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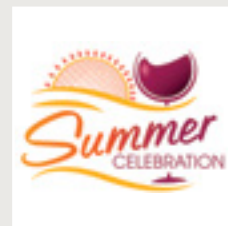
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Editor's Note



Ellen Goldstein, Editor

Our bountiful “716 Summer” continues during this glorious month of August, and there are two things of note I want to share with you about this month’s *Jewish Journal*. First, August 19 is **The Great Buffalo Jewbilee!** at the JCC and Temple Beth Zion on historic Delaware Avenue! This is why we’ve devoted the entire first section of the *Journal* to it. I do remember Israel Expo in the mid 1970’s at the JCC, and while this event promises to be as exciting, it is not focused on Israel, but instead on our present vibrant Buffalo community. At the Jewbilee, there is something for everyone! Klezmer and Jewish Soul Music! Cantors’ singing and Israeli dancers dancing. There are awesome events for the kiddos, including arts and crafts projects, a matzah factory, fun food contests, the incredible Rick Recht in concert, a pre-concert Dance Party by PJ Library, bounce houses and so much more. You want Jewish food at the Jewbilee, we will have it! Everything from babka and borekas to knishes, pickles on a stick and hot dogs! All Kosher and available from 11:30 am to 6:00 pm, and each item will cost only \$5 or less. Plus there will be an area to shop for Judaica or art, two Krav Maga (Israeli martial arts) demonstrations, a food demonstration by Wegmans Chef Joe, plus the Grand Re-Opening & Ribbon Cutting at the JCC Holland Building at 3 pm! Check out pages 20 and 38 for information!

Next, I want to call your attention to the story about the three **Lions of Judah—Julie Fink, Marilyn Shine and Anne Virag** - and the story about our 2018 Nathan Benderson Community Leadership Award Winner **Jeremy Jacobs, Sr.** While working on this month’s issue, I learned that what Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. Fink, Mrs. Shine and Mrs. Virag have in common is their love for Buffalo, its Jewish community, and a deep concern about making sure the Buffalo Community and Buffalo Jewish Community are remembered. All four people have done this in their own unique ways and each is making an impact. As we enter the Hebrew month of Elul on August 12, the month preceding the High Holy Days in which we are urged to look at our life honestly and with scrutiny, let’s take heed of their example and ask what more each one of us can do for our Jewish Community.

Ellen Goldstein - Editor

Wishing you a golden August, and see you at The Great Buffalo Jewbilee August 19!

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Buffalo Lions of Judah...the Story Continues



The Jewish Journal began profiling our Lions of Judah (LOJ) this spring. We wanted to tell the story of how Women's Philanthropy continues to play a vital role in our Campaign for Jewish Buffalo, and so we have been reaching out to our Buffalo Lions of Judah, asking them why giving at a LOJ is important to them, and why women giving in their own name matters. We are thankful and appreciative of all our donors. As you read on, you will learn about how three more extraordinary Lions make giving back to the Buffalo Jewish Community a high priority.



Julie Kianof Fink

Julie Kianof Fink is Publisher and President Emeritus of *Welcome Magazine*, a hardcover book in all the hotel rooms in the Western New York area that is the premium guide to the Buffalo Niagara region. An artist and graphic designer by education and training with a BFA, she began working for *Welcome Magazine* in 1985, then took over as President of *Welcome* in 2001. She recently sold the company and going forward, she will be a consultant for advertising and marketing for a broad range of clients.

In the community, she is currently Vice President of the board of the Aquarium of Niagara Falls, and Vice Chair of Ladies 18-Hole Golfers at Park Country Club. A graduate of University at Buffalo's School of Management's Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership (CEL) Class of 2001, she is a past member of its board. She currently serves as

Vice President/Treasurer of Ahavas Shalom Cemetery in Niagara Falls. "My family has been involved in this cemetery for many years; my grandparents and father are buried there. It was previously a shul, but now only the cemetery remains and we try to maintain it."

A member of Temple Beth Zion, and a past board member of the Buffalo Jewish Federation, she serves on The Campaign for Jewish Buffalo's Campaign Cabinet, and is a Co-Chair of its Lion of Judah Division. Julie and her husband, Raymond Fink, chaired the Federation's Community Kick-Off Dinner for two years. "Ray and I also discovered Kosher Meals on Wheels, and we have supported that," she said. Julie was also one of the more than 60 women who traveled to Israel with the Federation in December, 2008.

Julie Kianof Fink became a Lion of Judah in 2007, and got involved in the Jewish world when she started dating Ray Fink, whom she married in 2008. Her first project in the Jewish world was for the JCC—the "From Champagne to Chagall" Art Auction. "I wanted to do something relevant for the Jewish community, and I was unsure of what to do. This JCC auction opportunity came along, and I have always liked leadership roles," she said. "I also thought the women I knew from Federation who were Lions were already role models to me. I wanted to emulate them, so it seemed natural to become a LOJ, as well as get involved in the Campaign."

Julie was born in Niagara Falls, and had a small group of Jewish friends growing up there. Following her Bat Mitzvah at Temple Beth Israel, the family moved to Williamsville, and she explained that Jewish teen activities were not part of her life-- not camp or youth group.

"Maybe that's why I went full-force as a Lion and jumped right in as a volunteer. Being a Lion of Judah and a Jewish Federation volunteer really empowers me as a Jewish woman. I have a real pride about it. Becoming a Lion and my subsequent involvement in the community made me feel more Jewish, because I felt there had been a gap in my life. I wore my Lion pin at my niece's Bat Mitzvah in Boston recently, and several women I didn't know came up to talk to me. They were Lions of Judah, too, and they recognized the pin, and that we were all part of the same national Federations donor society. But being a Lion to me is not about the money. It is like a 'Sisterhood.' As a career woman, I can easily say that if other career women would consider becoming Lions of Judah, they would also find it equally rewarding." When asked whether or not she thinks women should make charitable gifts in their own name, she strongly said "yes." "I think women should make their own charitable gift to the community—they should give a separate gift, and be counted as part of the community. In making my own gift, I wanted to say that I am part of the Jewish People taking care of our own."

Julie concluded by saying that her gift is not about herself. "I think my gift is important beyond me. I don't have kids who will benefit from my philanthropy. I am giving because I feel like giving. Being a Lion feels good. It's a mitzvah because I'm doing good for others. It completes me emotionally," she said.



Marilyn Shine

Marilyn Shine is a woman who really cares about others. She worked professionally caring for people in need, and now she directs her philanthropy to those in need through the Campaign for Jewish Buffalo. The mother of Kevin, Paul and Rickey Jane and grandmother of four moved from Buffalo many years ago. She now resides in Boca Raton. But she and her family have not forgotten Jewish Buffalo. Her late husband, Jerry Shine was a Buffalo native and they raised their children here while running the family business, AIM Corrugated. Born in Brooklyn, Marilyn met Jerry Shine in Miami Beach, when they were both on vacation. They were introduced by a mutual friend, were married 4 months later, and then moved to Buffalo.

She went back to school when her youngest child was 10, and finished college. She then went to graduate school for an MSW, during which time (the early 1970's) Marilyn was an intern at Jewish Family Service of Buffalo & Erie County. "I really learned the needs of the Jewish Community during that time," she said. "I saw a great need that people are not always aware of," she said. Then she worked at Meyer Memorial Hospital which became ECMC, in the Dept. of Psychiatry. "I loved my job because I have always wished to help people."

Marilyn and Jerry retired, moved to Phoenix, then Florida. But they never lost their feeling for Western New York, something Marilyn has continued since the loss of her beloved Jerry. "The Jewish Community in Buffalo means a lot to me. Buffalo means a lot to me. Although we left Buffalo a while ago, unlike many of our friends, we felt that we made our money in Buffalo so we gave back to Buffalo. I never forget Buffalo."

She is a strong advocate for women making a difference and making a statement through their charitable gifts. "It is important that women give and are proactive in giving. I'm

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a social worker, and I have been very involved in the lives of many different people,” she said. “I worked at ECMC in Buffalo years ago, and I know what people who are in need are up against.”

“When you need the most you have the least,” she said, “and when you need the least you have the most. It is time for us to give back to Buffalo and help the community that made our lives great. When we were young, we benefit from the generosity of the community. Now I give back. It is something I am able to do and so I do.”



Anne Virag

Anne, a native of St. Catharines, Ontario now spends most of the year in Sarasota, Florida. She has held the position of regional President of AJC (American Jewish Committee) West Coast Florida for the past 6 years, and serves on its National Board of Governors. Anne is also on the board of Temple Emanu’ El in Sarasota and on the board of Nate’s Honor Animal Rescue in Sarasota. She is a resident of Florida, but makes her Federation gift here in Buffalo, like many other Buffalonians who winter away.

“I just returned from Israel- AJC’S Global Forum, celebrating Israel’s 70th birthday,” she said. “There were 2400 people there. We were able to meet with Members of the Knesset and Reuven Rivlin, the President of Israel. There were hundreds of young people including 400 college students, some from UB who attended through the generosity of the Benderson Family, who send at least 10 UB students to the AJC Global Forum every year.”

“I was introduced to the world of philanthropy by my late life partner Nate Benderson, especially Jewish philanthropy. He inspired my giving. He knew I wanted to give, and said ‘I want you to continue involvement after I am gone.’ I became involved with AJC in Sarasota after Nate was honored with AJC’s Human Relations Award. Nate believed in AJC, and he thought it would be an organization I would like to be involved in. I learned how important it is to support an organization whose causes and values I believe in. And giving to Federation as a Lion of Judah aligns with my values. The Lion of Judah through the Buffalo Jewish

Federation is a philanthropic Jewish national and international group of women. It shows the strength and leadership of women and that we care for all Jews and the future of Jews in North America and around the world.”

“Why am I a Lion?” she asked, then answered. “It is an important organization which resonates with me, brings women of strength together, and, among other things, fights anti-Semitism in the US and globally. Through their gifts, Lions of Judah give back to their community, and those gifts reach around the world, which I like,” she explained.

“I am proud to be Jewish. I am a Jewish woman by choice. I support the State of Israel and advocate for the rights of all people. For me, it is important to keep my commitment to Buffalo and keeping charitable funds here to support these needs. We cannot let our community suffer. We have to support Buffalo.”

“I believe in interfaith dialogue. Anti-Semitism and extremism are on the rise in Europe, in the United States and around the world. That’s why I believe our philanthropy is needed now more than ever during these difficult times. Winston Churchill said ‘We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give.’ The Lion of Judah group represents thousands of women around the world and it helps to make our voices heard. I love being a Lion of Judah,” she exclaimed! “I love that giving at the Lion of Judah level (\$5,000+) helps to bring women locally together to work together for the Buffalo and worldwide Jewish community and it shows women’s identity. I also think the pomegranate division is very important (\$1800-4999) for younger women in our communities. They are going to be the leaders of tomorrow and we need to encourage them to be givers and to bring more women like themselves into the community. Without these young people, our future hangs in the balance.”

Anne is also generous in her opinions of other women in our community. “I admire women who give so much to this community—not just with philanthropy—but with tireless work, and dedication to the Jewish communities. This is a defining moment for Jews around the world, and our LOJ gifts to our local campaigns funneled through JFNA can help. I am thrilled to be able to be a small part of an organization I believe in. I look forward to attending the LOJ International conference in January 2019 in Florida. I know it will be a huge success. I hope many other Buffalo Lions will join me there.”

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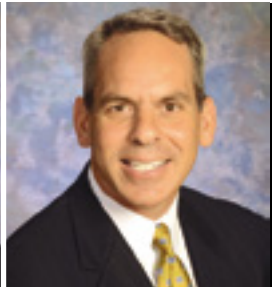
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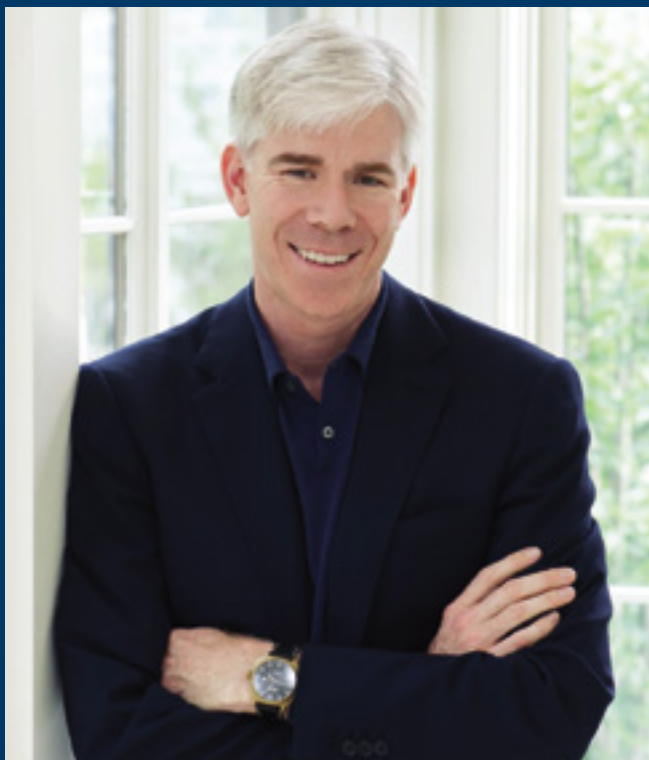


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Jeremy Jacobs, Sr. to Receive Benderson Award at Federation Kick-Off Event 10/11

Buffalo community leader and philanthropist Jeremy (“Jerry”) M. Jacobs, Sr. will receive the Buffalo Jewish Federation’s prestigious Nathan Benderson Community Leadership Award at the Federation’s Annual Campaign for Jewish Buffalo 2019 Kick-Off Community Event Thursday, October 11th at the Hyatt Regency Buffalo.

The Nathan Benderson Community Leadership Award is given to “the person whose extraordinary service and commitment to the Buffalo Jewish community exemplifies the leadership of Nathan Benderson.” Buffalo Jewish Federation President Steven J. Weiss noted that Jacobs is an excellent choice for this year’s award. “Like Nate Benderson, Jeremy Jacobs has created life-changing projects and orchestrated vital opportunities for the city and its people. The Jacobs Neurological Institute and UB’s Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Science are just two examples of his visionary philanthropy.”

Jacobs is chairman of Delaware North, a global hospitality company with almost 55,000 employees serving half a billion customers annually in the United States, Canada, Asia, Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. Delaware North’s operations include food and retail at airports and sports venues, sports facility ownership and management, operations of parks and major tourist attractions, hotel ownership and management, gaming operations, and the Patina Restaurant Group.

Jacobs is also the owner of the Boston Bruins, and he serves as chairman of the National Hockey League’s Board of Governors. In 2018 he received the sport’s highest honor when he was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

Jacobs has served Western New York for more than four decades with his business



Jeremy Jacobs, Sr.

expertise and philanthropic leadership, and Delaware North has received multiple awards for social responsibility, community service and environmental stewardship.

Jordan Levy, a 2012 Benderson Award Winner said “Jeremy Jacobs is this year’s honoree because of his selfless philanthropy to the Jewish community for the last 50 years. He has always been there, doesn’t ask for recognition for himself or his family, and always says ‘yes’. He has been supportive of the Jewish Federation Campaign, Temple Beth Zion, and the Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies for many, many decades.”

Jordan Levy also noted the extraordinary nature of the Jacobs Family’s loyalty and generosity to the Buffalo community as a whole. “The Family’s devotion to Buffalo and this community is unprecedented. All of us work towards emulating the example Jeremy has set.”

Jacobs’ father, Louis Jacobs, a son of Jewish immigrants from Poland, founded a company in Buffalo in 1915 with his two brothers that first sold concessions in theaters and then expanded to major league ballparks. Louis Jacobs took over the company in 1950, changed it to Sportservice, and Jeremy took over in 1968 on Louis’ death.

An alumnus of the University at Buffalo

School of Management and the Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program, Jacobs is Chairman of the University at Buffalo Council. He was appointed to the UB Council in 1997, and in 1998 Governor George E. Pataki named him as Chair. A longtime friend and supporter of UB, Jacobs also has served as chairman of the President's Board of Visitors and adviser to the School of Management. Jacobs holds honorary doctorates in humane letters from UB, Canisius College, Niagara University and Johnson & Wales University. In 2015, his family donated \$30 million to advance UB's medical school, which has been renamed the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

Dr. Elad I. Levy is, among other titles, Professor and Chair of the Department of Neurosurgery at the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. He has experienced first-hand Jacobs' commitment to excellence in Buffalo. "Jeremy Jacobs' compassion and commitment to medical innovation and excellence catalyzed the creation of the world-class Jacobs Institute," Levy

said. "At this Institute, he has provided a home for physicians, scientists and engineers to come together to create the next generation of neuroscience technologies."

Jacobs and his wife, Peggy, live in East Aurora. They have six children, eighteen grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Past recipients of the Nathan Benderson Award include: Nathan Benderson, Ann H. Cohn, Harold S. and Fanette Goldman, Gordon R. Gross, Irving M. and Marilyn C. Shuman, Ruth Kahn Stovroff, Haskell Stovroff, James Stovroff, Milton & Amy Zeckhauser, Rose H. and Leonard H. Frank, Donald S. Day, Shirley T. Joseph, Larry & Sharon Levite, Janet Desmon, Richard Zakalik, Jane Cole Godin, Harold M. Halpern, Dr. Howard Benatovich, Dr. Sol Messinger, Michael Joseph, Jordan Levy and Howard Zemsky, Sylvia Rosen, Stanford Lipsey, Marsha & Larry Dautch, Gretchen Gross, and Wayne & Janet Wisbaum.

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The Great Buffalo Jewbilee!, a brand new Jewish Cultural Festival for the whole family is Sunday, August 19. It's the first festival of its kind for Western New York and takes place at the Jewish Community Center and Temple Beth Zion on historic Delaware Avenue downtown between Barker and Summer Streets. With FREE entrance all day from 11:30 am until 6:00 pm, thousands of Buffalonians of all faiths will gather to celebrate the vibrancy of Jewish Buffalo through music, all sorts of delicious Jewish food from babkas and bagels to falafel and pickles-on-a-stick, entertainment, shopping and family fun.

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For the past fifteen years, the Buffalo, New York-based klezmer band West of Odessa, has been entertaining audiences with the soul-searing melodies from the former Soviet Union (Ukraine, Moldavia), the Carpathian Mountains of Eastern Europe, and the repertoire of the late Jewish klezmer clarinetist German Goldenshteyn. The band features clarinet, tsimbl (hammered dulcimer), violin, percussion, and accordion. Musicians Roberta Levine and Alan Sisselman are able to guide you on a musical journey into the places unheard and rediscovered. ***They will perform on the Main Stage at 11:30 am and 1:30 pm.*** Bring your dancing shoes because you'll be tapping along to the beat.



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Cantor Arlene Frank of Congregation Shir Shalom came away from this past spring's Engagement Conference with a great idea. She knew many of her congregants wanted to sing, but didn't have time each week to rehearse in a chorus. So she created Sing Shalom pop-up Sing-out & Flash Mob, a casual, spur-of-the-moment choir. She plays ukulele and members (whoever shows up) sing easily learnable, catchy songs in unconventional places, such as the Weinberg Campus. ***Catch them at 12:30 pm on the Main Stage.***



Cantors' Kumzitz

What's a Cantors' Kumzitz? It's a collection of Cantors from all over the County coming together in a chorale. Or in other words, a bunch of Western New York Cantors singing together at the Jewbilee, organized by Cantor Penny Myers. Catch them on the ***Main Stage at 4:00 pm***, and sing along!

Y-Studs a capella Singing Group from Yeshiva University



SEE US AT THE JEWBILEE OPENING - NOON - MAINSTAGE

Cooking Demos



Chef Joe Ahmed

Chef Joe will be doing a demonstration of Peruvian chicken with stone fruit and salad on the **Main Stage at 1:00 pm.**



Cooking Vegan with Annie Krause

Annie Krause, owner and head chef at The Rogue Cellar at the Myers Family Tel Aviv Café, will be showing us how to make mini vegan strawberry shortcakes on the **Main Stage**.

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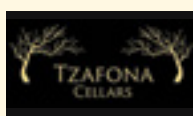
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BEER & WINE TENT

Beer from Shmaltz Brewery and wine from Tzafona Cellars will be available to adults in the beer & wine tent all day from 11:30 am to 6:00 pm.



Kosher Cookbook Author Amy Stopnicki

Amy, a busy mother, successful event planner, and most recently winner of the 2016 Gourmand Culinary Award for her book *Kosher Taste, understands busy*. She has partnered with some of the most respected chefs in her industry. In *Kosher Taste*, Amy has taken her best innovations from years of experience and combined them with her passion for creating balanced and beautiful meals everyone will love, any time of the year. See her at 3:30 pm on the Main Stage.

FUN FOR KIDS

PJ Library Sponsors FREE Rick Recht Concert at 2:00 PM on the Music Stage

Rick Recht is one of the most celebrated Jewish artists of our time playing family concerts, Shabbat Alive! services, religious school, teen, camp, and tot concerts throughout the United States and abroad.

Recht is widely recognized as a pioneer of the Jewish rock music genre, elevating the medium of Jewish music as a powerful and effective tool for developing Jewish pride and identity among the masses. Recht is also the founder and executive director of Jewish Rock Radio (JRR), the first high-caliber, 24/7, Jewish rock Internet radio station found at jewishrockradio.com and iPhone and Android apps. JRR broadcasts contemporary Jewish rock music, interviews with Jewish celebrities, and interviews featuring youth



Rick Recht

from communities around the world speaking about exciting experiences they have had engaging in Jewish life. Recht is the national celebrity music spokesman for PJ Library and makes his synagogue home at United Hebrew Congregation in St Louis, MO where he serves as Artist-in-Residence. Recht has launched unprecedented tours playing at Jewish day and overnight camps from coast to coast including Ramah, URJ, BBYO, JCC and private camps garnering a feverish following among the national Jewish youth movements unseen in previous years.

Rick has 10 top selling Jewish albums, including his latest hit album, *Halleluyah*. His two solo children's CDs, *Free to Be the Jew in Me* and *Look at Me*, have been nationally distributed to tens of thousands of Jewish preschool-age children through PJ Library. Recht has also produced several

children's compilation albums for PJ Library that have been distributed to hundreds of thousands. Born and raised in St. Louis, Missouri, Recht developed a strong Jewish identity attending Traditional Congregation, a conservative synagogue. In high school, Recht joined NFTY, where he was deeply influenced by Jewish music. After graduating USC (Los Angeles, CA) and Music Institute (Hollywood, CA), Recht hit the road touring nationwide from LA to New York playing at clubs, colleges, and amphitheatres. Recht has shared the stage with national acts such as the Guess Who, Chris Rock, America, Supertramp, Three Dog Night, the Samples, Vertical Horizon, Government Mule (Allman Brothers), and many more. After releasing two critically acclaimed secular albums, *Good Thing* and *Reality*, Recht returned to his Jewish roots with his debut Jewish album, *Tov*, in the summer of 1999.

Bubby Bailee's—
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Kids can have fun all day at the Bubby Bailee's “make your own Yum Balls” table. Yum Balls are rum balls—without the rum, but yumier! A no-bake treat from Bubby Bailee's that kids can make and take home from the Jewbilee.

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HERE'S WHAT HAPPENING FOR KIDS
THROUGHOUT THE DAY!

11:30 AM- 6:00 PM @ JEWBILEE

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Manischewitz Grape Juice Chug & Tam Tams Eating Contest

3:30 PM- 5:00 PM @ THE JCC

If that isn't enough fun for you, the Jewish Community Center will hold its Grand Re-Opening and Ribbon Cutting of 787 Delaware Avenue at 3:00 pm. Following the ceremony and new Ellen Steinfeld sculpture unveiling, from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm there will also be **Tim, the Balloon Guy** in the new indoor playground, **Benjamin Berry**- hula hoop performer and teacher in the outdoor playground, children's craft activities in the Early Childhood Center, as well as face painting, entertainment and a bounce house.



ISRAELI DANCING

After eating all the yummy food from our excellent and numerous vendors, you'll be able to join Osnat Cohen as she teaches Israeli folk dances later in the afternoon. All ages and all dancing abilities are welcome and encouraged to participate.

Jamboree to the Jewbilee

The Jewbilee week will kick-off Thursday, August 16 with the JAMBOREE to the JEWBILEE, an evening family celebration of food and entertainment at Larkinville. Chaired by Laurie and Mark Criden, this fun event is co-hosted by Temple Beth Zion and the JCC. It begins at 5:30 pm at Larkin Square with dinner featuring three food trucks—Lloyd Tacos, Amy's Mediterranean and ice cream from Chilly Billy. Mr. NO, the Balloon Guy will be creating balloon sculptures all evening long, and face painting and a bounce house are also on the menu. Music will be provided by The Good Guys Band. We are grateful to the Cridens for leading the JAMBOREE to the JEWBILEE. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for kids between 6-12, and kids 5 and under are free. The JAMBOREE to the JEWBILEE is sponsored by Buffalo Jewish Federation.



Way Back When – Theater with Grant Golden



"days." After a good deal of lively debate and some compromise, G-d at length gets his nap (read: Shabbat).

IN THE BEGINNING, set in an "alt" modern time, concerns the surprise first meeting of Eve and Lilith, now old women. Adam, not long deceased, is being honored for his contributions with a statue and a documentary. Eve, who has been spouting the company line for a good long time, is content to play second fiddle, but the probing, feisty Lilith thinks it's time to upset the apple cart...

WAY BACK WHEN retells the famous Binding of Isaac story, with G-d taking heat from Mrs. G-d on the concept, and Abraham cooking up a desperate scheme to save his little son. No spoilers. True "alt" theology, with a very touching ending!

An original ballad, "Ages Ago" (God's love song to Mrs. G-d) was composed by Golden specifically for this production. WAY BACK WHEN completed a successful four week run at the New Phoenix in February. It was later nominated for an Artie award for Best Original Production of 2017-18. The handsome two-camera video is from Select Sound. The show is approximately 90 minutes in length. It will be screened during the Jewbilee at the JCC at 12:30, 2:30 and 4:30 pm. **Call 204-2250 for more information, or check at the JCC August 19.**

Visitors to the Jewbilee! will be able to watch a recording of an outstanding Buffalo Theater trio at the JCC. WAY BACK WHEN, a trio of cheeky one act plays with their roots in *The Book of Genesis*, was assembled as a complete evening by Grant Golden, and accepted as a part of the New Phoenix Theatre's 2017-18 season about a year ago. Two of the plays, THE CREATION and WAY BACK WHEN, were written by Golden. The other, IN THE BEGINNING, was the brainchild of the late Rebecca Ritchie, a dear friend of Golden and his wife, Deborah Goldman. It was written in the 1990's, and was published in FACING FORWARD, an anthology of short plays and monologues by women playwrights, in 1995. This was its first Buffalo production.

The program kicks off, appropriately enough, with THE CREATION. G-d has just created a new planet for an old solar system of His, and is ready for a nap. Mrs. G-d, none too impressed with this creation, cajoles Him into an ever more complicated series of "improvements" (a number of which end up not at all to her liking!) over the next six

KRAV MAGA

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Food Gnomes is a Mobile Food pantry serving the Greater Buffalo Area. It is a joint effort between the Jewish Community and members of the United Church of Christ at Pilgrim St. Luke's. PLEASE BRING a can or two (or a box or two) of non-perishable, and in-date (so it cannot be expired) canned or boxed goods to the Jewbilee! **For more information, contact Matthew Schwartz at matt@themattschwartz.net.**

KOT & YOUNG ISRAEL SHABBATON AUGUST 17-19

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17TH

Young Israel will host a community wide outdoor barbeque from 4:30-6:00 pm. Yeshiva University's *a capella* group The Y-Studs will perform a one-hour concert, and the evening will also feature a musical pre-Kabbalat Shabbat.

Kehillat Ohr Tzion (KOT) will host a community Shabbat dinner following Kabbalat Shabbat. The Y-Studs will lead davening at KOT.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18TH



Y-Studs will lead Shaharit/Musaf services at 9:00 am at Young Israel, which will host lunch for its congregants.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19TH

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Cantor's Column: Oy Vey....a 5 K

By Cantor Penny Myers

We know all too well that our Torah is chock full of stories, insights, rules, obligations, laws, precepts. It can seem like an endless *tzimmes*! And really, who doesn't enjoy a good *tzimmes*? Many times, what we read in Torah can seem confusing, obscure, often foreign as we continue to live in modern times. When we desperately yearn for a connection with our sacred text, we seek to glean meaning not only in Torah but also from the space that lies in between the letters of our Torah. One need not search far to find a way to relate Torah to our modern lives. Even as we dwell in the diaspora, our sages created the blueprint for us to follow which is relevant.

With this recognition, our texts instruct us on how we can live authentically to serve



Cantor Penny Myers

Hashem and each other. We are taught to take care of our communities, each other and even our bodies. In fact, it is a *mitzvah* to take care of one's own body, as dictated in our Torah as well as in the teachings of the Rambam. In the Mishnah, Maimonides states that "one must exercise and exert oneself greatly." We can deduce from our sage Maimonides' that in order to be fully present, mindful, and healthy, we must weave the care of our bodies—which are lent to us—into our *neshamot* (souls), which Hashem provides us.

This teaching and mitzvah comes into fruition on Sunday August 19th. The Cantors Assembly, in partnership with the Buffalo Jewish Federation and Temple Beth Zion, is proud to announce 'Cantors Chai 5K FUN Run/Walk: Promoting a Healthy Mind, Body and Spirit'!

Please join us as we jog/run/walk/stroll and even roll **Sunday, August 19** to kick off The Great Buffalo Jewbilee! This fun run/walk begins at 9:00 am at Temple Beth Zion, 805 Delaware Avenue in downtown Buffalo. The finish line is also at TBZ.

All participants will receive a free t-shirt and a voucher to be used that day at **The Great Buffalo Jewbilee!** You can register at www.cantors.org/chai5k.

Cantors Assembly members are ordained clergy who seek to build lasting and meaningful connections among our congregants, to G-d and to their own best selves, while at the same time serving as ambassadors to the larger community. Though our members are most commonly known for their musical leadership,

the Cantors Chai 5K Run/Walk is an innovative vehicle to help us build connections between our members and Jewish communities around the world by promoting a holistic, healthy lifestyle for cantors, their congregations and communities.

The Cantors Chai 5K Run/Walk events are fun and inclusive—a unique way to spend time with our members and the Jewish and surrounding communities. These events also serve as vehicles to build partnerships with other organizations.

Bib pick up is Sunday, August 12 from 10:00 am-2:00 pm at the Holland Family Building of the Buffalo JCC (787 Delaware Avenue in downtown Buffalo) OR just before the race on Sunday, August 19 from 8:00 am-8:45 am at TBZ. All children age 5 and over must be registered to participate. This is designed as a fun run/walk. Strollers and pets are welcome!

Oy Vey—you can DO this 5 K!

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Cantor Penny Myers is Cantor at Temple Beth Zion of Buffalo.

Cantors Chai 5K: Promoting a Healthy Mind, Body & Spirit



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(participants will receive a free t-shirt and \$5 food voucher to be used during the Jewbilee Festival)

Summer Celebration on August 6

Join Temple Beth Zion, Congregation Shir Shalom and the Buffalo Jewish Federation for the Annual Summer Celebration. The event will take place at Transit Valley Country Club Monday, August 6 and the entire community is invited to attend!

The event includes the Twentieth Annual Golf Tournament, the only Golf Tournament in WNY that supports the Jewish Community. For those who are not interested in golfing, we invite you to board a luxury air-conditioned coach to tour wineries in Niagara County.

For both the wine tour and golf tournament, the day begins with a delicious lunch on the outdoor patio. After lunch, those on the Wine Tour board the luxury coach to tour wineries and (new this year) a distillery in Niagara County. Seating is limited, so don't delay in reserving your spot.



The Golf Tournament has a 12:30 shotgun start with 18 holes on the premier TVCC golf course. Our golfers love the "best in foursome" format that allows them to play their own ball. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres follow the Wine Tour and Golf Tournament. The event is capped off with a delicious dinner and rousing auctions in the country club dining room.

Join us for the wine adventure (space is limited), on the golf course, or just come for cocktails and dinner. If you are interested in participating, donating auction items and/or being a sponsor for this event, please contact Julie Feldman at (716) 836-6565, Ext. 134. Proceeds from this event support Jewish education throughout Buffalo.

Refreshing Soup for Summer

By Robin Kurss

Here's a great, easy make ahead...great for a picnic in the park or your own backyard.

Watermelon Gazpacho

4 servings

- 1 tomato
- 1/2 jalapeno (optional), chopped
- 2 c watermelon, seedless, cubed
- 1 Tbsp. cider vinegar
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1/4 red onion, chopped
- 1 small cucumber, peeled and cubed
- 2 Tbsp. fresh mint
- 1 Tbsp. fresh basil
- Salt and pepper to taste

Puree all in blender until slightly chunky. Chill before serving. This recipe can be doubled. Enjoy!



Nickel City Jews Enjoy Summer in the City

Enjoying the summer the way members of Nickel City Jews know best—staying outdoors! Some Nickel City Jews friends enjoyed a picnic and each other's company at BPO at Bidwell Park, thanks to our gracious host, Samantha Schlein. At the end of the week, our lovely host, Beverly Holtz, combined the practice of yoga and Shabbat at Shabbasana - an NCJ favorite! Shabbasana started with yoga in Delaware Park, followed by a potluck Shabbat dinner.



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- 1» **August 19 is The Great Buffalo Jewbilee!** It takes place at downtown's JCC and Temple Beth Zion. Festivities run from 11:30 am- 6:00 pm. Don't miss all the Jewish Food vendors, cooking demonstrations, concerts with Rick Recht and West of Odessa and more, the JCC grand re-opening of the Holland Building, shopping and Kids' activities. Free. There is a cost for food. **Go to Facebook at tinyurl.com/theGreatBuffaloJewbilee**
- 2» **Ever seen a Martial Arts demonstration?** Come to the Pride Martial Arts Academy at the 8th annual Kick-A-Thon. Watch for free or join in for \$20. Registration: 9:00 am; Event: 10:00 am. There will be Martial Arts demonstrations, board breaking, lots of kicks, and more. The proceeds will benefit the ALS Association of WNY. The event is August 4 at 9135 Sheridan Drive, Clarence, NY 14031. **Call (716) 565-0202 for more information.**
- 3» **It's showtime! Watch the 21st annual Drums Along the Waterfront Tour of Champions.** August 5th, 6:00 pm. A "music in motion" event with the top 10 drum teams in the world performing on the New Era Field. Cost: \$29 - \$50, tickets for children are half price and discounts are available for seniors, military and groups. **For tickets, visit ticketmaster.com or call 1-800-745-3000.**
- 4» **Attend the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra August 8th** at the Erie County Fairgrounds. 8:00 pm – midnight!. The event is free and at 5600 McKinley Pkwy, Hamburg, NY, 14075. **<https://bpo.org/event/bpo-at-erie-county-fair/>**
- 5» **Come see amazing art at the Elmwood Avenue Festival of the Arts.** August 25 – 26. While looking through the art of hundreds of local and worldwide vendors, eat great food, listen to live music, dance, and so much more with your whole family. This event is free on Elmwood Avenue, beginning at Lafayette Ave to West Ferry. **For more information call (716)830-2484 or visit <http://eafa.techriver.net/>**

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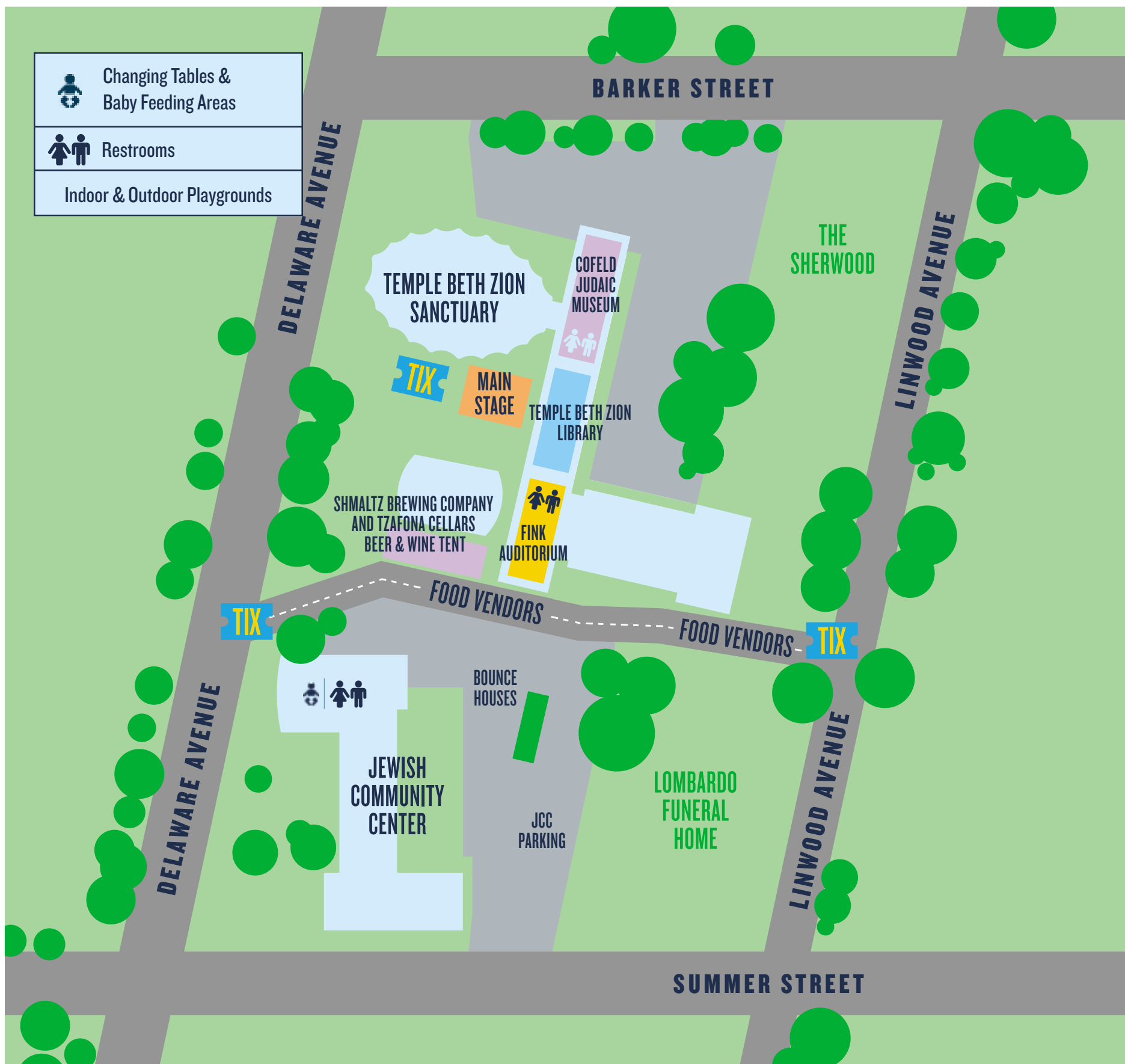


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11:30	West of Odessa		Matzoh Factory
11:45			
12:00	The Great Buffalo Jewbilee 2018 Opening Ceremonies featuring the Y-Studs		
12:15			
12:30	Pop-up Choir	Krav Maga by the Training Edge	
12:45			
1:00		Wegmans Cooking Demo with Chef Joe Ahmed	Shofar Factory
1:15			
1:30	West of Odessa		Pre-concert PJ Library Dance Party
1:45			
2:00	PJ Library presents Rick Recht	Israeli Folk Dancing with Osnat Cohen	
2:15			
2:30		Krav Maga by the Training Edge	Storytime with Grant Golden
2:45			
3:00	JCC Grand Re-opening & Ribbon Cutting, Building Blessing - light food reception		
3:15			
3:30	JCC Dedication of New Lobby Sculpture, Tours and Mezuzot hangings		
		Cooking Demo with Amy Stopnicki of Kosher Taste	Kosher Mini Chefs
3:45			
4:00	Cantorial Kumzitz		Manischewitz Grape Juice Chug & Tam Tams Eating Competition
4:15			
4:30		The Rogue Cellar Vegan Cooking Demo	Storytime with Grant Golden
4:45			
5:00	Bonnie Abrams		“Sofer” Biblical Scribe Workshop
5:15			
5:30			
5:45			
6:00			

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787 Delaware Avenue, 3:00 PM
Activities, tours, refreshments,
mezuzah hanging

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August 26

Temple Beth Tzedek Gala Celebration

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Rabbi Alex Lazarus-Klein
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Hebrew Congregation Sabbath Service,
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Shir Shalom Celebrates The Blessing of Marriage

By Peter Simon

The joys and challenges of marriage were celebrated recently when ten couples were honored at a marriage reconsecration ceremony during a Shabbat service at Congregation Shir Shalom. The couples, married for anywhere from 20 to 62 years, stood under a chuppah and were urged by Rabbi Alex Lazarus-Klein to reflect on their time together -- their happiness, their fears, their children, their communities.

"Take a moment to look at each other," he said. "I want you to remember the first time you met. Think of all you have lived together. Think of everything you were able to overcome together. Feel the blessing of that journey."

The 30-year journey of Jill and Phil Hamilton developed after Jill, then a graduate student, chatted regularly with Phil, who worked at a convenience store Jill stopped at between classes. Jill thought Phil was simply being nice to her as a customer until he asked her out. Last month, they were together on the Bimah,



celebrating three decades of marriage. "I was just thinking that it was our 30th anniversary, and it would be nice to do this," said Jill, a psychologist and a past president of Shir Shalom. "Thirty years is a long time as you look back."

The reconsecration service was introduced at the synagogue about ten years ago at the suggestion of Rella Corris, a longtime active member of Shir Shalom, who learned of it in California. "To be in a loving relationship takes work,"



said Rabbi Lazarus-Klein. "This is our way of celebrating the accomplishments of couples in our community. They deserve a place to publicly reaffirm their love and commitment to one another." Phil Hamilton, who usually gets together

with friends while Jill attends Shabbat services on Friday evenings, showed that commitment in a very concrete way. When Jill asked him to skip his social outing to attend services, he replied: "As long as I'm with you."

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Rabbi Barth to Serve Temple Beth Tzedek

Rabbi Samuel Barth has been hired by Temple Beth Tzedek as its new rabbi, and began his full time position at the synagogue last month. The board, officers, staff and membership look forward to welcoming Rabbi Barth and his wife Karen, a corporate management consultant, to the Buffalo community. The Barths are the parents of Yishai and Miriam.

Rabbi Barth has served for decades in the development and education of the next generation of rabbis. He has been a teacher and administrator at several different rabbinical schools, has served in the congregational rabbinate as full time rabbi, and as a consulting rabbi in places as diverse as Austin, TX; Park Slope in Brooklyn and also Gloucester, MA.

Rabbi Barth is a wide-ranging scholar, trained in mathematical physics and, following his ordination from Leo Baeck College in London, he pursued graduate study in Talmud and Liturgy. He has served as a Dean and Professor of Liturgy at the Jewish Theological Seminary. Students have appreciated his patience and innovative approach to teaching, making extensive use of technology and case-studies. Engagement with the wider community, and especially interfaith work, has been a core part of the rabbi's work since his seminary years.

Temple Beth Tzedek, a congregation of approximately 550 member families, is affiliated with United Synagogue of



Conservative Judaism. Its strong programs which serve the needs of a socially diverse population and welcome people of varying abilities and interests was one of the features that attracted Rabbi Barth to this community. For more information, call 838-3232.

Outdoor Movie Night at Congregation Shir Shalom

"The Greatest Showman"

Saturday, August 4th, 8:00pm

Snacks and beverages will be provided. BYOB. The movie will begin at approximately 8:45pm. Outdoors weather permitting. **Please RSVP to the Temple Office at 633.8877!**



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Sunday, August 12

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Free for ages 3 and under. RSVP to the synagogue office at 838-3232.

11 Day Power Play & My Bar Mitzvah

By Ethan Kane

Matthew Parrish and I took part in the 11-Day Power Play Hockey Tournament at the Buffalo Harbor Center skating rink in July. I am the Team Captain and our team name is *Future Beer Leaguers*. Matthew and I played hockey for a four-hour shift as part of one continuous hockey game. This game lasted 11 straight days at the Harbor Center in Buffalo from July 5-15. It was played by more than 1700 players including my classmates from South Buffalo's Discovery School and teammates from my travel hockey team, the *West Seneca Wings*, as well as, my friend Matt Parrish from Temple Beth Zion. The purpose of this important event is to raise critically-needed funds for important local cancer causes, including: cutting-edge cancer research and wellness programs at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center; supporting programs that improve quality of life for children, adults and families affected by cancer through Camp Good Days; and, granting wishes and amazing experiences to kids with life-threatening illnesses, including cancer, by Make-A-Wish Western New York.

We participated in this event for our Bar Mitzvah projects, which was to raise awareness about and money for Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center and all the programs the Institute has to offer. We have both lost close family members who have passed from cancer.

This Center helps so many in our community, including members of my family and people in my neighborhood stricken with cancer.

I have played hockey since I was four-years old and Matt has too. We love this game. This event gives me



Ethan Kane and Matthew Parrish

and so many others an opportunity to help fight something we hate—CANCER. With your help, hopefully, one day we can beat it. If you are interested in helping our team surpass our goal please consider making a donation today. No donation is too small, and every dollar adds up! Your donation is 100% tax deductible. Please, let's help "kick cancer's butt!"

Donations are graciously accepted either online or by check. To make a donation please go to www.11daypowerplay.com and search under DONATE for Ethan Kane or Matthew Parrish. Please write checks out to 'The 11 Day Power Play' and send to PO Box 4 Buffalo NY 14223. Proceeds of the 11-Day Power Play Community Shift will benefit our local families while supporting cancer research and wellness programs at Roswell Park, Make-A-Wish WNY and Camp Good Days.

Ethan Kane, son of Kara and Sean Kane, turns 13 on August 15 and will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah September 29. He is a student at Discovery School. Matthew Parrish, already 13, is the son of Nicole Keller and Greg Parrish and celebrated his Bar Mitzvah June 9. He attends Clarence Middle School. Both are students at Temple Beth Zion Religious School.

Kehillat Ohr Tzion Happenings

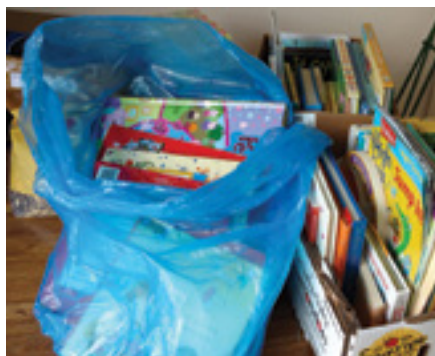
The congregation at Kehillat Ohr Tzion joined with Yaakov and Zahava Fried as they celebrated the Simchat Bat of their daughter Lilah Elizabeth on Sunday, June 24th. They were joined by family and friends from Pittsburgh, Cleveland, New Jersey and even London, England. There was a delicious catered brunch and beautiful heartwarming speeches.

Throughout the summer months, Rabbi Ori Bergman is continuing to meet with congregants and other members of the Jewish community who are interested in learning Talmud, studying the Parsha of the week, or discussing ethical issues such as his recent Sunday Shiur entitled "A Torah Perspective on National Borders and Immigration."



The Social Action Committee has been collecting books for the Children's Center at Erie Family Court, where each child who comes to the Center receives a book to take home. So far, several hundred books have been collected and delivered to the Center.

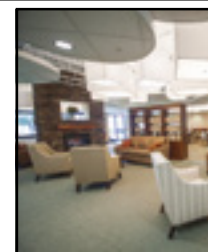
KOT welcomed the first group of Israeli representatives sent from the Ministry of Diaspora Affairs in early June. KOT will host six more delegations throughout the year because of a grant from Amiel Bakehila. Events will be announced to the community so they can interact and benefit from these visits from Israeli artists and educators. **For more information about KOT, email the rabbi at oribergman@gmail.com.**



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P2G: Buffalo & The Western Galilee

This June, Susan Goldberg Schwartz represented the Buffalo Jewish Federation at the annual Partnership2Gether (P2G) Summit, held in Israel in the Western Galilee. The Western Galilee P2G connects the U.S. Central Area Consortium consisting of 14 U.S. Jewish Federation communities (Buffalo is the newest community to join the consortium), Budapest, Hungary and Israel's Western Galilee.

In addition to meeting the staff and many volunteers of the Western Galilee P2G, the Summit participants visited local villages and communities (*kibbutzim* and *moshavim*) and organizations in the partnership region. Highlights of the trip included a visit to the Akko Naval Academy, volunteering in a local food pantry and visiting a Druze village, whose school has received funding from Buffalo, bringing Druze and Jewish kindergartners together over the



Visiting the Druze School in Akko

course of the school year.

One of the P2G pilot programs that Buffalo has been involved with developing and exploring is Learn2GETHER. Adults from Buffalo, Indianapolis and Budapest join a group of Israelis every other month for learning and discussion over the video platform Zoom. Each American and Hungarian has an Israeli study partner, with whom they call or video conference with at least once a month. In July, Esti and Ori Waismen, two of the Learn2Gether participants from Israel, came to visit their chevruta (study partners) Joan and David Alexander. The Alexanders hosted a lovely evening for the visiting Israelis and were joined by Susan Goldberg Schwartz, and Helen and Bernie Weinstein. Being able to meet Face2Face are what our Partnership is all about!

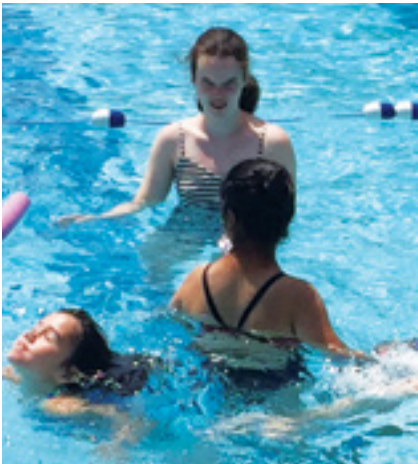


Learn 2Gether participants welcome Esti and Ori



Susan with new friends at the P2G summit

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A life changing experience

MY BIRTHRIGHT ISRAEL TRIP LED BY CHABAD AT UB

By Allana Rosenberg
Biology Major, Counseling
Minor, SUNY UB

Whenever I've heard anyone describe their experience on birthright, the response is usually along the lines of "the best ten days of my life" or "the most amazing thing I've ever experienced." I could never wrap my head around how a trip ten days long could be so unbelievably amazing and life changing, until I went for myself.

After returning from Israel, with Chabad/Mayanot Birthright trip led by Rabbi Moshe Gurary, I can honestly say I have never felt so truly inspired by the things I have learned about Israel, Judaism, and how I personally identify as a Jewish adult.

I had left for my trip going into my senior year of college with a lot of uncertainty about who I wanted to be and what I wanted to do after college. I was hoping that through the people I met on the trip and learning more about the deep roots of Jewish teachings, I would be able to finally figure out what I want for myself.

Through the amazing adventures, I climbed Masada, slept in the Bedouin tents, enjoyed beautiful Tel Aviv beaches, strolled through the shuk in Jerusalem, and rafted through the Jordan River. I celebrated Shabbat at the Kotel, delved into the Jewish teachings of Kabbalah, shared Shabbat meals with amazingly hospitable and loving UB alumni, as well as different Israeli host families. Last but not least, meeting and connecting with the forty-six passionate, intelligent, funny, and incredibly inspiring individuals that made up bus 260, including our six wonderful Israeli soldiers that joined us for the ten days, and our incredible trip leaders who were unendingly dedicated to making this adventure as amazing as possible for every single one of us, have truly made this trip the most inspiring experience I have ever enjoyed!

Through all of these experiences and more, I have learned so much about myself and the connection I



have to Judaism, Israel, and the Jewish people. I have been inspired to follow my passions and work hard to obtain the goals I've set for myself, and most of all I've realized that I will always have a home in Israel. Thank you

to Chabad, Mayanot and Birthright for giving me this incredible opportunity, one that I will surely never forget.



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Kadimah Graduation

Kadimah Academy held its 8th grade graduation in June. Graduates include Jane Ablove, Hailey Epstein, Caleb Senick and Norimi Truskinovsky. They are pictured below with their teacher Michal Shmuel-Lewis.



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8th Grade boys graduating students from right to left: Daniel Holtzman, Menachem Kaganoff, Avremel Klayman, Naftali Cohen, Arele Munitz, Zalmy Gurary, Mottel Klayman, Michel Young, Shmuli Labkowski



8th Grade girls graduating, from right to left: Ariella Zyskind, Yafa Shanowitz, Fiege Berg

Kindergarten graduates include Menachem Mendel Lorber, Leora Fruchter, Chezy Brown, Elisheva Gellman, Eli Katan, Racheli Greenberg, Musy Kopman, Mushka Munitz, Mutty Okonov, Shira Katan, Ella Marcus, Daniel Garmiza



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"Thomas Hampson has long been a champion of the art song repertoire... In superb form, Hampson's warm, resonant baritone and innate feeling for the idiom was entrancing."
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JoAnn Falletta 20 seasons with the BPO

NEW STAFF APPOINTMENT AT THE JCC

The Jewish Community Center of Greater Buffalo, has announced the appointment of Sam Seiler as General Manager, Health, Fitness and Recreation at the Benderson Family Building. Previously Fitness Center Manager at the JCC, Seiler will now be responsible for overall operations of Health, Fitness and Recreation.



Sam Seiler

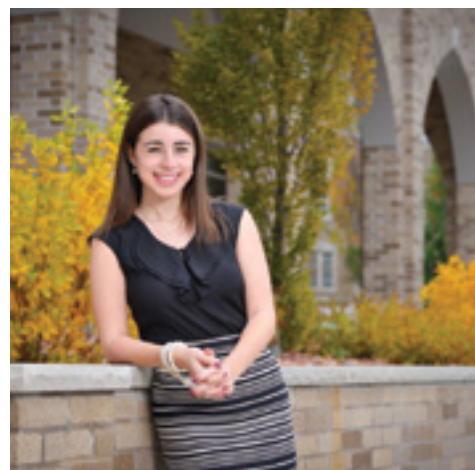
"Sam is spearheading new JCC wellness initiatives including Operation VET, a program by veterans for veterans, NDPP (National Diabetes Prevention Program), and TUF (Teens Understanding Fitness)," said Patricia Simonson, associate executive director of the agency." Sam's experience including a Master's of Science from Niagara University, prior employment with Homeland Security and being a veteran of the Armed Forces makes him an outstanding choice for this new role."

The Jewish Community Center of Greater Buffalo is a not-for-profit agency with locations at 2640 North Forest Road in Amherst and 787 Delaware Avenue in the City of Buffalo. Programs provided to its members include fitness, aquatics, early childhood education, after-school, camping, cultural arts and senior programming. Membership is open to all. More information at www.jccbuffalo.org

Alexa Zappia Joins Hillel of Buffalo Staff

Hillel of Buffalo announces the hiring of Alexa Zappia as its Springboard Innovation Fellow. Alexa will be working full-time for Hillel, engaging with undergraduates and helping them to create innovative Jewish initiatives based on their academic and personal passions.

Alexa was selected for this position because of her passion for social entrepreneurship and for helping students to find their voices in the Jewish tradition. As an undergraduate at St. John Fisher College in Rochester, Alexa founded Rocks of Unity, an initiative that uses dialogue and art to teach, empower, and advocate through educational workshops and civic outreach. Alexa encourages students to be proud of who they are, and to find joy in ways that we are each unique. Her passion for social justice is deeply rooted in her experience growing up in the Buffalo Jewish community, and we are grateful that she has chosen to pay it forward to Jewish students on campus.



Alexa Zappia

Alexa is a recent graduate of St. John Fisher College last May, where she earned a degree in Inclusive Childhood Education with a Concentration in English Literature. She taught music at the Jewish Community Center – Gesher School in Rochester and served as a School Intern and Cantorial Assistant at Congregation Shir Shalom in

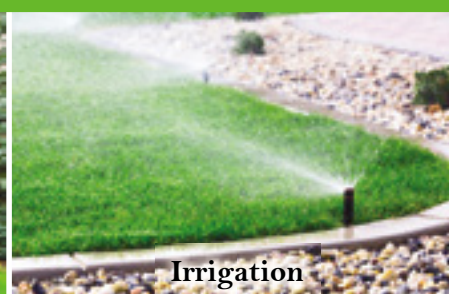
Williamsville.

In addition to her role on the Hillel staff team, she will be part of the cohort of Springboard Fellows serving campuses across North America. The Springboard Fellowship is a Hillel International program to recruit innovative and talented young professionals, provide hands-on training and mentorship and deploy them to campus Hillels for two years. The new position is funded in part through the Hillel Talent Grants program, designed to infuse all campus Hillels with the resources needed to recruit, train and retain talented professionals, as well as generous donations by the Beacon and Shapira Foundations and Mosaic United.

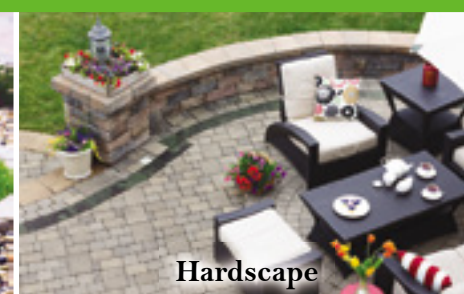
This year will be the first time ever that Hillel of Buffalo will have three full-time staff members. With Alexa on board, Hillel of Buffalo will increase its capacity to engage more Jewish students on campus, in keeping with Hillel's vision of inspiring every Jewish student to make an enduring commitment to Jewish life, learning and Israel.



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In a 1944 deserted Victorian boathouse on the Talley place in Lebanon, Missouri, Matt Friedman, an accountant from St. Louis, has arrived to plead his love to Sally Talley, the susceptible but uncertain daughter of the family. Bookish, erudite, totally honest, and delightfully funny, Matt refuses to accept Sally’s rebuffs and her fears that her family would never approve of their marriage. Charming and indomitable, he gradually overcomes her defenses, telling his innermost secrets to his loved one and, in return, learning hers as well. Gradually it is clear that they are two kindred spirits who have truly found each other—two “lame ducks” who, in their union, will find a wholeness rare in human relationships. Winner of the 1980 Pulitzer Prize and New York Drama Critics’ Circle Award best play of the season.

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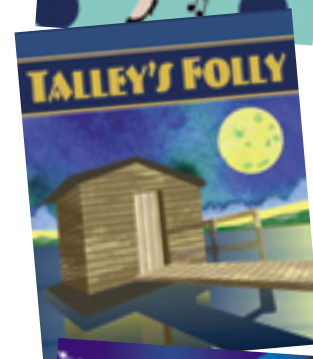
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The Jewish Repertory Theatre of Western New York is a program of the JCC of Greater Buffalo.

All productions take place in The Maxine and Robert Seller Theatre, JCC Benderson Family Building at 2640 North Forest Road, Amherst, NY. For more information on JRT, productions, dates and tickets, visit www.jewishrepertorytheatre.com. Tickets are available at 716-650-7626, through Showclix at 1-888-718-4253 (Monday-Friday, 9am-9pm EST) or at either JCC reception desk.

HOLOCAUST RESOURCE CENTER OF BUFFALO ACCEPTS 5 TEACHERS FOR HANDEL TEACHER TRIP TO WASHINGTON DC



2017 Handel Teachers at the DC Holocaust Museum

The Holocaust Resource Center of Buffalo (HRC) received a record number of 11 applicants for five competitive spots on the Roberta and Richard Handel Teacher Trip to Washington D.C. scheduled for August 14-15. The trip is intensive training for grade and high school WNY teachers to develop and hone skills for Holocaust, genocide and social justice education. Visits and training include the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, Peace Trail Monuments, Institute of Peace and the RFK Center for Human Rights.

In its fourth year, program alumni are teacher leaders in teacher training and community programming, including, HRC Arts and Writing Contest, "Speak Truth to Power" performance and annual Holocaust teacher conference.

2018 Handel Teachers are: Rachel Mychajlvk - 7th and 8th Grade Social Studies teacher from West Valley Central School, Amanda Thompson - 7th Grade English teacher from Clevehill Middle School, Jennifer Pukalo - 8th Grade English Teacher from Clarence Middle School, Kathleen Opanashuk - 8th Grade English Teacher from Royalton-Hartland Middle School, and Dawn Hayes - 8th Grade Social Studies Teacher from Veronica E. Connor Middle School.

The lead educator is Nurit Shemer-Fischer, a PhD University at Buffalo candidate in Social Welfare, with a Masters in Social Work, Masters in Education, and a Pharmacy degree. Nurit is an Israeli-born third generation Holocaust Survivor, and her research focuses on the generational trauma and impact of mass atrocities on subsequent generations.

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Separating Children and Parents Results in Long-term Trauma for All

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Anyone who has witnessed the meltdown of a child separated from his or her parents under the best of circumstance can understand the anguish it causes. Imagining the pain and anxiety of children and parents unceremoniously separated after having experienced the trauma of refugee flight is nearly impossible. From a humanitarian standpoint all of the evidence points to children who are forcibly separated and kept apart from their parents experiencing perhaps irreversible trauma.

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The removal of children from caregivers places children at risk for ongoing anxiety, depression, separation anxiety and PTSD as they get older, according to Donna Possenti, VP of Clinical and Behavioral Operations here at Jewish Family Service of Buffalo & Erie County (JFS). Children who are detained -- such as those currently separated from parents seeking asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border -- typically have had a history of traumatic experiences. They are at an even higher risk for a variety of psychosocial and developmental problems linked to their detention experience, Possenti advises. Among other symptoms, such problems may appear as aggression, withdrawal and change in eating habits.

At JFS we see the results of trauma on a regular basis. As a result we understand that it's certainly in the best interest to do as little as possible to disrupt the parent-child relationship. We advocate that this is in the best interest of all in order to help maintain the mental health of young children, parents and caregivers.

Jewish Family Service of Buffalo & Erie County has a long history of helping people experiencing issues related to trauma. During the 1970s we took the regional lead in the resettlement of Jews fleeing Russia. Today, we remain dedicated to ensuring our community's Holocaust survivors spend their older adult years living in safe, positive and healthy environments.

We were founded more than 150 years ago on the tenets of our Jewish faith to serve and support Jewish families living in Buffalo and Western New York. This support now extends to offer a lifeline of new hope to all individuals and families living in our service area, regardless of religious belief, ethnicity, gender identity, political affiliation or economic status. Our vision is informed in part by Jewish history -- by firsthand experience as a stranger seeking refuge in a new land.

As the social service safety net for the Buffalo Jewish community, we understand well that while inhumanity may come in many forms, every form of inhumanity must be loudly and actively denounced.

Our core belief, in the words of Holocaust Survivor and Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel, is that all human beings are entitled to live with dignity and respect, without fear or pain. Along with our Jewish practices of tikkun olam and tzedakah, this is the foundation of our organizational culture: We

hold unequivocally that inhumane treatment of even one person diminishes the humanity of us all.

This is why we urge each of you to take a conscious stand here at home against the use of parent-child separation and detainment that compromises the safety and well-being of migrant families. In retrospect of and respect for our own Jewish Experience, both abroad and here in the U.S., we must morally and legally challenge Department of Justice/Department of Homeland Security policy that results in long-term trauma for all parties, voluntary and involuntary, who are part of inhumane practice.

Our resettlement partner HIAS (Hebrew Immigration Aid Society) offers many ways to do this at www.hias.org: You are invited to join the “Jews for Refugees” Facebook group (#jewsforrefugees), write a Letter to the Editor or Op-Ed and submit it to the local news, or print “Refugees Welcome” signs to display at your home, office or synagogue.

HIAS also encourages local congregations to join the HIAS Welcome Campaign, a network of nearly 400 synagogues taking action for refugees through advocacy, direct service, community education and tzedakah. Among other actions, the Network of Jewish Human Service Agencies (NJHSA) calls for reaching out with messages of protest to the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), which can direct calls, tweets, Facebook posts and emails to all Members of Congress.

Jewish Family Service of Buffalo & Erie County stands ready to assist individuals and families in the Buffalo Jewish community in taking a stand against the inhumanity of parent-child separation and detainment.

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BUFFALO HADASSAH MAKING MITZVOT!

Summer is simmering this month as the Buffalo Hadassah's Leader Team is being ably led by Rhonda Wise for the summer months. The annual campaign to raise funds for the Hadassah Medical Organization (HMO) began July 29 and continues through August 5. The HMO is known for its humanitarian initiatives including preventing and treating HIV in orphanages in African countries, providing hearing services for children who were born deaf in Gaza and the West Bank, and having doctors and researchers of different faiths working side by side to solve medical crises. The local campaign is directed by Judi Stern and Frima Ackerhalt.

Upcoming events include the annual card party, which takes place at Amberleigh August 23, and is chaired by Mickey Savit. August 27 brings by guest speaker Dr. Benjamin Bensadon to Buffalo Hadassah. Dr. Bensadon is a specialist in geriatric and palliative care and will be speaking at the home of Dr. Maxine Seller. His topic is "If You Can't Find Your Keys, Should You Worry? He is the son of life member Judy Cohen.

On August 28, a kosher dinner meeting at Temple Beth Tzedek features Dr. Sharon Hart-Green, author of Come Back for Me, and is co-hosted with the Women's Network of Beth Tzedek. It is being coordinated by Linda Steinhorn, President of Women's Network and Phyllis Steinberg, Hadassah's Book Club Facilitator.

Buffalo Hadassah is always involved in participating in mitzvah projects. The current projects are collecting needed items for Jewish Family Services. Email jan.liebowitz@gmail.com for more information. In addition the YWCA Children's Center at Family Court is looking for volunteers to read books or spend a little time with the children whose parents are in family court. To volunteer, contact cramirez@ywca-wny.com. Judge Lisa Bloch Rodwin works closely with the Children's Center and knows the need for such volunteers. She is a member of Hadassah as was her mother, who attended Hadassah Book Club faithfully. For more information about this mitzvah project contact phyllismksteinberg@gmail.com.

New annual Hadassah members are Stacey Block, Shira Goldberg, Randi Morkisz and Evette Slaughter and new



life member is Gale Burstein. Donna Lewis transferred in from another chapter.

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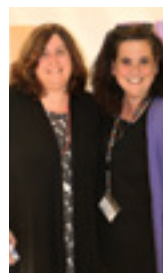
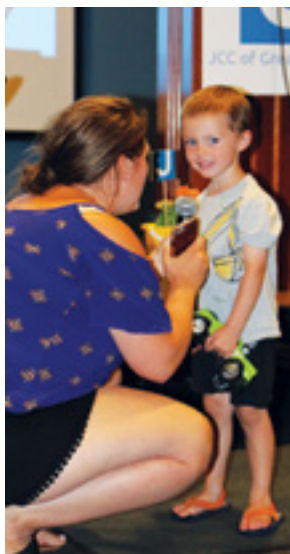
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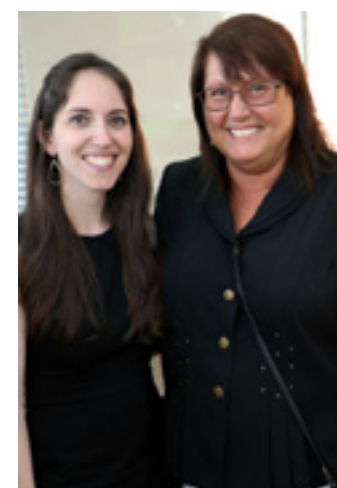
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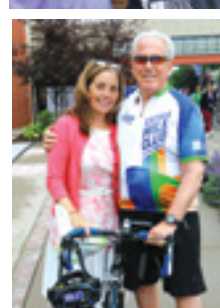
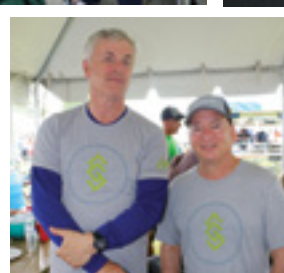
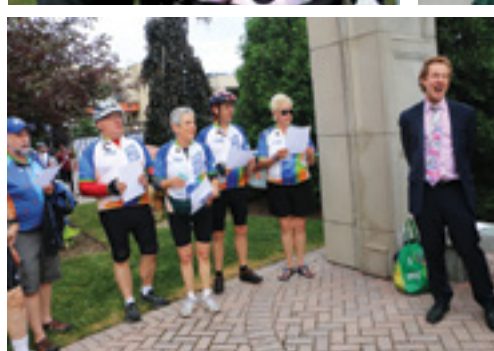
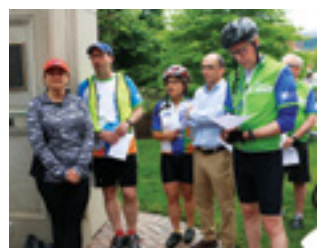
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Callie Fey's Family Story

Callie Fey is a 5th grader who lives in Baltimore, Maryland. The daughter of Stephanie Desmon and Gerry Fey, Callie is the granddaughter of Janet and David Desmon. Callie attends Baltimore Hebrew Congregation and participated in a project called My Family Story, a program of Beit Hatfutsot- The Museum of the Jewish People—at Tel Aviv University in Israel. This program was open to students all over the world. 22 projects from Israel were chosen and 50 from the rest of the world were selected. Callie's work was among those very few chosen to be displayed at the museum in Israel. The prize was a trip to Israel to see the art show!



Callie

This past June, Callie traveled to the opening of this show in Tel Aviv with her mother, brother and grandparents to see her entry—a hand-sewn quilt—on display with other projects. It shows photos on fabric of her great grandparents Regina & Bernie Rashkin and Ethel & Joe Desmon, grandparents Janet and David Desmon and others.



Callie with her mother, Stephanie Desmon, and brother, Jake Fey.

My Family Story, now in its 23rd anniversary year, connects students between 11-15 years old, to their personal stories, their family stories, and the broader story of the Jewish people. Through a yearlong curriculum, young participants in Israel and worldwide Jewish communities, embark on a fun and meaningful, personal, experiential, international and multigenerational Jewish heritage project. Through



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The Quilt of Memories

Callie's quilt combines her family's history of sewing and Jewish memories. Her great grandfather was a textile engineer at Maidenform, and was well known for his original designs. There he met her great grandmother, and Callie's family was woven together. The creativity Callie expresses through her sewing links her to her Jewish heritage. Pictures of her ancestors, pillars of the Jewish community, decorate the quilt, almost like a family tree.

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Janet and David Desmon at Beit Hatfutsot in Tel Aviv with their granddaughter, Callie Fey

rigorous research and inspiring creativity the students produce a final art display illustrating their personal exploration

into their family roots and connection to the greater story of the Jewish people.

This year, 160 institutions, and more than 20,000 students from over 25 countries participated in the My Family Story initiative in which chosen artistic displays from around the world were submitted to the International Competition. Participating countries include: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, England, Estonia, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Israel, Kazakhstan, Kirgizstan, Latvia, Mexico, Paraguay, Russia, South Africa, Spain, Turkey, Ukraine, USA and Venezuela. The show and its catalogue are displayed in English, Russian, Spanish and Hebrew.

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