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of Temple Beth Tzedek

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Save The dates
Spend Shabbat
with our rabbinic intern
Yaakov Dermer

December 15-17

15 – 6:00 pm Family Shabbat Service followed by Congregational dinner sponsored by Geshar and Youth/Education Committee

(reservations required via the synagogue office)

16 – 9:00 am Shabbat morning service; 4:15 pm Havdalah

17 – 8:30 am service; 9:30 am Talmud Class

December 22-24

22 – 6:00 pm Shabbat evening service

23 – 9:00 am Shabbat morning service, 4:15 pm Havdalah

24 – 8:30 am service; 9:30 am Talmud Class

January 5-7

5 – 6:00 pm Shabbat evening service

6 – 9:00 am Shabbat morning service, 4:30 pm Havdalah

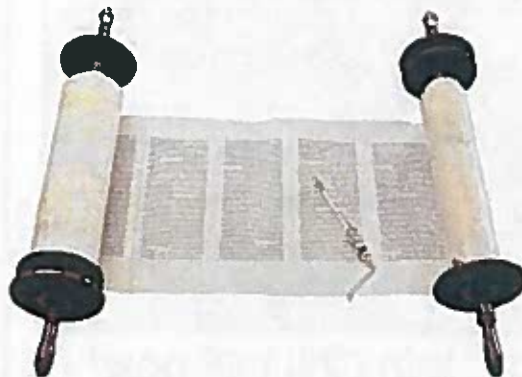
7 – 8:30 am service; 9:30 am Talmud Class

January 26-28

26 – 6:00 pm Shabbat Service followed by Congregational dinner (reservations required via the synagogue office)

27 – 9:00 am Shabbat morning service; 4:45 pm Havdalah

28 – 8:30 am service; 9:30 am Talmud Class



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From the President

We just celebrated Thanksgiving a couple weeks ago. We spent time thinking about all that we are thankful for, and we tried at least on that day to not take our good fortune for granted. We thought about our loved ones, our friends, the food that sustains us, maybe our health if we are lucky enough to be healthy, our jobs, our warm homes, and the list goes on. I love that there is a day set aside to express gratitude for our abundant blessings.

We can and should be grateful every day and not just on Thanksgiving. I want to share with you something that I am thankful for, and that we can all be thankful for. It was a pretty awesome experience and one I can't keep to myself. I was able to witness it because my mom's car had a dead battery. So yes, I am thankful for the dead battery!

It was Hol Hamoed Sukkot. I had met my mom in the parking lot of Temple Beth Tzedek, and she left her car there so we could drive someplace together. When we got back and her car would not start, she called AAA. I waited with her and as we sat and talked, a minivan with Ontario license plates drove into our lot. The driver parked close to the Minyan Room entrance of our building, and a young man got out. He ran around to the back of the building and was gone for a minute or two. At that point, curiosity (and the safety of our shul) got the best of me. I drove close to the minivan. When the young man came back to his car, I could see that he was wearing a kippah and tzitzit. I asked how I could

help. He let me know that he was driving with his wife and children from Canada to Pittsburgh. They were on the 290 and from the highway they could see our Sukkah. He explained, assuming I did not know, that it is a mitzvah to eat every meal in a Sukkah during Sukkot if at all possible. He asked if I would mind if he and his family ate their lunch in our Sukkah. Of course I said yes (and then I confessed to Kim Jones that I had already told him it was okay). He was thrilled. And grateful. His family piled out of the car, the coolers were lifted from the trunk, and off they went to dine in our Sukkah. *We all* did a mitzvah that day, too. I have replayed that whole scene many times in my head, and it continues to make me smile. I am so thankful that I was in the right place at the right time.

I have said it before, but it never gets old. I am thankful for *all of you*. For all you do to enrich the lives of others, for your contributions of time and wisdom out of love for our Temple Beth Tzedek family, I thank you. As we look ahead to the start of Chanukah next week, my wish for all of you is that the candles on your menorah will bring light and joy to your home and to your life.

I look forward to seeing you in shul.

Lisa Wallenfels

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What is Women's Network of Temple Beth Tzedek??

The Women's Network of Temple Beth Tzedek is an arm of our synagogue whose mission is to enhance the lives of our members and, in so doing, strengthen ourselves, our families, our synagogue, and our community. Together we can enrich our lives as Jewish women.

What is Women's League for Conservative Judaism??

Women's League for Conservative Judaism unites Conservative Synagogue women's organizations into a body whose aim is the perpetuation of Conservative Judaism. Women's League is the voice of Conservative Jewish women throughout the world.

Programming:

We present educational and stimulating programs that are relevant to Jewish women. We convey the religious teachings and value of Judaism. We encourage the performance of mitzvot and Jewish observance in the home. We provide apples and honey for Rosh Hashanah and help with monetary contributions to our Synagogue programs.

Youth and Education:

Each year, scholarships are awarded to the youth of our members for college. We provide gifts to our B'nai Mitzvahs and graduates of our religious school, as well as our confirmands. We supplement youth programs.

Judaica/Gift Shop:

We provide Judaica and Israeli products to our members and the Community for purchase.

Kitchen:

We help maintain and upgrade the kitchen facility.

Torah Fund:

We participate in the development, strengthening and maintenance of the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies in Los Angeles and Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem through contributions to the Torah Fund campaign of Women's League. Our Women's Network will send Torah Fund cards for all life cycle events acknowledging your support in honor or in memory of family, friends, and acquaintances.

Synagogue Renovation and Beautification:

Throughout the years, Women's Network has funded major renovations to the synagogue.

Would you please join and support us? Send your dues to Judith Brownstein, 329 Meadowview Lane, Williamsville, 14221.

Make plans to join us for our Chanukah luncheon on Tuesday afternoon, December 19th. We will enjoy a delicious repast complete with latkes prepared by our master chef, Mark McGranahan and be entertained by Dr. Yonina Foster. We will recall musical memories while listening to her guitar playing. There will be songs from show tunes and more. Thank you to Carolyn Kershanbaum for arranging this program. And please remember to patronize our Judaica Shop for all of your gift giving needs. Linda Linsky has restocked our shop with many new and beautiful items. Our Women's Shabbat is scheduled for January 20th. Rabbi Sara Rich of Hillel and a member of our synagogue, will be our guest speaker. Please mark your calendars.

This is your Women's Network. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at any time. See you in shul.



Women's Network of Temple Beth Tzedek program

"From Darkness to Light"

a musical program presented by Dr. Yonina Foster

Tuesday, December 19 at noon

Come and join us at our Chanukah lunch & celebration

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Simcha Shabbat

December 2, 2017

Celebrating November & December events

Anniversaries

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Myra & Allan Werbow

Birthdays

Helen Ablove *
Tova Ablove (by Helen Ablove)
Nevaeh Ralston Andrews
(by Myra & Allan Werbow)
Janet Gunner
Tillie Lazerson*
Shirley Magil
Deborah Bea Mahaney (by Mom & Dad)
Jerry Markzon
Robert McLanahan
Susan McLanahan
Daniel Pincus *
Rachel Pincus *
Dana Faye Serure (by Mom & Dad)
Robin Waldman (by Linda & Laurence Boxer)
Lilah Waldman * (by Linda & Laurence Boxer)

Special Simcha

Ezra Rich and Family - finding a job!

* indicates milestone

Next Simcha Shabbat: February 3, 2018
Celebrating January & February events



Project Beit Tefilah:

Construction Continues



For those of you who do not regularly drive down North Forest between Klein and Maple, you are missing a chance to see regular progress.

The preliminary site work is largely complete, as is the stormwater detention pond. The new water and sanitary sewer lines have been dug, as has a good portion of the stormwater drainage system. The current parking lot has been removed and the area where the new building will be located has passed its compaction studies. The foundation should be installed within the next few weeks. The area where the new parking lot will go has been cleared, stripped and has had layers of crushed stone put in place. The asphalt parking lot itself will wait for the spring.



We encourage you to drive by and watch the progress in the coming months. For those who can't, we hope to have photos regularly posted to social media in the near future. As always, if you have any questions about Project Beit Tefilah, please don't hesitate to ask.



Entertainment 2018 books are available in the synagogue office for \$25. They make great gifts for family, friends and co-workers or buy one for yourself.



Service Times

WEEKDAY

Sunday *Shaharit* 8:30a
 Mon-Fri *Shaharit* 7:30a
 Daily *Minha/Maariv* 6:00p

SHABBAT

Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00p
Shaharit 9:00 a

Minha-Havdallah

Dec 9, 16, 23, 30 4:15p
 Jan 6, 13 4:30p
 Jan 20, 27 4:45p

REFA'ENU 7:30p

January 4

Please join us in daily minyan (mornings Mon-Fri 7:30 am; Sundays 8:30 am; evenings Sun-Thu 6:00 pm).



Every member is important to our daily minyan. Your participation strengthens and enriches our kehilla immeasurably. During

the winter months we really need your help in attending minyan services.

Sunday, December 17, 10:30 am – noon:

Outstretched Arm Chanukah Program

Host our friends with special needs as we welcome Chanukah together as a community, led by Cantor Spindler with the Geshur School



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WE WILL BE BACK SOON!

Torah Fund is the dedicated philanthropy of Women's League for Conservative Judaism. Our donors belong to sisterhoods at Conservative Synagogues in the United States and Canada. Everyone is welcome to contribute!

You've all received our annual mailing, by now. If you have already made a pledge to the 2017-18 Torah Fund Campaign we thank you. If you have not, we hope you will see fit to do so.

Your support is crucial!!!!

WE are still trying to make 100% contributions, in ANY amount, at TBT. Help us make this goal

We'll be back in the Shofar in the near future.

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Rabbi Search Report

Our search for a permanent rabbi has resumed. Prior to the passing of Harold Gelfand (z'l), the committee was already updating our application packet. That process was completed and our application was formally re-submitted to the Joint Placement Commission on November 1st. Lisa Benson was appointed to fill the vacant spot on the committee and Iris Danziger and Harvey Sanders agreed to co-chair the committee.

We are pleased to report that we have already received our first new applications. The committee reviewed and gave some preliminary consideration to the candidates. So far, the decision was made to schedule telephone interviews with three candidates and two of those interviews have already taken place and the third is scheduled for later in December. The two interviewed candidates remain under consideration, and the committee is reaching out to references for each. When we are ready to schedule a congregational visit with any candidate, we will let you know. We will continue to routinely provide updates to the membership concerning the progress and the process of the search.

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HAVDALAH

Dec 8 4:22p
Dec 15 4:23p
Dec 22 4:26p
Dec 29 4:30p
Jan 5 4:37p
Jan 12 4:44p
Jan 19 4:53p
Jan 26 5:02p

Dec 9 5:29p
Dec 16 5:30p
Dec 23 5:33p
Dec 30 5:38p
Jan 6 5:44p
Jan 13 5:51p
Jan 20 5:58p
Jan 27 6:07p

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10 22 Kislev 9:30a PBT Plaque Comm. Geshher in session 3:30p Weinberg Mincha	11 23 kislev 7:00p PBT Comm.	12 24 kislev 10:00a Sisterhood Class Geshher in session 7:30p Board meeting Erev Hannukah	13 25 kislev 7:00p Keshher Comm. Hanukkah	14 26 kislev Hanukkah	15 27 kislev Congregational Dinner Yaakov in town Hanukkah	16 28 kislev Yaakov in town Jr. Congregation Youth Program 6:15p Hanukkah
17 29 kislev 9:30a Talmud Class Geshher in session 10:30a O/A Program Hanukkah	18 30 kislev Hanukkah	19 1 teveth Noon Sisterhood Lunch Geshher in session 7:00p PBT Comm. Hanukkah	20 2 teveth Hanukkah	21 3 teveth 7:00p LGBTQ Comm.	22 4 teveth Yaakov in town	23 5 teveth Yaakov in town
24 6 teveth 9:30a Talmud class	25 7 teveth	26 8 teveth OFFICE CLOSED	27 9 teveth 7:00p Officers meeting	28 10 teveth 7:00p Finance Comm. 7:30p Youth/Ed Comm.	29 11 teveth	30 12 teveth
31 13 teveth	1 14 teveth	2 15 teveth OFFICE CLOSED	3 16 teveth 7:30p Ritual Comm.	4 17 teveth 7:30p Refa'enu	5 18 teveth Yaakov in Town	6 19 teveth Bar Mitzvah Trevor Moser Yaakov in Town Jr. Congregation
7 20 teveth Geshher in session Membership Program	8 21 teveth	9 22 teveth 10:00a Sisterhood Class 3:00p Bloodmobile Geshher in session 7:30p Board meeting	10 23 teveth	11 24 teveth	12 25 teveth	13 26 teveth Jr. Congregation

January 14 - 3:30p Weinberg Mincha
January 16 - Geshher in session
7:00p Finance Committee
January 17 - 7:00p Keshher Committee
January 18 - 7:30p Adult Education Committee

January 20 - Jr. Congregation
January 21 - Geshher in session
10:00a Sisterhood Board Meeting
January 23 - Geshher in session
7:30p Investment Committee

January 25 - 7:30p Youth/Education Comm.
January 26 - Yaakov in Town/Cong. Dinner
January 27 - Yaakov in town
January 28 - Yaakov in Town
Geshher in session
January 30 - Geshher in session
7:00p Officers meeting