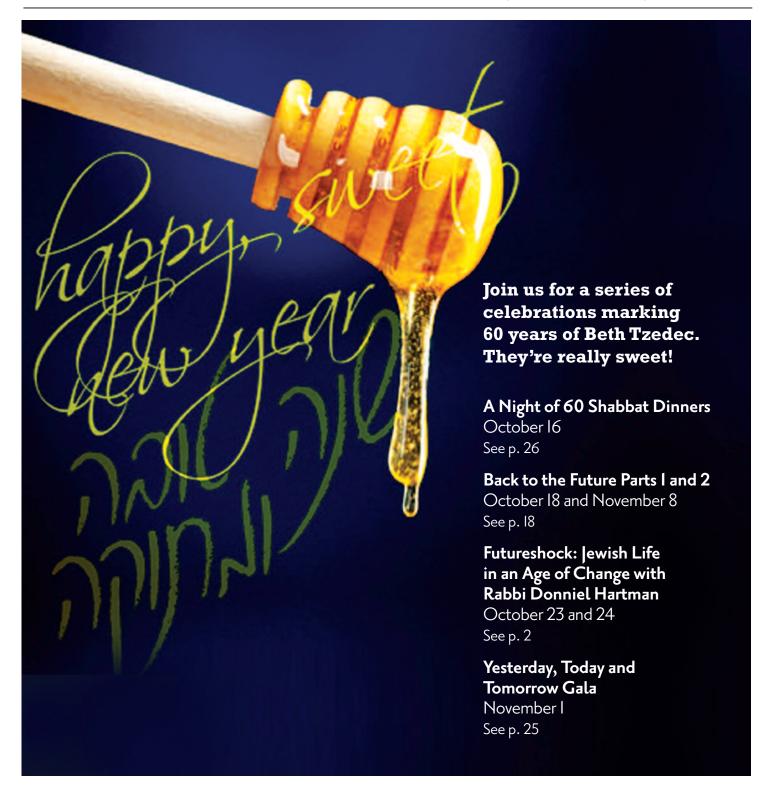
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Rabbi Donniel Hartman returns to Beth Tzedec

Futureshock:

Jewish Life in an Age of Change

Friday, October 23 and Shabbat, October 24



Musical Service, Dinner And Lecture
Who Are We? The New Face of

21st Century Jewry

Following a wonderful musical Kabbat Shabbat service with Cantor Simon Spiro and the Beth Tzedec Singers, join us for a delicious dinner and lecture with Rabbi Hartman. Cost for dinner: \$25 adults; \$18 youth (ages 5 to 14); Children ages 1 to 4 free. Dinner by advance reservation only by **Monday, October 19**.

Shabbat, October 24, Services at 8:45 AM

Pulpit Address

Together or Apart? Israel and the Jewish World

Rabbi Dr. Donniel Hartman

is president of the Shalom Hartman Institute and the director of its iEngage Project. He has a Ph.D. in Jewish philosophy from The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, a Master of Arts in political philosophy from New York University, a Master of Arts in religion from Temple University and Rabbinic ordination from the Shalom Hartman Institute

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With a Whole Heart

This year, as we mark our 60th anniversary, we introduce *Maḥzor Lev Shalem*, a refreshingly new prayer book for the High Holy Days.



THIS SUMMER, I WITNESSED THE BRINGING TOGETHER OF

long separated art and spirit to restore a whole heart, שלם (lev shalem). I thought of the different paths our personal yearning for wholeness and healing may take: in the beauty of sea, sky and snow; the solitude of meditation; the activity of family celebration; exquisite moments of song and prayer.

Just before the Fast of Av, Josette and I saw two paintings by the young Rembrandt van Rijn (1606–1669): "St. Peter in Prison" (1631) from the collection of the Israel Museum was side by side with "The Prophet Jeremiah Lamenting the Destruction of Jerusalem" (1630), on loan from the Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam. Prophet and apostle, each aged and bearded, were strikingly similar, sharing a mix of light and darkness, a mood of sorrow and desolation. Apart for centuries, now adjacent to each other, the images portray full-hearted aesthetic beauty, religious pathos and personal anguish.

We also saw two volumes of a rare illuminated manuscript of the Mishneh Torah by Rabbi Moshe ben Maimon (1138-1204) that were written and illustrated in Northern Italy around 1457. Separated 200 years ago, the first volume was on loan from the Vatican Library and the second is jointly owned by the Israel Museum and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. I continue to study and glean wisdom from Mishneh Torah, the most renowned legal work of Rambam, although my printed copy lacks the lavish illumination of this elegant one-ofa-kind book. Men and women in Renaissance attire appear within a flowering landscape against a cerulean sky. We live at a time of religious division, so it was reassuring to learn that a Christian artist, who worked in the highest circles of patronage in Italy, could bring his creative gifts with a complete heart to another religious tradition.

Online, I noticed that the 13th century Esslingen Maḥzor also has been reunited. A maḥzor (מחזור), plural maḥzorim) is a specialized form of the prayer book used primarily on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The word maḥzor means cycle (the root אחדר) means to return) and it includes the yom tov prayers recited for

the annually recurring holy days. The Esslingen *Maḥzor*, completed by Kalonymos ben Judah in 1290, is the earliest recorded Hebrew manuscript written in Germany. Separated at an unknown date, one part was held by the University of Amsterdam and the first half was identified at the Jewish Theological Seminary. Once again a whole heart, the *maḥzor* has been brought together at esslingenmahzor.org.

Rabbi Elliot Kukla, in "Wholeness of a Broken Heart," writes of serving as a chaplain to a woman named Maggie in the last weeks of her life. Maggie was constantly surrounded by three childhood friends. When asked what had kept them together, one sighed, "we are so close now because she broke our hearts many years ago." After a childhood pregnancy and miscarriage, Maggie was unable to share her grief. Despite her withdrawal, they refused to let her go and eventually, Maggie shared her story and they rebuilt a friendship, one that would last a lifetime. I was reminded of the film "Steel Magnolias," released 25 years ago, describing how six brassy Southern women related to each other as they faced a tragedy.

"There is nothing as whole as a broken heart," taught the Kotsker Rebbe. Healing the brokenness of a relationship brought friends together. Restoring the manuscripts and pairing the paintings created a wholeness with added significance because of the break of centuries. The healing of past pain is part of the process of *teshuvah*, restoring wholeness, moving closer to one another, aspiring to bring added authenticity to our daily values.

That is part of the theological background to an exciting new development at Beth Tzedec. This year, as we mark our 60th anniversary, we introduce *Maḥzor Lev Shalem*, an updated prayer book for the High Holy Days.

Lev Shalem means a full and complete heart. We hope that this new mahzor will help you to open your heart and soul to a deeper examination of your spiritual yearnings. A 20-something, after using this new prayer book, told his rabbi, "The mahzor used to belong to my grandfather, now it belongs to me." Diane Cole, whose

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memoir After Great Pain: A New Life Emerges has been the subject of one of my holiday sermons, wrote in the Wall Street Journal, "Comprehensive and informative, traditional and contemporary, this full-hearted prayer book speaks eloquently to the mind and soul."

The prayer selection of *Maḥzor Lev Shalem* is traditional with additions from a variety of classical and contemporary sources. Among its innovations are poems from contemporary Hebrew and English language poets, the "Prayers of Brokenness and Wholeness" before shofar blowing, and a prayer for those who cannot fast. The translation is contemporary with a user-friendly commentary and extensive transliteration of congregational Hebrew. There are thematically related texts to encourage personal spiritual reflection. The design is aesthetically sophisticated and inspiring.

After an extensive examination of a variety of newly published prayer books, and with the recommendation of our *klei kodesh* (clergy), our Ritual Committee and Board of Governors enthusiastically endorsed *Maḥzor Lev Shalem (A Whole Heart)* to replace the Silverman High Holy Day prayer book, originally published in 1939.

Maḥzor Lev Shalem, published in 2010 by the Rabbinical Assembly and United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, is the High Holy Day prayer book of choice for the great majority of Conservative synagogues. It has been praised as attractive and accessible, a spiritual source that opens the hearts of individuals and involves a community as much as possible.

Thanks to generous donors, the *Maḥzor Lev Shalem* volume will be available to everyone. You no longer need to bring your *maḥzor* with you to synagogue. If, however, you still want to use the Silverman *Maḥzor* that is part of your personal library, you are welcome to do so. This year, as we make the transition to *Maḥzor Lev Shalem*, some pages will be announced from the new and old prayer books.

You may wish to inscribe a volume of *Maḥzor Lev Shalem* in honour or memory of a loved one. This would be a beautiful addition to a High Holy Day card or a gift to your *yom tov* host. You may do so by calling the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

The addition of *Maḥzor Lev Shalem* completes a triple transformation of the resources that we use at Beth Tzedec for prayer and study. We have now introduced the *Etz Hayim Torah* text and commentary, *Siddur Sim Shalom* for weekdays and Shabbat and *Maḥzor Lev Shalem*. I am grateful to the families that have made these changes possible and thankful to the Holy One who opens our hearts to prayer and study in a combination of contemporary and classical modalities.

As I enter my final years as Senior Rabbi, Josette and I thank you with full hearts for the many good years we have shared with you. We pray that 5776 will be a year of good health, spiritual growth and the blessings of love and life.

For more information on the sources referenced in this article, visit www.beth-tzedec.org/page/articles/a/display/s/1/item/with-a-whole-heart

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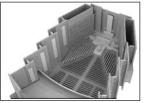
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What do you Think About our Sanctuary Plans?







I WANT TO DEVOTE THIS COLUMN ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY

to soliciting your comments on our proposed renovation plans for the Sanctuary so that I may receive your feedback. Appearing above are two renderings of what we are considering. As I reported in the *Bulletin* this past February, we propose raising the Sanctuary floor to the level of the fover, thereby eliminating all stairs from the foyer and making the Sanctuary accessible from several entrances. Doing this will enable us to create an accessible bimah. Specifically, the level where the shulhan (the table from which the Torah is read) sits currently will then be at an elevation that is only three risers higher than the floor level of the Sanctuary, as opposed to the seven risers that we have now. This lesser grade difference will accommodate a gentle-sloping ramp over which those using a walker or wheelchair will be able to ascend the bimah.

The *bimah* itself will extend forward (westward) into the seating area such that the *bimah* will now be "T"-shaped, with the top of the "T" being the existing *bimah* at its existing elevation. In addition to enhancing the accessibility of the *bimah*, this will place the clergy in closer proximity to the congregation. The seating can then surround the Cantor and the Rabbi and create a more intimate experience for all involved. The overall goal is to better engage the congregation in the services held in the Sanctuary. This includes increasing congregational singing and participation in our services. We also acknowledge that our Sanctuary is a venue for community events and the gains made for the benefit of the Congregation during prayer services are gains that will benefit community users as well.

We plan to add a removable wall in line with the front edge of the balcony, giving us the flexibility to expand the area of the Banquet Hall for large *smaḥot* and dinners, and to have a new multi-media equipped space ideal for educational and meeting purposes. As a

meeting space, it can provide a source of revenue to the Congregation. To allow for flexibility, the seating in this area will be removable. We will still have the ability to use the entire space from the western (back) wall of the Banquet Hall to the front of the Sanctuary as our main venue on the *Yom Tovim* and whenever our numbers require it. But it will also create an intimate space in the front of the Sanctuary during much of the year when the attendance does not require the seating as far back as under the balcony. Those of us who have considered what can be done to improve the Sanctuary have examined other synagogues and we recognize that having participants seated closer to and surrounding the *bimah* is one of the key components in facilitating participation.

In developing our plans we have been focused on meeting our needs while ever-mindful that everything has its cost. In round numbers, this aspect of our renovations should cost around \$4.5 million. To keep within this budget, we need to establish goals and prioritize our unlimited wants. Our Sanctuary has remained unchanged for 60 years. Our community and our needs have changed since 1955 and we must address these needs or risk becoming unattractive and irrelevant to those whom we want to be part of the Beth Tzedec community. We look forward to a transformation that will better serve the needs of our current membership and future generations.

The elements of the proposed design can be summarized as follows:

- 1. Level grade for all seating.
- 2. Accessible "T"-shaped bimah.
- 3. Reconfigured seating in the front of the Sanctuary with seats on the side turned inward.
- 4. The creation of a flexible, separate room under the balcony to be used for (a) seminars and meetings, (b) expanded Banquet Hall, and (c) as part of the Sanctuary seating when numbers require it.

What do you think? Do you agree with our goals? Do you agree that our services and other uses of the Sanctuary will benefit from these changes? Please let me have your thoughts. You can email me at president@beth-tzedec.org or talk to me at Kiddush in shul.

I wish you all a healthy and happy New Year and look forward to greeting you in shul.

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Milestones and celebrations

We can't share your good news unless you tell us about it. Send an email to thumphries@beth-tzedec.org, or call us at 416-781-3514 ext. 212. **Deadline** for the next *Bulletin* covering November to January is October 16.

Births

Emma Margaret, daughter of LAURA & ADAM HIRSH, granddaughter of MARGARET & HOWARD ELNER and CELIA & ALLEN HIRSH, born October 25.

Eliya, daughter of DR. MARC LUBIN & KEREN OR TOHAMI LUBIN, granddaughter of RUTHANN & LAWRIE LUBIN and YAFFA & MORDECHAI TOHAMI, born March 3.

Charlie Jack, son of DEBORAH & PHILLIP BACAL, grandson of SHARON & NORMAN BACAL and ADRIANA & PAUL STERESCU, born April 16.

Jacob Solomon, son of DR. RICHARD & STEPHANIE LEITER, grandson of DR. LAWRENCE & KAREN LEITER, BARBARA LAZAR and JEFF & BEV KISSEL, greatgrandson of MILDRED LEITER, FRANCES LAZAR and RUTH KISSEL, born April 24.

Cole Grayson, son of NADINE & ZACK COOPER, grandson of RIKKI & DR. RICHARD COOPER, born May 4.

Cohav Yarok, son of ADIRA ROTSTEIN & STEVE LEE, grandson of DR. COLEMAN & DR. WENDY ROTSTEIN, born May 7.

Eden Isabel, daughter of DAVID & LAURA ELMAN, granddaughter of MICHAEL & NATALIE ELINSON and BRUCE & NANCY ELMAN, greatgranddaughter of REVEKKA PAVOLOTSKY, born May 9.

Sharon Maya, daughter of PEARL & RICHARD GOODMAN, granddaughter of CELIA & ALLEN HIRSH and CINDY & SAUL GOODMAN, born May 9.

Parker, daughter of DANIELLE & CORY GREENSPAN, granddaughter of DOREEN & JERROLD GREENSPAN and AMY & CHUCK BODDY, born May 11.

Jagger Louie Cohen, son of ETHEL & JONATHAN WEINER, grandson of RICKY & PETER COHEN and SHAHLA & BARRY WEINER, great-grandson of BETTY WEINER, born May 11.

Liv Winter, daughter of BRIAN & SHAUNA DRUKARSH, granddaughter of FLORENCE & MARSHALL DRUKARSH and MAURA & ELLIOT COHEN, born May 16.

Cameron Adam, son of DR. ROBERT & ANDREA MANSFIELD, grandson of DR. GARY & MARCIA MANSFIELD and PAUL & CORNELIA ADAM, born May 20.

May (Malka), daughter of ZACHARY ABELLA & SUSANNAH GORA, granddaughter of MADAME JUSTICE ROSALIE & PROFESSOR IRVING ABELLA and ANN RAY & JOEL GORA, born May 26.

Alexander Charles, son of BRIAN & CANDICE BACAL, grandson of SHARON & NORMAN BACAL and JENNIFER & PHILLIP LOW, born June 2.

Lucas Brayden, son of JONATHAN & MICHELLE BRENZEL, grandson of SANDY & SHERRI BRENZEL, RUTH ELMALEH and SHELDON MELODICK, great-grandson of RUTH COOPER, born June 26.

Zoey Sayre, daughter of DR. ADINA WEINERMAN & JONATHAN CHETNER, granddaughter of EILEEN & PHIL WUNCH and THE LATE JOSEPH CHETNER and DONNA & BOB WEINERMAN, greatgranddaughter of GERTRUDE KERBEL, born July 5.

Jesse, son of SERENA
WOLFOND & JB PEIKES,
grandson of ROCHELLE &
HENRY WOLFOND and LINDA
& STUART PEIKES, greatgrandson of MEL & PEDIE
WOLFOND, born July 11.

Jake Lewis and Max Eddie, twin sons of SHANE & TAMMY GIDDENS, grandsons of DAVID & ELAINE GIDDENS and MERVYN & TERRY KAPLAN, great-grandsons of EVELYN ROSS, born July 23.

Geri Stephanie, daughter of MICHELLE & AARON GOLDWASSER, granddaughter of CAREN RUBY AND THE LATE GERRY RUBY and ABIE & MARGARET GOLDWASSER, born August 10.

Emily Jessica, daughter of MELISSA & STEVEN USTER, granddaughter of ROBERT & MYRIAM KLEIN and JOHN & ROSIE USTER, born July 30.

Weddings

Leah Mauer, daughter of BRENDA & MARVIN MAUER, and Josh Zelikovitz, son of JUDI CAPLAN ZELIKOVITZ AND JOEL ZELIKOVITZ, who were married June 28.

Jordan Bohnen, son of ANNE & JOHN BOHNEN, grandson of IRVING MATLOW AND THE LATE ESTHER MATLOW, and Rebecca Rubin, daughter of ANDRA & MARC RUBIN, granddaughter of RUTH KAPLAN and GILDA & SUNNY RUBIN, who were married August 9 in Montreal.

Jonathan Saguy, son of THE LATE GIDEON & MERI SAGUY, and Lesley Glowinsky, daughter of NORMAN & LILLIAN GLOWINSKY, who were married August 9.

Matthew Solomon, son of GERRY SOLOMON and MARLENE & SHELDON ALSPECTOR, and Tanya Stone, daughter of HOWARD & SHELLEY STONE, who were married August 16.

Ariel Lefkowitz, son of DR. CHARLES LEFKOWITZ & DR. DENICE FEIG, and Sarah Friedlander, daughter of DR. IRA FRIEDLANDER and DR. ANN NUNNALLY, who were married August 23.

Jordyn Lofsky, son of JEWELL & SEYMOUR LOFSKY, and Maya Kesler, daughter of LILY & RICK KESLER, who were married August 23.

Aliza Batsheva Feld,
daughter of ALAN FELD &
DR. LEEONA FISHER FELD (of
Israel), granddaughter of
DONALD CARR & JUDY FELD
CARR and THE LATE DR.
RONALD FELD, and Ari
Haber, son of ALAN & KAILY
HABER, who were married
September 6 in Modiin,
Israel.

Schuyler Levine, son of SHELLEY & AUBREY LEVINE, and Jill Greenspoon, daughter of SHELLEY & IRA GREENSPOON, who were married September 6.

Dr. Joel Elman, son of BRUCE & NANCY ELMAN, and **Dr. Tarin Arenson**, daughter of DR. LENNY & RONA ARENSON, who will be married October 11.

David Hodgins, son of ROSS HODGINS & MONIQUE BENDAVID-HODGINS, and Dana Gold, daughter of RALF & DR. ILEANA GOLD, who will be married October 11.

Sean Menkes, son of PETER & ALLISON MENKES, and Sunny Diamond, daughter of CAREY DIAMOND & TINA URMAN, who will be married October 11.

Daniel Michael Braun, son of PROFESSOR AUREL BRAUN AND THE LATE JULIANA BORSA BRAUN, and Lauren Shoolman, daughter of STANLEY & SHARON SHOOLMAN, who will be married November 1.

Matthew Spencer, son of DR. JOHN & FERN SPENCER, and Stephanie Greenspan, daughter of SOL & ROBYN GREENSPAN, who will be married November 21.

Congratulations to

Dr. Sidney & Gina Brown, who celebrated their 62nd anniversary on May 12.

Rabbi Adam Cutler, on being appointed President of the Rabbinical Assembly—Ontario Region and Secretary of the Toronto Board of Rabbis.

Jonah Finkelstein, on winning the National Bible Contest for the Grades 4/5, English division.

Morris Friedman, who celebrated his 90th birthday on September 11.

Bill Glied, who celebrated his 85th birthday on September 6.

David Griff, who will celebrate his 80th birthday on November 7.

Aleeza Lubin, who was named one of the "36 under 36" by the joint OyChicago/Young Leadership Division for 2015, and was promoted to the position of Director of Jewish Enrichment for BBYO International.

Mitchell Jacob Rattner, son of MARLENE & IAN RATTNER, on being called to the Bar of Ontario by the Law Society of Upper Canada on June 23.

Jodi Rotman, daughter of PATTI & SHELDON ROTMAN, on receiving her Masters in Developmental Psychology and Education from the University of Toronto, OISE.

Shaun Rotman, son of PATTI & SHELDON ROTMAN, on being called to the Bar of Ontario by the Law Society of Upper Canada on June 23.

Bernie & Judi Shiner, who celebrated their 40th anniversary on August 17.

Frances Sobel, who celebrated her 99th birthday on August 14.

Nathan Stall, son of LISA BERGER & RICHARD STALL, and Tali Bogler, daughter of SUSY & AVI BOGLER, on their engagement.

Joey & Toby Tanenbaum, who celebrated their 60th anniversary on May 22, and each received Honourary Doctor of Law degrees from McMaster University.



In this, our 60th anniversary year, as we celebrate our past, we are also planning for our future.

In the next few weeks, you will be asked to complete the

Beth Tzedec Strategic Planning Survey

which will be available both on line and in print. Please participate—Your feedback is important to our future!

Until then, please feel free to share your thoughts with Strategic Planning committee co-chairs Carolyn Kolers and Larry Wallach at strategicplanning@beth-tzedec.org.



60 Years of Tradition-Building for the Future

Many Thanks to

Bruce & Nancy Elman, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on May 30 in honour of the birth of their granddaughter Eden Isabel Elman.

Harry Enchin, who sponsored a Seudah Shlisheet on June 6 in honour of Susan Friedrich's graduation from the Adult Skills and Knowledge (ASK) program.

The Firestone Family, who sponsored a Seudah Shlisheet on June 27 to commemorate the first vahrtzeit of Sheldon Lawrence Firestone.

Harold & Carole Wolfe, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on July 18 in honour of Harold's birthday.

Norman & Jackie Kahn and family, who sponsored a Seudah Shlisheet on July 25 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of Jonathan Kahn.

Harvey & Sylvia Gefen, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 15 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of Oscar Schlenger.

Annette Bot and family, who sponsored a Seudah Shlisheet on August 22 to commemorate the vahrtzeit of William Bot.

The Lefkowitz, Feig, Friedlander and Nunnally Families, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 22 in honour of the upcoming wedding of Ariel Lefkowitz and Sarah Friedlander.

The Minden Family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 22 to commemorate the first yahrtzeit of Murray Minden.

Ruthe Mann, who sponsored a Seudah Shlisheet on August 29 to commemorate Kiddush on October 10 in the yahrtzeit of Grace Longert. honour of the Bar Mitzvah of

Miriam Weinstein, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 26 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of her daughter Danielle.

Alan Wener & Susan Druker, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 26 in honour of the Freedman, who will sponsor a Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Jennifer.

Richard & Dana Berr, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 3 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Meredith.

Michael Gelfand & Bonny Reichert, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 3 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Maya.

Richard Allen & Dahra Granovsky, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 10 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Ryan.

Todd & Catherine Beallor, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 10 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Mitchell.

Eric & Ellen Pervin, who will sponsor a Congregational their son Max.

David Backstein & Marci Leibl, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 17 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Lauren.

Adam Enchin & Dayna Congregational Kiddush on October 17 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Jonah.

Wendy Fish, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 24 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of her daughter Amy.

Edwin & Pamela Minden, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 24 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Elijah.

Joseph Neuberger and Adi Neuberger, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 31 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Rachel.

Tobi Bongard and Richard Bongard, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on November 7 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Benjamin.

Leslie & Lisa Aaron, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on November 14 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Jonah.

David Price & Amy Kamin-Price, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on November 14 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Jack.

Helon & Carmela Rzhevsky, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on November 14 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Naomi.

Jason & Vered Feldman, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on November 21 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Nathaniel.

Rabbis are heirs to a tradition that has flourished by adapting to change over the course of centuries. But the pace of change in the 21st century poses extraordinary challenges to the very nature of the rabbinate and to the fabric of Jewish life. During the summer, Rav Adam Cutler was invited to join a group of rabbis convened by the Rabbinical Assembly to re-envision what rabbis do and how the world-wide organization of Conservative rabbis might meet these challenges. During the initial days of intense meetings, a strategic planning vision team established a foundation for the future.

We are pleased at Beth Tzedec that our Rabbis and Cantors, as well as our Executive and Education Directors, are widely respected within their respective professional organizations. Our lay leaders have important positions with the lewish Theological Seminary, the United Synagogue for Conservative Judaism, the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, the Women's League of Conservative Judaism, the Masorti movement and the Schechter Institute. As one of the major congregations of Conservative Judaism, we have a responsibility to help shape the future of our approach to Jewish life.

Eyes/Ears/Nose/Mouth

Our *kehillah kedoshah* has and continues to take steps to embrace and engage our members and guests.



IT IS A GAME WE ALL PLAYED AS CHILDREN TO TEACH THE

parts of the body and to demonstrate movement. We laugh and revel in the performance of the child who has no limitations. The new parent cannot imagine anything less than a "perfect" child, however unrealistic that may be. As we age, we all face challenges that require attention, be they visual, auditory, physical or otherwise; if you don't today, you will tomorrow.

We often look at athletes or other high performing individuals who seem quite perfect and we strive to be like them. Even the greatest of baseball hitters can only get a hit less than 40 percent of the time. Athletes performing at the highest levels all require an entourage of assistants, coaches and psychologists to keep them at their peak.

So what about we the people who grind it out day after day and need assistance? How does a community respond? How does Beth Tzedec respond when members of our family need special attention or support?

Fact: Everyone, child or adult, has "special needs". No one, at any age, is perfect, and recognition and acceptance of imperfection is the new "normal". Some of us wear glasses or hearing aids, use walkers, or have allergies to foods or scents. Some of us learn better visually, while some learn better by listening.

Sefer Tehillim (Psalms) 115:5 states "they have a mouth, but they do not speak, they have eyes, but they do not see, they have ears but do not hear, they have noses but do not smell. They do not feel with their hands, and they do not walk with their feet."

Our *kehillah kedoshah* (caring community) continues to take steps to embrace and engage our members and guests. Everyone is equal in the eyes of God and we believe it is our responsibility to offer options that will enhance Jewish experiences at the Synagogue. How do we do this?

- For those with visual impairments: We provide large print *siddurim* in the Hendeles Chapel and Sanctuary.
- For those requiring accessible seating: We have designated seats, and our ushers will always assist.
- For those unable to manage stairs: We have a ramp that allows one to travel barrier free from east to west. Our elevator provides access to the second floor, making the majority of our building accessible.

- Our Renovations Committee is also working on plans to make the *bimah* in both the Hendeles Chapel and the Sanctuary accessible.
- For those requiring assistive hearing devices: Both the Hendeles Chapel and the Sanctuary have FM systems that help amplify the *davening* and the speakers to enhance one's experience of the music, the prayer and the *Divrei Torah*. (Please see the coat check attendants or ask a member of our staff to borrow a device.)
- For those with food allergies: We are nut-sensitive with our Kiddush and pastry foods.
- For those sensitive to perfumes: We ask our members and guests to refrain from wearing heavy scents when coming to shul.
- For those who need a helping hand: Our ushers, clergy and staff throughout the building all work to make your experience more engaging and inclusive.
- For children who need extra help with their Jewish studies: Our Congregational School offers help with shadows and tutors.

We have now installed new accessible doors at the main parking lot entrance to the building. It is important that we be welcoming and we can now proudly declare that our doors are open to everyone. In addition, on the main floor, just down from my office (the silver door) by the administration office, we have a newly installed caregiver/accessible washroom. While we intend to upgrade all of our washrooms, this new washroom is a first important step in that direction. Thanks to the House Committee and the Board of Governors, we have been able to make these changes for the High Holy Days.

Judaism is a sensory experience and Beth Tzedec is committed to making changes to allow everyone an equal opportunity to share in the experience.

As always, I welcome your feedback and comments as together we continue to embrace our people and serve as a community destination for Jewish living.

A healthy and sweet New Year.

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



Mazal Tov to our B'nei Mitzvah

WHO HAVE COMPLETED OUR BAR/BAT MITZVAH PROGRAM



June 13 Jayden Shnier daughter of Jordan Shnier & Gillian Tessis זהרה יפה בת ישראל אברהם

וגיטה ליבה



Jacob Schwartz son of Ronald &Johanna Schwartz יעקב ישראל בן גרשון וחנה



Jennifer Michelle Wener daughter of Alan Wener





Danielle Naomi Wohl daughter of Michael Wohl z"l & Miriam Weinstein

דניאלה נעמי בת אברם ומרים



October 3 Meredith Berr daughter of Richard & Dana Berr

מרים רבקה בת יצחק הכהן ודבה גיטל



(AT MINHAH) October 3 Maya Reichert Gelfand daughter of Michael Gelfand & Bonny Reichert

מיה בת משה הכהן



October 8 Ryan Allen son of Richard Allen & Dahra Granovsky

ארון בן ירחמיאל ודליה



October 10 Max Michael Pervin son of Eric & Ellen Pervin

מרדכי בן איסר ויוכבד מרים



October 24 Amy Rebecca Grossman daughter of Wendy Fish and Lorne Grossman

שירה בנימינה בת אליעזר דניאל וזהבה זפורה

Jonah Aaron

Lisa Aaron

son of Leslie &

יונה חנוך בן אלי

חיים הכהן וצפורה



(AT MINHAH) November 7 Benjamin Bongard son of Tobi Bongard and Richard Bongard

הלל בנימין בן אלתר ירחמיאל



(AT MINHAH) October 17

daughter of David Backstein

חיה שרה בת יעקב יונה

Lauren Backstein

& Marcie Leibl

ומלכה ליבה



וטובה רויזא



(IN THE LITTLE MINYAN) October 17

אברהם יונה בן אהרן משה

Jonah Enchin

ודינה מרים

October 31

Rachel Neuberger

and Adi Neuberger

daughter of Joseph Neuberger

son of Adam Enchin

& Dayna Freedman

October 12

son of Todd &

מתיתיהו בן

Mitchell Beallor

Catherine Beallor

דב הכהן ושמחה

November 14 Naomi Rzhevsky daughter of Helon &Carmela Rzhevsky



נעמי בת אלחנן וכרמלה



(IN THE LITTLE MINYAN) October 24

Elijah Aaron Minden

אפרים בנימין ופנינה

son of Ted &

Pamela Minden

אליהו אהרן בן

November 14 **Jack Harrison Price** son of David Price & Amy Kamin Price

יעקב צבי בן זהב אבא וחנה שרה



November 21





Looking Back ... and the Best is Yet to Come!



THIS ROSH HASHANAH MARKS A VERY

special time for us. Beth Tzedec is celebrating its 60th year and with that, I'm sure, come all sorts of memories for each of you. Personally, I just marked my tenth anniversary at Beth Tzedec. I remember my first Rosh Hashanah with you. I had arrived in Toronto a few weeks earlier, on August 15, 2005, and inherited a choir. My first project was re-working the choir to develop and shape a new sound. We rehearsed every night for weeks while I sang on the first few Shabbatot alone. I didn't reintroduce the newly-named Beth Tzedec Singers until I felt this special new sound had been achieved. It must have been, for on the last day of Sukkot that year, when Cantor Beny Maissner visited and heard them, he asked my wife, "Where did Simon get all these new singers?!"

Over the ten years since, we have continued to sing together on the *bimah*, in concert, for city-wide ceremonies and on tour in Florida. It now gives me the greatest joy to tell you that finally, after many requests, my first CD with the Beth Tzedec Singers is being released. Neil Levin, artistic director of the Milken Archive of Jewish Music, has called them "one of the finest synagogue choirs in the world today" and I can't wait for you to hear this gorgeous recording.

Looking back over my ten years here, I take further pleasure reminiscing over the wonderful musical events that I've had the privilege of sharing with you.

The 2008 *Music Magic Concert Series* featured three exciting concerts with good friends of mine: Yiddish entertainer Bruce Adler^z, Broadway composer Marvin Hamlisch^z, and pop legend Neil Sedaka. I'll never forget the

thrill in the air as our Sanctuary, rebuilt as a concert hall, filled up with throngs from around the community.

The eight full-scale productions of the Beth Tzedec Purim Family Musical entertained thousands of audience members over the years and created friendships among some Beth Tzedec members whose paths might otherwise never have crossed.

Shabbat Shirah has turned into one of my favourite weekends of the year with our Musical-Scholar-in-Residence, the unique Shabbat morning "sermonin-song" and the concluding Saturday night community concert. Over the years we have welcomed to this shul Jewish music publishers, renowned cantors, artistic directors and gifted performers.

Our "Sinatra to Bublé" Big Band concerts allowed us to connect with Toronto's secular music community and brought in hundreds of music lovers to our shul. We featured Junowinner John MacLeod and his Rex Hotel Orchestra, and our special guest performers included my friends Jeff Madden from Broadway's Jersey Boys, Arlene Duncan from TV's Little Mosque on the Prairie and Canada's first lady of jazz, Jackie Richardson. I loved performing with these Toronto talents and being able to write big band arrangements for some popular Jewish songs, bridging the gap between the Iewish music and popular music worlds.

Since 2011, the end-of year major concerts have simply put our synagogue back on the map. Beginning with *Halleluyah: Timeless Hits of the Israeli Song Festival*, and continuing with sell-outs 100 Years of Jewish Hollywood, The Great American

Jewish Songbook, The Kids From Brooklyn and this past year's Wonderful World of Moishe Oysher, we have brought entertainment of the highest level to our community while raising funds for the shul. We are certainly deserving of our moniker "The Music Synagogue of Toronto".

The Beth Tzedec Summer Musical Journeys that I've organized and led with Aliza have allowed me to get to know some amazing people from our synagogue community and beyond, and explore with them the culture and music of many exciting European cities. Over the years we've also had rollicking Scottish Nights and fun Music Trivia Supper Quizzes, haimish Pesah Tune Swaps and pre-High Holy Day workshops. Today we have the adorable Voices of Tomorrow children's choir and the swinging adult Vinyl Chorus. The list goes on and on and—don't worry—the best is yet to come!

My first ten years here have flown and I love looking back on them as I'm sure you love looking back on the Beth Tzedec years, whether you've been here for only a few or since the beginning 60 years ago. Perhaps it is rose-coloured glasses and honeyed nostalgia that allow us to remember the good while the more painful memories soften or disappear entirely. As we all celebrate this milestone for Beth Tzedec, I hope that your memories, too, will be sweet. More importantly, I hope that your experiences in the upcoming year will be even sweeter.

My wife Aliza joins me in wishing you and your families a *Shanah Tovah u'metukah*.

The Other Peace Process

A Two-Part Series with Rabbi Dr. Ron Kronish and Kadi Dr. Iyad Zahalka

These two lectures present an alternative vision of the Israeli-Palestinian peace process—one based not on peace treaties or other political mechanisms, but rather on inter-religious dialogue and interaction. Their presentations will draw both on scholarly perspectives and personal experiences, which include working for many years in Israel connecting religious leaders, educators, women, youth and young adults through educational programs. No charge.

Wednesday, October 7 – 7:00 PM

Inter-Religious Dialogue in Israel and Palestine in the Service of Peace

at the University of Toronto

(Main Activity Room, Multi-Faith Centre, Koffler House 569 Spadina Avenue)

For more information on this session, call 416-978-1624.

Thursday, October 8 – 7:30 PM

Is Arab-Jewish Coexistence in Israel Still Possible?

at Beth Tzedec

For more information on this session, call 416-781-3511.



Rabbi Dr. Ron Kronish, Director of the Interreligious Coordinating Council in Israel



Kadi Dr. Iyad Zahalka, Judge of the Jerusalem Muslim Sharia Court of the State of Israel

Presented by Beth Tzedec Congregation, Canadian Friends of Hebrew University, Multi-Faith Centre for Spiritual Study and Practice, and the Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies

A Space of One's Own

Beth Tzedec's building is a space that at seminal moments punctuates our lives.



SINCE THE BEGINNING OF MY TENURE AT BETH TZEDEC IN

2009, without fail, I have visited Camp Ramah in Canada every summer and the approximately 60 campers and staff for whom Beth Tzedec is their shul. Beth Tzedec is one of the camp's founding synagogues and we maintain a very strong relationship with the camp to this day. I must admit, though, that I make the four and half hour round-trip drive not only to further the connection between shul and camp but also between myself and the Ramahniks. I head up to Utterson, Ontario because I myself was a Ramahnik. I travel to Camp Ramah because there is something special about that place—a place that for me was a second home for countless special summers.

When there, I always take stock of the many physical changes since my first summer in 1986, always aware of the tremendous efforts supported by the Jewish community to continuously upgrade the facility. I also smile at the signs and other permanent markers created by my friends and campers that have stood the test of time—artwork done in collaboration with David Moss, Yom Sport (Colour War) plaques affixed inside the *Hadar Okhel*, or hastily created cabin plaques complete with inside jokes whose origins no one can now recall (not to mention the illicit writing of one's name on the cabin wall beside one's bed).

Recently, I was thrilled to read that the Camp Ramah brand is once again expanding its reach, this time to Northern California. Sitting on the shore of the Pacific Ocean, Ramah NorCal will be situated on the campus of the Monterey Bay Academy, a Seventh Day Adventist boarding school. While I have no doubt that in considering their options, the leadership of Ramah NorCal went with the best choice, I wonder what is lost in not having a space that they can truly call their own? I wonder how a camp changes when campers (presumably) are limited in what marks they can leave for their future selves (if not, at least in theory, their children and grand-children)? How much of camp (if not life itself) is about the permanence and proprietorship of the place itself?

As I ask these questions, I think also about our space at Beth Tzedec. It is a building, a sacred space, to which we are intimately connected. When we sit in the pews, many of us remember sitting with relatives and friends now gone. We recall the B'nei Mitzvah and the weddings. We reflect on the funerals. It is a space, seemingly unalterable, that at seminal moments punctuates our lives. Though it has an air of timelessness, like all spaces, it has been continuously updated—a new gym one year, a renovated Lower Hall the next.

As we continue to re-envision our synagogue, we re-imagine our sacred space. Though Jewish worship can take place almost anywhere, we know that a well designed sanctuary fosters a deeper connection with the Divine. We are required to ask: How can we best honour the past 60 years, while creating the right space for the next 60? I don't have an answer, but I look forward to the conversation.



Beth Tzedec's Camp Ramahniks—Class of 2015.



Don't miss this opportunity to do hands-on volunteer work in North Bay, Ontario, and spend Shabbat with the local community. Earn volunteer hours while working with North Bay community and Aboriginal organizations. Limited spaces available; sign up before we sell out. Facilitated by Beth Tzedec's Jewish Service Network.

- Departs Thursday evening, returning Sunday evening
- Spend Shabbat with local Jewish teens
- Connect with the local Aboriginal community
- Cost: \$325/person (\$300/person for siblings)

Information and Orientation Session: Thursday, September 17 at 7:30 PM

To register or learn more, contact Lily Chapnik at 416-781-3514 ext. 229 or lchapnik@beth-tzedec.org

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Friday, October 30 at 5:00 PM

This special Shabbat dinner is for young children (up to age 7) and their families. We will welcome Shabbat with music and crafts, enjoy a delicious dinner with a kid-friendly menu, and have special entertainment for our tots.

Cost: \$36 adults; \$18 youth (ages 5 to 14); \$6 children (ages 1 to 4). Dinner by advance reservation only by **Monday, October 26.**

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

Approaching the Starting Line to a New Year

The quiet and stillness of summer is about to be shattered by the starting gun of the school year and the High Holy Days.

DURING THE RECENT PAN AM GAMES

here in Toronto, I attended my firstever swimming and track and field competitions. Both were a lot of fun and a great way to spend a morning, and it also marked the first time I got to cheer on Canadian athletes in person.

At each event, there was something that I had never experienced before. Prior to a race starting, when the starter called the swimmers or runners to their starting positions, everything got quiet. Really quiet. As soon as the gun fired and the athletes started their race, there was a cacophony of noise urging them on.

I have been to lots of sporting events, but I have never experienced this before. Great baseball and football games have a constant buzz of noise to them. Basketball games have music during play, and hockey has the sounds of the crowd, of the skates on the ice and the hits along the boards. In sports like golf and tennis, which do have an etiquette of the crowd being quiet, the silence remains until the rally is done or the golf shot has landed. But this was different. This was a short period of silence, then lots of noise. Waiting, then going fast.

We have reached the point in both

the Jewish and secular calendars where the quiet and stillness of summer is about to be shattered by the starting gun of school, the High Holy Days and a return to the hectic schedule of the fall. As we all run around seemingly like chickens with no heads, shlepping ourselves and our children or grandchildren from one place to the next, we will all be yearning for the calm of summer, the feeling of the sun's warmth, the grass or sand between our toes.

Thankfully, we have a slew of holidays that help ease us into the busy season. How do they help, you might be asking. The work and preparations for the big meals of Rosh Hashanah, building the Sukkah and all the time off work only make life more difficult, not easier, you are surely saying. But think about the pace and rhythm, the opportunity to spend time with family and friends, enjoying a Rosh Hashanah lunch on the back porch or seeing the stars through the top of a Sukkah. Visiting the Cedarvale Ravine creek for *Tashlikh* and watching the leaves begin to change colour as we dance and celebrate with the Torah. Going for a slow walk in the late afternoon on Yom Kippur. These are all

moments where we can grab some of that time back, slow things down and enjoy the last few weeks of (hopefully) warmer weather before the grey of November sets in.

If you are having difficulty finding some peace and serenity in the midst of the holidays, we are here to help. We have great holiday programming for kids and families, including our annual Sukkah Hop and opening Family Service on October 3, our Simhat Torah program and dinner on October 5 and our teen Jewish Service Network trip to North Bay from October 8 to 11. We also have some new programs about to begin, like our Pizza in the Hut family sukkah party on September 30, our Congregational School open house on September 27 and a special dramatic retelling of Jonah and the Whale in the afternoon on Yom Kippur.

With our revamped Congregational School—focussed on experiential education—and our new team of youth, teen and family staff, Beth Tzedec has so much to offer. When the starting gun goes, don't be afraid to jump right in and run towards the shul. We'll be here, cheering you on all the way.



Beth Tzedec is turning 60, and perhaps you are too! Please share with us if you were born in 1955, had your bar/bat mitzvah in 1955, were married in 1955, etc. We'd love to share a list of all the celebrations of our members. To share your memories, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.



Invoke your inner artist as we encourage 60 families to help create our collaborative Beth Tzedec Community Mural.

Sunday, October 18

Mural installation – 12:00 NOON
Mural unveiling, judging and party – 3:30 PM

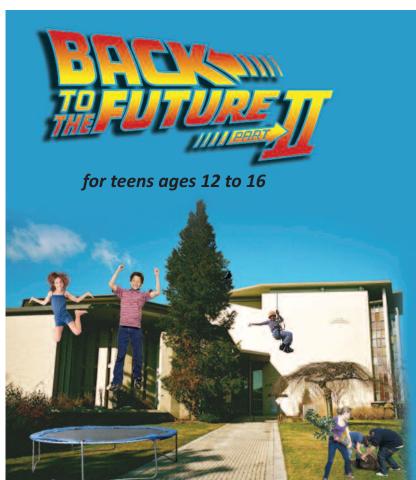
Incorporate photographs, synagogue and festival memories, lifecycle memorabilia and more to create your Jewish tapestry. Before starting the project, have a family discussion—we provide discussion material. For artistic inspiration, we can even arrange for an art specialist to set you on your journey!

Amazing prizes for the most creative and thoughtprovoking submissions, including baseball and basketball tickets, bicycles, season movie passes, a catered family Shabbat dinner and more.

No charge, but registration required to get your "secret art bag" to help you create your submission to the Community Mural.

Call 416-781-3511 by Monday, October 12.

Presented as part of our 60th Anniversary celebrations



Sunday, November 8 from 3:00 to 7:00 PM

Love a good adventure? Know your way around the 'secret' shul corridors? Come celebrate the 60th at our amazing techno scavenger race!

Put together your own team (or ask us to put you on one) and discover and explore the ins and outs and crazy shul places and passages your parents don't want you to know about. And just wait for the unveiling of the surprise ending... and the great party following!

Teams and individual participants must pre-register by Monday, November 2 by calling the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

Presented as part of our 60th Anniversary celebrations

New Faces: Brukhim Haba'im!

Bringing new vision and energy to programs for our Youth and Young Professionals.







PICTURED LEFT TO RIGHT: Yacov Fruchter, Simmi Toby and Lily Chapnik

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME

Yacov Fruchter, formerly the Spiritual Leader of the Annex Shul, as our new Director of Community Building and Spiritual Engagement. Yacov's involvement represents our commitment to the next generation of Beth Tzedec members and future leaders. Through his engagement and relationships, he is committed to bringing informal Jewish education and Jewish living to life, for our members and the community.

Born, raised and inspired Jewishly in Montreal, he attended McGill University, working as the Director of Advocacy and Programming for Hillel Montreal before heading down the 401 to Toronto to become the Director of Emerging Campuses and Jewish Education for Hillel Canada. During his six years at the Annex Shul, he built a community of hundreds of inspired young Jews. He writes a monthly D'var Torah for the Canadian Jewish News, and in 2015 was recognized as one of the "Top 20 Under 40" by Shalom Life. Yacov is currently enrolled in a Masters of Pastoral Studies program at Emmanuel College at the University of Toronto. He is married to Ryla Braemer and is the proud father of two daughters, Sheelo Netta and Lev Amie.

Believe in the transformative power of "real" conversations? Speak to Yacov—any topic that is important to you is important to him. You can reach him at yfruchter@beth-tzedec.org or 647-267-8752.

If you are interested in reading articles written by or about Yacov, visit:

- www.cjnews.com/news/ essay-how-end-infertility-stigma
- www.cjnews.com/canada/ yacov-fruchter-leave-annex-shul-bethtzedec
- www.cjnews.com/canada/ young-rabbis-panel-tackles-hot-topics

We are also excited to welcome two new young energetic members to Beth Tzedec's professional team.

Simmi Toby joins us as our new Director of Youth Engagement, and Lily Chapnik joins us in the new role of Teen Engagement Coordinator and USY Liaison.

Simmi is a native Torontonian, Queens University graduate, former Camp Ramah camper and staff member, and most recently has worked as the Youth Director at Beth David Synagogue. In her new role, Simmi will primarily focus on planning events, implementing programming and building relationships with kids up to and through the Bar/Bat Mitzvah year. She will also help plan and implement programs for young families and will be responsible for the Kadima programs for pre-USY aged students, as well.

Lily grew up in Thornhill and is a recent McGill University graduate. While in Montreal, she worked as the Youth Advisor at Temple Emanu-El-Beth-Sholom, a Reform congregation in Westmount, and has also worked at Eden Village Camp in upstate New York. In her new role, Lily will be responsible for planning events, creating programming, and building relationships with kids in Middle School and High School, as well as their families. In addition to being Beth Tzedec's liaison with United Synagogue Youth (USY), Lily will be responsible for planning and executing USY programs on a city-wide and regional level.

Both Simmi and Lily will work closely together to give our youth and teens the broadest possible experience and connect them to other youth and teens throughout the GTA and to United Synagogue congregations throughout the region.

Contact Simmi at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or stoby@beth-tzedec.org and Lily at 416-781-3514 ext. 229 or lchapnik@beth-tzedec.org.



Beth Tzedec's Annual Simhat Torah Luncheon

In honour of our <u>Hattan Torah</u>, **Jeffrey Perlmutter**, and our *Kallat Bereisheet*, **Cheryl Rosenthal**

Join us Tuesday, October 6 following Services for a special family lunch

Adults \$40.00; **Youth** (4 to 14); \$18.00 **Children** (under 4) free. For tickets, call 416-781-3511. Limited Seating. Reserve Now! To RSVP, call 416-781-3511 by Friday, September 25.

Creating Intimacy in Numbers

Feeling a sense of belonging, a sense of warmth and collective purpose in a shul community of thousands.



THE 18TH CENTURY RABBI AND MYSTIC YISROEL BEN ELIEZER,

lovingly known as the *Ba'al Shem Tov*, referred to the Jewish people as a living Torah. He explained that a Torah that is missing even just one letter is considered *pasul*, invalid, and no longer fit to be used until it is corrected. Similarly, if even one Jewish person feels like an outsider, unwelcome and not part of our collective whole, then it is as if the entire Jewish people is invalid and void. It was with that spirit, and with that belief in the inherent value of each and every person that he came across, that the *Ba'al Shem Tov* built his community of inspired Jews.

I moved to Toronto in August 2007. In the eight years since, I have driven by Beth Tzedec thousands of times, only stopping in on a handful of occasions, mostly for meetings with the rabbis. That, of course, changed this summer when, after a six year tenure as the spiritual leader of the Annex Shul, I joined the Beth Tzedec team as the Director of Community Building and Spiritual Engagement.

I have always been impressed by the calibre of events being offered, but stayed away as I never quite felt that they were for me. Though I am comfortable in large crowds, like many, I find myself happiest in smaller, more intimate settings and conversations. That, too, likely affected my past participation in Beth Tzedec experiences. How could one possibly feel a sense of belonging, a sense of warmth and collective purpose, in a shul community of thousands of people?

When interviewing for this position, the answer to this question quickly became clear both through interacting with various leaders involved in the process and in the discussion about of my potential role. Led by Rav Baruch, a rabbi with a *Ba'al Shem Tov*-like focus on each and every individual from eight days to 108 years old, and who strives to know each and every of the 5,000 plus members by name, this congregation exudes warmth. In the short period of time that I have been here, I have spent valuable time with the incredibly inspiring *klei kodesh*, creative education and programming team, and the caring and

patient administrative staff. I have also met with dozens of forward thinking and passionate lay leaders, as well as those who are happy to be "regular" participants. There is no denying that Beth Tzedec is made up thousands of members who feel a sense of pride and connection to what is clearly among the most important Jewish institutions in Canada. Even during the sleepy summer, there is incredible energy in the vast halls of this building.

My many encounters have also included some deep conversations with my peers who are in their 20s and 30s and who have expressed a strong affinity to the shul even if they only participate a few times each year. So let me share with each of you the goal and vision behind my hard to remember job title. While feeling a sense of family ties to an institution and a sense of pride is important, it is also not enough. I am here to build a community within this community, of inspired and actively engaged people in their 20s & 30s, both for singles, newly coupled off and for those with young children. Together with a team of empowered 20s and 30s, millennials, young adults or any other word that inclusively describes this cohort, our plan is to develop social, educational and spiritual community building experiences that will increase active participation; and most crucially, that will be warm, relevant, inviting and thought provoking, and perpetuate the belief in the importance of each and every individual in this community.

Over the next few months, as our plans take shape, there will be opportunities for you to contribute your ideas, your energy and your talents. When you hear from me—and you will—I hope you will take me up on my offer to connect and to get to know one another. I also invite you to reach out to me and share your vision for the future of Beth Tzedec. Together, let's ask big questions, party hard, grow together and celebrate this incredible and awe inspiring Jewish community.

Shanah Tovah, and may we all have the sweetest of new years. B'Shalom.



Don't miss Sippin' in the Sukkah, the first **20s & 30s Shabbat Dinner**, on Friday, October 2 at 6:30 PM. Watch for more details.

Grandparent & Grandchild SUNDAY MORNING HANGOUT

Sundays, November 8, January 17, February 21 and April 3

from 11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

Join us for a late-morning program where grandparents and their grandchildren can engage in music, arts & crafts and other activities that encourage *Yiddishkeit* to be passed from one generation to the next. No charge.



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

FOR EVERY SEASON: for Seniors

with Yacov Fruchter



Mondays, October 26, November 9 & 23, December 7, January 11 & 25, February 8 & 22, March 7 & 28, April 11, May 2 & 16 and June 6 & 20

1:30 to 3:00 PM

Join us for rich discussion and a nosh as we create a warm space for learning with and from each other about the topics that are pertinent to the lives of seniors.

For information, contact Yacov Fruchter at 416-781-3514 ext. 279 or yfruchter@beth-tzedec.org

Simhat Torah Luncheon

Honouring outstanding dedication to our Beth Tzedec community





IT IS OUR GREAT PLEASURE TO HONOUR THIS YEAR'S

Hattan Torah, Jeff Perlmutter, and Kallat Bereisheet, Cheryl Rosenthal, at our Simhat Torah services and luncheon. Jeff and Cheryl have demonstrated outstanding dedication to our Beth Tzedec community and now join our distinguished list of honourees.

Jeffrey Perlmutter—Hattan Torah

Jeffrey is a lifetime member of Beth Tzedec. Over the years he has served on the Board of Governors, Adult Education, Rabbinic and Cantorial Search and Strategic Planning committees, as well as the Young Families Committee (on which he also served as co-chair).

In addition, Jeffrey has been an avid participant in the Little Minyan since its inception, and over the years, he has also served as a lay prayer leader at shiva homes.

Like his parents before him, going to shul has always been a priority for Jeffrey; and through the years, by bringing his children with him for Shabbat and Yom Tov services, he has instilled that same love of Judaism and going to shul in his children.

Jeffrey's medical crisis of June 2014 was and remains a challenge both for him and his family. They are therefore delighted that he has slowly begun to reintegrate back into his personal injury law practice.

The Beth Tzedec community has been an ongoing and tremendous emotional support for Jeffrey and his family during his crisis. This is truly a tribute to the greatness of our shul.

Jeffrey has been happily married to Joanne for 32 years and is the proud father and father-in-law of Hartley and Stacie, Zachary and Mitchell. He enjoys classical music

and socializing with family and friends.

Jeffrey is thrilled to be the recipient of this honour and wishes to thank all those on the Nominating Committee for this great privilege.

Cheryl Rosenthal—Kallat Bereisheet

Cheryl is a life-long member of Beth Tzedec. Her family's association dates back to the Congregation's founding, and previously belonged to the McCaul Street Shul (Beth Hamidrash Hagadol). She attended the Congregational School through her Confirmation at age 16 and studied for her Bat Mitzvah with Cantor Morris Soberman^z, she continues to use his trop when reading Torah and chanting Haftarah. She also taught her sons and the children of family friends as they prepared for their Bar/Bat Mitzvah portions.

An active member of the Beth Tzedec community, Cheryl has volunteered on several shul programs including the Beth Tzedec Men's Club Annual Golf Classic, Family Fun Day and Kristallnacht and Yom Hashoah evening programs. She is a High Holy Day usher and was named to the Honour Roll of the Men's Club for her involvement on the selection committee of the Howard (Hy) Cooper Trust Fund for Higher Jewish Education, named after her father.

Cheryl is a graduate of the University of Toronto and holds B.A. and B.Ed. degrees. She taught for the Toronto District School Board at Newtonbrook Secondary School for 36 years, and was the Head of Business Education.

Cheryl is married to Hersh (a past president of the Beth Tzedec Men's Club) and they have two sons, Howie (Ashleigh) and Barry (Tali) and three grandchildren, Abby, Noah and Cooper.

Board of Governors Meetings

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

Upcoming meeting dates:*

Thursdays, September 17 and October 15 at 7:30 PM

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



Al Gilbert Exhibit

On Thursday, May 31, our latest photographic exhibit opened: *Toronto's Jewish Mosaic: New Roots* by Al Gilbert features portraits highlighting Jewish individuals from 50 different countries who chose to make Toronto their home.



Kabbalat Shabbat

Throughout the summer months, congregants enjoyed celebrating Kabbalat Shabbat services outdoors, in Cantor Spiro's garden, Rabbi Frydman-Kohl's back yard and on the shul lawn.





Wednesday, July 15, an enthusiastic crowd of over 1,400 gathered in the Sanctuary to hear Natan Sharansky and the Hon. Irwin Cotler speak about *Human Rights and Jewish Life*. The evening was sponsored by the Irene Reingold Foundation and presented as part of the 60th anniversary celebrations of Beth Emeth, Beth Tzedec and Temple Sinai congregations.



PICTURED LEFT: Photographer Al Gilbert 'opens' his exhibit; ABOVE: Bonnie Shear, Dorion Liebgott, Blake Teichman, the Hon. Elizabeth Dowdeswell (Lieutenant Governor of Ontario), Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl, Al Gilbert, Randy Spiegel, Laura Silver and Lt. Commander Albert Wong.



Men's Club Golf Classic

Early on Thursday, May 28, 60 dedicated golfers gathered at King's Riding Golf Club for the Third Annual Men's Club Golf Classic. The funds raised are earmarked for Synagogue projects and events. *Yasher koaḥ* to all the golfers and dedicated volunteers who participated.



You are cordially invited to an elegant evening in celebration of Beth Tzedec Congregation's 60th Anniversary

YESTERDAY, TODAY & TOMORROW

A Gala Celebration

in honour of our



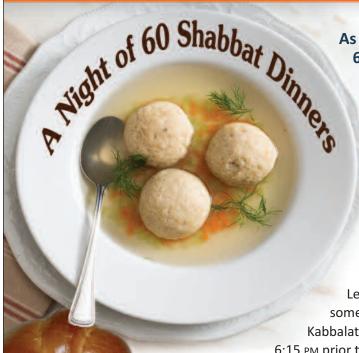
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2015

Join us for an unforgettable night of celebration with cocktails at 6:00 pm followed by a lavish, five-course dinner and live orchestra. Together we will look back at our impressive history and forward to our bright future.

\$180 PER PERSON / BLACK TIE WELCOME

Limited seating. Call 416-781-3511 to RSVP by October 11.

A 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



As we kick off our 60th anniversary celebrations, 60 families will invite guests to come to their home for Shabbat dinner.

Friday, October 16

Sign up as a Shabbat guest or a Shabbat host.

- Hosts: Contact Daniel Silverman at 416-781-3514 ext. 231 or dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org.
- Guests: Contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

Hosts will receive a basket from the Congregation and can apply for subsidies to help defray dinner costs.

Let's all get it together and make this 60th celebration something for generations to remember!

Kabbalat Shabbat services will take place at Beth Tzedec at 6:15 PM prior to the dinner program.

A 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



Sunday, October 25 11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

This special kids concert featuring
Kayla is a perfect way for grandparents
and their young grandchildren
(or parents with their young children)
to join Beth Tzedec's 60th
anniversary celebrations.
Kids' party follows.

No charge, but RSVPs requested to 416-781-3511 by Thursday, October 22.

Fashion + Friends + Fun = Mother's Day at Beth Tzedec



MOTHER'S DAY AT BETH TZEDEC IS ALWAYS A MEMORABLE

event and this year was no exception!

Passport to Style, our seventh annual Mother's Day Chai Tea and Fashion Show, was a profound success. For over two and a half hours, the beautifully transformed Banquet Hall buzzed with excitement from the almost 220 women of all ages in attendance!

Applause's outstanding menu, combined with the sounds of Del Vinyl Entertainment, an incredible fashion show, raffle prizes galore, stunning décor and two wonderful games, left the crowd wanting more!

We are indebted to Options for Her, Over the Rainbow and Whistlekids for their ongoing support by providing the outstanding fashions.

Thank you to our models: Sephi Band and Zoe Mitz, Rose and Taylor Cooper, Linda Friedlich, Claire Friedlich Markus and Jessica Armeland, Debbie and Gella Rothstein and Emma Freidman, Reesa and Brittany Sud, Queenie, Shari and Eve Teichman, Judi, Rachel and Sara Urowitz, Leah Ferman, Abby Finkelstein, Lily Kaplan and Batya Urowitz-Kaplan. A special thanks to the Pollock and Gold families for their generous sponsorship in memory of Ricky Pollock^{2"}l.

Thank you to Beth Tzedec's Sisterhood and Men's Club for their continued support of this event, and to our office and custodial staff for their assistance every step of the way.

Many thanks to all those who placed ads in our *Women of Honour* booklet, donated raffle prizes or provided items for our sensational swag bags. We appreciate the kindness and generosity of our donors and look forward to their continued support of this remarkable "friendraiser".

As in previous years, we are pleased to donate the proceeds of this event directly to Beth Tzedec's Out of the Cold program to help defray the costs our Synagogue incurs in sustaining this worthwhile initiative.

And don't forget to mark **Sunday**, **May 8**, **2016** on your calendar for Beth Tzedec's eighth annual Mother's Day event!

—The 2015 Passport to Style Chai Tea & Fashion Show Committee



A YOM KIPPUR COMMUNITY PROGRAM

JONAH AND THE WHALE

Wednesday, September 23 4:00 to 5:00 PM

Join us for a retelling of the story of Jonah and the Whale, and participate in a Yom Kippur craft activity following. No charge, and no High Holy Day tickets required.

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

SHABBAT AFTERNOONS @ BT

from 2:30 to 4:00 PM

Shabbat Sports and Games with the Shinshinim

October 17 & 31, November 14 & 28, December 12, January 16 & 30, February 20, March 5 & 19, April 9 and May 7

Come play and have fun with our *Shinshinim* Avishag and Yarin. This is a great way to spend time with them and meet other kids. Activities will include sports, board and card games and Israeli scout activities.

Shabbat Afternoon Floor Hockey

October 24, November 7 & 21, December 5, January 9 & 23, February 6 & 27, March 12, April 2 & 16 and May 14

Get your game on with floor hockey organized by high school students Aaron, Judy and Sam. Games are split according to age group, and both girls and boys are encouraged to attend. Pre-registration required. Call 416-781-3514 ext. 239 to register.

Shabbat @ Beth Tzedec

Monthly Family Service

October 3 and November 7 Service begins at 10:30 AM

The monthly Family Service offers a lively, 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. At 10:45 AM, parents with children up to age 5 can come to Li'l Minyans, a 45-minute interactive service with age-appropriate davening, singing, storytelling, healthy snacks and guided play. We conclude each Family Service with a delicious Family Lunch in the L'Chaim Lower Hall. On October 3 only following the Family Lunch—join us for our annual **Sukkah Hop** and visit the sukkahs of families in the community, enjoying lots of treats and fun activities along the way.

Li'l Minyans

(children up to age 5 with a parent) 10:15 AM to 12:00 NOON

Are you looking for an opportunity to spend a fun and educational Shabbat morning with your children? Drop off your children for our nursery program, then come back at 10:45 AM for a 45-minute interactive service with age-appropriate davening, singing, storytelling, healthy snacks and guided play.

Junior Congregation

(ages 6 to 9 and 10 to 12) 10:30 AM to 12:00 NOON

Every Shabbat and Yom Tov until |une II (except when there is a Family Service). A dynamic drop-off program with activities, games, engaging and creative prayer, and quality time with our *Shinshinim*.

Young Shamashim

Following Services on October I0, I7, 24 & 3I and November I4 I2:00 NOON TO I:00 PM

An intensive two-year program for B'nei Mitzvah candidates interested in improving their *davening* skills. Meet for a nosh, *zemirot* and learning. This year focuses on learning to lead Shabbat services.

For Children 0 to 7 years & their families

Family Fun Morning

Sunday, September 27 10:30 AM to 12:00 NOON

Come to Beth Tzedec for a morning of fun! Bounce inside castles, ride some cars, get your face painted and have some lunch, too! Take the opportunity to see our Congregational School in action at our Open House beginning at II:00 AM.

For Children in SK to Grade 5

Cook & Shook for Nitzanim

(for SK to Grade 2)
Tuesdays, October 20, November 17
and December 8

Cook & Shook for Kokhavim

(for Grades 3 to 5) Tuesdays, October 27, November 24 and December 15 4:00 to 5:30 PM

Go shopping for your ingredients in the Israeli *shook* (market), cook tasty Israeli food and have a blast learning about Israeli culture with Yarin and Avishag. Cost: \$5 per session. RSVPs required by Friday of the week before the program.

From the Kotel to the Negev: Let's Travel Israel

Sundays, October 25 and November I, 8, 15, 22 & 29 I2:00 NOON to 2:00 PM

Say 'Chai' to Israel in this interactive series. Separate programs for *Nitzanim* (SK to Grade 2) and *Kokhavim* (Grades 3 to 5). Tour Israel's six major cities. Let's travel to:

October 25— Let's Travel to |erusalem November I—Let's Travel to Tel Aviv November 8—Let's Travel to Haifa November 15—Let's Travel to Eilat November 22—Let's Travel to Tzfat November 29—Let's Travel to Be'er Sheba

Cost: \$120 members; \$150 non-members

Kids Party Night with Camp Ramah

(for SK to Grade 4) Saturday, November 7 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Party with your friends from Beth Tzedec and Camp Ramah and have a great night of fun. Havdalah, pizza and snacks included. No charge, but reservations required by Monday, November 2.

For Kids in Grades 6 to 8 (Kadima)

Kadima Goes Go-Karting

Sunday, October 25 2:30 to 4:30 PM

Feel the need for speed? Come out and race your friends on the track at Grand Prix Kartways (75 Carl Hall Rd., Unit #9, Downsview Park). Cost: \$20 (includes nut-free snacks). RSVP by October I9.

Jewish Service Network Middle School Trip

Sunday, November I5 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Spend the day with friends working together for a good cause in a community outside Toronto. Engage in meaningful volunteer work for the day—a wonderful *mitzvah* opportunity. Cost: \$30 (includes transportation, lunch and snacks). Advance registration required by Tuesday, November 10.

For Teens in Grades 9 to 12 (BTTeens)

Sukkot Harvest Cook-Off

Sunday, October 4 II:00 AM to I:00 PM

Celebrate the harvest of Sukkot with delicious local, seasonal food. Eat some delicious treats that you will cook yourself, help prepare a meal for those less fortunate, earn volunteer hours and learn why Sukkot is a holiday where we give back.

Jewish Service Network Trip to North Bay, Ontario

Thursday, October 8 to Sunday, October II Don't miss this opportunity to do hands-on volunteer work and spend Shabbat with this local community. Earn volunteer hours while working with local community and Aboriginal organizations. Faciliated by the Jewish Service Network. Limited spaces available. Cost: \$325 per person (\$300/person for siblings) plus a \$100 fundraising commitment

Information and orienation session: Thursday, September I7 at 7:30 PM

Hadashot for BTTeens

Wednesday, October 21 7:30 to 9:30 PM

Want the latest news (hadashot) from Israel? Want to hang out with our Shinshinim? Join Avishag and Yarin at Aroma Café to catch up on what's happening in the homeland.

BTTeens @ RINX

Saturday, October 24 7:45 to 10:15 PM

It's an evening of food and fun at RINX! with Laser Tag, CyberSports and tons of great snacks. You won't want to miss it! Cost: \$15

Snapchat at btteens and follow us on Instagram@btteens

For Families

Pizza in the Hut Sukkah Party

Wednesday, September 30 4:00 to 5:45 PM

Join us in the Beth Tzedec Sukkah and celebrate the holiday with music, food, drinks and fun. This is a great way to get in the Sukkot spirit and have fun after school. No charge but RSVPs requested by Friday September 25.

Family Simhat Torah Celebration

Monday, October 5 5:45 PM

Join us for holiday crafts, games and a kids' Torah parade (recommended for children up to age 7), followed by a dinner for families of all ages beginning at 6:30 PM by advance reservation only—Reserve by October I. The party continues at our *Hakafot* with singing, dancing, treats and drinks. Cost for dinner: \$15 for adults; \$10 for children

Community Kids' Concert with Kayla

Sunday, October 25 II:00 AM to I2:00 NOON

This special kids' concert with Kayla is a perfect way for grandparents and their young grandchildren (or parents with their younger children) to join our 60th anniversary celebrations. Kids' party follows. No charge. RSVP to the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

Tot Shabbat Dinner

Friday, October 30 5:00 PM
Enjoy a special Tot Shabbat dinner with
music and crafts, a kid-friendly menu and
age-appropriate entertainment especially for
our tots. Cost for dinner: \$36 for adults;
\$18 for youth (ages 5 to 15); \$6 for children
(ages I to 4). Dinner by advance reservation
only by Monday, October 26.

Grandparents & Grandchild Sunday Morning Hangout

(for ages I to 4 with a grandparent)
Sunday, November 8
II:00 AM to I2:00 NOON

|oin us for a late-morning program where grandparents and their grandchildren can engage in music, arts & crafts, and other activities that encourage *Yiddishkeit* to be passed from one generation to the next.

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



Don't miss our annual Sukkah Hop as we celebrate the *mitzvah* of *la'shev b'Sukkah* (sitting in the sukkah), visiting the sukkahs of neighbourhood families, enjoying treats along the way. The group will depart from the Beth Tzedec parking lot at 1:00 PM.

For information, contact Simmi Toby at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or stoby@beth-tzedec.org



Monday, October 5 beginning at 5:45 PM

Join us for holiday crafts, games and a kids' Torah parade (recommended for children up to age 7), followed by a dinner for families of all ages beginning at 6:30 PM. The party continues at our synagogue-wide *Hakafot* with singing, dancing, candy food and drinks. Cost for dinner: \$15 (ages 14 and older); \$10 for children. Dinner by advance reservation only by Thursday, October 1.

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

Our Shabbat Opportunities

Kabbalat Shabbat Services every Friday night. Check our weekly e-newsletter, The Week Ahead, our website and monthly calendars for service and candle lighting times.

Sanctuary Services 8:45 AM, every Shabbat.

Our musical Sanctuary Service offers a complete spiritual and liturgical Shabbat experience with Rabbis Baruch Frydman-Kohl and Adam Cutler, Cantor Sidney Ezer and Lorne Hanick. Cantor Simon Spiro and the Beth Tzedec Singers lead *Shaḥarit* and *Musaf* with varied music each week. 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 (through June 20). Looking to be more actively involved in the worship experience? The Little Minyan offers a traditional service in a relaxed, family-friendly atmosphere full of song, spirit and warmth. Participants lead portions of the service, and Little Minyan tunes are 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 prepare or give a D'var Torah are always welcome.

Monthly Family Services 10:00 AM, *Shabbat mornings*, October 3 and November 7. This participatory service is a

perfect way for children, parents and grandparents to experience Shabbat morning together, learn the structure of the service and take leadership roles. The service features the highlights of a Shabbat morning service and is led by children, teens and our Director of Education and Family Programming, Daniel Silverman. It also includes programming with our *Shinshinim* (Israeli Young Emissaries), and a group aliyah and blessing for everyone whose birthday is that month. The service is followed by a complimentary dairy community lunch.

Youth Services *see page 28 and 29 for further details:*

Junior Congregation (Ages 6 to 12) at 10:30 AM every Shabbat (except when there is a Family Service). A dynamic drop-off program with activities, engaging and creative prayer, and quality time with our Shinshinim.

Li'l Minyans (up to age 5 with a parent) at 10:15 AM *every Shabbat*. Are you looking for an opportunity to spend a fun and educational Shabbat morning with your children? Drop off your children at our nursery program, then join us at 10:45 AM for a 45-minute interactive service that includes age-appropriate *davening*, singing, storytelling, healthy snacks and guided play.

Young Shamashim following Services on October 10, 17 and 31 and November 14

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.

Jewish Meditation with Michelle Katz

10:00 to 11:15 AM on October 3 and November 7

Lively Learning with Cantor Simon Spiro

Following Services on October 10 and November 7

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 *Ḥazzan*.

Torah Next Dor with Rabbi Adam Cutler, Yacov Fruchter and Friends

II:00 AM on September 19 and October 10

Join our 20s & 30s in Rabbi Frydman-Kohl's study, as we eat, drink and examine pressing topics from sources both ancient and modern.

ECRUSY Fall Programs

Kadima Shabbaton For Grades 5 to 8

October 16 to 17

Join ECRUSY for our Kadima only convention. A weekend filled with new friends and lots of fun!

USY Fall Convention For Grades 9 to 12

November 20 to 22

Enjoy a fun filled weekend with old friends and make some new ones. We've got a great variety of programs and a unique USY Shabbat that you will never forget.



For information, contact Lily Chapnik at 416-781-3514 ext 229 or lchapnik@beth-tzedec.org or Max Marmer, Director of Youth Activities, at 415-667-1717 or ecrusy@uscj.org

COOK & SHOOK

Tuesdays from 4:00 to 5:30 PM

For SK to Grade 2 (Nitzanim):

October 20, November 17, December 8, January 19, February 16, March 22, April 12 and May 24

For Grades 3 to 5 (Kokhavim):

October 27, November 24, December 15, January 26, February 23, March 29, April 19 and May 31

Go shopping for your ingredients in the Israeli *shook* (market), cook tasty Israeli food, and have a blast learning about Israeli culture with Yarin and Avishag, our Shinshinim. Cost: \$5 per session. RSVPs required by Friday of the week before the program.



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What Have You Done for *Me* Lately?



YOU TAKE YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO

Beth Tzedec seriously. You appreciate that the Synagogue connects us together and allows us to grow personally, socially and spiritually. You know the Synagogue is not just about a building, but what goes on inside and through the relationships that happen outside.

Every time we experience Jewish life, every time we engage one another at services, at a program, or at a *simḥah*, we deepen our ties to Jewish history and to each other. Through Beth Tzedec we take personal photos that, when pieced together, show a dynamic picture in living colour, full of memories.

Especially at this time of year, we prepare to reflect on our lives forward

and back. While we ask, "what have you done for me lately?" now we consider what we can do for each other and for those we do not even know. Giving tzedakah, making a gift to Beth Tzedec to support one of the many youth, family or seniors programs, is an investment in our community and in ourselves. When we give, we not only give back, we give forward. We do today for those who will benefit tomorrow. We know so many stories of people who have made friends through saying kaddish or at a Shabbat kiddush. Those relationships are real, meaningful and lasting.

And none of it happens without your generosity.

Consider how you can give back,

and be part of a people that has inspired and changed Jewish life in our community. Consider a gift in honour or in memory of a loved one. Mark a celebration by bringing new programs to life at Beth Tzedec.

Last year, we ran more than 300 programs with more than 15,000 participating! None of this happens without YOU.

To sponsor a kiddush or program, to establish an endowment that will underwrite a program for now and the future, or to make a gift that will help improve our magnificent building, please contact me, Randy Spiegel, at rspiegel@beth-tzedec.org or 416-781-3514 ext. 211. Let's talk. I will happy to tell you what we can do for you.

JEWISH COUPLEHCOD with Yacov Fruchter

Tuesdays—October 27, November 3, 10 & 24 and December 1 8:00 to 9:30 PM

This five week course for couples (dating, engaged or married) will create an inclusive framework to learn about, grapple with and begin to answer the most crucial Jewish questions that a couple needs to address while building a meaningful life together. Same sex and interfaith couples welcome. Traditional as well as modern approaches to core practices will be explored and couples should expect to be left with choices rather than one direct path towards building a meaningful home. No previous experience in Jewish learning is required, but past experiences will be built upon and a desire to learn with an open mind is a must. Cost per couple: \$36 for members / \$54 for non-members

DAY TRIPS IN JEWISH HISTORY

With educator and lecturer HANA WERNER

WEDNESDAYS:

1:30 PM Refreshments 2:00 PM Lecture

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

PART ONE:

Tears and Laughter in the Bible

October 7

Queen of Sheba: A Woman of Intrigue and Politics—A Match for a King

October 14

Rebecca: A Mother's Torn Heart who Shaped the Destiny of the World—A Psychological Portrait of Isaac's Wife

October 21

Lot's Wife: Torn and Doomed—A Fatal Mistake with a Profound Message

October 28

Concubine: Shame and Horror, When the World was Lawless

November 4

Miriam: A Sister, a Prophet and a Gatekeeper

PART TWO:

The Game Changers

April 27

Isaac: The Precious Son— How Nations were Affected by the *Akedah*

May 4

Adam and Eve: The Architecture of the World

May 11

Saul, David and Samuel: The Triangle of Power, Struggle and Strife

May 18

Jonah: The Anti-Prophet Prophet

May 25

Elijah: A Prophet of Hope and Despair



Generously sponsored in memory of Cantor Joseph Cooper²⁷

Visiting or Chatting with the Elderly—Urgent Request

Our program of having volunteers either call or visit those living in seniors' residences, their own homes or in hospitals is an often overlooked but most vital lifeline for our elderly or ailing members. You cannot imagine the positive impact you can make on someone by taking the time to show that you care. Many of our members are ill or recuperating from an illness, and they may not have family members who are able to visit often. Others are just lonely. Please consider volunteering to visit the elderly or infirm members of our shul community—or even just to become a phone pal. It is a flexible opportunity and you can choose how much time to offer. It is also a wonderful opportunity for Bar/Bat Mitzvah students to participate with their parents or grandparents.

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 Lynn Levy at 416-781-3514 ext.227.

Hesed Fund Occasion Cards

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

Thursday Games Afternoon Now Includes Canasta

Games afternoon, held every Thursday afternoon from I:30 to 4:00 PM has become very successful, and we now have over 35 participants each week for Mahjong, Bridge and Canasta. New players, including non-members, are always welcome.

Canasta has become very popular again, and lessons have been taking place at the Synagogue since April. Space is limited for the fall session and will resume in the spring.

Mahjong lessons are also available. If you are interested in either group, please leave me a message at the office.

We have also received numerous requests for Chess. If you would like to play or teach chess to beginners, let me know.

If you or anyone you know has a spare Bridge table and/or a Mahjong set that they would like to donate to our program, it would be greatly appreciated.

Out of the Cold 2016

The I7th season of Out of the Cold will run on Tuesday nights, beginning January 5 until March 22, operated jointly with Beth Sholom out of their premises. Last year, we fed close to 200 guests each week and provided sleeping accommodations and breakfast for 55 people. We are always looking for new volunteers of any age to join our team. Registration will open at the end of November. Please visit www.beth-tzedec.org, click the link marked Social Action/Tikkun Olam and then click on Community Action. Shifts are approximately two hours in length, and volunteers can sign up for the dinner set-up, dinner service, distribution of warm clothing/art program, overnight shifts and breakfast preparation on Wednesday mornings. This program 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 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, boots, running shoes, sweatpants and sweatshirts, as well as new or gently used sleeping bags and warm blankets. Please do not donate summer clothing. Hotel-size toiletries are always welcome. Donations should be bagged, labeled and dropped off at Beth Sholom, weekdays between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM after November I. There is also a bin in the main hallway of Beth Tzedec for donations of personal care items, which can be dropped off anytime.

Any large donations of **new** items, such as underwear, t-shirts, sweatpants, sweatshirts and toiletries, as well as coffee, tea, canned 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.

For information on *Ḥesed* programs, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-35II and leave a message for me.

—Maureen Tanz Co-Chair, Hesed Committee



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

BETH TZEDEC MAX & BEATRICE WOLFE LIBRARY

Book and Film Club Selections 2015-2016

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

All six sessions: \$90 for members of Beth Tzedec Congregation, \$110 for non-members \$25 per session at the door.



OCTOBER 19

The Best Place on Earth: Stories

Author Ayelet Tsabari talks about her book.

A captivating collection of original stories providing a glimpse into Israeli life. Winner of the 2015 Sami Rohr Prize for Jewish Literature.

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Revera Retirement Living



NOVEMBER 2

The Lady in Gold: The Extraordinary Tale of Gustav Klimt's Masterpiece, Portrait of Adele Bloch-Bauer

Tina Urman discusses Anne-Marie O'Connor's book.

A page turner exploring the power of art, |ewish aristocratic society in Vienna, the history of this painting and the world around it.

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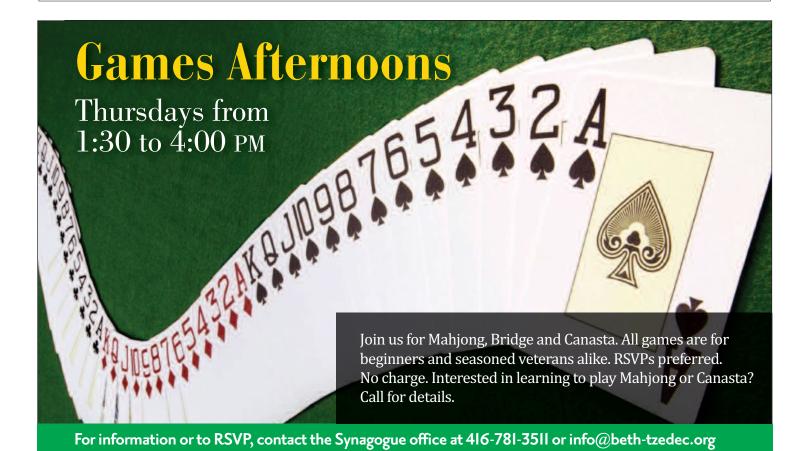












Sisterhood's *Tzedakah* Torah Fund



BETH TZEDEC'S SISTERHOOD CARES ABOUT AND SUPPORTS

the continuation of Conservative Judaism through its Torah Fund which is the designated philanthropy of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism, Sisterhood's umbrella organization. Monies raised by this annual campaign support our Conservative/Masorti men and women and the four seminaries where they study—in New York, Los Angeles, Jerusalem and Buenos Aires. These students will become the innovative, creative rabbis, cantors, educators, camp directors and lay leaders who will provide the foundation for the future of our Conservative institutions.

Every year there has been a different Torah Fund theme represented by a pin. This year it is *Nat'ah Karen*, a phrase from the beloved prayer *Eishet Chayil*,

describing a generous, family-oriented woman who "plants a vineyard with her own labours" (Prov.31:7). We re-interpret this verse for the modern woman to honour her productivity, independence, creativity and orientation to a hopeful future with the 2016 Torah Fund Pin.

The Torah Fund offers tribute cards at a cost of \$4.00 each for births, bereavements, *smaḥot*, thank-yous and good health. The pin is a special gift honouring donors of \$180 or more.

Through your support of the Torah Fund, your impact will be felt for years to come.

For information or to purchase cards or pins, please contact our Torah Fund Chair, Lynne Taradash, at 416-781-3714 or lynnetaradash@icloud.com.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

The Face of Abuse in the Jewish Community with Penny Krowitz



Thursday, November 12 at 7:30 PM

Domestic violence—What is it? What does it look like? How does it affect families and children? And why does it persist in spite of the numerous programs, interventions and laws meant to curb it?

Penny Krowitz, Executive Director of Act to End Violence Against Women, discusses the issues, impact and faces of domestic violence in the Toronto Jewish community and the organizations working to end it. No charge, but donations for the Kosher Food Bank appreciated.



Sponsored by the Beth Tzedec Sisterhood



Jews Who Changed How We Look at Everything Babies, Rocks & Stars? Yes, Everything!

Produced by Larry Rachlin

Thursday October 22

7:30 PM—No charge

Sponsored by The Beth Tzedec Men's Club



Saturday, November 7

6:30 to 8:30 PM

Party with your friends from Beth Tzedec and Camp Ramah and have a great night of fun. Havdalah, pizza and snacks included. No charge, but reservations required by Monday, November 2.

Men's Club Makes a Difference

Sunnybrook Shabbat

Men's Club will conduct Shabbat services for the Jewish war veterans and other permanent residents of Sunnybrook Hospital on October 17 and May 28. This abbreviated service begins at 10:00 AM and concludes at 12:00 NOON with a Kiddush following. Parking is free to those attending the service. For information, contact Jerry Grammer at 905-889-8760 or jaygee1937@gmail.com.

Men's Club Scholarships

The annual Men's Club Awards Breakfast was held on Sunday, June 28. Congratulations to the following who were awarded scholarships for their pursuit of higher Jewish education:

Carrie Bettel: Carrie is completing a Masters degree in Jewish Studies and plans to continue her studies in a doctorate program.

Shayna Cohen: Shayna is pursuing a Masters degree and plans to teach in a |ewish day school.

Bari Handelman—Shelly Gross Fund Scholarship: Bari is pursuing a Masters degree in eduation for children with special needs.

Miriam Joshua: Miriam is working toward a degree in lewish education.

Bracha Libersohn: Bracha is enrolled in a |ewish education and teacher training program.

Chava Libersohn: Chava is enrolled in a |ewish education and teacher training program.

Leora Chava Perl Mietkiewicz:

Leora is completing a Bachelor of Education degree and plans to teach in a |ewish day school.

Hannah Saffer-Spiro: Hannah's goal is to become a psychologist and work with families coping with critical illness.

Moshe Daniel Schochet: Moshe is studying for the rabbinate and Jewish education.

Steve Zeidenberg—Sherman Fund Scholarship: Steve is in a cantorial studies program.

A Scholarship Recipient's Thanks

I wanted to thank you for providing me with a scholarship to help me continue my studies. The breakfast on Sunday was very enjoyable and it was really nice to learn about the person in whose memory I am being given the chance to study in order to give back to my community. It is amazing that you do this and I feel privileged to have been included. I appreciate the assistance that you have provided me with. May you merit to help many more students for many more years to come.

—Shayna Cohen

MEN'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP HAS BENEFITS & PRIVILEGES



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

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

MONDAY NIGHT LEARNING



Creating a Life, Becoming a Mensch—Ethical Wisdom for Today's Challenges with Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl

October 26 to December 7 and March 21 to May 16 7:15 to 8:15 PM

Jewish ethical literature—philosophical, mystical and practical—is more than a source of information. It seeks personal transformation. Drawing from the well-spring of the Jewish tradition, we shall reflect on classical sources that grapple with the ultimate human moral issue which is also our most intimate personal question: How can I best live the life God has entrusted into my care?

Cost: \$65 for Beth Tzedec members; \$80 for non-members (includes text)



iEngage: Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict with Rabbi Adam Cutler

October 19 to May 9 | 8:30 to 9:30 PM

This Shalom Hartman Institute curriculum combines expert video, lecture and class discussion confronting one of the most difficult issues dividing Jewish people today. Participants are invited to engage with the ideas and values that animate different attitudes to the conflict, focusing on the foundation of our politics. We will explore matters of occupation, territory, negotiations, peace and justice to gain a greater understanding and respect for both sides, without 'whitewashing' differences.

Cost: \$100 for Beth Tzedec members; \$120 for non-members

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

ASK MORE: ADULT SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS, BEGINNING OCTOBER 14

Over the past two years we offered ASK: Adult Skills and Knowledge—our adult Bat/Bar Mitvzah program. This past spring, the students graduated and said, "How about more". Since you asked, we offer ASK MORE...

The Skills portion focuses on Torah reading and the Knowledge portion comprises seven segments, on a variety of topics with different instructors, each consisting of two or three weeks of study. You can register for all sessions or just choose those that interest you.

KNOWLEDGE PORTION—7:30 to 8:30 pm

- 1. A Speedy Introduction to Modern Jewish Philosophy with Rabbi Adam Cutler October 14 & 21
- 2. The Prayer Book Unlocked with Cantor Simon Spiro
 October 28 and November 4 & 11
- 3. End of Life Issues in Jewish Medical Ethics with Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl
 December 9 & 16
- 4. The Bible Stories They Never Taught You in Hebrew School with Larry Wallach
 January 6 & 20 and February 3
- 5. The Wild World of Israeli Politics with Daniel Silverman
 March 2, 16 & 30

- 6. How to Read How the Rabbis Read: A Crash Course in Rabbinic Biblical Interpretation with Yedida Eisenstat April 13 and May 4 & 18
- 7. Doing Jewish with Feeling with Rabbi Shalom Schachter June 1, 8 & 15

SKILLS PORTION—8:30 to 9:30 pm

Torah Reading with Lorne Hanick

October 14 through June 15

Open to those with existing Hebrew reading abilities interested in learning how to chant Torah and those with limited Torah chanting experience.

For information, fees and to register, contact Marlene laba at 416-781-3514 ext 234.

Ḥavurat HaSefer

Contemporary Jewish Philosophy Reading Group

Thursdays—October 15, November 19, December 3, January 7 & 28, February 18, March 10 & 31, April 21, May 12 and June 2

7:30 to 9:00 PM

Havurat HaSefer, our Jewish philosophy reading group, explores modern accessible works of Jewish thought. This engaging group is for anyone interested in thinking deeply about the meaning and purpose of Judaism today. No charge, but limited spaces available.

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

Please contact Rav Adam if you are interested in starting your own Havurat HaSefer group at a different time.



Spend the morning making crafts, baking and singing with your toddler!

Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:00 AM for kids aged 1 to 3 with an adult. Register for one or more weekdays by year or by term. Drop-ins welcome as space permits.

Please call Jo Swartz at 416-781-3514 ext. 230 or email

jswartz@beth-tzedec.org for more information or to register.



This year, when you

Celebrate • Honour • CommemorateChoose 'Treasures of Beth Tzedec' Tribute Cards

Our 'Treasures of Beth Tzedec' series, by local photographer Darren Levant, beautifully captures signature architectural details, noteworthy art and precious artifacts—timeless treasures of our Congregation. The set of Tribute Cards featuring general, lifestyle and holiday themes, with space to add your own personal message, are available as a set of 6, or as individual cards sent from the Synagogue office. To see the complete set in full colour, visit our website at www.beth-tzedec.org. You can either:

- Purchase a package of 6 cards for \$50, or \$10 for an individual card, and personalize and send them out yourself; or
- Call us to order cards at a cost of \$18 each and we'll inscribe and send them out for you.

All contributions for these Tribute Cards are fully tax receiptable. For information or to purchase, contact Avital Narvey at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.



BT Green: Doing Our Part

GOING GREEN IS MORE THAN A PHRASE FOR BETH TZEDEC.

We continually look for ways to reduce, reuse and recycle. Most recently, our Board of Governors approved the purchase of a high-efficiency convection oven and a new range for our dairy kitchen. In addition, we have purchased a new dishwasher and have been introducing reusable plates and utensils to replace disposable paper goods. We will continue to integrate reusable items that can be properly sanitized.

We ask for your assistance at Kiddush or the morning minyan breakfast. Please do not throw the plates and utensils away, but rather place them on the serving cart so we can wash and please use them again.

We welcome your suggestions and contributions to help us offset our costs as we continue to 'green' our sacred space.



Rabbi Adam Cutler and in-house caterer Nash Namrood kosher some new dairy kitchen items.



Mahzor Lev Shalem

This year, as Beth Tzedec marks its 60th anniversary, we introduce *Mahzor Lev Shalem*, a completely updated prayer book for the High Holy Days.

After an extensive examination of a variety of new prayer books, and with the recommendation of our *klei kodesh* (clergy), our Ritual Committee and Board of Governors enthusiastically endorsed *Maḥzor Lev Shalem (A Whole Heart)* to replace the Silverman High Holy Day prayer book, which was originally published in 1939. *Maḥzor Lev Shalem*, published in 2010, has been adopted by the great majority of Conservative synagogues who have praised it as attractive and accessible, encouraging personal spiritual reflections, opening the hearts of individuals and engaging the community in prayer. The prayer selection is traditional with additions from a variety of classical and contemporary sources.

To learn more about *Mahzor Lev Shalem*, watch this video or read the selection below:

Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xFkxoqlr264

Text: http://www.rabbinicalassembly.org/story/mahzor-lev-shalem-rosh-hashanah-and-yom-kippur

Thanks to generous donors, the *Mahzor Lev Shalem* volume will be available to everyone. You no longer need to bring your Silverman *mahzor* with you to Synagogue. If, however, you still want to use your personal Silverman *mahzor*, you are welcome to do so.

This year, as we make the transition to *Mahzor Lev Shalem*, pages will be announced from both the new and old prayer books.

You may wish to inscribe a volume of *Mahzor Lev Shalem* in honour or memory of a loved one. This would be a beautiful addition to a High Holy Day card or a gift to your yom tov host. To arrange for an inscription, call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

SAVE THE DATE! The Shoshanah Shier Memorial Annual Lecture
Professor Kenneth Wald speaks on Revenge, Responsibility and
Reconciliation on Wednesday, December 2 at 7:30 PM. Watch for details.

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

Barbara Firestone, acknowledging the Pukier Family in memory of Abram Pukier.

Daily Minyan Fund

Susan, Allen, David and Sarah Schacht, acknowledging Dr. Michael Minden and family in memory of Al Minden.

Daily Minyan Breakfast Fund

The Alexandroff Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harry Alexandroff.

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

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

Stephen Bernhut, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Gertrude Bernhut.

Eugene Bialys, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Golda Leah**.

Beverley Black, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Aaron Black.

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

Leonard and Bella Brody, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Aaron Brody.

Michael Brown, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harry Levy.

The Carr and Allen Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Lillian Allen.

The Carr and Allen Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Murray Allen.

Dr. Gilbert and Helene Chapnick and family, honouring the upcoming wedding of their grandson **Matthew Solomon** to **Tanya Stone**.

Anne Clavir and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Allen Clavir.

The Coopersmith Family, honouring the memory of Myrtle Coopersmith.

Dr. Harvey Coopersmith and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Minnie Coopersmith.

Janet and Edwin Durbin, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Isaac Divinsky.

Elliott and Wendy Eisen, commemorating the yahrtzeit of David Eisen.

Diane and Ron Ennis, marking the conclusion of kaddish for Edythe Blackstein.

Michael, Jackie, Joanna, Mitchell and Jason Flatt, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for Lila Flatt.

The Gertner Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Samuel Gertner**.

Helen Glazer and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Albert Glazer.

Helen Glazer, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Jennie Potash.

Dr. Eudice Goldberg and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Arthur Konviser**.

The Goldenberg Family, marking the conclusion of shiva for **Shy Goldenberg**. Sydney and Karen Goldenberg and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of Lillian Goldenberg and David Goldberg.

Jerold Grammer, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of Sarah Grammer and Milton Grammer.

The Greenberg Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Abraham Greenberg.

The Halbert Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Hyman Halbert**.

Alison Himel, Andrew and Sharon Himel, Bonnie and David Goldstein and Lisa Chapnick and Jerry Organ, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Malka** Chapnick Green.

The Hodgins and Simon Families, honouring the birth of their daughter and grandaughter **Talia Rose**.

Donald Hoffer, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Saul Hoffer**.

Gloria Houser and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Cyril Houser.

Judith Kauffman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Annette Carson.

Judith Kauffman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Dr. Max Carson.

Eva Kirsh and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Gerald Gringorten.

The Kirshenblatt Family, marking the conclusion of kaddish for Lou Kirshenblatt.

The Kirshenblatt and Kruger Families, honouring the upcoming wedding of Remi to Jayme.

Beverly Kupfert, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Eva Kupfert.

Nathan Lindenberg and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Miriam Lindenberg.

Deanna and Moni Lustig, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Martin Lubotta.

Harvey Minuk, commemorating the third yahrtzeit of Randy Minuk.

Rachel Nisker, commemorating the vahrtzeit of Morris Prusznowski.

The family of the late Bayla Panzerz¹, honouring the upcoming wedding of **Jodi**, daughter of Barbara and Mark Panzer, and **Darren**, son of Carole and the late Gerald Goldberg.

Barry Phillips, commemorating the yahrzteit of Florence Phillips.

The Plotnick Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Bernie Plotnick.

The Posluns Family, commemorating the vahrtzeit of Wilfred Posluns.

Dorothy, Joel, Jill, Sam and Richard Reitman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Cyril Reitman.

Mary Richmond, Judi Alter and Susie Mittelman-Sokol, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Olga Mittelman**.

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

The Saguy Family, honouring the marriage of Jonathan Saguy to Lesley Glowinsky.

The Seigel and Beckerman Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Harold Seigel**.

Alan Shiner and Lynn Cutler, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Lillian Shiner.

Judy Shostack and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Aron Shostack**.

The Sobel Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Bert Fine.

The Sobel Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Eli Sobel.

The Sobel Family, honouring Frances **Sobel** on her 99th birthday.

HOLOCAUST EDUCATION WEEK

From Perpetrators of Genocide to Ordinary German Citizens: The Reintegration of Nazi War Criminals into German Society

with Dr. Hilary Earl

Scholar-in-Residence

Thursday, November 5 at 7:30 PM

On May 8, 1945, the day that Germany unconditionally surrendered to the Allied forces in Europe, ten percent of the German population—approximately 5.8 million people—were members of the Nazi party. Many party members had aided and abetted the German state in carrying out its genocidal policy against Europe's Jewish population. Very few of these people were ever prosecuted and even fewer were punished. The fates of Herman Göring and Albert Speer are today well-known, but what about the former Nazi perpetrators who escaped justice? What became of them? Dr. Hilary Earl explores a less familiar story of genocide—its aftermath.



Dr. Hilary Earl, Associate Professor of European History, Nipissing University, North Bay, whose research focuses on perpetrator testimony and war crimes trials.

PRESENTED BY:

The Dr. Emil & Bessie Glaser Memorial Lecture Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre Scholar-in-Residence generously sponsored by the Cohen Family Charitable Trust



Dr. Jeffrey and Miriam Swartz and Angela Swartz, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Verna Swartz, and honouring their daughter Sarah on her Bat Mitzvah in Israel.

Dr. Stephen Tanny and Sharon Weinstein and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Aron Abraham Tanny**.

Louis Whitehouse, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Weiszhaus**.

Rochelle Zabitsky and Esterita Rajsky, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Ida Zelda Chananie.

David Singer Memorial Fund

Eddie and Bonny Kirschner, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 90th birthday.

General Fund

Enid and Graham Berg, honouring Irving Gold on his birthday.
Enid and Graham Berg, honouring Barbara Green on her birthday.
Murray and Marjorie Collis, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Max Collis.

Sam Damiani, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Judith Wofford**.

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

Pearl Elman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Clara Zucker.

Ilona Feldman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jack Arron**.

Budgie and Joe Frieberg.

Budgie and Joe Frieberg, acknowledging Ruthe Greenspan in memory of Harry Greenspan.

Judy and Marty Friedland, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Michael Pless.

Fran Giddens, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Ray Rozenperl** and **Ben Rozenperl**.

Saul and Bonnie Greenberg, acknowledging Dorothy Tessis and family in memory of Stanley Tessis.

Mariana Grinblat, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of Mihai Grinblat, Dr. Andre Kleper and Betty Cleper.

Dr. Ronald and Gloria Jacobs, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Connie Jacobs.

Helene Kerr, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Max Rosenthal.

Jack Kimel, commemorating the vahrtzeit of Rose Kimel.

Mildred Kriezman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Rose Glazier.

Mildred Kriezman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sol Glazier**.

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

Ruthe Mann, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harry Longert.

Eleanor and Earl Miller, acknowledging Marie Witchel in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Ruth Nichols, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Maurice Reed.

David and Renee Perlmutter, honouring Rabbi Adam and Debra Cutler on the birth of their son Ezra Hillel Shalom.

Jeffrey and Joanne Perlmutter, honouring Susan Fremes on her graduation from the Beth Tzedec Adult Skills and Knowledge (ASK) Class of 2015.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring Marvin Miller on his special birthday.

John and Amanda Sherrington, acknowledging Ruthe Greenspan in memory of Harry Greenspan.

Sylvia Steinberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Rozica Glanzstein.

Beverley Stern, commemorating the vahrtzeit of Ida Rivelis.

Joy Wagner-Arbus and Gerald Arbus, honouring **Susan Friedrich** on the recitation of her haftarah.

Matthew Weinstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Evelyn Weinstein.

Robert, Shayndelynne, Daniel and Jonathan Zeldin, acknowledging Adrienne in memory of Vincent Beltrano.

Robert, Shayndelynne, Daniel and Jonathan Zeldin, acknowledging Eva Dick in memory of Buddy Dick.

Robert, Shayndelynne, Daniel and Jonathan Zeldin, acknowledging Michael and Jackie Flatt in memory of Lila Flatt.

Hesed Fund

Frances Ackerman, acknowledging Doris Laskin in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel. Frances Ackerman, acknowledging Dr. Newton Markus and family in memory of Elliot Markus.

Frances Ackerman, acknowledging Marie Witchel and family in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Frances Ackerman, honouring **Thelma Burke** on her special birthday.

Frances Ackerman, honouring Albert and Eva Stal on their 50th anniversary. Frances Ackerman, wishing Gabi Weisfeld a *refuah sheleimah*.

Frances Ackerman and Henry Einstoss, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Bella Einstoss.

Rosalee and Seymour Berlin, honouring **Helen Glazer** on the birth of her great-granddaughter.

Diane and Ron Ennis, acknowledging Ruthe Greenspan in memory of Harry Greenspan.

Ronald and Diane Ennis, acknowledging Bruce and Esther Glazer in memory of Rose Lefko-Cohen.

Dr. Brian and Hon. Justice Kathryn Feldman and Bobby Feldman, acknowledging Ricky Goldenberg in memory of Malka Green.

Barbara Firestone, honouring Alan Spevack on his special birthday.

Barbara Firestone, honouring **Harold Wolfe** on his special birthday.

Barbara Firestone, wishing **Miriam** Freedman a speedy recovery.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, acknowledging Ruthe Greenspan in memory of Harry Greenspan.

Helen Glazer, acknowledging the Witchel Family in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Helen Glazer, honouring **Moshe Chriqui** on his special birthday.

Helen Glazer, honouring the Matlow Family on the upcoming wedding.

Helen Glazer, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 90th birthday.

Helen Glazer, honouring Loretta Tanenbaum.

Irving Gold, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Dora Gold.

Diane Grafstein, acknowledging Newton Markus and family in memory of Elliot Markus.

The Grammer Family, acknowledging the Witchel Family in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Nathan Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Morris Greenberg.

Nathan Greenberg, honouring Cantor Sidney Ezer.

Nathan and Carole Greenberg, commemorating the yahrzteit of Rebecca Greenberg.

Mariana Grinblat, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Fridel Klepper.

Mariana Grinblat, honouring Harold and Ruth Margles on their anniversary.

Hon. Jack and Sandy Grossman and family, honouring Tilly Oslender on her $108^{\rm th}$ birthday.

Gloria Houser, acknowledging Marie Witchel in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

IT'S A NEW JK-SK PROGRAM DESIGNED FOR TOMORROW'S ORIGINAL THINKERS.



The research is in: Creativity, curiosity and perseverance are the best predictors of lifelong success.

Welcome to RHA's new JK-SK program, modeled on a world-leading approach to early childhood education that encourages discovery, self-expression and social collaboration. A love of learning is inspired right from the very start.

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WHERE EXTRAORDINARY THINGS HAPPEN.

Jewish Meditation with Michelle Katz



Shabbat, October 3 and November 7 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.

Michelle Katz is an educator in English and Special Education. She provides workshops, retreats, and group classes in Jewish Meditation, Jewish Spiritual Direction and Torah yoga.

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Condolences

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

Hilda Mandel Samuel Ages Gertrude Mansfield Lynn Albert **Elliot Markus** Sandra Cooperman Abram Mendlowitz Myrtle Coopersmith **Esther Ghan Firestone Henry Peters** Michael Glassman **Eric Poznansky** Molly Goldenberg Golda Prusznowski Malka Green Mark Putterman Harry Greenspan Phyllis Rackow Melvyn Paul Rubinoff, QC Anne Reva Hirschberg

Cynthia Joseph

Laurie Leifer

Joan Levine

Gerald (Jerry) Levy

Alice Lieberman

Abraham Schwartz

Ben Shedletzky

Sydney Wahl

Dr. Jesse Witchel

Roel Joseph Wyman

"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:

Ida Abrams Moishe Abraham Grafstein Stanley Edward Axmith Anne Reva Hirschberg Max Bernard **Buschie Kamin Esther Bernick** Howard Jay Perlmutter Steve Rozencwajg Henry Bernick Irwin Bob Cohen Melvyn Paul Rubinoff Ruth Cooper Raphael Salama Lou Waese Izak Eisenberg Mae Waese David Frieberg Meryl Frieberg Anne Weisfield Adelaide Goldina Grafstein Pearl Molly Wexler

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.

Gloria Houser, wishing Diane Grafstein a refuah sheleimah.

Dr. Lawrence and Karen Leiter, honouring the birth of their grandson Jacob Solomon Leiter.

Claire and Newton Markus, wishing Gabi Weisfeld a refuah sheleimah.

Dr. Newton and Claire Markus, wishing Diane Grafstein a refuah sheleimah.

Irving Matlow, honouring the upcoming marriage of his grandson **Jordan**.

Marilyn and Saul Merrick, acknowledging the Schwartz Family in memory of Abraham Schwartz.

Millie Pollock, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Faye Tobenstein.

Les and Mary Richmond, acknowledging Ricky Goldenberg in memory of Malka Green.

Gella and Paul Rothstein, acknowledging Martin Hirschberg and family in memory of Anne Reva Hirschberg.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, acknowledging Newton Markus in memory of Elliot Markus.

Alan and Lorraine Sandler, acknowledging **Dr. Mark Poznansky** in memory of **Eric Poznansky**.

Alan and Arlene Schwartz, acknowledging Pearl Schwartz and family in memory of Abraham Schwartz. Rose Sobel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harry Chelin.

Manley and Barbra Walters, acknowledging the Coopersmith Family in memory of Myrtle Coopersmith.

Manley and Barbra Walters, acknowledging Marie Witchel in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Anne and Randy Weisz and family, acknowledging Sally Zaifman-Kagan in memory of Gizella Zaifman.

Lyon Wexler, wishing Solomon B. Shinder, Q.C. a Happy Birthday. Isaac and Rhonda Wolf, wishing Leonard Cappe a *refuah sheleimah*. Harold and Carole Wolfe, acknowledging Ruthe Greenspan in memory of Harry Greenspan.

Howard (Hy) Cooper Trust Fund

Alan Abrams and Michelle Collis-Abrams, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 90th birthday.
Alan and Valerie David, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 90th birthday.
Marylyn Light, honouring Dr. Irving and Pauline Young.

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

Hersh and Cheryl Rosenthal, acknowledging the Joseph and Kowarsky Families in memory of Cynthia Joseph.

Hersh and Cheryl Rosenthal, acknowledging the Witchel Family in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Cheryl and Hersh Rosenthal and Evelyn Cooper, acknowledging Marilynn Jones and family in memory of Buddy Jones. Cheryl and Hersh Rosenthal and Evelyn Cooper, acknowledging the Rosen Family in memory of Larry Rosen.

Jewish Family Living Fund

David and Elaine Giddens, honouring Shane and Tammy Giddens on the birth of their sons Jake Lewis and Max Eddie.

Kaplan Bar/Bat Mitzvah Fund

Anne Handelman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Marty Handelman.

Kosher Food Bank

Howard and Halle Cohen, honouring Rosalie and Paul Gaffe on their 52nd anniversary.

Malki Lazar, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Lazer Lazar.

Malki Lazar, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Regina Lazar.

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

Irving Matlow, honouring the birth of his great-grandson.

Irving Matlow, honouring the upcoming marriage of his grandson Jordan.

Library Books

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

Rose Cooper, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Janet Greenwood West, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Toby Saltzman, honouring Harold Wolfe on his special birthday.

Little Minyan Fund

Susan Fremes, honouring Ellen Rosenbluth.

Lyon Wexler, wishing **Aaron Silver** a Happy Birthday.

Max & Beatrice Wolfe Library Fund

Bayla and Leo Chaikof, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Diane and Ron Ennis, wishing Eva Weisbrod a refuah sheleimah.

Diane Grafstein, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Diane Grafstein, acknowledging Ruthe Greenspan and family in memory of Harry Greenspan.

Diane Grafstein, acknowledging Marie Witchel in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Diane Grafstein, honouring **Dr. Newton** and Claire Markus on the naming of their granddaughters **Lesley Isabel** and **Anna Aurelia**.

Clive and Janine Miller, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Pauline Miller.

Janine and Clive Miller, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Adrienne Miller.

Toby Saltzman, honouring Harold and Carole Wolfe.

Harold and Carole Wolfe, wishing Gabi Weisfeld a *refuah sheleimah*.

Lorne Hanick Web Development Fund

Lorne Hanick, honouring Steven and Elyse Aronoff and Sam and Seth.

Lorne Hanick, honouring Martha Drassinower on learning to read Hebrew.

Lorne Hanick, honouring Susan Friedrich on learning to read Hebrew. Lorne Hanick, honouring Bill Sklar on being elected to the Board of Directors of Jewish Records Indexing-Poland. Lorne Hanick, honouring Celine Szoges on learning to read Hebrew.

Music Fund

Marta and Jay Basian, acknowledging Sandy Cohen in memory of Bob Cohen. Sandra Brown, honouring Cantor Simon and Aliza Spiro.

Leonard and Cheryl Cappe, honouring Cantor Simon Spiro for his contribution to Jewish Music Week.

Sandy Cohen, acknowledging Gary Mansfield in memory of Gertrude Mansfield.

Sandy Cohen, honouring Marcie and Gary Mansfield on the birth of their grandson.

Diane and Ron Ennis, acknowledging Gary Mansfield and family in memory of Gertrude Mansfield.

Diane and Ron Ennis, honouring Gary and Marcie Mansfield on the birth of their new grandchildren.

Faye Firestone, acknowledging Marie Witchel in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel. Ab and Phyllis Flatt, acknowledging Marie Witchel in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Diane Grafstein, acknowledging Marie Witchel in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Miriam, Sheldon and Lana Kerzner, acknowledging Marie Witchel in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Shirley Krem, acknowledging Ruthe Greenspan and family in memory of Harry Greenspan.

Shirley Krem, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Samuel Larry Krem.
Shirley Krem, honouring Pearl and Barney Seetner on their 65th anniversary.

Brenda Orser, acknowleding **Ken and** Clare Shapiro in memory of Jakob Shapiro.

Lorraine Resnick, acknowledging Marie Witchel in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Leslie and Mary Richmond, acknowledging Marie Witchel and family in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel. Maurice and Eudice Rotfarb, wishing

Abe and Ella Rutman and Rosette Rutman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Lily Greenwald.

Leonard Cappe a refuah sheleimah.

Toby Saltzman, honouring Cantor Simon Spiro.

Marvin and Carole Sherkin, honouring Cantor Simon and Aliza Spiro.

Marvin and Carole Sherkin, honouring the memories of Rose Sherkin and Sari Troister.

Lorraine Simpson, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Lillian Simpson.

Cantor Deborah Staiman, acknowledging Gary Mansfield in memory of Gertrude Mansfield.

Dorothy Tessis and family, honouring **Robert Shnier** on his 70th birthday.

Dorothy and Bernie Tonchin, honouring Lyon Wexler on his 91st birthday.

Albert Weinstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Rose Siegel.

Albert Weinstein and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Evelyn Weinstein.

Carole and Harold Wolfe, acknowledging Gary Mansfield in memory of Gertrude Mansfield.

Harold and Carole Wolfe, honouring Marcie and Gary Mansfield on the birth of their grandson

Rochelle Zabitsky and Monte Kwinter, acknowledging Ruthe Greenspan in memory of Harry Greenspan.

Robert, Shayndelynne, Daniel and Jonathan Zeldin, acknowledging Marie Witchel in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Zoltan and Sara Zimmerman, acknowledging Gary Mansfield in memory of Gertrude Mansfield.

Men's Club Scholarship Fund

Art and Carole Andrews, acknowledging Marie Witchel and family in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Perry and Shirley Cooper, honouring Helen Arbus on her 97th birthday.

Perry and Shirley Cooper, honouring Sydney Blinick on his 100th birthday.

Seymour Epstein, honouring Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl.

Diane Grafstein, honouring Murray Levinter on his special birthday.



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Marsha Joseph, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 90th birthday. Ronald and Anna Lee Landsberg, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 90th birthday.

Joan and Ray Moses, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 90th birthday.

Barney and Pearl Seetner, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 90th birthday. Sylvia Singer and family, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 90th birthday.

Michael Glassman Memorial Fund

The Association of Jewish Libraries, Ontario Chapter, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Yona Barzilay and family, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Graham and Enid Berg, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Beth Tzedec Sisterhood, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Marsha Cargman, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Sheila Dropkin, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Larry and Vera Finkelstein, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Rose Forgang, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Mariana Grinblat, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Ruth and Gurion Hyman and family, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Barbara and Harry Jerome and family, acknowledging Zina Glassman and family in memory of Michael Glassman.

Ricky and Barbara Kirshenblatt, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Marlene Laba, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Dorion and Bernie Liebgott and family, acknowledging **Zina Glassman** in memory of **Michael Glassman**.

Leah and Israel Liquornik, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Harriet and Brian Morris, acknowledging Zina Glassman and family in memory of Michael Glassman.

Shirley and David Promislow, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Toby Saltzman, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Neil and Edith Shore, acknowledging Zina Glassman and family in memory of Michael Glassman.

Mel and Ruth Steinhart, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Bernice Stern, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Naomi and David Tal, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Carole and Harold Wolfe, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Eileen and Phil Wunch, acknowledging Zina Glassman in memory of Michael Glassman.

Out-of-the-Cold Fund

Moshe and Denise Chriqui, honouring Lyon Wexler on his birthday.

Sandy Cohen, honouring Sheldon and Patti Rotman on the engagement of their daughter Jodi to Ryan Tkatch.

Diane and Ron Ennis, wishing Terry Goldenberg a refuah sheleimah.

Stephen and Ilene Flatt and family, honouring Sheldon and Patti Rotman on the engagement of their daughter Jodi to Ryan Tkatch.

Stephen and Ilene Flatt and family, honouring **Sheldon and Patti Rotman** on their son **Shaun** being called to the Bar.

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

Ellis and Vicci Macmull, honouring Rosalee Naster on her graduation from the Beth Tzedec Adult Skills and Knowledge (ASK) Class of 2015.

Ellis and Vicci Macmull, honouring Nina Wallach on her graduation from the Beth Tzedec Adult Skills and Knowledge (ASK) Class of 2015.

Anne and Mitch Max, acknowledging Helen Gould and family in memory of David Gould.

Mitch and Anne Max, acknowledging Pearl Schwartz in memory of Abraham Schwartz.

Patti, Sheldon, Shaun, Lauren, Jodi and Robin Rotman, acknowledging Richard Bogoroch in memory of Fran Katari.

Patti, Sheldon, Shaun, Lauren, Jodi and Robin Rotman, acknowledging Maureen Ditkofsky in memory of Fran Katari.

Patti, Sheldon, Shaun, Lauren, Jodi and Robin Rotman, acknowledging Janice Tkatch in memory of Fran Katari.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging Bruce and Esther Glazer in memory of Rose Lefko-Cohen.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging Ruthe Greenspan in memory of Harry Greenspan.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging Gary Mansfield in memory of Gertrude Mansfield.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging Howard Rosen in memory of Mike Rosen.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging Marie Witchel in memory of Dr. Jesse Witchel.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, honouring Stuart Teperman and Gail Collie on their marriage.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, acknowledging Ruthe Greenspan in memory of Harry Greenspan.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, wishing Gabi Weisfeld a *refuah sheleimah*.

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

Larry and Nina Wallach, honouring Sheldon Rotman on being named the 2015 Man of the Year by the Beth Tzedec Men's Club.

Lyon Wexler, wishing **Dr. Sheldon Rotman** a Happy Birthday.

Prayer Book (Siddur) Dedications— Daily or Shabbat

Ethel Abramowitz, honouring the memory of Nathan Abramowitz.

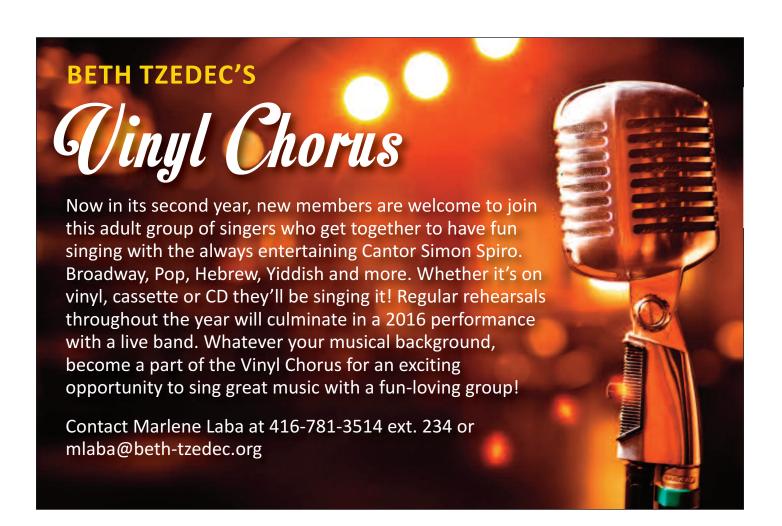
Sephi Band and family, honouring the memory of Philip E. B and, Q.C.

Lynn Catzman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of the Hon. Justice Marvin Catzman.

Rose Cooper, honouring **Faye Firestone** on her special birthday.

Rose Cooper, honouring **Al Gelfant** on his 90th birthday.

Rose Cooper, honouring Murray Levinter on his 90th birthday.



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Rose Cooper, honouring Morris (Moe) Mandel on his 104th birthday.

Rose Cooper, honouring Lawrence Rosenfield on his 90th birthday.

Rose Cooper and family, acknowledging Butch Mandel and family in memory of Hilda Mandel.

Janet Durbin, honouring the Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class of 2015.

Ronald and Diane Ennis, honouring Moshe Chriqui.

Michelle Fine, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harold Goldkind.

Michael Flatt, honouring Shep Gangbar and Eugene Bialys.

Anne Glass, Jesse Glass and Nora Glass, commemorating the yahrtzeit of George W. Glass.

Helen Glazer, honouring Dr. Seymour and Rosalee Berlin on their new home.

The Hon. Jerry and Carole Grafstein, honouring the memories of Harry and Molly Sniderman.

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

Harry and Roslynne Greenberg, honouring the memories of Abraham and Dora Greenberg.

Harry and Roslynne Greenberg, honouring the memories of Belle and Harry Korzen.

Ruth Gropper, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Leon Kimelman.

Sonita Horvitch, honouring the memory of Jacob U. Horvitch.

Norman and Gloria Jacobs, wishing Peter Green a speedy recovery.

Miriam, Sheldon and Lana Kerzner, commemorating the yahrzteit of Louis Greenstone.

Miriam, Sheldon and Lana Kerzner, honouring the memory of Morris Kerzner.

Malki Lazar and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Evelyn Chava Lazar.

Claire Friedlich Markus and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Thomas Friedlich**.

Claire Friedlich Markus and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Isadore Steinberg.

Pauline Menkes, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Florence Weintraub.

Marilyn Merrick, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sylvia Etlin**.

Sharon and Paul Merrick, honouring the memories of Jules and Sophie Zeldin and Chaim and Esther Merrick.

Stephen Messer, honouring Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl.

Norman and Susan Mogil, honouring the memories of Harry and Ruth Mogil.

Carol Perlmutter and family, honouring the memory of **Howard J. Perlmutter**.

Dr. David and Shirley Promislow and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dorothy Promislow**.

Sharon and Michael Pupko and family, honouring the memory of Rose Pupko.

Ian and Marlene Rattner, honouring Mitchell Rattner on being called to the Bar

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

Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring Murray Levinter on his 90th birthday.

Judith Shostack, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ruth Shostack**.

Sylvia Singer and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Osher Kot.

Sylvia Singer and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Singer**.

Talia and Michael Speyer and family, honouring the memories of Shoshana Mizrahi and Amiti Mizrahi.

Louise Starkman, honouring Laurie Rosenfield on his 90th birthday.

Beverley Stern, honouring the memory of Morton Stern.

Joy Wagner-Arbus and Dr. Gerald Arbus, honouring the memories of **Bess and Moe Wagner**.

Eva Weisbrod and family, honouring the memory of Dr. Wilfred Weisbrod.

Dr. Harold Weizel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Eleanor Weizel.

Dr. Harold Weizel, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of Pinchas Weizel and Sarah Weizel.

Rhonda Wolf, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Louis Zimmerman.

Prayer Book (Siddur) Dedications— Humash

Ian and Marlene Rattner, honouring Mitchell Rattner on being called to the Bar.

Reuben and Helene Dennis Museum Fund

David and Elaine Giddens, honouring the wedding of Julia Giddens and Daniel Rubinger.

Gella and Paul Rothstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Pauline Goldhar**.

Victims of Terror Fund

Rose Dolgy, acknowledging the Burns Family in memory of Sylvia Burns. Lyon Wexler, honouring Moshe Chriqui on his birthday.

Youth Initiatives Fund in memory of Adam Kruger

Helen Glazer, honouring Aily Leibtag on her new position.

Gerold and Rosylin Goldlist and family, honouring Ricky and Barbara Kirshenblatt on the wedding of their daughter Remi to Jayme Kruger.

Ricky and Barbara Kirshenblatt, wishing Samuel Damiani a *refuah sheleimah*.

Barry and Debbie Kruger and family, acknowledging Janis Sugar and family in memory of her mother.

REMEMBRANCE SHABBAT

Shabbat, November 7; Services at 8:45 AM

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