Buddies program is to provide a network of resources, support, friendship and fun for children with lifethreatening illness, as well as the patients who struggle daily with special needs.

Jayde recently participated at an event at the Italian Festival, which was opened early only for the Stone Buddies families. Jayde went on rides with the kids and their siblings. She had also made bracelets and handed them out to all the kids, participated in arts and crafts projects and also donated crafts to the hospital. Jayde said it made her feel very good because the children and their parents showed their appreciation to her. After her Bat Mitzvah, Jayde plans to continue volunteering with Stone's Buddies at Women & Children's Hospital.



Dear TBZ families!

I am so pleased to have been chosen as the new Director of Youth Engagement at Temple Beth Zion. Some of my fondest memories are singing with one voice alongside other Jewish youth at Kutz NFTY Leadership Camp in Warwick, N.Y. There I was able to voice my questions, doubts and concerns about Jewish practice and faith with other Jewish teens and adults. It was during that time that I also developed a sense of awe participating in worship, and a sense of purpose and belonging when it was I who led the worship. I also remember so many times how I laughed so hard with friends that I couldn't breathe!

My life continues to be enriched by the lifelong friendships I have made through my affiliations with the TBZ youth group and Jewish organizations that included NELFTY (now NFTY-NEL) and NFTY. These relationships were built around the Jewish learning that happened during those years, and helped me keep Judaism alive through raising my own children, Gabriel, Dana and Leah.

I am thrilled to come full circle by fulfilling my new responsibilities as I guide and inspire TBZ's youth to become the leaders of tomorrow after over five thousand years of Jewish history. I've already met many of TBZ's young people in the ten years I have taught art in the Religious School, and I look forward to getting to know them and their families better in the coming year.

The spirit, learning and love I have witnessed among the teachers and youth in TBZ's Religious School have been truly inspirational. I will be working diligently to help our Junior and Senior TBaZY members and Madrichim (8^{th} – 12^{th} grade teaching assistants at Religious School) build their own relationships and learn through events, experiences, our traditions, communications – and laughter.

The youth group year begins after Sunday school on **Sunday**, **September 28**, with the first **TBaZY Junior** event. The first meetings and events for TBaZY Senior Youth Group members are still being planned. Look for more detailed information about how young people can become involved both through the mail, on Facebook and in your students' backpacks on the first day of Religious School.

Shalom and Shana Tova, Nancy Spector Director of Youth Engagement youth@tbz.org or 716-836-6565 ext. 139

Help Decorate the Sukkahs

Be part of a joyous process helping Sisterhood decorate the Sukkahs at 805 Delaware Avenue.

On Sunday, October 5, beginning at 2:30 p.m., we'll decorate

both the outdoor Sukkah and the Sukkah in the Sanctuary. Afterwards, we'll have a snack in the Rabbi Fink Auditorium. Adults and children are welcome.

To let us know if you can join us, please contact Susan Bruckheimer at susan_b@Roadrunner.com or 835-0421 and leave a message





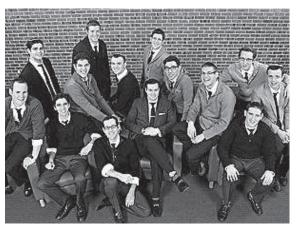
Jordan Polk
Saturday, September 13
Son of: Kenneth & Cara Polk
Mitzvah Project: S.P.C.A.
Donating to: Make-A-Wish Foundation



Rachael Horst
Saturday, September 20
Daughter of: Lawrence & Risa Horst
Mitzvah Project: Pet Supply Drive
Donating to: Lancaster Animal Hospital

The Maccabeats: Premier a Cappella

Sunday, October 26, at 2 p.m. Temple Beth Tzedek, 621 Getzville Road, Amherst



Temple Beth Zion, Temple Beth Tzedek and Congregation Shir Shalom are proud to present the Maccabeats in their first appearance in Western New York.

Often traveling with little more than the shirts on their backs and the ties on their necks, the Maccabeats have entertained and inspired hundreds of audiences worldwide, from Alabama to (New) Zealand and everywhere in between. Using nothing more than the unadulterated human voice, a clean-cut presentation and a little Jewish humor, this unique group of singers is able to connect with fans of all backgrounds and ages.

Though the Maccabeats aren't your grandfather's synagogue choir, their ideology and identity play an important part in what they do. Strongly committed to the philosophy of Torah u-Madda, the integration of traditional and secular wisdom, the Maccabeats perform an eclectic array of Jewish, American and Israeli songs.

Advance purchase by 10/23: \$18 adult and \$10 child/student under 18 years of age. Payment must be made with reservation in order to receive special pricing. To take advantage of advance purchase pricing, call Temple Beth Zion at 836-6565, Temple Beth Tzedek at 838-3232 or Congregation Shir Shalom at 633-8877.

<u>Payment at door</u>: \$20 adult and \$12 child/student under 18 years of age.



Presidents' Message

Heading into fall, we are anticipating what lies ahead with Sisterhood and the exciting year that has been planned.

We're so pleased about our Opening Luncheon on Sunday, September 21. All the details are below.

Hopefully many of you will join our Sisterhood Team on the "Making Strides for Breast Cancer Walk" or come for our very first Accessories Exchange.

November is our Annual Card Party on Election Day, November 4. "Games Galore" is always a favorite. Join us with your own card or game group.

We hope to see you all at all our wonderful events and wish one and all a very Happy New Year.

Marilyn, Sharon, Shellie and Kaaren

Sisterhood Opening Luncheon

Sunday, September 21, at 1 p.m. Broder Center

Come and meet TBZ members **Roman Mekinulov**, Principal Cellist with the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, and **Sebnem Mekinulov**, renowned opera singer. The Mekinulovs will be speaking and answering questions about their lives and careers.

Seats are limited! Lunch is \$10 if you renew your Sisterhood membership and R.S.V.P. by September 14. Guests are \$18. Mail your luncheon checks to Jane Goorevich, 469 Seabrook Drive, Williamsville, NY 14221. If you have questions on the luncheon, call Jane at 632-3835. Membership renewal checks should be mailed to Carole Weingarten, 41 Carriage Hill West, Williamsville, NY 14221. Call Carole at 688-6432 if you need information about renewal prices.

** We cannot accept attendees the day of the event **

Update Your Wardrobe!

Tuesday, October 21, at 7 p.m. Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road



Sisterhood of Temple Beth Zion invites all ladies to refresh their wardrobe at our Accessory Exchange. The rules are very simple. Go through your wardrobe and donate new, or almost new, clothing accessories that you no longer wear. Items such as purses, scarves, belts, shoes, jewelry, etc. Items that require a dressing room will not be accepted as no dressing rooms will be available.

For every item you donate you will receive one ticket. Items may be donated at Broder on Sunday, October 19, from 9:30 a.m. to noon and Tuesday, October 21, from 6:30 to 7:30.p.m. When you attend the exchange on Tuesday October 21, there will be a \$10 cover charge. This entitles you to wine and cheese beforehand and also to participate in the exchange. If you have 10 tickets you will be entitled to 10 new items. Please join us for a fun-filled few hours. You may find some wonderful new additions to your wardrobe while having a social evening out.

Ruth Fernandez SISTERHOOD JUDAICA SHOP Broder Center

Judaica Shop Hours (beginning September 14)
Thursdays 4 - 6 p.m.
Sundays 9 - 11:30 a.m.

All TBZ Members get 20% off the purchase of Tallit for their children.

Come and see our amazing selection of honey dishes. They make lovely gifts - or get one for your table!

Special Appointments may be made by calling Lynn Klein - 689-9207

Please Support Your Temple Gift Shop

Walk With Us to Fight Breast Cancer

TBZ Sisterhood is forming a team of walkers to participate in the annual American Cancer Society Breast Cancer Walk to take place on Saturday morning, October 18, in Buffalo.

You need not be a member of Sisterhood or even female to be part of our team. **ALL are welcome!**

Walk forms will be available at both TBZ buildings. To receive the online link for donating or signing up, or to sign up to be part of our team, contact team co-captains: Marilyn Schillroth, 832-4757, schill@roadrunner.com or Carole Weingarten, 688-6432, weincsw@verizon.net.

Put on your walking shoes and join us in support of this most important cause.

Haven House Luncheon

Thank you to everyone for making the 35th Annual Haven House Luncheon an amazing success. We raised over \$4,000 for the Haven House Scholarship Fund, filled a van with items from their wish list and provided hundreds of dollars in gift cards.

Thank you to committee members Susan Nadler, Maxine Weissman and Ellen Zucker for their tremendous efforts. Committee member Mary Anne Clarke worked hard on the invitations, coordinating reservations, seating, creating centerpieces and many other tasks. The setup and cleanup crew for the event included Clareanne Silver, Sharon Winer, Ellen Zucker, Mary Anne Clarke, Elaine Klein, Mindy Naab, Bambii Rae, Susan Nadler, Shellie Rutstein, Sharon Meer and Maxine Weissman. In addition, thanks to Bob Klein for his creativity and work on the event.

We appreciate the support of all of the attendees, donors and everyone who brought delicious dishes and salads for the luncheon.

Katey Joyce, Director of Haven House, introduced Rebecca, who spoke to us about her journey and the valuable assistance she received from Haven House. Rebecca has begun her own business and showed us a number of her original fashions.

Thanks again to everyone who helped make this our most successful luncheon yet. I hope to see you again next year!

Lynn Klein



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Rabbi Adam Scheldt for visiting and officiating at the funeral service for Jack Robins, by Betsy Goldstein & Family

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For Those in Need Of Healing

Often, we do not know who in our congregation is ill. During Shabbat and Holy Day services we ask people to call out the names of those in need of healing or to focus their thoughts and prayers on the person.

As a congregational family, we look for ways to let our members reach out to each other in meaningful ways. If you would like the Rabbi to read the name of a family member in need of healing, please call Tina Taylor at 836-6565, Ext.132, with the name by Thursday 5 p.m.

In order to respect people's privacy we will only accept names from members of the immediate family. In order to make sure the list is current and we are not reading the names of those who have healed, you will need to call the name in every week.

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.

Our 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

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