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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

My Canada, Our Israel and the Global Community with Ambassador Deborah Lyons



Monday, May 14 at 7:30 PM

Deborah Lyons, Canada's Ambassador to Israel since 2016, has served as ambassador to Afghanistan and deputy ambassador in Washington, DC. Prior to joining Global Affairs Canada, she served in the Department of Natural Resources, Privy Council Office and the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency. Ambassador Lyons is a graduate of the University of New Brunswick and attended Canada's National Defence College.

Watch for details coming soon to our website at www.beth-tzedec.org.

AN EXTRAORDINARY PORTRAIT BY THE 'ROCK STAR' OF BIBLICAL SCHOLARS

AVIVAH GOTTLIEB ZORNBERG Moses: A Human Life



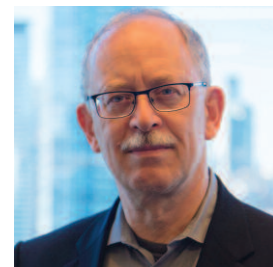
Thursday, April 26 at 7:30 PM

No figure looms larger in Jewish culture than Moses, and few have stories more enigmatic. Acclaimed author and biblical scholar Dr. Avivah Gottlieb Zornberg turns her attention to Moses, providing nuanced yet eye-opening new views and interpretations.

Sponsored in memory of John Hort^z by his loving family.

Israel Today

It has been a special privilege to live in Jerusalem in the days leading up to the celebration of Israel's 70th year of independence.



WHEN IN ISRAEL, WE OFTEN RENT IN THE KATAMON neighbourhood near San Simon park, adjacent to the Saint Simeon monastery. In 1948, the hill was the scene of intense fighting between Arabs and Jews, described in *Pigeon and Boy*, a poignant novel by Meir Shalev about home and war, the search for friendship and love, and the need for security and hope. I love the area, with buildings featuring Arab design motifs, streets named for critical military events of the first years of Israel, and many young people seeking partners, expecting babies or raising young families.

It has been a special privilege to live in Jerusalem in the days anticipating the celebration of Israel's 70th year of independence. This is a time to recall the sacrifices involved to sustain this Jewish commonwealth. I walk on *Lamed Heh* (which means 35), named in memory of the 35 young men who were ambushed in 1948 as they attempted to deliver supplies to a group of besieged kibbutzim. I stand waiting for my granddaughter's school bus near the Patt junction where 19 people were killed and 74 wounded in a suicide bombing in June 2002.

Yehudah Amichai's words still ring true:

I've come back to this city where names
are given to distances as if to human beings
and the numbers are not of bus routes
but: 70 After, 1917, 500
Before, Forty eight. These are the lines
You really travel on. (from "Jerusalem 1967")

This is also a time to celebrate Israel's achievements. It experiences continued economic growth, diplomatic advances and improved national security. Arts and culture are flourishing, often fusing Western and *Mizrahi* traditions. Efforts are under way to upgrade infrastructure, education and social services for Arab citizens. Important initiatives are in process to integrate the *Haredi* sector into the workforce. "Bit by bit, step by step, here a little and there a little," Israel is addressing its social challenges.

Investment in start-ups and new business opportunities (a \$15 billion contract to sell natural gas to Egypt was signed in February) seem to happen every week. The rail system is expanding and the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv high-speed train will initiate service this year. Housing and office construction is seen everywhere. Cafés and restaurants are crowded, with more tourists in 2017 than ever before (3.6

million). Israel has deepened ties with India and Japan, opened new relationships in Africa, and quietly expanded connections with Arab nations. This spring, the U.S. embassy will officially open in Jerusalem.

Despite the tragedies of two terrorist killings during our visit, there has been a significant reduction in successful attacks. Hamas tunnels from Gaza have been destroyed; hopefully, new technology will prevent future incursions. The northern borders with Syria and Lebanon remain a potential flashpoint (an Israeli piloted F-16 was lost due to Syrian use of Russian anti-aircraft fire), yet Israel maintains strategic superiority to Syrian, Iranian and Hezbollah forces in the area.

As Ambassador Deborah Lyons told me when we enjoyed tea together at the Israel Museum, everywhere she looks, she sees Israeli enterprise, culture and diplomatic opportunity expanding. Hopefully, she will expand on this perspective when she visits Beth Tzedec on May 14. While the participation of other diplomats depends on other factors, mark your calendar now for what promises to be an historic evening.

After 70 years, Israel still faces significant challenges. The prospect of fruitful negotiations with the Palestinians is dim and the viability of a two-state solution is more difficult to imagine. Economic growth has left a significant number of citizens behind; the gap between rich and poor is among the greatest of all developed countries. Settlement in rural areas of Judea and Samaria remains problematic and is a source of future conflict and contention. Security issues loom large as Iran extends its influence in the region and funds surrogates at the borders of Israel. Whether Israel will resettle more African migrants has been a topic of intense moral debate. Legal accusations of corruption affect the trust of citizens and create political instability at the highest level of government.

While seeking to remain a Jewish democracy, issues of religion and state continue to impinge on the freedom of many Israelis and contribute to a growing gap between Diaspora and Israeli Jews. The Masorti movement continues to grow (I was at the celebration of its 40th year), but there are many impediments to the acceptance of Conservative and Reform Judaism in Israel.

Ruth Gavison, Israel Prize laureate in law and founder of the Metzilah Centre for human rights, spoke at the Masorti celebration about Zionism as a movement to

create a country where Jews would be a majority. To be a “free people in our own land” is both a privilege and responsibility. As a democratic state, Israel must preserve minority rights for Arab citizens and conform to international standards for human rights, while maintaining a Jewish identity that is a blend of *halakhic* and secular. This calls for constant monitoring, ongoing public dialogue and a willingness to accept many messy compromises. Israel, after 70 years, is both a great achievement and a work in progress.

We have been privileged at Beth Tzedec to maintain a strong relationship with Israel. This year, over 50 members participated in the UJA Centennial Journey. Our members are involved in many pro-Israel advocacy and philanthropic efforts. We host guest speakers from Israel and have welcomed young Emissaries, our *shinshinim*, for more than a decade. Israel engagement is high on our congregational agenda, even as we recognise Israel’s flaws and challenges.

Recently, Rabbi Donniel Hartman opened a discussion about Diaspora-Israeli relations with the metaphor of children who grow up, leave home, yet return and feel no need to ask to open the refrigerator or go into “their room”. Parents, who come to visit their children’s home, may have a key to the children’s apartment, but wouldn’t use it without permission. Their home is ours, but not quite.

Diaspora and Israeli Jews are still working through the implications of a loving, maturing and, sometimes, critical relationship. We may have to accept some messy compromises, but Shalev’s novel of love now and pre-1948 reminds us of how deeply we are tied to each other, “of what home is, and why we, like pigeons trained to fly in one direction only, must eventually return to it.”

I am delighted that Rav Adam will become the Senior Rabbi at Adath Israel Congregation. His rabbinic relationship to Beth Tzedec began as the Anne and Max Tanenbaum Fellow while still at the Jewish Theological Seminary and continued, following his ordination, for almost eight years. I shall deeply miss him, Debra, Jacob and Ezra. Rav Adam has grown during his service to our congregation, become a Rabbinic Fellow of the Hartman Institute, deepened his skills in spiritual care, expanded his intellectual interests, and broadened his engagement in community issues. We have been blessed to have him as part of our community and fully expect that he will be a blessing for his new community.

As Rav Adam departs, we welcome to our rabbinic team Rabbis Jennifer Gorman and Moshe Meirovich. Rav Jen is well-known to us, having been part of our congregational community when her husband served on our rabbinic team. She is also the Executive Director of Mercaz-Masorti Canada. Rav Moshe grew up in Toronto and served at Adath Israel for the past few years, as it transitioned from its previous leadership to Rav Adam. A trained hazzan, Rabbi Meirovich is also connected to Beth Tzedec by family ties: his brother, Harvey, previously served our community. In addition to rabbinic responsibilities, Rav Jen will work in the area of Family Engagement and Rav Moshe also will support Cantor Ezer.

Josette joins me in warm wishes for a joyful and kosher Pesach. חג כשר ושמח.

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In Times of Transition

Our goal is to get the best people possible, and if it takes a bit more time and requires that we engage an interim rabbi, then that is a decision the Board will have to consider.



BETH TZEDEC IS HOME TO A REMARKABLE ARRAY OF JEWISH resources and experiences. We serve as a beacon to our families, a centre for Jewish living and a place to celebrate Jewish life. Collaboration between our spiritual, professional and lay leadership helps us create a place where the community can come to share in the gift of Judaism to enhance their own lives and contribute to the larger community.

In my years as Board chair and now as your president, we have moved forward with a number of significant changes designed to help guide our Synagogue in the years ahead. We have put in place a strategic plan, we are working on implementing key elements of that plan, we finished an impressive rebuild of the Mezzanine Hall and we approved a long-term capital renewal plan. Our objective is to make Beth Tzedec a centre where our members and the larger community will come to enhance their own lives and make the world a better place.

The most obvious signs of change are that we are searching for two new rabbis and a cantor to lead the largest Conservative Jewish community in Canada. This is a big responsibility, as the choices we make will impact our current and future membership.

The Senior Rabbi Search Committee is led by Norman Kahn, Dr. Eudice Goldberg and Bernie Gropper, and the Second Rabbi Search Committee is led by Dena Libman and Ted Zittell. Ava Kanner and Aaron Wine lead the Cantorial Search Committee and all are actively engaged in their processes. To assist us in the rabbinic search we have engaged an outside firm, DRG Search, with a stellar record in the North American Jewish community, to support our discussions with the Rabbinic Assembly (RA)

and the review of potential candidates.

We hope to begin receiving applications shortly and will keep our membership up to speed as the process moves forward with all three positions. If you have questions or suggestions, send them to rabbinicsearch@beth-tzedec.org. In the meantime, below are responses to questions we have already received from members.

What is an “Interim Rabbi”?

In a period of transition, an Interim Rabbi is hired to meet the needs of a congregation on a temporary basis. A congregation may use an interim rabbi when it is in the process of going through the full search process, as is the case with Beth Tzedec at this time. As our interim measure, we have engaged Rabbis Jennifer Gorman and Moshe Meirovich to ensure that our members are well served while we undertake this comprehensive search process. We know you will welcome each of them as they begin their terms in April. (See “The Search is On” on pg. 33 for more information.)

What is a good option for Beth Tzedec?

The best and most honest answer is, we’ll see. We have three vacancies and we must get the right people to fill those positions. It’s important that the new leadership have the skills to implement our new strategic plan, and the people we choose must be able to work as a team. Our goal is to get the best people possible, and if it takes a bit more time and requires that we engage an interim rabbi, then that is a decision the Board will have to consider. Unlike generations past, rabbis often have spouses with independent careers, and issues such as

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, April 24** and **Thursday, 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 29** at 7:30 PM.

exchange rates and taxation loom large when recruiting in the United States or abroad so the search could take more time than expected.

Where do we find a “New Senior Rabbi”?

The Rabbinic Search Committee has applied through the RA using the formal application process. The committee is working closely with the RA and an outside consultant, DRG, to develop the job descriptions for our positions. As resumes of applicants come in, we will screen them, interview those that look like a good fit, and then create a short list of candidates to bring into our community for lengthier personal visits and interviews. The membership will be notified when candidates are visiting the shul. A dedicated email account rabbinicsearch@beth-tzedec.org has been set up specifically for feedback from our Congregation and to answer additional questions.

How can I stay informed of the committee’s progress?

The Search Committee will use the shul’s weekly

eNewsletter and the quarterly *Bulletin* to keep members apprised of their progress.

What should I, as a congregant, do now?

Let us hear from you! Is there one question you would like the committee to ask the new candidate? Send in your questions to rabbinicsearch@beth-tzedec.org. We will put together the most asked questions and to incorporate in the interview process.

This is a unique time in our 63 year history. It’s a time characterized by change outside and inside our shul. Your Board of Governors is sensitive to the challenges but excited by the opportunities. We are fortunate to that our Executive Director, Randy Spiegel, and his team are helping us navigate the road ahead and ensure that our Shul continues to meet the needs of our membership.

Hag Kasher V’sameah.



Maayan Lange and Ishay Frenkel have been working hard over the past year, leading many wonderful programs for students, parents and youth groups, and have made a lasting impression at Shabbat and holiday celebrations. Before they leave for Camp Ramah in June, take some time to say hello and thanks!

DAY TRIPS IN JEWISH HISTORY

With educator and lecturer
HANA WERNER



WEDNESDAYS: 1:30 PM Refreshments / 2:00 PM Lecture

5 sessions: \$45 Beth Tzedec members; \$55 non-members / \$14 per session at the door

PART TWO:

The Surprising Firsts in the Hebrew Bible

April 11

The first kiss—To kiss or not to kiss ... and the implications of Jacob kissing Rachel upon meeting.

April 18

The first hatred is within a marriage—the first biblical family of survivors, and their toxic interactions.

April 25

The first anointed leader in the Bible, *Mashiah Hashem*, and the fascinating legacy of other Messiahs.

May 2

The first challenged man of royal descent, and the kindness of King David towards him.

May 9

The first liberator who changed the destiny of our people and built monumental ideas for mankind.

Unlimited Potential

By investing today—in the future of tomorrow—like Musk, you will be holding hands with a generation that sees no limits.



UNLESS YOU HAVE NEVER LOOKED UP TO THE HEAVENS OR wondered what is out there, you could not have missed the SpaceX launch on February 6. The skeptic in me, who has heard that the landing on the moon was all a Hollywood fix, wondered if the dual landing of the booster rockets could really have been real. I watched the launch and landing, the booster separations, the incredible views of earth, and I marvelled at the potential unleashed by the 6,000 employees who brought minds and hearts to work every day and night to make the Falcon Heavy an unprecedented success.

I can't tell you whether Elon Musk's red Tesla will last the many years of flight to, around and back from Mars, but I sure hope that I am lucky enough to check-in, and my children's children's children get to check in and see just how far we have come.

It was Abraham who opened his tent to strangers and looked to the heavens to gaze on the stars. What we did not know how to prove about the stars is what the Bible tells us as truth—too numerous to count. In our world, after Copernicus, Maimonides, Einstein and Neil Armstrong, we welcome the name of Elon Musk to those who have dared to peel back the skin of the world to reveal to all a greater beyond. In Musk's words, "If something is important enough, even if the odds are against you, you should still do it."

Day after day, while scientists are poking at theories and diving to new depths of understanding, we, the humans who inhabit this blue marble, look to each other to share in God's greatness and gift of potential. The discoverers and the nation builders could only realize dreams by challenging themselves to reach further, to go beyond themselves and stretch their potential. Then they asked others to do the same.

Many times it feels that being Jewish, the odds are against us. However, surrounded by one another, we seek to find meaning and ways to be better. Judaism is the gift that offers us the tools to make the world a better place

and us, better people. We are not afraid of what is out there, as JD Gomery said, "I love the stars too dearly to be fearful of the night". We understand how those past could have created systems to guide and grow us today.

Our Beth Tzedec community is a caring place where people come together in prayer, study and laughter to be part of tomorrow. We connect to each other and rely on each other, with the Synagogue as our hub, our centre. We rely on the resources and the history of our people, those who built the foundation from which we can build. For as they did for us, so we can do for others.

From time to time, as time speeds up, we need to take a pause and see, with full 360 degree vision, where we were, are and can go. And while we cannot be assured of the future, like Musk, we chart a course, wrapping our arms together around our knowledge and intent. We do what we can to stay the course, making changes as required, refining the vision but never losing sight of who we were, are and where we want to go.

It is with great hope that members and others who cherish Judaism look at the resources they can harness and entrust to Beth Tzedec, to continue the process from generation to generation. By investing today in the future of tomorrow, like Musk, you will be holding hands with a generation that sees no limits to the individual, who is betting on the unlimited potential of our members and our community.

Look up to the sky. Think about what you can't see. Then draw the picture of what you would like to see and call me. While we cannot touch the stars, together we can carve out your vision and help others do the same.

To help shape the future, please consider a gift to Beth Tzedec. It's here that the finest spiritual leadership, resources and facilities, come together to deliver the jewels of Judaism that help each of us make a difference in the world. Do it for yourself and you will have done great for others.



**SAVE
THE DATE**

What We Talk About When We Talk About Relationships

Tuesday, June 5 at 7:30 PM

Watch for details coming soon.

Mazal Tov to our B'nei Mitzvah

WHO HAVE COMPLETED OUR
BAR/BAT MITZVAH PROGRAM



April 14

Simone Michelle Halpern

daughter of Martin Halpern &
Dr. Karen Glass

שמחונה מיכל בת מרדכי דב
וברכה חיה



April 14

Rebecca Lauren Halpern

daughter of Martin Halpern &
Dr. Karen Glass

רונית ליאורה בת מרדכי דב
וברכה חיה



April 28

Eve Pollack Pancer

daughter of Lowell Pancer &
Dena Pollack

חווה בת יוסף יהודה לייב ודינה



May 5

Ariel Frederick Weinberg

daughter of Joel Weinberg and
Orly Katsav Weinberg

אריאלה אסתר בת יהודה ואורלי



May 12

Hayden Jake Abramson

son of Edward Abramson and
Robina Abramson-Walling
& Ian Walling

יעקב בן ישראל ובינה



May 13

Caleb Shuster-Hyman

son of Avi Hyman &
Heidi Shuster

ראובן כלב בן אברהם יעקב
וצביה מינדע



May 24

Maya Ariella Joseph

daughter of Adam &
Miriam Joseph

חיה לאה בת אברהם זאב
ומרים ריזל



May 26

Lucas Isaac Cepler

son of Brian &
Amanda Cepler

יצחק ליון בן אברהם וחווה



May 31
Libby Weinstein
 daughter of Gary Weinstein and
 Ola Weinstein
 שרית בת ישראל ורות



June 7
Leigh Rotstein
 daughter of Andrew Jay &
 Alisha Rachel Rotstein
 ליאורה שושנה בת יעקב
 וצביה רחל



June 14
Daniel Thomas Isenberg
 son of Steven Gary &
 Rebecca Tova Isenberg
 דניאל הערשל בן שלמה יחזקאל
 ורבקה טובה



June 16
Riley Worth
 daughter of Brad Worth &
 Siobhan Mitchell
 רבקה בת בנימין וסיון



June 23
Henry Jack Freeman
 son of Marc &
 Sloane Freeman
 יחיאל יעקב בן משה הלוי
 וישראלה



June 23
Ethan Solnik
 son of Dr. Jonathon &
 Dana Solnik
 איתן מרדכי בן יונה מאיר ודנה

CORRECTIONS



(AT MINḤAH) February 24
Sam Sherman
 son of Derek &
 Allison Sherman
 זאב לוי בן אפרים ועליזה



January 11
Sierra Trossman
 daughter of Andrew Trossman
 & Marcy White
 שרה בת אהרן ומינדל



January 11
Jamie Trossman
 daughter of Andrew Trossman
 & Marcy White
 יעל בת אהרן ומינדל

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 July through September is May 11.**

Births

Justin Blake, son of JORDAN & JUDY SILVER, grandson of DR. SHELDON & CAROL SILVER and ISRAEL & MILA KATZENBERG, great-grandson of ANITA SILVER and ALEX & EVA SOKOLOVSKY, born December 19.

Levi Stone, son of JORDAN & STEPHANIE MALKA, grandson of HAIM ELIE MALKA and SUSAN LEIFER and DOUG CRESSMAN and LINDA MAYNARD, great-grandson of JUDITH HECHT, born December 20.

Ariel David, son of BENJAMIN & SARAH YAVELBERG, grandson of MARK & LOREN ROTH and ARTHUR YAVELBERG and FLORA MUSLEAH, born January 7.

Weddings

Jake Philip Goldberg, son of LIN & ARTHUR GOLDBERG, and **Danielle Thé**, daughter of JESSE & CRIS THÉ, who were married March 10.

Joshua Axler, son of DR. JEFF & HELENA AXLER, and **Taryn Beber**, daughter of JEFF BEBER & CORI CAPPE, who will be married April 21.

Alyssa Tanz, daughter of BERNIE & MAUREEN TANZ, granddaughter of GILDA TANZ & MARTY KELMAN, MARK & JACQUELINE TANZ and BETTY & BERNIE^{Z"L} PLOTNICK, and **Evan Malach**, son of FRAN & HOWARD^{Z"L} MALACH, who will be married May 13.

Congratulations to

Bryan Flatt, son of ILENE & STEPHEN FLATT, grandson of PHYLLIS & AB FLATT and FLORENCE & THE LATE P. THEODORE MAGRAM, and **Sophie Gottesman**, daughter of STEVE GOTTESMAN & LIDDY BECK, granddaughter of MARY & THE LATE TOM BECK and THE LATE CAROL & HERMAN GOTTESMAN, on their engagement.

Ruthe Mann, who celebrated her 96th birthday on January 11.

Stephen & Elisha Margles, who celebrated their 25th anniversary on March 14.

Alannah Mozes, daughter of CHERYL HERMAN & RAMI MOZES, granddaughter of ALFRED & MARILYN HERMAN and MARCEL & THE LATE PEPI MOZES, and **Zachary Hyman**, son of VICKY & STUART HYMAN, grandson of STEVEN & SUZAN HYMAN and IBOLYA & THE LATE SANDOR WEISEL, on their engagement.

Manley & Barbra Walters, who celebrated their 60th anniversary on February 9.

Max Wolfond, son of ROCHELLE REICHERT & HENRY WOLFOND, grandson of TOBY & SOLOMON REICHERT and PEDIE & MEL WOLFOND, and **Erin Pollon**, daughter of NANCY POLLON, granddaughter of YVETTE POLLON, on their engagement.

Many Thanks to

Joy Cherry-Weinberg, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on December 16 to honour the 50th anniversary of the Bar Mitzvah of her son **Barry Ira Weinberg**.

Daniel & Elana Shapiro, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on December 16 to honour the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Harley Shapiro**.

The Band Family, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on December 23 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Philip Ephraim Band, Q.C.**

Lorraine & Alan Sandler, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on January 27 to mark the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Sheila Broomberg**.

Sidney & Lola Solnik, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on January 27 to commemorate the yahrtzeiten of **Miriam Yentel Wroclawsky** and **Bella Bloom**.

The Zabitsky Family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on January 27 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Haskell Zabitsky**.

Dr. Eudice Goldberg and family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on February 10 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Richard Goldberg**.

Harry Enchin & Susan Friedrich, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on February 10 to commemorate the first yahrtzeit of **Freda Enchin** and the yahrtzeit of **Norman Enchin**.

Gary & Debra, Todd & Janna and Kara & Kobi and families, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on February 10 to honour the 60th anniversary of **Manley & Barbra Walters**.

Caroline Bokar & Errol Gordon, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on March 3 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Bob Bokar**.



Peace of Mind Program

Through the international Peace of Mind program, Beth Tzedec will welcome its third unit of IDF soldiers as part of the Israel Action Committee initiatives from **October 14 to 21**. Your support is needed to help underwrite costs associated with this critically worthwhile cause. For information about POM or how you can help, email marnie.burke@icloud.com.

Susan Friedrich & Harry Enchin, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on March 10 to commemorate the *yahrtzeiten* of **Rozalia Friedrich** and **Miksa Friedrich**.

Michael & Courtney Sherman, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 17 to honour **Rabbi Adam Cutler**.

The Tanenbaum Family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 31 to commemorate the *yahrtzeit* of **Anne Tanenbaum**.

Martin Halpern & Dr. Karen Glass, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on April 14 to honour the *b'nai mitzvah* of their daughters **Rebecca Lauren Halpern** and **Simone Michelle Halpern**.

Lowell Pancer & Dena Pollack, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on April 28 to honour the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter **Eve Pollack Pancer**.

Joel Weinberg and Orly Katsav Weinberg, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on May 5 to honour the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter **Ariel Frederick Weinberg**.

Edward Abramson and Robina Abramson-Wallen & Ian Wallen, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on May 12 to honour the *Bar Mitzvah* of **Hayden Jake Abramson**.

Avi Hyman & Heidi Shuster, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on May 12 to honour the *Bar Mitzvah* of their son **Caleb Shuster-Hyman**.

Adam & Miriam Joseph, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on May 26 to honour the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter **Maya Ariella Joseph**.

Brian & Amanda Cepler, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on May 26 to honour the *Bar Mitzvah* of their son **Lucas Isaac Cepler**.

Gary Weinstein and Ola Weinstein, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on June 2 to honour the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter **Libby Weinstein**.

Andrew Jay & Alisha Rachel Rotstein, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on June 9 to honour the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter **Leigh Rotstein**.

Steven & Rebecca Isenberg, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on June 16 to honour the *Bar Mitzvah* of their son **Daniel Thomas Isenberg**.

Brad Worth & Siobhan Mitchell, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on June 16 to honour the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter **Riley Worth**.

Marc & Sloane Freeman, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on June 23 to honour the *Bar Mitzvah* of their son **Henry Jack Freeman**.

Dr. Jonathon & Dana Solnik, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on June 23 to honour the *Bar Mitzvah* of their son **Ethan Solnik**.



Consulate General of Israel

The Community is invited to attend

YOM HAZIKARON

The Official Memorial Ceremony for Israel's Fallen Soldiers and Victims of Terror

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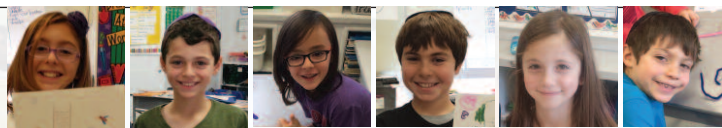
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WITH RHA

Friday, April 20 at 5:30 PM



Interactive toddler service at 5:30 PM
Dinner at 6:00 PM

Beth Tzedec and RHA present a special Shabbat dinner for young children (up to age 7) and their families. We will welcome Shabbat with music and crafts, enjoy a delicious dinner with a child-friendly menu, and entertainment for toddlers and young kids.

Cost: \$25 adults; \$15 youth (ages 5 to 14); \$5 children (ages 1 to 4). Dinner by advance reservation only by **Monday, April 16.**

Reserve online at www.beth-tzedec.org/login or call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

A Jewish/Zionist Identity

For many, supporting and loving Israel is at the core of their Jewish identity. So what happens to one's Jewish identity when Israel becomes a challenging, rather than strengthening, force?



THIS SPRING MARKS THE CONCLUSION OF A YEAR-LONG celebration of meaningful Israel-related anniversaries. Beginning with the 50th year of the reunification of Jerusalem last June, and continuing to the 120th anniversary of the First Zionist Congress, the 100th anniversary of the Balfour Declaration and the 70th anniversary of the UN vote on the Partition Plan, this remarkable coincidence of round-number celebrations will conclude with the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel this April.

Many of these anniversaries have prompted much conversation and naval-gazing among Israelis and the Jewish community worldwide. We have been moved to consider what Zionism was and how it currently manifests; what it means to be people with an ancestral homeland; the responsibilities that come with political and military power; the challenge of crafting a Jewish and democratic nation-state; the growing gap in closeness between Israeli and Diaspora Jews; and much more.

I have been thinking a lot about two specific realities and the challenges they pose when connecting with and relating to Israel. The first reality is that for centuries, our Jewish stance on a national return to Israel was exclusively aspirational. There was no reality in which Jews living 1,000 or 500 years ago actually believed that a Jewish-led, sovereign and independent Israel would exist in their lifetime. Many of our customs, prayers and perspectives on Israel and a return to Zion were shaped by these 1,900 years of exile, so when the 20th century presented a change to this narrative, it became difficult to square the circle. Our texts and prayers are aspirational, but they are all we have. Can we truly take these texts as our guiding principles for the new reality of statehood? On one hand, we have nothing else. On the other, they are not reflective of the complex realpolitik that continues to develop in Israel and the Middle East.

The second reality is that the majority of Jews alive today, including myself, have never known a world or a Judaism without a State of Israel. Israel has become a

deeply rooted and intertwined component of our Jewish identity, both as individuals and as a community. It is natural that this happened: it is the place where national time is Jewish time, where our ancient language is spoken on the streets, a place of refuge for Jews around the world, and a source of strength and security for Jews in the Diaspora. It was created three years after the Holocaust and made secure only 19 years after that, both events showing that Israelis were willing to fight for their cause, and causing such tremendous whiplash—meaning that both 1948 and 1967 were such dramatic turns from the events that preceded them—that the world could not help but take notice.

This reality presents some challenges, resulting in a Jewish and Zionist identity so intertwined that it is sometimes difficult to see where one ends and the other begins. For many, supporting and loving Israel is at the core of their Jewish identity. So what happens to one's Jewish identity when Israel becomes a challenging, rather than strengthening, force? Is this intertwining a net benefit or a cause for concern? These are some of the questions I am thinking about, learning about and trying to educate towards in my work with children and adults in our community.

There is no doubt that the modern State of Israel has been an enrichment to the Jewish people and the Jewish world. It also challenges us to think about what a Jewish state looks like, how a Jewish state should govern itself and how it should interact with the community of nations. We, as Diaspora Jews, have a stake in the future of Israel. To paraphrase Rabbi Donniel Hartman, those of us who are not citizens, taxpayers or voters do not have a right to tell Israel and Israelis what to do. But we do have the right to tell them what we think. In today's complex and multi-dimensional world, I believe it is incumbent on all of us who hold Israel as part of our Jewish identity to understand how today's Israel both strengthens and questions our Jewish experience, all with the goal of coming out stronger on the other side.

**MARK
YOUR
CALENDAR!**

Beth Tzedec Celebrates Shabbat Itanu

Shabbat, April 28 beginning at 8:45 AM

Join us for a special Shabbat recognizing the inclusion efforts of the past year.



Notable Speakers Series:

News & Views from Prominent Scholars and Personalities

Engaging ideas in current Jewish affairs, politics, arts and science with note-worthy community figures.

Mondays: 1:00 PM Light Lunch / 1:30 PM Lecture

April 16

Dr. Mark J. Poznansky, PhD discusses "Genomics: Hype and Hope". The ability to sequence and analyze an organism's genome, the entire sequence of its DNA—is creating new possibilities in our lives. It's also leading to important questions about the medical, technological, ethical and legal implications of this new genomic era. He is President and CEO of the Ontario Genomics Institute.

April 23

Professor Aurel Braun presents "Russia, the West, Iran and Israel and the New Middle East Chessboard". He teaches at the University of Toronto and Harvard, specializing in international law and relations.

May 7

Maxine Granovsky Gluskin and **Stephan Jost**—AGO Board President and Director/CEO respectively—discuss "Life Behind the Doors of the Art Gallery of Ontario: Mystery, Mastery and Majesty".

May 28

Judy Zelikovitz discusses "Winning the Battle for the Next Generation", an inside look at pro-Israel advocacy on campuses. She is Vice President, University and Local Partner Services for CIJA.

Cost:

Beth Tzedec Members: Four sessions \$36; or per session \$15

Non-Members: Four sessions \$50; or per session \$15

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

Annual Tikkun Leyl Shavuot Saturday evening, May 19

Participate in a variety of engaging evening study sessions beginning with a light supper and cheesecake for dessert. Watch for details coming soon.

Beth Tzedec and the Good Life

Judaism is a gift that, when we embrace it, enhances our lives and empowers us to make the world a better place.



THERE ARE CURRENTLY 1,200 STUDENTS at Yale—a quarter of the entire student population—enrolled in the course with the greatest number of attendees in the history of the university titled “Psychology and The Good Life”. The course was created to help students deal with the terribly high levels of anxiety and help them prioritize what is most important in their lives.

Professor Laurie Santos argues that rather than focusing on grades and internships, they should be more in tune with what research demonstrates actually leads to happiness. She argues that there are three things that all people should be doing:

1) **Take time to be mindful and grateful:** For five to ten minutes every day, meditate—or just sit down and write five things for which you are grateful.

2) **Do nice things for others:** People who give money, donate to charity or volunteer their time, those are the folks that tend to be happier. Therefore, the more nice things you can do for others, the more you’ll end up increasing your own happiness.

3) **Take time for yourself:** Take time to do things that give you joy. Santos calls the act of focusing on

these habits “rewiring”.

When I heard Santos discussing her course on CBC Radio, these three pillars resonated with me and sounded quite familiar. This, of course, is because these three pillars are precisely at the core of what Judaism offers us in our lives and what Beth Tzedec does to enhance the lives of our members and community.

Judaism is a gift that, when we embrace it, enhances our lives and empowers us to make the world a better place. Beth Tzedec offers the resources to make the most of this gift and includes Lantos’s pillars of happiness in a unique way. Through our Shabbat and weekday services, Jewish meditation and lifecycle experiences, we offer opportunities to reflect on our lives. For this, we should be grateful.

The Rabbis’ sermons and our “Monday Night Learning” classes inspire us to find our own ways to make our world a better place. We offer ongoing *hesed* opportunities through which we care for those within and outside our community. Certainly, *tzedakah* and acts of kindness and love are core to who we are as a caring community. Beth Tzedec is

known for the quantity and quality of meaningful and exciting Jewish experiences that enhance our lives and feed our souls.

I have always experienced Beth Tzedec as warm and inspiring—a place where I can actualize all three of those pillars. And since my mother’s death in January, I now understand the beauty of this community on a deeper level. Participating in the community of the daily minyan as a mourner, receiving sympathy cards and meals from the Synagogue leadership and members alike, the countless opportunities to share stories about my mother, and learning that so many of you chose to give *tzedakah* in her memory has been a true blessing in my life. I will forever be grateful for the comfort and support I have received from this community, and I am committed to helping each of you feel this way during times of joy, sorrow and everything in between.

May Beth Tzedec continue to be a source of inspiration for a good and meaningful life for us all.

—*B’shalom*

THANK YOU!

We thank **Alan Greenberg and family** for their generosity in supporting our continued participation in the Israeli Young Emissaries/*Shinshinim* program. Beth Tzedec has been involved in this program since its inception, and looks forward to welcoming our newest *shinshinim*, Daniel Lazar and Yuval Rotero, in September.

Romance, Intrigue & Idealism:

THE GOLDEN AGE OF YIDDISH LITERATURE IN CANADA

Sunday, April 29 at 3:00 PM

Pierre Anctil, award-winning author, translator of Yiddish into French and professor of history, recreates an era in Canadian Jewish history marked by innovation, cultural creativity and intense literary activity unparalleled in its variety and scope.



Pierre Anctil is professor of Canadian History and Canadian Jewish History at the University of Ottawa. His most recent book, *Jacob Isaac Segal: A Montreal Yiddish Poet and His Milieu*, was translated into English by Vivian Felsen.

The 6th Annual Simcha Simchovitch Lecture



UJA: MAKING YIDDISH HAPPEN



Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:00 PM
April 19, May 10 & 31 and June 21

Beth Tzedec's best-kept secret is a Jewish philosophy reading group that explores modern and accessible works of Jewish thought. This engaging group is for anyone interested in thinking and talking about the meaning and purpose of Judaism in a global, technologically advanced world. No charge.



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

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

Sherry Firestone— A Real Gem



Gerry Posner profiles Beth Tzedec member Sherry Firestone.

A FIRESTONE IS DEFINED AS A STONE THAT CAN WITHSTAND fire and great heat. There are not many stones that fit that description, but they are out there. In her own way, Sherry Firestone embodies her name as she has over a period of years withstood her share of heat. It comes with the territory when you involve yourself in many organizations, just as Sherry has.

The path for Sherry Barad Firestone started in Vancouver where she was born and raised. Sherry traces her passion for community involvement to her grandmother Etta Barad, who was very active with Hadassah, right down to her job as the treasurer of her chapter and chair of the handicraft booth at the Bazaar. Etta had such an impact on her granddaughter that to this day, Sherry quotes her grandmother who said “I am a very lucky person and it is a privilege to give to others.” Her grandfather Hyman Dashevsky, who also inspired her to give back, was an acting *Gabbai* at Schara Tzedek Synagogue in Vancouver, among other community initiatives.

Later, when Sherry attended the University of Toronto, she became involved in what were at the time the precursors to the Hillel and Birthright programs. She befriended many other out of towners who lived in the University College residence. It was not until Sherry and husband Jay, parents to Chaz and Ross, enrolled Chaz in JK at the then USDS, now the Robbins Hebrew Academy, that the sparks were lit for this Firestone. The couple ultimately found their home in the Little Minyan at Beth Tzedec. It was about that time Sherry was asked to serve on the board of USDS and to chair its technology committee. From that evolved work with UJA, CFHU and CJPAC.

Those are a bundle of initials and they represent a plethora of community involvement.

Sherry has always been happiest leading a busy life. She began her career as a Chartered Accountant and now works as a partner in a Toronto based commercial real estate management and development company. This background no doubt assisted her when she took on the role of chair for the 2011 Toronto UJA Federation Campaign. That was but a small part of Sherry’s participation with our Federation. She sat on its Board of Directors for six years and its Executive Committee for three years. She volunteered as an Executive Member of the Koffler Centre of the Arts, as a director of the United Synagogue Day School, not to forget her role as an integral member of the Beth Tzedec Fund Raising Committee. On top of all of that, Sherry serves as the lay chair of the CJPAC (Canadian Jewish Political Affairs Committee) National Advisory Board and is a member of the Toronto Chapter of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

One could expect that Sherry is committed to these organizations and to ensuring that things go smoothly. That is where the Firestone part of her name rises to the top. You have to be prepared to make tough decisions along the way and to accept the challenges and the heat that arise. This is one Firestone that can not only endure the heat, but embraces it. Sherry learned the lesson of her grandparents well. She is now giving back to her community and finds great fulfillment in doing so. This is a Firestone that stands out like a gem.

—Gerry Posner

Greetings from Sisterhood

The Beth Tzedec Sisterhood wishes everyone a healthy and happy Pesah.

We look forward to welcoming our fellow Sisterhood members at upcoming events, including the Mother’s Day Chai Tea & Fashion Show on May 13, the special Sisterhood/Men’s Club members breakfast with Prof. Stephen Berk on June 3 and the “Music of Leonard Cohen” program with Dr. Mike Daley on June 12.

For information about the Sisterhood, please contact Ruthann Lubin or Rhoda Salama through the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

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Hanukkah at Beth Tzedec

As in the past, Hanukkah was a very festive and busy time at Beth Tzedec. A number of members, including Stephen Troster (L) participated in the mitzvah of lighting the candles in our *hanukkiyah*, and the Hon. Carolyn Bennett explored the museum's Hanukkah displays with our *shinshinim* Maayan and Ishay (R).



Leadership Workshop with Bob Leventhal

Bob Leventhal, a facilitator from the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism (USCJ), led a unique series of workshops for our staff, leadership and professionals on "Community Building Exercises".



Rav Baruch and Randy in Israel

Rav Baruch just returned from an extended stay in Israel, visiting family, the sites and studying. While there, he met with executive director Randy Spiegel, who was in Israel for the NAASE Conference.



Happy Birthday Rita

Mazal tov to Rita Ruskin who marked her 100th birthday with Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl and her son Dr. Ronald Ruskin.



Purim Roast of Rabbi Adam Cutler

On Purim, a new tradition was launched with our first annual Purim Roast and Seudah. This year, Rabbi Adam Cutler was on the hot-seat as members of BT and the Jewish community took the opportunity to have their say ... and wish him well. Thanks to Larry Rachlin for taking all the photos.

IT'S OUR TENTH ANNIVERSARY!

Beth Tzedec's Mother's Day Chai Tea & Fashion Show

**★ ★ ★ UNDER THE ★ ★ ★
BIG TOP ★ ★ ★**

**Sunday, May 13, 2018
3:00 PM; (Doors open at 2:30 PM)**

Come one, come all! Join us under the Beth Tzedec Big Top for a fun-filled afternoon of games, entertainment featuring the incredible magician, mind reader and mentalist Ben Train and carnival-themed food and décor.

Women: **\$48** / Young Women (13 and under): **\$30** Reserve online at www.beth-tzedec.org/login or call 416-781-3511 by **Monday, May 7.**

Honour the women in your life by placing an ad in the Women of Honour booklet. Contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org. All submissions must be received by Monday, May 7.

All proceeds support Beth Tzedec's Out of the Cold program. Fashion show presented by:



Special thanks to the Pollock and Gold families for their sponsorship in memory of Ricky Pollock^{z"l}

Special thanks to David & Evelyn Pollock for their support in memory of their beloved son Daniel Stephen Pollock^{z"l}

Presented with the support of the Beth Tzedec Sisterhood and Men's Club



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Short & Sweet Multi-Generational Family Service

(especially for families with young children)
Shabbat, April 28 and June 2
10:30 AM to 12:00 NOON

Our participatory abridged 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. It features the highlights of a Shabbat morning service and is led by children, teens and our Director of Spiritual Engagement Yacov Fruchter. It also includes programs by our *shinshinim* and youth staff. Celebrate a group aliyah and blessing for everyone whose birthday is that month. A complimentary lunch follows.

Li'l Minyans

(children up to age 5 with a parent)
9:30 AM to 12:00 NOON

Looking 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. Li'l Minyans meet from 9:30 to 10:30 AM when there is a Family Service.

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 Maayan and Ishay. Junior Congregation does not meet when there is a Family Service.

For Children 0 to 5 and their Families

Pre-Shabbat Music Mornings

(babies up to 18 months with an adult)
Friday mornings
11:00 to 11:45 AM

Join Sara Borer and welcome Shabbat with a 45-minute music class featuring Shabbat songs and blessings, *hallah*, grape juice and lots of fun. Sara is a singer, mom of three, music therapist and former camp counselor. Fluent in both English and Hebrew, she brings great warmth and creativity to her work with babies. For information on fees or to register, call the Synagogue office.

PJ Library: Sing-Along Songs

(for toddlers with parents or grandparents)
Sunday, April 29
10:00 to 11:30 AM

Get comfy and cozy for a morning filled with singing and dancing! Cost: \$10 per toddler. RSVP by Wednesday, April 25.

PJ Library: Li'l Tree Huggers

(for toddlers with parents or grandparents)
Sunday, June 3
10:00 to 11:30 AM

Join us as we read *Picture a Tree* and get messy with planting in celebration of Shavuot. No charge. RSVP by Monday, May 28

For Children in SK to Grade 5

Planting with Shores

(for Grades 1 to 5)
Sunday, April 15
12:00 NOON to 2:00 PM

Let's get messy as we plant herb pots with Shores and learn about sustainable cooking while making lunch. Cost: \$10. RSVP by Wednesday, April 11.

Shavuot Sleepover

(for Grades 1 to 5)
Saturday, May 19
8:00 PM to 9:00 AM Sunday

Stay up late, delicious dairy treats, take part in a wild scavenger hunt around the building and other exciting activities. Kids in Grades 1 to 3 will be in one 'cabin' and Grades 4 and 5 will be in another 'cabin'. Cost: \$10 (includes snacks, activities and dairy breakfast). RSVP by Monday, May 14.

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

Kadima Treetop Trekking

Sunday, April 29
12:00 NOON to 5:00 PM

Feel the rush as we fly across ziplines, and climb like monkeys on elements suspended up in the forest canopy. Cost: \$30 per person (includes transportation to and from Beth Tzedec and admission). RSVP by Tuesday, April 24.

Kadima Summer Kick-Off

Sunday, June 10
3:00 to 5:00 PM

Suit up for a jousting good time! Say goodbye to the school year and hello to the summer season with your Beth Tzedec friends. Wear athletic clothing and running shoes. Ice-cream bar included. Cost: \$5. RSVP by Tuesday, May 22.

For Teens in Grades 9 to 12 (*BTUSY*)

BTUSY Basketball Tournament

Sunday, April 22
2:00 to 5:00 PM

Think your rabbi has game? Want to see if the cantor can get nothing but net? Come out to the BTUSY Basketball Tournament to play and see for yourself! Each team must raise \$100. Proceeds will support community initiatives. Pre-registration required.

BTUSY Grade 8 Welcome and Closing Program

Sunday, June 10
2:00 to 5:00 PM

Before we all say '*L'hitrot'* for the year, join us at Rinx (65 Orfus Rd., Toronto) as we welcome the Grade 8s to our chapter at an energetic afternoon of fun! Cost: \$20. RSVP by Monday, June 4.

For Families and Parents

Tot Shabbat Dinner with RHA

Friday, April 20 5:30 PM

This special Shabbat dinner is for young children (up to age 7) and their families. We will welcome Shabbat with music and crafts, enjoy a delicious dinner with a child-friendly menu, and entertainment for toddlers and young kids. Cost for dinner: \$25 adults; \$15 youth (ages 5-14); \$5 children (ages 1-4). RSVP by Monday, April 16.

Social Networking Safety—What Kids Are Doing Online

Thursday, May 31 7:00 PM

Paul Davis from Social Networking Safety Tomorrow will provide strategies on how to keep your kids safe online. Series presented with Robbins Hebrew Academy. Cost: \$18

Shabbat Dinner with the Wizards of Ashkenaz Celebrating our Shinshinim and Volunteers

Friday, June 8 6:00 PM

The Wizards of Ashkenaz lead a musical Kabbalat Shabbat service followed by a delicious, catered dinner where we will celebrate our successes and recognize the contributions of our *shinshinim* and youth, teen, family and committee volunteers.

Cost: \$25 adults; \$15 youth (ages 5 to 14); \$5 children (ages 1 to 4). Reserve online at www.beth-tzedec.org/login or call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 by Monday, May 26.

For information about Youth & Family programs, contact Simmi Toby at 416-781-3514 ext. 229 or stoby@beth-tzedec.org

For information about Teen programs, contact Jessie Greenspan at 416-781-3514 ext. 246 or jgreenspan@beth-tzedec.org

ECRUSY Programs

J-Serve Toronto

Sunday, April 15 Time TBA

Join over 400 Jewish teens, choose one of 10 community service projects and earn community service hours on this Global Day of Jewish Youth Service!.

Spring Convention

May 3 to 6 Time TBA

(at Mansfield Outdoor Centre)

We're heading back to Mansfield Outdoor Centre for our final weekend of the year. Join us for an amazing Shabbat, say farewell to our seniors and elect next year's Regional Executive. Registration required.

For information about ECRUSY programs, visit www.ecrusy.org, email ecrusy@uscj.org or call 416-667-1717.

High School Student Volunteers Volunteers are needed for many of our youth and family programs. If you are looking to fulfil end-of-year community service requirements or would like to gain valuable experience working on youth- and family-oriented programs, contact Jessie Greenspan at 416-781-3514 ext. 246 or jgreenspan@beth-tzedec.org.

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May 31 | 7:00 p.m.

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Purchase tickets at www.rhacademy.ca/events

Individual Tickets: \$18 | Package Deal: \$36 for all four speakers



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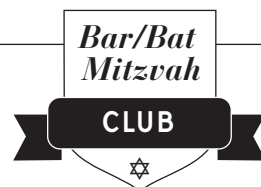
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Beth Tzedec Congregation continues the Bar/Bat Mitzvah Club, a program for children with difficulty in social situations.

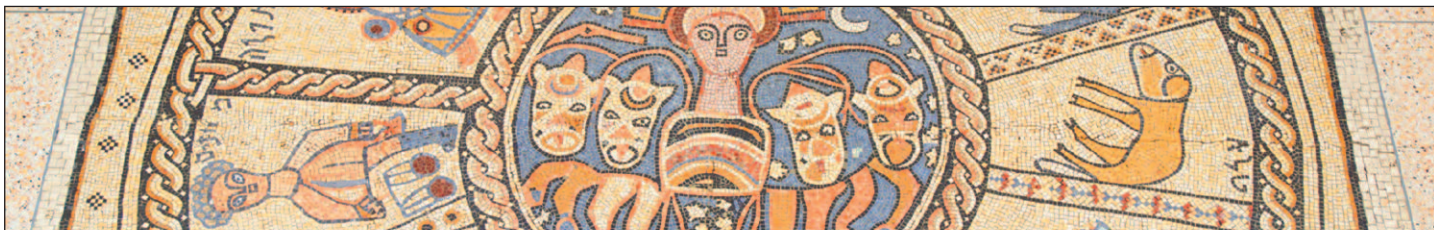
We are looking for students with a Bar/Bat Mitzvah in 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 who are seeking to prepare for this experience with peers in a program suited to their needs.

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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Shabbat *at the* Floor



Fridays, April 27 and June 1 & 22 at 6:00 PM

Beth Tzedec's newest service is a monthly Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat service on the Beth Alpha Floor. Led by Cantor Sidney Ezer, Reb Yacov Fruchter and friends, the focus is on high energy and spirited, participatory singing. When the onset of Shabbat permits, musical instruments will be used. A delicious, informal dinner follows (by registration). For more information, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.



ISRAEL IN OUR LIVES
with **Rabbi Harvey Meirovich**

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Rabbi Harvey Meirovich returns for a scholar weekend of study and learning with a Thursday evening presentation and a pulpit presentation on Shabbat morning. No charge.

THURSDAY, MAY 3 AT 7:30 PM

Contrasting Visions of Israel: The Torah Commentaries of *Etz Hayim* and Nehama Leibowitz

SHABBAT, MAY 5 — SERVICES AT 8:45 AM

Israel in Our Lives: Yesterday and Today

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

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. Once a month, we will have a “Shabbat at the Floor” on the Beth Alpha Floor, focusing on high energy and spirited, participatory singing. A delicious catered dinner will follow. For more information, see page 22.

Sanctuary / Chapel Services 8:45 AM, every Shabbat.

Our musical Sanctuary Service offers a complete spiritual and liturgical Shabbat experience with Rabbis Baruch Frydman-Kohl, Jennifer Gorman and Moshe Meirovich, Cantor Sidney Ezer and Lorne Hanick. 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, *Shabbat mornings through June 16*. 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 to lead parts of the service. Torah readers, *daveners* and those wishing to deliver a *D’var Torah* are always welcome.

Little Minyan—Lunch ‘n’ Learn following Services,

Shabbat, April 28. Join the Little Minyan for a community Lunch ‘n’ Learn session with Rabbi Yoav Ende who speaks on “New Leadership: What Will Israel Need”. Presented as part of the Louis and Moshe J. Weisfeld Annual Memorial Lectures.

Little Minyan—Raise the Ruah 9:30 AM, *June 16*. While the Little Minyan offers a warm, welcoming, participatory and spiritually meaningful *Beit Kneset* each week, our ‘Raise the *Ruah*’ service takes it to the next level by infusing our *davening* with enhanced music and singing. There are many ways to participate—email Yacov Fruchter at yfruchter@beth-tzedec.org to get involved.

A Short & Sweet Multi-Generational Service 10:30 AM, *April 28 and June 2*. Our participatory abridged 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. It features the highlights of a Shabbat morning service and is led by children, teens and our Director of Spiritual Engagement Yacov Fruchter. It also includes programs by our *shinshinim* and youth staff. Celebrate a group aliyah and blessing for everyone whose birthday is that month. A complimentary dairy lunch follows.

For more information on Youth Shabbat programs, see pages 20 and 21.

Can’t Get Enough Torah? Here’s more!



Talking Torah with Daniel Silverman

9:30 to 10:30 AM every Shabbat

A new look at the traditional and modern interpretations of the weekly Torah reading with Daniel Silverman.

Torah Next Dor

11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON on April 21, May 12 and June 23

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

Jewish Meditation with Michelle Katz

10:00 to 11:15 AM on April 21 and May 5 & 26

For men and women, centred on texts from our tradition, eliciting response and deep listening—a doorway to enhanced prayer. For more information, see page 46.



Thursday, May 24

Lebovic Golf Club

14020 Leslie St., Aurora, Ontario

\$350 Golfer / \$1,400 Foursome

12:00 PM Registration

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

Chance to win fabulous prizes! Registration deadline: Wednesday, May 16
Kashrut (dietary laws) observed. Women are welcome!!

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



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<div>16 NISAN</div> <div>1</div> <div>PESAH DAY 2</div> <div>Hallel</div> <div>Omer Day 1</div> <div>8:45am Festival Shahrut 9:30am Li'l Minyans 7:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 8:29pm Yom Tov concludes</div>	<div>17 NISAN</div> <div>2</div> <div>HOL HAMOED PESAH</div> <div>1st Intermediate Day</div> <div>Omer Day 2</div> <div>7:15am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Milestones & Meanings</div>	<div>18 NISAN</div> <div>3</div> <div>HOL HAMOED PESAH</div> <div>2nd Intermediate Day</div> <div>Omer Day 3</div> <div>7:15am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>19 NISAN</div> <div>4</div> <div>HOL HAMOED PESAH</div> <div>3rd Intermediate Day</div> <div>Omer Day 4</div> <div>7:15am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>20 NISAN</div> <div>5</div> <div>HOL HAMOED PESAH</div> <div>4th Intermediate Day</div> <div>Omer Day 5</div> <div>7:15am Shahrut 10:00am Torah Through the Ages 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Candle Lighting Light a 24-hr candle before festival candles</div>	<div>21 NISAN</div> <div>6</div> <div>PESAH DAY 7</div> <div>Hallel</div> <div>Omer Day 6</div> <div>8:45am Festival Shahrut 9:30am Li'l Minyans 10:30am Junior Congregation 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:32pm Candle Lighting from existing flame</div>	<div>22 NISAN</div> <div>7</div> <div>PESAH DAY 8</div> <div>Hallel / Yizkor</div> <div>Omer Day 7</div> <div>8:45am Festival Shahrut/Choir 9:30am Talking Torah 6:45pm Song of Songs 7:15pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 8:36pm Yom Tov concludes</div>
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<div>23 NISAN</div> <div>8</div> <div>Omer Day 8</div> <div>8:45am Shahrut 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>24 NISAN</div> <div>9</div> <div>Omer Day 9</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 1:00pm Book & Film Club 1:00pm The Humash 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Hebrew for Beginners 7:30pm Milestones & Meanings 7:30pm Weekday Davening Skills</div>	<div>25 NISAN</div> <div>10</div> <div>Omer Day 10</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>26 NISAN</div> <div>11</div> <div>Omer Day 11</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 1:30pm Hana Werner Series: The First Kiss 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>27 NISAN</div> <div>12</div> <div>YOM HASHOAH</div> <div>Omer Day 12</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 10:00am Torah Through the Ages 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>28 NISAN</div> <div>13</div> <div>Omer Day 13</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 11:00am Pre-Shabbat Music 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:40pm Candle Lighting</div>	<div>29 NISAN</div> <div>14</div> <div>SHABBAT MEVARKHIM</div> <div> Shemini</div> <div>Omer Day 14</div> <div>8:45am Shahrut/Choir 9:30am LM/Talking Torah 7:25pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 8:43pm Havdalah</div>
<div>30 NISAN</div> <div>15</div> <div>ROSH HODESH IVAR</div> <div>Omer Day 15</div> <div>8:30am Shahrut 12:00pm Planting with Shoresht for Grades 1 to 5 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>1 IVAR</div> <div>16</div> <div>ROSH HODESH IVAR</div> <div>Omer Day 16</div> <div>7:15am Shahrut 1:00pm The Humash Notable Speakers: Dr. Mark Poznansky 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Hebrew for Beginners 7:30pm Milestones & Meanings 7:30pm Weekday Davening Skills</div>	<div>2 IVAR</div> <div>17</div> <div>Omer Day 17</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Community Yom Hazikaron Ceremony</div>	<div>3 IVAR</div> <div>18</div> <div>YOM HAZIKARON</div> <div>Omer Day 18</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 1:30pm Hana Werner Series: The First Hatred 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>4 IVAR</div> <div>19</div> <div>YOM HA'ATZMAUT</div> <div>Omer Day 19</div> <div>7:15am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 10:00am Torah Through the Ages 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Havurat HaSefer</div>	<div>5 IVAR</div> <div>20</div> <div>Omer Day 20</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 11:00am Pre-Shabbat Music 5:30pm Tot Shabbat with RHA 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:48pm Candle Lighting</div>	<div>6 IVAR</div> <div>21</div> <div> Tazria-Metzora</div> <div>Omer Day 21</div> <div>8:45am Shahrut 9:30am LM/Talking Torah 9:30am Li'l Minyans 10:00am Jewish Meditation 11:00am Torah Next Dor 7:30pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 8:51pm Havdalah</div>
<div>7 IVAR</div> <div>22</div> <div>Omer Day 22</div> <div>8:45am Shahrut 2:00pm BTUSV Basketball 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>8 IVAR</div> <div>23</div> <div>Omer Day 23</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 1:00pm Notable Speakers: Prof. Aurel Braun 6:30pm ITEM 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Hebrew for Beginners 7:30pm Milestones & Meanings</div>	<div>9 IVAR</div> <div>24</div> <div>Omer Day 24</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>10 IVAR</div> <div>25</div> <div>Omer Day 25</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 1:30pm Hana Werner Series: The First Leader 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>11 IVAR</div> <div>26</div> <div>Omer Day 26</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 10:00am Torah Through the Ages 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Moses: A Human Life with Aviyah Gottlieb Zornberg</div>	<div>12 IVAR</div> <div>27</div> <div>Omer Day 27</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 9:30am Little Thinkers 11:00am Pre-Shabbat Music 6:00pm Shabbat at the Floor Service & Dinner 7:56pm Candle Lighting</div>	<div>13 IVAR</div> <div>28</div> <div>SHABBAT ITANU</div> <div> Aharei Mot-Kedoshim</div> <div>Omer Day 28</div> <div>8:45am Shahrut/Rbbi Ende 10:30am Short & Sweet Multi-Generation Service 12:00pm LM Lunch n' Learn 7:40pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 9:10pm Havdalah</div>
<div>14 IVAR</div> <div>29</div> <div>Omer Day 29</div> <div>8:45am Shahrut 10:00am PI Library: Sing-Along Songs 12:00pm Kadima Treetop Trekking 3:00pm Romance, Intrigue & Idealism: The Golden Age of Yiddish Literature in Canada 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv</div>	<div>15 IVAR</div> <div>30</div> <div>Omer Day 30</div> <div>7:30am Shahrut 1:00pm Book & Film Club 6:30pm ITEM 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Hebrew for Beginners 7:30pm Milestones & Meanings</div>					

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		16 IYAR Omer Day 31 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	17 IYAR Omer Day 32 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 1:30pm Hana Werner Series: The First Challenged 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv Lag Ba Omer Axe Throwing Program for 20s & 30s	18 IYAR LAG BA'OMER Omer Day 33 7:30am Shaharit 10:00am Torah Through the Ages 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:30pm Contrasting Visions of Israel with Rabbi Harvey Meirovich	19 IYAR Omer Day 34 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 11:00am Pre-Shabbat Music 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:05pm Candle Lighting	20 IYAR  Emor Omer Day 35 8:45am Shaharit/Meirovich 10:00am Sunnybrook Shabbat 10:00am Jewish Meditation 10:30am Short & Sweet Multi-Generation Service 7:50pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 9:08pm Havdalah
21 IYAR Omer Day 36 8:45am Shaharit 12:00pm Exhibit Opening: Raizel's Journey by Shushana Caplan 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	22 IYAR Omer Day 37 7:30am Shaharit 1:00pm Notable Speakers: Maxine Granovsky-Gluskin & Stephan Iosif ITEM 6:30pm TEM 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:30pm Hebrew for Beginners 7:30pm Milestones & Meanings	23 IYAR Omer Day 38 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	24 IYAR Omer Day 39 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 1:30pm Hana Werner Series: The First Liberator 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	25 IYAR Omer Day 40 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 10:00am Torah Through the Ages 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:30pm Hawurat HaSefer	26 IYAR Omer Day 31 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 11:00am Pre-Shabbat Music 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:13pm Candle Lighting	27 IYAR SHABBAT MEVARKHIM  Behar-Beukotai Omer Day 32 8:45am Shaharit/Choir 9:30am LM/Talking Torah 9:30am L'i Minyans 10:30am Junior Congregation 11:00am Torah Next Dor 7:55pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 9:16pm Havdalah
28 IYAR YOM YERUSHALAYIM Omer Day 43 8:45am Shaharit 3:00pm Mother's Day Chai Tea & Fashion Show: Under the Big-Top 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	29 IYAR Omer Day 44 7:30am Shaharit 10:30am Book & Film Club 6:30pm ITEM 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:30pm Ambassador Deborah Lyons: My Canada, Our Israel & the Global Community	1 SIVAN ROSH HODESH SIVAN Omer Day 45 7:15am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	2 SIVAN Omer Day 46 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	3 SIVAN Omer Day 47 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 10:00am Torah Through the Ages 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	4 SIVAN Omer Day 48 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 11:00am Pre-Shabbat Music 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:20pm Candle Lighting Light 24-hr candle before festival candles	5 SIVAN EREV SHAUVOT Omer Day 49 8:45am Shaharit 8:00pm Shavuot Sleepover 8:05pm Minhah 9:20pm Ma'ariv 9:23pm Candle Lighting from an existing flame 9:30pm Tiklun Levy Shavuot
6 SIVAN SHAUVOT 8:45am Shaharit 8:30pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 9:25pm Candle Lighting from an existing flame	7 SIVAN VICTORIA DAY SHAUVOT 8:45am Shaharit/Vizkor 9:30am L'i Minyans 10:30am Junior Congregation 8:00pm Megilat Ruth 8:30pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 9:25pm Yom Tov concludes	8 SIVAN Omer Day 22 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	9 SIVAN Omer Day 23 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	10 SIVAN Omer Day 24 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 10:00am Torah Through the Ages 12:00pm Sixth Annual Men's Club Golf Classic 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	11 SIVAN Omer Day 25 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 11:00am Pre-Shabbat Music 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:27pm Candle Lighting	12 SIVAN  Naso 8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Talking Torah 9:30am L'i Minyans 10:00am Jewish Meditation 10:30am Junior Congregation 8:10pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 9:30pm Havdalah
13 SIVAN 8:45am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	14 SIVAN 7:30am Shaharit 1:00pm Notable Speakers: Judy Zeilkovitz 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:30pm Hebrew for Beginners 7:30pm Milestones & Meanings	15 SIVAN 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:30pm Annual General Meeting	16 SIVAN 7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv	17 SIVAN 7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:00pm Social Networking Safety: What Kids are Doing Online 7:30pm Hawurat HaSefer 7:30pm Prof. Stephen Berk: European Royalty & the Jews		

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<p>20 SIVAN</p> <p>3</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 10:00am PJ Library: L'I Tree Hugers 10:30am Prof. Stephen Berk: Was the Zionist Dream Fulfilled 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>21 SIVAN</p> <p>4</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:30pm Hebrew for Beginners</p>	<p>22 SIVAN</p> <p>5</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:30am What We Talk About Relationships</p>	<p>23 SIVAN</p> <p>6</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>24 SIVAN</p> <p>7</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 10:00am Torah Through the Ages 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>25 SIVAN</p> <p>8</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 6:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service & Dinner honouing Shinshinim and Volunteers 8:39pm Candle Lighting</p> <p>SHABBAT WITH THE WIZARDS OF ASHENAZ</p>	<p>26 SIVAN</p> <p>9</p> <p>SHABBAT MEVARKHIM</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Talking Torah 10:30am Junior Congregation 8:20pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 9:41pm Havdalah</p>
<p>27 SIVAN</p> <p>10</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 10:00am Annual Men's Club Scholarship Breakfast 2:00pm BTUSY Grade 8 Welcome and Chapter Elections 3:00pm Summer Kick-Off for <i>Kadima</i> 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>28 SIVAN</p> <p>11</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:30pm Hebrew for Beginners 7:30pm Books of the Jews</p>	<p>29 SIVAN</p> <p>12</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:30pm The Music of Leonard Cohen with Dr. Mike Daley</p>	<p>30 SIVAN</p> <p>13</p> <p>7:15am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p> <p>ROSH HODESH TAMMUZ</p>	<p>1 TAMMUZ</p> <p>14</p> <p>7:15am Shaharit 10:00am Torah Through the Ages 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p> <p>ROSH HODESH TAMMUZ</p>	<p>2 TAMMUZ</p> <p>15</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 9:30am Little Thinkers 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:42pm Candle Lighting</p>	<p>3 TAMMUZ</p> <p>16</p> <p>Korah</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM Raise the Ruah 9:30am Talking Torah 9:30am L'I Miynans 10:30am Junior Congregation 8:25pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 9:45pm Havdalah</p>
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<p>11 TAMMUZ</p> <p>24</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>12 TAMMUZ</p> <p>25</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>13 TAMMUZ</p> <p>26</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>14 TAMMUZ</p> <p>27</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 7:30pm Movies Under the Stars: Body & Soul—An American Bridge</p>	<p>15 TAMMUZ</p> <p>28</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 10:00am Torah Through the Ages 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>16 TAMMUZ</p> <p>29</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:45pm Candle Lighting</p>	<p>17 TAMMUZ</p> <p>30</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Talking Torah 10:30am Junior Congregation 8:20pm Minhah/SS/Ma'ariv 9:41pm Havdalah</p>



Next Year's *Shinshinim*

Beth Tzedec has been very fortunate in the past to have outstanding *shinshinim*, and next year we anticipate the same. Our 2018-2019 *shinshinim* are Daniel Lazar and Yuval Rotero. We look forward to welcoming them both in August.



We are looking for host families for our new *shinshinim*, Daniel Lazar or Yuval Rotero. 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 Maayan and Ishay into your home? To learn more about the opportunity to be a host family, please 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.

Kadima Programs for Grades 6 to 8

Treetop Trekking

Sunday, April 29 from 12:00 NOON to 5:00 PM

Feel the rush as we fly across zip lines, and climb like monkeys on elements suspended up in the forest canopy. Please wear comfortable athletic clothes and running shoes. Cost: \$30. RSVPs required by Wednesday, April 25.

Kadima Summer Kick-Off

Sunday, June 10 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM

Suit up for a 'jousting' good time! Say goodbye to the school year and hello to the summer season with your Beth Tzedec friends. Wear athletic clothing and running shoes. Ice-cream bar included. Cost: \$5 per person. RSVP by Wednesday, June 6.

Register online at www.beth-tzedec.org/login or contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.



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



Pesah at a Glance

Thursday, March 29 / 13 Nisan

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

Friday, March 30 / 14 Nisan

Erev Pesah

No matzah may be eaten on erev Pesah

Fast of the Firstborn /*siyyum*

(completion of study) followed by breakfast

- 7:30am *Shaharit*
- 9:00-11:00am **Bring your *hametz* to Beth Tzedec for burning**
- By 11:00am Burn/dispose of all *hametz*
- 6:00pm *Minhah*-Festival Ma'ariv

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

- 7:24pm Candle lighting;
Begin first seder

Saturday, March 31 / 15 Nisan

1st Day of Pesah

- 8:45am Pesah *Yom Tov* services with *Hallel* and prayer for *Tal/Dew*; *Kohanim* bring blessing
- 2:00pm Early *Minhah*
- 7:00pm Festival *Minhah*-Ma'ariv
- After 8:27pm Candle lighting from an existing flame
- After nightfall Begin second seder

Count omer 1

Sunday, April 1 / 16 Nisan

2nd Day of Pesah

- 8:45am Pesah *Yom Tov* services with *Hallel*
- 7:30pm Festival *Minhah*-Ma'ariv
- 8:29pm *Yom Tov* concludes

Count omer 2

Monday, April 2 / 17 Nisan

Hol Hamoed Pesah

- 7:15am *Shaharit*
- 7:00pm *Minhah*-Ma'ariv

Count omer 3

Tuesday, April 3 / 18 Nisan

Hol Hamoed Pesah

- 7:15am *Shaharit*
- 7:00pm *Minhah*-Ma'ariv

Count omer 4

Wednesday, April 4 / 19 Nisan

Hol Hamoed Pesah

- 7:15am *Shaharit*
- 7:00pm *Minhah*-Ma'ariv

Count omer 5

Thursday, April 5 / 20 Nisan

Hol Hamoed Pesah

- 7:15am *Shaharit*
- 7:00pm *Minhah*-Festival Ma'ariv

Prior to Candle Lighting, light a 24-hour candle to use to kindle *Yom Tov* candles on Friday night

- 7:31pm Candle lighting

Count omer 6

Friday, April 6 / 21 Nisan

7th Day of Pesah

- 8:45am Pesah *Yom Tov* services with *Hallel*
- 6:30pm *Minhah*-Ma'ariv
- Before
- 7:32pm Candle lighting from an existing flame

Kindle a *yizkor* candle from an existing flame before lighting *yom tov* candles

Count omer 7

Saturday, April 7 / 22 Nisan

8th Day of Pesah

- 8:45am Pesah *Yom Tov* services with *Hallel* and *Yizkor*
- 6:45pm Song of Songs (*Shir HaShirim*)
- 7:15pm *Minhah*-Ma'ariv
- 8:36pm Pesah concludes

Wait until 9:00pm to consume *hametz* sold with Beth Tzedec as the agent.

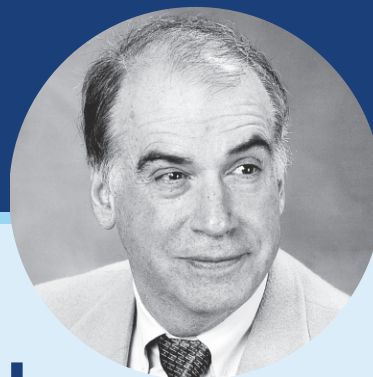
Count omer 8

The full "Countdown to Pesah" guide was included in the January 2018 edition of the Bulletin, and can be downloaded from the website from the Bulletin Archives section at www.beth-tzedec.org/page/publications-archives.

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

ISRAELAT70
@ BETH TZEDEC

Professor Stephen Berk



Israel @ 70: The Path to Statehood

THURSDAY, MAY 31 AT 7:30 PM

European Royalty and the Jews

This lecture is presented in partnership with Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue and will be held at 100 Elder Street, Toronto.

FRIDAY, JUNE 1 BEGINNING AT 6:00 PM

Shabbat at the Floor Service, Lecture and Dinner

After the “War to End All Wars”

Cost: \$40 adults; \$18 youth (ages 5-14); \$6 children (ages 1-4). Dinner by advance reservation only **by Monday, May 28**. Limited spaces; reserve early.

SHABBAT, JUNE 2— SERVICES AT 8:45 AM

Pulpit Address with Question & Answer session following Kiddush

Jewish Soldiers: Allies and Axis, the Palestinian Brigade and Volunteers in the War of Independence

SUNDAY MORNING, JUNE 3

Breakfast at 9:30 AM; Lecture at 10:30 AM

Was the Zionist Dream Fulfilled?

Breakfast sponsored by the Beth Tzedec Men's Club and Sisterhood. You must be a Men's Club or Sisterhood member to join the breakfast, but everyone is welcome to the lecture at 10:30 AM. To reserve for the breakfast or to join the Men's Club or Sisterhood, call the Synagogue office by Monday, May 28.

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

David Lerner, Our Tanenbaum Fellow for 5778

INTRODUCING DAVID LERNER, THE Anne & Max Tanenbaum Fellow for 5778, who will be at Beth Tzedec from May 24 through June 7.

David Lerner is a third-year rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary. Before his studies at the Seminary, he was deeply involved in Jewish communal work in his native city of Detroit. He was the director of Youth and Young Adult Programming at Congregation Shaarey Zedek, ritual leader and teacher at the Isaac Agree Downtown Synagogue, sat on the board of Jewish Family Services and served on various community youth and young professionals committees. David was

also a private tutor in all areas of Judaism. He grew up spending summers at Camp Ramah Canada, returning the past couple of years as a member of the education staff.

David, his wife Alexis, and their baby daughter Magda Rose split time between New York and Toronto, as Alexis is a doctoral candidate in Political Science and Jewish Studies at the University of Toronto.

David has a deep love and very strong connection to Israel, having lived in Jerusalem twice and having led trips around the country both for teens and young adults. He loves learning and teaching Torah, writing and spending time with his family.



David is passionate about his love for Judaism and the Jewish people, and looks forward to learning from and forming meaningful relationships with the Beth Tzedec community.

Beth Tzedec's Mother's Day Chai Tea & Fashion Show



Become part of our *Women of Honour Booklet*

This Mother's Day, remember all the women in your life with a tribute listing in their honour or their memory.

All tributes, except the half page greeting, are a single line. Deadline for submissions: **Tuesday, May 1**. To reserve your space, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

Half page greeting:	\$72
Diamond tribute:	\$54
Ruby tribute:	\$36
Pearl tribute:	\$18

All proceeds benefit Beth Tzedec's Out of the Cold Program



Beth Tzedec Bar/Bat Mitzvah Program

As part of their preparation in the Bar/Bar Mitzvah program, grade 8 students spent an evening with Daniel Silverman and Ishay and Maayan (our *shinshinim*) talking over dinner and other group activities.



BT Youth @ OOTC

Several youth members helped at the Tuesday night Out of the Cold program, a joint initiative offered with Beth Sholom Synagogue.



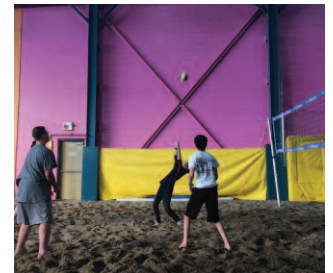
Volleyball Clinic

Every SuperBowl Sunday, the Beth Tzedec Men's Club hosts the annual World Wide Wrap. This year's guest speaker was Olympic volleyball superstar Dr. Josh Binstock who led a volleyball clinic for teens following his breakfast speech.



BTUSY Movie Night

It wasn't the Uptown Theatre or SilverCity Cinema, but *BTUSY* teens still managed to enjoy a night of movies at Beth Tzedec in our VIP beanbag chairs.



ECRUSY Beach Blast

Regional teens from ECRUSY met at Beach Blast for an afternoon of fun in the sand with volleyball, sandcastle building and more.



The Search is On

AS YOUR BOARD OF GOVERNORS

started the search for a successor to Rav Baruch, who will retire in July 2019, we learned that Rav Adam would be leaving us at the end of March. As a result, we decided to strike an Associate Rabbi Search Committee to fill our short-term and longer-term need. Our two search committees are working together to ensure the best fit and smoothest transition for our membership from one generation of rabbinic leadership to the next.

Senior Rabbi Search Committee

Co-chaired by Norman Kahn, Bernie Gropper and Dr. Eudice Goldberg, the committee members are Jay Feldman, Daniel Heller, Lianne Leboff, Dena Libman, Adam Storm, Sara Urowitz, Harold Wolfe and Josh Zelikovitz. Guided by the Strategic Plan and with direction from your Board, this committee has submitted an application to the Joint Placement Committee, the combined resource of USCJ and the Rabbinical Assembly for the placement of rabbis in the Conservative/Masorti movement. We have also engaged DRG Search, a professional consultancy with expertise in recruiting top talent for Jewish non-profits. They will partner with us in assessing the skills, depth of knowledge and experience required to lead our *kehillah* forward. We believe these combined resources will help us engage the finest rabbinic talent available to serve our members and lead Beth Tzedec now and into the future.

Associate Rabbi Search Committee

This committee is co-chaired by Dena Libman and Ted Zittell. The co-chairs of both search committees and the Board of Governors believe that the new Senior Rabbi should play a lead role in hiring this key member of our

spiritual leadership team. As the need for an associate rabbi is immediate, the Associate Rabbi Search chairs, as an interim measure, focused on bringing us rabbinic support for the first period of transition following Rav Adam's departure. The chairs, the Board and Rav Baruch have agreed to fill the "position" of associate rabbi on an initial basis with two Toronto rabbis, known to most members and familiar with our community. They will serve as part of Rav Baruch's team. This arrangement will begin April 1, 2018 and extend through Sukkot. By then, the Associate Rabbi Search Committee will have confirmed longer term resources to ensure continued rabbinic coverage until the arrival of our new senior rabbi in 2019.

Welcome Interim Rabbis Jennifer Gorman and Moshe Meirovich

We are pleased to welcome these experienced rabbis to Beth Tzedec. They will provide excellent spiritual leadership and serve member needs while the search committees continue their work. Both rabbis have the knowledge, experience and ability to support our membership pastorally, ritually and educationally. Rav Moshe and Rav Jen will be at shul on alternate *Shabbatot* and will take turns leading and speaking at services. Both will report to and work under Rav Baruch and will be available to all members during the week. If you wish to meet with either or both, please email them directly or contact Marlene Laba at mlaba@beth-tzedec.org to set up an appointment.

What Happens Next?

The search process for new spiritual leadership takes time and demands the input and confidence of the membership. Working with DRG, the Senior Rabbi Search Committee has

been meeting with members representing key cohorts of our Congregation, as well as reviewing survey results to help refine the search.

As an important step in our process, we plan to invite selected candidates to guest weekends at Beth Tzedec. Members will have a chance to meet the candidates and experience them in action. We will advise the *kehillah* in advance of the dates. Following each visit, we will post a survey on our website that we invite you to complete. We need your feedback! The information you submit will add valuable insights to help us determine which candidates we wish to pursue.

How Can We Follow and Be Part of the Process?

We will update membership regularly on our progress on both searches via our e-newsletter and website. At all times, we invite you to forward to us comments, and to share the names of prospective candidates that you may know or have heard about in your travels. Please send your comments or questions to rabbinicsearch@beth-tzedec.org.

We look forward to welcoming our new spiritual leaders who will build on the outstanding work of Rav Baruch and those who served with him and before him. Judaism is a gift that can empower us to live personally meaningful and rewarding lives, and face the challenges of today inspired by Jewish values, culture and traditions. Beth Tzedec's outstanding resources will continue the work of providing an enriching variety of services, support and experiences to build our diverse sacred community, and to help make the world a better place.

—Dr. Sheldon Rotman, President

Four authors share their newest releases and insights
gleaned from research, exploration and experience.

Books of the Jews

Monday, June 11 at 7:30 PM

**Double Threat: Canadian Jews, the
Military, and WWII**

by Professor Ellin Bessner

Over 17,000 Canadian Jews donned a uniform in WWII, fighting and dying in major battles. They had a double reason to enlist—they were fighting for freedom and democracy, and were also saving the Jews of Europe from Hitler's Final Solution.

**Parade: A Tribute to Remarkable
Contemporaries**

by The Honourable Jerry S. Grafstein

A compilation of the greatest speeches and tributes from over three decades in politics and public office, including renowned Canadian political and cultural figures such as Morley Callaghan, Pierre Elliot Trudeau, Joe Clark, Oscar Peterson and Peter Gzowski, together these tributes offer a rich portrait of individuals that have shaped Canada and the world.

**Jabotinsky's Children: Polish Jews and
the Rise of Right-Wing Zionism**

by Daniel Kupfert Heller, Ph.D

This book presents the backstory of how the Catholic Church came to clarify and embrace the role of Israel in salvation history, and put to an end the tradition of anti-Jewish rhetoric at the behest of an unlikely personality: Jules Isaac.

Zionism and Judaism: A New Theory

by Professor David Novak

Why should anyone be a Zionist, a supporter of a Jewish state in the land of Israel? Why should there be a Jewish state in the land of Israel? This book seeks to provide a philosophical answer to these questions.

**No charge for admission. Copies of books will be available for purchase.
For information, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.**

Out of the Cold 2018

The 19th season of Out of the Cold concluded on March 20. We had a very harsh winter, and thankfully, we were able to provide a warm and safe refuge for the homeless. As you all know, the homeless situation in Toronto has reached a crisis point. We are very excited that through the Interfaith Coalition to Fight Homelessness—of which Rav Baruch is a part—we have formed an effective partnership with the Canadian Mental Health Association. This partnership provided for two caseworkers at the shelter every Tuesday evening for 9 weeks. It was the first time in the 32 year history of the OOTC program that an initiative of this magnitude was undertaken, and we are thrilled that it happened at our shelter. The highly trained staff offered advice on matters concerning housing, mental and physical health, employment issues and substance abuse. Often our guests do not know where to turn for help, and this initiative has been a lifesaver for many of them.

Our Mindfulness Program, which began three years ago as a partnership with the Centre for Mindfulness Studies, also offered our guests the opportunity to de-stress.

An important part of our OOTC program is the Art Circle, where guests have the opportunity to express their creativity while boosting their self-esteem. Beginners and experienced artists alike gather each week and create magnificent pieces of art. The annual Out of the Cold Art Show & Sale was held on Sunday, March 18, showcasing the talents and works of the

participants. Proceeds benefit the artists directly, with a small percentage funding the OOTC program.

Mother's Day Chai Tea & Fashion Show

The 10th annual Mother's Day Chai Tea & Fashion Show: Under the Big Top is coming up soon on Sunday, May 13. Patti Rotman and her creative committee promise to make this event even more special than last year's! It is a wonderful way to spend Mother's Day afternoon with your mom, grandmother, daughters and granddaughters while sipping tea, munching and gazing at the fabulous spring fashions. As co-chair of Out of the Cold, I am thrilled to announce that to date, \$65,000 in proceeds from this event have been donated to the OOTC program. Don't wait to reserve as it promises to sell out early! Enjoy this amazing afternoon while supporting a very worthy cause.

Thursday Games Afternoons—Mahj, Bridge & Canasta

Games Afternoon, held every Thursday from 1:00 to 4:00 PM is a huge success. Close to 60 people gather to enjoy Mahjong, Canasta and Bridge. All participants are encouraged to donate a toonie each week towards *tzedekah* in support of the many wonderful programs that Beth Tzedec offers. Players of all levels of expertise are welcome, and both members and non-members alike. If you are interested in Mahj and/or Canasta lessons, please leave a message for me at the office. Spaces are filling fast.

—Maureen Tanz
Chair, Hesed Committee

SHABBAT SERVICE AND DINNER Celebrating our *Shinshinim*, Youth, Teen and Family Volunteers with The Wizards of Ashkenaz

Friday, June 8 at 6:00 PM

The Wizards of Ashkenaz lead a musical Kabbalat Shabbat service followed by a delicious, catered dinner where we will celebrate our successes and recognize the contributions of our *shinshinim* and youth, teen, family and committee volunteers.

Cost: \$25 adults; \$15 youth (ages 5 to 14); \$5 children (ages 1 to 4). Reserve online at www.beth-tzedec.org/login or call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 by **Monday, May 26**.



MOVIES UNDER THE STARS



Beth Tzedec brings back the ever-popular summer film series Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM.

June 27

Body and Soul: An American Bridge

This documentary examines the history of the most recorded song in jazz and reveals the influences, creations and conflicts between Blacks and Jews in American popular music.

July 4

The Shape of Water

A mute janitor in a government research lab plunges into the extraordinary as she becomes drawn into their latest top-secret asset. A beautiful dream-like film about otherness, responsibility and love. Best picture Oscar winner at the 90th Academy Awards.

July 11

Denial

This courtroom drama explores the libel case brought by Hitler apologist David Irving against historian Deborah Lipstadt after she described him as a Holocaust denier. A timely film of politicians creating "alternative facts" when the truth doesn't suit them.

July 18

Lady Bird

This Oscar-nominated film follows Christine "Lady Bird" MacPherson's senior year in high school, including her first romance, her participation in the school play, and most importantly, her applying for college.

Suggested donation: \$5 supporting the Kosher Food Bank.



Programs for Grades 1 to 5



Planting with Shoresh

Sunday, April 15 from 12:00 NOON to 2:00 PM

Let's get messy as we plant herb pots with Shoresh and learn about sustainable cooking while making lunch.
Cost: \$10. RSVPs required by **Wednesday, April 11.**



Shavuot Sleepover

Saturday, May 19 from 8:00 PM to 9:00 AM Sunday

For kids in Grades 1 to 5: Enjoy delicious dairy treats, take part in a wild scavenger hunt around the building and other exciting activities. A late-night snack bar and dairy breakfast will be served. Cost: \$10 per person. RSVP by **Monday, May 14.**

Men's Club Makes a Difference

Men's Club Scholarship Program

The Beth Tzedec Men's Club is pleased to sponsor their annual scholarship program assisting young men and women pursuing programs of higher Jewish education. For more information or an application, please email Hersh Rosenthal at hershr@rogers.com. Deadline for submissions is April 10, 2018.

Sunnybrook Shabbat

Mark your calendars. The next Sunnybrook Shabbat Service will be May 5 in the Sunnybrook Chapel from 10:00 AM to 12:00 NOON, with

a kiddush following. Underground parking is free for those attending. For more information, email Jerry Grammer at jaygeel937@gmail.com.

Professor Stephen Berk Sunday Breakfast & Lecture

Professor Stephen Berk returns to Beth Tzedec from May 31 through June 3, giving a series of lectures on the theme *Israel @ 70: The Path to Statehood*. On Sunday, June 3 at 10:30 AM, Prof. Berk will give a presentation entitled "Was the Zionist Dream Fulfilled?" The lecture is open to the entire community. Members of

the Men's Club and Sisterhood are welcome to attend a private breakfast with Prof. Berk following Services. Pre-registration is required by May 26, and spaces are limited.

If you are not currently a member of the Men's Club or Sisterhood but would like to attend the breakfast, you can contact the Synagogue office to arrange to become a member of either group. Your membership will be applied to the 2018-2019 year. To inquire about membership or to reserve for the breakfast, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

The Music of Leonard Cohen with Dr. Mike Daley

Tuesday, June 12 at 7:30 PM

Dr. Mike Daley speaks about Leonard Cohen's work, interspersing his narrative with classic Cohen songs.

No charge, but non-perishable donations to the Kosher Food Bank appreciated.

Dr. Mike Daley holds a Ph.D in music from York University and is a musicologist, specializing in the history of popular music. He has also toured the United States and Canada as a musician with Jeff Healey, the Travellers and others, and has appeared on dozens of recordings as a guitarist and singer.

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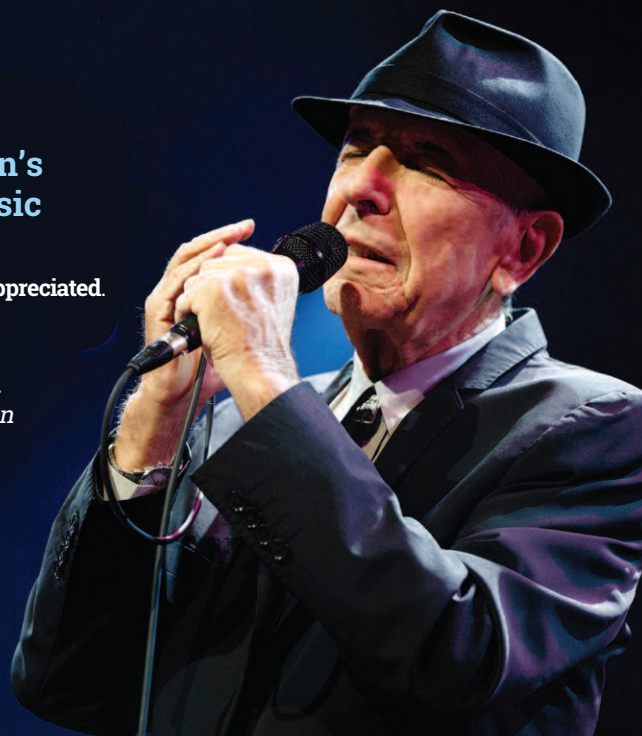




Exhibit Opening: Sunday, May 6
12:00 NOON to 4:00 PM

Using reproductions of a small packet of photographs, some over 100 years old, that her parents guarded through their travels across war-torn Poland and Russia and brought to Canada, Shushana Caplan creates "dreamscapes" reflecting those times. These paintings evoke stories, providing a picture of the artist's journey as a person and an artist in both images and words.



CS | X Congregational School Experience

Accelerated Learning Program for Grades 4 to 7

Our accelerated class for students in Grades 4 to 7 is designed for – but not limited to – students who have attended Jewish Day School through Grade 3 or higher.

This class will engage in a newly-designed curriculum with a focus on Hebrew language, Jewish ritual and history, and Jewish peoplehood—what it means to be a member of the global Jewish community. Taught by a young and energetic Jewish Day School teacher, this class will move at a more rapid pace and will be taught partially in Hebrew.

For more information or to register, contact Daniel Silverman,
Director of Education, at 416-781-3514 ext. 231
or dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org



Lake Region Federation News



FJMC Fall Retreat

Our fall retreat in Picton was a success and the new executive director of the FJMC Rabbi Andy Shugerman attended his first regional retreat. He outlined his vision of the relevance and opportunity for the FJMC in the future. Stan Greenspan, the new president, outlined the many agenda items for the next two years.

New Headquarters

The new headquarters of the FJMC are now operational in New York, sharing office space with the Women's League. As traditional gender-based organizations look to the future, the FJMC is working to maintain its work in and support of strong core programs. This move will also help us to work closely with Women's League in joint initiatives. The FJMC continues to evolve to strengthen outreach and inclusion initiatives in our *Keruv* program as well as with all gender identification groups.

A New Dues Structure

The FJMC is exploring different dues structures, including the option of freezing dues at current levels to give financial control to each regional chapter. This will be discussed by the executive and the various regions in the coming months.

In late 2017, the PJMC and regional executives had a fundraising drive that rasided \$130,000. For the first time, donations to the FJMC or the Canadian region are tax deductible. For information on how to receive a charitable tax receipt for these contributions, leave a message for Don Smith with the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

Man/Youth of the Year

The annual Man/Youth of the Year breakfast will be held in late spring. Watch for details about the date, time and location, and about our honourees.

Shabbat with the WIZARDS of ASHKENAZ

**Friday, June 8 and
Shabbat, June 9**

The Wizards of Ashkenaz—Cantors Sidney Ezer, Matthew Klein, Jonathan Schultz and Yakov Hadash—lead a musical Kabbalat Shabbat service and participate in the Shabbat dinner honouring our *shinshinim* and volunteers. They will also join the morning Shaḥarit service and give an *a capella* performance at the Kiddush following.

Friday, June 8 beginning at 6:00 PM

Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service and dinner. Cost for dinner. See pg 35 for details.

Shabbat, June 9 beginning at 8:45 AM

Morning Shaḥarit service followed by an *a capella* Kiddush performance.



Generously sponsored by the David and Bessie Pullan and Sophie and Rose Pullan Memorial Fund

Planning a Summer Simcha?

Applause Catering is the exclusive caterer at Beth Tzedec Congregation.

We provide our clients with customized, creative and delectable menu selections, in addition to assisting with theme, décor, rentals, staffing and entertainment.

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

Wishing all our clients, family and friends a very happy Passover. For our full holiday catering menu, please visit our website www.applausecatering.ca.



Cary Silber • cary@applausecatering.ca
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416.628.9198

Pre-Shabbat Music Class

with **Sara Borer**

Friday mornings from 11:00 to 11:45 AM



For babies up to 18 months with a parent, grandparent or caregiver

Join Sara Borer and welcome Shabbat with a 45-minute music class featuring Shabbat songs and blessings, *hallel*, grape juice and lots of fun. Sara is a singer, mom of three, music therapist and former camp counselor. Fluent in both English and Hebrew, she brings great warmth and creativity to her work with children and their parents.

To register, call the Synagogue Office at 416-781-3511

BETH TZEDEC SISTERHOOD'S Torah Fund Tribute Cards

Choose these beautifully illustrated cards when you honour, acknowledge or commemorate the memories of those who are most important in your life.



The Torah Fund tribute cards can be purchased individually at a cost of \$5 each or a selection of 5 cards for \$20*. To purchase, contact the Lynne Taradash at 416-781-3714 or lynnetaradash@icloud.com.

The Beth Tzedec Sisterhood supports Conservative Judaism through its Torah Fund, the designated philanthropy fund of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism.

*Tax receipts will be issued for orders of \$20 or more.

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Tributes



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

Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund

Phyllis and Ab Flatt, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Beatrice Wolfe**.

Michael and Rochelle Kerzner, honouring **Howard and Emily Snow** on their 30th anniversary.

Esterita Rajskey, honouring **Phyllis and Ab Flatt** on their 60th anniversary.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring **Phyllis and Ab Flatt** on their 60th anniversary.

Rochelle Zabitsky, honouring **Phyllis and Ab Flatt** on their 60th anniversary.

Daily Minyan Breakfast

Norm Abrams, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rachel Abramowicz**.

Frances, David and Joni and Penina and Ronen, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. John Ackerman**.

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

Todd and Cathy Beallor, honouring the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Adam Beallor**.

The Beck Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Marlene Ann Beck**.

Stephen Bernhut, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **William Bernhut**.

Esther Bernstein and Lisa Bernstein, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Dr. Abraham Bernstein**.

Beverley Black, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ada Starkman**.

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

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

The Cappe Family, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **David Cappe**.

Lyle Cappe, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ida Cappe**.

Lyle Cappe, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Solomon Freedman**.

Larry Chad and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Lori Tanzer Chad**.

The Cummings Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Anne Cummings**.

Janet Durbin and family, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Annette Devon**.

Harry Enchin and Susan Friedrich, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Freda Enchin**.

Nancy Ezer and family, honouring **Cantor Sidney Ezer** on his birthday.

Sherry and Jay Firestone, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Alan Barad**.

Elisa and Jamie Fox and family, honouring the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Ryan Fox**.

Diane Friedlich-Betel, Michele Friedlich-Pollock and Stuart Pollock and Georgine Friedlich-Rosman and families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Steven Friedlich**.

The Gangbar Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sydney Gangbar**.

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

The Glassman Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Max Glassman**.

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

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

Dr. Helene Griesman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jack Westreich**.

The Hans Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Samantha Hans**.

Sheldon Hildebrand, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of **David and Rae Hildebrand**.

The Hodgins and Simon Families, honouring the birth of their daughter and granddaughter **Ava Colette Simon**.

Daisy Hort and family, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **John Hort**.

Nava, Difat and Amit Jakubovicz, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Abraham Jakubovicz**.

Jackie and Norman Kahn, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Vera Waldman**.

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

Hollis, Melissa, Matthew, Rachel and Emma, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Michael J. Landauer**.

The family of Michael J. Landauer^{z"l}, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Joan Freedman**.

The family of Michael J. Landauer^{z"l}, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Walter Landauer**.

Risa Levine, David Weisdorf and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Stan Levenson**.

Lynn Levy, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **Paula Jason**, and honouring those who led Services during the year.

Nathan Lindenberg and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Philip Lindenberg**.

Glennie Lindenberg and Morley Brown, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rose Brown**.

Phyllis Lindzon, honouring the marriage of **Russell Lindzon and Lauren Arshoff**.

Ruthann and Lawrie Lubin, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of **Leo Joseph Cutler and Alta Miriam Cooper**.

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

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

Paul and Gella Rothstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Isaac (Ronny) Rothstein**.

Caren Ruby, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **Mel Isenberg**.

Donna Saslove and family, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **Eddie Saslove**.

Donna Saslove and family, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Eddie Saslove**.

Bonnie Singer, Freida Sherman and Susan Born and families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sam Salcman**.

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

The Sobel Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ethel Sobel**.

The Sobel Family, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **Frances Sobel**, and honouring **Eric Sobel's** birthday.

The Sobel Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Lilian Sobel**.

The Sobel Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Meyer Sobel**.

Eric Sobel, honouring the anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah.

Beverley Stern and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Morton Stern**.

Harry Stilman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ruth Stilman**.

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

Stephen Tanny and Sharon Weinstein and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Morris Tanny**.

Gail and Stuart Teperman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Marvin Mandell**.

Gail and Stuart Teperman, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Frances Mandell-Arad**.

Gerald and Marie-Helene Weiss and family, Richard and Cari Weitz and family and Russell Weiss, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Allan Weiss**.

Gerald and Marie-Helene Weiss and family, Richard and Cari Weitz and family and Russell Weiss, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Grace Weiss**.

Dot Whitehouse, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Louis Whitehouse**.

Sara Wunch Glick, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Cypora Kamel**.

Daniel and Arlyn Zimmerman, honouring the marriage of their son **Matthew Zimmerman and Jaime Polan**.

Daily Minyan Fund

Susan and John Rose, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Betty Skolnik**.

Jack and Judy Weisdorf, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Rose Weisdorf and Ethel Silver**.

Jack Weisdorf, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **William Weisdorf**.

General Fund

Graham and Enid Berg, acknowledging **Lorraine Sandler** in memory of **Sheila Broomberg**.

Graham and Enid Berg, honouring **Rabbi Adam Cutler** on his new position at Adath Israel.

Joseph Mark Buck, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rae Leah Buckstein**.

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

Anne Fergus, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Allan Fergus**.

Marvin Geist, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Samuel Geist**.

Cynthia and Morice Glick, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Reuben M. Moss**.

Ava Kanner-Tobias, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Alexis Kanner**.

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

Bonny and Molyn Leszcz and family, honouring **Rabbi Adam Cutler**.

Bonny and Molyn Leszcz and family, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Joseph Melotek, honouring his grandson **James Michael Melotek** on his graduation.

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

Dr. Harold Weizel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Zelda Broudy**.

Hesed Fund

Dr. Robert Besner, acknowledging **Ronnie Gavsie** in memory of **Queenie Leibel**.

Dr. Perry and Shirley Cooper and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Hyman Cooper**.

Dr. Perry and Shirley Cooper and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Mervin Cooper**.

Fred and Jocelynn Engle, wishing **Harold Margles** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Sheldon and Judith Godfrey, acknowledging **Lorraine Sandler** in memory of **Sheila Broomberg**.

Diane Grafstein, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Gurion Hyman**.

Marsha Joseph, acknowledging **Lorraine Sandler** in memory of **Sheila Broomberg**.

Henrietta Kostman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harry Kostman**.

Mark and Judy Libman, acknowledging **Lorraine Sandler** in memory of **Sheila Broomberg**.

Mark and Judy Libman, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Leah and Israel Liguornik, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Ida Turowicz and Philip Turowicz**.

Leah and Israel Liguornik, honouring **Dr. Chloe McAlister**.

Harold and Ruth Margles, honouring **Rayna Jolley** on her 75th birthday.

Millie Pollock, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Mary and Les Richmond and family, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Howard and Emily Snow and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **S. Milton Snow**.

Maureen and Bernie Tanz and family, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Gail Thau and Reuben Potash, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter and Ryla Braemer** and family in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Allan and Margaret Weinstein, honouring **Dr. Rami Mozes and Cheryl Herman** on the engagement of their daughter **Alannah Mozes**.

Oscar Zimmerman and Anna Day, acknowledging the **Sherman Family** in memory of **Barry and Honey Sherman**.

Howard (Hy) Cooper Trust Fund

Yonit Grossman, acknowledging the family of the late **Ruth Nightingale**.

Cheryl and Hersch Rosenthal, acknowledging **Hazel and Howard Krupp** in memory of **Beatrice Krupp**.

Israel Sydney and Pearl Wolfe Memorial Fund

Bernie and Caryl Schwartz, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Gurion Hyman**.

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

Jonathan Kahn Memorial Fund

Norman and Jackie Kahn, honouring **Phyllis and Ab Flatt** on their 60th anniversary.

Jonathan Steiner Memorial Fund

Judy and Mark Libman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Honi Cohen**.

Kosher Food Bank

Phyllis Fien, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Esther and Zavel Fien**.

Ruth and Alby Garbe and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Esther Matlow**.

Josh and Estelle Grader, wishing **Rabbi Roy Tanenbaum** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Nathan and Carole Greenberg, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

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

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

Alan Sandler, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Kalie Sandler**.

Max and Beatrice Wolfe Library Fund

Sandy Lyons, honouring **Sandy Cohen** on the Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter **Shawna Pervin**.

Men's Club Scholarships

Dr. Samuel Librach, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Max Librach**.

Elaine Marcus, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Stanley Axmith**.

Harold and Ruth Margles, honouring **Lillian Grammer** on being named to the Beth Tzedec Men's Club Honour Roll.

Pearl and Barney Seetner, acknowledging the **Rosenfield Family** in memory of **Lawrence (Laurie) Rosenfield**.

Rose Sobel and Duke Segel, acknowledging Sylvia Pullan in memory of B. Morton Pullan.

Music Fund

Gary and Linda Goldberg, honouring Dr. Gary Mansfield on his 70th birthday.

Lorraine Resnick, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of Ann Sugarman.

Albert Weinstein, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of Sheldon Weinstein, Sarah Weinstein and Max Siegel.

Out-of-the-Cold Fund

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

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

Beverley Black, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Maxwell Starkman.

Clara Cappe, acknowledging the Hamovitch Family in memory of Evelyn Hamovitch.

Halle Cohen, acknowledging Lorraine and Alan Sandler in memory of Sheila Broomberg.

Judith Cole, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Allen Cole.

David Elman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Zelda Elman.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, wishing Dr. Mel Freedman a *refuah sheleimah*.

Donnie Friedman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Mark Bohnen.

Sally Gallinger, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harry Gallinger.

Lorraine Glassman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Dr. Morris Glassman.

Carole Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Arthur Warren.

Shirley Grossman, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of Sam Berman and Esther Berman.

Gloria Houser, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Lena Houser.

Lana Kerzner, honouring Adam Beallor for his work for the Out of the Cold Program.

Esther and Ira Kirshen and Jeffrey and Michelle Kirshen, honouring Sheldon and Patti Rotman.

Beverly Kupfert, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Morris Kupfert.

Marlene Laba, acknowledging Ruth Hyman in memory of Roslyn Savage.

Irving Matlow, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Esther Matlow.

Mitch and Anne Max, acknowledging Muriel and John Brunner in memory of Robbie Brunner.

Robert Milne, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harold Milne.

Honey Milstein and family, acknowledging the Feiger Family in memory of Cherie Feiger.

Ruth Nichols, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of Samuel Nichols and Joseph Nichols.

Lori Rosenberg, Marcelo Lopez and Maci Lopez, acknowledging Patti Rotman in memory of Norem Litvak. Adam Rosenfield.

PJ Library Program Series

for Toddlers with a Parent, Grandparent or Caregiver

Sunday mornings beginning at 10:00 AM
Get comfy and cozy for a morning filled with fun and meet some new friends while enjoying Jewish programming, story time, free play and healthy snacks.



Sing-Along Songs

Sunday, April 29 from 10:00 to 11:30 AM

Let's all get up and active this morning with singing and dancing. Cost: \$10 per toddler.

Li'l Tree Huggers

Sunday, June 3 from 10:00 to 11:30 AM

Join us as we read *Picture a Tree* and get messy with planting in celebration of Shavuot. No charge. RSVP by Monday, May 28.

Healthy snacks will be served. Register online at www.beth-tzedec.org/login or contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.



Patti and Sheldon Rotman, acknowledging Halle Cohen in memory of Howard Cohen.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman, acknowledging Lorraine Sandler in memory of Sheila Broomberg.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging Dr. Carole Gruson in memory of Pamela Gruson.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, acknowledging Aviva Polonsky and Tammy Paul in memory of Herbert Groberman.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, acknowledging Charles Weiss in memory of Harvey Weiss.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, acknowledging Yacov Fruchter in memory of Sylvia Fruchter.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, honouring Ilene and Stephen Flatt on the engagement of their son Bryan Flatt.

Jeanne Salit, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Ethel Cooke.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, acknowledging Ruth Hyman in memory of Gurion Hyman.

Lorraine Simpson, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Charles Simpson.

Rose Sobel, acknowledging David and Evelyn Pollock in memory of Daniel Stephen Pollock.

Rose Sobel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Gussie Sobel.

Rose Sobel and Duke Segel, acknowledging Maurice Stekel in memory of Ida Stepak.

Cantor Deborah Staiman, acknowledging Yacov Fruchter in memory of Sylvia Fruchter.

Cantor Deborah Staiman, honouring Rabbi Adam Cutler on his new position at Adath Israel.

Louise Starkman, acknowledging Lorraine Sandler in memory of Sheila Broomberg.

Joseph and Elaine Steiner, acknowledging Lorraine Sandler in memory of Sheila Broomberg.

Mel and Ruth Steinhart, wishing Rabbi Roy Tanenbaum a *refuah sheleimah*.

Dorothy Tassis, acknowledging Lorraine Sandler in memory of Sheila Broomberg.

The Valo Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Sidney Valo.

Harold and Carole Wolfe, acknowledging Sherry Kaufman in memory of William Savlov.

Prayer Book (Mahzor) Dedications

Halle Cohen, honouring Ab Flatt on his 90th birthday.

Howard Joshua Kirshenbaum and family, honouring the memory of Abraham Isaac (Izzy) Kirshenbaum.

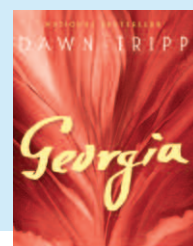
Susan Laufer and Barry Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Ida Laufer.

Renee Sananes and Robert Spiegel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Joseph Sananes.

BETH TZEDEC MAX & BEATRICE WOLFE LIBRARY

Book and Film Club Selections 2017-2018

Mondays—Lunch 1:00 PM; Reviews 1:30 PM
\$25 per session (*Limited seating available; pre-registration required.*)



APRIL 9

Waking Lions

REGISTRATION CLOSED FOR THIS SESSION

Harriet Morris reviews Ayelet Gundar-Goshen's book

This is a gripping, suspenseful Israeli drama of guilt and survival, shame and desire.

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APRIL 30

Georgia: A Novel of Georgia O'Keeffe

Tina Urman examines Dawn Tripp's masterful novel

Explore the life of American master painter Georgia O'Keeffe—her love story with photographer Alfred Stieglitz and coming of age as a woman and an artist.

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MAY 14—10:30 AM

Peter the Third

Dr. Gillian Helfield critiques Tommy Lang's movie

This light-hearted Israeli comedy is at times laugh-out-loud funny, but at its core is an examination of the trials of an aging actor and a young waitress who forge an uneasy friendship.

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Prayer Book (Siddur) Dedications— Daily or Shabbat

Dr. Robert Besner, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Beth Tzedec Sisterhood, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Roslyn Savage**.

Halle Cohen, honouring **Ab Flatt** on his 90th birthday.

Arlene and Martin Dennis, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rose Saltzman**.

Sheila Dropkin and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Gussie and Harry Engelman**.

Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl, honouring **Ab and Phyllis Flatt** on their 60th anniversary.

Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl, honouring **Milton Shier** on his 100th birthday.

Rhonda Gordon and family, honouring the memory of **Allan and Ada Turner**.

Bill and Roz Halman, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Tevye and Gittel Halman**.

Roz and Bill Halman, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Joseph and Yetta Hamer**.

Charles Heller, honouring the memories of **Betty and Otto Heller**.

Helen Heller, honouring the memories of **Ray and Hymie Krolick**.

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

Howard Joshua Kirshenbaum and family, honouring the memory of **Abraham Isaac (Izzy) Kirshenbaum**.

Howard Joshua Kirshenbaum and family, honouring the memory of **Betty (Batya) Kirshenbaum**.

Barbara and Ricky Kirshenblatt and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Gordon Quitt**.

Susan Laufer and Barry Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ida Laufer**.

Gary and Leila Lax and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sheridan Lax**.

Elaine Marcus, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Vicki Marcus**.

Norman Mogil and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ruth Mogil**.

Dr. Mark Pasternak and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jack Pasternak**.

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

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

Irene Reingold, acknowledging the family of the late **Bella Serota**.

Stephen Rothstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Isadore Rothstein**.

Renee Sananes and Robert Spiegel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Joseph Sananes**.

Sylvia Singer and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Jonah and Rachel Singer**.

Dr. Melvin and Ruth Steinhart, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harry Steinhart**.

Ruth and Dr. Melvin Steinhart, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sam Siegel**.

Norman Tobias and Ava Kanner-Tobias, honouring the birth of their granddaughter **Avery Alexis**.

Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum Fund

Graham and Enid Berg, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Gurion Hyman**.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Gurion Hyman**.

Helen Glazer, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Roslyn Savage**.

Morley Goldberg and Marcia Schnoor, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Gurion Hyman**.

The Museum Committee, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Gurion Hyman**.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Gurion Hyman**.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Roslyn Savage**.

Beverley Stern, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Myra Leeds**.

Dorothy Tesis, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Roslyn Savage**.

Harold and Carole Wolfe, acknowledging **Ruth Hyman** in memory of **Gurion Hyman**.

Victims of Terror Fund

Seymour and Rosalee Berlin and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rose Berlin**.

Bella, Zamir and Alexander Latipow, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Albert Latipow and Lea Burstein**.

Yom Hashoah Candle Fund

Sylvia Singer and family, acknowledging the **Rosenfield Family** in memory of **Lawrence (Laurie) Rosenfield**.

Cathy Surdin and Lawrence and Brooke Schiff, honouring **Sharon Zaifman Kravitz** on her 70th birthday.

Youth Professionals Fund

Jeffrey and Terry Cummings, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

The Rosenbluth Family, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Jason Stein and Jeannette Stein, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Youth Initiatives Fund in memory of Adam Kruger

Annette Goldstein and Dora Winer, acknowledging **Stephen Kruger** in memory of **Jack and Joan Kruger**.

Randy and Debbie Spiegel, honouring **Norman Tobias and Ava Kanner-Tobias** on the birth of their granddaughter **Avery Alexis**.



Were you at the opening of the “From Latkes to Laffas” exhibit in September 2017? Did you take a group or self-guided tour of this tasty exhibit? We’d like to hear from you! Send your comments about the exhibit to museum@beth-tzedec.org.

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Jewish Meditation



Shabbat mornings, April 21, May 5 & 26 from 10:00 to 11:15 AM

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

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

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

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Condolences

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

David B. Anisman
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Bernice Ceresne
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Alva Shirley Trossman
Michael Lawrence Turk
David Weinstein
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Leon Zigelman

"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:

Sophia Braun

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.

Yizkor Memorial Booklet

It is time to send 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 5778. The cost is \$18.00 per memorialized name per household. Submission deadline: **Friday, July 13.**

Yizkor Memorial Booklet Donation

Make cheques payable to: Beth Tzedec Congregation
1700 Bathurst Street, Toronto, Ontario M5P 3K3
Phone: 416-781-3514 ext. 213 Fax: 416-781-0150
E-mail Florence Bendelac: fbendelac@beth-tzedec.org

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Beth Tzedec — Yizkor Memorial Booklet Donation Form



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The Future of Israel— The Next 70 Years with Rabbi Yoav Ende

Friday, April 27 and Shabbat, April 28

FRIDAY, APRIL 27 BEGINNING AT 6:00 PM

Kabbalat Shabbat Service, Lecture and Dinner **What Can Israeli Society Become**

We gather for a Kabbalat Shabbat service followed by a delicious dinner and engaging presentation. Cost: \$36 adults; \$18 youth (ages 5-14); \$6 children (ages 1-4). Dinner by advance reservation only **by Monday, April 23.**

SHABBAT, APRIL 28 BEGINNING AT 8:45 AM

Kibbutzim for the 21st Century: **What is the Mission?**

Rabbi Ende gives a pulpit presentation during the Shaḥarit service, with a Little Minyan Lunch 'n' Learn session on "New Leadership: What Will Israel Need" following services. Everyone is welcome.

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

Reviver of Kibbutz Hannaton, the Conservative Movement's kibbutz in the Galilee, Yoav Ende is a dynamic young rabbi whose transformative vision is shaping the future of Israel. As executive director of the Hannaton Educational Centre, he promotes pluralism, spiritual freedom and environmental learning in the Galilee.