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Shabbat Shirah Weekend



Cantors Simon Spiro and Professor Joshua Jacobson together at Beth Tzedec!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30 TO SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Celebrate these four exciting musical events feature **Cantor Simon Spiro** and Musical Scholar-in-Residence **Professor Joshua Jacobson** (founder of Boston's internationally renowned *Zamir Chorale*), with the *Voices of Tomorrow* children's choir, our *shinshinim* Ofir and Or, the Beth Tzedec Singers, Cantor Sidney Ezer and surprise guests!

Musical Friday Night Live Shabbat Service

Friday, January 30, 6:00 PM

- Singalong Kabbalat Shabbat featuring selections from Josh Jacobson's new *Todah V'Zimrah* service
- Shabbat dinner and entertainment
- Prof. Jacobson presents *How Jewish Is Jewish Music?*

Dinner by advance reservation only by Monday, January 26. Cost: \$40 for adults; \$18 for youth (ages 5-14), \$6 for children (ages 1-4)

Special Shabbat Shirah Morning Service

Shabbat, January 31, 8:45 AM

- *Sermon-in-Song* by Prof. Jacobson on *How Can I Keep From Singing?*
- Beth Tzedec Singers and *Voices of Tomorrow*
- Enhanced Kiddush
- After Kiddush, Prof. Jacobson presents *Unlocking the Cantillation Code*

Shabbat Shirah Community Concert

Sponsored in memory of David and Bessie Pullan, Sophie and Rose Pullan

Saturday night, January 31, 8:00 PM

- Exciting music from around the world
- Guest conductor Prof. Josh Jacobson
- Toronto's finest vocalists and musicians, with the *Voices of Tomorrow* and our *shinshinim* Ofir and Or
- Dessert reception

Tickets: \$25 in advance, \$36 at the door.

Annual World Wide Wrap

Sunday, February 1 (following services)
Breakfast 9:30 AM, Lecture 10:00 AM

- Prof. Josh Jacobson on *Jewish Music and All That Jazz*, a multi-media presentation. No charge.

Breakfast sponsored by the Beth Tzedec Men's Club, Sisterhood and the Dr. Emil and Bessie Glaser Memorial Lectures

For dinner reservations and concert tickets, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511

Food, Words and Song

Cuisine, in addition to text and melody, is important to the survival of Judaism.



PARTICULARLY DURING THE WINTER, I ENJOY COMFORT FOOD, a good book and music to stir the soul. Each makes claims on my identity.

In *The Encyclopedia of Jewish Food*, the late Gil Marks points to adaptation and transmission as essential to Jewish cuisine. In *Jews and Words*, Amos Oz and Fania Oz-Saltzberger make the claim that “ours is not a blood line; it is a text line”. Jewish history and peoplehood “has always depended on the intergenerational transmittal of verbal content.” Joshua Jacobson, who will be our guest for Shabbat Shirah, defines Jewish music as having “a Jewish text, a Jewish descriptive program”, that is transmitted and transformed by time and locale. These are quite a mouthful?

Oz, the well-known contemporary novelist, and Saltzberger, a scholar of European history, present a secular perspective on story and study, narrative and nomos, text and tradition. They discuss the the continuity of conversation through the ages, vocal women, time and timelessness, as well as the precedence of Jews or Judaism.

They place the well-known comment by Saadia Gaon (Baghdad, d. 942) that “Jews are a people only by virtue of its Torahs” in dialogue with two secular Hebrew writers. Micha Yosef Berczewski (d.1921) wrote that “Jews have seniority over Judaism. The living person precedes his ancestors’ estate.” Yehuda Amichai (d. 2000) had an entirely different metaphor:

“The Jews are a primeval forest reserve in which the trees stand crowded, and even the dead cannot lie down. They rest, erect, upon the living.”

The Ozes suggest that at “subtle juncture of faith, argumentativeness, and self-targeting humor” we have created an “irreverent reverence” that defines our identity. And “every time we, or you, or the rabbi, or the rabbi’s daughter, read a text, we author it in our own image... Even if we repeat ancient words verbatim... they are new now, and they are ours, in our image, in our contexts...” The ongoing transmission of text is, for them, a creative enterprise.

According to Jacobson, much of Jewish music involved the adoption of well-known melodies to a Jewish religious context. Sometimes this involved borrowing from melodies internal to the community, while at other times the melody came from local, secular sources. Jewish music is “defined not by anything objective, intrinsic to its

nature, but by how it is perceived, how it is received.”

In his gastronomic gazetteer, Marks points to cuisine, in addition to text and melody, as being important in the survival of Judaism. “By our food, we declare and affirm who we are and who we want to be.” Our emotional attachment to rituals often feature food. Beyond religious practice and belief, from hamantashen to *haroset*, our food creates a geographic and gastronomic matrix that link us together. Through trade and travail, marriage and movement, Jews adapted recipes to their own needs. What makes Jewish cuisine? Start with *halakhah*, Jewish law. The prohibition against using fire on Shabbat gave rise to the Shabbat stew. Wherever it was consumed and whatever it was called—*cholent* (Ashkenaz), *hamin* (Italian), *adafina* (Morocco), *dfina* (Tunisia), *matfoni* (Kurdistan), *chalebibi* (Persia)—all had the same intent. To enjoy hot food on Shabbat, the stew had to simmer in a slow oven all Friday night to avoid starting an oven on Shabbat day.

Matzah may be soft (Yemenite) or crispy (pretty much everyone else), but it is a flat-out basic on Passover. Substances that represent the opposite of matzah were forbidden in remembrance of the Exodus: *hametz*, or leavened bread, and *se’or*, usually mistranslated as yeast. Marks notes that we drink wine at Seder which has fermented by action of yeast. *Se’or* is actually starter dough, an Egyptian invention that became a basic element of baking. Carefully cultured in each home from flour and water, yeast and bacteria, it was a special possession that lasted for centuries. Our ancestors had to rid themselves of *se’or* each Passover to truly start fresh.

Add local flavour. Certain foods were specific to local communities, while others are ubiquitous throughout the Jewish world. Hamantashen have nothing to do with Haman’s hat (ancient Persians wore turbans, not three-cornered berets), but everything to do with a middle-European *mohn-taschen*: a pastry pocket (*tasch*) filled with poppyseed (*mohn*).

Some foods came from the general culture and were adapted to Jewish life. *Hallah*, the braided Shabbat bread known to Jews everywhere, derives its name from the Biblical term referring to the small piece of dough given to the kohen-priest. It became a Sabbath constant by adapting a Teutonic braided bread of the 1500s which was part of winter solstice celebrations devoted to the goddess Holle.

Share with others. Occasionally, food identified with Jews migrated into the larger culture. Fried fish was introduced to Britain by 16th century Jewish refugees from Portugal and Spain. Thomas Jefferson wrote about eating “fried fish in the Jewish fashion.” In 1860, Joseph Malin, a Jewish immigrant from Eastern Europe, opened the first fish and chip shop in England.

Cream cheese, developed in upstate New York in the 1870s, became popular among immigrant Jews who smeared it on bagels (first mentioned in 1610 as a food for expectant mothers) and then ate it with lox (a European method to preserve salmon). A classic!

Merely because a Jew developed it, doesn't make it Jewish. It depends on a living community. Neither yogurt, popularized by Isaac Karasu, a Solinikian Jew who lived in Spain and France and named Danone after his son, nor cheese doodles, invented by Morrie Yohai, a Turkish-Jew who grew up in Harlem, would be identified as Jewish.

Lenny Bruce famously commented that white bread is goyish, pumpernickel in Jewish. What would he think of sushi and salsa being served at bar mitzvah parties? On the other hand, the *New York Times* recently published an article about the revival of schmaltz!

In *The Hungry Soul: Eating and the Perfecting of Our Nature*, Leon Kass suggests that eating, a basic animal necessity, is humanized through table manners, hospitality, sharing, good conversation and ritual. The preparation, arrangement and sociability of dinner can become a means to celebrate and broaden community, friendship and values. Kass argues that kashrut, Jewish dietary laws, are an example of a practice that embodies an ethics of eating and a reverence for life.

Lionel Blue, the quirky British theologian, describes a butcher shop and bakery in Golders Green on a typical Friday morning. He comments that this would not be seen as a religious drama by Christians, but the very act of purchasing and preparing food for Shabbat is a mitzvah.

This is part of why Michael Wyschogrod can describe Judaism as “a religion of the body.” In contrast to the vision of the Church, Judaism connects holiness to carnality, the physical, to food. Meir Soloveitchik writes: “Gefilte fish, matzah, *cholent*—lowly substances, all—are, in their own way, foods of faith, and eating them, with the proper perspective, allows our tables to be dwelling-places of the divine.”

The Bible commands festival pilgrimages to Jerusalem to eat sacrifices “before the Eternal your God.” We shared songs of the Levites, study of sacred text, and a meal—lamb with matzah and bitters. Even the humorous ten word explanation of Jewish holidays—“They tried to kill us. We won. Now let's eat!”—indicates that a Jewish spiritual path involves the physical.

Whether it is through the words that come from our mouths, the music that flows from our lips, or the food we put into our mouths, we are reminded that by cherishing a narrative, a melody or a recipe, we come to cherish a tradition, a people, and a religious civilization.

For more information on the sources referenced in this article, please visit www.beth-tzedec.org/page/articles/a/display/s/1/item/food-words-and-song

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Milestones and celebrations

Births

Micah Leo, son of MATTHEW FISHMAN & ILANA BLIDNER, grandson of RUTH & FRED FISHMAN and MARK & THE LATE JOAN BLIDNER, great-grandson of ORAH BUCK and IRVING BORCHOVER, born October 23.

Henry Aaron, son of FERN & ADAM BRODY, grandson of CAROL & LORNE GOLDSTEIN and BELLA & LEONARD BRODY, born November 1.

Lily Yael, daughter of MELANIE & AARON KOHN, granddaughter of JOY & STUART KOHN and ADA & THE LATE MARK KAZMAN, great-granddaughter of ROSE KAZMAN, born November 9.

Hazel Lily, daughter of MOHR & DANIEL GOLDENBERG, granddaughter of KAREN & SYDNEY GOLDENBERG, MIRI SCHNEIDERMAN, AL KATZBERG and THE LATE HILLY SCHNEIDERMAN, born November 21.

Congratulations to

Dr. Justine Giddens, daughter of DR. SANDRA & DR. OWEN GIDDENS, and **Gilad Rom**, son of ZIVKA & YIFAT ROM, on their engagement in Israel.

David Goldman, on being awarded a 2014 Lexpert Zenith Award for practice excellence, thought leadership and setting new standards for the legal profession.

Ruthe Mann, who celebrated her 93rd birthday on January 14.

Susan & Allen Schacht, who celebrated their 25th anniversary on November 26.

Dr. Wendy Wolfman, on becoming a Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the University of Toronto.

Yuval Yaakov Feld, son of ALAN FELD & DR. LEEONA FISHER FELD, grandson of DONALD CARR & JUDY FELD CARR, who celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on November 22 in Kibbutz Lavi, Israel.

Many Thanks to

Ricky & Peter Cohen, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on November 29 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Lillian Evelyn Dawson Stupp**.

Dr. Stephen Abrams & Rosette Rutman, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on December 6 in honour of the seventh anniversary of their daughter **Tamara's** Bat Mitzvah.

Harry Enchin & Susan Friedrich, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on December 6 to commemorate the *yahrtzeiten* of **Lidia Friedrich** and **Jonathan Enchin**.

Rick & Laura Orzy, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on December 6 to honour the work of the Lone Soldier Centre in memory of **Michael Levin and all Lone Soldiers in the IDF**.

Mitchell & Lisabeth Sanders, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on December 6 in honour of guest **Josh Flaster**, a Lone Soldier in the IDF.

Jason & Vered Feldman, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on December 13 in honour of the fourth anniversary of their son **Eli's** Bar Mitzvah.

Dr. Murray & Judith Urowitz, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on December 20 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Bessie Urowitz**.

The Band Family, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on December 27 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Philip Ephraim Band Q.C.**

Lorne Cohn & Miriam Blumstock, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on January 24 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Noah**.



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 March, April and May is February 27.

Neil Zworth & Dr. Jennifer Wyman, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on January 24 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Annika**.

Robert & Bonnie Pollock, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on January 31 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Daniel**.

Mitchell Solish & Marlene Kazman, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on February 7 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Oren**.

Adam & Heidi Minsky, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on March 21 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Noah**.

Daryl Roitman & Rosalie Steinberg, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on March 21 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Gabriele**.

Paul & Jodi Mandel, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on March 28 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Alanna**.

Snowbirds: Take note! If you would like a copy of the *Bulletin* to be mailed to your winter address, please call Sheri at 416-781-3514 ext. 220 prior to your departure to inform her of your temporary change of address—and send her your email address too!

Sharon Binder

Artist-in-Residence

February 8 to 12

Sunday, February 8 at 11:00 AM

Beth Tzedec Art Attack!

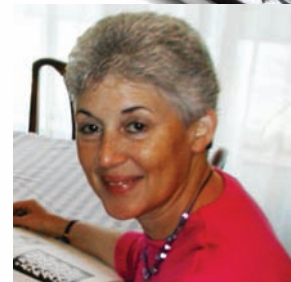
Celebrate Beth Tzedec's upcoming 60th anniversary by constructing an exciting art display. The installation needs contributions from people of all ages, from the youngest to the wisest members of our community. Under the guidance of Sharon Binder, an accomplished Jewish artist and art educator, we will beautify our space, celebrate our past and launch into the future. Lunch included. RSVP by Wednesday, February 4.

Thursday, February 12 at 7:30 PM

Cradling Art: The Wimple— A 400 Year Old Folk Tradition

The wimple is an ornate, embroidered or painted cloth used to bind up a Torah scroll after it has been read. It is made from swaddling cloth used to bind a baby at his circumcision. Sharon Binder will use these and other examples from the *Beth Tzedec Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum* collection to demonstrate the link with work of Judaica artists in Israel and North America. A dessert reception follows. RSVP by Monday, February 9. *This evening is presented with the support of the Beth Tzedec Sisterhood.*

No charge. For information or reservations, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.



Sharon Binder is an Israeli artist born in New York and a graduate of Queens College. Her interest in Hebrew text led to her mastery in the use of calligraphy, which she studied during her stay in Canada. Many of her major works of art, combining contemporary graphics with Judaic motifs, reside in private homes, institutions and synagogues. In 2013, one of her silk-screened art prints was presented to Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan in Washington.

Sponsored by the Maureen & Isadore Abrams Youth Seminars

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, February 19 at 7:00 PM and March 19 at 7:30 PM

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

Chicago: My Kind of Town



LAST MONTH, RAV BARUCH AND I SPENT FOUR GLORIOUS (read—FREEZING) days at the *ReNEWed Jewish Leaders Conference*. Seventy-three executive directors and rabbis representing nearly 250,000 Jews affiliated through our synagogues were invited to learn, share practice issues and problem-solve with academics and business leaders. In its fifth year, the program has presented professional Jewish leadership with tools to help facilitate and manage change in their *kehillot*.

What did we learn? In the opening session, *Values Based Action Through Leadership*, Harry Kraemer Jr., former head of Baxter International, a multi-billion dollar global leader in bio-science and medical products, emphasized the importance of understanding ourselves and developing the confidence to accept what we know and what we do not. For leaders and members alike, we must possess sound values as the driver for making good decisions leading to achievable actions. Most important, as we make decisions that affect our communities, is to listen and understand all sides of every story. Harry offered us ways to improve how we parse and see “the forest, the trees and the roots”.

Professor Mohanbir Sawhney, a marketing and digital communications consultant, spoke about *Social Media and the Power of the People*. In our fast-paced world, marketing is all about quick creation and transmission of the message. Haven’t we all seen how easy it is for a cute home video of a pet cat to “go viral”? He encouraged us to hear what members are thinking about, what makes them happy as well as what we as rabbis and directors can do to enhance the synagogue and Jewish life experience. I welcome you to share your Beth Tzedec experiences with me and with others, either personally or through social media.

Marian Powers, accounting professor from the University of Illinois, ran a session on *Financial Management* and understanding planning through budgeting. Boy, was it fun to watch a bunch of very smart rabbis scratching their heads! As this has been one of my priorities, I was proud to see that *our* rabbinic and programming team understands responsible planning and budgeting. At Beth Tzedec, the financial support of our members along with the guidance of the Budget and Finance Committee and the oversight of the Board ensure excellent fiscal accountability.

Professor Bob Duncan, an expert in organizational

management, examined *Managing Change*. We all know how hard it is to change, yet change is inevitable, and for our congregations to succeed, we must do it thoughtfully every day. The synagogue is not only a business; it is a spiritual and family-centred second home. Leadership must be keenly aware of these sensitivities as we plan our future direction. Bob presented his dynamic *Strategic Change Cycle* model and demonstrated how change demands people constantly and thoroughly communicate, use what they hear to drive planning, create a shared commitment to change, and for all to “pull in the same direction”. He reminded us that a fair and open process has the greatest chance for support and success.

Professor Dipak Jain, from the Institute of Business Administration at the University of Bangkok, discussed *Marketing Strategy*. As synagogue leaders, we must constantly provide our members with opportunities to create relationships and connections that appeal to their emotional needs—*the soul*, to offer diverse and high quality programs that appeal to their desires and needs—*the body*, and to provide programs and services at manageable and defensible prices to appeal to economic needs—*the mind*. In everything we do, we must constantly listen to what you, the member, wants and find ways to meet your needs.

We used case studies to learn *Conflict Resolution* and on our last day, Professor Brian Uzzi from the Kellogg School of Management taught about *Persuasion and Communication*. Having recently spent nearly three weeks on jury duty, I was enthralled as he dissected the movie *12 Angry Men*, demonstrating how we can problem-solve by looking through the eyes of others and squeeze out knowledge by understanding their perspective. Professor Uzzi emphasized that especially for values-driven organizations like ours, it is critically important to help people make the right—and not just the most popular—decisions.

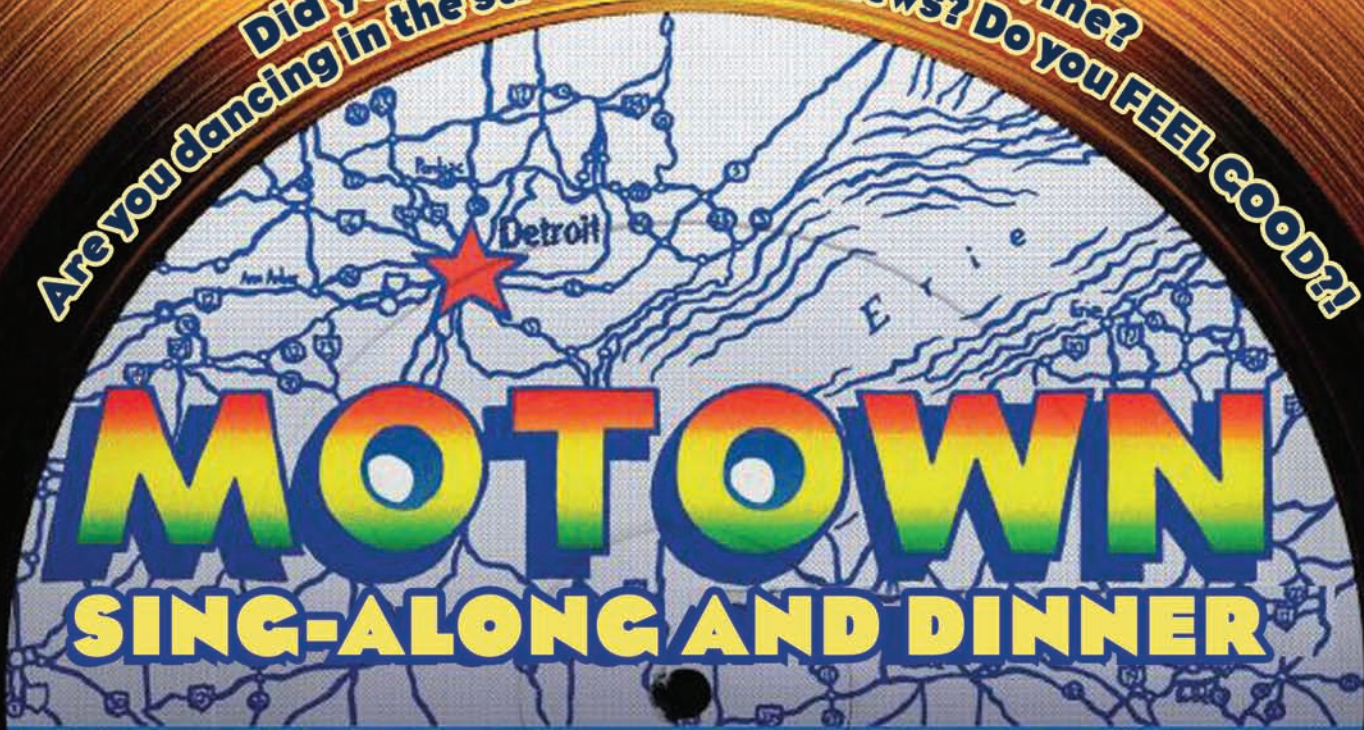
Anyone is welcome to drop in to review the resources we received. It was an honour for me and Beth Tzedec to be a part of this impressive group. Thank you for the opportunity.

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



Are you dancing in the streets from the news? Do you FEEL GOOD?!

Did you hear it through the grapevine?



MOTOWN

SING-ALONG AND DINNER

SATURDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 28 AT 8:00 PM

Celebrate at the most unique Purim party ever! Our very own entertaining Cantor Simon Spiro leads a raucous sing-along featuring all your Motown favourites to illustrate the story of Purim. With the lyrics on a big screen, a smokin' live band, a delicious dinner and YOU in costume* singing these great songs together, it'll be a crazy night of fabulous fun, food and music!

Cost: \$36 for adults; \$18 for youth (ages 5-14)
Reservations required by
Monday, February 23

*Prizes awarded for creative costumes—traditional Purim, Motown chic, or anything that "Just Your Imagination" dictates!

For information or reservations, contact the
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Mazal Tov to our B'nei Mitzvah

WHO HAVE COMPLETED OUR BAR/BAT MITZVAH PROGRAM



February 5
Oren Solish
son of Mitchell Solish
& Marlene Kazman

ראובן שלמה בן משה
שמואל הלוי ומאשא



March 14
Gabriele Roitman
daughter of Drs. Daryl Roitman
& Rosalie Steinberg

גבריאל מלכה בת
פלטילאל הכהן ויוכבד



(IN THE LITTLE MINYAN) **March 21**
Noah Asher Minsky
son of Adam Minsky
& Heidi Brown

נח אשר בן אדם
דניאל וחווה רחל



(IN THE LITTLE MINYAN) **March 28**
Alanna Mandel
daughter of Paul &
Jodi Mandel

אילנה ליאורה בת
פישל מנדל הכהן ויחיאלה



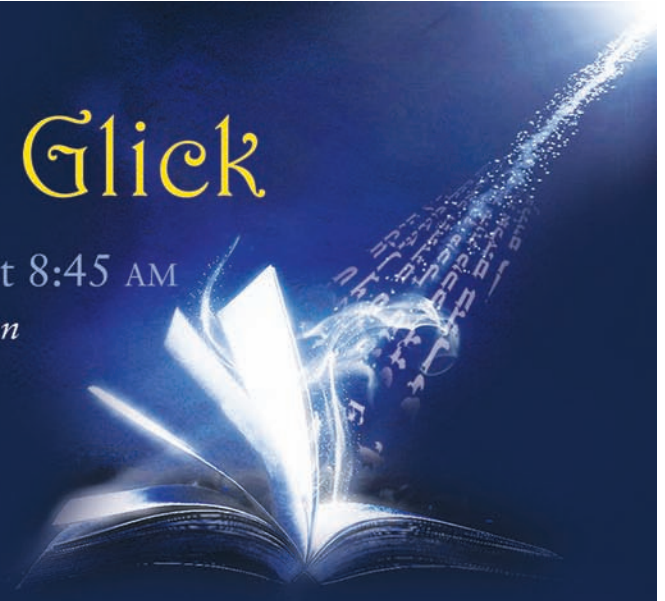
Shabbat with Rabbi Yoel Glick

Shabbat, January 17 Service begins at 8:45 AM

From the Pulpit: *Living the Life of Jewish Meditation*

After Kiddush: *Awakening the Divine Within Us*

Rabbi Yoel Glick is a teacher of Jewish meditation and spiritual wisdom who has been teaching and guiding seekers on the path for over 20 years. Rabbi Glick was born and educated in Toronto and received his rabbinic ordination from Yeshiva University.



Sponsored by Richard Carson and family in memory of Andrea Kirsh^{z"l}

Vinyl Chorus

Rehearsals are underway for our most exciting new chorus.

If you've ever wanted to sing in a group, this is for you! Now's your chance to join singers of all ages and musical backgrounds as we sing Israeli, Pop, Broadway and all styles of music. Led by Cantor Simon Spiro, the Vinyl Chorus has weekly rehearsals with a professional accompanist. In mid-June we'll be performing in concert with a live band. Come join us now!



Contact Marlene Laba at 416-781-3514 ext. 234 or mlaba@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 sings with the Beth Tzedec Singers, performing in concerts around the city and for the Congregation.



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



The Beth Tzedec and Phyllis & Ab Flatt Camp Ramah in Canada Incentive Program Family Fund is open to Beth Tzedec members with a child who will be attending Camp Ramah in Canada for the first time.

For more information on summer camping opportunities, please contact Daniel Silverman at dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org or 416-781-3514 ext. 231, or call the Jewish camp of your choice.

If the Trees Could Talk

The songs of the trees mirror the story of our own history.



TODAY IS MY MOTHER'S YAHRTZEIT. SHE passed away 30 years ago at the tender age of 57. Like many of you, I become very introspective on a yahrtzeit day. I find myself reflecting on the past and how it connects me to the present.

A few days ago I was in the Caribbean, viewing the bluer-than-blue water and the greener-than-green rain forest. In contrast, I woke up this morning in Toronto to see a completely different world. The snow that fell all through the night, and which continues to fall now, has blanketed the city in powdery white.

While we Torontonians are maybe shoveling walkways and carefully maneuvering vehicles around snowdrifts, and while vacationers down south are touring the tropics, Israelis on the other side of the world are getting ready to plant trees for Tu B'Shevat. In my column last month, I mentioned the sight of the tree-covered hills on the roads leading up to Jerusalem. In fact, the last time I was in Israel, I planted a sapling in what will hopefully be a forest one day. This ritualistic ceremony of tourists planting was created many decades ago when we in the Diaspora began to express a need to do more than simply "Plant A Tree" by giving donations to JNF. (I chuckle as I write this, remembering the JNF tree-planting scene in the classic Israeli film *Sallah Shabati*, starring the ever-brilliant Topol. If you're not familiar with it, please see this film. It will give you warm memories of a young Israel.)

What was poignant about my Israeli tree-planting experience was that it immediately followed my visit to Poland, a country filled with natural forests. The old Jewish cemetery in Warsaw is so overgrown with trees, even some breaking through tombstones, that one of the people with me was led to ask, "Why would the Jews decide to put a cemetery in a forest?!" In Poland, it seemed that everywhere we traveled we saw trees—glorious, majestic, deep-rooted trees.

That's the thing about trees. They grow strong and outlive us. Although the common saying goes, "If the walls could talk," I always think, "If the trees could talk, what would they tell us? What have they seen?!" The forests of Europe were often a haven for Jews hiding from Nazis and, sadly, they were also where countless Jews were captured, or taken, and shot. My mother hid in the Belgian woods while en route to England after her family fled Berlin. It was in these woods that she contracted rheumatic fever, which would leave lasting health issues to plague her for the rest of her life, health issues that ultimately took her from us 30 years ago. Try as I might, I can't imagine that forest.

In Poland, I visited Chelmno, where my father's entire family perished. Again, dense green trees surround the vast empty clearing where the Nazis piled and burned the bodies of hundreds and thousands of men, women and children. This same thick foliage concealed the unspeakable

crimes, although I was told by a local old man that, as a boy, he had seen the smoke come over the forest treetops into the town. How much sorrow and wickedness had these trees witnessed?

And now, the contrast of the trees in Israel: From the get-go, trees in a desert have a battle to survive, yet that is a battle won in Israel every day. If the Israeli trees could talk, they would speak of throngs of school children coming out every year and, one by one, tree by tree, adding to the country's green landscape. Each sapling is carefully placed in a hole in the dry ground and nurtured over time by man-made irrigation devices. If those trees could talk, they would share songs they have heard over the generations which Israelis have written about planting trees, digging holes, carrying shovels, "flowering the wilderness" (*le-hafriach et haShmamah* is an actual expression in Hebrew).

The songs of the trees mirror the story of our own history. Our People's survival is a struggle, yet we have managed over thousands of years to endure, flourish and grow strong. Indeed, as the psalmist writes, like a Cedar in Lebanon.

As I think of my mother today, I consider the seeds that she planted and nurtured in me, particularly the music that took root. Although she left this world too early, that seed led me to where I am today.

Her seed was well-planted...

Don't
MISS!

Megillah Reading Wednesday evening, March 4 at 6:30 PM
Thursday morning, March 5 following services at 7:00 AM

The Story of the Jews

with Simon Schama

Sundays, January 18 & 25, February 8, 15 & 22

10:00 to 11:30 AM

Following morning services and breakfast, join us to view this five-episode PBS series in which award-winning author Simon Schama looks at 3,000 years of Jewish history and examines the impact Jews have had on the world amidst the drama of suffering, resilience and rebirth. No charge.

Breakfast and program sponsored by the Beth Tzedec Men's Club

Havurat HaSefer

Contemporary Jewish Philosophy Reading Group

Wednesdays—February 4 & 25, March 11, April 15, May 6 & 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.

Windows to the World



Windows provide distance, the ability to see events from a removed, safe vantage point.

I AM BLESSED IN MY OFFICE WITH THREE LARGE SOUTHERN exposure windows. Rare is the day that I don't rotate my chair 90 degrees, taking a short break from whatever I am doing, and stare out onto Warwick Avenue. I can watch the Robbins Hebrew Academy students head home from school or our shul's neighbours pull out of their driveways. I've lost track of the numbers of vehicles I've seen drive the wrong way down the one-way street. Once I noticed a dog wandering with a broken leash. I coaxed her into my office and called animal services.

The window serves as a barrier separating the controlled environment of my office from the chaos of the world. But it is a permeable boundary. I see what happens. I am drawn to the outside world, away from the sacred environs of the synagogue.

The vantage from inside to out can provide a level of wisdom. Abimelekh takes Rebecca into his household following assurances that she is Isaac's sister, though she is in fact Isaac's wife. It is from his window that Abimelekh ultimately views Isaac interacting with Rebecca in such a way that exposes their true relationship. He is able to see what no else can see. With his newly acquired knowledge, he releases Rebecca from his custody and saves his kin from the potential cosmic punishment of sleeping with a married woman.

Michal, however, looks out her window and misinterprets what is happening on the streets below. Her

husband King David has returned from successful battle with the Ark of the Covenant in tow. David leaps and dances with joy, which Michal interprets and claims is done inappropriately in front of servants. David retorts that he is dancing before God and Michal is punished for her words.

Windows provide distance, the ability to see events from a removed, safe vantage point. Though providing context, that very distance can also lead to misinterpretation.

In the right light, upon gazing out my windows, I see my own reflection. It is a reminder to always remember my true self when looking out at the world.

When Joseph is seduced by Potiphar's wife, our sages teach that he glances out the window and sees not his reflection but that of his father, Jacob. There is just enough distortion and just enough familial resemblance for Isaac to stare at Joseph while Joseph is amidst a physio-spiritual crisis. It is that glare that leads to Joseph's refusal of Mrs. Potiphar's advances.

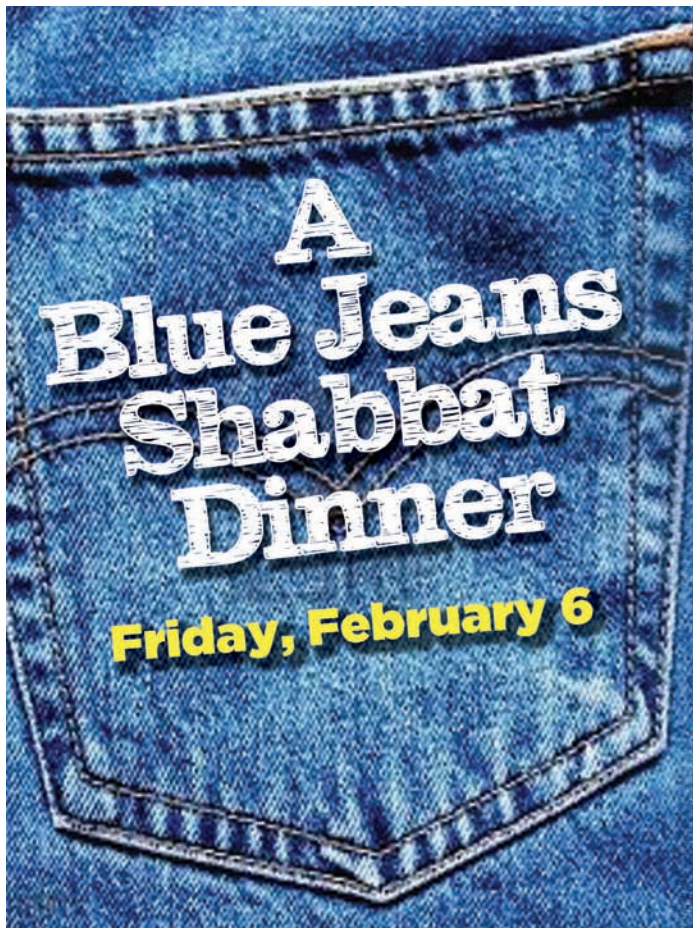
When we each look out our own windows, at home or at work, what do we see? Are we high above with a wisdom that only distance can provide? Are we so far removed from the action that we misinterpret what is happening? As we make judgments and decisions, are we able to be self-reflective, allowing our best selves and the teachings of our ancestors to permeate our mind and soul?



ISRAEL in YOUR HOME

Our *shinshinim* would like to bring Israel into your home! You provide the meal, and Or and Ofir will infuse the evening with Israel. If you are interested in having the *shinshinim* to your home, please email them at or.ofir.shinshin@gmail.com. They will work with you to find a date and time that works.

This is a wonderful opportunity—don't miss your chance to take part.



Family-Centric Kabbalat Shabbat
at 6:00 PM, Dinner at 6:45 PM

Casual Friday Night Experience

- ◆ Cowboy BBQ Shabbat Dinner Menu
- ◆ Kids magic show
- ◆ Teen Israel challenge with the *Shinshinim*
- ◆ Local beer sampling for adults

Cost: \$36 adults; \$18 youth (ages 5 to 14); \$6 children (ages 1 to 4). Dinner by advance reservation only by Monday, February 2.

To register, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

BETH TZEDEC MAX & BEATRICE WOLFE LIBRARY Book and Film Club Selections 2014-2015

Mondays—Lunch 1:00 PM, Reviews 1:30 PM—\$20 for each session at the door



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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Celebrating a Year of ‘Firsts’

Finding meaning, purpose, fun and enjoyment in the celebrations of our Jewish calendar can enrich all of our lives in different and new ways, year after year.



THIS HAS BEEN AN INCREDIBLY EXCITING year for me and my family. My wife Rachel and I welcomed our wonderful daughter Mira into the world the day after Pesah, and after the fall *ḥagim*, we moved into our first home. As we mark all the significant moments in Mira’s first year—rolling over, sitting up, her first tooth, and soon (but not too soon I hope) crawling—we are finding that these markers of physical and cognitive development are exciting and impressive; however, we are most excited to be celebrating her first year of Jewish holidays.

As I write this, Ḥanukkah is less than a week away. Rachel and I are already talking about how I can make sure I am home from work in time for us to light Ḥanukkah candles as a family, as there is a narrow window from when I usually get home until Mira’s bedtime. We excitedly celebrated Rosh Hashanah and used the opportunity and theme of newness to give Mira her first solid food that day. Just before Sukkot, as we saw the upcoming weather forecast, we rushed to find Mira a warm enough outdoor snugly so

that she wouldn’t be too cold in the Sukkah, and she thoroughly enjoyed being outside and looking at all the decorations.

Once on the other side of Ḥanukkah, we encounter Tu B’Shevat and Purim as the next holidays. We will be fortunate to be in Israel as a family a week before Tu B’Shevat, meaning that we will try and celebrate a little early in the place where the holiday makes far more climatological sense. Hopefully we’ll plant a tree and see the almond blossoms begin to bloom. And as for Purim, we have already bought Mira’s costume, taking advantage of early November costume sales, and we are excited to share our family costume theme in early March.

Everyone we speak to with a child or children has told us to take advantage of this first year and to build and create as many memories as we can, since the time flies by so quickly, something I now more fully understand. But what happens once Pesah is over and Mira has turned one year old? Are the memory-making moments gone? We might have to work a little harder to create

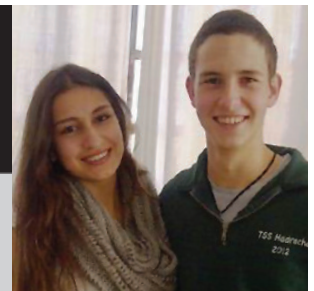
them, as nothing will be Mira’s first holiday anymore; however, that should not and will not diminish our enthusiasm for maximizing each special day on our Jewish calendar, be it something that comes along once a year, like Tu B’Shevat or Purim, or once a week, like Shabbat.

Building strong Jewish connections, instilling a sense of Jewish pride and the transmission of Jewish rituals and values happen most often and most successfully in the home, surrounded by family and friends. Finding meaning, purpose, fun and enjoyment in the unique occasions and celebrations of our Jewish calendar can enrich all of our lives in different and new ways year after year. The challenge before all of us is to find new perspectives for these rituals, themes and stories. In my family’s case, we are going to have to move on from the theme of ‘Mira’s First _____’ soon. If you have any suggestions of how you create meaning and connection to holidays and Shabbat in your home, I’d love to hear them.

Café Ivrit with the *Shinshinim* A special weekly program for kids

Wednesdays from January to May
4:00 to 5:00 PM

Enroll in *Café Ivrit* to learn about Israeli culture and brush up on your Hebrew. Contact Daniel Silverman at 416-781-3514 ext. 231 for more information and to sign up. Cost: \$150 for the term (Drinks and snacks included).





Wednesday, March 4 beginning at 4:00 PM

Kids of all ages are invited to enjoy carnival booths, prizes, bouncy castles and *hamantashen*. A special *tikkun olam* component involves making *mishloach manot*.

No charge for activities. The carnival will run from 4:00 to 6:15 PM, pause for a raucous Megillah reading at 6:30 PM, and continue afterwards.

For more information, contact Aily Leibtag at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or aleibtag@beth-tzedec.org

The Revolt vs. Modernity:

The Writing of the Complete Artscroll Siddur

with Rabbi Moshe Meirovich

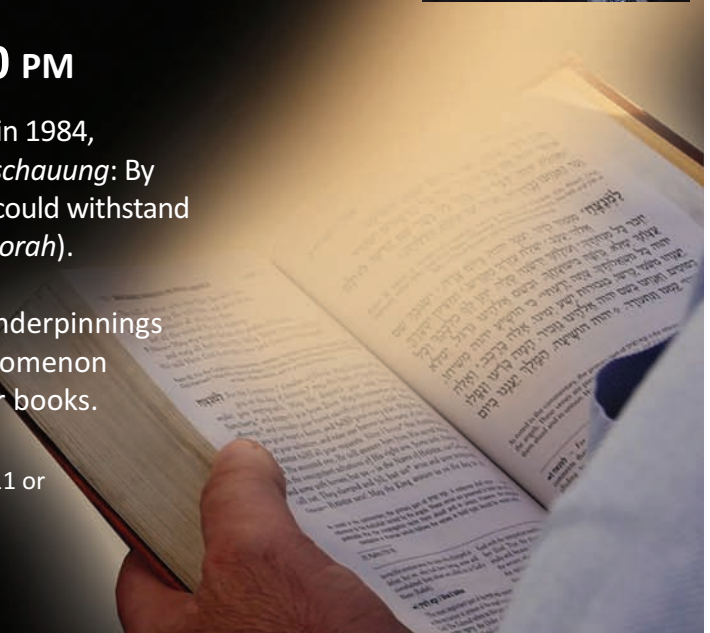
Wednesday, February 18 at 7:30 PM

With the publication of the *Complete Artscroll Siddur* in 1984, Agudath Israel (Agudah) revealed its religious *Weltanschauung*: By embracing traditional rabbinic theology, world Jewry could withstand the onslaught of modernity (*Hechadash Asur Min Hatorah*).

Rabbi Moshe Meirovich will explore the religious underpinnings of the *Complete Artscroll Siddur* as a liturgical phenomenon that set it apart from all other contemporary prayer books.

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

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The Four *Mitzvot* of Purim



Enhance your family's holiday experience while honouring the Purim obligations.

THERE ARE FOUR THINGS WE ARE

obligated to do on Purim. Using the four *mitzvot* as a guide, here are some suggestions for making this year's Purim more meaningful for your family.

Mitzvah #1: Hear the Megillah

- Watch a DVD of one of Beth Tzedec's past Purim plays before you hear the Megillah. You will see the story come to life (with a twist) so that you are familiar with it before Purim night.
- Make a candy greggar! Decorate a box of *Mike & Ikes* (or other candy) and use the decorated box as your greggar to share when you hear Haman's name. At the end of the story, share the candies with your family. The Megillah story will never sound sweeter!
- Make Megillah finger puppets of each character and use your fingers

to tell the story. Here is a link for template finger puppets: www.tinyurl.com/oeqdjbr

Mitzvah #2: Have a Purim Seudah

- The story of Purim took place in Persia. Have a Persian-themed seudah this year, with your menu fitting the setting of the Purim Megillah.
- Instead of a placecard, give people a mask with their name on the back. All of a sudden, even people who didn't have a costume have something festive to wear. Try these Megillah character masks: www.alphamom.com/family-fun/holidays/purim-mask-printables
- Get creative with dessert. Check out this great article featuring 32 different hamentashen recipes: www.buzzfeed.com/marcelle/crazy-hamantaschen-flavors-for-purim

Mitzvah #3: Send Mishloah Manot

- Come to the Beth Tzedec Purim Carnival on Wednesday, March 4 and help make *mishloah manot* that will be given out to the elderly in the community, and sign up as family volunteers to help deliver them.
- Have each member of your family choose one of the items that goes into your *mishloah manot*. This will help personalize them and make each a unique gift from your family.

Mitzvah #4: Give Gifts to the Poor

- As a family, pick a charity that supports those less fortunate and make a donation—either money, food or giving of your time.
- Take one of the *mishloah manot* that you made and give them out to someone on the streets.
- Make a donation to Beth Tzedec's Out of the Cold program.



GIRLS SLEEPOVER

{For Girls in Grades 5 and 6}

Saturday, March 7

7:30 PM to 8:00 AM Sunday morning

Join Aily and Ofir for an exclusive girls-only sleepover party! Chick flicks, nail painting, cookie baking and more. Bring your friends and don't forget your pillow and sleeping bag! RSVPs required by Monday, March 2. Cost: \$10 (includes snacks and breakfast)

For more information, contact Aily Leibtag at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or aleibtag@beth-tzedec.org.



David Grossman

Tuesday, February 24 at 7:30 PM
THE GOOD OLD HOCKEY GAME

Award-winning journalist and broadcaster **David Grossman** takes a trip down memory lane, examining the who's who of Jewish hockey players.



Charles Novogrodsky

Sunday, March 1 at 10:30 AM
JEWS CAN PLAY SPORTS, TOO

David Grossman returns with a look at Jewish athletes in non-traditional sports.



Mike Katz

Tuesday, March 24 at 7:30 PM
JEWS AND BASEBALL

Teacher and ethno-racial, gender equity and human rights consultant **Charles Novogrodsky** discusses Jews in baseball.

Tuesday, April 7 at 7:30 PM
JEWS AND BASKETBALL

Mike Katz, former head coach of the Varsity Blues and Humber College men's basketball teams, and assistant coach of Team Canada's men's basketball squad in the 2000 Sydney Olympics, presents three coaches who shaped basketball history.

**MARK
YOUR
CALENDAR**

**SHABBAT WITH
Rabbi Steven Wernick, CEO of USCJ**

April 24 and 25

Rabbi Steven Wernick has spearheaded plans to transform United Synagogue to meet the needs of the 21st century *kehillah*, shepherding the successful launch of several new programs for USCJ. Join us as he addresses the Congregation.

Rebuilding the Motor City

Our Jewish Service Network trip to Detroit in November was a meaningful hands-on, eye-opening experience. Matthew Cohn, a grade 12 student, shares his perspective on this worthwhile program.

SEVERAL WEEKS AGO, WE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE in an incredible trip to Detroit. Only a short drive away, we experienced a city trying to rebuild and create a new future, and had the privilege of being able to participate in this undertaking. We spent one day volunteering in an underfunded school that serves a rough neighbourhood, as well as spending another day cleaning up a neighbourhood and storefront in preparation of new development.

While participating in these activities, we were also able to spend time together, connect with locals and experience the city. The trip was a success both in terms of Jewish and charitable involvement, and we all enjoyed ourselves greatly and returned home with a positive experience and new insights.

—Matthew Cohn / Grade 12



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 *Shaharit* 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, the Little Minyan offers 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, February 7 and March 7. Youth, teens and families join the Little Minyan for an engaging prayer service. At 11:00 AM, enjoy Shabbat Learning with Daniel Silverman while kids ages 6 to 12 meet for Junior Congregation and younger children and their parents participate in Tot Shabbat. Everyone rejoins the service for concluding prayers before the Family Shabbat lunch.

Youth Services See pages 22 and 23 for further details.

Junior Congregation (Ages 6 to 12) at 10:30 AM every Shabbat (11:00 AM on Family Shabbat). A dynamic program with activities, games, engaging and creative prayer, unique looks at the *parashah* and holidays, and quality time with our *shinshinim*.

Torah Tots (Ages 3 to 5) at 10:15 AM every Shabbat and Yom Tov except when there is a Family Shabbat. Drop your children off or join them for singing, stories, free play and a snack.

Young Shamashim following Services on January 24 & 31, February 14, 21 & 28 and March 14, 21 & 28.

An engaging program for B'nei Mitzvah candidates interested in improving their *davening* skills. Meet for a nosh, *zemirot* and learning.

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 February 14 and March 14. 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 11:00 AM on February 21 and March 14. 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 January 31 and February 28. See page 38 for further details.

January 24	4 Shevat	Bo	Exodus 10:1-13:16 Jeremiah 46:13-28	374-394 395-398
January 31	11 Shevat	Beshallah Shabbat Shirah	Exodus 13:17-17:16 Judges 4:4-5:31	399-422 423-430
February 7	18 Shevat	Yitro	Exodus Chapters 18-20 Isaiah 6:1-7:6, 9:5-6	432-450 451-455
February 14	25 Shevat	Mishpatim Shabbat Shekalim Shabbat Mevarkhim	1st Torah: Exodus 21-24 2nd Torah: Exodus 30:11-16 2 Kings 12:1-17	456-480 523-524 1276-1279
February 21	2 Adar	Terumah	Exodus 25:1-27:19 1 Kings 5:26-6:13	485-498 499-502
February 28	9 Adar	Tezaveh Shabbat Zakhor	1st Torah: Exodus 27:20-30:10 2nd Torah: Deuteronomy 25:17-19 1 Samuel 15:2-34	503-518 1135-1136 1280-1285
March 7	16 Adar	Ki Tissa	Exodus 30:11-34:35 1 Kings 18:1-39	523-546 547-551
March 14	23 Adar	Vayakhel-Pekudei Shabbat Parah	1st Torah: Exodus 35:1-40:38 2nd Torah: Numbers 19:1-22 Ezekiel 36:16-38	552-572 880-883 1286-1289
March 21	1 Nisan	Vayikra Rosh Hodesh Nisan Shabbat HaHodesh	1st Torah: Leviticus 1:1-5:26 2nd Torah: Numbers 28:9-15 3rd Torah: Exodus 12:1-20 Ezekiel 45:16-46:18	585-605 930-931 380-385 1290-1294

Page numbers refer to the *Etz Hayim Humash*. See the Calendar of Events for service times.
Call Lorne Hanick at 416-781-3514 ext. 240 if you would like an aliyah on Shabbat or a holiday.



Friday, February 20 at 5:00 PM

Join us for a special Tot Shabbat dinner with games, activities and a performance by Applefun Puppetry for your tots! Cost: \$36 adults; \$18 youth (ages 5 to 14); \$6 children (ages 1 to 4). Dinner by advance reservation only by **Monday, February 16.**

To register, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.



DON'T MISS! Cook & Shook with our *Shinshinim*. See details below.

Shabbat @ Beth Tzedec

Family Shabbat

January 17, February 7 & March 7, beginning at 10:00 AM

The **Little Minyan Family 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.

From 11:00 to 11:40 AM, participants can join Daniel Silverman for **Shabbat Learning** and an innovative look at the week's *parashah* and other relevant topics before rejoining the service for *Musaf*. From 11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON, kids ages 6 to 12 meet for **Junior 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*. We conclude every Family Shabbat with a delicious Family Lunch in the L'Chaim Lower Hall. Eat, drink and *schmooze* with friends both old and new.

Torah Tots

(ages 3 to 5)

10:15 AM to 12:00 NOON

Every Shabbat and Yom Tov (except when there 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 (11:00 AM on Family Shabbat). A dynamic program with activities, games, engaging and creative prayer, unique looks at the *parashah* and holidays, and quality time with Ofir and Or. Junior Congregation is divided into two groups based on age and will often regroup for exciting programs together.

Young Shamashim

Following Services on January 24 & 31, February 14, 21 & 28 and March 14 & 21

An intensive program for B'nei Mitzvah candidates interested in improving their *davening*—an essential Jewish skill.

Following services, meet for a *nosh*, *zemiroth* and learning. This year's program focuses on weekday services.

Teen Shabbat Lunch

Shabbat, February 28

12:00 NOON to 1:30 PM

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

For Children in Grades 1 to 5

Shabbat Sports & Games

Every Shabbat

2:30 to 4:00 PM

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

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

Girls' Shabbat Club

Shabbat, January 24

2:30 to 4:00 PM

Shabbat afternoons are a great time to hang out. Join Aily and Ofir for a special girls-only afternoon of games, snacks and fun. Girls in grades 4 and 5 will be big sisters to the younger participants.

Cook & Shook for Kokhavim

(for Grades 3 to 5)

Tuesdays, January 27 and February 24

4:00 to 5:30 PM

Cook & Shook for Nitzanim

(for SK to Grade 2)

Tuesdays, February 10 and March 17

4:00 to 5:30 PM

Join Ofir and Or and learn to make amazing new recipes and take-home treats. While your food is cooking, enjoy bits of Israeli culture from the *shook*, the Israeli marketplace! Cost: \$5

Chocolate Seder

Sunday, March 29

12:00 NOON to 1:30 PM

Prepare for Pesah by experiencing the exodus from Egypt with lots of chocolate! Go through the order of the seder and enjoy a variety of chocolate activities. Cost: \$5

For Children in Grades 5 and 6

Boys Night with Or

Saturday, February 21

7:00 to 9:30 PM

Join Or for a night of sports, snacks, movies and hanging out.

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Girls Sleepover

Saturday, March 7
7:30 PM to 8:00 AM Sunday morning

Join Aily and Ofir for an exclusive girls-only sleepover party! Chick flicks, nail painting, cookie baking and more. Bring your friends and don't forget your pillow and sleeping bag! RSVPs required by Monday, March 2. Cost: \$10 (includes snacks and breakfast)

For Children in Grades 6 to 8 (Keshar)

TOPs (Tikkun Olam Project)

Sunday, January 25
4:00 to 6:00 PM

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

For Children in Grades 6 to 12

Beth Tzedec @ Out of the Cold

Tuesdays, January 20, February 10 and March 17

*Keshar (Grades 6-8)—5:00 to 7:00 PM
BTTeens (Grades 9-12)—7:00 to 9:00 PM

Be part of a great *mitzvah* by participating in Beth Tzedec and Beth Sholom's Out of the Cold program, which helps feed and shelter homeless people in Toronto. The program runs every Tuesday, but we will coordinate a special Beth Tzedec group of volunteers for the above dates. Space is limited. First come, first served. *Note: Keshar participants must be accompanied by a parent.

For Teens in Grades 9 to 12 (BTTeens)

Tikkun Olam Project for BTTeens and Seniors

Sunday, January 18
3:00 to 4:30 PM

Teens and seniors can learn a lot from one another. Come together for a *mitzvah* project baking desserts for Out of the Cold while getting to know members of another generation. Cost: \$5

Purim Party with DANI

Sunday, March 1
2:00 to 4:00 PM

Get your costume ready and join us for a Purim party at DANI (an organization for young adults with special needs.) A fun way to get in the holiday spirit! Participants should meet at DANI (501 Clark Ave. W).

Hadashot for BTTeens

Wednesdays, January 28, February 18 and March 18
7:00 to 9:00 PM

Meet Ofir and Or at Aroma Café to discuss the latest *hadashot* (news) from Israel.

For Families

A Blue Jeans Shabbat

Friday, February 6
6:00 PM

Dress down and enjoy a casual Friday Night experience. Help welcome Shabbat, followed by a Cowboy BBQ Shabbat dinner at 6:45 PM and a kids magic show and teen Israel challenge with the *shinshinim*. Cost for dinner: \$36 adults, \$18 youth (ages 5-14), \$6 for children (ages 1-4). Dinner by advance reservation by Monday, February 2.

Beth Tzedec Art Attack!

Sunday, February 8
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Celebrate Beth Tzedec's upcoming 60th anniversary by constructing a permanent art display. This project is a wonderful chance to leave your lasting mark. The installation needs contributions from people of all ages, from the youngest to the wisest members of our community. Under the guidance of Sharon Binder, an accomplished Jewish artist and art educator, we will beautify our space, celebrate our past and launch into the future. No charge. Lunch included. RSVP to the Synagogue office by February 4.

Tot Shabbat Dinner

Friday, February 20
5:00 PM; dinner at 5:45 PM

Join us for a special Tot Shabbat dinner with games, activities and a performance by Applefun Puppetry for your tots! Cost for dinner: \$36 adults, \$18 youth (ages 5-14), \$6 children (ages 1-4). Dinner by advance reservation only by Monday, February 16.

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.

PJ Library Story Time

Sundays—March 22, April 19 and May 31
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.



COMPUTERS AND YOU

Mondays—March 23, April 6, 13 & 27 and May 4 at 1:30 PM

A new five-part adult tutorial series designed to help you improve and update your computers skills.

- **Beginners:** Develop keyboard and mouse skills, and learn basic email and Internet use
- **Intermediate:** Create email address books, work with attachments, download files and develop basic browsing skills
- **Advanced:** Explore file/folder management, program installation, advanced browsing and social media and networking (Facebook, Twitter, Skype, etc.)

Class sizes are small to allow all participants to receive individual attention. Registration is required and offered on a first come, first served basis. Cost: \$25 for all five sessions or \$7 per session.

For information or to register, contact Zina Glassman at 416-781-3511 or zglassman@beth-tzedec.org.

Presented in partnership with the Bernard Betel Centre



Torah Through Female Eyes

with Loretta Tanenbaum

Tuesdays, April 21 to May 26
10:00 to 11:15 am

For information, call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or email mlaba@beth-tzedec.org

A Rosy Forecast for Programming

An Update from the Senior Program Coordinator and Librarian Zina Glassman

I OFTEN FEEL THAT OUR STAFF MEETINGS are like planning sessions for a new garden as we discuss our *Roses* (successes and achievements), *Buds* (new and future initiatives) and *Thorns* (unforeseen situations and concerns). Fortunately, the blossoming crops far outnumber the thorns.

Our thought-provoking programs are professionally executed, geared to social interaction and enhancing the interests of our participants. We strive to be a source of inspiration and aspiration.

- *Day Trips in Jewish History* is led by Hana Werner, a brilliant educator and lecturer who has the ability to bring ancient events to life and relevance. The fall sessions on “The Spirit and Intrigue of Biblical Scrolls” were very well received and truly enjoyed by all. The spring sessions on “Personality as a Factor in Jewish History” will begin in April. To be discussed are illustrious figures such as Joshua and Samson, along with other Biblical heroes whose names remain unknown. We sincerely thank Rose Cooper for sponsoring this series in memory of her husband, the late Beth Tzedec Cantor Joseph Cooper^{z”l}.

- Last fall, our lectures on new techniques in the diagnosis and treatment of cancer, presented in partnership with Weizmann Canada

Institute of Science, were most informative and interesting. As impressive as the speakers were, the caliber of comments and questions from the participants was also most notable.

- Our *Book and Film Club* is an award-winning rose in our fabulous programming garden. In the past two years, membership has doubled to 200 participants! Mainly by word of mouth, this Club has become the biggest ‘open secret’ in Toronto with additional people clamouring to join. The environment of friendship, warmth and excitement, combined with our knowledgeable speakers and outstanding book selections attract bright, dedicated and fun attendees whom I always enjoy meeting.
- By popular demand, the *Jews in Sports* series returns in March and will explore Jewish involvement in a variety of sports. Also beginning in the spring will be *Computers and You*, a new program that will help you navigate your computer. We will also offer a new two-part series, *Maximizing Brain Health and Reducing Risk of Dementia*, sponsored by the Kaplan family in memory of their mother Pearl Kaplan^{z”l}.

- Every Sunday morning during the school year, we welcome our Congregational School students from JK to Grade 3 for a story and

discussion related to their studies. I share with them artifacts or ritual objects that enhance their learning experience. When we discussed Simḥah Torah, the children examined the Torah we use in the chapel. For Ḥanukkah, they were shown several *ḥanukkiyot* that had been passed down through generations, helping them to learn the interconnections between past, present and future.

Our success would not be possible without the help of our dedicated staff who ensure that our programs run smoothly and efficiently. From the main office to the maintenance staff, all are integral to our success.

I am also grateful for the support of the members of the Library Committee—Bayla Chaikof, Sheila Dropkin, Elaine Glassman, Diane Grafstein, Yvette Lerner, Leah Liquornik, Ruth Steinhart and Eva Weisbrod.

As I look at our past successes and exciting plans for the future, I can say that our “rose garden” is flourishing and in full bloom. Planning is already underway for the 2015-2016 schedule, and I welcome your ideas and suggestions. Feel free to contact me at 416-781-3514 ext. 225 or zglassman@beth-tzedec.org—I look forward to hearing from you.

GRAB YOUR BAGS & BRING ALONG YOUR

PASSPORT TO
Style
at Beth Tzedec

SAVE THE DATE
Chai Tea & Fashion Show
SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2015

Dr. Rania Okby: From Desert to Delivery Room

Thursday, March 12 at 7:30 PM



A Remarkable Story of a Remarkable Woman

Meet Dr. Rania Okby, Israel's first female Bedouin physician, who shares her unique journey to becoming a renowned physician and a role model for Bedouin women in Israel.

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

Sponsored by the Itta & Eliezer Zeisler Memorial Lectures and the Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev



Dr. Rania Okby is a renowned physician specializing in multiple births and high-risk pregnancies. She serves on staff at Soroka Medical Centre in Israel, and is currently in Toronto for a one-year Fellowship at Sunnybrook in OBGYN. Born and raised near Be'er Sheva, Dr. Okby is the mother of two children. She has forged a path merging traditional Bedouin culture and modern Israeli life.

Everything's Coming Up Aces

In baseball, it is a nickname for a pitcher. In tennis, it is an unanswered serve. In golf, it is the elusive hole-in-one. At Beth Tzedec, ACE is our Annual, Capital and Endowment campaigns. All are good things, but at Beth Tzedec, ACEs are a real winning strategy to help make a big difference in our community.

For more information on giving opportunities, contact Randy Spiegel at 416-781-3415 ext. 211 or email rspiegel@beth-tzedec.org.



Our *Friends of Beth Tzedec* and other contributors help bridge the gap between the cost of running the shul and membership contributions.



Family donors to our capital projects have helped us build or renovate spaces within our shul, helping maintain our house of prayer as a place of dignity.



Bequests and planned gifts allow us to continue to offer outstanding programming for the spiritual, educational, cultural and social growth of future generations.

Out of the Cold 2015

Registration is now open for the 16th season of the Out of the Cold program. To register, visit the Beth Tzedec website at www.beth-tzedec.org.

Our program runs on Tuesday nights through March 24, and is operated jointly with Beth Sholom out of their premises. We serve dinner for approximately 200 guests each week and provide sleeping accommodations and breakfast for 55 people. We are always looking for new volunteers of any age to join our team. Shifts are approximately two hours in length, and volunteers can sign up for the dinner set-up, dinner service, distribution of warm clothing and art program, overnight shifts and breakfast preparation on Wednesday mornings. This is an excellent Bar/Bat Mitzvah project, and community service hours are provided to high school students. It is a wonderful opportunity to participate in *tzedakah* and help those who are less fortunate in our community.

Out of the Cold is completely self-funded, relying on donations from members of the Congregation and the community at large. We are always in need of new or gently used adult clothing, specifically down coats and ski jackets, winter boots, running shoes, sweatpants and sweatshirts. Hotel-size toiletries are always welcome. Donations should be bagged, labeled "OOTC" and dropped off at Beth Sholom on weekdays between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM.

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

Driving the Elderly to Synagogue

Volunteers are needed to drive members to and from Synagogue on an occasional basis. If you are interested in helping, please contact the Synagogue office.

Visiting or Chatting with the Elderly

Our program of matching volunteers to call or visit those living in seniors' residences is an important act of *hesed*. Many people are lonely and are very appreciative when someone takes the time to make them feel special. It is flexible as you can choose how much time to offer. It is also a wonderful opportunity for Bar/Bat Mitzvah age students to participate in with their families.

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.

Our Games Afternoon Program is Expanding

Our Thursday Games Afternoon program has become a huge success. There are now over 35 participants each week, most of whom play Mahjong, with a small but dedicated group who enjoy Bridge.

Canasta lessons will be offered in the spring after the Passover holiday. A start date will be confirmed in February and a nominal fee will be charged for the lessons. We will also offer another round of Mahjong lessons. Please call the office and leave a message if you are interested in participating in either activity.

We are always looking for more Mahjong and Bridge players, whatever your level of expertise. Bring your friends—everyone is welcome. Bridge begins at 1:30 PM, while Mahjong begins at 2:00 PM.

If anyone has a Mahjong set that they would like to donate to our program, it would be much appreciated.

If you would like information on any of these opportunities, leave a message with the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

—Maureen Tanz
Chair, Hesed Committee

Call For Photos and Memorabilia!

by the 60th Anniversary Exhibits Committee

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(Out of the Cold, Habitat for Humanity, etc.) • Synagogue events

The period of 1980 -2014, in particular required

Please contact Bernie Shiner at 416-464-3456 or Dorion Lieb Gott at 416-781-3514 ext. 232



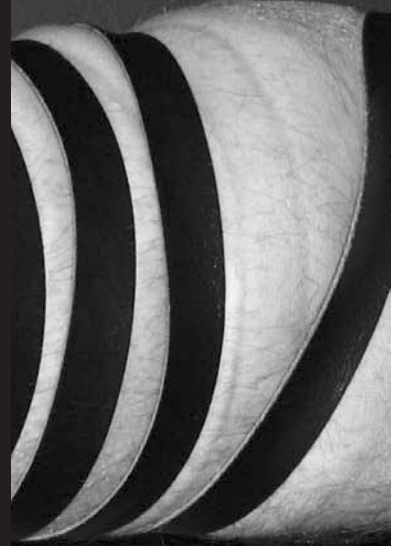
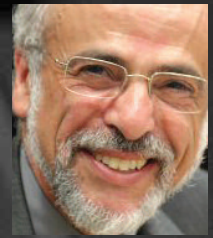
BETH TZEDEC MEN'S CLUB Annual World Wide Wrap

Sunday, February 1

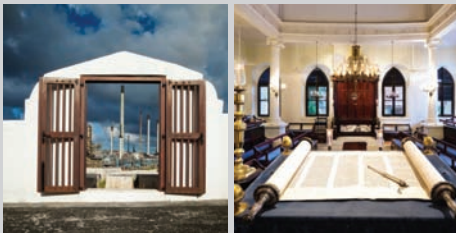
“Wrap” at 8:30 AM; Service at 8:45 AM

Prior to morning services, Men's Club members and clergy will be available to instruct and assist participants in the *mitzvah* of putting on *tefillin*. After services, enjoy an enhanced breakfast followed by our guest Professor Josh Jacobson with *Jewish Music and All That Jazz*, a multi-media presentation in conjunction with Shabbat Shirah weekend. No charge. *Breakfast sponsored by the Beth Tzedec Men's Club, Sisterhood and the Dr. Emil and Bessie Glaser Memorial Lectures.*

Joshua R. Jacobson is Professor of Music and Director of Choral Activities at Northeastern University, as well as founder and director of the Zamir Chorale of Boston. Over 100 of his choral arrangements, editions and compositions have been published, and his book, *Chanting the Hebrew Bible: The Art of Cantillation*, was a finalist for the National Jewish Book Award. He is co-author of *Translations and Annotations of Choral Repertoire—Volume IV: Hebrew Texts*.



Beth Tzedec Reuben and Helene Dennis Museum



JEWISH TREASURES OF THE CARIBBEAN

A Photography Exhibit by Wyatt Gallery

March 9 through April 30

In this travelling exhibition, photographer Wyatt Gallery captures the little-known history of the Sephardic Jews of the Caribbean, dating back to the early 1600s, as seen through the remaining historic sites in Barbados, Curaçao, Jamaica, Nevis, St. Croix, St. Thomas, St. Maarten, St. Eustatius and Suriname.

For information or to book a tour of the exhibit, contact Museum Curator Dorion Liebgott at 416-781-3514 ext. 232 or dliebgott@beth-tzedec.org.

Presented in partnership with



Men's Club Makes a Difference

Sunnybrook Shabbat

On December 21, the Men's Club sponsored a Hanukkah party for the Jewish veterans and permanent residents of Sunnybrook Hospital. The latkes were enjoyed by all the residents and their families.

Due to a scheduling conflict, we have changed the date of our next Sunnybrook Shabbat to June 16.

Scholarship Awards

Each year, the Men's Club provides scholarships to deserving candidates pursuing higher Jewish education or cantorial studies, teaching students with disabilities and studying the arts. The deadline for submissions is Tuesday, April 14. For more information or an application form, please email Hersh Rosenthal at hershr@rogers.com.

Jules & Pearl Surdin Memorial Fund

Help give teens with emotional and developmental challenges a Jewish camp experience by making a contribution to *The Jules and Pearl Surdin Memorial Fund*. Make a gift that will enlighten the life of a Tikvah camper at Camp Ramah in Canada. To contribute, please contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

THIRD ANNUAL
BETH TZEDEC MEN'S CLUB
GOLF
CLASSIC
Honouring Stanley AxmithTM

Thursday, May 28
King's Riding Golf Club
14700 Bathurst St., King City, Ontario

\$350 Golfer / \$1,400 Foursome

12:00 PM Registration & Barbecue Lunch
1:30 PM Shotgun Start
6:00 PM Awards Reception & Dinner

Refreshments and snacks available throughout the day.

Sponsorship Opportunities Available
Call 416-781-3511 to register or learn more

Chance to win fabulous prizes! Registration deadline: Wednesday, May 20
Kashrut (dietary laws) observed. Women are welcome!!

With your support, the Beth Tzedec Men's Club provides seed and sustaining funding for more than 22 programs and projects every year.



Catholic Jewish Consultation

Len Rudner (CIJA), Rav Baruch Frydman-Kohl, Bishop John A. Boissoneau and Kyle Ferguson (Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops) met for a consultation on Catholic-Jewish relations in Canada in anticipation of the 50th anniversary of the Vatican Declaration on the Jews. While here, they took the opportunity to explore the Beth Tzedec Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum.

Queens Park Hanukkah Candle Lighting

Cantor Simon Spiro was invited to Queens Park for the lighting of the *hanukkiyah* candles on the first night Hanukkah. Pictured are Premier Kathleen Wynne, Cantor Spiro, Eric Hoskins (MPP, St. Paul's), Irit Stopper (Deputy Consul for Israel), Rabbi David Seed and Arthur Potts, (MPP, Beaches).



Life on the University Campus

Panelists Nora Gold, Marc Newburgh and Dr. Marty Lockshin discussed *Life on the University Campus: A Safe Haven or a Hotbed of Anti-Israel Activity* as part of a distinguished panel moderated by Rabbi Adam Cutler.

Annual Eight Days of Tikkun Olam Mitzvah Project

Robbins Hebrew Academy teamed up with Beth Tzedec for our Eight Days of *Tikkun Olam Mitzvah* Project. The grade 2 class shows their collection of school supplies for Zareinu Educational Centre. The grade 1 class poses with toiletries for Lone Soldiers in Israel.



Holocaust Education Week Closing & *Kristallnacht* Commemoration

On the evening of November 9, Beth Tzedec hosted the Holocaust Education Week Closing Night & *Kristallnacht* Commemoration, including a keynote address by Doris L. Bergen and a candle-lighting ceremony marking the 76th anniversary of *Kristallnacht*.



Bill Glied and family



Agnes Kubes and family



Lou Hoffer and family



Family *Tikkun Olam*
On November 10, families came together for a family *tikkun olam* project making soup for those in need in the community. Ester Klinitz and her son Noah cut up fresh vegetables (L); Karen Rachlin and Youth Director Aily Leibtag stir a pot of nutritious, home-made soup (R).

Hanukkah Fun

On November 30, the participants of the PJ Library Story Time enjoyed some pre-Hanukkah arts and craft activities.



Exploring Pesah with Professor Noam Zion

Thursday, March 26 to Shabbat, March 28



THURSDAY, MARCH 26

The Structure of the Haggadah—6:30 to 7:25 PM

Prof. Noam Zion gives a special presentation for those in the process of converting and others who are less familiar with the Haggadah.

The Four Daughters and Sons in Art, Midrash, Psychology and Politics—7:30 PM

A phenomenal presentation on the modern Jewish struggle with the changing ideals of what we wish for in our children. A fantastic in-depth look at a key portion of the Haggadah that will surely enhance your entire seder.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

Pre-Pesah Friday Night Live Service & Dinner—6:30 PM

Get in the mood for Pesah with a rousing musical Friday Night Live Kabbalat Shabbat service with Cantor Simon Spiro and the fabulous Beth Tzedec Singers followed by a delicious dinner and lecture with Prof. Noam Zion on *101 Ideas for a More Participatory Seder*.

Cost: \$40 adults; \$18 youth (ages 5-14); \$6 children (ages 1-4).
Dinner by advance reservation only by Monday, March 23.

SHABBAT, MARCH 28

Shabbat with Professor Noam Zion—Services at 8:45 AM

Prof. Zion continues his lecture series with a pulpit address on *Liberating your Seder: Dispelling Five Misconceptions of the Seder*. Following the Kiddush, he will answer questions and give a brief, fascinating presentation on *From Maxwell House to Starbucks: The Homemade Haggadah and the Changing North American Seder*.

For information or dinner reservations, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511

Sponsored by The Anne Belle & Manuel E. Pusitz Memorial Lecture

Professor Noam Zion is a fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute, on the faculty of the Rabbinic Enrichment Program and a specialist in Bible and Rabbinic Ethics. His numerous publications include: *A Different Night: The Family Participation Haggadah*, *A Different Light: The Big Book of Hanukkah*, *A Day Apart: Shabbat at Home*, and *A Night to Remember: A Haggadah of Contemporary Voices*.



In the spirit of Purim gift giving and Tzedakah send 'Treasures of Beth Tzedec' Tribute Cards

Our Purim cards feature a greggar (pictured) from the *Beth Tzedec Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum* collection, and are available in two ways:

1. **Pick up cards from the Synagogue office for you to personalize and send** at a cost of \$54 for a package of 12 cards or \$5 per card.
2. **We inscribe and mail them for you** at a cost of \$10 per card (minimum order of 12 cards)—just provide us with an address list and your personal message, and we'll do the rest!



All contributions are fully tax receiptable. For more information or to order, contact Avital at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

countdown to Pesah

Friday, March 27 / 7 Nisan

- 7:30am *Shaharit*
- 6:30pm Pre-Passover Friday Night Live & Shabbat Dinner with guest Noam Zion
- 6:30pm *Kabbalat Shabbat*
- 7:20pm Candle lighting

Saturday, March 28 / 8 Nisan

- 8:45am *Shaharit/Shabbat Hagadol/Rosh Hodesh*
Noam Zion speaks during and following Services
- 7:00pm *Minhah/Seudah Shlisheet/Ma'ariv*
- 8:23pm Havdalah

Thursday, April 2 / 13 Nisan

- 7:30am *Shaharit*
 - 6:00pm All sale of *hametz* forms must be received
 - 7:00pm *Minhah-Ma'ariv*
After dark Search for *hametz*
- Last day to clean for Pesah

Friday, April 3 / 14 Nisan

- Erev Pesah**
- No matzah may be eaten**
- Fast of the Firstborn/siyyum** (completion of study) followed by breakfast
- 8:30am *Shaharit*
- 9:00-11:00am **Bring your *hametz* to Beth Tzedec for burning**
- By 11:00am Burn/dispose all *hametz*
- 6:00pm *Minhah-Festival Ma'ariv*

Prior to candle lighting, light a 24-hour candle to use on Saturday night to light candles on Saturday night

- 7:41pm Candle lighting
- After nightfall Begin first seder
- Blessings for candles mention Shabbat and *Yom Tov* along with *She'he'hiyyanu*
- Watch for the "full blood" moon tonight!

Saturday, April 4 / 15 Nisan

- 1st Day of Pesah**
- 8:45am Pesah *Yom Tov* services with *Hallel* and prayer for *Tal/Dew*
- 7:35pm Festival *Minhah-Ma'ariv*
- After 8:32pm Candle lighting from an existing flame
- After nightfall Begin second seder
- Count Omer Day 1

Sunday, April 5 / 16 Nisan

- 2nd Day of Pesah**
- 8:45am Pesah *Yom Tov* services with *Hallel*
- 7:35pm Festival *Minhah-Ma'ariv*
- 8:33pm *Yom Tov* concludes
- Count Omer Day 2

Tributes



Make a donation, send a tribute card and include your listing here to honour your friends and loved ones. For more information about tribute opportunities, contact Avital at 416-781-3511.

Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund

Howard and Halle Cohen, honouring **Phyllis Flatt** on the 10th anniversary of her Bat Mitzvah.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, honouring **Rochelle Zabitsky** on the Bar Mitzvah of her grandson **Isaiah**.

Gerold and Roslyn Goldlist and family, honouring **Phyllis and Ab Flatt** on their new home.

Michael, Rochelle, Seth, Aaron and Shaina Kerzner, honouring **Morris Rosenberg** on his special birthday.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, honouring **Ab and Phyllis Flatt** on their new condo.

Daily Minyan Breakfast Fund

Izzie Abrams and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Hyman Abrams**.

Izzie Abrams and family, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Ida Abrams**.

Frances Ackerman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. John Ackerman**.

Earl Altman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sonny Altman**.

The Caplan Girls, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Leonard Caplan**.

Donald Carr, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harry Carr**.

Ronald and Diane Ennis, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Albert Ennis**.

Kathy, Brian and Bobby Feldman and Reta Newman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Charley Feldman**.

Ab Flatt, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Moses Flatt**.

Anna Gangbar and Robert Linder, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Saul Linder**.

Harvey Gefen and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Elias Gefen**.

The Giddens Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harry Giddens**.

Helen Glazer, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Anna Glazer**.

Helen Glazer, commemorating the

yahrtzeit of **Lillian White**.

Sheldon Godfrey and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Ruth and Bert Godfrey**.

Morty and Rosemary Goldhar, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Faye Winbaum**.

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

Roslynne and Harry Greenberg and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Belle Korzen**.

Ydessa Hendeles and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dorothy Hendeles**.

Norman and Jackie Kahn and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rose Kahn**.

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

Harold Lepofsky, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Fred Leposky**.

Lawrie Lubin, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Max Lubin**.

Ruthe Mann and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **John Mann**.

The Matlow, Bohnen and Garbe Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Esther Matlow**.

The Nathanson and Alexandroff Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bernard Nathanson**.

Annette Oelbaum and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Ronald Oelbaum** and **Esther Wald**.

Irene Reingold, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Sali and Irwin Gilbert**.

Joe Rosenthal, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Chaya Toba**.

Ferne and Bernie Rubinstein, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Esther Goldstein**.

The Sless and Law Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Brian Sless**.

Howard and Emily Snow and family, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Mickey Snow**.

Eric Sobel, in honour of his birthday.

Rose Sobel and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bertha Chelin**.

Mel and Ruth Steinhart and Allan Siegel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rose Siegel**.

Avrom and Reesa Sud, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Louis Hotz** and **David Sud**.

Gary and Evelyn Title, honouring the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson **Joshua Weinstein**.

Ken Zuckerman and Susan Zuckerman, marking the conclusion of shiva for **Mynne Zuckerman**.

General Fund

The Alexandroff and Nathanson Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bernie Nathanson**.

Enid and Graham Berg, honouring **Sandy Cohen** on being named *Kallat Bereisheet*.

Enid and Graham Berg, honouring **Harold Margles** on being named *Hattan Torah*.

Lia Besunder and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Marvin Besunder**.

Susanne Egier, honouring **William and Bertha Savlov** on their anniversary.

Morley Goldberg and Marcia Schnoor.

Florence Kimel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Lily Rosen**.

"Lebron", honouring **Beth Tzedec** for the use of the basketball court.

Dr. Lawrence and Karen Leiter, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jack S. Leiter**.

Rose Lindzon and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Dr. Martin Lindzon** and **Aron Kimel**.

Rose Lindzon and family, acknowledging **Shirley Rubin** in memory of **Harry Rubin**.

Saul Mimran, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Elie Mimran**.

Roslyn Nathanson, honouring **William and Bertha Savlov** on their anniversary.

Cindy Opler, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jack Schnoor**.

Theodore and Nancy Rabinovich, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Daniel Siegel**.

Col. Meir Rottem, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Tova Rottem**.

Berte Rubin, acknowledging **Shirley Rubin** in memory of **Harry Rubin**.

Randy and Debbie Spiegel, acknowledging **Carole Sherkin** in memory of **Sari Troister**.

Randy Spiegel, honouring **S. Blake Teichman and the Board of Governors**.

The Valo Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sidney Valo**.

Felicia Valo, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **William Travis**.

Alan Wener, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Frances (Maidie) Wener**.

Lyon Wexler, wishing **Lawrie and Ruthann Lubin** a Happy Hanukkah.

Henry & Esther Bernick Memorial Fund

Dr. Sidney and Gina Brown, acknowledging **Roslyn Roth, Cynthia Hirsch and Howard Bernick** in memory of **Henry Bernick**.

Donna Cohen, acknowledging **Henry Bernick** in memory of **Esther Bernick**.

Ruby Herman Green, acknowledging **Cynthia and Joel Hirsch** in memory of **Henry Bernick**.

Cheryl and Richard Kress, acknowledging **Cynthia and Joel Hirsch** in memory of **Henry and Esther Bernick**.

Rona and Fifi Levin, acknowledging **Howard Bernick** in memory of **Henry and Esther Bernick**.

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Donna Marren, acknowledging **Howard Bernick** in memory of **Henry and Esther Bernick**.

Skip and Lynn Sigel, acknowledging **Henry Bernick** in memory of **Esther Bernick**.

Skip and Lynn Sigel, acknowledging **Howard Bernick** in memory of **Henry Bernick**.

Hesed Fund

Julian Brass and Valerie Brass, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Helen Glazer, wishing **Dr. Seymour Berlin** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Dr. Nathan Greenberg, acknowledging the **Sheriff Family** in memory of **Nellie Sheriff**.

Nathan and Carole Greenberg, honouring **Cantor Sidney Ezer** on his birthday.

Gloria Houser, acknowledging **Shirley Rubin** in memory of **Harry Rubin**.

Marcie and Gary Mansfield, honouring **Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl**.

John and Molly Pollock, honouring **Rabbi Jack Riemer** on his retirement.

Mary and Leslie Richmond and family, honouring **Peter and Lesly Weinstein** on the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Joshua**.

Mary and Leslie Richmond and family, honouring **Toba and Leonard Weinstein** on their Bar Mitzvah of their grandson **Joshua Weinstein**.

Rose Sobel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Gussie Sobel**.

Mel and Ruth Steinhart, acknowledging **Dr. Jerome and Pearl Kazdan** in memory of **Martin Kazdan**.

Allan, Kathy and Daniel Troster, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Betty Troster**.

Allan, Kathy and Daniel Troster, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Troster**.

Lyon Wexler, honouring **Arnell S. Goldberg, Q.C.** on his 82nd birthday.

Israel Sydney & Pearl Wolfe Memorial Fund

Caryl & Bernie Schwartz and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Israel Sydney Wolfe**.

Jonathan Kahn Memorial Fund

Faye Firestone, honouring **Norman and Jackie Kahn**.

Jules and Pearl Surdin Memorial Fund

Howard and Sheila Einstoss, acknowledging **Dr. Morty and Gayle Eisenberg** in memory of **Izak Eisenberg**.

Victor and Thelma Schiff, acknowledging **Dr. Morty Eisenberg** in memory of **Izak Eisenberg**.

Cathy Surdin, Lawrence Schiff and Brooke Schiff, acknowledging **Steven Axmith** in memory of **Stanley Axmith**.

Cathy Surdin, Lawrence Schiff and Brooke Schiff, acknowledging **Dr. Morty Eisenberg** in memory of **Izak Eisenberg**.

May they Go from Strength to Strength

PROUD MEMBERS OF OUR BETH TZEDEC FAMILY, Sharon and Michael Pupko, have chosen to honour the memory of their dear parents, Sarah and Hershel Greenspan and Rose and Mark Pupko, with a gift to Beth Tzedec. The Pupko family and their children and grandchildren have had many *smahot* and lifecycle events celebrated here at Beth Tzedec.

For Sharon and Michael, this was an opportunity to give back to their beloved congregation. Thanks to their generosity and example, we continue to be a strong

kehillah. They hope their gift will motivate others to follow in their footsteps and contribute to the ongoing development and success of Beth Tzedec.

The leadership, staff and membership of Beth Tzedec thank the Pupko Family for their kindness and generosity. May they and their entire family emulate the tradition and grow spiritually, educationally, socially and culturally, and help us continue as a *Community Destination for Jewish Living*.



**Deadline for orders is
Wednesday, March 25th,
12pm**

Happy Passover from Applause Catering

Kosher for Passover Menu

APPETIZERS & SOUPS

(1lb serves approx. 4 people)

Savoury or Sweet Gelfilte Fish Roulade	\$20.00 per lb
Chopped Liver with Matzah Crackers	\$15.00 per lb
Wild Mushroom Crepes	\$5.00 per piece
Traditional Chicken Soup	\$10.00 per litre
Matzah Balls	\$1.75 per piece
Butternut Squash and Pear Soup	\$10.00 per litre
Tomato Bisque	\$10.00 per litre

MAINS

Chicken & Turkey

Pan Seared Chicken Supreme	\$15.00 per piece
Matzah Breaded Chicken Roulade	\$18.00 per piece
Stuffed Chicken Supreme	\$18.00 per piece
Chicken Fingers	\$20.00 per lb
Chicken Wings	\$16.00 per lb
Traditional Turkey Meatloaf	\$48.00 per loaf
Stuffed Cornish Hen	\$24.00 per hen

Beef

Slow Roasted Beef Brisket	\$15.00 per 6 oz
Herb Roasted Ribeye	\$16.50 per 6 oz
Slow Cooked Beef Short Ribs	\$27.50 per piece

Fish

Cranberry Apricot Herb Matzah Crusted Salmon Filet	\$15.00 per 6 oz
Pan Seared Tilapia Filet	\$12.50 per 5-6 oz

Vegetarian

Wild Mushroom Beggar Purse	\$10.00 per piece
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SALADS

(1lb serves approx. 4 people)

Italian Salad	\$4.50 per serving
French Country Salad	\$4.50 per serving
Cucumber Salad	\$8.00 per lb
Creamy Coleslaw	\$8.00 per lb
Red Cabbage Slaw	\$8.00 per lb

SIDE DISHES

(1lb serves approx. 4 people)

Oven Roasted Herbed Potatoes	\$20.00 per lb
Roasted Herbed Yams	\$20.00 per lb
Seasonal Vegetable Sauté	\$25.00 per lb
Honey Balsamic Root Vegetables	\$25.00 per lb
Egg Noodles	\$12.00 per lb

EXTRAS

Seder Plate	\$8.00 per plate
Charoset	\$6.00 per 1/2 lb
Potato Kugel Au Gratin	\$30.00 per pan
Apple Kugel	\$31.00 per pan
Sweet Potato & Zucchini Kugel	\$30.00 per pan

DESSERT

(Each cake serves 12 to 14)

Strawberry Shortcake	\$50.00 per cake
Frozen Lemon Meringue Torte	\$55.00 per cake
Flourless Chocolate Cake	\$50.00 per cake
Caramel Matzah Crunch	\$9.00 per 6 pieces
Fresh Fruit Salad	\$5.00 per 6 oz

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Pick up location at Beth Tzedec

1700 Bathurst St.,
Main Hall,
Friday, April 3rd,
10am – 3pm

Kosher Food Bank

Irving Matlow, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Anne Climans**.

Irving Matlow, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Esther Matlow**.

Library Books

Risa Levine, David Weisdorf & Harrison Levine, honouring **Josh Charlat** on his 25th anniversary in dentistry.

Little Minyan Fund

Lyon Wexler, wishing **Shoel and Eileen Silver** a Happy Hanukkah.

Max and Beatrice Wolfe Library Fund

Susan and Paul Lindzon and family, wishing **Stephen and Eileen Flatt** a happy anniversary.

Men's Club Scholarships

Arthur and Carole Andrews, acknowledging **Elaine Marcus** in memory of **Stanley Axmith**.

Brenda Orser, acknowledging **Elaine Marcus** in memory of **Stanley Axmith**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging **Elaine Marcus** in memory of **Stanley Axmith**.

Music Fund

David Ackerman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **John Ackerman**.

Sephi Band, Jeffrey and Zoe Mitz, honouring **Sandy Cohen** on being named *Kallat Bereisheet*.

Bob and Sandy Cohen, acknowledging **Sybil Milstone and family** in memory of **Max Milstone**.

Linda and Gary Goldberg, honouring **Dr. Gary Mansfield** on receiving his Masters in Religion degree.

Rosette Rutman, honouring Cantor **Simon Spiro**.

The Rutman and Abrams Families, honouring **Lorne Hanick**.

Rosette Rutman, Stephen Abrams and Tamara Abrams, honouring **Lorne Shillinger** on his special birthday.

Lorraine Simpson, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Charles Simpson**.

Harold and Carole Wolfe, honouring **Miriam Blumstock** on her 50th birthday.

Out-of-the-Cold Fund

Bob and Sandy Cohen, honouring **Kenny Wise** on his special birthday.

Helen Glazer, honouring **Patti Rotman**.

Bonnie Greenberg, acknowledging **Ferne Rubinstein** on marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Esther Goldstein**.

Harold and Ruth Margles, honouring **Patti Rotman**.

Irving Matlow, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Esther Matlow**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, acknowledging **Nancy Rosenzweig and family** in memory of **Ethel**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, honouring **Sandy Cohen** on being named *Kallat Bereisheet*.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, honouring **Lorraine and Aubie Himmel** on their 65th anniversary.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, honouring **Dr. Marc Hudes** on his retirement.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, honouring **Harold Margles** on being named *Hattan Torah*.

Elaine and Joey Steiner, honouring **Brenda Orser** on her special birthday.

Lynne Taradash, acknowledging **Sybil Milston and family** in memory of **Max Milstone**.

Prayer Book (Siddur) Dedications— Daily or Shabbat

Stanley Axmith, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **Frances Axmith**.

Peter Gold, honouring the memory of **Rae and Ben Gold**.

Marsha Joseph, honouring **David Kirschner** on his Bar Mitzvah.

Marsha Joseph, honouring **Jacob Weinstein** on his Bar Mitzvah.

Dolly Kerzner, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of **Murray Penwick** and **Tillie Penwick Mandel**.

Miriam Kerzner, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ethel Greenstone**.

Pauline Menkes, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jack Weintraub**.

Susan Mogil, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ruth Mogil**.

Shirley Promislow, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Israel Gandler**.

Shirley Promislow, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Corinne Gandler Koslovsky**.

Jeanne Salit, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ethel Cooke**.

Howard Tanenbaum, honouring **Dr. Edward (Ted) Feldman** on his 95th birthday.

Rosalie White, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Lionel White**.

Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum Fund

Brenda Orser, honouring **Dr. Edward (Ted) Feldman** on his 95th birthday.

Victims of Terror Fund

Leonard and Merle Eisen, honouring **Sandy Cohen** on being named *Kallat Bereisheet*.

Leonard and Merle Eisen, honouring **Harold Margles** on being named *Hattan Torah*.

Sally Gallinger, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harry Gallinger**.

Jeffrey Jacobs, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Emanuel Jacobs**.

Youth Initiatives Fund in memory of Adam Kruger

Ben Starkman and family, honouring Rabbi **Adam Cutler** for a great weekend in Detroit on the Jewish Service Network trip.

Ben Starkman and family, honouring **Aily Leibtag** for a great weekend in Detroit on the Jewish Service Network trip.

Ben Starkman and family, honouring **Daniel Silverman** for a great weekend in Detroit on the Jewish Service Network trip.

WHILE LEVI HAS BLOWN PAST PROVINCIAL STANDARDS IN READING, HIS TZEDAKAH FOR ISRAEL IS WHAT HAS RAISED EYEBROWS.



Cutting-edge academics and a spirit of community are what make our students reach further.

Levi, RHA Student

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From 10:00 to 11:15 AM

For men and women, centred on texts from our tradition, eliciting response and deep listening—a doorway to enhanced prayer.

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Condolences

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

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| Stanley Edward Axmith | Morris Abraham Kotzer |
| Sheila Benjamin | Isaac Zvi Kurtz |
| Henry Bernick | Max Milstone |
| Reva Boxer | Shoshana Mizrahi |
| Ralph Carmona | Dr. Gordon Perlmutter |
| Izak Eisenberg | Dr. Mark Roberts |
| Grace Hillman | Polly Soloway |
| Renee Hock | Florence Stern |
| Louis Hurwitz | Sadie Betty Stren |
| Paul Kates | Sari Troister |
| Martin Kazdan | Dorothy Zoltek |
| Jack Klyman | Leah Zuker |

“May the God of mercy sustain and strengthen them in their sorrow.”

Memorial Plaques

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






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| Leon Jacob Kluger | Saul Krivel |
| Sadie Krivel | Ruth Lampert |

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.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>26 SHEVAT</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 10:00am Story of the Jews 5:40pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>27 SHEVAT</p> <p>FAMILY DAY</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 5:40pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>28 SHEVAT</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 5:40pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>29 SHEVAT</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 4:00pm Café Ivrit 5:40pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:00pm <i>Hadasot</i> for BTTeens 7:30pm Moshe Meirovich/ Revolt vs. Modernity: Writing of the <i>Artscroll Siddur</i></p>	<p>30 SHEVAT</p> <p>ROSH HODESH ADAR</p> <p>7:15am Shaharit 1:30pm Games Afternoon 5:40pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:00pm Beyond the Chuppah</p>	<p>1 ADAR</p> <p>ROSH HODESH ADAR</p> <p>7:15am Shaharit 5:00pm Tot Shabbat Dinner 5:36pm Candle Lighting 5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat</p>	<p>2 ADAR</p> <p>SHABBAT MEVARKHIM</p> <p> Terumah</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Dr. Ages 11:00am Torah Next Dor 5:20pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 6:40pm Havdalah 7:00pm Boys Night for Grades 5 & 6</p>
<p>This page: February 15 to March 21</p>						
<p>3 ADAR</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 10:00am Story of the Jews 5:50pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>4 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 5:50pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm ASK: Adult Bat/Bar Mitzvah Program</p>	<p>5 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 4:00pm Cook & Shook 5:50pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Jews in Sports: The Good Old Hockey Game</p>	<p>6 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 4:00pm Café Ivrit 5:50pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Havurat HaSefer</p>	<p>7 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 1:30pm Games Afternoon 5:50pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:00pm Beyond the Chuppah</p>	<p>8 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 5:46pm Candle Lighting 5:50pm Kabbalat Shabbat</p>	<p>9 ADAR</p> <p>SHABBAT ZAKHOR</p> <p> Tetzaveh</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Dr. Ages 10:00am Jewish Meditation 12:00pm Teen Shabbat Lunch 5:30pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 6:49pm Havdalah 8:00pm Motown Purim Sing-Along & Dinner</p>
<p>MARCH</p> <p>10 ADAR</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 10:30am Jews in Sports: Jews Can Play Sports, Too 2:00pm BTTeens: Purim Party @ DANNI 6:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>11 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 6:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 6:00pm <i>Kesher: TOPS</i> 7:15pm ASK: Adult Bat/Bar Mitzvah Program</p>	<p>12 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 6:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>13 ADAR</p> <p>FAST OF ESTHER REVE PURIM</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 4:00pm Purim Carnival 5:45pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 6:30pm Megillah Reading</p>	<p>14 ADAR</p> <p>PURIM</p> <p>7:00am Shaharit & Megillah Reading 1:30pm Games Afternoon 6:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:00pm Beyond the Chuppah</p>	<p>15 ADAR</p> <p>SHUSHAN PURIM</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 5:55pm Candle Lighting 6:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat</p>	<p>16 ADAR</p> <p> Ki Tissa</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 9:30am Torah Study/Dr. Ages 10:00am LM Family Service 11:00am Junior Congregation 11:00am Torah Tot 5:40pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 6:58pm Havdalah 7:30pm Girls Sleepover for Grades 5 & 6</p>
<p>17 ADAR</p> <p>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>18 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm ASK: Adult Bat/Bar Mitzvah Program 7:15pm iEngage: The Tribes of Israel</p>	<p>19 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>20 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 4:00pm Café Ivrit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Havurat HaSefer</p>	<p>21 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 1:30pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Dr. Rania Okby/From Desert to Delivery Room</p>	<p>22 ADAR</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:03pm Candle Lighting</p>	<p>23 ADAR</p> <p>SHABBAT PARAH SHABBAT MEVARKHIM</p> <p> Vayakhel-Pekudei</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Dr. Ages 11:00am Torah Next Dor 12:00pm Lively Learning 6:45pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 8:06pm Havdalah</p>
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<p>27 TEVET</p> <p>18</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 10:00am Story of the Jews 3:00pm <i>Tikkun Olam</i> Project for Teens & Seniors 5:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>28 TEVET</p> <p>19</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 5:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm ASK: Adult Bat/Bar Mitzvah Program 7:15pm iEngage: The Tribes of Israel</p>	<p>29 TEVET</p> <p>20</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 5:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 5:00pm <i>Kesher: BT Youth @ Out of the Cold</i> 7:00pm <i>BTTeens: BT Youth @ Out of the Cold</i></p>	<p>1 SHEVAT</p> <p>21</p> <p>ROSH HODESH SHEVAT 7:15am Shaharit 4:00pm Café Ivrit 5:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>2 SHEVAT</p> <p>22</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 1:30pm Games Afternoon 5:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>3 SHEVAT</p> <p>23</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 4:58pm Candle Lighting 5:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat</p>	<p>4 SHEVAT</p> <p>24</p> <p> Bo 8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Dr. Ages 10:15am Torah Tots 10:30am Junior Congregation 12:00pm Young Shamashim 2:30pm Girls Shabbat Club 4:40pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 6:02pm Havdalah</p>
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<p>12 SHEVAT</p> <p>1</p> <p>8:30am World Wide Wrap 8:45am Shahriv 10:00am <i>WW/W Breakfast/</i> Jacobson presentation 5:20pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>13 SHEVAT</p> <p>2</p> <p>7:30am Shahriv 5:20pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm ASK: Adult Bat/Bar Mitzvah Program 7:15pm iEngage: The Tribes of Israel</p>	<p>14 SHEVAT</p> <p>3</p> <p>7:30am Shahriv 5:20pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>15 SHEVAT</p> <p>4</p> <p>7:30am Shahriv 4:00pm Café Ivrit 5:20pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm <i>Havurat HaSefer</i></p>	<p>16 SHEVAT</p> <p>5</p> <p>7:30am Shahriv 1:30pm Games Afternoon 5:20pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:00pm Beyond the Chuppah</p>	<p>17 SHEVAT</p> <p>6</p> <p>7:30am Shahriv 5:17pm Candle Lighting 5:20pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00pm Blue Jeans Shabbat Service & Dinner</p>	<p>18 SHEVAT</p> <p>7</p> <p> Yitro 8:45am Shahriv 9:30am Torah Study/Dr. Ages 10:00am LM Family Service 11:00am Junior Congregation 11:00am Tot Shabbat 5:00pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 6:21pm Havdalah</p>
<p>19 SHEVAT</p> <p>8</p> <p>8:45am Shahriv 10:00am Story of the Jews 11:00am Sharon Binder/Beth Tzedec Art Attack 5:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>20 SHEVAT</p> <p>9</p> <p>7:30am Shahriv 5:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm ASK: Adult Bat/Bar Mitzvah Program</p>	<p>21 SHEVAT</p> <p>10</p> <p>7:30am Shahriv 4:00pm Cook & Shook for <i>Nitzanin</i> 5:00pm <i>Kesher: BT Youth @ Out of the Cold</i> 5:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:00pm <i>BTTeens: BT Youth @ Out of the Cold</i></p>	<p>22 SHEVAT</p> <p>11</p> <p>7:30am Shahriv 4:00pm Café Ivrit 5:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>23 SHEVAT</p> <p>12</p> <p>7:30am Shahriv 1:30pm Games Afternoon 5:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Sharon Binder/Cradling Art: Wimple</p>	<p>24 SHEVAT</p> <p>13</p> <p>7:30am Shahriv 5:27pm Candle Lighting 5:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat</p>	<p>25 SHEVAT</p> <p>14</p> <p>SHABBAT SHEKALIM SHABBAT MEVARKHIM  Mishpatim 8:45am Shahriv 9:30am LM/Dr. Ages 12:00pm Lively Learning 12:00pm Young Shamashim 5:10pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 6:30pm Havdalah</p>