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**Fundraiser to Support
TBZ Religious School
& PALS-Kadimah**

**GROWNUP
NIGHT OUT!**

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*Loaded Lumber Creative Studio will
host this DIY wood sign (pallet) party*



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**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
and Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel**

**A Shabbat
for Justice and Action**

**Friday, January 17, 7 p.m.
805 Delaware Avenue**

Join Rev. Mark Blue of Second Baptist Church,
Lackawanna and the NAACP, African American
community leaders, and Rabbi Jonathan Freirich for an
evening of song and inspiration, reflection and resolution.

See page 5 for additional events focusing on how we can
bring greater equity and justice to our communities.



To our Congregation:

Thank you for contributing so generously to the
2019-20 Kol Nidre Campaign.

Look for the complete list of donors in our February Bulletin.

If you haven't yet had the chance to make a pledge,
there is still time. Please go to www.tbz.org to make
your secure online donation. You can also contact
Julie at 836-6565 or julie@tbz.org or simply mail
a check to the Temple.

Happy New Year!
Sharon and Edward Schwartz



**2nd Annual Joint Fundraiser
Congregation Shir Shalom &
Temple Beth Zion**

Sunday, March 15, at 7 p.m.

Plan to come for a night of food, fun and friends.

Tickets are limited and are available for purchase at
www.tbz.org or by calling (716) 836-6565.

TBZ Co-Chairs Adam & Jen Field

TEMPLE BETH ZION



Letter from the President

In Vayigash, the parsha we will read on the first Shabbat in January, Jacob discovers that his beloved son, Joseph is still alive. Jacob is overjoyed and prepares himself for the long journey to reunite with his son. The text also tells us that Jacob is frightened, but as Jonathan Blake in *Worrying about More than Ourselves* shared, G-d came to Jacob in a dream, and reassured Jacob that "I Myself will go down to Egypt with you, and I will most surely bring you back up as well." Blake further states that Jacob was not concerned about his own welfare, but for that of his children, and for the future of his people.

This concern for the welfare of others is a central tenet of our faith. Blake reminds us that "Judaism encourages us at every turn to look beyond ourselves to the concerns of the community." This message is also conveyed by Rabbi Hillel's famous words, "If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am only for myself, what am I? And if not now, when?" Rabbi Hillel's words urge us to not only care for others, but to also assume leadership roles in the service of our community.

Both of our clergy exemplify the importance of being leaders in both our TBZ community and the secular community, and they are both being honored for their leadership this month.

Rabbi Freirich will be honored by the *Concerned Citizen Following the Dream* Committee. On January 19 at 6pm at Kleinhans Music Hall, he will receive their MLK Interfaith Award. Rabbi Freirich is continuing in the proud tradition of TBZ rabbis taking a leadership role in the interfaith community. This event is free and open to the public.

On January 25, during the Western New York Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's *20th Anniversary Journey to a Cure* Gala, Cantor Penny and Dr. Bennett Myers will be honored as "Fund A Cure Champions." Please contact JDRF to purchase a ticket for this event.

As we embark on the beginning of a new decade, I find myself in a reflective mood. There is always a great deal of work to be done in the life of our beloved synagogue.

Frankly, it is often overwhelming. In the new year I have started the practice of saying the Modeh Ani every morning. Basically, it is a prayer one says upon awakening, thanking G-d for the blessing of a new day. It reminds me to be grateful for my health and family and the health of my synagogue family.

My family joins me in wishing you a 2020 filled with good health, happiness and opportunities to do more mitzvot.

Julie Dressler Weinberg



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Worship Opportunities

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, January 3

Shabbat Evening Service at Broder 7 p.m.

Birthdays & Anniversary Blessings

Service at Amberleigh 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 4

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

Friday, January 10

Spirituality Shabbat Evening Service 7 p.m.

Saturday, January 11

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

5th Grade Shabbaton

Service at Canterbury Woods 11 a.m.

Friday, January 17

Tot Shabbat Service at Delaware 5:45 p.m.

Shabbat for Justice and Action 7 p.m.

Saturday, January 18

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

Service at Canterbury Woods 11 a.m.

Friday, January 24

Classical Reform Shabbat Service 7 p.m.

Saturday, January 25

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

Service at Canterbury Woods 11 a.m.

Friday, January 31

Shabbat Evening Service 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 1

Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 a.m.



Friends of
Night People

Friends of Night People

TBZ will provide volunteers to serve at Friends of Night People on the second Tuesday of the month. We will next serve on January 14. Please contact Leslie Garfinkel at 839-0079 if you would like to help with this wonderful Mitzvah.



Letter from the Rabbi

We Are Responsible One for the Other

“To scholars and social critics, the racial segregation of our neighborhoods has long been viewed as a manifestation of unscrupulous real estate agents, unethical mortgage lenders, and exclusionary covenants working outside the law. This is what is commonly known as ‘*de facto* segregation,’ practices that were the outcome of private activity, not law or explicit public policy. Yet, as Rothstein breaks down in case after case, private activity could not have imposed segregation without explicit government policies (*de jure* segregation) designed to ensure the separation of African Americans from whites.

[About *The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America*, by Richard Rothstein]

Americans often ask why we seemed to make progress on the issues of inclusion of LGBTQ people while, during the same time period of fighting for Civil Rights for African Americans, we have not significantly moved real outcomes for African Americans. Health, education, jobs, and wealth are drastically different, and worse, for African Americans more than fifty years after major Civil Rights Legislation in the 1960s, and more than one hundred and fifty years after making slavery and unequal treatment under the law unconstitutional.

Here’s a hypothesis: the success of the LGBTQ community’s pride and coming out movements made it clear to all of us that someone we are related to, or someone that we are close to, is likely to be Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, or Questioning. When people come out, it becomes clear that there is no “us” and “them” regarding sexuality and gender. Since our families and neighbors include LGBTQ people, many of us found it much easier to accept that we all deserved equality under the law.

On the other hand, there is no coming out and revealing to us that we are related to, or live next to, people who look different than we do.

What can we do about racism?

See all the events around MLK weekend in the bulletin.

As Jews we have always understood that justice for everyone is an imperative, a mitzvah, for us. Not only must we “not oppress the stranger because we were strangers in Egypt,” we have to refrain from oppression, but we must also pursue justice and fight oppression. To do any less is to abandon the ethical mandate of Torah.

Rabbi Jonathan

Spiritual Recharge at Temple Beth Zion for 5780

Each of the following evenings will include coffee and desserts, a spiritual practice, and a chance to learn and share.

Resources will be available ahead of time - please email Rabbi Jonathan Freirich at rabbi@tbz.org with questions and to RSVP.

"The Future and the Zohar"

Tuesday, January 7, 7 p.m., 805 Delaware Avenue

Following the Tenth of Tevet we will "raise our eyes" and heed the signs, seeking new perspectives that inspire and energize our minds, hearts, and spirits.

We will have desserts and coffee for our bodies, and texts, practices, and conversations for our souls.

The Jewish project can be described as attending to these four areas:

- ★ Doing – acting together to make our community and state better.
- ★ Feeling and Thinking – learning in a way that helps us reflect on the actions that may move the world to greater wholeness and justice.
- ★ Inspiring – finding the deeper connections to the mysteries of the universe that provide us the inner strength and frameworks to engage the world with creativity and compassion.

"Think Big"

Sunday, March 8, 7 p.m.

Esther's Fast reminds us that not even the sky is the limit. Let us expand our sense of what is possible, both within ourselves and in the world.

"Break Through"

Thursday, July 9, 7 p.m.

The Walls of Jerusalem fell and on this Seventeenth of Tamuz we will evaluate all the barriers around us – those that protect and those that limit.

Office Schedule

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Wednesday, January 1 and Monday, January 20.

If you have an emergency and need to reach a member of our staff, call (716) 836-6565 and follow the instructions.

Special PASS Session: World Wide Wrap 2020

Sunday February 2, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

The World Wide Wrap unites men, women and children in prayer. Cantor Myers will take you through the mitzvah and journey of laying *tefillin*. If you have a set of *tefillin* please do bring with you, Cantor Myers will provide non-kosher sets to teach you the mitzvah of donning the phylacteries.

"We're in it for the Tie!"

This is the day to try to have all Jews everywhere put on *tefillin*. Sounds crazy! No? But now it is a tradition! Picture this in the eye of your mind: It is the first week of February. The sun rises. It is time for *minyan*. Jewish families across the globe will gather together at Shul and put on *Tefillin*! They will experience the mitzvah and wrap themselves in the words and spirit of holiness. Be a part of this experience!

Talmud Talks, Torah Study on Shabbat mornings, and more!

E-mail Rabbi Jonathan (rabbi@tbz.org) if you'd like to be included in a weekly e-mail about Jewish Learning.

Talmud Talk

Wednesdays, January 8, February 5, March 4

Noon – 1 p.m.

Broder Center Conference Room, 700 Sweet Home Rd.

All our Judaism, especially Reform Judaism, starts in the Talmud.

Everyone welcome – we are all beginners in the ocean of Jewish learning. Materials provided. Bring your own lunch.

I and Thou and Lunch

Fridays, January 24, February 21, March 20

Noon – 1 p.m.

Temple Beth Zion, 805 Delaware Ave., in the library

The fundamentals of relational Judaism start with the thinking of Martin Buber in his beautiful *I and Thou*.

Learn this profound text in conversation – no preparation required.

Lunch and drinks provided. Please RSVP to rabbifreirich@tbz.org.

Engagement Committee News

How lucky we are as Jews! We get to celebrate the New Year twice! Rosh Hashanah is our Jewish New Year, and January first our secular one. In my tiny family we make two sets of resolutions. While most people make New Year's resolutions, we add to that our "Jews' Year's Resolutions." We have two opportunities to try (and often miss) the mark. But, we try and try again. As I mentioned in my October column, my goal as we approached the High Holidays was to concentrate on the ways that I had "missed the mark" in being welcoming and inclusive to others in our community. I planned on making more phone calls, offering more rides, sitting with those at services that I did not know, and inviting those who may not have someone with whom to share a festive (or every-day) meal to my table. And I plan on doing more of the same as my (secular) New Year's resolution...perhaps even upping it a notch.

I am hoping, with your help, to begin a new, improved Shabbat Dinner Club. Rather than going to services, and then going to a restaurant to eat and socialize afterward, I want to begin having Shabbat dinners in the homes of our members. This would not be after services, but instead of them. We can have the first one on Friday, January 31, and then aim to do this quarterly, or even monthly. All that would be needed is a person willing to host, and others willing to provide some of the food. Shabbat wine, challah, and assistance with prayers and discussions will be provided. I am hoping this will be a wonderfully warm way for our members to welcome Shabbat in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Please contact me if you are willing to host or provide food for our first dinner.

Our community is looking for connection. And, connection will continue through monthly events. But let's not wait for these events to form connections. Please join my New Year's resolution of being part of a more welcoming and inclusive Temple Beth Zion community... and let's celebrate Shabbat together.

Upcoming Engagement Committee Events:

Friday, January 31 (6 -8 p.m.) Shabbat Dinner Club at a location to be determined.

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.

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

Events Aiming for Greater Equity and Justice

Professor Rothstein will be the keynote speaker at the Annual National Day of Racial Healing, an event brought to Buffalo by the Racial Equity Roundtable. Professor Rothstein is beginning a nation-wide movement to fix the generational damage of housing discrimination.

The Greater Buffalo Racial Equity Roundtable has been working to change the system. Partnering with every major employer in the region, leading business leaders, Say Yes Buffalo, Erie County, the National Federation for Just Communities, WNED/WBFO, and led by the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, the Racial Equity Roundtable has effectively changed hiring and procurement practices, improved the lives of young people through the Boys and Men of Color Coalition, successfully advocated for bail reform, and this year will open a game-changing "one stop" center to radically improve re-entry out of the Justice System. The Roundtable effectively begins systems change from the top down through all these initiatives and from the grassroots up with Racial Healing Circles among houses of worship and communities throughout the region.

Richard Rothstein and The Color of Law National Day of Racial Healing

Wednesday, January 15, 7 p.m.

Elim Christian Fellowship, 70 Chalmers Ave., Buffalo
Celebration of community at 6 p.m.

Presentation by Professor Rothstein at 7 p.m.

Book-signing and discussion to follow the formal event.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel A Shabbat for Justice and Action

Friday, January 17, 7 p.m.

Temple Beth Zion, 805 Delaware Ave., Buffalo

Details on the cover of this issue.

"A Journey Traveled by Many, a Dream Living in All"

Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration

Sunday, January 19, 6 p.m.

Kleinhans Music Hall, 3 Symphony Circle, Buffalo

Building and sustaining opportunities to educate our community of Dr. King and his works, while helping the next generation believe that they too can do great things!

Music by the "Larry Salters Band".

Free and open to everyone!

From the Director

I continue to be so proud of the creativity, dedication, and capability that I see from our faculty during every session of Religious School! It is quite a challenge to educate our children Jewishly in only a few hours on Sunday mornings. But I feel strongly that in the time they spend in our classrooms, your children are making important connections to Torah, to Jewish teachings, to God, to prayer, to Jewish history, to Jewish practice, to Israel, to Hebrew, to our temple, to their personal identity as Jews, and to the worldwide Jewish community.

As I write this piece in early December, I am terribly excited about my upcoming trip to Chicago to attend the URJ (Union of Reform Judaism) Biennial! As described on the URJ website, Biennial is an opportunity to “Join thousands of Jews from across North America and around the world to learn, pray, share ideas, dance and sing, hear from inspiring speakers and the leaders of our Movement; reunite with old friends, create new connections, and make decisions about the policies of the Reform Movement.”

In determining my personal schedule of events and workshops, I will be focusing on matters of importance to the Religious School at Temple Beth Zion. I hope to connect with and learn from others in similar positions who have developed exciting, engaging programs for their youth and families. I look forward to sharing in future columns some of what I bring home with me.

In the meantime, let me just kvell over some of the things that have happened in recent weeks in our school. In mid-November, we were honored to welcome Dr. Rachel Korazim, a globally-recognized Israeli educator to speak to our 6th and 7th Graders. The title of her presentation was “Challenging Torah”. Using contemporary Israeli poetry and other writings, she guided the students through a process of questioning some of their basic Jewish understandings. She was warm, entertaining, and definitely challenging. Rumor has it that she might be returning to Temple Beth Zion within the next several months and I highly recommend attending one of her fascinating lessons! As the culminating activity for their discussions of Racism, Relationships, and Peace, our 7th Graders used colorful fabric markers to make t-shirts for themselves representing what they’d learned. The shirts they modeled for the rest of the school demonstrated creativity and a deep understanding of their topic. They will be moving on to explore other contemporary subjects in their investigation of HOT TOPICS.

Our Intermediate Hebrew class spent time in collaborative partnerships to investigate apps for their mobile devices that can help them improve their Hebrew

reading skills. Their teacher Renee Herman required three criteria: The apps must be FREE. They must be related to READING HEBREW. And they must be EDUCATIONAL. I was very impressed with the level of maturity the students in this multi-age class demonstrated throughout this project. I hope that the list of apps they develop is useful for many of our students!

All of our students had the opportunity to create Chanukah cards for The Jewish Soldiers Project (JSP), an effort that originated several years ago in Rochester, NY, to send Chanukah care packages to Jewish service members serving the United States in locations all over the globe. Temple Beth Zion Religious School was invited to participate this year for the first time. I am delighted to report that members of TBZ Sisterhood saw what we were doing, decided to become involved as well, and made a donation of other items from their Gift Shop inventory to be included in these care packages as well.

Everyone loves our monthly Chuggim (elective classes), be it making Matzah Ball Soup, practicing for the TBZ Religious School Band, preparing and delivering timely opinions for The Art of Argument, running themselves silly playing GaGa, and more.

We will soon be starting our next session of Chuggim and I would like to offer some new and different choices! Parents and other members of our TBZ community, if you have an interest or a talent that you think might be interesting and beneficial to our 3rd – 7th Grade students, please contact me! I have a handful of Aleph-Bet Cross Stitch kits, but I can’t run a Cross Stitch Chug without a teacher. I can provide patterns and materials for a Yarn Chug to make Kippot or other Judaic items, but I would need a Knitting/Crocheting teacher. Do you do Hebrew Calligraphy? Would you like to teach a Photography Chug? A Drama Club of some sort? I am open to lots of ideas. The creative arts are a natural, but we don’t have to limit ourselves.

Our Chuggim run 45 minutes to an hour and are programmed once a month for a total of four sessions. If you would like to donate your expertise and time to our program, please email me with your ideas, beth@tbz.org. Thank you!

L’Shalom, may all your journeys be towards peace,

Beth Steinberg

See Sunday Snapshots on page 10.



There's A Latte to Learn at PALS-Kadimah

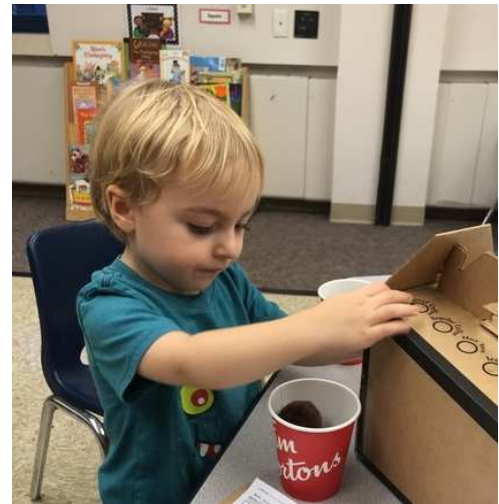
As many of you know, the PALS in PALS-Kadimah is an acronym for the "Play and Learn School." Many preschools choose to follow a particular educational philosophy, such as the teachings of Dr. Maria Montessori or the Reggio Emilia method that began in Italy and spread quickly across the world. Here, at PALS-Kadimah we use bits and pieces of those pedagogies in our preschool curriculum but what is of the utmost important to us is *play*. As a teacher and as a director, one of my favorite types of play to observe is dramatic play, also known as pretend play.

Dramatic play, very simply put, is an opportunity for children to express their inherent creativity. "Theorists and researchers in the fields of child development, child psychotherapy, creativity, personality, and evolution have reached the conclusion that pretend play and creativity are linked. [...]researchers confirm the connection because pretend play affords children opportunities to express many different processes—cognitive, affective, and interpersonal—important for creativity," (Russ & Wallace, 2013). This finding astounds me! How incredible is it just through pretending that our children are able to fine-tune necessary and critical cognitive functions! By playing, we become smarter. It really is that simple.

Every month the teachers and I come up with a new Dramatic Play center; popular ones in the past have been a doctor's office, an artist's studio, and even the whale from Jonah and the Whale. Truly, the possibilities are endless! So when the weather turned cold, all I could think about was a hot coffee or a toasty hot cocoa...and then I thought about a donut to go with my hot coffee and the idea hit me! Our next dramatic play center would be a Tim Hortons! Needless to say, it was a hit!

Now in the PALS-Kadimah Preschool classroom, we have our own mini Tim Hortons. When the children play in this new center, they practice their language and literacy skills, turn-taking, fine-motor skills such as pouring, develop aspects of their social-emotional intelligence, and more. Also, as a relatively new Buffalonian, I love how we brought a bit of Western New York food culture right into our classroom and a store that our children are well acquainted with. Trust me, there is nothing more precious than hearing a preschooler say "Hi, welcome to Tim Hortons. Would you like a coffee today?"

Zahava Fried, PALS-Kadimah Director



Presidents' Message

Women of Reform Judaism...Stronger Together

Women of Reform Judaism, an affiliate of the Union for Reform Judaism, is the collective voice and presence of women in congregational life. Stronger together, we enhance the quality and ideals of contemporary Jewish living to ensure the future of progressive Judaism in North America, Israel and around the world.

Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ) is...

- ★ more than 75,000 women from over 550 Reform sisterhoods;
- ★ an advocate and source of financial support for issues involving social justice, education, children, and women across North America, in Israel, and around the world;
- ★ an organization offering a unique opportunity for women to join together to form friendships, explore our shared goals and spirituality from a woman's perspective, and build community;
- ★ a resource for leadership development, religious studies, and educational programming;
- ★ a historical provider of scholarships and grants to rabbinic and cantorial students; and
- ★ a partner of local sisterhoods as they support and strengthen their individual Temple's programs and initiatives.

We invite you to be counted as a Woman of Reform Judaism by joining the TBZ Sisterhood.

Annual Membership Dues:

- ★ Miriam Life Membership \$500.00 receive a one time 30% off discount in our Judaica Shop and one package of Uniongrams
- ★ Sarah \$72.00 receive one package of Uniongrams
- ★ Rebekah \$54.00
- ★ Rachel \$40.00

Please make checks payable to: Sisterhood Temple Beth Zion and mail to: Margy Zeckhauser, 36 Wingate Avenue Buffalo NY 14216.

Join us and be Stronger Together,
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Nosh and Learn How to Make a Bagel

Sunday, February 9

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road

Come for a delicious event!

See your February Bulletin for more details or contact Sandy Wolchok at sandrawolchok@gmail.com with questions or to RSVP.



Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

Thank you to all those who assisted with the Bazaar!

January Specials - 20% off:

Childrens games and books
Bar & Bat Mitzvah figurines

And as always, TBZ members receive 20% off when they buy a Tallit for a Bar or Bat Mitzvah child.

Gift certificates available!

For information or more hours or if you are able to volunteer, contact Susan at (716) 982-2099 or nana4susan@gmail.com

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



On November 24, Lynn Klein hosted a lovely afternoon that included lunch followed by a dessert demonstration and tasting. The demonstration was provided by Robin Kurss, a home baker who learned a love of baking from her grandmothers.



Mazel Tov

To our Consecration Class of 2019-2020. During the Simchat Torah service on October 20, our youngest students' Jewish education was formalized. During the service, the children helped to light the festival candles and recited the Shema. They and their parents were called to the Bimah for a special blessing, and each student received a small replica of a Torah to symbolize the start of their own study of Torah.

To Florence & Jacob Oppenheimer of Denver, Colorado, on the birth of their son Rand Kenneth Oppenheimer on November 30. The proud grandparents are Eileen & Ken Grazi and Cindy & Randy Oppenheimer.

Tot Shabbat

Friday, January 17, at 5:45 p.m.
805 Delaware Avenue

Join us for Tot Shabbat on January 17. The theme for this family-friendly evening will be "Making *Mensches*" in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Tot Shabbat is a wonderful opportunity to get to know other families with young children from around the community and make new friends!

Please RSVP to Kara Kane at kara@tbz.org.

Achim Hosts Errol Craig Sull

The Brotherhood of Temple Beth Zion is pleased to announce that their January Achim program will be held at 10 a.m. on January 12, at the Meadows Lounge, located on the second floor at the Weinberg Campus, 2650 North Forest Road. The program is held in the building across from the rear entrance to the Jewish Community Center.

The featured speaker will be Errol Craig Sull, a local author, educator and culinary expert. He has been a participant in the Achim program for many years and is a co-chairman of the Temple Beth Zion Achim Committee. His programs are always interesting and timely. Questions and discussions will be welcome. He might also be preparing a cake and sharing the results with the audience.

Achim is a monthly program for the benefit of the residents, and their guests, at the Weinberg Campus and is open to the public at no cost.

Shabbat Shira
Sabbath of Song
"Kol Echad" 1 Voice
Friday February 7, at 7 p.m.

This annual Shabbat Shira Service Sabbath of Song will feature the new Community Jewish Adult Choir "Ruach Buffalo," Temple Beth Zion Children's Choir and Congregation Shir Shalom's "Pop-Up Choir" as we join for a musical and uplifting experience.

Prayer for the Secular New Year

With hope for continued freedom and the blessing of a better tomorrow, we might take a moment to start 2020 by saying the following:

Eternal God, we give thanks

For the gifts of life, wonder beyond words;

For the awareness of soul, our light within;

For the world around us, so filled with beauty;

For the richness of the earth, which day by day sustains us;

For all these and more we offer thanks.

Baruch Atah Adonai, hatov shimcha ul'cha na-eh l'hodot.

Blessed are You, Eternal, Your Name is goodness,

and to You we offer thanksgiving.

(by Rabbi Judith Z. Abrams)

Achim Chanukah Program

The Annual Chanukah Achim program was held on December 8 at Weinberg Campus. The program featured the Junior Choir performing Chanukah songs under the direction of Cantor Penny Myers. New this year was the addition of the Ruach Buffalo Choir.

The Annual Chanukah program is always a favorite of the residents and this year didn't disappoint. Special thanks to Cantor Myers, the Junior Choir, Ruach Buffalo and, of course, Brotherhood for providing this wonderful community program.



TBaZY in Toronto

On December 6, members of TBaZY met at the Broder Center then headed to Toronto for an amazing Winter Kallah hosted by Temple Emanuel in Toronto. They celebrated Shabbat as a community and experienced fun teen-led programming and an energetic Spike concert Saturday night.



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Through a permanent Yahrzeit Memorial at Temple Beth Zion their name will be:

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January 17 & 18

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