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Membership Appreciation BBQ & Open House

Thursday, September 22
5:00 to 8:00 PM

Our doors are open for you to discover all Beth Tzedec has to offer at our annual BBQ featuring music and fun activities!

- * Meet our exceptional clergy and leadership
- * Tour our extensive facilities, including our stunning new Banquet Hall
- * Meet representatives from Applause Catering
- * Become a member or renew your Beth Tzedec membership
- * Members can pick up their High Holy Day ticket packages



Step through our doors and know you've come home!

RSVPs for the BBQ and Open House—requested
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Sinai and Zion: Shavuot and Tishah B'Av



The faith of Judaism is deeply linked to the physical existence and well-being of Jews.

THE TWO MOUNTAINS THAT LOOM LARGE IN THE religious imagination of the Jewish people are Sinai, associated with the Giving of Torah and the Festival of Shavuot, and Zion, the point of pilgrimage which was destroyed on Tishah B'Av. In his superb study, *Sinai and Zion: An Entry into the Jewish Bible*, Jon Levinson explores the traditions and theological significance of each place.

Sinai is the mountain of Moshe, where a covenant (*brit*) was established to follow the *mitzvot* of God. Each spring, as we count the days from Pesah to Shavuot, the journey of Israel to Sinai becomes the journey of every Jew. Our remembered history presents the people of the covenant with a reminder of the Sinai stipulations as a sign of God's love. The Sinai covenant is compared to a marriage between the Holy One and Israel, the culmination of a passionate love affair between the One who promises deliverance and those who praise their redeemer. *Mitzvot* become our signs of the love of the covenantal relationship, and prayer, particularly the cycle of *berachot* surrounding the *Sh'ma*, brings each person into the covenant of Sinai by renewing the love, receiving again the Torah and restoring the words of the Torah in the lives of our people.

Zion was the site of the *Mikdash* (Temple), the ritual centre of ancient Israel and the capital of the Davidic monarchy, where "God shall be sovereign for eternity". The geographic reality of Mount Zion means that the divine Presence will be linked with human history and the Davidic covenant, seen as leading to the fulfilment of the historical and theological promise of national and cosmic peace. At the same time, the passionate desire to abide forever in the house of the Eternal emphasizes the significance of correct moral conduct. In Zionism, the vision of Jewish restoration is linked to the divine promise to provide a home—Zion/Jerusalem/the Land of Israel—where the national centre and the spiritual centre are joined. As Levinson explains, the physicality of Sinai has been merged into Zion, but the message that Zion represents remains that of Sinai.

As I explain in interfaith discussions, the faith of Judaism, particularly following the Holocaust, is deeply linked to the physical existence and well-being of Jews. The geographic and theological are brought into physical and spiritual relationship. The State of Israel is a nation-state

comparable to other political entities, but it is also tied to the spiritual memory and religious aspirations of Judaism. That is why we fight so hard to defend Israel against external military-diplomatic challenges and can be so critical—*entre nous*—of its cultural-religious-educational policies.

We take international efforts—whether by members of the British Labour Party, the more radical BDS movement or university students unwilling to allow Israelis to speak unimpeded on campus—to delegitimize Zionism as more than a political attack on the State of Israel. We know that disinformation about Israel planted by the KGB ceased when the former Soviet Union collapsed. We recognize that the perfidious resolution of the United Nations equating Zionism with racism was withdrawn. Yet we see residual remnant remains from each previous effort in the form of an ongoing, relentless effort to besmirch the State of Israel and its leaders. This is a new expression of the "oldest hatred".

Although the leadership of Yasser Arafat has been widely discredited, his statement to President Bill Clinton during the 2000 Camp David Summit that "Solomon's Temple was not in Jerusalem" was recently repackaged in a UNESCO resolution that denied any Jewish attachment to the Temple Mount and identified the Western Wall with quotation marks. Yossi Klein Halevi commented that "the UNESCO resolution gives tacit legitimacy to the Palestinian terror campaign of recent months, ignores the fact that Israel bars Jews from praying on the Mount [and] that Palestinian groups have systematically destroyed ancient Jewish artifacts at the site. But most of all, the UNESCO resolution erases us from our own story. Of all the attempts to destroy us throughout our history, the campaign against history itself is the most devious."

This effort to erase Jewish history is a cunning contemporary restatement of the 20th century European canard: "You have no place here". Because of our theological tie to Mount Zion, this represents an attack on our faith and on the fidelity of generations who have continued to yearn for Zion.

I have become increasingly concerned about caring and devoted Jews who have become sincere and strong critics of Israel. I am not referring to disagreement about

specific Israeli policies; I myself diverge from many Israeli governmental decisions. I am pointing to fault-finding which is so broad-scale that it confuses careful criticism with censure and condemnation.

Thus Rabbi David Gordis, formerly of the American Jewish Committee and Boston Hebrew College, declares that:

The Israel of today is very far from anything I dreamed of and worked for throughout my career. ...Israel in my view has gone astray. ...The political culture is rotten. ...The spiritual culture is rotten. ...Present day Israel has discarded the rational, the universal and the visionary. ...I conclude that in every important way Israel has failed to realize its promise for me. A noble experiment, but a failure.

His article in *Tikkun* magazine is an example of what the late Fred Iklé and US Senator Daniel Moynahan called “semantic infiltration”, the adoption of terms of reference which others use to criticize and attack your position. David Gordis has inadvertently adopted the absolutist language of anti-Zionism.

Recently, Rabbi Daniel Gordis, criticized his uncle’s concern for the personal rather than the Zionist emphasis on the collective. Israel “was created to transform the existential condition of the Jewish people [my emphasis] —and, despite its many failings (like the failings of America and other decent countries), it has done just that, and brilliantly.”

In theological living, it is vital to hope for and aspire toward the ideal. But in the political life of a community, it is critically important to understand the significance of accommodation and inclusion which may lead to compromised, non-utopian decisions. The distinction between compromise and what Avishai Margalit terms “rotten compromise” has already been lost by many religious nationalists who imagine that Israel must be “a nation that dwells apart”. We are now seeing a similar development among theological liberals who emphasize a personal spiritual path to holiness; anything less is a “rotten compromise”.

While the covenantal ideals of Sinai are aspirational, the pathway of *mitzvot* is incremental. Although the visionary promise of Zion remains, we recognize that this world is messy, not yet messianic. The pursuit of the ideal should not blind us to the length of time and the many trade-offs required to sustain a community in the interim. As Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel observed, “At the end of days, evil will be conquered by the One; in historic times, evils must be conquered one by one.”

There remain huge challenges for the tiny state. No one lives in a perfect country. The Israelis I know are constantly striving to lessen the gap between the ideal and the real, the paragon of perfection and the daily duties of life. Zion remains an aspirational hope to be reached by the long trek through the Wilderness from Sinai.

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Kadima: Moving Forward



Blake Teichman shares his reflections on his past two years as President of the Congregation.

AS I WRITE THIS COLUMN, I LOOK BACK ON MY TWO YEARS serving as President of our Congregation, which will conclude at the end of this month. I end my term as President with our financial affairs in good shape. Over the past six years, the Board of Governors and our staff have eliminated a significant operating deficit, and I'm pleased that we have brought our operating budget into balance. The investments of the Congregation and its Foundation have increased by \$5.6 million over the last five years, reaching \$21.9 million. This reflects the generosity of our membership and the wise stewardship of our Investment Committee.

Keeping with this theme of prudent financial stewardship, as Ronnie Faust and Harold Wolfe (of our Investment Committee) recently reported to the membership, our investments have been earning an average of six per cent per year over the last five years. Given current borrowing rates of three percent, Ronnie, Harold, members of the Budget & Finance Committee and our Treasurer, Peter Weinstein, suggested that borrowing to finance our current renovations made more sense than liquidating portions of our investments. Accordingly, the Board passed a by-law amendment to increase the borrowing capacity of the Congregation from \$1 million to \$5 million, to be repaid using investment income, annual contributions to the Building Fund and other amounts contributed to Beth Tzedec. However, the amendment is not effective unless it receives membership support by a two-thirds vote at a general meeting of the members. Approval will be sought at the May 31 Annual General Meeting.

Our Strategic Planning Committee, co-chaired by Larry Wallach and Carolyn Kolers, will be working over the coming weeks to complete a strategic plan to help guide our Congregation. The Committee, composed of 18 synagogue members and supported by two professional consultants, received close to 1,000 responses to our membership survey. This membership input will be matched with insights learned from consultation with the membership, the larger community and experts within the Conservative movement, as well as data concerning our past operations, to help the

committee develop a five-year strategic plan for presentation to the Board. Once the plan is approved by the Board, it will be shared with the Congregation, and an implementation plan will be created, including an agreed method of measuring our success in achieving agreed-upon goals.

In the past two years, with the help of Stephen Kauffman's passion and energy, the first phase of our renovations has progressed from vision to construction. Our new second floor banquet hall, able to accommodate 300 people, is progressing well and we expect to be finished prior to the upcoming High Holy Days. Our members will soon have a light-filled elegant, modern room in which to celebrate their *smahot*.

As Norman Kahn reported to the Congregation at the April 12 Special General Meeting, commencing a rabbinic search in 2016 was inopportune for a variety of reasons. As a result, the Board asked Rabbi Frydman-Kohl to defer his retirement plans by two years. We were thrilled when he agreed to remain as our spiritual leader until the summer of 2019. The overwhelmingly positive response from our membership reflects the special place that Rav Baruch plays in our community as our religious leader and cherished friend.

Over the coming months, we will be moving to retain the services of a Cantor to lead us in prayer for the upcoming High Holy Day services and we will commence a search to find a new permanent Cantor to serve our Congregation in the years ahead. As with past cantorial searches, we will be forming a Cantorial Search Committee, and we invite those members with an interest or a special knowledge of cantorial music to share their insights. We also hope to host a special event to celebrate the contributions of Cantor Spiro to Beth Tzedec.

At the upcoming Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, May 31, the membership will elect 10 people to the Board of Governors. I applaud the work done by our Nominating Committee, consisting of members of the Board and the membership at large. The four new nominees identified by the Nominating Committee bring a wealth of governance and leadership experience from the

broader community. Together with the current Board members, who have experience with the issues facing Beth Tzedec, they have the talent and the skills to help move our shul forward in a positive direction.

To all who have helped me along the way, *todah rabbah*. My fellow Board members, those who serve on committees and our staff put in tremendous amounts of time into helping our shul meet the needs of our members. While differences arise, our objective is to strengthen our shul as an institution of prayer and

learning, and move forward in a positive direction. In particular, I want to acknowledge and thank Sheldon Rotman, who has served alongside me as Chair of the Board over the past two years. We have worked cooperatively and collaboratively, and I wish him much success, as he continues to work hard for the benefit of our wonderful shul. As the Psalmist reminds us, we go from strength to strength.

L'hitraot.

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: **Tuesday, May 24** at 7:30 PM*

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

Annual General Meeting

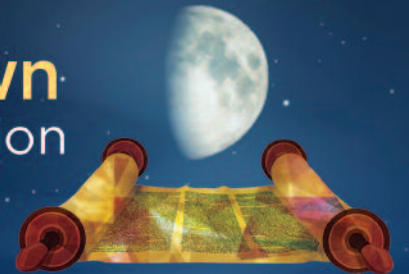
All members are invited and encouraged to attend our Annual General Meeting on **Tuesday, May 31** at 7:30 PM.

TIKKUN LEYL SHAVUOT

Shavuot Midnight in Midtown

Shaping Jewish Identity: Sinai and Zion

Saturday, June 11 beginning at 8:25 PM



Exciting multi-community *Tikkun Leyl* with Beth Haminyan, Shaarei Shomayim, Miles Nadal JCC

Minhah will be followed by a light meal, havdalah, the keynote presentation by Rabbi Harvey Meirovich and your choice of learning sessions at Beth Tzedec, Shaarei Shomayim and Miles Nadal JCC. Other exciting sessions will also be offered—watch for details. Everyone welcome. No Charge.

Keynote Panel & Presentation — 10:00 PM

Rabbi Harvey Meirovich

I Moved to Israel and Israel has Moved: Reflections 25 Years after Aliyah

Torah Under the Stars at the Miles Nadal JCC — 11:00 PM

Yacov Fruchter

Revelation, Synesthesia and Torah Reading Under the Stars

The Dynamic Duo at Beth Tzedec — 11:15 PM

Rabbis Baruch Frydman-Kohl and Chaim Strauchler

Holocaust Memory, Zionist Dreams and Daily Mitzvot: Do They Resonate in This New Century?

Rav Adam at Beth Tzedec — 12:15 AM

Rabbi Adam Cutler

Dual Loyalty: Choosing Between God and the Jewish People

The Dynamic Duo at Shaarei Shomayim — 12:30 AM

Rabbis Chaim Strauchler and Baruch Frydman-Kohl

Torah, Israel and Peoplehood: Challenges for Superheroes and Opportunities for Jews

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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 September to November is August 22.**

Births

Lily Noa Malach, daughter of ROBIN MALACH & MATTHEW URBACK, granddaughter of SHARON & STEPHEN URBACK, FRAN SURAN & STEPHEN MALACH, great-granddaughter of MIRIAM & PERCY URBACK and RITA SURAN, born February 20.

Lauren Emma, daughter of MACY & STEPHEN FINE, granddaughter of ANDREA FINE and SHARON & BRIAN SCHARFSTEIN, born February 22.

Peyton Sage and Skylar Morgan, daughters of ALISA BEACH & SHAWN ROTSTEIN, granddaughters of KASSEL & ALLAN BEACH, SHELLEY ROTSTEIN and LARRY ROTSTEIN, great-granddaughters of HERB FRUITMAN and JUNE & ROBERT BEACH, born February 25.

Noam, daughter of MARC LUBIN & KERENOR TOHAMI LUBIN, granddaughter of RUTHANN & LAWRIE LUBIN and YAFFA & MORDECHAI TOHAMI, born March 4 in Israel.

Madeleine Anna, daughter of ANDREA & JONATHAN OBAR, granddaughter of DR. ROBERT & BUNNY JOSSE and MARVIN & HELENE OBAR, great-granddaughter of DR. EDWARD FELDMAN, born March 8.

Jesse Mira, daughter of DR. JORDAN FELD & ANDREA SCHAFFER, granddaughter of DR. RONALD & MARION FELD and BERT & ELAINE SCHAFFER of Winnipeg, born March 17.

Samantha Pearl, daughter of RACHEL & DAVID SETTON, granddaughter of HERMAN & MALKA GRAD and MIRIAM SETTON of Israel, born March 29.

Mason Ryan, son of RORY & JACQUELINE GOZLAN, grandson of ALAN & RENEE GOZLAN, DANNY & LILA SOBERANO and DR. SHIA WOLGELERNTER, great-grandson of ROGER & LILIANE GOZLAN, BURTON & BETTY PAZNER, DR. JERRY & RIVA KIRSH and SIMY SOBERANO, born March 31.

Cody, son of MICHELLE & NOAM SELA, grandson of ALAN & VALERIE DAVID and ISAAC & MIRIAM SELA, great-grandson of CLAUDE & ESTHER ABRAMS, JEAN DAVID and SONIA SELA, born April 14.

Scarlett Shir, daughter of DR. MARK & DR. JULIA MANDELL, granddaughter of RUBY & NEIL KAPLAN and KAREN & SHELLY MANDELL, great-granddaughter of SHIRLEY KAPLAN, ELSIE MENASCE and ETTIE ROSEN, born April 15.

Weddings

Lily Danielle Masters, daughter of RISA & RANDY MASTERS, granddaughter of SHEILA & ROBERT MASTERS, and **Zachary Kert Justein**, son of KAREN & STEVEN JUSTEIN, grandson of ELLIN & NORMAN KERT, who were married March 24.

Nicole Betel, daughter of PAUL & PATTI BETEL, and **Nick Kanevsky**, son of EFIM & MILA KANEVSKY, who were married April 14.

Fred Rubinoff, son of SHEILA & THE LATE MELVYN RUBINOFF, and **Shoshana Weiman**, daughter of MAX GLASSMAN and MARLENE CLEMENT, who were married May 15.

Allison Hennick, daughter of JAY & BARBARA HENNICK, and **Matthew Segal**, son of HARRY & CAROL SEGAL, who will be married May 22.

Stan Kolodziejski, son of ADAM & EDKA KOLODZIEJSKI, and **Stephanie Jones**, daughter of ANNE JONES, who will be married June 5.

Cara Sklar, daughter of BILL & MARILYN SKLAR, and **Jonathan Goldberg**, son of ARON & SARA GOLDBERG, who will be married June 19.

Peter J. Schwartz, son of ALAN & ARLENE SCHWARTZ, and **Dr. Nicole Lazarcuc**, daughter of DR. MISHA & BATIA LAZARCIUC, who will be married June 26 in New York.

Jordan Tannenbaum, son of CECILE ZAIFMAN and BRYAN TANNENBAUM, and **Sara Bank**, daughter of DEBBIE & MARK BANK, who will be married June 26.

Melissa Spivak, daughter of LORNE SPIVAK and LINDA ATLIN, and **Billy Halpern**, son of PHILLIP & ANDREA HALPERN, who will be married July 3.

Essie Sutton, daughter of BRUCE & CATHERINE SUTTON, and **David Caplan**, son of MARK & JUDY CAPLAN, who will be married July 3.

Sarah Troster, daughter of STEVEN & LINE TROSTER, and **Josh Raizman**, son of JACK & ADRIAN RAIZMAN, who will be married July 10.

Benjamin Roth, son of MARK & LOREN ROTH, and **Cari Snider**, daughter of MARILYN & LARRY SNIDER, who will be married July 10.

Daniel Caplan, son of MONTY & ROSLYN CAPLAN, and **Debbie Shen**, daughter of JASPER & LISA SHEN, who will be married August 21.

Kyle Giddens, son of DR. OWEN & DR. SANDI GIDDENS, grandson of MERRIL WEISFELD, and **Taire Brown**, daughter of DAVID BROWN AND ORLY BROWN, granddaughter of PHILIP & ROBERTA BROWN and LILY SHOCHAT, who will be married August 25 in Prague.

Congratulations to

Muriel Berger, who celebrated her 100th birthday on April 2.

Jordan Friedman, son of MICHAEL & MAUREEN FRIEDMAN, who graduated from the Faculty of Optometry.

Lauren Friedman, daughter of MICHAEL & MAUREEN FRIEDMAN, who graduated from the Faculty of Dentistry.

Jenna Goldenberg, daughter of DR. LESLIE & SUSAN GOLDENBERG, and **Jesse Tomalty**, son of DR. LORNE & RHONDA TOMALTY of Boca Raton, Florida, on their engagement.

Alfred Herman, who celebrated his 90th birthday on April 15.

Marilyn Herman, who will celebrate her 85th birthday on May 21.

Shauna Mann, daughter of LAWRIE & ELLEN MANN, granddaughter of ANN SAMUELS and NORA MANN, and **Matthew Abrahamson**, son of SIMON ABRAHAMSON & LORI FINKELSTEIN, grandson of HERB FINKELSTEIN and KAY ABRAHAMSON, on their engagement.

Caren Ruby & Mel Brown, on their engagement.

Russell Samuels, son of CORINNE & JEFFREY SAMUELS, grandson of ANN SAMUELS, and **Elizabeth Jamieson**, daughter of ARLENE & DON JAMIESON, granddaughter of ESTELLE LEVY, on their engagement.

Michelle Seetner, daughter of DR. AVRON & AIDA SEETNER, and **Guy Malk**, son of FILIP & JANA MALK, on their engagement.

Dr. Paul and Mary Spring, who will celebrate their 50th anniversary on May 29.

Leah Walters, daughter of DEBRA & GARY WALTERS, granddaughter of PHYLLIS ADLER and MANLEY & BARBRA WALTERS, and **Daniel Feuer**, son of DEBRA & MARVIN FEUER, on their engagement.

Many Thanks to

Matthew Urback & Robin Malach, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 19 in honour of the birth and naming of their daughter **Lily Noa Malach Urback**.

Howard & Abby Brass, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on March 26 in honour of the birth of their daughter **London Remy**.

The Feld and Schaffer Families, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 26 in honour of the birth and naming of their granddaughter **Jessie Mira Schaffer Feld**.

The Josse and Obar Families, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 26 in honour of the birth and naming of their granddaughter **Madeleine Anna Obar**.

Joel Eisen and Arron Eisen and families, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on April 2 to mark the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Zelda Eisen**.

Lawrie & Ruthann Lubin and Carole & Bernie Starkman, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on April 2 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Ettie Lubin**.

Lyon Wexler, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on April 9 to commemorate the *yahrtzeiten* of **Harry Solomon Wexler** and **Sara Wexler**.

The Tanenbaum Family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on April 23 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Anne Tanenbaum**.

Gerald & Sherna Posner, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on May 7 in honour of the 60th anniversary of **Gerry's** bar mitzvah.

The Shier Family, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on May 14 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Shoshana Shier**.

Pauline Menkes and family, who will sponsor a *Seudah Shlisheet* on May 21 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Murray Menkes**.

Bernie & Elise Gropper, who will sponsor a *Seudah Shlisheet* on May 28 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Leo Stern**.

Nava Jakubovicz, Difat Jakubovicz and Amit Jakubovicz, who will sponsor a *Seudah Shlisheet* on June 4 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Iran Jakubovicz**.

Eliot & Carolyn Kolers, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on June 4 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Zachary Kolers**.

Michael Kraft & Lesli Marcus, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on June 4 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter

Sophie Eden Kraft.

James & Sari Diamond, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on June 11 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Hannah Diamond**.

Robert Wagner & Cheryl Ray-Wagner, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on June 11 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Henry Wagner**.

Lawrence Davis & Karen Hersh, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on June 18 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Tal Rose Davis**.

Stuart Wilson & Patricia Title, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 17 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Adam Sidney Wilson**.

Kevin & Joanne Smith, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 17 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Jamie Smith**.

Mark Boxer & Debra Baserman, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 24 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Zoe Hannah Boxer**.

Matt Cockburn & Sue Valencia, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 24 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Jenna Cockburn**.

Rabbi Matthew Kaufman and Dr. Sara Urowitz, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 24 in honour of the B'nei Mitzvah of their children **Abraham Urowitz Kaufman** and **Batya Urowitz Kaufman**.

Dear Grandpa ...

Wherever I am, you are never very far away.



IT HAS BEEN SO MANY YEARS SINCE I HAVE HAD YOU across from me, as you sat beside your son on Seder night. After synagogue, when we came home, we were struck by that most wonderful combination of smells that signaled a feast was soon to begin. I remember, though it is faint now, waiting to hear your Kiddush, chanted with a passionate, scratchy throat.

I remember being poked and prodded—some might say encouraged—to say the *fier kashes* I learned in *heder*. It took me years to figure out that you would not answer my simple questions with as few words as they were asked. I remember being woken up to search for the *afikomen* and hoping to earn a reward for the discovery, though I rarely made the find. I remember that father had a special treat for all who searched, a tradition I renew with your great-grandchildren.

I remember watching as everyone tried to sing every verse of *Ehad Mi Yodeyah—Who Knows One* in one breath. And while I remember that father claimed he could do it with ease, I cannot honestly say that I ever saw him do it. It was many years before I had the wind to do it myself, and as the years move on, I once again struggle with the feat.

I remember staring without blinking, as the door was open to Eliyahu and I was sure that I could see the wine in that beautiful crystal cup go down. I also remember, with horror, the time that your daughter-in-law, my auntie, did the unthinkable while most were not looking—she took a sip!

Turning back the pages, it has been years since we were able to light Hanukkah candles together in shul or sing the blessings together over the phone. I feel the oil from the latkes on my fingers and how I marveled at the delicate *kreplach* and other unique foods that came out of the tiny kitchens of our relatives. I still feel the pinching of my cheeks by your sister and wonder why a person would possibly think to “eat up” a child, until of course I had my own. You did not speak English as your first language and I could not understand your Yiddish nor the Yiddish of your children as you all told stories and made plans so that we the next generation, could not understand.

I recall the sleepy car ride late at night when your children dragged us from our small town to the big city to pray at midnight, before Rosh Hashanah. I remember the booming, powerful voice of Misha Alexandrovich who came from slavery to freedom and made many in the congregation cry. I remember wondering why it took so long to sing a few words and if falling asleep smiling to great *Hazzan* was part of the ritual. I remember hearing *Ha-melekh!* from the back of the room on Rosh Hashanah morning, and the robes, striding to the *bimah*, to lead us in prayer. We were as one people—with one voice, one future, one destiny—and you taught me through the generations to embrace my community and to be much more than a spectator.

It bothers me that I can't remember the last time we went to the sukkah together to make the special *brakhab* over the tough hard boxer I had to eat. But I remember coming from the service to the sukkah in blowing snow! Why, I asked, would God want us to freeze when we could really thank Him for giving us a synagogue with heat?

Vividly I recall sitting at the dinner table as your son was called to the telephone and then took me along to *daven* at the house of one I did not know. It was a shiva house, I learned later, and while I was unaware then, you engaged me in yet another *mitzvah* that extended the walls of the shul. It is a sad tradition that brings comfort and maintains the connectedness of one to another.

I think back to when when we sat in synagogue and I could listen as you joined the *Hazzan* in prayer. You tolerated us as we *kitzeled* each other (or whacked each other, as the case may have been). Sometimes, you stood on the side and prayed out loud. Your prayers were personal but part of the sacred community. You were a leader of many, without ever asking for the mantle of leadership.

You introduced the generations to the synagogue. You tied us together with music and prayer. It has been so long since we sat together but when I lie down and when I rise up, when I walk along the way and especially now when we again receive the Torah on Shavuot, wherever I am, you are never very far away.

Mazal Tov to our B'nei Mitzvah

WHO HAVE COMPLETED OUR
BAR/BAT MITZVAH PROGRAM



(IN THE LITTLE MINYAN) **June 4**
Zachary Kolers
son of Eliot
& Carolyn Kolers

זכריה יוסף בן אלי-שלום
ודבורה צילה



June 9
Henry Wagner
son of Robert Wagner
& Cheryl Ray-Wagner

משה יהודה בן שושנה



June 11
Hannah Diamond
daughter of James
& Sari Diamond

חנה פרל לאה בת יעקב
ושושנה דבורה



June 18
Tal Rose Davis
daughter of Lawrence Davis
& Karen Hersh

טל בת יהודה הלוי וחיה



(AT MINḤAH) **September 17**
Jamie Smith
daughter of Kevin
& Joanne Smith

בתי יהודית בת קלמן נחום
הכהן ויוספה חיה



September 22
Zoe Hannah Boxer
daughter of Mark Boxer
& Debra Baserman

חנה בת משה ודבורה



September 24 (IN THE LITTLE MINYAN) **September 24**
Jenna Cockburn
daughter of Matt Cockburn
& Sue Valencia

יונה בת מרדכי ושרון



(IN THE LITTLE MINYAN) **September 24**
Abraham Urowitz Kaufman
son of Rabbi Matthew Kaufman
and Dr. Sara Urowitz

אברהם שמואל בן הרב
מתיתיהו יוסף ושרה דבורה



June 2

Sophie Eden Kraft

daughter of Michael Kraft
& Lesli Marcus

שמחה רחל בת מנחם מענדל
פינחס וחיה חוה



September 17

Adam Wilson

son of Stuart Wilson
& Patricia Title

מאיר חיים מתיתיהו בן
אליעזר ופסה



(IN THE LITTLE MINYAN) September 24

Batya Urowitz Kaufman

daughter of Rabbi Matthew Kaufman
and Dr. Sara Urowitz

בתיה ורד בת הרב
מתיתיהו יוסף ושרה דבורה



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

We are looking for students with a Bar/Bat Mitzvah in 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 who are seeking to prepare for this experience with peers in a program suited to their needs.

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

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

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

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This year, when you Celebrate • Honour • Commemorate Choose '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.

- 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.

The Vinyl Chorus

SUMMER CONCERT

Monday, June 20 at 7:30 PM

An evening of songs from every decade: Broadway, Israeli, Yiddish, Folk, Pop, and much more! No charge; includes dessert reception.

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

Tell your friends and family, and bring everyone!



Havurat HaSefer

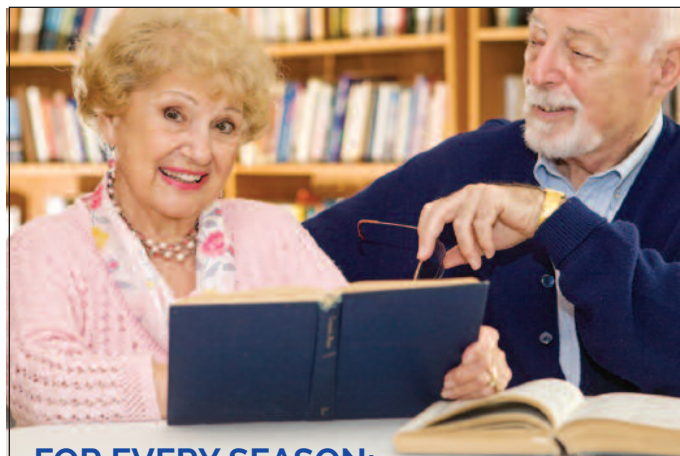
Contemporary Jewish Philosophy Reading Group

Thursday, 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



FOR EVERY SEASON:
for Seniors

with Yacov Fruchter

Mondays, 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.

Contact Yacov Fruchter at 416-781-3514 ext. 279 or yfruchter@beth-tzedec.org

Why I'm Staying in Toronto



SOME PEOPLE SPEND THEIR LIVES

waiting. Others spend their lives running to try to catch up. Time is a funny thing that way, going by too fast and too slow, depending on what you do with it.

It is an absolutely surreal feeling to be writing what is to be my final *Bulletin* article for Beth Tzedec. These past 11 years have felt, at the same time, like a blink and a lifetime.

When I first came to Beth Tzedec in 2005, I thought I would be here for one year. My first contract was simply for me to see how I would like life in Toronto, and if I would like it at all. Little did I know that I would discover a city with a singular Jewish community, where it is easy to be Jewish, where both the religion and the culture are embraced and celebrated.

I don't believe that there are other cities in North America which boast a Jewish film festival, a Jewish theatre company, a Jewish book fair, a full week of events to commemorate the Holocaust, two Jewish music festivals, countless Jewish choirs for adults and children, a unique Jewish arts organization like Koffler, Jewish community centres bursting with activity and synagogues and day schools for every type of Judaism on the spectrum.

This is a community that also loves Israel, has beautiful organizations in support of Israeli soldiers, "Friends of" every Israeli

university, and which includes the Israeli Consul General on the stage of all significant events. There are pages that I could write about other Jewish causes and organizations in Toronto, and I will most likely get more than one email telling me that I forgot to mention something that is important to one of you. But that is not the point.

The point is, quite simply, it's easy to be Jewish here.

It is this vibrant support of every area of our culture—and specifically the arts—that has enabled me to do so many exciting projects while I have been at Beth Tzedec. I have loved creating programs and events, both large and small, for the enthusiastic crowds of Beth Tzedec members and the community at large. In addition to the sell-out concerts at the Toronto Centre for the Arts, the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts, and Roy Thomson Hall, I have taken equal pleasure in creating the *Voices of Tomorrow* children's choir, the Vinyl Chorus adult choir, Shabbat Lively Learning sessions, Scottish Nights, Big Band Nights, Music Trivia Supper Quizzes, Shabbat Shirah weekends, Summer Musical Journeys and Friday Night Lives. I have treasured developing the sound of the Beth Tzedec Singers, a glorious group of dedicated vocalists who will be performing in concert with me on June 1 under their new name "The Toronto Festival Singers". I am so

proud of the Beth Tzedec Purim Players, the enormous team of shul members who came together from 2006 to 2013 to present eight full-scale musical theatre productions (directed and co-written by my brilliant wife Aliza) for the entire city to enjoy on Purim.

Oh, and did I mention the people themselves? I have connected with so many special individuals through gatherings both casual and formal, lifecycle events, coffee meetings and just sharing an elevator. It is with these people in my mind that I have found great meaning in my *bimah davening* here.

And it is because of these wonderful people, their personalities, friendship, enthusiasm and support, that Aliza and I had an easy decision when we were told that I would no longer be continuing at Beth Tzedec. Although there were many opportunities to take a Cantorial position in another city, Aliza and I agreed that we wished to remain in Toronto.

Aliza always says, "If you have a small vision, you'll have a small life." She and I look forward to continuing our vision within this beautiful community. I thank you for your friendship. I'll keep an eye out for you. You'll do the same, won't you?

—*B'Shalom,*
Cantor Simon Spiro

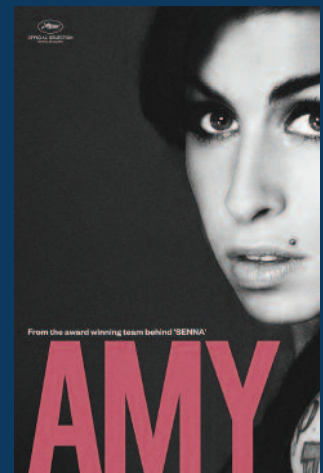


Only a couple spaces remain on the Musical Journey to Spain. Join Cantor Simon and Aliza Spiro on this wonderful Cantors Assembly musical mission to Spain. Trip dates: July 3 to 14. For information, call 416-781-3511.

Summer Film Series

Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM

Beth Tzedec brings back the ever-popular summer film series every Wednesday in July. No charge; everyone welcome.



July 6

Deli Man: The Story of the Men, Behind the Food, Behind the Tradition

Producer-Director: Eric Greenberg Anjoy

This charming documentary presents a view into Jewish legacy and tradition of food culture. Zane Caplansky, one of the Jewish deli owners featured in the film and radio host of the popular *Let's Eat Show*, will share his insights.

July 13

Mustang

Writer-Director: Deniz Gamze Erguven

Insightful and touching, this Oscar-nominated film looks at the lives of five sisters living in Turkey.

July 20

Labyrinth of Lies

Director: Giulio Ricciarelli

Based on true events, this emotional thriller depicts a society in denial as a post-Holocaust Germany deals with transition in the '50 and '60s.

July 27

Amy

Director: Asif Kapadia

This Oscar-winning documentary pays tribute to a great talent, Amy Winehouse, revealing the private person the public never knew.

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

Reflections on Shabbat Itanu



The beauty of adult learning is the opportunity to ask questions that don't occur to children and use methodologies inappropriate for adolescents.

ON MAY 14, BETH TZEDEC CELEBRATED SHABBAT ITANU, a North America wide annual initiative to honour those in our community with accessibility/inclusion needs, and to push our community, both Beth Tzedec and the Jewish community generally, to be more inclusive of Jews with varying degrees of ability. As always, we reached out to members who may feel excluded from the synagogue—whether because they are wheelchair-bound, have limited eyesight or are not neuro-typical—and offered *aliyot* and other honours. The theme of inclusion was addressed from the pulpit.

For years, Shabbat Itanu intentionally coincided with the reading of the double portion of *Tazria-Metzora*, *parshiyot* that focus on the lived reality and outsider status of Israelites with various ailments. In many ways, it was an appropriate Torah selection as it made the shul-goer confront how our ancestors understood physical disability, and how our approach may differ today. Yet, for me, these selections always felt uncomfortable (in no small part because the Torah does not initially invite the skin-diseased over for a meal). *Tazria-Metzora* focus on an essential (though time limited) otherness of some Israelites with restrictions decided not by the stricken, but by the unaffiliated community.

For the last couple of years, however, the Saturday designated Shabbat Itanu has coincided with the reading of *parashat Kedoshim*. Rather than a message of division, *Kedoshim* speaks to our shared intrinsic holiness. Irrespective of ability, the *parashah* preaches, we are all chosen by God. For me, that is a more appropriate reading for Shabbat Itanu.

Ideally, we would live in a world where Shabbat Itanu is not required. We should always be maximally inclusive/accessible. It should simply be something that we always do, something that is integrated into all of our programming and services. But it is not. That's why we have Shabbat Itanu. It reminds us of an obligation that is otherwise overlooked, of a responsibility that is accepted without argument, but not always implemented without concerted effort.

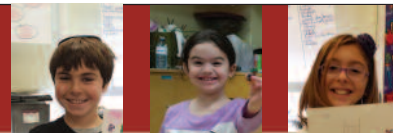
As noted elsewhere in this *Bulletin*, I am proud to report that the Board of Governors recently accepted an Action Plan submitted by the Inclusion Task Force, providing 36 concrete steps that the Synagogue can take in the short, medium and long term to be more inclusive, particularly in the areas of visual accessibility, auditory accessibility and our Congregational School. I am pleased that the Congregation has already taken steps toward implementation.

The *Mishna* (Tamid 7:4) describes the messianic era as *יום שכולו שבת*, a day that is eternally Shabbat. In a perfect world, there would be no need for Sunday to Friday. We would exist perpetually in a perfect time. Our relationship with God and our fellow Jews would be at an eternal apex. In this world though, with all of its limitations, we need a specially designated day wherein we concentrate our efforts. Similarly, Shabbat Itanu exists, in its limited way, because we live with modern limitations. An ideal world would be one in which Shabbat Itanu is not needed. Until then, I look forward to marking it annually, as our community reminds itself of its obligation to all Jews.

ITANU—A Commitment to Inclusion

Beth Tzedec is committed to inclusion of individuals with disabilities. To read the Inclusion Task Force Action Plan, visit www.beth-tzedec.org/upload/media/990/inclusionreport-2016.pdf





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- Have the opportunity to meet other children and make friends
- Establish a vibrant link to Israel
- Begin a path to a more meaningful Bar/Bat Mitzvah experience



For more information, visit www.jex-bt.org, call Daniel Silverman at 416-781-3514 ext. 231 or email dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org



A SHABBAT DINNER TO

Celebrate the Programming Year

Honouring Our *Shinshinim* and Youth, Teen & Family Volunteers

Friday, June 10 at 6:00 PM

Join us as we honour our volunteers who helped make our youth, teen and family programming so wonderful this past year. We will welcome Shabbat together at 6:00 PM and begin dinner by 6:45 PM.

Throughout the evening we will celebrate our successes and recognize the contributions of committee members, program volunteers, teen volunteers and our *shinshinim* and their host families.

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

For information or to reserve, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or online at www.beth-tzedec.org/login.



The Changing Face of Jewish Education Today



We believe that our learners need to feel a deep connection with their Judaism in order for the skills they learn to mean something important.

I WRITE THIS ARTICLE FOLLOWING MY most favourite CSIX (Congregational School Experience) Sunday of the year—the Sunday before Pesah. Yesterday morning, the halls were filled with children’s voices belting out *Ma Nishtanah* and *Dayeinu*, we had the inevitable grape juice spills, matzah crumbs were everywhere, and most importantly, our 80 students walked out of Beth Tzedec not only ready for Pesah, but proud of what they know and can share at their family Seders.

There is a constant dilemma in supplementary Jewish education, where instructional time is increasingly scarce, over what to teach and, more importantly, how to teach it. My colleagues and I all agree that key elements of Jewish literacy—those components that allow an individual to feel part of the broader group—are very important, and include Hebrew, prayers, knowledge about Shabbat, holidays and *mitzvot*, a connection to Israel and so on.

The dilemma emerges in the instructional method. Some are proponents of knowledge transfer, where the teachers give or share what they know with their learners, aspiring for the learners to accept and internalize the subject matter. Others favour a more whole-child approach that relies on developing a relationship between the teacher and the learner so that knowledge is not transferred in a uni-directional line but instead

explored, revealed, unpacked and internalized using more socio-emotional and experience-based techniques.

We all know deep down that the second method I describe is more likely to lead to a lifelong connection and commitment to Judaism and Jewish learning. We also know that the first method makes it easier to measure success and allows for a faster pace covering more material. So what’s a school administrator to do? In short, try and take the best of both worlds, plotting the school somewhere along the continuum and owning the decision, making it clear why one value is prioritized over the other.

Here at the CSIX @ Beth Tzedec, we have opted for the more relational approach. We believe that our learners need to feel a deep connection with their Judaism in order for the skills they learn to mean something important. As an example, learning to read and speak Hebrew becomes all the more relevant when you can practice and show what you’ve learned in conversations with our *shinshinim*. Reciting and singing prayers are more impactful when they are framed as one of many—but not the only—way to connect to God.

And what about subjects or skills that just have to be taught and acquired? We make sure that they are learned in as relational an environment as possible. This coming school year we will be teaching Hebrew

reading, writing and vocabulary to our Grade 3 to 7 students in groups of no more than four students (as opposed to our previous class sizes of eight to ten). This will help ensure that each child gets individualized attention from the teacher. It also will help build deeper and more meaningful relationships between each student and the teacher and among the group participants. This approach offers more flexibility for students and their families to select their preferred group meeting time.

Supplementary school is changing, and changing fast. With the increasing costs of Jewish day school, more Jewish families will be opting for our form of Jewish education. At CSIX, we are working to stay ahead of the curve, making sure that the learning and social environments we create bring out the best in our students, our teachers and our community. We use the limited time available to instill Jewish pride, generate Jewish inquiry and teach Jewish skills. Our continued growth and success is vital to the future of the Beth Tzedec and Toronto Jewish community, and dependent on the participation and support of member families and the community at large.

To learn more, I invite you to call me at 416-781-3514 ext. 231 or contact me by email at dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org.



Thursday, May 26

Lebovic Golf Club

14020 Leslie St., Aurora, Ontario

\$350 Golfer / \$1,400 Foursome

12:00 PM Registration & Barbecue Lunch

1:30 PM Shotgun Start

6:30 PM Barbecue Dinner & Awards Reception

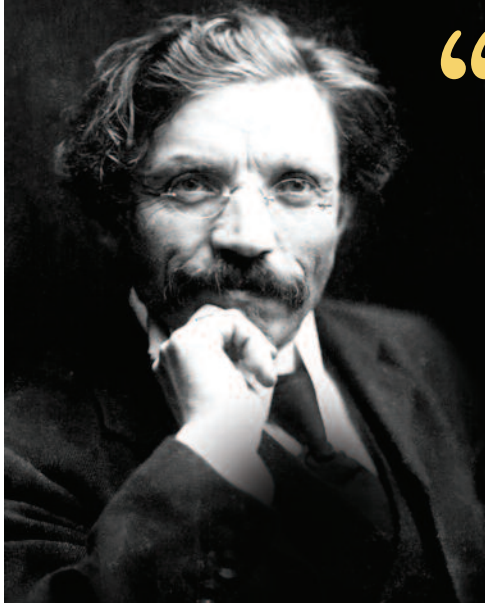
Refreshments and snacks available throughout the day.



Sponsorship Opportunities Available

Call 416-781-3511 to register or learn more

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



“ Here lies a plain and simple Jew
who wrote in plain and simple prose ”

—Sholem Aleichem ^{z"l}



Thursday, June 9 at 7:30 PM

We mark the 100th anniversary of the death of Sholem Aleichem, the greatest humorist of Yiddish literature, with a fascinating discussion of his impressive life and work led by Professor Miriam Udel.

Miriam Udel is an Associate Professor of Yiddish Language, Literature and Culture at Emory College, and holds a Ph.D. in Comparative Literature from Harvard University.

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

Wit and Humour?
Celebrating Sholem Aleichem

Sponsored by the Committee for Yiddish UJA Federation, Beth Tzedec Congregation, Shloima & Yetta Steinhart Memorial Fund for Yiddishkeit at the Jewish Foundation of Greater Toronto, Anne Tanenbaum Centre for Jewish Studies at the University of Toronto and The Al and Malka Green Yiddish Studies Program at the University of Toronto

Raising the *Ruah*; Building a Caring Community



TIME FLIES WHEN WE ARE HAVING FUN, AND EVEN MORE SO when we are engaged in important, though sometimes challenging, work. As I write this, it is hard to believe that I have already been part of the Beth Tzedec community for nine months! After having cleaned our homes of even the smallest of crumbs and as we wait impatiently for the blossoming of spring flowers, we are also planting the seeds for the future at Beth Tzedec by planning hundreds of programs and experiences offered by this incredible institution.

As we plan for the future, I want to highlight a few of the new initiatives that have been added to the Beth Tzedec docket that you may have missed, and may want to try next year or share with your family and friends.

Little Minyan Raise the *Ruah*: Since December, we have selected one Shabbat morning each month in which we amp up the Little Minyan (LM) experience by encouraging dozens of people to lead a part of the service. The response has been wonderful as the regular attendance has doubled and the energy is electrified with high quality *davening* leaders, including recent *b'nai mitzvah* and people in their 20s and 30s who are new to our community. Stay tuned for future dates.

Impact Ethiopia—Giving Beyond the Jewish Community and the Jewish Service Network Trip to North Bay: In early May, 20 young adults travelled to Ethiopia and 12 high school students travelled to North Bay for leadership development, hands-on volunteering and cultural exchanges—putting *tikkun olam* in action. Revisit the Impact Ethiopia Tour on their blog at: <https://impactethiopia.wordpress.com>.

For Every Season: I had the privilege of learning Jewish texts and tackling challenging questions with a group of seniors mostly over the age of 80 and, between us, we often had more than 800 years of cumulative experience in the room! I am excited to be continuing this learning in the fall as well as offering new high-level learning opportunities for seniors.

Li'l Minyans: Every Shabbat morning, children ages 0-5 gather with their parents for Li'l Minyans, a fun and interactive *tefillah* service full of songs, stories and play-based learning. We are building our community one toddler at a time!

What these programs, and many others like them, have in common is that they do three substantial things:

1. They “raise the *ruah*”—energizing our lives and creating exciting opportunities for prayer and growth.
2. They empower us to increase our knowledge and learn in multiple and dynamic ways, with and from people of all ages.
3. They push us to acknowledge that we live in an imperfect world, and there is an imperative to continue to do all we can to incrementally change this reality.

I am looking forward to 5777 as we continue to work together in this *kehillah kedoshah* to fine tune our caring community that empowers more people to seek and offer help with dignity and love.



ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 1,8,&15
FROM 7:30 TO 8:30 PM

Doing Jewish with Feeling with Rabbi Shalom Schachter

Focusing on Shabbat, parenting, kashrut and prayer, this class presents practical ways to experience the wisdom of Jewish tradition for a more meaningful, fulfilling life. Learn how Judaism can relieve you from the rat race of daily life. Cost: \$35 for Beth Tzedec members; \$50 for non-members



Last Chance Volunteer Opportunity for Grades 8 to 12 Sunday, June 5

Calling All Teen Leaders!

1:30 to 2:30 PM

Interested in taking on an important and rewarding leadership role with teen peers? Become an integral part of Beth Tzedec's new 2016-2017 Teen Board!

Nominations are now being accepted for the following positions:

- President
- Israel Affairs Vice-President
- Religion/Education Vice-President
- Social Action/*Tikkun Olam* Vice-President
- Membership/*Kadima* Vice-President
- Communications Vice-President

Get registered today!

Sports Afternoon with DANI

2:30 to 4:00 PM

Spend a rewarding afternoon volunteering at our Sports Day with DANI. Community service hours available to all volunteers who participate for the whole program.

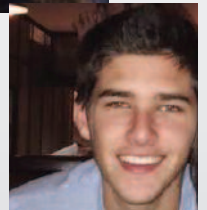
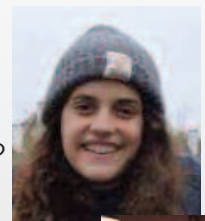


For information, nomination forms or to register for either event, contact Lily Chapnik at lchapnik@beth-tzedec.org or 416-781-3514 ext. 229.



We are looking for host families for our new *shinshinim*, Paz Assulin (female) and Dan Helft (male). Our two enthusiastic young Israelis can't wait to get to know the Beth Tzedec family and spend time with you and your children. Can you make a three-month commitment to welcome Paz or Dan into your home? To learn about the opportunity to be a host family, contact **Marnie Burke** at marnie.burke@icloud.com.

Join those in our community who have had the privilege of making this special live connection to Israel, a once in a lifetime gift for your entire family.



Year One Complete

A personal retrospective of my first year at Beth Tzedec.



WHEN I FIRST STARTED AT BETH Tzedec, I wasn't sure what to expect. I didn't know how my ideas would be received or if I'd be welcomed into the community. But, as I began to meet with families during the High Holy Days, I could instantly see the warmth of each and every Beth Tzedec member I encountered.

As the year has progressed, I have seen more and more members join in on the fun at our youth

programs. From dancing at the many holiday celebrations to being guided through an obstacle course by a guide dog, it has been a fantastic year! To keep the momentum going next year, we are going to bring back some of these amazing programs, such as *The Student Mentorship Program* and *The Tikkun Olam Project*, but you can also look forward to exciting new events!

I have also been impressed this

year with our many incredible volunteers. I want to take this opportunity to send out a heart-felt thank you to all of those who have given of their time and energy to help keep our youth programming interesting, engaging and meaningful. You have certainly helped make this a year to remember!

Have a safe and sunny summer and keep your eyes open for some amazing upcoming programs.



If you have questions or new ideas, we are always happy to hear them! Please email Simmi at stoby@beth-tzedec.org or give me a call at 416-781-3514 ext. 239.

An Incredible Purim!

What a party! With carnival games, jumping-castles, face-painting, balloon animals, Purim crafts, a child-friendly megillah reading and tons of candy, entertained hundreds of kids and their parents and grandparents!



Beth Tzedec's 55+ Singles Friendship Group

FOLLOWING INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES, ENJOY A PRESENTATION ON

Masks We Wear: Building Authentic Relationships

with Dr. Miri Zilberberg

Sunday, June 26 at 7:00 PM



How we project ourselves in the world impacts the creation of our public and private identity. Dr. Miri Zilberberg will lead us toward recognizing our 'authentic' selves and building true intimate relationships. Appetizers, desserts and refreshments will be served.

Cost: \$15 in advance or \$18 at the door. Limited spaces available. Advance reservation recommended to the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 by **Monday, June 20.**

High Holy Days—*Ticket Pick-up Information*

Monday, September 26 – 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Tuesday, September 27 – 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Wednesday, September 28 – 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Friday, September 30 – 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

*Sunday, October 2 – 8:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

**This is Erev Rosh Hashanah - The High Holy Day
ticket office will close promptly at 12:00 NOON*

***Friday, September 16 is the last day we will be mailing High Holy Day tickets.
After that date, members must come to the Synagogue to pick them up.***

Online Membership Payments

A reminder that our Beth Tzedec Membership Account website is online.

As a member, you can log in and manage your account through our Home page.

To access your account, visit our website, www.beth-tzedec.org, and click on the 'Login/Register' button in the top right corner of the Home page. You will require a User ID and Password. Your User ID is your Member ID which will be located on your statement. If you have not visited your online account in the past, a Password will be sent with your membership renewal package. After you log in, you may change your Password at any time.

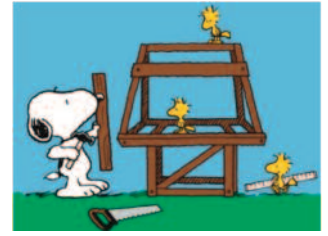
To view your statement and pay your account, click on 'Your Membership Statement' and follow the directions on the screen.

Please also take a few minutes to review and update your personal information.

If you have any questions, or you encounter any technical issues, please contact Sheri Federman at 416-781-3514 ext. 220 or sfederman@beth-tzedec.org



Membership Matters



Beth Tzedec: Building for the Future with our 18-39 Year Olds —
 #Home #Growth #Community #Commitment #Value.

ANNOUNCING A NEW APPROACH TO MEMBERSHIP FOR 18 to 39 year olds, to encourage personal, social and spiritual growth with Beth Tzedec Congregation.

The foundation:

- A fixed rate contribution schedule now applies until age 39 (rather than age 34).
- At age 40 (rather than age 35) members will participate in the fair share schedule, based on net family income.

The structure:

- A volunteer coordinator will facilitate engagement opportunities for this age group.

We encourage you to connect with Beth Tzedec in at least two areas:

- *Community Support*, such as Out of the Cold, Ve’ahavta or other outreach services and programs you are passionate about.
- *Mentee/Mentor*, by connecting with business leaders in our shul community or acting as a mentor for a young adult.
- *Personal Development Leadership Experience*, by planning or leading one of our many programs or creating new ones.
- *Young Family Activities*, such as family Shabbat and holiday festivals.

Our commitment to address each member individually remains at the core of our system. If you feel the proposed category is not within your reach, please contact Sheri Federman, our Membership and Development Coordinator, at 416-781-3514 ext. 220 to discuss your personal situation. All discussions are held in strictest confidence.

Membership includes:

- Tickets for all High Holy Day services
- Access to clergy whenever needed
- Preferred rates for classes and programs
- Preferred rates for room bookings

The Membership Committee welcomes your input and values your involvement. We wish you an enjoyable summer and look forward to seeing you at the Membership Appreciation BBQ & Open House on Thursday, September 22.

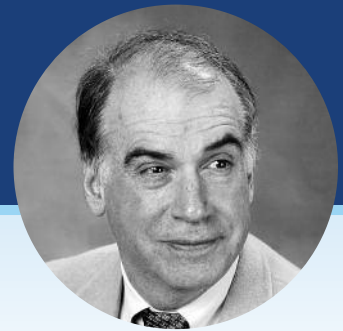
—Ilene Flatt and Sharon Yale
 Co-Chairs, Membership Committee

New Membership Contribution Schedule

	Contribution	Security	Building Reserve Fund	Total
SINGLE				
18-24	\$50			\$50
25-27	\$180			\$180
28-29	\$300			\$300
30-34	\$500			\$500
35-39	\$600	\$75	\$75	\$750
MARRIED				
Under 30	\$500			\$500
30-34	\$750			\$750
35-39	\$1175	\$75	\$150	\$1400

THE SAM & SARAH KERZNER AND JOSEPH KERZNER
MEMORIAL HOLOCAUST LECTURES
GUEST SCHOLAR WEEKEND

Professor Stephen Berk



From Past to Future

THURSDAY, MAY 26 AT 7:30 PM

Churchill and the Jews

The lecture is presented in partnership with Beth Emeth and the Canadian Council of Conservative Synagogues, and will be held at Adath Israel (37 Southbourne Avenue).

FRIDAY, MAY 27 BEGINNING AT 6:30 PM

Kabbalat Shabbat Service, Lecture and Dinner Islam and the Holocaust

Cost: \$36 adults; \$18 youth (ages 5 to 14); \$6 children (ages 1 to 4).
Dinner by advance reservation only by **Friday, May 20**.

SHABBAT, MAY 28—SERVICES AT 8:45 AM

Pulpit Address with Question & Answer session following Kiddush

Aftermath: 1946 in Europe, North America and Eretz Yisrael

SUNDAY, MAY 29 AT 10:00 AM

Into the Future: 2016 (America, Europe, Israel and the Middle East)



For information or reservations, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or reserve online at www.beth-tzedec.org/login.

Mahzor Lev Shalem

Last year, Beth Tzedec introduced *Mahzor Lev Shalem*, a completely updated prayer book for the High Holy Days.

You can now inscribe a volume of *Mahzor Lev Shalem* in honour or in memory of a loved one, or to mark a special occasion. Each *mahzor* will bear a personalized bookplate in acknowledgement.

For more information or to arrange for an inscription, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or visit www.beth-tzedec.org/login.



Our Shabbat service experiences

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 leads *Shaharit* 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 our inspirational Shabbat morning service.

Little Minyan Services 9:30 AM, *every Shabbat*. 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 deliver a *D'var Torah* are always welcome.

Monthly Family Services 10:00 AM, *Shabbat morning, June 4*. 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.

For information on **Shabbat Youth programming**, see page 27.

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



Weekly Torah study with Professor Arnold Ages

9:30 to 10:30 AM every Shabbat. Traditional and modern interpretations of the weekly Torah reading.

Lively Learning with Cantor Simon Spiro

Following Services on June 4

Enjoy your Kiddush and study the weekly *parashah* with our Cantor. Explore fascinating commentaries of Rashi and other great sages, all presented with passion and knowledge by our amusing *Hazzan*.

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

11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON on May 21 and June 18

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

The Beth Tzedec Sisterhood wishes everyone a wonderful summer.

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Shabbat in the Park

Seudah Shlisheet

**Shabbat, June 11
from 5:00 to 7:00 PM**

Enjoy a Shabbat late afternoon in the park. We will share a pot-luck* *Seudah Shlisheet* together, sing, learn, play sports and games with Avishag and Yarin, have fun and build community.

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

Weather permitting, we will meet at Glen Cedar Park (at the corner of Warwick and Glen Cedar). If it is raining, the program will take place at Beth Tzedec.

*For our pot-luck, only items prepared in a strictly kosher kitchen or with appropriate kosher labelling will be served. Beth Tzedec will provide a main dish and eating utensils.



Shavuot Sleepover
for kids in Grades 2 to 5

Saturday, June 11 from 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM

Stay up late tasting delicious dairy treats, take part in a wild scavenger hunt around the building and enjoy other exciting activities. You won't find a more fun way to celebrate Shavuot.

Participants must be pre-registered and pay by Tuesday, June 7.
A signed parental consent form is required.

Contact Simmi Toby at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or stoby@beth-tzedec.org.



PJ Library Story Time

Sunday, June 5 — 11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

Come out for a cozy morning of stories, songs, games and other activities that revolve around the PJ Library book of the month. No charge.




Sports Afternoon with DANI

Sunday, June 5
2:30 to 4:00 PM

Spend a rewarding afternoon volunteering at our Sports Day with DANI. Community service hours available for volunteers who participate for the whole program.

For Families

A Shabbat Dinner honouring our *Shinshinim*, and Youth, Teen & Family Volunteers

Friday, June 10
6:00 PM

Honour the volunteers who helped make our youth, teen and family programming so wonderful this past year. We welcome Shabbat at 6:00 PM and dinner will begin by 6:45 PM. Throughout the evening we will celebrate our successes and recognize the contributions of committee members, program volunteers, teen volunteers, and our *shinshinim* and their host families. Cost: \$36 adult; \$18 youth (ages 5-14); \$6 child (ages 1-4). Reserve by June 6.

Shabbat in Glen Cedar Park— with *Seudah Shlisheet*

Shabbat, June 11
5:00 to 7:00 PM

We will share a pot-luck *Seudah Shlisheet* together, sing, learn, play sports and games with Avishag and Yarin, have fun and build community. Weather permitting, the program will meet in the park at the corner of Warwick and Glen Cedar.

*For our pot-luck, only items prepared in a strictly kosher kitchen or with appropriate kosher labelling will be served. We will provide a main dish and eating utensils

Family Cottage Celebration

Sunday, August 21
10:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Enjoy tons of outdoor fun including sailing, swimming, boating ... and lunch! Meet at the Beth Tzedec parking lot to board the bus. Cost: \$20 per person. Limited spaces available; RSVPs required to Simmi Toby.

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

Shabbat @ Beth Tzedec

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

A dynamic drop-off program with activities, games, engaging and creative prayer, and quality time with our *Shinshinim*.

Teen Shabbat Lunch

Following Services on May 28 and September 17

See your friends, eat some lunch, debate, argue, discuss and learn together. A great way to connect and catch up.

Young Shamashim

Following Services on May 28, June 11 & 18

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 in SK to Grade 5

Tishah B'Av Kids Program

(for Grades 3 to 5)
Sunday, August 14
9:30 to 11:00 AM

Discuss the story of Tishah B'Av, and then take part in group activities to practice the social lessons learned, applying them to our lives today. No charge.

Welcome Back Program

(for Grades 1 to 5)
Sunday, September 25
12:00 NOON to 2:00 PM

Grab some friends and make some noise as we welcome in the start of a new year with Living Rhythm. Cost: \$15 (includes lunch)

For Kids in Grades 6 to 8 (*Kadima*)

Welcome Back Program at E-Zone

Sunday, September 25
3:00 to 5:00 PM

Grab some friends and celebrate the start of the school year at E-Zone—a big-kid indoor entertainment centre. Cost: \$20 (includes nut-free snacks). Pre-registration required by Thursday, September 15.

For Teens in Grades 8 to 12

BTTeens Elections

Sunday, June 5
1:30 to 2:30 PM

Interested in taking on an important and rewarding leadership role with your teen peers? Become an integral of Beth Tzedec's new 2016-2017 Teen Board. For information, see page 20.



Engaging in a Jewish-Catholic Dialogue

In April, Rabbi Frydman-Kohl joined distinguished scholar, Eileen Schuller and moderator Dean Scott Lewis for a dialogue about the December statement from the Vatican, “The Gifts of God are Irrevocable”.



Reading How the Rabbis Read!

JTS Fellow Prof. Yedida Eisenstat leads an exciting, three-part seminar helping students decipher rabbinic interpretations of the Bible.



The Last Train Book Review and Exhibit

April 13, author Rona Arato presented her book *The Last Train: A Holocaust Story*, the true story of her family’s experiences surviving the Nazi occupation. The Museum opened an exhibition of items and images related to this personal history.



Yom Hashoah Observance

During the evening service on May 4, Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Memorial Day) was marked at Beth Tzedec by candle lighting and readings about the Shoah.



Constructing a Purim Celebration

Families of all ages descended on the shul for our annual Purim Carnival and enjoyed a festive atmosphere with games, costumes and (not-so-healthy) snacks!



The December Project

In a deeply touching and heart-felt presentation, noted journalist and author Sara Davidson and Rabbi Shalom Schachter shared their personal stories and reflections on the life of the world-renowned Rabbi Zalman Schachter-Shalomi^{z”l}.

An Inclusive High Holy Day Experience

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INCLUSION INITIATIVE
@ BETH TZEDEC

We are committed to being an inclusive sacred space for all members.

OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS, BETH TZEDEC HAS ADDED A variety of new High Holy Day programming and services to ensure that every member has a spiritually uplifting and educationally exciting experience. Our Meditative Service, Short and Sweet Service, and Hot Topics have been great successes. This year, we are proud to launch our *Kehillah* Service.

An adapted service for children with special needs and their families, the *Kehillah* Service will provide a hands-on holiday experience for this important sector of our membership. The service will be run by a team of experienced educators under the leadership of Raquel Binder, an experienced educator with a background in special education and 1:1 support and chair of the Inclusion Committee. The *Kehillah* Service will focus on the values of the holidays and provide an

interactive, sensory-friendly environment.

The Beth Tzedec Board of Governors recently accepted a 36-point report submitted by the Inclusion Task Force detailing measurable ways by which the Synagogue can be more welcoming and accessible to individuals with a variety of needs. The *Kehillah* Service is but one example of our Synagogue's commitment to being an inclusive sacred space for all of its members.

In the coming months, changes will be made to the physical, educational and spiritual landscape of the shul. We look forward to continuing to grow as we provide open, accessible and meaningful services to the entire Beth Tzedec community.

As always, if you require accommodation, please call our Accommodations Hotline at 416-781-3514 ext. 222 or send an email to inclusion@beth-tzedec.org.

Endowment Giving: Bet on the Future



B'KHOL DOR VADOR ...

In every generation we are blessed to have people who understand they have the capacity to change the world and do something about it. Some do it with big ideas, some with personal touches. But every change requires that a person to take action.

For your children and the generations of tomorrow, those who can invest with their hearts and their resources. Gifts can be cash, Israel or Canadian bonds, a GIC, an appreciated stock or security, or a testamentary or planned gift to be given to Beth Tzedec after your lifetime.

Gifts can be used to establish an endowment or named fund that will benefit the Congregation and the

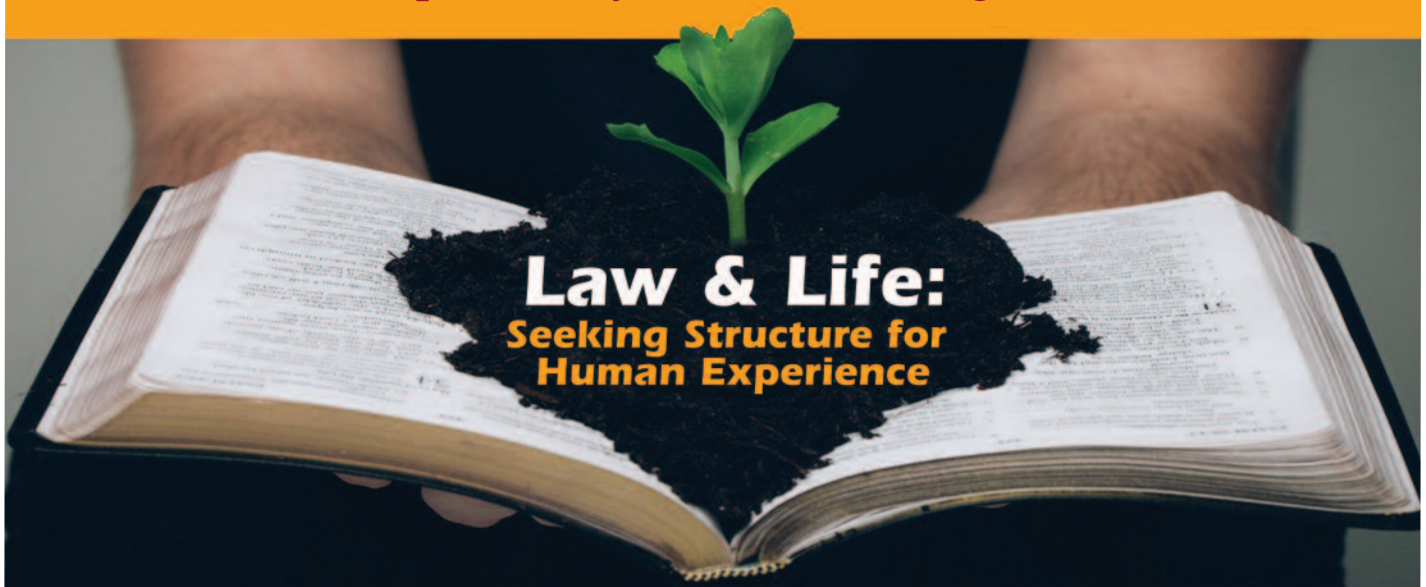
community every year into the future. With the capital remaining intact, the interest on the investment will yield the funds to attract a speaker or musician, to mount an exhibit or to fund an award.

With the knowledge that everything we do today is for tomorrow, think of the power and potential in your hands. Consider: It's not what your Congregation has done for you, but what **you** can do for your Congregation.

To 'place your bet' and shape the next generation, please contact Randy E. Spiegel, Executive Director, at 416-781-3514 ext. 211 or rspiegel@beth-tzedec.org.

With your help, everyone will be the winner.

The Ralph & Roslyn Halbert Visiting Scholar



Law & Life: Seeking Structure for Human Experience

with Professor Moshe Halbertal



Monday, September 19 – 4:00 PM

at the University of Toronto

Law and Emotion: Maimonides on Mourning

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

Tuesday, September 20 – 7:30 PM

at Beth Tzedec Congregation

The Threshold of Forgiveness: Law and Narrative in the Talmud

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

Moshe Halbertal is a noted Israeli Jewish philosopher, professor and writer. He is a Senior Fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem, Professor of Jewish Thought and Philosophy at Hebrew University, and a member of Israel's Academy for the Sciences and Humanities.

Everyone welcome. No charge.



מרכז למדעי היהדות



**MARK
YOUR
CALENDAR!**

Joys of Jewish Music — November 15, 22 & 29

Sing along and explore a variety of musical traditions.

Watch for details coming soon.

Men's Club Makes a Difference

Annual Neighbourhood Interfaith Group Dialogue: May 25

The 30th annual Neighbourhood Interfaith Dialogue will be held Wednesday, May 25 at 7:30 PM at Grace Church on-the-Hill (300 Lonsdale Road, Toronto). This year's panel includes Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl, Rev. Dr. Peter Holmes and Azeezah Kanji who will discuss "The Language of War and Peace in Our Religious Traditions".

Sunnybrook Shabbat: Date Changed to June 11

The Men's Club will conduct Shabbat services for the Jewish War Veterans and other permanent residents of Sunnybrook Hospital and their families on Shabbat, June 11 at 10:00 AM. A kiddush follows. Underground parking is free to all participants. For more information, contact Jerry Grammer at 416-889-8769 or jaygeel937@gmail.com.

Men's Club Awards Breakfast

Mark Your Calendar: The Men's Club will hold its annual Awards Breakfast on Sunday, June 5. Join us for breakfast as we honour all our scholarship recipients.

New Wireless Microphones

Lend me your ears—The Men's Club proudly announces that it has approved the contribution of \$2,500 towards the purchase of seven new wireless microphones.

Calling All Golfers!

Be part of a once-in-a-lifetime round at the Men's Club's Fourth Annual Golf Classic, being held for the first time at the new Carrick-designed Lebovic Golf Club in Aurora on Thursday, May 26 at 12:00 NOON. 'Fore' more information, see page 18.



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

POLIN: Discovering Jewish Poland in the 21st Century *with Dorion Liebgott*

Tuesday, June 21 at 8:00 PM

Dorion Liebgott, curator of the Beth Tzedec Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum, travelled to Poland in 2014 to attend the European Jewish Museums Conference held at the magnificent new POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews. Through her many photographs, Dorion will give a fascinating presentation of this rewarding and moving experience. No charge.

For more information, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

Sponsored by the Beth Tzedec Sisterhood



Mishpacha

Toddlers, Tunes and Treats

**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.



Bringing History to Life

Curator Dorion Liebgott shares her experiences from the recent Council of American Jewish Museums Conference.



I RECENTLY ATTENDED THE ANNUAL COUNCIL OF AMERICAN Jewish Museums Conference in New York. The conferences are held in different American cities every year, and once every three years in New York, as there are so many outstanding Jewish venues, museums and synagogues to visit.

The comprehensive and instructive nature of this conference has proven to be a valuable resource, affording me the opportunity to meet new curators and reconnect with longstanding colleagues working in the Jewish museum field.

This year's theme was *Next Narratives: The Stories We Tell*, and sessions explored the ideas and narratives of our institutions and imaginations. Balancing the conceptual, the strategic and the practical, *Next Narratives* considered how stories can be used to embrace diversity, engage new audiences and stakeholders, and inform the changing role of Jewish museums.

In one of the first sessions titled "Rebar with Reboot", three generations of talented storytellers reimagined their Bar/Bat Mitzvah and other rites of passage. Conference attendees contributed their own stories and reflections in the form of six-word memoirs, many of which were later shared with the group. Sessions included talking circles where attendees met with like-minded institutions for open and informal discussion on topics raised during the conference related to its theme.

Another session dealt with religious expression of Judaism which is often absent from Jewish museum narratives. It explored how religious life and ideas might be recounted for traditional and non-traditional audiences. In some situations, museums are downplaying religion in favour of broad secular values.

Other sessions and plenaries included "Engaging the Digital Realm", demonstrating how digital storytelling is becoming more affordable and simpler to produce; "Mission Alignment: Jewish Museums and Jewish Philanthropy", exploring how museums are becoming sustainable repositories and interpreters of Jewish culture, and how they must demonstrate strategic value in terms that apply to various communities. Other seminars looked at successful collaborations and the cultivation of new partnerships within cultural communities.

One particular session proffered that story telling can be used to embrace evolving myriad Jewish identities, something we have undertaken in our own Beth Tzedec Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum. Our focus has been to share our stories through items in our collection as well as exhibitions of photography, art and other cultural items.

Attending this conference reinforced for me the myriad ways we can explore historical material and create new exhibitions to entice, educate and stimulate, and yet still be entertaining.



The Beth Tzedec Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum will offer two exceptional summer programs with Noam Sienna, an intern at the Aga Khan Museum. Plan to join us on **Wednesday, June 22** at Beth Tzedec and on **Wednesday, July 20** at the Aga Khan Museum. Watch for details coming soon.



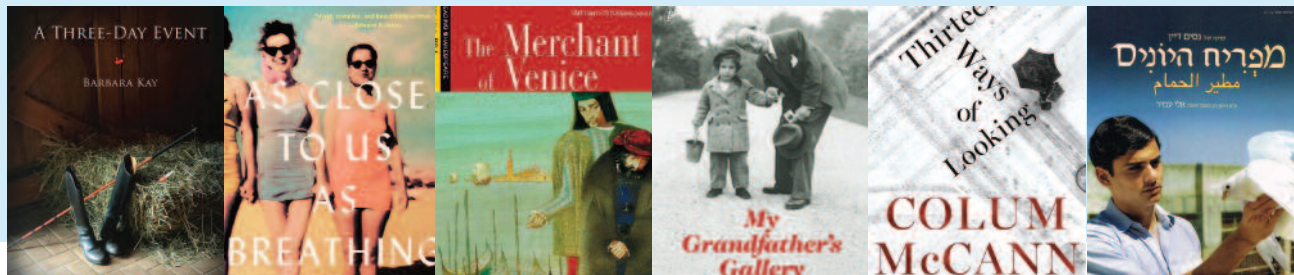
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Book and Film Club Selections 2016-2017

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

All six sessions: \$100 for members of Beth Tzedec / \$120 for non-members / \$25 per session

(Pre-registration is required.)



SEPTEMBER 26

A Three Day Event

Author Barbara Kay discusses her debut mystery novel.

Loosely based on actual events, this book gives an insider's view on the world of horse competitions and the life of modern Quebec Jewry.

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Living Life on the Avenue Retirement Residence

OCTOBER 31

As Close to Us as Breathing

Cynthia Good analyses Elizabeth Poliner's book.

This multi-generational story vividly displays the portrait of traditional American Jewish life in the 1940s.

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Haber's Compounding Pharmacy

NOVEMBER 14

The Merchant of Venice

Shakespearean specialist Dr. Jane Freeman explores this literary classic.

In celebration of the 400 year legacy of William Shakespeare, Dr. Jane Freeman discusses this controversial book and the life of its master.

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Four Elms Retirement Residence

MARCH 27

My Grandfather's Gallery: A Family Memoir of Art and War

Tina Urman explores Anne Sinclair's remarkable memoir.

Incorporating a media presentation, this tale of Sinclair's grandfather's life, his friendships with Picasso and Matisse, anti-Semitism and the looting of Jewish art during the WWII are highlighted.

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Four Elms Retirement Residence

APRIL 24

13 Ways of Looking

Cathy Tile examines Colum McCann's novel.

This powerful collection featuring a novella and three short stories brilliantly portrays the human condition.

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Living Life on the Avenue Retirement Residence

MAY 15, 10:30 AM

Farewell Baghdad

Dr. Gillian Helfield critiques writer/director Nissim Dayan's movie.

This film portrays the exile of 130,000 Jews from Iraq and the end of 2,000 years of Jewish life.

Note: This program begins at 10:30 AM.

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Kensington Place Retirement Residence

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

Randy Spiegel to be Honoured by Congregation



THIS YEAR, RANDY SPIEGEL, OUR Executive Director, was commissioned an *Amin Tzibur*, the highest designation for a synagogue professional, by the National Association of Synagogue Executives (NAASE). The *Amin Tzibur* requires a demonstration of Judaic knowledge, commitment to Israel, ritual competence and engagement with synagogue and communal life. In addition to study and education requirements, Randy was required to write a research paper. The Jewish

Theological Seminary (JTS) and the United Synagogue for Conservative Judaism (USCJ) together with NAASE grant the designation.

Most recently, Randy also earned a designation as a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE), an accomplishment demonstrating his high professional standing and ethical work in the field of fund-raising.

Prior to his work at Beth Tzedec, Randy served as Executive Director of Zareinu and Director of

Development and Public Relations at Associated Hebrew Schools, and he held positions in the Endowment and Planning departments at UJA Federation. Randy earned his BA from what is now the Jewish University of America in Los Angeles and two MA degrees from Brandeis University.

Our Beth Tzedec community will recognize Randy's achievements at a special kiddush on Shabbat morning, June 25.

Rav Baruch to be Honoured by UJA Federation



ON THE EVENING OF JUNE 8, RABBI Baruch Frydman-Kohl will receive the Gordy Wolfe Award for Jewish Communal Professional Leadership. This award, named in honour of Gordy Wolfe^{z"l}, who served as Executive Director of Jewish Family & Child (JF&CS) for 22 years, recognizes a visionary professional communal leader who has made a substantive difference in the life of Jewish Toronto. Rav Baruch will be the first Toronto rabbi recognized in this way.

Rav Baruch has always conceptualized his rabbinic service to Beth Tzedec as including leadership in the extended community. He has served on the Board of Directors of UJA Federation and Mazon, and was President of the Toronto Board of Rabbis and the Ontario Region of the Rabbinical Assembly, a member of the Committee on Jewish Law and Standards of the RA and Chair of its 2002 convention. Rav Baruch was one of the initiators of Sukkahville and has served as a rabbinic *madrikh*

(counsellor) on the March of the Living, a teacher at Camp Ramah, and a behind-the-scenes advisor to many community leaders and organizations. He is recognized as a leader in interfaith activities, having initiated the Path of Abraham, and currently serves as a delegate of our community to the Canadian Catholic-Jewish Consultation Dialogue.



Beth Tzedec Congregation and the Holy Blossom Centre
for Contemporary Jewish Literature present

WRITING & PUBLISHING: Short Stories, Memoirs and Ethical Wills

Tuesdays from 1:30 to 3:30 PM

July 5 Writing Short Stories (at Holy Blossom)

Do you have a story hidden in your drawer? Have you always thought about writing one? Nick Mount, fiction editor for *Walrus Magazine*, will lead this workshop.

July 12 Writing Memoirs and Ethical Wills (at Beth Tzedec)

Whether a formal memoir or an informal family history, writing memoirs is a uniquely satisfying experience. Award-winning writer Joe Kertes will guide you in this process and offer help with your ethical will, a very Jewish document designed to pass ethical values from one generation to the next.

July 26 How to Get Published (at Holy Blossom)

Cynthia Good, former publisher of Penguin Books, gives an insider's look into getting your book published. She will provide background on the industry today, speak about what people are reading, and help you write the all-important query letter.

Cost: \$45 for all three workshops or \$20 per session. Everyone is welcome—regardless of your level of experience or expertise.

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



Games Afternoons

Thursdays from
1:30 to 4:00 PM

Join us on Thursday afternoons for a social activity program of Mah-Jong, Bridge and Canasta. All games are for beginners and seasoned veterans alike. RSVPs preferred. No charge.

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

Out of the Cold

The 16th season of Out of the Cold closed March 23. This volunteer initiative of Beth Tzedec and Beth Sholom offers safe refuge, hospitality and emergency shelter to the homeless in our community. Our site is one of the largest temporary shelters in the city, providing over 180 people with a hearty meal prepared by Toronto Kosher, overnight accommodation, breakfast, a bagged lunch and subway tokens.

This year, guests were entertained by outstanding musical entertainment. Some sang with the bands while others danced in the aisles. A special thank you to The Deloraines, Dave Borins, The Wild Walker Band and The Nursery (Jared Roth and Alex Pulec) who volunteered their time each week—to great applause!

The Art Circle, under the guidance of Melanie Samra, inspired many to produce beautifully creative pieces that were sold at our annual Art Show and Sale. The artists received a substantial percentage from the sale of their pieces, while the Out of the Cold program benefitted as well. The feeling of pride and accomplishment on the faces of the artists made it all worthwhile. This program would not have been as successful without the generosity of Jacklyn Rosenblat of Gwartzman's and Elgin Picture and Frame (Dupont Street), who ensured that our guests had art supplies and mounted all of the art work for the show. To read more about the Art Program, please visit www.ootcartcircle.wordpress.com.

The needs of our guests are always forefront in our minds. Our on-site public health nurse monitored their health, and they all received essential warm winter clothing, boots and sundry items from our clothing bank, much of which was donated by Bass Pro-Shops Outdoor World, Roots Canada, Caulfield Apparel Group, Tribal Inc. and Joe Fresh. We even received boots from the Metropolitan Toronto Police Force drive for the homeless! As always, the gently-used clothing donations received from the community were appreciated.

A mindfulness course, courtesy of the Centre for Mindfulness Studies, was introduced this year and proved popular. It allowed the participants the opportunity to enhance their sense of relaxation and to learn coping skills.

Many dedicated companies and individuals have generously supported Out of the Cold, supplying duffle bags filled with socks, t-shirts, winter hats, waterproof gloves and sleeping bags, as well as bottled water, courtesy of Jody Steinhauer of the Bargains Group. Sylvia Galin and Maureen Bayer felt a need to help by hand-knitting beautiful scarves and gloves. Bialik Hebrew Day School's Grade 8 students conducted a token drive and donated 175 tokens and organized bingo games with

gift cards for the winners. Hillel House and Moishe House undertook similar initiatives.

Beth Tzedec's Youth group, led by Lily Chapnik, helped serve dinner to the homeless on several occasions, and organized bingo games with prizes. The Bar/Bat Mitzvah program participants, led by Simmi Toby, baked delicious muffins.

Students have also become active supporters. Andrea Glube made fridge magnets that she sold to her friends and at two Purim Carnivals, using the proceeds to purchase winter jackets, jeans and boots, as well as a brand new toaster for our program. Natasha Aaron created beautiful hair bows that she sold at school and at Beth Sholom's Purim Carnival and Art Show. Some children chose to use creative centrepieces at their Bar/Bat Mitzvahs filled with art supplies, food products or winter necessities, so that the products could be donated to OOTC.

The Out Of The Cold program is an enormous undertaking, one that could not be accomplished without our very dedicated team of volunteers. Over 150 people perform a host of functions every week. I would like to thank all who gave of their time and energy to help out in this most enriching *mitzvah*. I would also like to acknowledge the support of the Mosaic Lodge of the Masons and the wonderful office staff at Beth Tzedec and Beth Sholom. Thanks also to the following companies and individuals: Country Queen Foods, Hermes Bakery, Richman's Bakery, Burnac Produce, Metro (Bathurst and Lawrence), Costco (Billy Bishop Way), Beth Tzedec Men's Club, Alan Rothman of The Medicine Shoppe (515 St. Clair Ave. W.), Salvation Army and Allan Goodman of Tri-Quality Packaging.

Out of the Cold is a self-funded program relying on the generosity of members and the community for financial support. Please consider making a truly meaningful contribution to this wonderful *hesed* project. Contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

Games Afternoon

The Games Afternoon program continues to be held every week. On any given Thursday, upwards of 40 people can be found socializing while playing Mahj, Canasta and Bridge. Both members and non-members are welcome. We also offer Mahj and Canasta lessons with fantastic instructors. Registration is required for lessons, and RSVPs are appreciated for the Games Afternoon program.

For information on *Hesed* programs and opportunities, please contact me through the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

—Maureen Tanz
Co-Chair, *Hesed* Committee

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WEDNESDAYS:

1:30 PM Refreshments / 2:00 PM Lecture

10 sessions:

\$60 Beth Tzedec members; \$70 non-members

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Cain and Abel and significant others

September 28

Spies: A Risky Profession—
No previous experience necessary

October 5

Three Judahs—The formula for
visionary leadership

October 19

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Changing the course of history

October 26

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Significant biblical vignettes. Reading
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April 19

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Spiritual—A vehicle for changing history

April 26

Wine: Joy, Sorrow and Sanctification

May 3

Clothing Maketh the Man—Exotic
garments and other cover ups

May 10

Hutzpah as Politics—Making the
impossible possible

May 17

Birds and Snakes: Metaphor and
Symbolism—A wealth of ideas

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

Generously sponsored in memory of Cantor Joseph Cooper^{z"l}

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.

Adult Education Fund

Junzo and Helen Kokubo, honouring the memory of **Louis Whitehouse**.

Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Annie Flatt**.

Ilene and Stephen Flatt, acknowledging **Debbie Spiegel** in memory of **Elaine Krohn Medwed**.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring the birth of their great-grandson **Dillon Pierce**.

Congregational Kiddush Fund

Jeffrey Perlmutter and Karen Perlmutter, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Freddie Perlmutter** and **Mark Perlmutter**.

Daily Minyan Breakfast Fund

Kaselle and Allan Beach and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Pauline Pattenick**.

Seymour and Rosalee Berlin and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Belle Green Wax**, **Harold Albert Green**, **Abraham Greenberg** and **Myer David Berlin**.

The Brockman Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Louis Brockman**.

Marnie Burke and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Pauline Burke**.

Morley Cadesky and Charles Cadesky, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Cadesky**.

Larry Chad and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Abraham Chad**.

Elliott Eisen, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Selma Eisen**.

Robert Farber and Bonnie and Saul Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Shaynka Farber**.

Michael Flatt and family, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Lila Flatt**.

Susan Friedrich and Harry Enchin, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rozalia Friedrich**.

Susan Friedrich and Harry Enchin, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Miksa Friedrich**.

Diane Grafstein and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Murray Grafstein**.

Hon. Jerry Grafstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Pauline Wayne**.

Donna Gray and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Annette Pearl**.

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

John, Jerrold, Sheldon, Karla Greenspan and Beryl Bruwda, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Harry Greenspan**.

The Hennick and Segal Families, honouring the upcoming marriage of **Matthew Segal** and **Allison Hennick**.

Andrew Himel and Alison Himel and families, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Malka Green**.

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

Miriam Justein and family, honouring the marriage of her grandson **Zachary Justein** to **Lily Masters**.

The Kachuck Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Kachuck**.

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

Jan and Mark Lapedus and family and Andrew and Julie Freedman and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Jack Freedman** and **Chovie Freedman**.

The Pollock Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ricky Pollock**.

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

Lori Rosenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Maxine (Malka Frima) Rosenberg**.

Allan Rosenbluth, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Anette Rosenbluth**.

Allan and Ellen Rosenbluth, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Samuel Rosenbluth**.

Caren Ruby and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Gerry Ruby**.

Brian D. Segal, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Muriel Segal**.

Alan and Faye Shiner, honouring the marriage of their son **Ira Shiner** to **Rebecca Golt**.

Alan Sless and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Philip Sless**.

Dr. Robert Solomon, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Solomon**.

Sylvia Solomon, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rose Horowitz**.

Beverly Stern and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Isadore Stern**.

The Tanenbaum Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harold Tanenbaum**.

Dorothy Tassis and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Yadja Yetta Wajgensberg**.

Barbra Walters and Rosalie White, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rita Taylor**.

Randy Weisz and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Isidor Weisz**.

General Fund

Earl and Robin Altman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **William Altman**.

Graham and Enid Berg, honouring **Marsha Joseph** on the Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter **Ellie Joseph**.

Cherryl Berliner, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Hertz**.

Murray Collis, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dora Collis**.

Barry Greenberg and Susan Laufer, honouring **Leonard Cappe** for giving **Barry** the honour of being *gabbai* on Shabbat.

Zelda Korenblum, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Henry Korenblum**.

Steven Levitan, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Chonon Levitan**.

Laura and Rick Orzy, honouring Randy Spiegel on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring **Randy Spiegel** on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Helene and Gary Shomair, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Zenia Zaifman** and **Thomas Valo**.

Anna-Lynne Taradash, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Faye Sossin** and **Abraham Sossin**.

Queenie Teichman, honouring **Blake Teichman** and **Sharon Yale**.

Queenie Teichman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Bernard Teichman**.

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

Miriam Weinstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Michael Wohl**.

A Program for People Ages 60+

Wise Aging

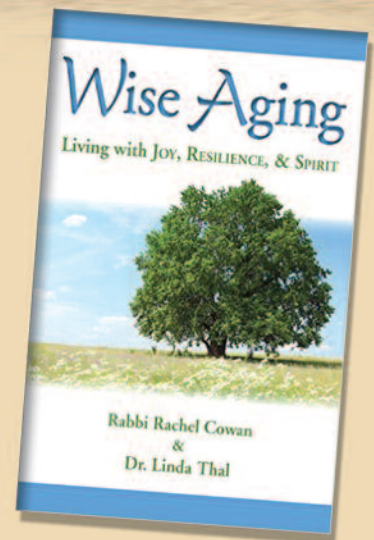
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Tuesdays, September 6, 13, 20 & 27
10:00 to 11:30 AM

In small groups, we will explore the years beyond midlife as an opportunity for growth and discovery, engaging in discussion based on text study, reflection and contemplative activities on a wide range of relevant topics:

- Revitalizing relationships
- Living with loss and change
- Cultivating spiritual qualities for well being
- Conducting a 'life review'
- Practicing forgiveness

Cost: \$25 (includes copy of the book *Wise Aging: Living with Joy, Resilience and Spirit.*) Participants should commit to attending all four sessions.



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

SELIHOT SHABBAT

Shabbat evening, September 24

Join us for an uplifting Selihot evening beginning at 9:15 PM with a film screening, followed by a late night prelude to the High Holy Days with an inspirational service at 10:45 PM led by Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl, Rabbi Adam Cutler and Cantor Sidney Ezer. We conclude the evening with a midnight dessert reception. No charge; everyone welcome.



Hesed Fund

Sophie Brockman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Esy Mokoff**.

Moshe and Denise Chriqui, wishing **Elaine Steiner** a Happy Passover.

Moshe and Denise Chriqui, wishing **Zoltan and Sara Zimmerman** a Happy Passover.

Barbara Firestone, wishing **Stacey Toban** continued good health.

Helen Glazer, acknowledging **Barbara Center** in memory of **Molly Center**.

Helen Glazer, acknowledging **Roz Halman** in memory of **Dr. Harold (Husky) Hamer**.

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

Jerry and Lillian Grammer, honouring **Harold and Ruth Margles** on their new condo and on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson **Jeremy Margles**.

Nathan and Carole Greenberg, acknowledging **Arron Eisen** in memory of **Zelda Eisen**.

Harvey and Carole Kerbel, acknowledging **Dr. Coleman and Dr. Wendy Rotstein and family** in memory of **Eleanor Charney**.

Mark and Jan Lapedus, wishing **Jocelynn Engle** a *refuah sheleimah* and a Happy Passover to **Fredric and Jocelynn Engle**.

Yvette Lerner, acknowledging the family of the late **Sylvia Classic**.

Barry Phillips, acknowledging the **Wolfish Family** in memory of **Sheila Ester Wolfish**.

Rachel Reidelman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Pessa Segal**.

Irving and Jeanne Salit, honouring **Harold and Ruth Margles** on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson **Jeremy Margles**.

Rose Sobel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harry Grimson**.

Jill, Jack, Daniel and Cynthia Spitz, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Eric Spitz**.

Melvin and Ruth Steinhart, acknowledging **Charna and Howard Nightingale** in memory of **Bernie Sherman**.

Melvin and Ruth Steinhart, acknowledging **Sally Kert** in memory of **Albert Lawrence Newman**.

Lyon Wexler, honouring **Leon Wagschal** on his birthday.

Lyon Wexler, wishing **Laz Rosen** a happy birthday.

Sara Wunch, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Tempo**.

Howard (Hy) Cooper Trust Fund

Jerry and Lillian Grammer, honouring **Mark and Jan Lapedus** on their 46th anniversary.

Jerry and Lillian Grammer, honouring **Patti and Sheldon Rotman** on the wedding of their daughter **Jodi Rotman** to **Ryan Tkatch**.

David, Carol, Ari, Marissa and Yonit Grossman, acknowledging the family of the late **Brenda Gale**.

Mark and Jan Lapedus, acknowledging **Fred Louthod and family** in memory of **Reg Louthod**.

Mark and Jan Lapedus, wishing **Donald and Tess Witchel** a Happy Passover and a *refuah sheleimah* to **Donald**.

Hersh and Cheryl Rosenthal, acknowledging **Linda Waese and family** in memory of **Joel Kuchar**.

Hersh and Cheryl Rosenthal, **Howie and Ashleigh** and children, **Barry and Tali** and children, acknowledging the **Gale Family** in memory of **Brenda Gale**.

Israel & Pearl Wolfe Memorial Fund

Stephen and Myrna Hanet, acknowledging **Ellen Chodorow and family** in memory of **Ingram Chodorow**.

Jewish Family Living Fund

Ron and Diane Ennis, honouring **Toby Saltzman and family** on the birth of their grandson **Kyle**.

Jonathan Kahn Memorial Fund

Michael Friedman and Debbie Rothstein and family, acknowledging **Moshe Micha** in memory of **David Micha**.

Norman and Jackie Kahn, honouring **Don Smith** on being named the 2016 Beth Tzedec Men's Club Man of the

Kaplan Bar/Bat Mitzvah Financial Assistance Award

Michael and Phyllis Kaplan, honouring **Toby Harrison** on retiring.

Kosher Food Bank

Faye Firestone, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bluma Rosenstock**.

Marlene Laba, acknowledging **Debbie Spiegel** in memory of **Elaine Krohn Medwed**.

Irving Matlow, in memory of his and **Esther Matlow's** anniversary.

Howard Rosen, honouring **Harry Klaczkowski**.

Library Books

Nancy-Gay and Max Rotstein, honouring **Elaine Cheskes** in her birthday.

Dorothy Tassis and family, honouring **Beverly Abramson and Buddy Schwartz** on their marriage.

Little Minyan Fund

Ilene and Stephen Flatt, acknowledging **Nava Jakubovicz** in memory of **Dr. Abraham Jakubovicz**.

Rose Sobel and Duke Segel, wishing **Sharon and Robert Cherniak** a Happy Passover, and honouring them on their daughter's engagement.

Max and Beatrice Wolfe Library Fund

Sharon and Michael Pupko and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Hershel Greenspan**.

Music Fund

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, wishing Cantor **Simon Spiro** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Donnie Friedman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Abraham Bohnen**.

Ricky, Barbara and Leora Kirshenblatt and family, acknowledging **Patti Betel** in memory of **Noreen Rich**.

Shirley Krem, acknowledging the **Wolfish Family** in memory of **Sheila Ester Wolfish**.

Shirley Krem, wishing Cantor **Simon Spiro** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Barry and Susan Phillips, wishing Cantor **Simon Spiro** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Albert Weinstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ruth Burnett**.

Out-of-the-Cold Fund

Beverly Applebaum, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ida Ragals**.

Rose Cooper, acknowledging **Dr. Coleman Rotstein and family** in memory of **Eleanor Charney**.

Evelyn Pollock, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Libby Orenstein**.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, acknowledging **Anna Gangbar** in memory of **Sydney Gangbar**.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring **Patti and Sheldon Rotman** on the wedding of their daughter **Jodi Rotman** to **Ryan Tkatch**.

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High Holy Day Volunteers

Calling all 2016-2017 High School Students (Grades 9 to 12): Would you like to volunteer on the High Holy Days? We need volunteers to help in the youth activity rooms and other places in the Synagogue.

If you are interested in volunteering, contact Simmi Toby by June 20. You will receive more information about volunteering and training sessions after you sign up.

For information, please email Simmi at stoby@beth-tzedec.org or call 416-781-3514 ext. 239.

Condolences

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

Sandra Aron
Rita Becker
Lucille (Luba) Bensky
Hani Blobstein
Phil Burko
Eleanor Charney
Dr. Abraham Jakubovicz
Paul Klimitz
Elaine Krohn Medwed
David Micha

Albert Lawrence Newman
Shirley Rose Pearlstein
Faye Pollack
Lauren D. Rachlin
Alan David Rackow
Jonathan Steiner
Ava J. Stone
Rhonda Ellen Tannenbaum
Brigitte "Kitt" Melanie Venn
Layah Weinstock

"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:

Aaron Lindzon
Helen Lindzon
Israel Lindzon

Fern Katz Schott
Eleanor Florence Stanton

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

Everything we do Today is for Tomorrow

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

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

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, honouring **Randy Spiegel** on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, acknowledging **Debbie Spiegel** in memory of **Elaine Krohn Medwed**.

Irving and Jeanne Salit, honouring **Harold and Ruth Margles** on their new condo.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, acknowledging **Sally Kert** in memory of **Albert Lawrence Newman**.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Rose Shiff** and **Mollie Troster**.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, honouring **Harold and Ruth Margles** on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson **Jeremy Margles**.

Prayer Book (Siddur) Dedications— Daily or Shabbat

The 2015-2016 Monday Night Learning classes, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman** and **Rabbi Adam Cutler** for teaching and inspiring us during the 2015/ 2016 year of learning.

Ruth Adler and Ellie and Ari Dayan, honouring the memory of **Dr. Eli Adler**.

Martin Karp and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeit* of **Jerry Karp**.

Howard Kirshenbaum, commemorating the *yahrtzeit* of **Betty (Batya) Kirshenbaum**.

Judi and Stan, Carolyn, Jonathan and Daniel Moneta, commemorating the *yahrtzeit* of **Max Moneta**.

Carol Simmerman, honouring the wedding of **William Schwartz** to **Beverley Abramson**.

Jayden and Logan Shnier, honouring the memory of **Stanley Tessis**.their grandson **Jeremy Margles**.

Prayer Book (Mahzor) Dedications

Jordan Goldstein

Howard Kirshenbaum, commemorating the *yahrtzeit* of **Betty (Batya) Kirshenbaum**.

Martha Sud, commemorating the *yahrtzeit* of **David Sud**.

Martha, Avrom, Reesa, Howard, Elliott, Warren and Orly Sud, honouring the memory of **David Sud**.

Syrian Refugee Program

Norman and Jackie Kahn

Martin and Sandra Karp

Allan and Ellen Rosenbluth

Rabbi Roy and Loretta Tanenbaum

Harriet Train and Geary Shorser

Victims of Terror Fund

Oscar Zimmerman and Anna Day, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Israel Zimmerman** and **Lucy Zimmerman**.

Young Professionals Fund

Nathan Perlis and Jennifer Gold, honouring **Yacov Fruchter** for leading their baby naming and Simhat Bat.

Youth Initiatives Fund in memory of Adam Kruger

Lyon Wexler, honouring **Dr. G. Harvey Lupu** on his birthday.

Stan and Ros Witkin, honouring **Louise Starkman** on the Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter **Rachel Starkman**.



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Yizkor Memorial Booklet

It is now time to send in the information to include the names of your loved ones in the annual Yizkor Memorial Book used at Yizkor Services on Yom Kippur, Shemini Atzeret, Pesah and Shavuot for the year 5777. The cost is \$18.00 per memorialized name per household.

Yizkor Memorial Booklet Donation

Make cheques payable to: Beth Tzedec Congregation
1700 Bathurst Street, Toronto, Ontario M5P 3K3
Phone: 416-781-3511 Fax: 416-781-0150
E-mail Florence Bendelac: fbendelac@beth-tzedec.org

Deadline: Please complete and return this form with your payment no later than 5:00 PM on June 30, 2016.

Beth Tzedec — Yizkor Memorial Booklet Donation Form



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

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***Note: \$18.00 minimum contribution per memorialized name.**

In order to acknowledge your donation in memory of your loved ones, please **PRINT** their names very clearly, in **English only**.

In Sacred and Loving Memory of:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
24 AV 8:45am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	25 AV 7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	26 AV 7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	27 AV 7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	28 AV September 7:30am Shaharit 1:30pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	29 AV 7:30am Shaharit 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:31pm Candle Lighting	30 AV ROSH HODESH EUL  R'eih 8:45am Shaharit 9:30am Torah Study/Dr. Ages 7:10pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 8:32pm Havdalah
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<p>25 TAMMUZ</p> <p>31</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>26 TAMMUZ</p> <p>August</p> <p>CIVIC HOLIDAY</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>27 TAMMUZ</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>28 TAMMUZ</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>29 TAMMUZ</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 1:30pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>1 AV</p> <p>ROSH HODESH AV</p> <p>7:15am Shaharit 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:16pm Candle Lighting</p>	<p>2 AV</p> <p> Mattot-Masei</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 7:55pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 9:17pm Havdalah</p>
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<p>10 AV</p> <p>14</p> <p>FAST OF TISHAH B'AV</p> <p>8:30am Shaharit 9:30am Tishah B'Av Kids Program 8:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 9:05pm Fast concludes</p>	<p>11 AV</p> <p>15</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>12 AV</p> <p>16</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>13 AV</p> <p>17</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>14 AV</p> <p>18</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 1:30pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>15 AV</p> <p>TU B'AV</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:55pm Candle Lighting</p>	<p>16 AV</p> <p>SHABBAT NA'AMU</p> <p> Va'ethanan</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 11:00am Torah Next Dor 7:25pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 8:56pm Havdalah</p>
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<p>14 IYAR 22</p> <p>Omer Day 29 8:45am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>15 IYAR 23</p> <p>VICTORIA DAY</p> <p>Omer Day 30 8:45am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>16 IYAR 24</p> <p>Omer Day 31 7:30am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>17 IYAR 25</p> <p>Omer Day 32 7:30am Shahrut 1:30pm Hana Werner Series: Elijah 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Torah Reading</p>	<p>18 IYAR 26</p> <p>LAG BA'OMER</p> <p>Omer Day 33 7:30am Shahrut 12:00pm MC Golf Classic 1:30pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Prof. Berk: Churchill and the Jews (at Adath Israel)</p>	<p>19 IYAR 27</p> <p>Omer Day 34 7:30am Shahrut 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:30pm Prof. Stephen Berk: Dinner & Lecture 8:31pm Candle Lighting</p>	<p>20 IYAR 28</p> <p>Behar</p> <p>Omer Day 35 8:45am Shahrut/Prof. Berk 9:30am LM/Prof. Ages 10:15am L'i'l Mirnyans 12:00pm Teen Shabbat Lunch 12:00pm Young Shamasim 8:10pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 9:33pm Havdalah</p>
<p>21 IYAR 29</p> <p>Omer Day 36 8:45am Shahrut 10:00am Prof. Berk: Into the Future—2016 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>22 IYAR 30</p> <p>Omer Day 37 7:30am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>23 IYAR 31</p> <p>Omer Day 38 7:30am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Annual General Meeting</p>	<p>24 IYAR 1</p> <p>Omer Day 39 7:30am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Doing Jewish with Feeling 8:30pm Torah Reading</p>	<p>25 IYAR 2</p> <p>Omer Day 40 7:30am Shahrut 1:30pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Havurot HasEfer</p>	<p>26 IYAR 3</p> <p>Omer Day 41 7:30am Shahrut 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:36pm Candle Lighting</p>	<p>27 IYAR 4</p> <p>SHABBAT MEVARKHIM</p> <p>Behukotai</p> <p>Omer Day 42 8:45am Shahrut 10:00am Jewish Meditation 10:30am Family Service 12:00pm Lively Learning 8:20pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 9:39pm Havdalah</p>
<p>28 IYAR 5</p> <p>YOM YERUSHALAYIM</p> <p>Omer Day 43 8:30am Shahrut 10:00am Men's Club Awards Breakfast 11:00am Pl Library Story Time 1:30pm B'Teens Elections & Sports Day 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>29 IYAR 6</p> <p>Omer Day 44 7:30am Shahrut 1:30pm For Every Season 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>1 SIVAN 7</p> <p>ROSH HODESH SIVAN</p> <p>Omer Day 45 7:15am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>2 SIVAN 8</p> <p>Omer Day 46 7:30am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Doing Jewish with Feeling 8:30pm Torah Reading</p>	<p>3 SIVAN 9</p> <p>Omer Day 47 7:30am Shahrut 1:30pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Wit and Humour? Celebrating Sholem Aleichem with Prof. Miriam Udel</p>	<p>4 SIVAN 10</p> <p>Omer Day 48 7:30am Shahrut 6:00pm Honouring our <i>Shinshinim</i> and Youth, Teens & Volunteers 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:41pm Candle Lighting</p>	<p>5 SIVAN 11</p> <p>EREV SHAUVOT</p> <p>Bemidbar</p> <p>Omer Day 49 8:45am Shahrut 5:00pm Shabbat in the Park 8:00pm Shavut Sleepover 8:25pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 9:43pm Havdalah & Light candle from existing flame 10:00pm Tikkun Leyl Shavut</p>
<p>6 SIVAN 12</p> <p>SHAUVOT</p> <p>8:45am Shahrut 10:15am L'i'l Mirnyans 10:30am Junior Congregation 8:20pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 9:44pm Candle Lighting from an existing flame</p>	<p>7 SIVAN 13</p> <p>SHAUVOT</p> <p>VIZKOR</p> <p>8:45am Shahrut 10:15am L'i'l Mirnyans 10:30am Junior Congregation 8:20pm Megillat Ruth 8:55pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 9:44pm Yom Tov concludes</p>	<p>8 SIVAN 14</p> <p>7:30am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>9 SIVAN 15</p> <p>7:30am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Doing Jewish with Feeling 8:30pm Torah Reading</p>	<p>10 SIVAN 16</p> <p>7:30am Shahrut 1:30pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</p>	<p>11 SIVAN 17</p> <p>7:30am Shahrut 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:44pm Candle Lighting</p>	<p>12 SIVAN 18</p> <p>Naso</p> <p>8:45am Shahrut 9:30am LM/Prof. Ages 10:15am L'i'l Mirnyans 10:30am Junior Congregation 11:00am Torah Next Dor 12:00pm Young Shamasim 8:25pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 9:46pm Havdalah</p>