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SELIHOTWEEKEND

WITH RABBI DAVID GOLINKIN

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Pre-Selihot Kabbalat Shabbat Service, Dinner and Lecture Beginning at 6:30 PM

The Educational Challenges of the Jewish People in the 21st Century

Dinner by advance registration: \$36 Adults; \$18 Youth (ages 6-12); \$6 Children (ages 1-5). Reserve by Monday, September 15.

SHABBAT, SEPTEMBER 20

Pulpit Address at Morning Services

Why Can't I Pray and What Can I Do About It?

Kiddush following Services

Dear Rabbi: Rabbinic Responses to Questions Jews Ask

Saturday evening at 9:30 PM

High Holiday Customs—East and West

Rabbi David Golinkin is President and Professor of Jewish Law at the Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem. He is the founder and Director of the Institute of Applied Halakhahat and is Director of the Center for Women in Jewish Law at the Schechter Institute. In June 2014, he was named one of the 50 most influential Jews in the world by *The Jerusalem Post*.

Sponsored by The Pearl Gertrude Brody Memorial Lecture

Join Cantor Simon Spiro and the Beth Tzedec Singers, together with Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl, Rabbi Adam Cutler and Cantor Sidney Ezer for

A Meaningful and Mystical Selihot Service

Saturday, September 20 at 10:45 PM

Midnight dessert reception follows the service. No charge.



Leadership Now and for the Future



There are eight qualities of leadership we find in the Bible.

THE RECENT ELECTION OF KATHLEEN WYNNE AS PREMIER OF Ontario and the race for Mayor of Toronto have focused attention on the nature and quality of leadership. Decisions by Prime Minister Harper, President Obama and Prime Minister Netanyahu draw attention to different dimensions of leadership in times of national stability, international crisis and wartime. As Beth Tzedec begins to consider the transition of rabbinic leadership, members of our community will also be reflecting on the qualities they want in a new rabbi.

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, formerly the Chief Rabbi of the United Kingdom, differentiates between Jews who serve in leadership roles and those whose leadership is based on Jewish values and knowledge. He points to eight qualities of leadership we find in the Bible.

- 1) The failure of human agency in the early chapters of Genesis (Adam blames Eve; she blames the serpent; Cain questions whether he is his "brother's keeper") indicates that taking responsibility is a critical element of leadership. Think of Avraham who goes forth to a new land, acts to protect his nephew Lot and speaks up for Sodom. Consider Moshe who individually intervenes to stop the beating or abuse of the defenceless. Sacks comments, "At the heart of Judaism are three beliefs about leadership: We are free. We are responsible. And together we can change the world."
- 2) Leadership may require some solitary moments, but good leaders do not act alone. Yitro cautions his son-in-law Moshe to share the burdens of judgment with others. Later, when Joshua is concerned about the diffusion of prophecy, Moshe says "I wish that all the people would be prophets." In fact, good leadership is a function of varying roles: Moshe, Aaron and Miriam had different responsibilities. In later Biblical times, there is a complex balance among kings, prophets and priests. We cannot lead alone, and no one person can fulfil all the needs and expectations of the Jewish people.
- 3) Before Avraham can lead, he is called by God. Yaakov has a prophetic dream that gives him confidence in the future. Moshe responds to an encounter at the burning bush. The prophets are commissioned for their responsibilities. Leadership is a response to a call, involves a vision for the future and communicates challenges for the future. Avraham: "Your children will be strangers in a strange land." Yaakov: "Come let me tell you what will be

in the end of days." Moshe: "When you enter the land..."; the prophets: "Behold days are coming."

- 4) In order for a group to understand its situation and what must be done, leaders frame and define the reality of the challenge. Moshe states, "Sh'ma Yisrael: You are about to enter the land" and these are the choices that lie before you. Moses Hess (Rome and Jerusalem), Leon Pinsker (Auto-Emancipation) and Theodore Herzl (The Jewish State) articulated the defining factors of Jewish nationalism.
- 5) The Torah stipulates that a king must write a personal copy of the Torah which should "always be with him, and he shall read from it all the days of his life". Joshua is commanded to "meditate on [the book of the Law] day and night". The Rabbis taught "Great is study for it leads to action." Leaders learn. To gain depth and perspective, they study and read more than others. Thomas Jefferson's library, which included a copy of the Mishnah and the Quran, became the basis for the Library of Congress. Sacks: "Study makes the difference between the statesman and the politician, between the transformative leader and the manager."
- 6) Leadership involves trust. Not only must the people trust their leader, but a leader must have faith in the group s/he leads. Even when warning the Children of Israel of future misbehaviour and punishment, Moshe and other prophets also have confidence that the people will return to God: "when you will seek [God] with all your heart and with all your soul". While kings lead through the exercise of power, the prophets and their rabbinic followers depended on moral suasion and personal influence. Respect for human dignity leads the evolving Torah tradition to be skeptical of efforts to dominate by power. Influencing others by teaching, example and consultation becomes the primary path for the development of future generations of leaders.
- 7) Persistent patience is essential for any good leader. How fast and when, pace and timing are essential issues for all leaders. "With all deliberate speed" reminds us that going too fast results in resistance, but moving too slowly serves self-satisfaction. Maimonides writes of the shift over millennia from human sacrifice to animal offerings to prayer to contemplation, because people do not so quickly change. Moshe asks God to appoint a successor "to go out before [the people] and come in before them, who will

lead them out and bring them in". The leader must "lead them out", but also "bring them in", moving at a pace consonant with the gait of the group. A new leader will have to bring the people into the land. In Avot, wisdom of the founding rabbis, this sage advice is offered: "You do not have to complete the task, nor are you free to desist from it."

- 8) A leader is part of a community. Rabbi Marc Angel tells of going to the market with the Chief Rabbi of Istanbul who stopped at each shop to purchase one small item for Shabbat. The rabbi explained that each person should feel that the rabbi cares about him or her on a personal level. If "all politics are local", so all leadership is personal.
- 9) Despite stress and frustration, leaders continue because they know there are important tasks to accomplish. The prophets doubt their abilities. Moshe complains to God: "Why do you tell me to carry them ... the burden is too heavy for me." And other prophets ask to die rather than continue. Communities resist transformative change and expect the hard work to be done for them; they often blame the leader. It is the fault of Moshe for the delay in the Wilderness, Eliyahu for disturbing the peace or Jeremiah for the threat of Babylonia. Leaders continue because there are people in need, problems to be solved and justice to be pursued. "Do not stand idly by"—the challenge of responsibility leads to a life of meaning.

Internally, we must look for the projects that will enable us to bridge gaps within the Jewish community. Our congregational efforts to develop programs in partnership with the Orthodox and Reform are examples of this desire and orientation.

Rabbi Yitz Greenberg points out that a primary challenge of contemporary Jewish life is how to live as a Jew in an open society, a world without walls. We can deal with poverty and persecution. Can we live with power and plenty?

Even as we seek to preserve our boundaries, so we are called to build bridges. Irwin Cotler has noted that just as we must recognize our enemies, so we must find our friends. In this difficult time, despite the growth of anti-semitism (which increasingly takes the form of anti-Zionism), we must teach the ethical and spiritual wisdom of Judaism in the public square, engage in dialogue beyond our community and find projects for social justice and communal compassion that can be shared with others.

Doing all this requires patient, persistent and personal leadership that works in a collaborative, visionary and responsible manner. In this way we will find ways that will bring honour to our congregation and community and enable Jews to feel proud to be Jews.

This has been a summer of great challenge for Israel and the Jewish people. The daily rocket attacks against Israeli civilians initiated by Hamas combined with the tunnel warfare directed against communities near Gaza led to a strong military response by Israel. Despite efforts to maintain a proportionate response and to minimize civilian casualties, there has been unbalanced and unjustified criticism of the Israel Defence Forces for its actions. I accompanied Canadian parliamentarians to Israel to see for themselves the dangers that Israelis—particularly in southern communities—faced every day. We also have seen an increase in anti-Zionism (conflated with anti-semitism) in many Diaspora communities. Considered with the conflicts in Syria and Iraq, as well as with the ongoing nuclear threat from Iran, the "Long War" that I wrote of in 2008 continues for Israel and Western democracy.

From Jerusalem, Josette and I join with our family to wish our community a *shanah tovah u'metukah*, a sweet year filled with good health, well-being and a bit of peace.

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Transformation

I want Beth Tzedec to transform the way our members experience their lives |ewishly.



MY CONNECTION TO BETH TZEDEC CONGREGATION BEGAN with my maternal great-grandparents who were members of Goel Tzedec, one of our two predecessor synagogues. My parents joined Beth Tzedec in 1955 when they moved with their then two young sons into Cedarvale. I attended Beth Tzedec Day School (which would later become U.S.D.S.) and the Congregational School, celebrating my Bar Mitzvah here in 1965. But my deeper involvement began when my first of three children was born. Friends encouraged my wife and me to start attending monthly Family Services (at that time, a precursor to the Little Minyan in format). Our two daughters had their baby-naming ceremonies in the Family Service. With the help of our *Hazzanim*, I decided to hone my davening skills, to help lead services and to learn to read Torah. My wife and I joined the Young Families Committee. I next joined the Ritual and Religious Services Committee, then the Hesed Committee, then the Board of Governors, then the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Committee, then the Cantorial Search Committee, then the Personnel Committee, etc., and we've

What do I want to accomplish, as President of Beth Tzedec Congregation? I want Beth Tzedec to transform the way our members experience their lives Jewishly. I want to foster engagement, spiritual fulfillment and camaraderie in our congregation. I want us to deepen our connection to Judaism and our People and be among the leading Conservative shuls not just in Toronto, but in the Conservative movement.

never looked back.

What is the essential characteristic that makes Beth Tzedec Congregation unique? Let's state the obvious: we are big. With over 5,000 individual members (or children of members), we rank among the largest congregations in the world. Just what does our size allow us to accomplish and what makes it particularly attractive to congregants?

Being large in and of itself holds little value for most people. But our size enables us to satisfy the demands for relevance, quality and choices. It gives us the power to achieve excellence. We can excel in the quality of our davening, teaching, pastoral care, programming and in all aspects of congregational life. This capacity for excellence allows us to provide a broad range of appealing choices in all that we do. We should not just satisfy members but delight them and expand their expectations to levels other shuls cannot fulfill.

Our size enables us to meet the intimacy needs of members by providing small(er)-group venues for education, services and programming. The Little Minyan, Monday night teaching sessions and family-friendly events fall within this category, as do many other activities we offer. Our size enables us to better serve diverse needs; we are blessed with ample resources in terms of our talented volunteer lay leadership and our creative and highly-trained staff. We have the capacity to tolerate diversity on many levels. One thing we are not is homogeneous.

Our size gives us the capacity to ensure that our Congregation can have an impact on public affairs. We regularly have the opportunity to participate in matters of significance to the Jewish community. Rabbi Frydman-Kohl's *In the Path of Abraham* interfaith trip to Israel, our support for Eretz Israel and its institutions and our recent re-affiliation with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism are just some examples. Beth Tzedec's size and its standing in the community give its members the opportunity to make a difference, both locally and globally.

Of course, being a large congregation is not without its challenges. Increased size means increased complexity. Special skills are needed to manage so diverse and multifaceted an organization. We are not the synagogue we were at our inception. Our constitution, written mostly in 1953, was designed for a different cultural context and no longer serves us well; it requires a wholesale revision. Of course, such changes are not accomplished without considerable effort and care.

The very nature of our large staff team is that it is continually in transition. Often, some position is open on the team and a search committee is engaged in filling it. Each new change is a step forward, though coordinating and aligning our efforts becomes more challenging as growth and changes occur.

The task of those of us who govern is to engage you in the process, creating a collaborative atmosphere that seeks innovation and encourages involvement on many levels. Some of this will be evident these upcoming High Holy Days with our "New Beginnings" theme. In addition to the Sanctuary, Young Families (Hendeles Chapel) and Parallel (Kimel Family Gym) Services, we will be providing abridged 90-minute Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services in the Hurwich Board Room starting at 10:30 AM. This "Abridged (Short and Sweet) Service" will include Shofar, Shaḥarit and Musaf, and is aimed at, but not restricted to, our 20-and 30-something members who have asked us to find new ways for them to engage.

I welcome the responsibility and challenges of my new role as your President. I look forward to a productive year ahead and wish you all a healthy and happy New Year.

Milestones and celebrations

Births

Ronen Simcha Israel, son of AARON & SALI CHERNIAK. grandson of SHARON & BOB CHERNIAK and VIVIAN & HENRY BLUM (of Houston, Texas), great-grandson of LIL & BERNIE COOPER, RITA & WALTER ROSENTHAL and EVA BLUM, born April 23 in Jerusalem.

Alexis Rayne, daughter of BETTY & SHAYL LOFSKY, granddaughter of JEWEL & SEYMOUR LOFSKY, FAINA PRUPES, LEV SPITZIN and ALEXANDER PRUPES, born May 8.

Alexis Chloe, daughter of SUZANNE & MATTHEW FARB, granddaughter of MARVIN & THE LATE TERRY GEIST and DAVID & ROSALIE FARB, born Zusha Ritman, son of SARAH May 13.

Bailey Sara, daughter of SUSAN LAMBERT & MICHAEL LAZAROVITS, granddaughter of DEBORAH & FRANK LAM-BERT and MIRIAM & GEORGE LAZAROVITS, great-granddaughter of ROSE & HY LAMBERT, RUTH BERENBAUM and ELIZABETH LAZAROVITS, born May 13.

Dylan Madison, daughter of RORY & JACQUELINE GOZLAN, granddaughter of ALAN & RENEE GOZLAN, DANNY & LILA SOBERANO and DR. SHIA JODIE & STUART FRENKIEL, WOLGELERNTER, great-grand- grandchildren of DR. ANNA daughter of ROGER & LILIANE GOZLAN, DR. JERRY & RIVA KIRSH, BURTON & BETTY PAZNER and SIMY SOBERANO, born May 22.

Brendan Geoffrey, son of JENNIFER & MICHAEL CAINE, grandson of ALAN & VALERIE DAVID and DAVID & HELEN CAINE, great-grandson of JEAN DAVID and CLAUDE & ESTHER ABRAMS, born June 13.

Charlie Solomon, son of ANDREW & REBECCA MAX, grandson of MITCH & ANNE MAX and RICK & JAN SUTIN, great-grandson of RALPH & JUDY SHIFF, PAUL MAX and MARIE SUTIN, born June 13.

Hannah Ruby, daughter of KAREN BORN & JEREMY GLICK, granddaughter of DR. ABRAHAM & SUSAN BORN and MURRAY & MARILYN GLICK. great-granddaughter of RACHEL BORYCHOWSKI and ZELDA GLICK, born June 14.

MARGLES & HARTLEY WYNBERG. grandson of RUTH & HAROLD MARGLES and IDA & JACK WYNBERG, born June 15.

Orly Liv, daughter of DALIA ROTSTEIN & JOSEPH HELLER, granddaughter of WENDY WOLFMAN & COLEMAN ROTSTEIN and BEVERLY KUPFERT & BRIAN HELLER, great-granddaughter of ELEANOR CHARNEY and ROSALIE HELLER, born June 18.

Matthew Samuel and Sophie Lia, son and daughter of DAY & OSCAR ZIMMERMAN and SHARON & SAUL FRENKIEL, great-grandchildren of Charlotte & Morton WALFISH, born June 20 in Montreal.

Joely Alexa, daughter of ARIANNA & MICHAEL ISRAEL. granddaughter of SUSAN & SAUL MUSKAT, ARLENE & ALBERT ISRAEL and CAROLYN FREEDMAN & JAMES STONER, great-granddaughter of RELA BERNEMAN and GUTA ISRAEL, born June 23.

Jacob, son of OREN WEINBERG & KRISTEN NORMANDIN, grandson of DEBBIE & MOSHE WEINBERG and RENIE ANDREWS & GEORGE NORMANDIN. great-grandson of EMMA ROSENBERG and FANNYE ANDREWS, born June 28.

Jacob Evan, son of LEILA VALE & ALLAN COVEYDUCK. grandson of ALAN & BARBARA VALE, THE LATE ESTHER VALE and WAYNE & HILDA COVEY-DUCK, born July 10.

Ezekiel 'Zeke' David, son of ALISON HARNICK & BLAIR TRUDELL, grandson of BEVERLEY & CHARLES HARNICK, greatgrandson of PEARL HARNICK, born July 11.

Maiah Abigail, daughter of ALEXANDRA & EREZ ELIAS, granddaughter of GABE BECK and AVIVA ELIAS, born July 12.

Drew Nathan, son of COREY & CARLY HURWITZ, grandson of EARL & MARSHA HURWITZ, ROSALEE NASTER and STEVEN NASTER, great-grandson of EVE & MAX RUBENSTEIN, born July 18.

Jared Ethan, son of SHAUNA & ROBERT FONN, grandson of CAROL & SHELDON SILVER and ANITA & DESMOND FONN, great-grandson of ANITA SILVER, born August 10.

We can't share your good news unless you tell us about it. Send an email to thumphries@beth-tzedec.org, or call us at 416-781-3514 ext. 212. Deadline for the next Bulletin covering November, December and January is October 5.

Weddings

Daniel Zimmerman, son of DR. ANNA DAY & OSCAR ZIMMERMAN, and Shira Braverman, daughter of TOBY BRAVERMAN, who were married in January in Jerusalem.

Ryan Osten, son of JUDY OSTEN and RUBY OSTEN, and Nicole Facella, daughter of MARLENE & MICHAEL FACELLA, who were married June 30.

Robert Gold, son of DANIEL GOLD & CONNIE TARAS-GOLD, and Arin Tint, daughter of JACKIE BLOOMFIELD & DAN TINT, who were married July 27.

Jamie Greenspan, son of CAROLE & SAM GREENSPAN, and Mariana Mantilla. daughter of MARISOL & RICARDO MENDEZ, who were married August 10.

Daniel Kupfert Heller, son of BEVERLY KUPFERT & BRIAN HELLER, and Alex Mark Taub, son of ANNE & MICHAEL TAUB (of Sydney, Australia), who were married August 17.

Ilan Bahar, son of GENI & ILYA BAHAR, and Ashley Kochman, daughter of DIANA & RICKY KOCHMAN, who were married August 24.

Erin Litwin, daughter of LILI LITWIN and JEFFREY LITWIN, and Marlon Paisley, son of JULIA & RANDY PAISLEY, who will be married October 25.

Michael Cohen, son of MELANIE & BARRY COHEN, and Samantha Mizel, daughter of MAXINE & DENNIS MIZEL (of St. Catherines), who will be married November 22.

Congratulations to

Dr. Harold Ashley, who will celebrate his 90th birthday on October 16.

Norman & Sharon Bacal, who celebrated their 36th anniversary on June 27.

Zack Belzberg, son of LYNN & BRENT BELZBERG, and Torey Stronell, daughter of SUSAN & ROGER STRONELL, on their engagement.

Niki Bledin, who was acknowledged by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto for her work with Act to End Violence Against Women.

Daniel Braun, son of PROF. AUREL BRAUN & THE LATE JULIANNA BORSA BRAUN, and Lauren Shoolman, daughter of STANLEY & SHARON SHOOLMAN, on their engagement.

Dr. Sidney Brown, who celebrated his 90th birthday on May 31.

Dr. Mervyn & Frances Deitel, who celebrated their 52nd anniversary on June 18.

Esther Glazer, who was acknowledged by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto for her work with Mazon Canada.

Karen Goldenberg, on being named a Member of the Order of Canada for her role in advancing research and practice in occupational therapy and for her leadership of social service organizations, and who was also acknowledged by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto for her work with CIJA and Canadian Friends of Israel Elwyn.

Mickey and Eunice Heller, who will celebrate their 70th anniversary on September 30.

Alison Himel, who was acknowledged as chair of UJA Women's Philanthropy.

Ann Hirschberg, who celebrated her 100th birthday on July 9.

Roslinde & Milton Klyman, who will celebrate their 61st anniversary on December 6.

Schuyler Levine, son of SHELLEY & AUBREY LEVINE, and Dr. Jill Greenspoon, daughter of SHELLEY & IRA GREENSPOON (of Dundas), on their engagement.

Aviva Levman, who was acknowledged as a student co-chair of the UJA Day Fundraiser and Awareness Program.

Glenys Lindenberg, who was acknowledged by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto for her work for JVS Toronto.

David Matlow, who was acknowledged as co-chair of the United Jewish Appeal Campaign 2015.

Yael Matlow, who was acknowledged as student co-chair of the UJA Day Fundraiser and Awareness Program.

Susy Miller, who was acknowledged by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto for PJ Library, an international award-winning Jewish family engagement program.

Hilda Mitz, who will celebrate her 94th birthday on November 28.

Mitchell Oelbaum, who was acknowledged by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto for his work with the Canadian Associates of Ben Gurion University of the Negev.

Joanne & Jeffrey Perlmutter, on their son Hartley's rabbinic ordination from The Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary of Yeshiva University.

Danny Richmond, who was acknowledged by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto for his work with Limmud Toronto.

Sarah Roth, daughter of LOREN & MARK ROTH, and Benjamin Yavelberg, son of FLORA & ARTHUR YAVELBERG, on their engagement.

Pearl & Barney Seetner, who celebrated their 64th anniversary on August 1.

Brian D. Segal, who was acknowledged by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto for his work with Koffler Centre for the Arts.

Laurie Sheff, who was awarded the Phil Granovsky Award for Campaign Excellence by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto.

Maureen Tanz, who was acknowledged by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto for her work with the Beth Tzedec *Hesed* and *Tikkun Olam* initiatives.

Richard Venn, who was acknowledged as chair of the Board of the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto.

Lyon Wexler, who celebrated his 80th birthday on July 11.

Louis Whitehouse, who celebrated his 90th birthday on October 5.

Judy Winberg, who was awarded the Volunteer of Excellence Shem Tov Award for her work with Jewish Family & Child by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto.

Judy Zelikovitz, who was acknowledged by the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto for her work with Canadian Hadassah/WIZO.

Many Thanks to

Norman & Sharon Gottlieb, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 15 in honour of their birthdays.

Joel Sachs, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on May 24 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Harold** Sachs.

Dr. Sidney & Gina Brown, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on May 31 in honour of Sidney's birthday.

Harold & Ruth Margles, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 21 in honour of their 50th anniversary.

Reuben Cohen, who sponsored a Seudah Shlisheet on June 28 in honour of the naming of his granddaughter Sarah Elizabeth Navarro.

Lila & Danny Soberano, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 28 in honour of the birth of their granddaughter Dylan Madison Gozlan.

Carolyn Fineberg Koziebrocki & the late Irwin Koziebrocki and Lorris & Robert Frankfurt. who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on July 5 in honour of the upcoming wedding of Rachel Koziebrocki & Charles Frankfurt.

Mike Lazarovits & Susan Lampert, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on July 5 in honour of the naming of their daughter Bailey Sara Lazarovits.

Dorothy Tessis and family, who sponsored a Seudah Shlisheet on July 5 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of Dena Jean Tessis.

Daniel & Connie Taras-Gold. who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on July 12 in honour of the marriage of Robert Gold & Arin Tint.

Vivienne Ziner & the Ziner Cohen family, who sponsored a Seudah Shlisheet on July 26 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of John Ziner and in honour of the Canadians for Israel rally.

The Lindenberg Family, who sponsored a Seudah Shlisheet on August 2 to commemorate the vahrtzeit of Miriam Lindenberg.

Sam & Carole Greenspan, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 9 in honour of the marriage of James Greenspan & Mariana Mantilla.

Dr. Lawrence & Julie Green, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 16 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Alyssa.

Lester & Sophie Fischhoff, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 23 in honour of the marriage of Ross Fischhoff & Jordana Levine.

David & Lucy Azouly, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 30 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Adam.

Elliot & Lianne Richmond, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 20 in honour of the B'nei Mitzvah of their sons Brandon and Kyle.

The Whitehouse Family, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 27 in honour of Louis Whitehouse's 90th birthday.

Hartley & Mandi Andrews, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 11 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Huntyr.

Robert Sandler & Nyla Ahmad, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 11 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Hannah.

Mazal Tov to our B'nei Mitzvah



September 18 Kyle Richmond son of Elliot & Lianne Richmond



September 20 Ethan Forde Glazman son of Drs. Trevor Glazman & Lara Propst אפרים חביב בן טוביה נתן הכהן אורן בן אליהו ושרה לאה ולאה גיטל



AT MINHAH October 25 Tobias Leo Halman son of Dr. Stephen Halman & Elizabeth Margles טבען בן יהושע וחנה



October 30 Lauren Goldfarb daughter of Lisa Wall & Marc Goldfarb, step-daughter of Ed Wall חנה שרה בת משה אליהו ולאה



August 18 Alyssa Renee Green daughter of Dr. Lawrence & |ulie Green רחל ורד בת לוי דרון וצפורה מרים



August 28 Adam Perry Azoulay son of David & Lucy Azoulay אדם פינחס בן דוד ואורית



September I3 Shira Wine daughter of Aaron & Nina Wine שירה בת אהרן ונינה



September 18 Brandon Richmond son of Elliot & Lianne Richmond טוביה בן אליהו ושרה לאה



IN THE LITTLE MINYAN **September 20**Matthew Aaron Boxer
son of Mark Boxer

& Debbie Baserman
מתן אהרן בן משה ודבורה



October I2
Huntyr Paige Andrews
daughter of Hartley &
Mandi Andrews
ישעה שומרה בת נתן צבי
וחיה ביילא



October I3 Hannah Sandler daughter of Rob Sandler & Nyla Ahmad חנה בת ראובן ונעמה מרים



October 25 Joshua Weinstein son of Peter & Lesly Weinstein יהושע בן איתן ולאה



November I Benjamin Rother son of Mark & |acqueline Rother בנימין יצחק בן משה ויעקבה





AT MINHAH November 8

David Kirschner

son of |ulius &

Sandra Kirschner

דוד בנימין בן יהודה
ושרה באשע



November 8 Isaiah Jarod Zabitsky son of Edward Zabitsky & Liza Stern ירחמיאל יוסף בן אפרים אהרן

ועליזה

Dr. Stephen Halman & Elizabeth Margles, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 25 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Toby.

Peter & Lesly Weinstein, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 25 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Joshua. Mark & Jacqueline Rother, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on November 1 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Benjamin.

Lisa & Ed Wall and Marc Goldfarb, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on November 1 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Lauren.

Julius & Sandi Kirschner, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on November 8 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son David. Mark & Melanie Rotstein, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on November 8 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Adam.

Edward Zabitsky & Liza Stern, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on November 8 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Isaiah. The Wagschal Family,
Dr. Eudice Goldberg and
Daniel & Michael Konviser,
Kaselle & Allan Beach,
Philip & Marlene Pattenick,
Heather & Michael Lerner
and Larry & Rena Marcus,
for their generous support
of the new Birkat Hamazon
& Zemirot benchers.

Janis & Robert Goldberg, who donated the Class of 2027 onesies given to the children of Beth Tzedec families born in 2014.

MONDAY NIGHT LEARNING

iENGAGE: THE TRIBES OF ISRAEL—

A Shared Homeland for a Divided People

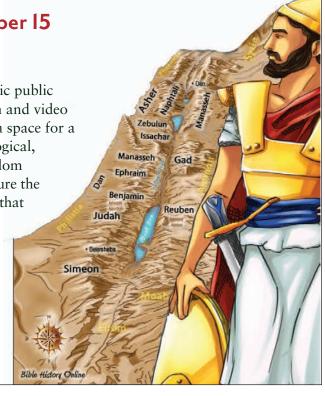
with Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl

Mondays—October 27 through December 15 7:15 to 8:30 PM

Confront the challenges of creating a Jewish and democratic public space in the modern State of Israel through text, discussion and video presentations. Explore how there might be shared common space for a people divided along "tribal" affiliations—religious, ideological, national and geographic. This series, developed by the Shalom Hartman Institute, seeks to begin a conversation to restructure the relationship between the collective and the individual tribes that comprise Israel.

Cost: \$75 for Beth Tzedec members; \$95 for non-members (includes text)

For information or to register, contact Marlene Laba at 416-781-3514 ext. 234 or mlaba@beth-tzedec.org.



Pain, Anguish and Community

B'kol ehad, im lev ehad — With one voice and with one heart.





Do you have questions about Beth Tzedec? Email Randy at rspiegel@beth-tzedec.org.

I HAVE WRITTEN AND REWRITTEN THIS ARTICLE SEVERAL TIMES.

Each day that the war in Israel continues, the words change. However, the underlying message remains the same. I hope in the face of a rapidly changing world, the message will come through and be as relevant tomorrow as it is today.

This summer has been a time of discontent for our people. It began with 18 agonizing, heart-wrenching days in June, when a wave of anguish crashed on every Jewish shore around the world. All who share the belief that life is precious watched, waited, searched, hoped and prayed for the safe return of the three kidnapped children. While we waited for a break, we searched for answers, asking "How can this be?" We hoped beyond hope that the black cloud would lift for those families, for their community and for *Am Yisrael*, the nation of Israel. We prayed together and cried out to the Almighty for *pidyon shvuyim*, to redeem the captives and to wake us from this nightmare. We prayed that our merciful and great God would deliver them from the hands of evil into the open yearning arms of their mothers and fathers.

During those 18 days and in the time that has passed since, the Jewish people have inched closer to each other. We have experienced pain and anguish, first with the kidnapping, then the discovery of the murder of Eyal, Gilad and Naftali and the horrific reactionary killing of the Palestinian child, Mohammed. This was followed by the barrage of missiles that have reigned terror on the civilians of Israel and another war which has brought devastating news to families and friends of the fallen.

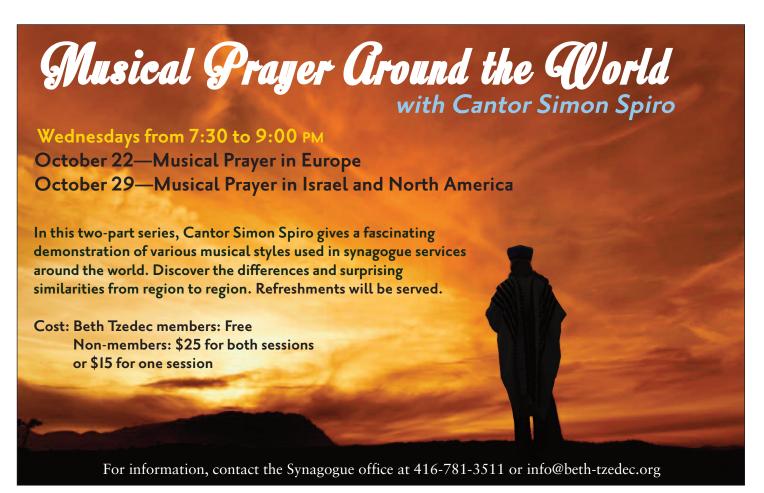
The Jewish people have become tighter and become as one, as some of us did in the '70s when thousands marched together and chanted "let our people go" from the Soviet Union's repressive grasp. With each loss of life, we all hear the *k'riyah*, the tearing of the mourner's clothing. In the face of the threats, we have found ways to pull together because that is what we as a community do. When a member of our family mourns, we mourn as one.

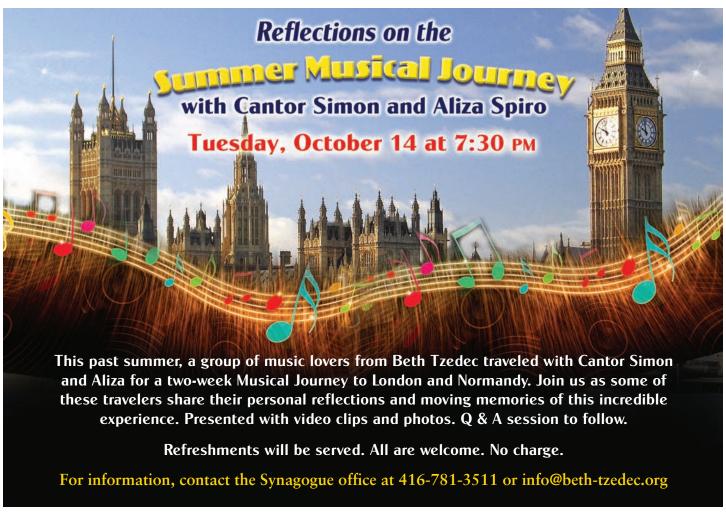
We at Beth Tzedec publicly stand with the families of the boys and with all of Israel, praying for safety and peace. Our community, as did our grandparents and parents and all those who have come before us, stands devoted to teaching our children to love life, live responsibly, support Israel and to be committed to improving the lives of all. We teach our children to look beyond our small world, beyond our own walls. Our programs and services, our clergy and our volunteers are all about opening the big arms of Beth Tzedec wide and embracing our people, comforting them in times of need and nurturing them every other day of the year. Ours is a community that does not need tragedy to bring us together, yet we respond when faced with the worst. We are a community whose two parents, Beth Hamidrash Hagadol and Goel Tzedec, gave birth to a new congregation, a sacred congregation, committed to teaching and sharing the principles that sustain a vibrant Jewish life.

Beth Tzedec is a leader, a beacon of *tzedec*, of righteousness, for our Toronto community and our Jewish communities around the world.

Hayinu k'holmim (Psalm 126)—we were as dreamers; and while the dreams of the families, of Eyal, Gilad, Naftali (z"l), may they rest in peace, along with all who have died in this and every war will not be realized, we know, as the Talmud (Shavuot 39a) teaches, Kol Yisrael Arevim Zeh B'Zeh—all of Israel are responsible for one another. When a part of our community feels pain, we all feel pain. We feel we should make a shiva call, sit and listen to stories about their children, hug them and tell them they are not alone, that our congregation mourns with them. B'kol ehad, im lev ehad, with one voice and with one heart, our Beth Tzedec community and the entire Iewish community has come together. Through the pain, through the anguish, we shall continue to dream and act as a community, l'taken et ha-olam, to repair the world.

To make a gift that will strengthen our Synagogue, please contact me at 416-781-3514 ext. 211 or rspiegel@beth-tzedec.org.





Our Journey through Jewish Life in England

I WRITE THIS ARTICLE FROM LONDON, while travelling on the August 2014 Beth Tzedec Musical Journey to England and Normandy.

This is a very interesting time in my life. One week before I left for my native country of England, I received notification that Aliza and I have finally been granted Landed Immigrant Status in Canada.

Although I've lived in Canada since 2005, I only applied for this status after many years, and the long application process was ridiculously complicated, filled with requirements that at times bordered on the absurd (i.e., I had to take an English language exam in Cambridge, England, given by someone for whom English was a foreign language).

But now here I am with a group of wonderful Torontonians in England, getting ready for our second Shabbat in London. This week has flown by as we have discovered the Jewish connections in historical and contemporary England and enjoyed music throughout. Our daily guide is Rachel Kolsky, who wrote the best-selling book *Jewish London*. She has been a gold mine of information about All Things Jewish in this country.

Many of you know from me that my father-in-law has always said if you find yourself in a strange country, go to the shul and you will no longer be an outsider. In my travels over the years, Aliza and I have found this to be true time and time again. Here in England I am not an outsider, but joining us last week for Erev Shabbat dinner at London's Central Synagogue were Jews from Venezuela, South Africa, America and Israel. Although we all came from different parts of the world, our shared Jewish identity brought us all together

and made us feel instantly at home. We were able to connect with each other effortlessly. "Kol Yisrael Achim"—all Israel are brothers indeed.

Last Shabbat morning there was an enormous pro-Palestinian rally right outside the shul on Great Portland street, so loud that we were unable to hear our guest music scholar giving his post-Kiddush presentation on Jewish Music. For maximum media coverage, the mob was en route to demonstrate at the BBC Building, and by chance our shul just happened to be on their path. The local police were there to keep order (small comfort) and the wardens of the shul locked the doors for our protection. We sat inside the sanctuary politely (as Canadians do) attempting to listen to the lecture, but with the fervor of the angry protestors outside, no one could really concentrate. Later we all confessed to one another that we imagined this to be what 1938 Germany must have felt like. It was more unsettling than you might imagine. Even more disturbing was the realization that the protesters were not all kafiyah-wearing Muslims. On the contrary, this was a crowd of tens of thousands of Londoners. We saw them on the news that night as they stared into the cameras and condemned Israel in their crisp and cultured English accents.

The top story on England's *Entertainment News* tonight is about a petition to keep Joan Rivers out of the UK where she has a tour scheduled this fall. This is in response to an impromptu impassioned speech she gave about 'the Conflict' while passing through an airport. She told the story as it is, as we all know it, and the video went viral. I toured with Joan Rivers for six months as her opening act and I

couldn't be more proud of her right now. Personally, I think every Jew in England should go out and buy a ticket to her show.

It's not that we don't have anti-Semitism or pro-Palestinian rallies in Canada. Sadly, we do. The difference is our leader. How blessed we are to have a prime minister like Stephen Harper. If only the other leaders of western countries had the love of Israel and the integrity that he has. With Stephen Harper at the helm, Canadian Jewry feels protected and supported. We feel empowered to be able to help our brothers and sisters in Israel. In Toronto one does not need to be fearful in one's Jewishness.

Thank you, Canada, for accepting me as a Landed Immigrant. Thank you, Beth Tzedec members, for accepting me into your Jewish community and allowing me to make the music that I make for you. I am so proud to be a landed immigrant in my new country of Canada. I hope to become a citizen one day, and I pray that Canada always has a leader like Stephen Harper.

Entering this New Year, we all pray for peace in the Middle East, for an end to the terror and bloodshed, as well as good health and personal fulfilment for our family and friends. Here among the travellers in our group, there is a beautiful feeling of respect and support, of warmth and camaraderie. My additional prayer is that this feeling continues and spreads throughout our community and throughout the world.

Aliza and I wish you blessings of all good things now and always.





Beth Tzedec's Annual

Simhat Torah Luncheon

In honour of our Ḥattan Torah, **Harold Margles**, and our Kallat Bereisheet, **Sandy Cohen**

Join us Friday, October 17 following Services for a special family lunch

Adults \$36.00 / Youth (4 to 14) \$18.00 Children (under 4) free. For tickets, call 416-781-3511. Limited Space. Reserve Now!

Extended Office Hours For Membership Renewal & High Holy Day Tickets

Monday through Thursday September 15-18 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Friday, September 19 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Sunday, September 21 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Monday & Tuesday, September 22 & 23 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Wednesday, September 24 8:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

If you have any concerns regarding membership contributions, please call Sheri Federman in our Membership office at 416-781-3514 ext. 220.

Online Membership Payments

You can now view and pay your Beth Tzedec membership account online (full payments only)! To utilize this feature, you will first have to activate your Beth Tzedec Website Account. Click on "Login/Register" in the top right corner and follow the instructions for new users. Then, click on "View/Pay BT Account" to view your Beth Tzedec membership statement and pay your account. An additional login process (separate from the Beth Tzedec website login) will be required to access your membership account—just follow the directions on screen. For assistance, contact Sheri Federman at 416-781-3514 ext. 220 or sfederman@beth-tzedec.org.



Icy Showers and Giving Wisely

Involvement in Jewish endeavours is key to Jewish life.



Join Rav Adam Cutler at

Havurat HaSefer.

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of people this past summer dumped buckets of ice on their heads. The Ice Bucket Challenge, as it has become known, is a remarkably successful viral fundraising campaign for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease) charities. The premise is simple: You are challenged to dump a bucket of ice on yourself. If you accept the challenge, you find a bucket, some water, lots of ice and record yourself getting very cold and very wet. You

ACCEPTING CHALLENGES FROM THEIR FRIENDS, THOUSANDS

post the video online and then publicly challenge some friends to do the same. You also give \$10 to an ALS related charity. Those who reject the challenge are strongly encouraged to give \$100. Millions of dollars are raised.

Charity is equal to all of the other commandments combined, teaches the Talmud (BT *Baba Batra* 9a). Charity saves from death, according to Proverbs (10:2). Certainly being charitable is a highly praised Jewish value. Like all aspects of Jewish living though, we must be thoughtful in our behaviour. To whom shall we give? Does giving have any negative consequences? To what extent are we obligated to investigate the charities to which we send our money?

With the success of the Ice Bucket Challenge and Movember—the annual November moustache campaign for men's health—we can anticipate that more kitschy and catchy charitable campaigns will follow. How should we give?

Since we each have limited dollars to give, charities are in essence in competition with each other. Together they hopefully help create a culture of giving; apart each understandably wants that giving to be directed to them. A campaign with a social hook may be fun, but it is

important to determine whether it is a worthwhile cause supported by an efficient, effective charity. Canada is sadly lacking in a free, useful charity navigator like GuideStar in the United States. Fortunately, the Canada Revenue Agency does provide information online about registered charities, including crucially how much money raised goes into overhead rather than direct charitable work.

Perhaps of greater concern with respect to campaigns that encourage a public activity in addition to a (reduced) donation is a phenomenon known as self-licensing. After doing good we often allow ourselves to behave badly. We permit ourselves a bag of chips after working out. More problematically, self-licensing may lead us to give less because accepting a public charitable challenge often by doing something silly causes us to feel so good that we don't feel the need to give to any cause later, even as your feeling good does not ultimately help any of the myriad of worthy causes.

Involvement in charitable endeavours is key to Jewish life and as such we have to be smart with our actions and spending. As Danny Siegel, a *tzedakah* expert and one of our scholars-in-residence last year, writes, "You are not doing this out of a sense of cynicism. You are protecting your *tzedakah* dollars, making them stretch as far as they can go to worthy causes."

As Jews, we must continue to be generous with our dollars and with our time. We should continue to encourage our friends to do the same, even by means of silly (though seemingly effective) campaigns. At the same time, we must never let the positive feelings generated by public displays of charitable action get in the way of actual thoughtful, researched giving.

Board of Governors Meetings

Members are welcome to attend all regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Governors. To accommodate the need for sensitive items to be discussed in private, each meeting will include an *in camera* portion, allowing the Board to deliberate confidentially without any guests.

Upcoming meeting dates:*

Thursdays, September 18 and October 23 at 7:30 PM and November 20 at 7:00 PM

* Meeting dates are subject to change. Please check with the office to confirm dates before attending.



The Future of

Jewish Life in the Diaspora

with Arnold Eisen, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary & David Bezmozgis

Monday, October 6 7:30 to 9:30 PM

Today, there are two dominant centres of Jewish life: Israel and North America. How are they distinctive? Intertwined? Herzl prognosticated the collapse of the Diaspora. Was he correct? Why or why not?

Both David Bezmozgis and Arnold Eisen spend their waking hours involved in issues of Jewish culture. What role does Jewish culture play in Jewish life? Is there such a phenomenon as Jewish culture? Is Jewish culture in the Diaspora distinctive from the larger surrounding Jewish culture?

No charge.



Arnold M. Eisen, one of the world's foremost authorities on American Judaism, is the seventh chancellor of The Jewish Theological Seminary. An award-

winning writer and advocate for the Jewish community, the chancellor's many publications include *Taking Hold of Torah: Jewish Commitment and Community in America*. He has also established popular JTS social media sites and discusses Jewish education, philosophy, and values on his blog, *On My Mind*, *Arnie Eisen*. He contributes regularly to print and online media and is a lifelong and devoted member of the Conservative Movement.



David Bezmozgis is an award-winning writer and filmmaker. His first book, *Natasha* and Other Stories, was published in the U.S. and

Canada and subsequently

translated into fifteen languages. His first feature film, *Victoria Day*, received a Genie Award nomination for Best Original Screenplay. *The Free World*, David's first novel, was shortlisted for the Scotiabank/ Giller Prize, the Governor General's Award, The Trillium Prize, and won the Amazon.ca First Novel Award. His second novel, *The Betrayers*, has just been published.

Presented with the support of Lorna Kahn and family in loving memory of husband and father Asher Kahnz"l

For more information, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

Simhat Torah Luncheon

Honouring outstanding dedication to our Beth Tzedec community





LUNCHEON HONOUREES Harold Margles and Sandy Cohen

IT IS OUR GREAT PLEASURE TO HONOUR this year's *Hattan Torah*, Harold Margles, and *Kallat Bereisheet*, Sandy Cohen, at our Simhat Torah services and luncheon. Harold and Sandy have demonstrated outstanding dedication to our Beth Tzedec community and now join our distinguished list of honourees.

Harold Margles—Hattan Torah Harold has been a member of Beth Tzedec Congregation since 1966. He is a past member of the Board of Governors, and past chairman of the Hesed. Bar and Bat Mitzvah and Stephen Cooper Award committees. Together with Blake Teichman, he has provided a monthly Friday afternoon service at Forest Hill Place for the past eight years. He has delivered Meals on Wheels for Circle of Care for the past 18 years together with his wife Ruth, and for ten years, he has served as a hospice volunteer for terminally ill men in their own homes.

Harold retired as Senior Litigation Partner of the international law firm, Baker & McKenzie in 1996. He has been very happily married to Ruth for 50 years, and he is the father and father-in-law of Stephen and Elisha, Rabbi Miriam, and Sarah and Hartley, and Zayda to Joshua, Adam, Jeremy, Ohaliav and Zusha. He is an ardent student of Judaism and cello, and enjoys tennis, theatre, travelling and life with family and friends.

Sandy Cohen—Kallat Bereisheet Sandy's family (née Clavir) played a significant role in the founding of the McCaul Street Shul and later the formation of the Beth Tzedec Synagogue. As a youth at Beth Tzedec, she was a member of the first Congregational School and was active in USY. In 1983, with family encouragement, she joined a fundraising committee along with her mother, Min Clavir. In the years following, she continued her interest in the shul by taking part in the following activities: Paul Kowarsky Recognition Committee, Scotch Night, Trivia Night, 50th Anniversary Committee, seven Purim Musicals, Music and Concert Committees, Chai Tea Committee, and currently the 60th Anniversary Gala Committee. She has also consulted on design and décor aspects for

different venues within the shul.

Sandy's involvement in the Jewish community extends beyond the shul. In 1962, she was the founding member of the Gila Chapter of Hadassah, and she remains a very active member. For the past ten years, she expanded this involvement by being a member of the Toronto Center Board of Hadassah-Wizo.

After marrying Bob Cohen in 1963, Sandy enrolled at Humber College and graduated in interior design. Sandy has always had great support from her husband Bob as well as her children Howard, married to Lisa Slan, and Ellen, married to Eric Pervin. Both her children attended USDS and two grandchildren are now attending RHA. One of her greatest pleasures is being a loving Nanny to her five fabulous grandchildren, Aaron, Lorne, Evan, Max and Shawna.

Beth Tzedec has always been and will continue to be an important part of Sandy's life. She is thrilled about having been selected for this honour and would like to thank all those on the Nominating Committee that contributed to her selection.

BETH TZEDEC SISTERHOOD

As we approach the High Holy Days, we wish our *Klei Kodesh*, family, friends and all the members of our Congregation a new year filled with good health, happiness and joy, and may we see peace in Israel.

Shanah Toyah from the **Beth Tzedec Sisterhood Board**



Wednesday, October 8

Family Dinner in the Sukkah, beginning at 5:45 PM

Join us for a special Sukkot Yom Tov dinner in the Beth Tzedec Sukkah. Our evening begins with music and activities with our new *Shinshinim*, Or and Ofir, followed by a delicious holiday meal in the Sukkah. Don't miss this opportunity to eat outdoors on Sukkot. All are welcome, whether or not you have your own Sukkah at home. *In case of inclement weather, dinner will be held inside*.

Cost for dinner: \$36/adult, \$18/youth (ages 5 to 14), \$6/child (ages 1 to 4). RSVP to the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 by October 2. Space is limited—reserve early.

Family Shabbat, October II

Little Minyan Family Service: Beginning at 10:00 AM, the Little Minyan and the Family Service join together for a lively and engaging service, geared especially to youth and teens.

Shabbat Learning: From 11:00 to 11:40 AM, adults can join Daniel Silverman for an innovative look at the week's Parasha and other relevant topics. Participants will rejoin the Little Minyan Family Service for Musaf.

Junior Congregation: From 11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON, kids ages 6 to 12 will enjoy a Family Shabbat extravaganza with games, prizes, competitions and tons of fun.

Tot Shabbat: From 11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON, a special Shabbat program for young children and parents with exciting activities and fun games developed especially for you by *Jewnior Games*.

Family Shabbat Lunch: Following services, celebrate Shabbat together with a delicious lunch. Eat, drink, shmooze and see friends, both old and new.

Annual Sukkah Hop, 1:00 PM: Our annual Sukkah Hop is back! Visit the Sukkot of various families in the community and enjoy lots of treats and fun activities along the way. We'll depart from the Beth Tzedec parking lot.

Thursday, October 16

Family Simhat Torah Celebration and Dinner, beginning at 5:30 PM

Join us for holiday crafts, games, and a kids' Torah parade (recommended for children up to age 7). Families of all ages are invited to dinner at 6:30 PM (by advanced registration only). Cost for dinner: \$15/adult, \$10/child. RSVP to the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 by 12:00 NOON on Wednesday, October 14.

Synagogue-wide Hakafot at 7:15 PM

The party continues with our Synagogue-wide *Hakafot*, featuring singing, dancing, candy, food and drinks.

Fall Family Time

Out of all of our holidays, Sukkot is the holiday of family.



SUKKOT IS MY FAVOURITE HOLIDAY.

There, I said it. I know that as a Jewish educator I am supposed to love all the holidays equally; and even if I wasn't supposed to, then why would I pick Sukkot? Sukkot, one might retort, is the holiday of colder weather, rain and sweaters. It is the holiday that reminds us that winter is not too far away. It is the holiday, someone might say, that we are too tired for, after the intensity of Rosh Hashanah and the exhaustion of Yom Kippur. It is a holiday, by looking at the calendar, that could be considered too long, a full week and then some.

But out of all of our holidays, for me at least, Sukkot is the holiday of family. Yes, we see our family on Rosh Hashanah, but how much quality family time do we get in between the hours in synagogue, the lunches that end at four in the afternoon, and the (often unnecessary) dinner only a few hours later. Yom Kippur is a day for personal introspection, and the family gatherings wait until after the fast is done. But on Sukkot, it is all about family.

We sit together as families and

eat in a sukkah, either our own or another family's (or Beth Tzedec's sukkah, the night of October 8th). Most Sukkot are not so big, meaning we have to squish together, creating a sense of closeness and warmth both metaphorically and physically. The holiday service is designed to transmit knowledge from one generation to the next as we teach our kids about the lulay and etrog, and experience the *Hoshanot* parade of lulavim together around the Sanctuary. We decorate our Sukkot and make them our home—not just a place where we eat and might sleep, but a place that is homey, that has signs and symbols that represent how we live. We eat, we sing, we open our temporary homes to friends and neighbours and we celebrate.

Maybe my love of Sukkot is rooted in memories of Sukkot being the holiday that my extended family got together most consistently for, or maybe it relates to helping assemble *lulavim* at my childhood synagogue, or maybe I am remembering being invited to visit so many different Sukkot of friends or even complete strangers to eat and drink. Whatever

the reason, the arrival of Sukkot for me doesn't mark the proximity of winter or the exhaustion of having experienced the High Holy Days or having another long holiday right on its heels. And furthermore, this will be the first Sukkot that Rachel and I are blessed with our own family, meaning that this is no longer only a holiday of memories of family time from previous years. We now are in charge of creating our own family Sukkot moment and beginning to build a memory bank for our daughter.

For those of us who do not have our own personal sukkah, myself included, we look to our community as our family. We might attend a community meal or program in a sukkah. And for those fortunate enough to have their own sukkah, I encourage you to reach out to family or friends that may not have their own sukkah and invite them to yours. If nothing else, everyone will be much warmer!

Rachel, Mira and I wish the whole Beth Tzedec community a *shanah tovah u'metukah*, a happy and sweet new year, and *mo'adim l'simhah*, a joyous Sukkot holiday.

Havurat HaSefer

Contemporary Jewish Philosophy Reading Group

Wednesdays—September 17, October 1 & 22, November 12, December 10, January 14, February 4 & 25, March 18, April 15, May 27 and June 17

7:30 to 9:00 PM

Havurat HaSefer is Beth Tzedec's newest book club. Join us as we study and discuss contemporary and accessible books of Jewish philosophy. Limited spaces available. RSVPs required. No charge.

For information or to RSVP, please contact Rav Adam Cutler at 416-781-3514 ext. 219 or ravadam@beth-tzedec.org.



Let's celebrate Shabbat as a family!

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Tot Shabbat: From 11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON, young children (with a parent) will participate in exciting activities and fun games developed by *Jewnior Games*! Tot Shabbat joins the Little Minyan Family Service for final prayers.

Family Shabbat Lunch: We conclude every Family Shabbat with a delicious lunch. Eat, drink and shmooze with friends, both old and new.

For information, contact Daniel Silverman at 416-781-3514 ext. 231 or dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org.

Holiday Crafts for Kids

Try these craft ideas to get your kids excited for the Jewish New Year.



that you can do at home as a family to get ready for the New Year.

Engaging with the Jewish calendar before you even arrive at Beth Tzedec for the High Holy Days will have your kids asking lots of incredible questions and counting down the days until they can show off all they know!

- 1. Rosh Hashanah Cards. Help your kids make a list of special family members and friends and then create unique and fun cards to send to everyone on your list. Your kids will enjoy and so will the recipients of the cards. Below are a few ideas for decorating your cards:
 - Cut an apple in half—top to bottom, dip the flat side in paint and use it as a stamp to decorate cards.
 - Create Mad Libs for the inside
 of the card to help your child
 come up with what to write. You
 could also send the card as a
 Mad Libs and invite the recipient
 to fill it out.
 - Make a stained glass effect on the front of the card. Cut an apple, shofar, or honey-pot shape out of the front of your card. Tape down a piece of cellophane paper on to the front. Your child can glue the tissue paper onto the cellophane, and *voila*...stained glass!

- 2. Set your Rosh Hashanah Table together. Here is one idea that you can use to make your Rosh Hashanah table lots of fun:
 - Serve your honey inside an apple. Slice off the top half of the apple and set aside. Using a melon baller, have your kids scoop out the flesh of the apple. When it comes time to serve, fill the hollowed apple with honey and serve with apple slices.
- **3. Yom Kippur Slippers.** Start to talk about Yom Kippur with your children. You can use this fun craft as a jumping off point:
 - Using a foam sheet, trace each of your child's feet and cut them out. Then trace a semi-circle about the size of the top of their feet, add three tabs that you will be able to use to tape the top part of the slipper onto the bottom. Make one tab in the front by the toes and one on each of the sides of the semi-circle. Tabs should be 1 inch thick and 1 inch wide. Have your child decorate the semi-circle shape with foam stickers. When done, use strong tape to secure the top of the slipper to the bottom.

Source:

http://jewishhomeschool.blogspot.ca/ 2011/10/yom-kippur-activites.html

- 4. Sukkah Diorama. Whether or not you have a sukkah at your house, making your own mini versions can either be great decoration or your own special way to bring the holiday of Sukkot to your home. Find an old shoe box, gather together your art supplies and get started. After the popularity of *The Lego Movie*, it would be lots of fun to put your own Lego family in your mini-sukkah.
- 5. Thanksgiving Sukkot Centrepieces. Paint pumpkins to use as centrepieces in your sukkah. Guests to your sukkah will be impressed by your little artists:
 - Use Hebrew stencils to write Hag Sukkot Sameah.
 - Paint pictures of the *Ushpizin* (special guests) that visit your sukkah.
 - Paint pictures of the *Bikkurim*—seven species.
- 6. Candy Torahs for Simhat Torah: For dessert one night, make candy Torahs out of pretzel sticks and fruit roll-ups. Decorate with icing and sprinkles for extra-beautiful results.

Source:

http://biblebeltbalabusta.com/2011/10/19/instant-edible-torah-scroll

SAVE THE DATE!

Family Fun Day

December 25 is our sixth annual Family Fun Day with activities and programs for children of all ages. Watch for details.

JEWISH ROAD SHOW & SILENT AUCTION

with | onathan Greenstein

Sunday, October 26

10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Join us for a fabulous day with Judaica expert Jonathan Greenstein of New York who will deliver appraisals of Jewish personal treasures in front of a live audience. Come ready to bid on Jewish art and Judaica at a silent auction.

Cost: \$10 general admission; \$18 admission with appraisal. Lunch available for purchase.

There are a limited number of appraisal spaces available which must be booked in advance. For information or to register for an appraisal, contact Museum Curator Dorion Liebgott at 416-781-3514 ext. 232 or dliebgott@beth-tzedec.org.





Friday Night Live Kabbalat Shabbat Service & Dinner

Friday, October 24 beginning at 6:00 PM

Bring the family and celebrate Shabbat with Cantor Simon Spiro at our Friday Night Live Kabbalat Shabbat Service followed by a sumptuous dinner with music, singing and fun.

Cost: \$40 Adults; \$18 Youth (ages 5 to 14), \$6 Children (ages 1 to 4). Dinner by advance reservation only. RSVPs must be received by Monday, October 20.

For information or to reserve, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

Another Spectacular Production

We've done it again, and by "we", we mean Cantor Spiro and his bag of tricks. Somehow, each year he manages to out-do himself and keep Beth Tzedec on the map.

This past May, Beth Tzedec presented *The Kids From Brooklyn*, another spectacular musical production, featuring the songs of Neil Sedaka, Carole King, Neil Diamond and Barry Manilow. Starring Simon Spiro, this concert was a highlight event for *Jewish Music Week in Toronto* and quickly sold out at the George Weston Hall in the Toronto Centre for the Arts.

Beth Tzedec members should know by now that our synagogue concerts are not typical synagogue concerts in any way. The multi-media show, written by our own secret treasure Aliza Spiro, shared the songs and followed the intertwining lives of these four Jewish songwriters who changed the face of popular music forever.

Cantor Simon was accompanied by the 22-piece Brill Building Concert Orchestra and joined onstage by the Manhat-tones, made of up five of the most amazing vocalists

this town has ever heard. Toronto's leading *a cappella* group Cadence had a special cameo appearance, as did Beth Tzedec's marvelous children's choir, The Voices of Tomorrow.

We hesitate to mention the fundraising aspect of this event, since as soon as people hear "fundraiser" they immediately think that they're doing us a favour by attending. But there's no denying that, in addition to entertaining hundreds of music lovers, we also raised an enormous amount of money for Beth Tzedec.

We are proud to have been co-chairs of the Music Committee and to work with Cantor Spiro. He has brought the Beth Tzedec name to the forefront of the Toronto music world, as well as the international synagogue music world. Looking forward to another fantastic year of sensational music events at Beth Tzedec!

—Ian Zagdanski and Howard Winston, 2013/14 Music Committee Co-Chairs









Shabbat @ Beth Tzedec

Family Shabbat

October II and November I, beginning at 10:00 AM

Little Minyan Family Service: This new service offers a lively and engaging prayer service with participation from youth, teens and families. It incorporates singing and familiar tunes, marks upcoming birthdays with a special aliyah, includes a full Torah reading and offers many ways for participants to connect. There are unique options for all ages and interests, with everyone coming together for the concluding prayers and a family lunch in the L'Chaim Hall.

Shabbat Learning: From II:00 to II:40 AM, adults can join Daniel Silverman for an innovative look at the week's Parasha and other relevant topics. Participants rejoin the Little Minyan Family Service for Musaf.

Junior Congregation: From II:00 to I2:00 NOON, kids ages 6 to I2 will enjoy a Family Shabbat extravaganza with games, prizes, competitions and tons of fun, before joining the Little Minyan Family Service for final prayers.

Tot Shabbat: From II:00 to I2:00 NOON, younger children with a parent will participate in exciting activities and fun games developed by *Jewnior Games*, before joining the Little Minyan Family Service for final prayers.

Family Shabbat Lunch: We conclude every Family Shabbat with a delicious lunch in the L'Chaim Hall. Eat, drink and shmooze with friends both old and new.

Torah Tots and Nursery (ages 3 to 5)

10:15 AM to 12:00 NOON

Every Shabbat and Yom Tov (except when their is a Family Shabbat). Drop your children off or join them for singing, stories, free play and a snack.

Junior Congregation (ages 6 to 12)

10:30 AM to 12:00 NOON

Every Shabbat and Yom Tov (II:00 AM on Family Shabbat). A dynamic program with activities, games, engaging and creative prayer, unique looks at the Parasha and holidays, and quality time with our *Shinshinim*. |unior Congregation is divided into two groups based on age, and will often regroup for exciting programs together. Back this year: *Beth Tzedec Shekels* can be earned and exchanged for prizes.

Young Shamashim

Following Services on October 18 & 25, and November 15, 22 & 29

An intensive program for B'nei Mitzvah candidates interested in improving their davening—an essential |ewish skill. Following services, meet for a nosh, zemirot and learning.

For Children in Grades I to 5

Shabbat Sports Afternoons

Every Shabbat, beginning October 18 2:30 to 4:00 PM

Programming alternates weekly between games with our *Shinshinim* Ofir and Or and hockey organized by high school students Aaron and Max. There is no better way to spend a Shabbat afternoon.

For Children 0 to 5 years and their Families

P| Library Story Time

Sundays, September 2I and November 30 II:00 AM to I2:00 NOON

Come out for a cozy morning of stories, songs, games and other activities around the P| Library book of the month.

For Children in SK to Grade 5 (Nitzanim & Kokhavim)

Are You Rosh Hashanah Ready?

Sunday, September 21 12:15 to 2:00 PM

Rosh Hashanah is just around the corner. Enjoy pre-holiday fun with apples, shofars and more! Cost: \$5 (includes lunch).

Yom Shlishi for Nitzanim

Tuesdays, October 7 and November 4 **Yom Shlishi for** *Kokhavim*

Tuesdays, October 28 and November 18 4:00 to 5:30 PM

Join our *Shinshinim* Ofir and Or for drama, games and fun, and experience Israeli culture first-hand. *Yom Shlishi* (Tuesday)—guaranteed excitement! Cost: \$5.

Kokhav Nolad Music Videos

Sunday, November 2 12:00 NOON to 2:00 PM

Are you the next Beth Tzedec star? Come out and make music videos that have the power to inspire people. Everyone is welcome. Cost: \$10 (includes lunch).

For Children in Grades 6 to 8 (Kesher)

TOPs (Tikkun Olam Projects)

Sundays, September 2I and November 2 4:00 to 6:00 PM

Join us for special *tikkun olam* projects where we will discuss the concept of repairing the world and do different hands-on projects that interest YOU. Fixing the world starts with TOPs!

For Children in Grade 8

Sukkah Party

Tuesday, October 14 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Reunite with friends from the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Program in the Beth Tzedec Sukkah and enjoy food, games and hanging out with our *Shinshinim*.

Grade 8 Hadashot

Tuesday, October 28 7:00 to 9:00 PM

Join our Shinshinim Ofir and Or at Aroma Café in Spadina Village as we discuss what is going on in our homeland. Whether you are confident in your understanding of Israeli current events or interested in learning more, this is a nice informal atmosphere for learning and conversation.

To register, or for more information about any of our Youth and Family Programs, contact Aily Leibtag, Youth Director, at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or aleibtag@beth-tzedec.org.

Grade 8 Tikkun Olam Project

Wednesday, November 19 6:30 to 8:00 PM

Enjoy the opportunity to reunite with old friends from the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Program as we work together on a special *tikkun olam* project.

For Teens in Grades 9 to 12 (BTTeens)

Teen Shabbat Lunch

Shabbat, November 8 12:00 NOON to 1:30 PM

Enjoy a Shabbat lunch get-together...and the opportunity to shmooze and discuss the latest hot topics with other teens.

Hadashot for BTTeens

Wednesday, October 29 7:00 to 9:00 PM

Meet our *Shinshinim* Ofir and Or at Aroma Café in Spadina Village to discuss the latest *hadashot* (news) from Israel.

Jewish Service Network Trip to Detroit

Thursday to Sunday, November 13 to 16

Don't miss two days of hands-on volunteer work in downtown Detroit, Michigan, a fun way to get volunteer hours. Trip departs Thursday evening, returning Sunday evening. Spend Shabbat with local |ewish teens and enjoy an exciting Saturday night activity. Cost: \$325/person (\$300/person for siblings)

Information Session: Tuesday, October 7 at 7:30 PM

For Families

Family Dinner in the Sukkah

Wednesday, October 8 5:45 PM

Join us for a special Sukkot Yom Tov dinner in the sukkah with music and activities led by our *Shinshinim* Ofir and Or, followed by a delicious holiday meal. Don't miss this opportunity to eat outdoors on Sukkot. All are welcome, whether or not you have a sukkah at home. Cost: \$36 Adults; \$18 Youth (ages 5-14), \$6 Children (ages 1-4). In case of inclement weather, dinner will be held inside. Space is limited—reserve by Tuesday, September 30.

Family Shabbat Service & Sukkah Hop

Shabbat, October II Service begins at 10:00 AM

oin the Little Minyan Family Service for a lively and engaging service, geared especially to youth and teens. From II:00 to II:40 AM adults can join Daniel Silverman for **Shabbat Learning** and an innovative look at the week's Parasha and other relevant topics before joining the Service for Musaf. From II:00 AM to I2:00 NOON, kids ages 6 to I2 meet for **|unior Congregation** and enjoy a Family Shabbat extravaganza with games, prizes and fun, while younger children and their parents participate in **Tot Shabbat** with exciting activities and fun games provided by Jewnior Games. Everyone will join the Service for concluding prayers before the Family Shabbat Lunch and annual Sukkah Hop where we'll visit the sukkahs of families in the community and enjoy lots of treats and fun activities along the way.

Family Simhat Torah Celebration

Thursday, October 16 5:30 to 8:30 PM

Join us for holiday crafts, games and a kids' Torah party (recommended for children up to age 7), followed by a dinner for families of all ages beginning at 6:30 PM. Dinner by advance reservation only by Tuesday, October I4. The party continues at our synagogue-wide *Hakafot* with singing, dancing, candy, food and drinks. Cost for dinner: \$15 Adults; \$10 Children.

Family Shabbat Dinner

Friday, November 7 5:30 PM

Following a wonderful Kabbalat Shabbat service and a child-friendly Shabbat dinner, Chuck Sherman will speak about resilience while referencing his son Eyal, a quadriplegic from the age of 4 and university graduate. Our *Shinshinim* Ofir an Or will entertain kids with special activities.

Cost for dinner: \$36 Adults; \$18 Youth (ages 5-14); \$6 Children (ages 1-4). Dinner by advance reservation only by Monday, November 3.

Family Tikkun Olam Program

Monday, November 10 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Bring the whole family together and lend a helping hand by making soup for the cold and hungry.

B) Library Story Time

(For children ages 6 months to 6 years and their families)

11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

Come out for a cozy morning of stories, songs, games and other activities

that revolve around the PJ Library book of the month. No charge.

Sundays—September 21, November 30, March 22 and April 19





No charge. RSVP to Aily Leibtag at 416-781-3511 ext. 239 or aleibtag@beth-tzedec.org.

The many creative ways we experience Shabbat

Kabbalat Shabbat Services *Every Friday night. Check the weekly e-newsletter (The Week Ahead), website and monthly calendars for service and candle lighting times.*

Sanctuary Services 8:45 AM, every Shabbat.

For everyone. Our musical Sanctuary Service offers a complete spiritual and liturgical Shabbat experience. Cantor Simon Spiro and the Beth Tzedec Singers lead Shaḥarit and Musaf, with varied music each week, including new arrangements of traditional pieces, as well as beloved singable melodies. Rabbis Baruch Frydman-Kohl and Adam Cutler offer insights into our Torah and tradition. Lorne Hanick and Cantor Sidney Ezer lead the preliminary service and are joined by a cadre of Torah Readers/Ba'alei Keriyah to chant the weekly Torah portions. Lift your soul in prayer as you sing along, or close your eyes in meditation and be carried away by the magnificent harmonic sounds of our inspirational Shabbat morning service.

Little Minyan Services 9:30 AM, every Shabbat except when there is a Family Shabbat. For those looking to be more actively involved in the worship experience, we offer a traditional service in a welcoming, relaxed, family-friendly atmosphere. Participants lead portions of the service, read Torah and Haftarah, study the Torah portion of the week and join together in singing various prayers. A song tape of Little Minyan tunes is available on request. Contact Cantor Sidney Ezer or Lorne Hanick to arrange to learn and lead parts of the service. Torah readers, daveners and those wishing to give a D'var Torah are always welcome and are offered support and teaching. Come and experience an exceptional Shabbat morning service full of song, spirit and warmth.

Monthly Family Shabbat *beginning at* 10:00_{AM}, *Shabbat mornings*, October 11 and November 1. See page 20 for details.

Little Minyan Family Service 10:00AM

Join the Little Minyan Family Service for a lively and engaging service, geared especially to youth and teens.

Shabbat Learning (for Adults) 11:00AM to 11:40AM Join Daniel Silverman for Shabbat Learning and an innovative look at the week's Parasha and other relevant topics before rejoining the Service for Musaf.

Junior Congregation (Ages 6 to 12) 11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON Meet for Junior Congregation and enjoy a Family Shabbat extravaganza with games, prizes and fun.

Tot Shabbat (Ages 3 to 5) 11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON Younger children and their parents can participate in Tot Shabbat with exciting activities and fun games provided by *Jewnior Games*.

Can't Get Enough Torah? Here's more!



Weekly Torah study with Professor Arnold Ages 9:30 to 10:30 AM every Shabbat. Traditional and modern interpretations of the weekly Torah reading.

Lively Learning with Cantor Simon Spiro
Following Services on October 18 and November 22.
Enjoy your Kiddush and study the weekly *parashah* with our Cantor. Explore fascinating commentaries of Rashi and other great sages, all presented with passion and knowledge by our amusing *Hazzan*.

Torah Next Dor with Rabbi Adam Cutler II:00 AM on October I8 and November I5 Join Young Professionals@BT in Rabbi Frydman-Kohl's study, as we eat, drink and examine pressing topics from sources both ancient and modern.

Jewish Meditation with Michelle Katz 10:00 to 11:15 AM on October 25 and November 29. *See page 48 for further details.*

our guide to Torah				
September 20	25 Elul	Nitzavim-Vayelekh	Deuteronomy 29:9-31:30	1165-1179
•		•	Isaiah Chapter 61:10-63:9	1180-1184
September 25	l Tishrei	Rosh Hashanah,	lst Torah: Genesis Chapter 21	100-102
		First Day*	2nd Torah: Numbers 29:1-6	103
			I Samuel I:I-2:I0	104-106
September 26	2 Tishrei	Rosh Hashanah,	Ist Torah: Genesis Chapter 22	109-110
		Second Day*	2nd Torah: Numbers 29:1-6	111
			eremiah 31:2-20	111-112
September 27	3 Tishrei	Ha'azinu	Deuteronomy Chapter 32	1185-1195
		Shabbat Shuvah	Hosea 14:2-10, oel 2:15-17, Micah 7:18-20	1234-1239
October 4	10 Tishrei	Yom Kippur	lst Torah: Leviticus Chapter 16	309-312
		Morning*	2nd Torah: Numbers 29:7-II	313
			Isaiah 57:14-58:14	315-316
		Yom Kippur	Leviticus Chapter 18	409-410
		Afternoon*	The Book of Jonah, Micah 7:18-20	411-414
October 9	15 Tishrei	Sukkot, First Day	lst Torah: Leviticus 22:26-23:44	723-730
		Rosh Ḥodesh Tammuz	2nd Torah: Numbers 29:12-16	934
			Zechariah 14:1-211	1252-1255
October 10	16 Tishrei	Sukkot, Second Day	lst Torah: Leviticus 22:26-23:44	723-730
			2nd Torah: Numbers 29:12-16	934
			l Kings 8:2-21	1256-1258
October II	17 Tishrei	Sukkot, Intermediate	lst Torah: Exodus 33:12-34:26	538-544
		Shabbat	2nd Torah: Numbers 29:17-22	935
			Ezekiel 38:18-39:16	1259-1262
October I6	22 Tishrei	Shemini Atzeret	lst Torah: Deuteronomy 14:22-16:17	1074-1084
			2nd Torah: Numbers 29:35-30:1	936
			I Kings 8:54-66	1263-1265
October I7	23 Tishrei	Simḥat Torah	Ist Torah: Deuteronomy Chapters 33-34	1202-1212
			2nd Torah: Genesis I:I-2:3	3-12
			3rd Torah: Numbers 29:35-30:1	936
October 18	24 Tishrei	Bereisheet	Genesis I:I-6:8	3-34
		Shabbat Mevarkhim	Isaiah 42:5-43:10	35-40
October 25	I Ḥeshvan	Noaḥ	lst Torah: Genesis 6:9-11:32	41-63
		Rosh Ḥodesh Ḥeshvan	2nd Torah: Numbers 28:9-15	930-931
			Isaiah Chapter 66	1219-1223
November I	8 Ḥeshvan	Lekh Lekha	Genesis Chapters 12-17	69-93
			Isaiah 40:27-41:16	94-98
November 8	15 Ḥeshvan	Vayeira	Genesis Chapters 18-22	99-122
			2 Kings 4:I-37	123-126
November 15	22 Ḥeshvan	Ḥayyei Sarah	Genesis 23:1-25:18	127-141
	•		l Kings 1:1-31	142-145

^{*}Page numbers for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur refer to the Silverman High Holy Day prayer book. Others refer to the Etz Ḥayim Ḥumash.

The Shoshana Shier Memorial Annual Lecture

Sermons in Wood: The Lost Synagogues of Poland

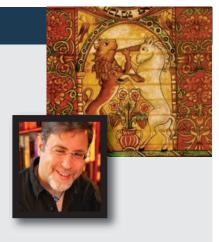
with Prof. Marc Epstein

Monday, October 20 at 7:30 PM

A carpet, a forest, a lush landscape of flora and fauna—the stunningly gorgeous but now destroyed painted wooden synagogues of Poland yield their mystery to our penetrating analysis, revealing hidden symbols, forgotten secrets and subversive dreams. No charge.

For information, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

Presented with the participation of the Beth Tzedec Reuben and Helene Dennis Museum



Marc Epstein, Professor of Religion at Vassar College, has been teaching for over two decades. He currently occupies the Shoshana Shier Visiting Distinguished Professorship in the Art Department at the University of Toronto. A graduate of Oberlin College, Epstein received his MA, MPhil, and PhD at Yale University, and did much of his graduate research at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

PersonalizedMedicine

Israel's Weizmann Institute of Science is one of the world's leading multidisciplinary research institutions, working to improve our understanding of nature and our place within it. Join us as two of their scientists discuss their work.

Mondays—1:30 to 3:30 PM

October 20: Innovations and New Discoveries

with Dr. Sergio Peisajovich

October 27: Killing Cancer Cells: Can We Program How Cells Behave?

with Dr. Atan Gross



Dr. Sergio G. Peisajovich is an assistant professor in the Department of Cell and Systems Biology at the University of Toronto. He received his PhD from the Weizmann Institute of Science.



Dr. Atan Gross is a member of the Department of Biological Regulation at the Weizmann Institute in Israel. He received his PhD at Hebrew University in Jerusalem and performed post-doctoral studies at the Dana Farber Cancer institute in Boston. Prof. Gross is the incumbent Marketa & Frederick Alexander Professorial Chair.

For information, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

Fun at Camp Ramah



Beth Tzedec's campers at Camp Ramah pose with Daniel Silverman and Aily Leibtag.

Fun at Camp Shalom



Beth Tzedec's Camp Shalom campers enjoy a day with Aily Leibtag.

Bar/Bat Mitzvah

Beth Tzedec Congregation continues the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Club, a program for children with difficulty in social situations.

We are looking for students with a Bar/Bat Mitzvah in 2014/2015 who are seeking to prepare for this experience with peers in a program suited to their needs. This program is tailored for students who have:

- difficulty with social situations in comparison to their same-aged peers (such as children with social anxiety, gifted learning disabilities, non-verbal learning disabilities and Asperger Syndrome);
- challenges that can be re-directed with support; and
- an understanding, appreciation or knowledge of their own interpersonal challenges.

The Bar/Bat Mitzvah Club is spearheaded by a cadre of educators, clergy and committed congregants, together with a team of skilled, highly trained experts in various fields, including group facilitators with many years of experience working with kids with special needs.

The program will consist of nine evening sessions with dinner. A valuable and voluntary parent group will run concurrently with the children's sessions. The highly subsidized cost of the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Club is \$700.

For information, contact Daniel Silverman at 416-781-3514 ext. 231 or dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org.

This program has been made possible thanks to the Elizabeth Rose Herman Education Bursary of Beth Tzedec Congregation

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HOLOCAUST EDUCATION WEEK Closing Night & Kristallnacht Commemoration

Sunday, November 9 at 7:30 PM

The term *Kristallnacht* calls up images of grand synagogues in flames and shattered shop windows. But there was more to the November pogrom than even these dramatic scenes convey. Dr. Doris Bergen explores some less familiar aspects of the "Night of Broken Glass." What happened to Jews in small towns and rural areas? What about Jewish inhabitants of the Sudetenland, annexed by Nazi Germany just months earlier? In November 1938, some 25,000 German Jewish men were arrested and sent to concentration camps. What do we know about their fates and the impact on their families? In keeping with the theme of Collaboration, special attention will be paid to the role played during Kristallnacht by non-Jewish Germans, Austrians and Czechs: schoolteachers, police, Christian clergy, and neighbours.

The evening includes a candle-lighting ceremony commemorating the 76th anniversary of *Kristallnacht*. A dessert reception follows the program.

Keynote presenter: **Doris L. Bergen**, the Chancellor Rose and Ray Wolfe Professor of Holocaust Studies at University of Toronto is the 2014 Holocaust Week Scholar-in-Residence. Her research focuses on issues of religion, gender and ethnicity in the Holocaust and World War II. She is author of several books including *Twisted Cross: The German Christian Movement in the Third Reich* and *War and Genocide: A Concise History of the Holocaust*. Professor Bergen has taught at the Universities of Warsaw, Pristina, Tuzla, Notre Dame and Vermont.

Closing Night is generously co-sponsored by Judith and Lawrence Tanenbaum, in loving memory of Elizabeth Comper; and by Collins Barrow Toronto LLP.

The Scholar-in-Residence is generously sponsored by Cohen Family Charitable Trust.

Closing Night's production is generously co-sponsored by Magen Boys Entertainment.

Dessert reception is generously co-sponsored by Stephen, Marilyn, Jessica & Chelsea Sinclair, in loving memory of Ernie Weiss, a survivor speaker for more than 20 years. His commitment to educating students about the Holocaust inspired us to continue his legacy; and by Martin and Eleanor Maxwell, in memory of his sisters, Josephine and Erna Meisels who died in the Holocaust; and by Scotiabank, Bathurst & Sheppard Branch.







BTTEENS (GRADES 9 TO 12)

JEWISH SERVICE NETWORK TRIP TO DETROIT

November 13 to 16





- Two days of hands-on volunteer work in downtown Detroit, Michigan
- Fun way to get volunteer hours
- Departing Thursday evening, returning Sunday evening
- Spend Shabbat with local |ewish teens
- Fun Saturday night activity
- Cost: \$325/person (\$300/person for siblings)

For many decades, Detroit has fought to maintain its population and economic stability. While there is a new movement to repopulate and reinvigorate the downtown core, there are still many residents and areas in need of support. Learn about the social, economic and racial issues facing this struggling city, and meet with organizations and individuals working to improve the situation. Community service hours available. Space is limited and will be booked on a first come, first served basis.

Information Session:

Tuesday, October 7 at 7:30PM

Mandatory Pre-Trip Orientation and Training Session:

Wednesday, November 5 at 7:30PM (includes dinner)

To register or learn more, contact Aily Leibtag at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or aleibtag@beth-tzedec.org.

Presented in partnership with





Life on the University Campus:

A Safe Haven or a Hotbed of Anti-Israel Activity?

Wednesday, November 12 at 7:30 PM

In light of the rise of 'new' anti-Semitism throughout the world, our distinguished panel will discuss the challenges faced by students on local college campuses through both fact and the fiction of Dr. Nora Gold in her new book *Fields of Exile*. What can Jewish students, instructors and others concerned with this issue do? No charge.



Nora Gold

is author of *Fields of Exile*, the first novel about Anti-Israelism on campus. She is also an editor and associate scholar at OISE/University or Toronto's Centre for Women's Studies in Education.



Dr. Marty Lockshin

is chair of the Department of Humanities, York University. He received rabbinical ordination at Yeshivat Mercaz Harav Kook in Israel and his PhD from Brandeis University.



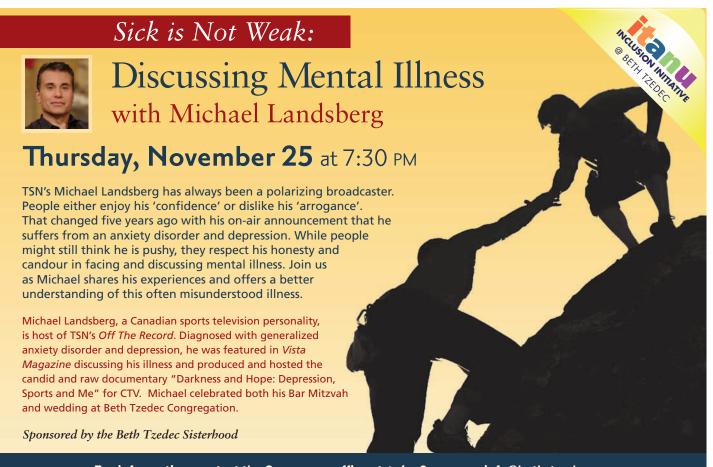
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is the executive director of Hillel Greater Toronto.

Fields

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Sponsored in part by the Itta and Eliezer Zeisler Memorial Lectures





Following a wonderful Kabbalat Shabbat service and a child-friendly Shabbat dinner at 6:30 PM, Chuck Sherman will speak about resilience while referencing his son Eyal, a quadriplegic from the age of 4 and university graduate. Our *Shinshinim* Ofir an Or will entertain kids with special activities. Cost for dinner: \$36 Adults; \$18 Youth (ages 5-14); \$6 Children (ages 1-4). Dinner by advance reservation only, Contact the Synagogue Office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org by Monday, November 3. *Presented in partnership with Robbins Hebrew Academy*

Shabbat, November 8—Pulpit Address Maintaining Faith in Difficult Times

Rabbi Charles Sherman shares his personal reflections about the challenges of maintaining faith when life events seem to suggest giving up or giving in. Using examples from his own life and within the context of Holocaust Education Week, Rabbi Sherman will leave you feeling inspired to take on difficult moments.

Sunday, November 9 at 9:30 AM

Can My Son Have a Bar Mitzvah? A Rabbi and Father of a Profoundly-Challenged Child Shares his Story of Inclusion, Hope and Possibility

Using coverage from DATELINE about his family and son Eyal, Rabbi Sherman explores the ways that Jewish communities have addressed issues of inclusion. He will speak about Eyal's journey through Bar Mitzvah and into adulthood, and how Jewish institutions around the continent have prioritized inclusion of challenged individuals.







For information or to RSVP, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

VOICES OF TOMORROW BETH TZEDEC CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children ages 7 and up who enjoy singing are invited to be a part of our Children's Choir. This musical group will sing with the Beth Tzedec Singers, performing in concerts around the city and for the Congregation.

For information or to register, please contact Marlene Laba at 416-781-3514 ext. 234 or aleibtag@beth-tzedec.org or Cantor Simon Spiro at ext. 223 or cantorsimon@beth-tzedec.org.





Second Annual Beth Tzedec Men's Club Golf Classic

ON A DRIZZLY FRIDAY THE 13TH (OF | UNE), 40 DEDICATED

golfers and their entourage of supporters met at Kings Riding Golf Club. Though their handicaps may have been considerable and the PGA did not send scouts (yet), all who participated had a wonderful day on the greens and helped the Men's Club raise funds in support of Synagogue projects and events.

The Men's Club is grateful for the support of all the donors and organizers who again made this annual event an outstanding success.

Mark Your Calendars:

The Third Annual Beth Tzedec Men's Club Golf Classic will be held on Thursday, May 28 at Kings Riding Golf Club. The 2015 event will include lunch and a dinner awards ceremony following. Watch for more details over the coming months.









DAY TRIPS IN JEWISH HISTORY

With educator and lecturer

HANA WERNER

WEDNESDAYS:

1:30 PM Refreshments 2:00 PM Lecture

10 sessions: \$60; 5 sessions: \$40 \$10 per session at the door

PART ONE:

The Spirit and Intrigue of the Biblical Scrolls

October 22

Song of Songs: The Erotic and Transformative

October 29

Megillat Kohelet (Ecclesiastes): King Solomon's Lessons for Living

November 5

Scroll of Esther: An Unlikely Heroine

November 12

Scroll of Ruth: The Personification of Modern Women

November 19

Dead Sea Scrolls: An Overview and their Impact

PART TWO:

Personality as a Factor in Jewish History

April 15

Judah and Tamar: The Story of Disguise and Intrigue

April 22

Rebels in the Bible

April 29

Nameless Biblical Women

May 6

Joshua: A Man of His Season

May 13

Destined from Birth: Samson and His Escapades



The Bernard Betel Centre is providing a **free blood pressure clinic** from 1:00 to 2:00 PM on October 22, November 19, April 15 and May 13 before the Hana Werner lecture.

To register, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or email zglassman@beth-tzedec.org.

Generously sponsored in memory of Cantor Joseph Cooper z"!

Games Afternoon—A Huge Success!

At our Games Afternoons in April, 12 players came out and enjoyed four weeks of Mah-|ong lessons courtesy of Mona Moldaver, who volunteered her time and expertise. Since the first day, the program has continued to grow, and we now have four to five *Majh* groups playing each week, as well as two to three tables of Bridge players. We are always looking to welcome new participants; everyone is welcome to join. We meet Thursday afternoons from 2:00 to 4:00 PM (1:30 PM start for Bridge players). We are looking for donations of Mah-|ong sets for some of our participants to use. If you have one please contact me.

Special thanks to Lynne Taradash, Sharon Fish and Lisa Wiseman for volunteering their time each week to offer *Mahj* tips to our novice players. Thanks also to Joyce Raymond and Tilly Oslender, each of whom generously donated Bridge tables.

We have received several requests to add Chess to our weekly offerings. If you would like to join, or if you would be interested volunteering to provide instruction to novice Chess players, please contact me at Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

Visiting or Chatting with the Elderly

Our program of matching volunteers to either call or visit those living in seniors' residences has been very successful. Those receiving visits are appreciative of the connection, and wonderful friendships have been formed. We are always looking for volunteers to take part in this wonderful *mitzvah* opportunity. If you would like to get involved, please contact me through the Synagogue office.

Driving the Elderly to Synagogue

Volunteers are needed to drive members to and from Services on an occasional basis. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lynn Levy at 416-781-3514 ext. 227.

Hesed Fund Occasion Cards

Hesed cards are available for purchase through the Synagogue office for all your family occasions. Contributions help support a variety of Hesed projects throughout the year.

Out of the Cold 2015

The I6th season of Out of the Cold will again run on Tuesday nights from January 6 to March 24, 2015. It is offered jointly with Beth Sholom Synagogue out of their premises. Last year, each week, we fed 200 guests and provided sleeping accommodations for 55 guests.

We are always looking for new volunteers to join our team. Shifts are approximately two hours in length, and volunteers can sign up for a variety of times, including the dinner set-up shift, dinner service, distribution of warm clothing, overnight shifts and breakfast preparation on Wednesday mornings. This program is an excellent Bar/Bat Mitzvah project, and community service hours are provided for high school students.

The Out of the Cold program is completely self-funded, relying on donations from members of the Congregation and the community-at-large. In addition to financial support, we are in need of new or gently used adult winter weather wear (coats and ski jackets, boots, running shoes, sweatpants, sweatshirts, gloves, hats, etc.), as well as sleeping bags and warm blankets. Travel-sized toiletries are always welcome. Donations to the program should be bagged, labeled and dropped off at Beth Sholom weekdays between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM beginning October 15.

Any large donations of NEW items, such as underwear, t-shirts, sweatpants, sweatshirts and toiletries, as well as items such as coffee, tea, tuna or paper products (plates, cutlery and cups) will be eligible for a tax receipt for the value of the goods.

For information on registering to be a volunteer for Out of the Cold, check the Beth Tzedec website in November. If you have any questions about this program, please leave a message for me at the Synagogue office.

—Maureen Tanz Chair, Hesed Committee

Wishing you and your family a very healthy, happy and sweet new year

Book and Film Club Selections 2014-2015

Mondays—Lunch 1:00 PM; Reviews 1:30 PM

All six sessions: \$90 for members of Beth Tzedec Congregation; \$110 for non-members \$20 per session at the door. To register, please contact Zina Glassman at 416-781-3511 or zglassman@beth-tzedec.org.



SEPTEMBER 15

A Guide for the Perplexed Professor Ruby Newman explores Dara Horn's latest novel.

This fast-paced thriller explores memory, fate and free will as evident through the unravelling of a kidnapping plot.

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Forest Hill Place Retirement Residence

OCTOBER 6

The Marrying of Chani Kaufman Cynthia Good reviews Eve Harris' novel.

This page-turner provides insight into the ultra-orthodox lewish world, as the secular and religious worlds collide for the heroes of the book.

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Terraces of Baycrest

NOVEMBER 3

Between Gods: A Memoir

Author Alison Pick discusses her own personal story of reclaiming her identity.

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The Bernard Betel Centre is providing **free blood pressure clinics** from I2:00 NOON to I:00 PM prior to all sessions of the BT Book & Film Club.

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MARCH 30

The Afterlife of Stars Author Joe Kertes talks about his novel.

As the Russian tanks roll into Budapest in 1956 to crush the Hungarian Revolution, two young brothers struggle with sibling rivalry, family secrets and incalculable loss.

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APRIL 20

The Golem and the Jinni Cathy Tile reviews Helene Wecker's magical novel.

A mix of historical fiction, fantasy and a fairy-tale romance, this book explores the philosophical questions of identity, emigration, place and time.

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MAY II, 10:30 AM

Bethlehem

Shlomo Schwartzberg, film critic and educator, analyzes the movie after the screening.

In this award-winning film, director Yuval Adler brings to life the complex relationship between an Israeli Secret Service officer and his teenage Palestinian informant against the background of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Note: This program begins at 10:30 AM.

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Men's Club Makes a Difference

Larry Rachlin — Men's Club Man of the Year



At a recent
Federation of
Jewish Men's
Club dinner,
Larry Rachlin was
honoured as Beth
Tzedec's Man of

the Year. Larry produced the video series highlighting Rabbi Friedberg's years at Beth Tzedec and has undertaken the task of photographing and videotaping many of the lectures, programs and community events held here over the past few years. Larry also currently serves as the Men's Club chairman. Mazal tov!



Roll Member Cheryl Rosenthal has been added

New Honour

to the Men's Club Honour Roll. The daughter

of Men's Club past president Hy Cooper^{2"l}, Cheryl has assisted in reviewing the hundreds of applications received over the years



At their Awards Breakfast on Sunday, June 8, the Men's Club handed out scholarships to deserving candidates pursuing their studies in higher Jewish education.

for the Hy Cooper Scholarship Award and has become the face of the awarded program at our annual Awards Breakfast.

Men's Club Shabbat

Mark Your Calendar: Men's Club will conduct Shabbat services for the lewish war veterans and other premanent residents of Sunnybrook Hospital on November I, 2014 and lune 6, 2015. These abbreviated services begin at 10:00 AM and

conclude at approximately 12:00 NOON with a Kiddush following. Parking is free for those attending the service. Come participate in this intimate and meaningful service while performing an important *mitzvah*. For information, contact lerry Grammer at 905-889-8769 or igrammer@rogers.com.



MEN'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP HAS BENEFITS & PRIVILEGES

Men's Club is providing a new updated card for its members. A \$36 contribution provides members with:

- A plastic card that includes a three-year Jewish Holiday calendar
- Preferred seating at Men's Club sponsored events

THE FIVE BEST JEWISH BOOKS OF THE LAST TWO DECADES

with Dr. Arnold Ages

Thursdays—October 30, November 13, 20 & 27 and December 4 at 7:30 PM

October 30 The Prime Ministers

by Yehuda Avner

A close confidante and speech writer for five Israeli prime ministers, Avner's memoir captures the interactions between Israeli prime ministers and American presidents.

November 13

Maimonides: Life and Thought

by Moshe Halbertal

Halbertal's biography on Judaism's greatest thinker is culled from the massive Cairo Geniza documents.

November 20

American Post-Judaism: Identity and Renewal in a Postethnic Society

by Shaul Magid

With a background in *Ḥasidism* and classical |ewish texts, Magid reflects on the way the freedom of North American society permits |ews to re-define themselves.

November 27

The Origins of Self Hatred

by Paul Reiter

This essay examines the syndrome known as self-hate by filtering the phenomenon through three I9th century writers: Anton Kuh, Karl Kraus and Theodor Lessing.

December 4 Jews and the Military

by Derek Penslar

This groundbreaking book surveys the history of Jewish participation in the military and the "legitimacy" of military service for devout Jews who were conscripted.

Arnold Ages is the Distinguished Emeritus Professor of French Language and Literature, University of Waterloo, and Scholar-in-Residence at Beth Tzedec Congregation. He has published more than 3,000 book reviews in a wide range of scholarly journals and daily newspapers and magazines in Canada, the United States, France, Germany and Israel.

For information, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

SAVE THE DATE!

Professor Lee Levine, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Three lectures—December I, 2 and 3

The Ralph & Roslyn Halbert Visiting Scholar

Tzedek Tzedek Tirdof

Beth Tzedec member David Matlow speaks about his work with United Jewish Appeal

THERE IS A TORAH AT BETH TZEDEC THAT WAS DEDICATED BY

Joseph Kerzner in honour of his friend Judge Abraham Lieff zl on the occasion of the Judge's 100th birthday. I had the privilege of being present at Camp Ramah in Canada when the Torah was dedicated for summer use at the Camp. Judge Lieff spoke without notes to an awe-struck group of 15 year olds about his life as a lawyer and a judge and about the phrase that is embroidered on the Torah's cover: *tzedek tzedek tirdof* (justice, justice shall you pursue).

This year, I am thinking about that Torah a lot as I am co-chairing the 2015 UJA Campaign with Andrea Cohen, working with Alison Himel, also a Beth Tzedec member, as the Chair of Women's Philanthropy. As members of Beth Tzedec, Alison and I are successors to a long tradition of community leadership by members of this Congregation (and in fact the two chairs of next year's UJA Campaign, Shoel Silver and Felicia Posluns, are also Beth Tzedec members).

We use the word *tzedakah* when we talk about charity. This word comes from the Hebrew word *tzedek* or justice. In Jewish tradition, *tzedakah* is a form of distributive justice. In other words, those of us who have the capacity to help others do so because it is the fair thing to do. Co-chairing the 2015 UJA Campaign has allowed me to see first-hand how the Toronto Jewish community puts the notion of distributive justice into effect in a very significant way.

We live in an amazing community with the third largest UJA Campaign in North America (after only New York and Chicago), ahead of many communities with populations larger than ours. The dollars donated to the campaign help transform the lives of thousands of people every day. UJA donations have built the social safety net that ensures that any Jew in Toronto has a place to turn when in trouble (we hope to never use it, but should be happy it is there for whoever needs it). UJA donations ease the transition of

new immigrants to Toronto, provide outreach to our senior population who otherwise would live in social isolation, and fund formal and informal education opportunities through subsidies for schools and camps.

The opportunities we have as Jews in Toronto, the many choices available to us, and the liberties we enjoy by living here, are directly correlated to having a strong UJA campaign. As successful as our campaign is, there are needs that are unmet and people who are on waiting lists for services because of lack of funds. Our objective this year is to help as many people as possible. We do this by raising as much money in the Campaign as possible.

People often ask me how it is to be the Co-Chair of the Campaign, am I enjoying it? My answer is that by being asked to do this job, I have been given a gift. I have the opportunity to help our fellow Jews who are in need, whether they live in Toronto, Israel or somewhere in between. I have the opportunity of meeting so many members of our community who help people they don't even know and will never meet, because it is the right thing to do. I have the privilege of seeing how our community has responded to difficult social issues and crafted innovative solutions to solve them.

Sometimes it takes a number of phone calls and emails to secure a single gift to UJA (perhaps the other translation of *tirdof* as "chase" being appropriate in this circumstance). All donors to UJA are really making a difference. Together we are building and sustaining our community and Israel. Together we are advocating fairness and doing justice. *Tzedek Tzedek Tirdof*.

-by David Matlow

David Matlow is Co-Chair of the 2015 UJA Campaign together with Andrea Cohen. Alison Himel is the Chair of Women's Philanthropy.

Bereavement Group

In this group for men and women (65 years+) who have recently lost a partner or spouse, participants will have the opportunity to share their mourning experience with others in the same situation.

Six Sessions

Tuesdays—October 21 & 28 and November 4, 11, 18 & 25 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM

Topics will include:

- Coping with grief
- Living with loneliness
- Changing relationships
- New beginnings

All sessions will be held at Beth Tzedec Congregation. Cost: Free for Beth Tzedec members; \$36 for non-members.



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Your Rosh Hashanah Meal Deserves



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Applause Catering is the exclusive caterer at Beth Tzedec Congregation. We provide our clients with customized, creative and delectable menu selections, in addition to assisting with theme, décor, rentals, staffing and entertainment.

For your next simcha, our extraordinary team will deliver a flawless event and create lasting memories for you and your guests.

Wishing all our clients, family and friends a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year. For our full Rosh Hashanah menu, visit our website www.applausecatering.ca

Under the supervision of



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Adam Kruger Youth Initiatives Fund

Shirley Krem, acknowledging Ricky Kirshenblatt in memory of Lou Kirshenblatt. Harrison Levine and parents, acknowledging Aily Leibtag in memory of Faye Leibtag.

Loren and Mark Roth, honouring Joseph Milner and Allison Gerson on their daughter Gabrielle's Bat Mitzvah. Jen and Ted Starkman and family, acknowledging Ricky Kirshenblatt in memory of Lou Kirshenblatt.

Jen, Ted, Max, Ben and Emma Starkman, acknowledging Aily Leibtag in memory of Faye Leibtag.

Annual General Fund

Murray and Rona Armel, acknowledging the Firestone Family in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

David and Marcie Backstein, acknowledging the Firestone Family in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Edna Edelberg Becker, acknowledging the Firestone Family in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Graham and Enid Berg, honouring Allan and Elaine Glassman on the upcoming marriage of Michelle and Malcom.

Graham and Enid Berg, honouring Wendy and Irving Gold.

Graham and Enid Berg, honouring **Irving and Barbara Green** on their 55th anniversary.

Graham and Enid Berg, honouring Harold and Ruth Margles on their anniversary.

Graham and Enid Berg, honouring **Ruth** and **Harold Margles** on the birth of their grandson.

Graham and Enid Berg, honouring Jeanne and Irving Salit.

Graham and Enid Berg, wishing Judy Shiff a *refuah sheleimah*.

Clara Cappe, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Abraham Consky.

Bob and Sandy Cohen, acknowledging Barbara Firestone in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Barbara Cole-Levitan, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Albert Cole**.

Scott Drabin, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Abraham L. Drabin.

Larry and Vera Finkelstein, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of Esther Glassman and Ben Finkelstein.

Faye Firestone, acknowledging Barbara Firestone in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Stephen and Ilene Flatt, honouring Randy and Debbie Spiegel on the birth of their grandson.

Budgie and Joe Frieberg, honouring **Michael Kaplan** on his special birthday.

Fran Giddens, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Louis Giddens.

Renee Gordon and family, acknowledging Bonni Caron in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Jack Gwartz, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Judy Gwartz.

Helene Kerr, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Max Rosenthal.

Alissa Klein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Jack Klein.

Mildred Kriezman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Sol Glazier.

Vivian and Allan Kujavsky, acknowledging Barbara Firestone in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Dr. Lawrence and Karen Leiter, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Lora Engelbaum.

Irving Levine, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Archibald Levine**.

Dena Libman, acknowledging Dorothy Tessis in memory of Stanley Tessis.

Dena Libman, acknowledging Susan Mogil in memory of Judy Argent Leranbaum.

Dena Libman, acknowledging **Joel and Jill Reitman** in memory of **Cyril Reitman**. Ruthann and Lawrie Lubin, acknowledging

Dorothy Tessis and family in memory of Stanley Tessis.

Nancy Rabinovich, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Jack Siegel.

Joel and Linda Rose, acknowledging Barbara Firestone in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Morris and Lorraine Rotbard, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harry Rotbard.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring Randy and Debbie Spiegel on the birth of their grandson.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Teddy and Bari Zittell, acknowledging Neil Warshafsky in memory of Max Warshafsky.

Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund

Howard and Halle Cohen, honouring **Phyllis Flatt** on her birthday.

Art and Shelley Dans, honouring Phyllis Flatt on her birthday.

Ab and Phylls Flatt, acknowledging Ricky Kirshenblatt in memory of Lou Kirshenblatt.

Michael and Rochelle Kerzner and family, honouring Les and Lisa Aaron on their daughter Talia's Bat Mitzvah.

Michael and Rochelle Kerzner and family, honouring Carole and Harold Wolfe on their granddaughter Talia's Bat Mitzvah.

Larry and Nina Wallach, honouring Carolyn Kolers on her service as the President of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Larry and Nina Wallach, honouring S. Blake Teichman on his election as the President of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Larry and Nina Wallach, honouring Sheldon Rotman on his election as the Chair of the Board of Governors of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Daily Minyan Breakfast Fund

The Alexandroff Family, commemorating the 1st yahrtzeit of Harry Alexandroff.

The Arbuck and Ezer Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Marvin L. Arbuck.

Geni and Ilya Bahar, honouring the upcoming wedding of their son Ilan to Ashley Kochman.

Monique Bendavid-Hodgins and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Colette Bendavid.

Janice Bennett and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Geoffrey Bennett.

Stephen Bernhut, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Gertrude Bernhut.

Judith Betel, honouring the memory of **Joseph Betel**.

Beverley Black and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Aaron Black**.

Annette Bot and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of William Bot.

The Brenzel, Soberano and Cooper Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Joseph Cooper.

Saundra Chelin and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harry Chelin.

Moshe Chriqui, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Aharon Chriqui**.

Dr. Paul and Rochelle Citron, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Dr. Kenneth Citron.

Dr. Perry Cooper, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Doris Cooper**.

Janet and Edwin Durbin and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Alex Devon** and **David Durbin**.

Elliot Eisen, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Eisen**.

Maxine Gallander and Gall Gallander, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for Helaine Gallander.

Jeffrey Gertner and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Samuel Gertner.

Jeffrey and Jane Gertner and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of Ruth Gertner and Sidney Oscar Stern.

The Glazer Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Albert Glazer.

Helen Glazer, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Jennie Potash.

Gerold, Barry and Honey Goldlist, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Charles (Chaskell) Goldlist.

Stanley Gordon, commemorating the yahrtzeit of William Gordon.

Sen. Jerry S. and Carole Grafstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harry Sniderman.

Arlene Grajcer, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Joseph Grajcer**.

The Greenberg Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Abraham Greenberg**.

Ralph Halbert, Gerry Halbert and Rhoda Brown, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Hyman Halbert.

Brian Heller and Dr. Beverly Kupfert and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Dr. Leon Heller.

The Houser Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Cyril Houser.

Norman and Jackie Kahn and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Susan Kahn.

Stephen and Judi Kauffman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Samuel Kauffman.

Eva Kirsh, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Gerald Gringorten.

Dr. Beverly Kupfert, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Eva Kupfert**.

Glennie Lindenberg and Morley Brown, commemorating the yahrtzeit of David Brown.

Moni, Deanna, Brandon and Elana Lustig, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Martin Lubotta. Ruthe Mann, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Grace Longert.

Ruthe Mann, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harry Longert.

Harvey Minuk, commemorating the second yahrtzeit of Randy Minuk.

Jill Moscovitch, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for Sylvia Steinberg Ornstein.

Saul and Susan Muskat, honouring the birth of their granddaughter Joely Alexa Israel.

Shaindy and Billy Nathanson, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Sylvia (Chippy) Dubinsky.

Barry Phillips, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Florence Phillips.

The Plotnick Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Bernie Plotnick.

Dr. Charles Radzinski, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Thomas Radzinski**. Esterita Rajsky and Rochelle Zabitsky, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ida Zelda Chananie**.

Ian, Marlene and Mitchell Rattner, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Freda Rattner.

Laurie Rosenfield, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Frances Rosenfield.

Joe Rosenthal, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Arych Avraham ben Yisroel Hirsh.
Joe Rosenthal, commemorating the

yahrtzeit of Gertrude Rosenthal. Caren Ruby and family, commemorating

Caren Ruby and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Reta Isenberg**.

Rabbi Shalom Schachter and family, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for Rabbi Zalman Schachter-Shalomi.

The Sobel Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Bert Fine.

Cantor Deborah Staiman, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **Shirley Jane Staiman**. Jeannie Tanenbaum, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Richard Spira**.

Larry Tanenbaum and Howard Tanenbaum, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Max Tanenbaum**.

Wendy Wolfman and Coleman Rotstein and Beverly Kupfert and Brian Heller, honouring the birth of their granddaughter Orly Liv.

Dr. Wendy Wolfman and Dr. Coleman Rotstein and Dr. Patricia and Howard Goldblatt and families, making the conclusion of kaddish for Eve Wolfman. Barry Zagdanski, Ian Zagdanski and Felicia Posluns, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Henry Zagdanski.

Hesed Fund

Frances Ackerman and Henry Einstoss, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Morris Einstoss**.

Saundra Chelin, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Benjamin Chelin.

Paul and Rochelle Citron, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Henry Einstoss and Frances Ackerman, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of Bella Einstoss and Nancy Einstoss.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, acknowledging Barbara Firestone in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Helen Glazer, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Helen Glazer, honouring **Harold and Ruth Margles and family** on their $50^{\rm th}$ anniversary and the birth of their grandson.

Helen Glazer, honouring **Irving Matlow** on his granddaughter's wedding.

Helen Glazer, honouring Rose Sobel and Duke Segal on their wedding.

Helen Glazer, wishing Jeffrey Perlmutter a refuah sheleimah.

Irving Gold, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dora Gold**.

Jerold and Lillian Grammer, honouring **Harold Margles** on his birthday.

Jerold and Lillian Grammer, honouring Harold and Ruth Margles on their 50th anniversary.

The Grammer Kids, honouring Jerry Grammer.

Barbara and Irving Green, honouring Harold and Ruth Margles on the birth of their grandson.

Gloria Houser, acknowledging Edith Cantor and family in memory of Lee Cantor.

Gloria Houser, honouring Ralph and Judy Shiff on the birth of their great-grandchild.

Marsha Joseph, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Judith and Stephen Kauffman, acknowledging Dorothy Tessis and family in memory of Stanley Tessis.

Mal and Cookie Kay and family, acknowledging the Firestone Family in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Michael and Rochelle Kerzner, acknowledging Moni and Deanna Lustig in memory of Aliza Lustig. Michael and Rochelle Kerzner, honouring **S. Blake Teichman** on his election as the President of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Carole and Martin Kushner, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Marlene Laba, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Marlene Laba, acknowledging Nava Jakubovicz in memory of Iran Esther Jakubovicz.

Ronald and Anna Lee Landsberg, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his birthday.

Dena Libman, acknowledging
Aily Leibtag in memory of Faye Leibtag.

Harold and Ruth Margles, honouring Enid and Graham Berg on Enid's 80th birthday, Graham's 85th birthday and their 55th anniversary.

Harold and Ruth Margles, honouring Irving and Barbara Green on their 55th anniversary.

Harold and Ruth Margles, honouring Judy and Ralph Shiff on becoming great-grandparents.

Harold and Ruth Margles, honouring Clarice and William-Paul Warren on their 50th anniversary.

John and Molly Pollock, honouring Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl.

John and Molly Pollock, honouring Sheldon Rotman on his election as the Chair of the Board of Governors of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

John and Molly Pollock, honouring

S. Blake Teichman on his election as

President of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

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Millie Pollock, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Faye Tobenstein.

David and Shirley Promislow, honouring Ralph and Judy Shiff on the birth of their great-grandson.

Rosette Rutman, Stephen and Tamara Abrams, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Alan and Lorraine Sandler, acknowledging Hana Werner in memory of Felix Werner. Alan and Lorraine Sandler, honouring Carolyn Kolers.

Michael and Gwenn Sherman, honouring Harold and Ruth Margles on their 50th anniversary.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, honouring Harold and Ruth Margles on their 50th anniversary. Ralph and Judy Shiff, honouring Harold and Ruth Margles and family on the birth of their grandson.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, wishing Jeffrey Perlmutter a *refuah sheleimah*.

Eric Sobel, acknowledging Denice, Karen and Raymond Feig in memory of Allen Feig. Eric Sobel, acknowledging Rabbi Shalom Schachter and Marcia Gilbert in memory of Rabbi Zalman Schachter-Shalomi.

Eric Sobel, honouring Rabbi Shalom Schachter and Marcia Gilbert on the birth of their grandchild.

Rose Sobel, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of Harry Chelin, Anne Grimson and Harry Sobel.

Rose Sobel and Duke Segal, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Nathan Chelin.

Rose Sobel and Duke Segal, honouring **Drs. Coleman and Wendy Rotstein** on the birth of their first grandchild **Orly Liv.**

Paul and Mary Spring, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Cantor Deborah Staiman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Alexander Staiman.

Mel and Ruth Steinhart, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Mel and Ruth Steinhart, acknowledging Karen and Dr. Larry Weisbrod in memory of Allen Feig.

Mel and Ruth Steinhart, honouring Ralph and Judy Shiff on becoming great-grandparents.

Rabbi Roy and Loretta Tanenbaum, acknowledging Hana Werner in memory of Felix Werner.

John and Jane Trachtenberg, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Allan, Kathy and Daniel Troster, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Sydney Troster.

Lyon Wexler, acknowledging **Ken Shapiro** in memory of **Louis Shapiro**.

Lyon Wexler, honouring Solomon B. Shinder, Q.C. on his 80th birthday.

Lynn and Steve Woloz, acknowledging Barbara Firestone and family in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Phil and Eileen Wunch, acknowledging Barbara Firestone in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Teddy and Bari Zittell, acknowledging Rabbi Shalom Schachter in memory of Rabbi Zalman Schachter-Shalomi.

Howard (Hy) Cooper Trust Fund

Claude and Esther Abrams, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his birthday.

Marilyn and Ken Crafton, acknowledging Evelyn Cooper and family in memory of Stephen Miles Cooper.

Howie and Sari Grossinger and the Camp Robin Hood Family, acknowledging the Cooper Family in memory of Stephen Miles Cooper.

David, Carol, Ari, Marissa and Yonit Grossman, acknowledging the family of **Eivon Rafael** in her memory.

Sandi and Jack Grossman and family, honouring Ari Grossman on his appointment as Manager of Communications for Canada Summer Games in South Korea.

David, Carol, Ari, Marissa and Yonit Grossman, acknowledging the Cooper Family in memory of Stephen Miles Cooper.

Hon. Jack and Sandi Grossman, acknowledging the Cooper Family in memory of Stephen Miles Cooper.

Hon. Jack and Sandi Grossman, honouring David and Carol Grossman on their 40th anniversary.

Jan and Mark Lapedus, honouring Cheryl Rosenthal.

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Eleanor and Michael Minuk, acknowledging Cheryl Rosenthal in memory of Stephen Miles Cooper.

Laurie Rosenfield, honouring Helen Glazer on her 95th birthday.

Laurie Rosenfield, acknowledging Dorothy Tessis in memory of Stanley Tessis.

Pearl and Barnie Seetner, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 89th birthday.

Lou and Paula Silver, acknowledging Evelyn Cooper in memory of Stephen Miles Cooper.

Sylvia Singer and family, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his birthday.

Fran Weisberg and Leo Weksler, acknowledging Evelyn Cooper in memory of Stephen Miles Cooper.

Jewish Family Living Fund

Honey and Jack Carr, acknowledging Barbara Firestone in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Sherry and Jay Firestone and family, wishing Jeffrey Perlmutter a refuah sheleimah.

Jonathan Kahn Memorial Fund

Karen Hersh and Lawrence Davis and family, honouring Norman and Jackie Kahn on the birth of their granddaughter Devorah.

Norman and Jackie Kahn, acknowledging Rise Schwartz in memory of Laurell Schwartz. Norman and Jackie Kahn and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Jonathan Kahn.

Mark and Loren Roth, honouring Norman and Jackie Kahn on the birth of their granddaughter Devorah.

Jules and Pearl Surdin Memorial Fund

Howard and Sheila Einstoss, acknowledging the Goodman Family in memory of Irving Goodman.

Eddie and Bonny Kirschner, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 89th birthday. Cathy Surdin and Lawrence and Brooke Schiff, acknowledging Matthew Rapoport in memory of Faye White. Cathy Surdin and Lawrence and Brooke Schiff, acknowledging Adam Spears in memory of Moishe Diamond.

Kiddush Fund

Larry and Nina Wallach, honouring the Kerzner Family.

Kosher Food Bank

Mariana Grinblat and family, acknowledging A. Kreisberger in memory of Herve Kreisberger.

Irving Matlow, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Goldie Matlow.

Claire and Allan Spevack, acknowledging the Firestone Family in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Dennis and Linda Weiss, honouring Anne and Randal Weiss.

Library Books

Zina Glassman, acknowledging Hana Werner in memory of Felix Werner. Dr. Nira Kolers, honouring Carolyn Kolers on her contributions to Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Little Minyan Fund

Gary and Jan Elman, honouring the Milner Family on Gabrielle's Bat Mitzvah. Pearl and David Elman, honouring the Milner Family on Gabrielle's Bat Mitzvah. Stephen and Ilene Flatt, acknowledging Nava Jakubovicz in memory of Iran Esther Jakubovicz.

Niva Heymann, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of Nelly and Leon Brander. Jeffrey Mitz, Sephi Band and Zoe Mitz, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman. Jeffrey Mitz, Sephi Band and Zoe Mitz, honouring Shoel and Eileen Silver on the engagement of their son Aaron to Alexandria.

Allan and Ellen Rosenbluth, acknowledging Nava Jakubovicz in memory of Iran Esther Jakubovicz.
Allan and Ellen Rosenbluth, wishing Jeffrey Perlmutter a refuah sheleimah.
Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring Les and Lisa Aaron on their daughter Talia's Bat Mitzvah.

Max and Beatrice Wolfe Library Fund

Nathan and Carole Greenberg, acknowledging Hana Werner in memory of Felix Werner.

Sharon and Michael Pupko, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Rita Capland.

Michael and Sharon Pupko, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Rose Pupko.

Ted and Eve Sherman, acknowledging Barbara Firestone in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Men's Club Scholarships

Carole and Art Andrews, acknowledging Ken and Clare Shapiro in memory of Louis Shapiro.

Marylyn Light and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Isadore (Izzy) Light.

Music Fund

Esther Abrams, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Rita Gebien.

Flory and Bob Cohen, honouring Cantor Simon Spiro.

Randy and Nina Flom, honouring Leonard Cappe on his 65th birthday. Frank and Wendy Tonchin, honouring Lyon Wexler, Q.C. on his 80th birthday. Raoul and Sandi Korngold, honouring Lyon Wexler, Q.C. on his 80th birthday.

Shirley Krem, honouring Conrad and Susan Cohen on their 58th anniversary. Shirley Krem, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his birthday. Shirley Krem, honouring Rhoda and Michael Sherrard on their special

Shirley Krem, honouring Bernard Staiman on his special birthday.

anniversary.

Shirley Krem, honouring Betty Winston on her special birthday.

Shirley Krem, wishing Margie Posluns a refuah sheleimah.

Shirley Krem and Sam Krem, honouring Conrad Cohen on his 80th birthday.

Debra and Frank Lambert, honouring Cantor Simon Spiro.

Gary and Marcie Mansfield and family, acknowledging Cantor Simon and Aliza Spiro and wishing a *refuah sheleimah* to Talia.

Michael and Carole Ogus, honouring Joseph and Toby Tanenbaum on their anniversary and on Toby's appointment to the Order of Ontario.

Martin and Judi Rumack, honouring Leonard Cappe on his special birthday. Rosette Rutman, Stephen Abrams and Tamara Abrams, honouring Cantor Simon Spiro.

Lorraine Simpson, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Lillian Simpson.

Albert Weinstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Evelyn Weinstein.

Auntie Diane Wexler, Michael and Muriel Wexler and family and Carol Segal and family, honouring Lyon Wexler, Q.C. on his 80th birthday.

Harold and Carole Wolfe, acknowledging the Firestone Family in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Carole and Harold Wolfe, acknowledging Cantor Simon and Aliza Spiro and wishing a *refuah sheleimah* to Talia.

Carole and Harold Wolfe, honouring Carol Sussman on her special birthday.

Reesa, Bernie, Perry, Stacey, Jamie and Marlee Yunger, honouring Lyon Wexler, Q.C. on his 80th birthday.

Out-of-the-Cold Fund

Arthur and Carole Andrews, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Arthur and Carole Andrews, honouring Patti and Sheldon Rotman on their daughter Lauren's graduation from medical school.

Earl Berger and Joan Moss, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of Gerald Berger and Salome Berger.

The Chai Tea Committee, honouring Elana Seligman.

Rose Cooper, honouring Coleman and Wendy Rotstein on the birth of their granddaughter Orly.

Stephen and Ilene Flatt and family, honouring Patti and Sheldon Rotman on their daughter Lauren's graduation from medical school.

The Glassman Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sybil Glassman**.

The Games Afternoon Mah-Jong Students, honouring **Mona Moldaver**.

Ronald Landsberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Emma Landsberg.

Dr. Ronald and Anna Lee Landsberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Martin Landsberg.

Harold and Ruth Margles, honouring **Joseph and Elaine Steiner** on their 45th anniversary.

Mitch and Anne Max, wishing Jeffrey Perlmutter a *refuah sheleimah*.

Mitch and Anne Max, wishing Steve Silverberg a refuah sheleimah.

The Monday Night Learning Class, honouring Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl. Paula and Henry Pukier, acknowledging

Barbara Firestone in memory of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman, acknowledging Dorothy Tessis and family in memory of Stanley Tessis.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman, honouring Betty Klimitz on her special birthday.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman, honouring **Justin Linden**.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman, honouring Randy and Debbie Spiegel on the birth of their grandson.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, acknowledging Ricky Kirshenblatt in memory of Lou Kirshenblatt.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, acknowledging **Ken Shapiro** in memory of **Louis Shapiro**.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, acknowledging Brian Warshafsky in memory of Max Warshafsky.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, honouring Esther and Howard Cooper on the birth of their grandson Andrew Ryder.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, honouring Rochelle and Lorne Goodman on Jeffrey's engagement. Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, honouring Sherry Rogenstein on her 60th birthday.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, honouring Janice and Murray Tkatch on the birth of their granddaughter Hannah Avery.

Irving and Jeanne Salit, honouring Enid and Graham Berg on their special birthdays and on their anniversary. Irving and Jeanne Salit, honouring Harold and Ruth Margles on their 50th anniversary.

Irving and Jeanne Salit, honouring Harold and Ruth Margles on the birth of their grandson Zusha.

Elaine and Joseph Steiner, acknowledging Hana Werner in memory of Felix Werner. Elaine and Joseph Steiner, honouring Harold and Ruth Margles on their 50th anniversary.

Joseph and Elaine Steiner, acknowledging Loretta Tanenbaum in memory of Mildred Rosalind Herman.

Connie and Hartley Zwingerman, honouring **Sheldon Rotman** on his 60th birthday.

Prayer Book (Siddur) Dedications— Daily or Shabbat

Susan Laufer and Barry Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Estelle Greenberg.

Dr. David and Shirley Promislow, commemorating the yahrzteit of Dorothy Promislow.

Prayer Book (Siddur) Dedications— Humash

Rabbi Shalom Schachter and Marcia Gilbert, honourig the memory of Rabbi Meshulam Zalman Chiya Schachter-Shalomi.

Reuben and Helene Dennis Museum Fund

Ruth Nichols, acknowledging the Myers Family in memory of Ethel Myers. Gella and Paul Rothstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Pauline Goldhar.

Sheldon Rotman 60th Birthday Fund

Arthur and Carole Andrews, honouring Sheldon Rotman on his 60th birthday. Bob and Sandy Cohen, honouring Sheldon Rotman on his 60th birthday. Donna and Jack Cohn, honouring Sheldon Rotman on his 60th birthday. Stephen and Ilene Flatt and family, honouring Sheldon Rotman on his 60th birthday.

Esther and Ira Kirshen, honouring Sheldon Rotman on his 60th birthday. Stanley and Betty Klimitz, honouring Sheldon Rotman on his 60th birthday. Vicci and Ellis Macmull, honouring Sheldon Rotman on his 60th birthday. Morry and Melanie Nosak and family, honouring Sheldon Rotman on his 60th birthday.

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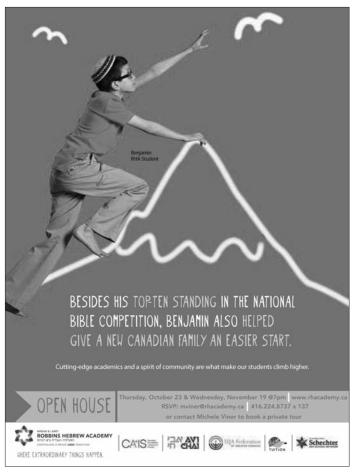
Victims of Terror Fund

Moshe and Denise Chriqui, honouring Lyon Wexler, Q.C. on his 80th birthday. Paula Garshowitz and Dennis Ruskin, honouring the Teich Family on Avi's Bar Mitzvah.

Lyon Wexler, honouring **Moshe Chriqui** on his birthday.

Make a donation, send a tribute card and include your listing here to honour your friends and loved ones.

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Shabbat, October 25, November 29, December 20, January 31, February 28, March 28 and April 25

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Condolences

The Congregation extends heartfelt condolences to the families of the late:

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Dr. Lenore Susan Spiegel
Stanley Tessis

Eleanor Bernice Krangle Max Warshafsky

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"May the God of mercy sustain and strengthen them in

their sorrow."

Plaques in honour of the following individuals will be installed in the Sanctuary:

Daniel Cheslow Irene Cheslow Mircea (M.Z.) Cohn Helaine E. Gallander James (Jimmy) Kay

Memorial Plaques

John Eric (Ricky) Pollock Sidney Philip Pollock Samuel Schacter Shirley Jane Staiman Yadzia Wajgensberg

If you wish to honour the memory of a dear one, a fitting, traditional and dignified remembrance is through a memorial plaque and lamp. Each memorial plaque, bearing the name and yahrtzeit date, is mounted on a bronze tablet in the Sanctuary. The lamp is lit on the Shabbat of the week of the yahrtzeit, on the day of the yahrtzeit, and on the four festivals during the year when Yizkor is recited. To order a memorial plaque, contact Maya Vasserman at 416-781-3514 ext. 216 or mvasserman@beth-tzedec.org.

Everything we do Today is for Tomorrow

Beth Tzedec has a number of opportunities for members wishing to support our *tzedakah* initiatives. Honour the memory of a loved one by making a contribution to one of our funds or sponsoring breakfast on a yahrtzeit. For a complete list of Synagogue funds, please call the office at 416-781-3511.

If you are interested in leaving a legacy for the Congregation to name a special project, youth program or adult education seminar, we would be pleased to help you plan today for tomorrow. Contact our Executive Director, Randy Spiegel at 416-781-3514 ext. 211 to discuss these opportunities in confidence.

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Beginning on Thursday, October 9, bring your family and your lulav and etrog to shul, as we joyously march around the Synagogue in celebration of Sukkot. Children welcome!

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