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Tu BiShvat!

Enjoy a Light Dinner & Seder celebrating "The Birthday of the Trees"

Speaker: Stephan Kline, CEO of NECHAMA, Jewish Response to Disaster.

Wednesday, February 12
6 PM
Temple Beth Zion
805 Delaware Ave.

Adults \$10, Children (3-12) \$5 (N/C 2 and under) Please RSVP by February 4 at: bit.ly/TuBiShvat2025 or scan the QR code:



Not a nut-free event.



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Letter from the President

I smile every time someone says, "There's so much going on at TBZ." Did you know that through our wide range of programming – from choir and band rehearsal to Torah study, and from Mazel Tots, Aleph Champ, and Young Family Shabbats to adult education, Lunch & Learn, and Brotherhood/Sisterhood events – we touched over 4,000 people in the months of October, November, and December? And whether at 805 Delaware or at Broder, we are seeing large crowds at services, Stained Glass concerts, and celebrations like Hanukkah.

Speaking of the Hanukkah celebration, what an event it was! With over 180 people in attendance, Sisterhood did an amazing job in managing the food and decorations while Cantor Susie had the band and choir rocking. My thanks to Sisterhood and to all those involved in planning and executing the event.

When it comes to events like these – and there are more with Tu BiShvat this month, Purim in March, Passover in April, and our Spring Gala in May – there is a saying "many hands make light work.". From coordinating security, creating a registration site, setting up the room, and cleaning up, it "takes a village" to make things happen. It also takes partnership – with lay leaders and staff – and great communication. In my 30 months as TBZ president, I have seen first-hand how hard our staff, maintenance team, clergy, and volunteers work to put on these programs and community-wide events.

So, as you look at www.tbz.org/calendar or read through this Bulletin, I encourage you to mark down at least one event (or service or program) coming up and join us. We would love to have even more people engaged as we continue our programming in 2025.

Finally, I'll challenge you to not only attend something in the next few months, but to reach out and ask how you can get involved. We are always looking for volunteers. It's a great way to help and you'll enjoy meeting new people. Please reach out to me at president@tbz.org if you would like to learn more.

Kenneth Polk president@tbz.org

Social Action Committee

The TBZ Social Action Committee will meet via Zoom on Sunday, February 2. If you would like to attend the meeting, email sam@tbz.org for the link.



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Worship Opportunities

Services below are held at 805 Delaware Avenue unless otherwise noted. Services are also available via livestream at www.tbz.org. Torah Study begins in person at 9:15 AM each Saturday at 805 Delaware and via Zoom.

Friday, January 31 Shabbat Evening Service	7:15 PM
Saturday, February 1 Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 AM
Friday, February 7 Shabbat Shirah, Shabbat Evening Service Birthday & Anniversary Blessings	7:15 PM
Saturday, February 8 Shabbat Morning Service Service at Canterbury Woods	10:30 AM 11 AM
Wednesday, February 12 Tu BiShvat Dinner & Seder	6:00 PM
Friday, February 14 Classical Shabbat Evening Service	7:15 PM
Saturday, February 15 Shabbat Morning Service Service at Canterbury Woods	10:30 AM 11 AM
Friday, February 21 Young Family Shabbat Shabbat Evening Service	5:30 PM 7:15 PM
Saturday, February 22 Shabbat Morning Service Service at Canterbury Woods	10:30 AM 11 AM
Friday, February 28 Shabbat Evening Service at Broder	7:15 PM
Saturday, March 1 Shabbat Morning Service	10:30 AM

Office Schedule

The Temple Beth Zion administrative offices will be closed Monday, February 17. If you have a lifecycle emergency and need to reach a member of our staff, call (716) 836-6565 and follow the instructions.



Letter from the Rabbi

Comfort Amid Disaster

On September 26, 2024, Hurricane Helene made landfall in the panhandle region of Florida as a category 4 storm, quickly moved inland and stalled. Devastating floods, over 1,000 landslides, hundreds of water main breaks and power outages followed. Thousands were stranded.

Even worse, a different kind of storm soon followed on social media. Antisemites began directly tying the creation of Hurricane Helene to Jews ("Jews control the weather!"), alleging lack of action by FEMA. While Jews controlling the weather is an old trope, this was the first time antisemitic allegations were raised in a modern disaster relief context.

These narratives could not be further from the truth. Jews are deeply committed to saving life and not standing idle as our neighbors suffer. Israeli organizations such as IsraAID and Magen David Adom have provided disaster relief not only in Israel but around the world in countries such as Syria, Haiti, as well as for California wildfires. And, with regard to Hurricane Helene, an organization called NECHAMA–Jewish Response to Disaster, was among the first on the ground providing relief.

On Wednesday, February 12, we will host Stephan Kline, Chief Executive Officer of NECHAMA at our Tu BiShvat festival observance. He will describe his organization's incredible work alleviating the suffering of those affected by Hurricane Helene. With a volunteer base that is 70% Jewish and taking its name from the Hebrew word meaning "comfort," NECHAMA has also helped with tornado recovery in Oklahoma, flood relief in Iowa, and hurricanes in Florida and Louisiana. Simply put, they provide relief while combating antisemitism by demonstrating that Jews care.

As we witness extreme weather, the importance of God's commandment that we be guardians of the earth is clear. We must preserve our planet as much as we can from the devastation of climate change. For example, this past year, the Religious Action Center for Reform Judaism of New York State successfully lobbied the New York State legislature to pass the All Electric Buildings Act and the Superfund Act.

On Tu BiShvat, we celebrate and seek a deeper understanding of our connection to our planet. Hearing from NECHAMA offers yet another lens into the work that is possible. Let us also consider how we might further embrace this responsibility so that our communities and our planet can be secure for generations to come.

Rabbi Brent Gutmann



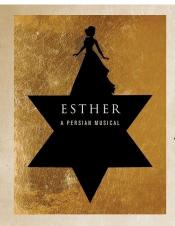
Letter from the Cantor

Music Notes

Do you ever wonder why I sometimes chant fast passages of Hebrew, often at the beginnings or ends or some of our congregational melodies? This chanting is an old, oral tradition called *nusach*. It is comparable to what we call our "Oral Torah", which was said to have been spoken to Moses on Mt. Sinai, and exists within publications such as the Talmud and Mishnah. Contrary to popular belief, nusach, or this "chanting" of the Hebrew prayers, is, according to scholars, the musical side of our rabbinic tradition. When the Mishnah was codified by scholar Yehudah HaNasi, and during the time of Rashi, there were Jewish communities in the Rhinelands creating such strong musical rituals (which included Torah Trope) that the Rabbis of that time felt the need to codify it within the Mishnah, right alongside works such Pirkei Avot. When Reform Judaism was first practiced, it sought to do away with tradition, Halachah (Jewish Law), the wearing of Tallit and kippot, Hakafot (the Torah parade), and did not often acknowledge the Oral Tradition. Within the last 30 years, Reform Judaism has chosen to bring back more Hebrew, don our tallitot and Kippot, practice keeping Shabbat (in our own meaningful ways), and we have also brought back a few more traditional elements of our liturgy, nusach and the chanting of our prayers being one of them.

Cantor Susan Lewis-Friedman





PURIM SPIEL! ESTHER:

A PERSIAN MUSICAL

"An Adaptation of
the Story of Esther
to the Music of Hamilton"

Thursday, March 13, 805 Delaware Avenue

5:30 PM Dinner Buffet & Entertainment 6:30 PM Reading of the Megillah 7 PM Purim Spiel & Dessert

RSVP for the Dinner Buffet at: bit.ly/PurimDinner2025



\$18/Person, \$54/Family of 4 or more (N/C for 2 years & younger)

Learn with Rabbi Gutmann & Cantor Susan Lewis-Friedman

"Music & Mysticism"

What is Kabbalah? What is spirituality? How does Judaism define the essence of God?



Join this fascinating exploration of Jewish spirituality through music, meditation, and mysticism!

Wednesdays: 1/22, 2/26, 3/26 7-8:30 PM at the Broder Center

No Fee. No Registration Required. TBZ members & non-members welcome!

For more information, please reach out to Beth Steinberg, Director of Member Engagement & Programming 716-836-6565, ext. 131, beth@tbz.org

Learn with Rabbi Gutmann...

<u>iEngage: Israel's Milestones and Their Meanings</u>
"The Legacy of the Past and the Challenge of the Future"



Wednesdays, 10AM-Noon, at the Broder Center 2025; 2/5, 2/26, 3/12, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9
A ZOOM link will be provided for remote students \$80/members, \$108/non-members. Includes all materials.
Register at: bit.ly/iEngageWinter2025



Should you need to discuss financial assistance, or have any other questions, please contact Beth Steinberg, Director of Member Engagement & Programming 716-836-6565, ext. 131, beth@tbz.org

Jewish Medical Ethics

With Jill Abromowitz Gutmann

Bioethicist, Experienced Teacher



Tuesdays, from 11:30 AM - 1 PM.

Bring your Lunch!

At Temple Beth Zion, 805 Delaware Ave.

Near the Medical Corridor!

2025 Dates:

1/28, 2/25, 3/25, 4/29, 5/20, and 6/17 (subject to change) TBZ Members \$72. Non-Members \$108.

Please register at: <u>bit.ly/JewishMedicalEthics25</u>
Or by scanning the QR code.



A minimum of 10 students are required to offer the class.

TBZ Members with financial hardship should contact

Beth Steinberg, bethetbz.org or 716-836-6565 ext. 131



175th Anniversary Gala

Temple Beth Zion has a storied history, from its first meeting at the home of Hirsch Sinzheimer on Oak Street in 1850, to the Methodist Episcopal Church on Niagara Street in 1864, to 599 Delaware Avenue in the mid-1880's (destroyed by fire in 1961) to our "new" location in at 805 Delaware in 1967 (the "jewel of Delaware Avenue"). From its inception, wherever Temple Beth Zion hung its shingle, it has continued to serve as the spiritual and cultural home to its congregation.

On May 17, 2025, we will celebrate the 175th Anniversary of our beloved Synagogue with a special Gala. We hope that you will join us for this event that will honor the past, present and future of Temple Beth Zion.

Invitations will be forthcoming but, in the meantime, if you are interested learning how you can show your support for Temple Beth Zion by becoming a Gala donor, table sponsor, or event sponsor, we encourage you to reach out to one of us.

You are a vital part of what makes our congregation special and we look forward to celebrating with you.

Sharon Schwartz Gala Co-Chair sharon@tbz.org Ken Polk Gala Co-Chair president@tbz.org

See You in the Sunshine State!

Rabbi Brent and Mrs. Jill Gutmann will be heading to Florida in March to visit with TBZ members. A west coast Sarasota area get-together dinner will be held on Tuesday, March 4. Rabbi Gutmann will host a dinner on the east coast Boca Raton area on Tuesday, March 18. These are wonderful opportunities to mingle with others from your Buffalo community and to get an update on all that is happening "back home" in WNY and at TBZ.

If you winter or live in Florida, or know of a current member of TBZ who does, please contact Julie Feldman at (716) 836-6565 or <u>julie@tbz.org</u> so we can be sure to include everyone who wishes to take part.

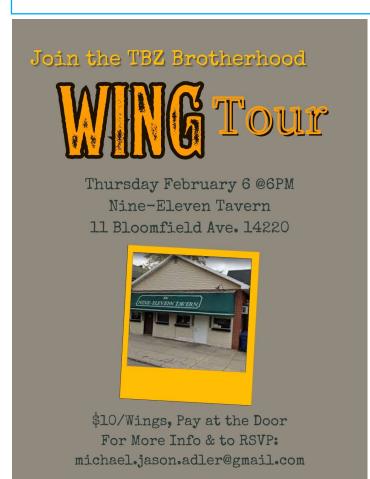
Tu BiShvat Word Search

We are happy to introduce a new feature for the TBZ Bulletin. TBZ member and puzzle creator, Andrew Hyman, has provided a fun word search with a Tu BiShvat theme. Have fun with this and watch for more fun brain teasing puzzles in future issues.



<u>INSTRUCTIONS:</u> Find the following words in the grid above. They could be horizontal, vertical, and diagonal, and may be in reverse, too.

AppleCarobNew YearArbor DayFigSederAtzilutGrapeTrees





Mah Koreh B'CRS (What's Happening at CRS)

February is a short month at CRS. Since February is Jewish Disability month, the students in grades 6 and 7, along with the Madrichim will participate in a program on Autism spectrum presented by Mrs. Ollendorf in collaboration with JFS. February will also include TBT's Men's Club leading our students in learning about the Mitzvah of putting on T'fillin as part of the World Wide Wrap.

Our winter electives are enriching our students as they learn about G-d in OMG - an exploration of the concept of G-d taught by Rabbi Rich, Jewish communities around the world taught by CRS staff, Antisemitism and Antizionism taught by Rabbi Gutmann, Jewish Gaming taught by Rabbi Alex and an elective on current Israel Advocacy taught by Michal Shmuel-Lewis.

For more information on our academic program for students Pre-K through 7th, our Madrichim program for 8th-12th graders, or to become a supporter, please contact me at (716)574-6016.

Einav Symons Community Religious School Director



Cofeld Corner

Like a long-distance runner rounding the halfway marker of a marathon, the volunteer and intern cataloguing project begun during the pandemic, and continued in fits and spurts, has now reached a significant milestone: Over 2000 objects are catalogued in *Collector Systems* the museum's cataloguing system. It allows for the cataloguing of all kinds of materials, from paintings to books, to architectural plans and drawings, posters, vinyl discs and all sorts of Judaica and historical materials. It is revolutionizing how we understand our collection, appreciating our range, seeing our concentrations and identifying our gaps.

This was not a small undertaking. After the loving care of Mortimer and Harriet Spiller, museum management had waned for almost a decade. A band of volunteers worked with me over several sessions to find and centralize all the materials into one place opposite the original TBZ board room. We hired Adam Rubin, an archivist-in-training, to translate the paper catalogue cards into a listing that continued over a two-year period while I worked in other roles outside the museum. This also continued while I was heavily immersed in creating the new iteration of the museum with a team of other professionals and Temple lay leaders. During every spare moment, I scanned hundreds of double-sided catalog cards and associated deed documentation, which could range from a single page to a voluminous file. This was a challenging job as the records were scattered and unorganized. Much of the former original order had been lost along with the file sleeves. Reassembling it required time and dedication as much as detective work, history and museum skills!

While much of the work has been completed, still more remains. I have continued my volunteer cataloguing work to re-unite these records with newly created digitized images, correspondence, and other materials into enhanced records.

The next stage is the backlog of materials that were never on show in the museum, or items as yet uncatalogued. In addition, I am currently cataloguing archival materials that include digital materials I created for the new museum and the Blum Project. This will increase with the 175th Anniversary project. Indeed, the system, when used creatively, allows us to see patterns that enable us to plan future exhibitions and programs among other utilities, and to identify partners for joint exhibits and programing. In addition, in the future, you will be able to view many of the unique items of our collections through our website. Collector Systems was chosen for its intuitive and easy to use interface. This major and ongoing project is part of a commitment to provide access to our collection outside the walls of a physical exhibition in the same way we have enabled access with our Hein Online partnership which

you can read about in last month's column or at this link: https://cofeldmuseum.org/stories-and-essays/.

Our thanks for the gift that made the catalog possible, given to honor the memory of Harriet and Mortimer Spiller by their children, Jill Spiller Underwood, Harley Spiller and Lora Spiller.

Chana Revell Kotzin, Ph.D. Curator and Historian



To **Shaina Potash**, who made the dean's list this semester at UB with a 4.0 GPA. Shaina is the daughter of Ari and Jamie Potash and granddaughter of Dee Block.

To our amazing **Cantor Susie!** Transcontinental Music Publications - JLicense.com, the renowned publishing house for the Reform Movement, has included some of her musical arrangements in their latest book of choir arrangements.

This is a monumental achievement, and we couldn't be prouder and more blessed to have such a talented and accomplished clergy member as part of our Temple Beth Zion family.

Please join us in congratulating Cantor Susie on her well-deserved recognition of her artistry and dedication to Jewish music. Her melodies inspire us all and bring Kiddush Hashem (sanctifies G-d's name) everyday!

To Honorable Peter Allen Weinmann who had his Robing and Swearing-In Ceremony on Monday, January 13 in the Erie County Courthouse. Judge Weinmann will be a New York State Court of Claims and Acting New York State Supreme Court Justice. Peter was joined by his wife and current board member Amélida Oritz Weinmann, and their four children, who all participated in the ceremony, and by his mother, Margit Weinmann, and his sister.





Dash's Receipts



Please continue to help Sisterhood by saving your Dash's Market receipts for us. We can accept receipts in any amount from the current year and from

2024. There are boxes at the Broder Center and Delaware building.

If you prefer to mail your receipts, please send them to TBZ Broder Center Attn: Sisterhood, 700 Sweet Home Road Amherst, NY 14226. This fundraiser helps Sisterhood sponsor activities for Temple Beth Zion. Thank you for your continued support!

Honorable Menschen

To Sisterhood for their generosity and hard work on the Lights & Latkes celebration. Sisterhood provided, set up and served the food, including latkes and sufganiyot (jelly donuts). At 180 attendees, it was the largest crowd to date!



Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop

Broder Center, 700 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

February 2025 SALE Specials 20% off All Children's items

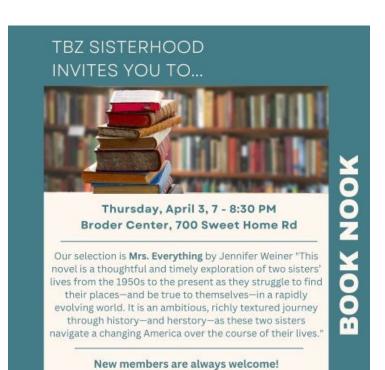
Baby books, Books, Crafts, Games, Key chains, Kippahs, Stuffed animals, Tzedekah Boxes, Jewelry and more

TBZ members receive 20% off when they buy a tallit for a Bar or Bat Mitzvah child.

The Judaica Shop is open by appointment only We are also able to send photos to you of items available in the shop.

For an appointment, text, call or email Susan at (716) 982-2099, nana4susan@gmail.com or Dee (240) 446-1211.

By supporting the Ruth Fernandez Sisterhood Judaica Shop you support the Temple Beth Zion Youth Scholarship Fund.



Please RSVP to Cindy at thestovers@gmail.com or by calling the Temple office at (716) 836-6565.



2024-2025 Campaign a Success

Kol Nidre Campaign Co-chairs Sam & Joni Shatkin and David & Paulette Gordon proudly announce that the Campaign was a huge success. The campaign continues until June 30 so anyone interested in contributing still has an opportunity. Please send a check to the Temple office or contribute online via ShulCloud.

We sincerely thank all of the following generous donors: Patricia Abeles, Norma Adel, Susan Adelman, June Adler, Michael Adler & Evelyn Walsh, Christina Akers-DiCenzo & Salvatore DiCenzo, David & Joan Alexander, Stuart & Joyce Angert, Barry & Donna Appelbaum, Judith Babat, Barbara Baker, Tina Ball, Howard & Lana Benatovich, Michelle Bendes, Gerald & Susan Bergman, Eric Bernhardt & Alicia Kaufman-Bernhardt, James & Joanne Biltekoff, Peter & Judith Biltekoff, Annette Blanchard, Brian & Margery Block, Dianne Block, Neil & Stacey Block, Benjamin & Lauren Bluman, Sharon & Ryan Bonetto, Keith & Sharon Bookbinder, David & Marilyn Brock, Phillip & Judy Brothman, Eva Susan Brown, Harold & Toby-Lee Bulan, Ellen Capell, Alan & Susan Carrel, Carol Caserta, Jeff & Deborah Clark, Sanford Clark & Bonnie Redder, Warren & Lynn Clark, Bahry Cohan, Joy Cohan, Frederick & Maura Cohen, Lawrence & Ann Cohen, Michael & Joan Cohen, Robert Cohen & Noreen Fitzpatrick, Ronald Cohen, Nancy & David Colligan, Mark & Laurie Criden, Bryan & Krystal Daniels, Lawrence & Marsha Dautch, Bette Davidson, David & Janet Desmon, Dennis & Donna Dickman, Michael & Wendy Dozoretz, Shelley Drake, Ruth Dressler, Katherine Ellis, Nitza Ellis, Andrew & Joy Feldman, Edwin & Julie Feldman, Rita Fersztman, David Feuerstein & Jodi Bloom, Jesse Feuerstein & Jennifer Catherine, Jennifer Field, Paul Fineberg, Peter & Ilene Fleischmann, Michael Fox & Michele Lash, Victor & Maureen Fradin, Lawrence & Deborah Franco, Eric Frank & Gina Bellavia, Marcia Frankel, Susan Freed, Amy Freedman, Bernard & Lynda Freedman, Kenneth & Amy Friedman, Sidney Friedman, Sue Gardner, Stuart Gellman, David Gerber & Carolyn Korsmeyer, Lawrence & Bonnie Gersh, Philip Glick & Drucy Borowitz, Dana Glina, Halli & Sol Glina, David & Susan Goldberg, Jo Anne Goldfarb, Catherine Goldman, Deborah Goldman & Grant Golden, Howard & Susan Goldman, Bruce & Betsy Goldstein, Ellen Goldstein & Mitch Flynn, Ken & Janice Goldstein, David & Paulette Gordon, Nathan & Laura Gordon, Kenneth & Adrianne Graber, Wayne & Cindy Algase Gradl, Donald & Andrea Lynn Griebner, Suzanne Grossman, Rabbi Brent & Jill Gutmann, Jay & Beverly Gutmann, Marc Halfon & Eunice Wang, Harriet Halpern, Hugh Hartzberg, Donald & Aimee Hecht, Steven & Maria Heffter, Judy Henn, June Hesch, Eduardo & Amy Heumann, Elaine Higgins, Lynn Hirsch, Fred & Barbara Holender, Elias & Miriam Treger Honig, Andrew & Jennifer Isenberg, Ann Jacobs-Fey, Susan Joffe, Jeffrey Jolton & Marcia Wood, Larry Jones & Nancy Rosenbloom, Marla Kameny & Daniel Sage, Stephen & Jill Kaplan, Jack & Joan Karet, Michael & Christa Karet, Karen Karmazin, Virginia Kaufman, Ben Kerman & Sarah Baird, Ruth Kirstein, Robert & Lynn Klein, Donald Kohnstamm & Jean DuBow, Betty Korn, Charles & Sharon Kushner, John & Toby Laping, Joyce Lemkin, Stuart & Harriett Lerman, Donald & Betsy Lesses, Holly Lesses, Cynthia Levy, Irving & Donna Lee Levy, Sanford Levy & Betsy Doyle Levy, Martin Lewin, Gerald Lippes, Louise Lipton, Melvin Livingston, Robin & Ellen Loomis, Arthur & Wendee Lorbeer, Samuel Magavern & Monica Angle, Aaron Mango, Roberta Markel, Ethel Melzer, Jay & Rebecca Mesnekoff, Shelley Miller, Alan & Barbara Mollot, Sandra Montgomery, Selma Morris, Robert Moskowitz & Mary McGorray, Eileen Mullaney, Carrie Myers, Dennis Nadler & Susan Ward Nadler, Bunnise Neenos, Karen Simon Neiman, Monica Neuwirt, David & Julie Newberger, Stephen & Gayle Newman, Shirlee Nimelman, Sanford & Margery Nobel, David Norman, Gerald & JoAnne Nover, Benjamin & Lila Obletz Fund, Randall & Rita Odza, Benjamin Oppenheimer & Alison Diana, Randolph & Cynthia Oppenheimer, Cantor Barbara Ostfeld & Todd Joseph, Jamie & Robin Ostrov, Janie Polk, Kenneth & Cara Polk, Jackie Povitz, Kevin & Merle Pranikoff, Jean Rachlin, Donna Raphael, Robert & Barbara Stone Reden, Judy Reich, Gary & Anna Marie Richmond, Kenneth Rogers & Kathleen Corff Rogers, Pauline Rogers, Richard & Judith Romer, Howard Rosenhoch, Joel & Sheila Ross, Elaine Rubenstein, Laurence Rubin & Debra Chernoff, Louise Ruslander, Shellie Rutstein, Nadine Ryback, Alan Saltzman, W. 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*received as of January 10, 2025

Team Teen 2025

Rabbi Brent and Cantor Susie are kicking off a new project for 2025 designed to engage middle and high school students (grades 8-12) in a variety of meaningful activities and experiences. Team Teen will organize fun off-site activities like bowling, game nights, an escape room adventure, and more. These events are opportunities for Jewish teens to have fun, bond with each other, and build lasting memories.

Team Teen is also designed to promote connection and community through TEENS TALK ABOUT discussions exploring topics that matter to teens today: Israel, Antisemitism, Community, and God. These conversations will encourage teens to think critically, express themselves, and develop a deeper understanding of themselves and the world around them.

Through these activities and conversations, Team Teen will provide a safe space for teens to learn about their Jewish heritage, traditions, and values.

See the Team Teen flyer below for information and registration. The off-site activities are \$18/event. The TEENS TALK ABOUT sessions at Broder are \$40 for all four.



TEMPLE BETH ZION

Just for grades 8-12...



"Team Teen"

Engagement through fun activities, inspirational conversation, and learning about ourselves and our community with Rabbi Brent & Cantor Susie

All Sessions @Broder Include Pizza & More

Sun. 1/26 6-8 PM@Broder: Teens Talk About Israel

Sun. 2/23 6-8 PM@Broder: Teens Talk About Antisemitism

Sun. 3/9: Bowling (Time and Location TBD)

Sun. 3/23 6-8 PM@Broder: Teens Talk About Community

Sun. 4/6: Social Event (Time and Location TBD)

Sun. 5/4 6-8 PM@Broder: Teens Talk About God

Sun. 5/18: Social Event (Time and Location TBD)

<u>Register Today!</u>

Open to teens from Temple Beth Zion as well as from other congregations or those



who are unaffiliated.



Q's? beth@tbz.org, 716-836-6565



College Connection: Purim 2025



Let TBZ's College Connection send a little box of Purim joy to your child or grandchild living away from home!

If they are NOT already on the 2024-25 College Connection list, please email beth@tbz.org by February 11.

Include your name, their name, and their correct college mailing address. (U.S. only.)

Save the Date: April 25-27,2025

Temple Beth Zion



Travel to NYC
with TBZ teens, led
by Rabbi Gutmann!
See the sights!
Explore Jewish
New York!

For more info: Beth Steinberg beth@tbz.org, or 716-836-6565 ext. 131





Please join us for Kickelush A celebration of Shabbat! Saturday, February 1

and
Saturday, March 1
Temple Beth Zion
805 Delaware Ave., Buffalo 14209

Please join our Shabbat Morning Service and stay for a nosh. Enjoy bagels, schmears, fruit, veggies, and pastry.

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Blum Project Hosts Many Visitors

In January, high school students from Nichols learned about Jewish Buffalo and enjoyed a tour of TBZ through the **Blum Jewish Education Project**. The Blum Project also hosted adults from Westminster Presbyterian Church and Locust Street Art in January.











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In appreciation of:

Rabbi Gutmann for officiating at the memorial service for Ralph Halpern, by his family

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The wonderful TBZ community that has been so warm, welcoming, and open to me, by Ian Artis, Jr., Esq.

In appreciation of:

The wonderful Shabbat Hanukkah musical service, by Hayley Weinberg In honor of:

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January 31 & February 1

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If you plan to attend services, either in-person or virtually, and wish to add the name of a loved one to the Yarzheit list, contact Sue Stone in the Temple office at sue@tbz.org or (716) 836-6565, Ext. 133. Please make your request no later than the Wednesday before the Shabbat Service.

February 14 & 15

Ralph Abramow Tillie White Beck Lucile Heimberger Block Irving Borisnick Milton Brown Leona Michaels Bryman Moses J. Bryman Berta S. Cole Beatrice Hurwitz Diamond Michael F. Ellis Jr. Louis Fink Leonard J. Freed Martin P. Freedman Elizabeth R. Gellman Lawrence E. Goldberg O. Richard Goldman Ida L. Hofeller Sarah M. Hoffman Harry Hoffman Albert Holzman Jane F. Jacobs Jeanette Kahn Annette Rovner Korn Gertrude Bleichfeld Kranitz David L. Landy Etta F. Levy

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Hilda Zolki

February 21 & 22

Sarah R. Berens Hyman H. Berghash Harry Bilsky Irma Metzger Block Herbert H. Blumberg Sidney Wile Bock Barney Bronstein Millicent K. Cohen Audrey B. Cohen Alfred F. Cohen Nell B. Coleman Eric O. Dean Ann Desmon Corinne Ellis Bertha Estry Jane Ann Feldman Julia Kahn Fisher Agnes Elise Fleischmann Benjamin I. Freedman Isaac S. Given Helen Mitchell Goldman Gerald J. Goldsmith Esther Wolf Goldstein Jack Goldstein Dena B. Goldstein Samuel Gorbaty Richard S. Gordon Sr. Beulah Griffith Harold Halpern Barbara Hayman Barbara Amram Hayman Isabelle Hirsch Morris Jacobson Marvin L. Kahn Suzanne Kahn

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February 28 & March 1

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We offer our condolences to the families of:

Cynthia Benderson Dan Fox Lawrence Itzkowitz Noah Nadler Donna A. Yablin

Sophie Treger

Charles J. Victor







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Friday February 21 @ 805 Delaware 5:30 PM Young Family Service 6:15 PM Shabbat Dinner 7:15 PM Shabbat Evening Service

Come for Shabbat dinner and the service you prefer!



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