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Chairs Announced For 2019-2020 Campaign

Temple President Julie Dressler Weinberg announced that Sharon and Edward Schwartz will serve as Chairs of the 2019-2020 Kol Nidre Campaign.

The campaign raises critical funds for our TBZ family and allows our Congregation to be open to all who wish to be members.

Turn to page 4 for a message from Sharon and Edward.

Temple Beth Zion Community Forum

Sunday, September 15, at 9:30 a.m.
700 Sweet Home Road

Please join members of the Engagement Committee and the Board of Trustees for a congregational forum that will focus on Engagement.

We need to find out more about what all of you want and need from your TBZ membership, and what will make you feel more welcomed and connected.

Refreshments will be served.
RSVP by calling the Temple office at (716) 836-6565.

Successful Summer Celebration

Temple Beth Zion, Congregation Shir Shalom and the Jewish Federation of Buffalo teamed up for another fun and successful event.

More than 160 people participated on the golf course, wine tour and/or for dinner. A list of the sponsors, donors and more photos will be in the October Bulletin.



Event Chairs Ken Polk (TBZ) and Tom Lansing (CSS)

Women of Reform Judaism Sisterhood of Temple Beth Zion

Opening Luncheon



Featuring guest speaker Susan Case DeMari,
Buffalo Jewish Federation's
Community Security Coordinator

Sunday, October 6, at Noon
Holiday Garden Inn, 4201 Genesee Street

See details and reservation information on page 8.

TEMPLE BETH ZION



tbz Letter from the President

During the month of Elul, we all have the opportunity to look into our own souls to prepare for the solemnity of the New Year. I learned that the letters of Elul form an acronym for the words in the verse Ani l'dodi v'dodi li - "I am my beloved and my beloved is mine" (Song of Songs). The idea is that the "beloved" refers to G-d....The sages take this verse to describe the loving and close relationship between G-d and Israel. Elul, then, is our time to establish this closeness so we can approach the Yamim Noraim (Days of Awe) in trusting acceptance of G-d's judgment. I hope you will join us for Elul study every Friday this month.

As I have begun to think about my second High Holy Days as the President of the Board of Trustees, I find myself in a reflective mood. This time leading up to Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is a time for internal housekeeping, a time for considering how we have treated others over this past year. Is there anyone I should apologize to? Are there relationships where my behavior has missed the mark? As President, I have been leading your Board in making some very difficult but necessary changes to the structure of our organization. I am sure that I have ruffled a few feathers along the way. I hope that I have taken into consideration everyone's feelings and the best interests of the Temple community. If I missed the mark, I am sincerely sorry.

We have recently hired a new Executive Director, Jeff Clark; a new PALS-Kadimah Director, Zahava Fried; and Religious School Director, Beth Steinberg. With these changes, there is a new energy that is palpable. Everything is being looked at, re-evaluated and reassessed. I think it is truly exciting and will only benefit our Congregation.

Another change is the addition of a new committee - The Facilities Committee, chaired by Bob Marcus and Steve Steinberg. Their committee is tasked with understanding the needs of our two buildings. It is truly an enormous task that they have taken on. If you see them, please thank them for their devotion to this incredibly important work.

On September 10, the Board, Clergy, Staff and other Temple volunteer leadership will gather for an Engagement Workshop. The workshop, organized by our Engagement Chair, Jody Goldstein, will feature training by Jay Lewis from Hillel International. We will receive practical training on how to make TBZ a more welcoming, warm and inclusive community for our members.

May we all be inscribed for blessings in the Book of Life. Shanah Tovah.

Julie Dressler Weinberg



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Shabbat services, except as noted,
are held at 805 Delaware Avenue.

All services are open to the community.

Torah study is held every Saturday at 9:15 a.m.

Friday, September 6	
Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6 p.m.
Birthday/Anniversary Blessings	
Service at Amberleigh	6:30 p.m.
Saturday, September 7	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Service at Canterbury Woods	11 a.m.
Friday, September 13	
Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6 p.m.
Saturday, September 14	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Bar Mitzvah of Drew Katzman	
Friday, September 20	
Tot Shabbat at Broder	5:45 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6 p.m.
Saturday, September 21	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.
Service at Canterbury Woods	11 a.m.
Friday, September 27	
Kabbalat Shabbat Service at Broder	6 p.m.
Saturday, September 28	
Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 a.m.

**For the complete list of High Holy Day service times,
turn to page 10.**

*Please note that when arriving late to a service,
some exterior doors may be locked and you may only
be able to access the building through a single entrance.
In the event that entrances are locked, signs are posted
with instructions and a phone number to call for gaining
entrance. Thank you for your understanding and patience*

Office Schedule

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Mondays, September 2 and 30. If you have an emergency and need to reach a member of our staff, call (716) 836-6565 and follow the instructions.



A Spiritual Call to Action

God cries out to us. God demands action.

Are we listening? Have we heard the call?

This month we prepare for and begin the holiest cycle of our year.

When we gather together for prayers and celebrations, will we hear the voices of our prophets?

The prophets of our traditions understood that they needed to rouse us to action. Their message had to be heard and acted upon. Our world needs us.

Judaism is a unique way of entering into the world. We instruct through inquiry. We feel commanded and then challenge the commandments. We engage with one another with compassion and debate.

The High Holy Days overflow with multiple meanings and messages: repentance and rejoicing, atonement and aspiration, community togetherness that still allows us moments to be on our own with God.

This year through the month of Elul, the month of preparation for the High Holy Days, we will explore God in our worship, God in our music, and God in our work with our multi-faith and multi-ethnic community.

On Rosh Hashanah we will look at our Jewish God, the nature of Jewish theology, and why we must do more than talk about it, we must bring it to the world.

Conventional wisdom tells us that we must avoid talking about religion and politics in polite conversation. Rabbi Dennis Ross reminds us otherwise with a book titled "All Politics Is Religious" and states: "Faith grows when we uphold its vision for a better world and speak of it in the public square—while keeping church and state separate."

Our Jewish faith is welcoming and engaging, loving and accepting, challenging and advocating for a world filled with justice and mercy, and imbued with power by a profound connection to a God who is the source of all and one that we dare not describe.

We need our Judaism, and the world needs us to bring it out of the synagogue and into the public square.

Looking forward to seeing you all in our holiest of seasons,

Rabbi Jonathan Freirich



Our Elul Study Series will feature two special speakers this year. The series will take place during 6 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Services at Temple Beth Zion, 805 Delaware Avenue, on Fridays, September 6, 13 and 20 and at the Broder Center on September 27.

On September 6, Cantor Barbara Ostfeld will speak about her new book, *Catbird: The Ballad of Barbi Prim*. In the story, the world meets an insightful, opinionated eight-year-old who has already taken a few steps toward becoming a pioneer—but also a shadow of her quirky self. With awkwardness, anxiety, and fear in tow, she embarks on an imperfect but continuing metamorphosis and becomes the strong, well-coiffed heroine of her own story.

Cantor Myers leads Elul on September 13 and will examine personal G-D and prayer.

On September 20, we welcome Rev. Joan Montagnes, Minister of Unitarian Universalist Church of Buffalo. The topic will be God in our Multi-Faith and Multi-Ethnic Communal Relationships.

Rev. Montagnes will join us for a service dedicated to exploring the meaning and importance of creating and cultivating connections between our Jewish community and communities of different backgrounds in both ethnicity and belief.

Rev. Montagnes and Rabbi Freirich work together in many community settings and collaborated in last year's "The Righteous Mind" series and on the Crossroads radio show, among other projects in the community.

Rabbi Freirich will lead the final event in the series on September 27 at the Broder Center. The Many Faces of God in Judaism will be the topic of the special service dedicated to the multiple ideas of God and meaning in Judaism.

**Ruach Buffalo
(Spirit of Buffalo)**

A new Jewish community choir is happening,
led by Cantor Penny Myers
Come be part of this wonderful, new, and fun
experience through Jewish music.
All musical abilities welcome.

Come join us Sunday, September 22,
11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. at the Broder Center,
700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst.

If you have questions or would like to join, email
Kathy Ellis at kkeedd2156@yahoo.com.

Kol Nidre Campaign Message

Dear Friends,

In the coming weeks we will send all members of the Temple Beth Zion family information on the 2019 Kol Nidre Campaign. The Annual Giving Campaign is critical to the mission and membership of TBZ.

When you receive your Kol Nidre Campaign materials, please send in your pledge. We request that each congregant make a pledge to the campaign. Pledges of all sizes are encouraged and appreciated.

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

Sharon and Edward Schwartz

Income Tax Perk

Our United States tax laws are more complicated than the Talmud or even a wedding seating chart. Yet somehow, hopefully, we've managed over the years to set aside a few shekels.

One perk of the current tax laws is the ability for those who are 70-1/2 years or older to direct their IRA Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) directly to a qualifying charity. By directing a transfer from your IRA to a charity, you get to count that money toward your RMD, but because it's not actually distributed to you, it doesn't increase your adjusted gross income. It can be great way to pay your dues or Kol Nidre contribution.

There is much more to it than that, but I won't pretend to know all the "ins and outs" of it. Suffice to say that I think it's worth your time to find out if it's a good thing to do for your personal situation.

To find out more about taking advantage of what may be a vanishing opportunity, please contact Jeff Clark at Temple Beth Zion, (716) 836-6565, or your tax advisor.

Thank you for your continuing support.
Julie Dressler Weinberg

**Shofar Corps
for High Holy Days**

REHEARSAL:
**Thursday, September 19
6-6:30p.m.
Broder Center
700 Sweet Home Road**

Contact cantor@tbz.org
or (716) 836-6565

Welcome Beth Steinberg, Religious School Director

TBZ President Julie Weinberg has announced the hiring of Beth Steinberg as Religious School Director. "I am so grateful to the Board for their willingness to take this bold step to improve our school. I have known Beth for years, and I am confident that she is the right person at this critical time."

Beth, a seasoned professional, has been involved in Jewish Education for the past 20 years. She was a highly regarded elementary classroom teacher at Kadimah Academy (formerly the Kadimah School of Buffalo) for the past 13 years. Beth has been involved in Reform Jewish leadership from her teenage years in Western PAFTY through years of volunteer service at Temple Beth Am, and has taught at Temple Beth Am, Temple Beth Zion, and at Hebrew High.

A new committee has been formed to work with Beth that includes a team of educators and parents who are passionate about Jewish Education. Included on this committee are Susan Goldberg, who will chair the committee; Cantor Mark Horowitz, Mandy Weiss, Gretchen Gross, Jody Goldstein, miriam treger honig, and Evie Weinstein.

Please join in welcoming Beth to the Temple Beth Zion community and to our school.

The Past Is Present

Painting and Prints by Harold L. Cohen

A special exhibition by artist and Temple Beth Zion member Harold L. Cohen is on display at the Burchfield Penney Art Center .



Through Thursday, October 31, you can view the exhibition *The Past is Present: Paintings and Prints by Harold L. Cohen*, which focuses on work created by the artist over the last twenty years. After retiring from teaching, Cohen has focused on painting, printmaking, and sculpture. The prints included in this exhibition were created using various techniques. These include intaglio, dry point etching, plastic engraving, linocut, woodcut and wood engraving. These works focus on the past atrocities committed by authoritarian regimes. Numerous works from Germany and Europe reflect on the horrors of the Nazi genocide during World War II and its aftermath. Concentration camps in Belgium, Germany and Poland are depicted. Images from Israel of some of the historically important sights that the artist visited are included as well. These represent both the struggles of the Jewish people and the solace that the historic homeland provides.

Engagement Committee News

When I joined Temple Beth Zion seventeen years ago, it was because I was looking for a Jewish community to belong to. I had no family here, except for my two young children, and so you all became my family. The three of us cherished the monthly Shabbat family dinners, the holiday celebrations, and most of all having a group of people with whom to share our *simchas* and sorrows. Rabbi Jonathan Sacks stated in his book *Celebrating Life*, "Community is the human expression of Divine love. It is where I am valued simply for who I am, how I live, and what I give to others. It is the place where they know my name."

Members of our Temple Beth Zion family, and our Western New York Jewish community, are continuing to get together and form relationships. In August we enjoyed an inspiring Havdalah service in Pattie Abeles' beautiful backyard; shared a Shabbat service and BBQ dinner at which we welcomed Jeff Clark, our new Executive Director; Zahava Fried, our new PALS-Kadimah Preschool Director; and Beth Steinberg, our new Religious School Director to our Temple Beth Zion community; schmoozed over bagels and coffee at a Bagel Breakfast; and cheered on our home team during "TBZ Night at the Bisons Game". Our community is looking for connection. And, connection will continue through monthly events.

Upcoming Engagement Events:

Sunday, September 8 (9-11 a.m.) "Bagels with Beth" at Broder. Get to know the new Director of our Religious School over breakfast.

Sunday, September 15 (9:30-10:30 a.m.) "Congregational Forum" focused on Engagement.

Friday, September 20 "Shabbat Dinner Club". More information will be posted on our TBZ Facebook page and in your weekly emails.

Suggestions for programming and ideas to improve engagement are always appreciated. Please contact me at any time with questions, comments, or just to say, "hi." I want to connect with each and every one of you! I want to know your names!

Jody Goldstein (Your Engagement Committee Chairperson)
JAGoldstein827@gmail.com.

Feast Before the Fast

Tuesday, October 8

Your Engagement Committee is thinking about putting together a "Feast Before the Fast" on Erev Yom Kippur. Jody Goldstein is seeking those who would be interested in attending. This no host dinner would be held at 5 p.m. at Chef's on Seneca Street in Buffalo. Let's "carbo load" and enjoy each other's company before services. If you are interested, please call Jody at (716) 479-6879.

From the Director



Shmi (My name is) Beth Steinberg and I am truly delighted to be saying *Shalom* to old friends and new ones as the recently appointed Director of the Temple Beth Zion Religious School.

I come to TBZ after teaching in the elementary grades at Kadimah Academy for the past 13 years. While my content area at Kadimah was always in Secular Studies (English Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, Science...) I relished the Jewish atmosphere of the school and the Jewish influence on every aspect of my work. Whether it was the Hebrew or Yiddish phrases that I heard (and used myself from time to time) in casual conversation, the strains of familiar tunes that wafted down the hallway, the smells and tastes of traditional holiday foods, the days off for Jewish holiday observance, or the teachings of Torah that guided our decisions and actions, school always felt like home to me.

I had no idea that my next job would also be in the field of Jewish education and that my new place of employment would so quickly also feel like home. How lucky am I?

It clearly helps that I am not a total stranger to TBZ or to the Religious School. Prior to working at Kadimah, I taught Hebrew at both Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth Zion. All three of my now-adult children attended Religious School here, my two younger ones celebrated becoming Bar and Bat Mitzvah here, my older daughter served as President of TBaZY, and all three of my kids were confirmed at TBZ. Every day I am here, I am happy to re-establish connections with people who already have a connection to me and my family. (Of course, establishing new connections with people I haven't yet had the opportunity to know and work with is an honor and a pleasure!)

According to our Mission Statement, the goals of the TBZ Religious School are... 1) to create a loving and caring learning environment fostering a love of Judaism, Jewish community, fellow Jews, and the world, 2) to learn Jewish traditions and blessings, and 3) to develop a deep bond to our Jewish history and Jews everywhere. We call these three pillars *Ahava* (Love), *Torah* (Learning), and *Israel* (People and Land.) It is my intention to welcome all of the young people in our Congregation, from preschoolers through those in high school, into our tent, with activities and programs that bring them together to meet these goals in ways that are age-appropriately interesting, inspiring, and informative.

As a classroom teacher, my first priority in the classroom always was to create a safe and supportive *Kehillah* (community.) Each student must feel that she or he is a valued and valuable participant before learning and growing can occur. My promise to the students in our Religious School is that I will work with all of our TBZ teachers, clergy, and personnel to make sure that each one of you feels safe, welcome, valued, and valuable. Only then can we pursue the Jewish learning, Jewish identity, and Jewish connections that are vital to our future as individuals, in our families, and in all of our larger communities.

L'dor vador, a familiar phrase from our liturgy comes to mind. Literally translated as "from generation to generation," *l'dor vador* emphasizes the responsibility of passing our Jewish knowledge and traditions on to our children. *L'dor vador* is essential to sustaining our people.

Parents, we need you to be partners with us in *l'dor vador!* Our dedication toward creating engaging and inspiring lessons, projects, and programs can only work with your support and involvement.

If we haven't yet met, and even if we have, please come to "Bagels with Beth!" on Sunday morning September 8, from 9-11 at the Broder Center. We'll have coffee and bagels, and some activities to keep your kids amused while we chat. RSVP to Kara@tbz.org by September 5 so we know how many to expect!

I look forward to saying *Shalom* to old friends and new ones in person, whether on that morning or at any other time.

L'Shalom, may all your journeys be towards peace,
Beth

**First Day of School Is
Sunday, September 15**

Madrachim Invitation

We invite teens in grades 8-12 to join the TBZ Madrichim program in September. Stay connected, learn new skills, and at the same time show our young students that you are committed to lifelong Jewish learning!

In addition to assisting in the classrooms, *madrachim* will participate in a leadership program led by Beth Steinberg, Director of the Religious School. This program will provide our teens with a framework and a focus for the work that they do in the classrooms and with students, as well as teach them skills that they will use throughout their lives.

Want to be a part of the TBZ Madrichim program? Contact Beth Steinberg at (716) 836-6565 or beth@tbz.org.

TBaZY Events

TBaZY Havdalah BBQ Kickoff

Saturday, September 14, location to be determined

Join us to begin your 2019-2020 TBaZY year as we bring in the new week with a family BBQ, Havdalah Service and Song Circle.

Open to Temple Youth in Grades 6-12 and their families.

NFTY - NEL L'Dor Vador Kallah

October 18-20, URJ Camp George

Begin your NFTY-NEL experience with youth from Cleveland, Toronto, Rochester, Erie and Ottawa.

This Regional Event is held at URJ Camp George in Seguin, Ontario.

Register online (northeastlakes.nfty.org) until October 3.

September and October are TBaZY Membership Months. As a member of Youth Group you can participate in:

- Monthly Planning Meetings
- Bi-Monthly Tikkum Olam Programs
- Game Nights
- Field Trips
- Sub-Regional and Regional NFTY Nel Events
- Weekend events
- And more

To sign up for TBaZY membership or any of the fall youth programs please contact: Sammy Kane, TBaZY President (skane@buffaloseminary.org), Tammy VanWey, Advisor (tamaravanwey@gmail.com) or (716) 867-8541 or Beth Shapiro, Advisor (bshapiro44@gmail.com) or (716) 609-2450

Thank you to Marilyn Schillroth and Suzanne Grossman, who volunteered their time for the stuffing of the first High Holy Day mailing.

Thank you to Fran Hensel and his company, Backwoods Maple and Tree Cutters, for removing several large piles of branches generated from our beautification event at the Broder Center. Fran brought a small crew of workers and removed nearly all of our debris, free of charge.

Fran also serves TBZ as one of our security guards.

Fran and Backwoods Maple can be reached at (716) 628-7481 and can handle an assortment of tree-related matters, from trimming and felling to stump grinding and more.



Drew Katzman

Saturday, September 14

Son of: Josh & Stephanie Katzman

Mitzvah Projects:

Gronkowski Nation Youth Foundation
and Lou Gehrig Baseball Fields

Welcome, New Members

Arlen and Amanda Brickman

Yaakov and Zahava Fried

Joanna and Michael Thompson

The Temple Beth Zion Brotherhood will shortly begin another year of programming and events as well as its annual membership drive. We are pleased that Ken Graber will continue as our President.

Ken will again be the guiding hand behind Achim, which will continue to be held at Weinberg Campus. As you probably are aware, each month we invite a speaker. All the speakers are volunteers from the community and join the residents for a breakfast discussion on a topic of the residents' interest or the speaker's choice whether that be current events, religious related or general interest. We are always looking for speakers for Achim to share their knowledge with the Weinberg residents and all members of the Jewish community who wish to attend and participate in Achim.

The first Achim program for the coming year will be on September 8 at 10 a.m. in The Meadows lounge with our speaker and guest Marc Adler, Buffalo restaurateur and UB Business School Faculty member. He will be leading a discussion about the Renaissance of Buffalo and the University at Buffalo.



Even though the High Holidays are this month, you still have time to join us in assisting and greeting your fellow congregants by ushering at this year's services. See page 10 for details.

Our annual membership drive is in process. We invite all men of the Temple to join and contribute to Brotherhood and assist in funding our programs.

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

Philip Chazen

Presidents' Message

Our programming committee has been hard at work planning activities for the year.

We started with wonderful activities in July and August, which we hope you have enjoyed.

Membership letters and the list of programs for the year are being mailed on August 23. Please consider sending in your dues to Sisterhood for \$40, or \$54, or \$72. You can be as involved as you want. If you have questions about dues or membership in Sisterhood you can contact Margy at 832-5103 or ginger1961@verizon.net

Any questions? Please contact Co-Presidents Susan Bruckheimer (835-0421) or Marilyn Schillroth (832-4757).

Open House

Sunday, September 22, 9 - 11 a.m.
Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home

Want to know more about Sisterhood but were afraid to ask? Here's your chance!

Come for bagels, muffins, mimosas and information! We are interested in meeting you and hearing your ideas!

Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

Celebrate Shabbat and the High Holy Days with a special 30% off on the dates listed below
For a perfect Shabbat Holiday Table or Hostess Gift

September 25% off special on
Silk and Wool Tallit and Tallit bags

September Judaica Shop Broder Center Hours:

Sunday, September 15 and 22, 9 - noon

Thursday, September 19 and 26, 4:30 - 6 p.m.

Before Shabbat services at the Broder Center

Fridays, Sept. 20 & 27

We are in need of volunteers to help sell in the shop

For information or more hours, contact
Susan (716) 835-0421 or susan_b@roadrunner.com
or Dee (240) 446-1211

By supporting the Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop, you support the TBZ Youth Scholarship Fund.

Women of Reform Judaism Sisterhood of Temple Beth Zion



Opening Luncheon

Featuring guest speaker Susan Case DeMari,
Buffalo Jewish Federation's
Community Security Coordinator

Sunday, October 6, at Noon
Holiday Garden Inn, 4201 Genesee Street

Please note: Sisterhood dues must be paid in advance and sent to Margy Zeckhauser, 36 Wingate Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14216 by September 20. Membership levels begin at \$40.

Opening Luncheon Reservation Form

Reservation deadline: September 26

Name: -----

Phone: -----Email: -----

___ Sisterhood members at \$15 each = \$ _____

___ of guests @ \$25 each = \$ _____

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

List Sisterhood member(s) you would like to sit with: _____

Please include this form and a check or money order made payable to TBZ Sisterhood and send to: Sandra Wolchok, 6872 Forestview Dr., Lockport, NY 14094

Brunch menu to be served. Please advise us of any dietary restrictions. If you have questions, call Sandy at 628-4959.

Sisterhood Walks

Sisterhood will again gather a team for the "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer" Walk.

We hope many of you will join our team; this year's walk is the morning of October 12 at the "new" Outer Harbor Lakeside Bike Park! All are welcome (men too!). We will carpool that morning from the Broder Center.

Registration is open online at MakingStridesWalk.org. Call Marilyn Schillroth (716) 832-4757 if you wish to join us or if you want to make a donation! We hope to make this year the biggest yet in terms of money collected! Checks can be made out to The American Cancer Society.



Looking for Knitters
Are you a seasoned
pro who would like to
teach others?

Call Halli Glina 553-8883.

Turkey Dinner Raffle

Get your chance to win Thanksgiving dinner for 10 by Johnny C's. Tickets will be sold in the Judaica Shop, at all Sisterhood functions and Sunday mornings during Religious School. Winner will be announced at the Games Galore Party November 5. Tickets are \$3 each, 3 for \$5 or a book of 10 for \$15.



It was a busy summer for TBZ Sisterhood. A Tour of the Tonawandas (pictures above) including a ride on the Erie Canal; Haven House Luncheon (see page 13); Theatre Bus trips; Summer Celebration Dinner; and walking on Saturdays were among the activities of this active group.

Please join us for some or all of the upcoming events!

How We Worship at TBZ

Standing and Sitting, Coming and Going

This is the second installment in an on-going series prepared by the Ritual Committee.

Why do we stand for some prayers and not for others? If I have to leave the Sanctuary should I do it while the Congregation is sitting or standing? What's going on with Kaddish?

Jewish worship has always had a kinesthetic component: as far back as the Book of Exodus, the Israelites were commanded to put unleavened bread and cakes into the hands of Aaron and his sons and wave them before God as a "wave offering." (Exodus 29:23-24). Our weekly worship today involves our bodies as well as our minds, spirits and voices.

The most common physical components of worship involve standing at particular points of the service – for those who are able to stand.

At Temple Beth Zion, we customarily stand during the last verse of L'cha Dodi on Friday nights when we rise and turn toward the door to welcome in the Sabbath bride. We also stand at a designated point during the Chatzi Kaddish, for the call to worship (the Bar'chu), during the Amidah ("Standing prayer"), whenever the Ark is opened, during Aleinu, and for Kaddish. The service leaders cue the Congregation at the appropriate times.

Because these are key points of the service, many long-time members of Beth Zion recall learning that you should not leave the service during times that the Congregation is standing. It is also customary to never turn one's back on the Torah as a sign of respect. Thus, if one needs to leave the service briefly to attend to personal needs, it is preferable to not do that while the Torah is out of the Ark.

In some congregations only those mourning a recent death or a yahrzeit stand for Kaddish; in others, the entire congregation stands in recognition of those who have no survivors to say Kaddish for them. Although the custom has varied somewhat at TBZ, generally the entire Congregation rises for Kaddish.

If you have any questions you would like answered about How We Worship at TBZ, please submit them to Rabbi Jonathan Freirich (rabbifreirich@tbz.org), so they can be answered in this column

Save Around Buffalo Book

Sisterhood is again selling "Save Around Buffalo" Coupon Books for \$25. We know you will love it. It will be available at all Sisterhood functions and in the Judaica Shop. Come into the shop to see all the special restaurants, events, dry cleaners and other items available. Please help Support Sisterhood and enjoy dining out.



Service Schedule 5779-5780

Rosh Hashanah:

Sunday, September 29, 8 p.m. Evening Service
Monday, September 30, 9 a.m. Tot Service & Program
Monday, September 30, 10:30 a.m. Traditional Service
Monday, September 30, Becker Farms Service (Advance registration required)
Monday, September 30, 5 p.m. Tashlich at Canalside

Yom Kippur:

Tuesday, October 8, 8 p.m. Evening Service
Wednesday, October 9, 9 a.m. Family Service
Wednesday, October 9, 9 a.m. Tot Service & Program
Wednesday, October 9, 11:30 a.m. Traditional Morning Service
Wednesday, October 9, 3:15 p.m. Traditional Afternoon, Yizkor and N'eilah Service

Service at Becker Farms

This annual event and alternative service always sells out—and with good reason. So much to fill your day - such a fantastic way to usher in the New Year!

We hope you'll join us, but act now. Becker Farms can only hold so many of us, and spots fill up quickly. The deadline for reservations is September 10 or when full – whichever comes first. Please use the reservation form on the next page.

Yom Kippur Food Drive

Once again, our youth group, TBaZY, is collecting food for our Town Square Food Pantry. Our food pantry has begun to feed many families and households in need, and since its opening has seen that need rise. On Yom Kippur, the most important fast day of the Jewish Year, we make a powerful statement to help those who have no choice about hunger and need assistance.

Tashlich - Casting Away Our Transgressions

Monday, September 30, at 5 p.m.

Canalside

Meet us on the Whipple Truss bridge over the commercial slip near Liberty Hound. We will sound the shofar and toss bread crumbs and bird seed into the water, as we symbolically rid ourselves of the transgressions of the last year. Everyone welcome - celebrate the New Year with this very brief and beautiful ritual.

Ticket Information

High Holy Day tickets were mailed the last week of August. If do not receive your tickets by September 9, call the Temple office at 836-6565.

If you require reciprocal tickets to attend High Holy Day Services at another synagogue, please contact Becky at 836-6565 no later than September 9.

Special Blessing for Spouses, Parents

Who Happen Not to Be Jewish

We will recognize the extraordinary efforts non-Jews at Temple Beth Zion make in order to create Jewish families and raise Jewish children by offering a special blessing during the traditional Yom Kippur Morning Service when the Torah is chanted. If you are one of these wonderful people, we hope that you will plan to attend so that we can call you up to the *bimah* to honor and bless you before the Congregation. The traditional Yom Kippur Morning Service will begin at 11:30 on Wednesday, October 9, in the Sanctuary.

Tishrei Memorial Service

A memorial service will be held Sunday, October 6, at noon at Forest Lawn (section Z). Rabbi Jonathan Freirich will lead a brief service in memory of beloved members of our families. This service offers comfort to the living while strengthening ties to our departed loved ones.

Greeters and Ushers

Greeters and Ushers for the High Holy Days are needed. If you are interested, please contact usher captain Sandy Beckman at ssbeck332@verizon.net, phone (716) 633-1142 or cell (716) 864-9174. Our thanks to those who have already volunteered.

Start the New Year with a Mitzvah

The Caring Community will be making Rosh Hashanah baskets and delivering them to our members at nursing homes and those who find it hard to get around.

We really need your help with baking and delivering baskets. This is a wonderful Mitzvah, and the recipients are very appreciative.

Please call Leslie Garfinkel at 839-0079 if you are able to participate. We are in need of basket assemblers and deliverers. Baskets will be assembled with goodies on Friday, September 20 at 9:30 a.m. and delivered Sunday, September 22.

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ALTERNATIVE ROSH HASHANAH CELEBRATION
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Names & ages of child (ages 4 - 12) members (@ \$15 per person)

Names of child (3 and under) members (@ \$5 per child)

Guest Information Because of limited space, we can only accommodate guests of Temple Beth Zion members. Guests ages 13 and over are \$45 per person. Guests ages 12 and under are \$15 per person. **TBZ members must attend with their guests.**

Guest Name	Relationship	Address	Temple Affiliation
_____	_____	_____	_____
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Haven House

The Annual Haven House luncheon that took place on July 16 was a great success. We raised a substantial amount of money to benefit the Haven House Scholarship Fund. Many items from the "wish list" were also donated.

Thank you to Carole Weingarten for taking the reservations and arranging the seating. We appreciate the support from our TBZ members and guests and to all those who brought delicious dishes for the luncheon. Thanks also to Dee Block, Mary Anne Clarke, Bob Klein, Susan Nadler and Donna Yablin for contributing to the great baskets for our auction.

Our Haven House speaker was a survivor of domestic abuse who shared her experiences with us. Her presentation was very moving as she explained the importance of having an organization like Haven House involved in her life.

I want to thank my luncheon committee members Susan Bruckheimer, Halli Glina, Marilyn Schillroth, Sharon Winer and Sandy Wolchok for all their hard work in making this a memorable event.

Lynn Klein



It has been my privilege to be the coordinator for Family Promise. We started this about seven years ago. Feeding homeless families and assisting two churches turned out to be an unforgettable experience not only for me, but for many of the volunteers. Our last time assisting was Thursday, August 29.

The two churches we assisted were Crossroads Lutheran Church and St. Stephens-Bethlehem United Church of Christ. Both of these churches have been welcoming and great partners to work with.

I would like to thank all of the volunteers these past years who dedicated themselves to this cause. We have had many and I am truly thankful for your support. I know we helped to make a difference for many of these homeless people. Family Promise has an excellent record with finding homes for these families.

Again, my sincere thank you for helping with this wonderful cause.

Sharon Winer

Fund Donations

Looking for a way to honor a friend's birthday? Trying to think of a gift for an anniversary for a couple that has no room for more tchotchkes? Please consider making a tribute donation in honor, memory or appreciation of that special person or event.

When you select a particular fund, your gift is targeted toward and area or areas that are most meaningful to you or to those you are honoring. Donations can be made by calling the Temple office at 836-6565. Secure online donations can be made on the TBZ website at www.tbz.org by clicking on the "giving" tab.

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September 20 & 21

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September 20 & 21

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Opening Day

Sunday, September 15

We're excited to welcome back our students and looking forward to a new year!



Fridays, September 6, 13 and 20, at 6 p.m.
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Friday, September 27, at 6 p.m.

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

Our Elul Study Series will feature two special speakers this year. The series will take place during Kabbalat Shabbat Services as listed above.



On September 6, we welcome Cantor Barbara Ostfeld and on September 20, Rev. Joan Montagnes. Cantor Myers will lead the session on September 13, and Rabbi Freirich on September 27.

See page 4 to learn more about opportunities for learning in Elul.