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MEMBER APPRECIATION BBQ & OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, September 5

BBQ & Open House: 5:30 to 7:30 PM

Musical Welcome Back: 7:30 to 8:00 PM

High Holy Days Workshops: 8:00 to 9:15 PM

Our doors are open for you to discover all Beth Tzedec has to offer at our annual 'new year' barbecue where your family can get into the spirit of the High Holy Days with a musical welcome with Cantors Moshe Fishel and Sidney Ezer and Meir Briskman, and concluding with rapid-fire "High Holy Days In-a-Minute" workshops.

While you're here:

- Meet our exceptional clergy and leadership
- Tour our extensive facilities
- Become a member or renew your Beth Tzedec membership
- Pick up their High Holy Day ticket packages
- Meet members of our *Lishmoa El Harina* High Holy Day choir

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

For membership information, contact Klara Romm at 416-781-3514 ext. 220 or kromm@beth-tzedec.org
RSVPs for the BBQ and Open House requested by Friday, September 1 to 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org

Constructive Conflict, Compassionate Listening and Community Building



TWO JEWS, THREE OPINIONS. IRONICALLY, WE AGREE THAT JEWS don't agree. *Mahloket*, conflict, seems built in to our gene pool. As we cycle through the weekly selections of Torah, conflict jumps out at the reader: sibling strife in Genesis, master-slave discord in Exodus and leadership disputes in Numbers. The Torah is actually conflicted about conflict, applauding Kalev, who disagreed with those who feared entering the Land of Promise and welcoming the principled dissent of the daughters of Tzlofhad, who wanted a share of the inheritance of their father, but criticizing Korah, who opposed the leadership of Moshe. What made two desirable and the third problematic? I suggest that the difference was a deep love for the land of Israel—by Kalev and the five daughters—rather than a desire for power and authority from Korah and his gang.

Disagreement is disagreeable, but sometimes warranted and desirable. The 1986 tragedy of the Space Shuttle Challenger was attributed to design flaws and a management structure that bypassed engineering concerns. Warnings about the insufficiency of the Phoenix pay system were not welcomed leading to a failure that is costing Canadian taxpayers billions of dollars to remedy. Healthy democracies and organizations validate and support dissent. However, individuals who raise objections may find themselves under tremendous stress as they seek to balance personal belief in doing the right thing with job survival.

During the Vietnam War, the United States Department of State developed the *Dissent Channel* to enable diplomats to safely articulate disagreement on substantive policy issues. The *Dissent Channel* enabled diplomats to protest the 2003 bombing of Iraq, the 2016 decision of President Obama to pull back from attacking Syria for using nerve gas and restrictions on entry to the United States imposed in the early days of the Trump administration. Still, foreign service professionals know that dissent is more honoured in the abstract than in practice. Leaders fear disagreement that can weaken an initiative or rip apart a community. As Richard Haass put it, "Speaking truth to power is [often] resented or rejected. ... Sometimes it is better to confront, other times it makes more sense to work around. Sometimes it is better to leave, other times to stay."

Israelis learned the value of dissent the hard way. The 1973 consensus that Egypt would not attack Israel led to

the disaster of the Yom Kippur War. Subsequently, Israeli military intelligence, responding to the danger of "group think," developed an internal dissent process. The *Ipkha Mistabra* (Devil's Advocate) Unit is tasked with arguing against proposed plans submitted to diplomatic and military leadership.

Our rabbinic tradition associates the Holy One with shalom and describes the Torah as having "paths of peace". Yet the Talmud is characterized by intense debate among the ancient rabbis. Even though law follows the consensus of the majority, tractate *Eduyyot* indicates that the practice of recording minority opinions is because future law may be built on the dissent of earlier scholars.

The Talmud tells of how conflict erupted between the students of the two houses leading to violent disagreement over eighteen legal issues, ultimately leading to the deaths of 3,000 students (Shabbat 17a). It also recounts the mutual respect of Beit Hillel and Beit Shammai, whose disagreements were based on the principle that "each of these opinions are the word of the living God" (Eruvin 13b).

Balancing respect for loyalty and dissent is at the heart of contemporary Jewish life. Increasingly, we see Israeli and Diaspora Jews disagreeing on political decisions, religious policies and cultural life. A survey released by the American Jewish Committee in June revealed agreement about the importance of the relationship of the two communities, but also detailed deep divisions between Israeli and US Jews. These divisions are reflected in synagogues where communities facing challenges balancing volatile political and ideological view avoid serious conversations in order to maintain a veneer of harmony.

Recently, a conflict erupted over remarks by the writer Michael Chabon at the Los Angeles commencement of Hebrew Union College, the Reform movement's seminary and training institution. He decried boundaries, borders and binary thinking. Going beyond the argument that intermarried couples, their children and their non-Jewish family members ought to be welcomed warmly by the Jewish community, Chabon argued against efforts to encourage Jews marrying Jews. Chabon went on to criticize Israel. "Security is an invention of humanity's jailers. ... Security for some means imprisonment for all."

Intermarriage and Israel. Lines were quickly drawn.

Words became nasty and angry. Chabon spoke with anger and negativity, brushing aside the desire to maintain Jewish life, tradition and belief, and the need of Israel to protect its citizens. But the criticism has also been full of vindictiveness.

Mahloket is a valuable part of the Jewish tradition. The question is how to structure such disputation. The destruction of the second Jerusalem Temple, marked on the 9th of Av (this year, July 22), is often attributed to “groundless hatred,” conflict gone wild.

In past summers, I have participated in discussions and study in the Residence of the President of Israel on how to prevent or ameliorate conflict in Israeli society. The model of *mahloket l'shem shamayim*, “disagreement for the sake of Heaven”, must be strengthened. It is important to develop the techniques and skills for constructive conflict and respectful disagreement. This requires learning the skill of empathetic listening, encouraging an openness to learn from those who disagree with us and (maybe, hopefully) developing a willingness to manage a relationship in a positive and not destructive manner. The Pardes Institute in Jerusalem has created a program, the *9 Adar Project*, for this purpose.

Gershom Scholem accused Hannah Arendt, the author of *Eichmann in Jerusalem*, of lacking “love of the Jewish people”. Scholem wrote to Arendt: “In the Jewish tradition there is a concept, hard to define and yet concrete enough, which we know as *Ahavat Israel*: ‘Love of the Jewish people.’ You, Hannah, lack that quality.” If we begin with love, with a mutual desire to work for a common good, we will find ways to use our conflicts to build stronger communities, develop better solutions and forge deeper, more meaningful relationships. If not, we’ll just have deep disputation, with no one listening or learning from the conflict.

REFERENCE RESOURCES

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What a Year it Has Been!

By sharing the gift of Judaism, we empower you and make the world a better place.



AS PART OF CELEBRATING THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE State of Israel and the 100th anniversary of Toronto's UJA Federation, many from our *kehillah* traveled to Israel in November to be a part of the UJA event, reinforcing the tight bond that Beth Tzedec has with both Israel and UJA. Ours is an exemplary model for other *kehillot* across North America.

Your Board of Directors has modernized our governing by-laws to enhance our accountability to the membership and simplify how we operate. Our new by-laws were overwhelmingly approved by the membership at the AGM; we extend our thanks to Brian Segal and his committee of David Matlow, Ava Kanner and Alan Sless for all their hard work and their outreach to the membership throughout the process.

I am pleased to report that the Board approved a motion to begin negotiations with Rabbi Steven Wernick, current CEO of United Synagogue for Conservative Judaism, for the position of senior rabbi of Beth Tzedec.

This decision follows ten months of extensive work by the Senior Rabbinic Search Committee, supported by DRG Executive Search Consultants. While employment discussions with any candidate must remain confidential, I will update the membership as we move forward. The Board thanks the committee members and co-chairs—Bernie Gropper, Dr. Eudice Goldberg and Norman Kahn—for their dedication and vision.

The Cantorial Search Committee co-chaired by Aaron Wine and Ava Kanner is continuing their search after the leading candidate withdrew his application. The committee is guided by the objectives set out in the "Strategic Plan" and is looking for a person who can best meet the needs of our diverse Congregation. Such searches are never easy but our goal is to build a clergy leadership team that can help us move forward.

The finances of the Synagogue are on solid footing and our investment portfolio is performing well. Our treasurer and fellow Board member Cecile Zaifman continues to do an outstanding job in her leadership of the Finance Committee.

On behalf of the *kehillah*, I want to wish *Yashar kochachem* to our outgoing Board members—Ava Kanner, David Matlow, Ilene Flatt and Leonard

Gangbar. Their dedication and commitment to Beth Tzedec makes us a stronger Jewish home. We welcome new Board members Alison Himel, Naomi Kramer, Moshe Micha and Don Smith representing a broad cross section of our membership. One of our strategic objectives is to enhance engagement opportunities and we look forward to their activity making Beth Tzedec a welcoming place of learning, study and social activism.

I am grateful to the entire Board and especially to our Board chair Debbie Rothstein for moving our Congregation forward by protecting our heritage while facilitating change for our members and families at every age and stage of life. The Board is supported in all of its work by an incredible spiritual leadership team; our young engagement and educational professionals; our executive director Randy Spiegel and his office team that deals with issues ranging from administration to communications; and our property manager Brian Dias whose team keeps our building operational and accessible 24/7/365.

As we enter the final year of Rabbi Frydman-Kohl's tenure at Beth Tzedec, we invite you to join in upcoming events that will honour his service to our Congregation and community. We will be looking for members to step forward to help us celebrate and honour Rav Baruch's outstanding spiritual leadership and deep personal commitment to every member. We encourage you to help us honour Rav Baruch and all that he has meant to our Congregation and the larger community.

Beth Tzedec looks to provide our members with meaningful, life enhancing experiences. By sharing the gift of Judaism, we empower you and make the world a better place. We look to our members to join with us to fund and attend a remarkably dynamic range of learning and social opportunities. I encourage you to take full advantage of these opportunities and welcome you to be part of this process. This is your Congregation, and your support and involvement is crucial to the success of our future.

"The best way to predict your future is to create it."

—Abraham Lincoln

Dr. Sheldon Rotman
—*Sheldon Rotman, President*



Torah at Twilight: Summer Study

with Rabbis Jennifer Gorman
and Moshe Meirovich

Expand your mind and knowledge with our new
summer study series with Rabbi Jennifer
Gorman on Mondays in July and Rabbi Moshe
Meirovich on Wednesdays in August.

All sessions begin at 7:30 PM. No charge.

Monday evenings in July with Rabbi Jennifer Gorman

July 9—Religion and State: Ben Gurion's
Status Quo Letter

July 16—Trigger Warning: Mel Brooks, Racism,
and the Holocaust

July 23—Gender and Judaism: Refocusing the
Binary Lens

July 30—"Nurture the Wow!" by Rabbi Danya
Ruttenberg: A Book Review

Wednesday evenings in August with Rabbi Moshe Meirovich

August 8—Anti-Zionist Hasidim: Who and Why?

August 15—Joseph (Not in Technicolour):
Saint or Sinner?

August 22—Jewish Ethics and Terrorist
Realities

Tuesday, August 28—*Tikkun Olam*: From Social
Ethics to Social Justice

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Mazal Tov

to our B'nei Mitzvah

WHO HAVE COMPLETED OUR BAR/BAT MITZVAH PROGRAM



September 29
Adam Rzhevsky
son of Helon
& Carmela Rzhevsky
אדם בן אלחנן וכרמלה



(IN THE LITTLE MINYAN)
September 29
Jack Minsky
son of Adam Minsky
& Heidi Brown
יעקב בן אדם וחוה



(IN THE LITTLE MINYAN)
September 29
Hannah Minsky
daughter of Adam Minsky
& Heidi Brown
חנה בת אדם וחוה

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
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Building Genuine Human and Social Networks

There are many ways to unpack the many gifts Judaism has to offer.



IN MOMENT MAGAZINE'S ARTICLE BY GEORGE JOHNSON ("What Will the Jewish World Look Like In 2050?"), the author recalls the famous 1964 *LOOK* magazine prediction that by the year 2000, the Jewish people would have disappeared. A quick tour of the world discovers that nothing could be further from the truth!

Our people are proudly represented and practicing our faith in every corner of the globe, there are museums and organizations and, of course, synagogues. Where once our houses of worship were built and then burned in Europe, many of those holy places are being rebuilt and used by locals and visitors.

While we still face the challenges of assimilation, anti-Semitism, threats to Israel and lower birth rates, 94 percent of those surveyed in the 2013 Pew Report said that they were proud of being Jewish. If pride is the measure of success, then as a people, transmitting from generation to generation, we are achieving "success". However, as we look around the synagogue on a Shabbat morning, we ask ourselves if it is pride or participation in services or something else that is the measurement of success. If we are to grow and to continue to evolve as a Jewish people, we ask ourselves what is the role of what has traditionally been our core product; our ritual activities and how do they impact our activism as a Jewish people.

It seems that, as we continue to evolve from the shul of our grandparents to the *kehillah* of our grandchildren, there are many ways to unpack the gifts that Judaism has to offer. While many of our programs are centre-based, we are fundamentally about promoting a living Judaism whose values, teachings and culture help us be better human beings and improve our world. What God got started, we have the responsibility and capacity to continue and preserve. At every age and stage of life, Beth Tzedec offers an opportunity to live a more meaningful life and to make the world a better place.

As a people and as a community, we must never lose our capacity to dream. We must dare to dream about what we both individually and as a *kehillah* must do to shape our future. We know that we are stronger when we engage,

connect and experience with each other. By building genuine, human social networks, we can achieve anything.

At BT, we are "Believing Today in a Better Tomorrow". We are entering an exciting, transformative era as our beloved Senior Rabbi enters his final year and pivots away from BT full time. Nothing can be more fulfilling than, through reflection, looking at the ways in which a human being has touched the lives of others, believing in them and their tomorrow. In due course, we hope to welcome a new spiritual leader who will, like Rabbi Frydman-Kohl and the many great rabbis who came before him, make a mark on our *kehillah*. As a colleague and friend, I am proud of what our Rabbi has done and what he will do.

I have always been told that it's "difficult to turn a big ship," and while that may be true, it is part of my job and has been one of my goals to try to ensure that as we struggle to make changes, all of our "oars" are in the water and pulling in the same direction. With over 300 programs, an outstanding venue for meeting and celebrations, dedicated leadership and staff teams, the stability of finances and the numbers of people who affiliate in so many different ways—including through *tefillot* (prayer services), we are definitely moving in the right direction.

We are social activists who must roll up our sleeves and make things happen. We must challenge each other and constantly ask "what if" questions. We must remain committed to our future, the future of the community and continue with a positive attitude.

I invite you to join in moving your synagogue forward and create opportunities for engagement that you want. I invite you to experience BT as part of one of the teams that regularly meets to plan and execute programs and events, when and where you want them.

Please contact me at rspiegel@beth-tzedec.org or 416-781-3514 ext. 211 to plan a gift, establish an endowment or to get involved with activities and programs here at Beth Tzedec.



A Deeply Meaningful Life

Judaism allows us to slow down, make time and lean into the things in our life that are deeply meaningful



WHEN WE HEAR THE TERM ‘COUNTER-CULTURE’, IT usually causes us to think about a group of people who went against the grain: suffragettes of the early 20th century, hippies of the late 1960s, more open LGBTQ communities in the 1970s through 1990s, and even the hipster generation of the 2010s. In each case, though, what was once labelled as counter-cultural eventually became an accepted, if not dominant, strand within the broader cultural narrative. What was new, non-traditional, rejectionist or radical became the norm, the acceptable, and in some cases the mainstream.

It is much harder to think of examples of something mainstream becoming counter-cultural, outside of those who hold on to old technology as newer inventions disrupt and displace (think of the revived trend of vinyl records among young people). Yet, in many of my conversations about Jewish life and synagogue life, I’m finding myself describing my vision of Jewish living and connection as counter-cultural.

Some of these themes are rather obvious. Turning off a smartphone for 25 hours each week is something that cuts against our dominant culture’s obsession with social media, gaming and up-to-the-minute knowledge about news or a friend’s thoughts. Other themes, though, are more subtle. The act of gathering in person in community is now a counter-cultural act. This trend was identified almost 20 years ago by Harvard political scientist Robert Putnam in his book *Bowling Alone*, where he noted, as an example, increases in the number of bowlers but a decline in bowling league participation in American from the 1970s to the 1990s.

So, when the dominant cultural norm is for people to gather as a community with less frequency, then what is a community institution, like a synagogue, and a religious group that relies on community, like Judaism, to do? Do we adapt to the realities of our time and make changes? Do we accept market forces for what they are and reorient to be market driven? To be a bit hyperbolic, do we reduce the number of people needed for a minyan to seven, because

we might struggle to reach ten? Or, conversely, do we stand rigid and firm against the cultural changes that surround us, holding firm to our beliefs and values even if we are seeing fewer and fewer people wanting to engage with them?

I’d like to suggest a third way, a path that doesn’t mean compromising centuries of tradition but that also doesn’t seem rigid and protectionist: the notion of counter-culture. Why did counter-cultures take hold? What made them—to use Malcolm Gladwell’s term—sticky? They spoke to people and were meaningful. They were a form of rejection of the present cultural norms and an aspiration for a better future. While most counter-cultural movements were innovative in the sense that they brought forward new ideas, a Jewish counter-cultural renaissance would be more like vinyl records; returning to something old because of a belief that newer is not always better.

What could this look like for Toronto Jews? It could mean carving out Shabbat morning as family time spent within a broader synagogue community—be it to pray, to play, to learn or to schmooze. It could mean a commitment to Jewish learning, not only for children but also for parents and mature adults. It could mean making the time to engage in more Jewish rituals, be it building a sukkah or baking *hallah*. It could mean reading Jewish books and blogs, listening to Jewish music and podcasts.

Ultimately, it means slowing down, making time and leaning in to the things in our life that seem outdated, but upon further reflection, are deeply meaningful: family time; building relationships with and within a community; singing together; eating together; letting children authentically explore and question.

And if ‘the man’ thinks this is too utopian for the reality of the 21st century, then that’s a sign that we’re on the right path. Because in all of the examples of counter-culture I listed above, society ended up for the better as a result. My vision for Jewish living is that we achieve the same goal.

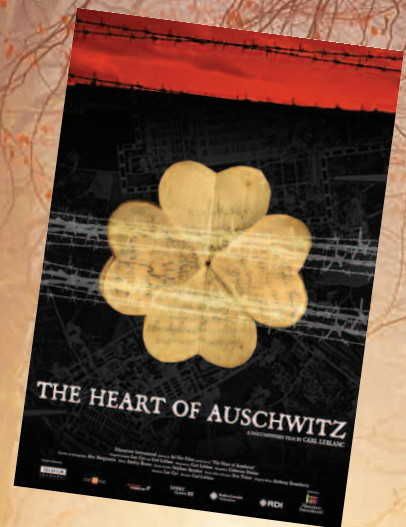
Celebrating Selihot

Saturday evening, September 1

**7:10 PM Minhah-Ma'ariv / 8:45 PM Film Screening /
11:00 PM Selihot Service**

Following *Minhah-Ma'ariv*, join us for a screening of “*Heart of Auschwitz*” and a musical *Selihot* service led by Cantor Sidney Ezer with the *M'shor'rim Choir*. Stay for a midnight dessert reception after the service. Everyone is welcome.

Heart of Auschwitz—A filmmaker goes on a search to discover how a beautiful hand-made birthday book came to be within the walls of a concentration camp, who its makers were, and how it came to survive the horrors of war and decades after to end up in the Holocaust memorial in Montreal.



For more information visit www.beth-tzedec.org
or call the Synagogue office at **416-781-3511**.

The Rav Roy Tanenbaum Israel Scholarship Program

Beth Tzedec is pleased to announce a new scholarship fund for students enrolled in degree programs in accredited colleges or university in Israel. Preference will be given to Beth Tzedec members. For information, contact Randy E. Spiegel, Executive Director, at 416-781-3514 ext. 211 or rspiegel@beth-tzedec.org.

In Pursuit of Excellence

Consider your role in the world and how you relate to others.



IN A RECENT POST, RABBI JOSHUA Rabin, Director of Innovation for USCJ (United Synagogues of Conservative Judaism), published a “Credo of Excellence” using core ideas from important 20th and 21st century writers. A few of them are Jewish, some extremely famous in our circles and others have more niche followings. While some of these quotes are challenging to me and

others ring as absolute truths, they all attempt to inspire us to consider our roles in the world and how we relate to others.

As we move from what I hope will be for a you a summer of joy, connection with loved ones and nature and into the New Year season, I want to challenge you to take some time to reflect on what excelling, or being your best self, means to you this year.

Take a look at Rabbi Joshua’s list below and consider what ideas and quotes from his list or from your favorite books or articles inspire you to live a meaningful life.

I would love it if you would share them with me by emailing me at yfruchter@beth-tzedec.org.

Have a wonderful summer!

—Yacov Fruchter

A Credo of Excellence

By Rabbi Joshua Rabin

We are textpeople; we model the change we want to see.¹

We are language leaders.²

We speak the language of enthusiasm.³

We know that teaching and learning depend on what others think, not what we think.⁴

We ensure that every person feels seen, heard and understood.⁵

We challenge every student to learn from those they love.⁶

We make decisions based on what we know, not what we believe.⁷

We never do for others what they can do for themselves.⁸

We let brick walls show others how much we want things.⁹

And we choose to be great by choice.¹⁰

¹ Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, “Jewish Education” in *The Insecurity of Freedom*.

² Robert Kegan and Lisa Laskow Lahey, *How The Way We Talk Can Change the Way We Work*.

³ Paulo Coelho, *The Alchemist*.

⁴ Deborah Ball in Gary Klein, *Seeing What Others Don't: The Remarkable Ways We Gain Insights*.

⁵ Harper Lee, *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

⁶ Nel Noddings, *The Challenge to Care in Schools*.

⁷ Joe Sheehan, *Baseball Prospectus*.

⁸ Saul Alinsky, *Industrial Areas Foundation*.

⁹ Randy Pausch, *The Last Lecture*.

¹⁰ Jim Collins and Morten T. Hansen, *Great By Choice: Uncertainty, Chaos, and Luck- And Why Some Thrive Despite Them All*.



Sunday, September 23
from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Come decorate the Beth Tzedec Sukkah and enjoy lunch, games and community. We are looking for artists, crafts-people, decorators and hanger-uppers. All ages and all families welcome! Teens can get community service hours.



An Evening with the Ambassadors

On May 31, Beth Tzedec hosted Deborah Lyons, Canada's ambassador to Israel, and Marc Andre Blanchard, Canada's ambassador to the United Nations, for a community dialogue on "My Canada, Our Israel and the Global Community".

Weekly Games Afternoons

Thursdays from 1:00 to 4:00 PM

Join us on Thursday afternoons for a social activity program of Mahjong, Bridge and Canasta. All games are for beginners and seasoned veterans alike.

Cost: \$2 supporting *hesed* initiatives.



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

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.

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 October through December is July 23.**

Births

Quinn Lily, daughter of MATTHEW & ALLISON SEGAL, granddaughter of JAY & BARBARA HENNICK and HARRY & CAROL SEGAL, great-granddaughter of IRENE GRAY and HARRY & RUTH FRACKSON, born December 29.

Ruby Violet, daughter of BEN & SONIA LEITH, granddaughter of LEONARD & CHERYL CAPPE and DRS. ERIC & DIANE LEITH, great-granddaughter of CLARA CAPPE, BEATRICE SOLOMONS and FAE LEITH, born February 28.

Eliana Ziv Miriam, daughter of EDEN & CHRISTINE ORBACH, granddaughter of MARLA ORBACH and MARY & GORD MASON, great-granddaughter of GRACE SCHELEW and SHIRLEY MASON, born March 12.

Sela Matan, son of YACOV FRUCHTER & RYLA BRAEMER, grandson of LEAH & JOEL BRAEMER and SYLVIA^z & HAIM FRUCHTER, born March 26.

Rory Howard, son of ALLIE & AARON SAKS, grandson of RANDI & TOM SAKS and CARRIE & CRAIG DIAMOND, great-grandson of ISABELLE & CHARLES DIAMOND and RENEE TOPPER, born April 24.

Amichai Chaim, son of ARI & ALIZA HABER, grandson of ALAN FELD & DR. LEEONA FISHER-FELD, great-grandson of DR. BENJAMIN FISHER, JUDY FELD CARR & DONALD CARR and the late DR. RONALD FELD, born May 2 in Jerusalem.

Gloria May, daughter of SIMMI & ADAM TOBY-BLANKENSTEIN, granddaughter of ADINA & ELI TOBY and FAY SLIWIN & HARVEY BLANKENSTEIN, born May 3.

Sadie Marlowe, daughter of ADAM & RACHEL MILLER, granddaughter of SAM & MELISSA GLAZER, STEVE & RISA MILLER and RENEE BLACKSTIEN, great-granddaughter of EVELYN DORFMAN, HELEN GLAZER and NANCY BLACKSTIEN, born June 9 in Vancouver.

Lielle Tamar, daughter of NOAH & JAKE FLASTER, granddaughter of LAURA & RICK ORZY and LINDA & MURRAY FLASTER, great-granddaughter of ALEC ORZY, born June 11 in Jerusalem.

Weddings

Ashley Menkes, daughter of STEVEN & OFRA MENKES, and **Robert Snider**, son of KEN SNIDER and DEBORAH LEIBOW, who were married November 18.

Emma Fogel, daughter of ALAN & ALYSSE FOGEL, granddaughter of DR. BERNIE & DOREEN FOGEL and DR. JACK & ANDREA TRAIN, and **Dustin Pollack**, son of ANDREA & THE LATE GARY POLLACK, grandson of LAURIE WISE, who will be married July 1.

Mitchell Jacob Rattner, son of MARLENE & IAN RATTNER, grandson of BEVERLEY & AARON^z BLACK and THE LATE FRED & CYRIL RATTNER, and **Samantha Esther Seaton**, daughter of MEYER & SHELLI^z SEATON, granddaughter of THE LATE JEANETTE & HYMAN ANISMAN and THE LATE MICHELINE & ALBERT SEATON, who will be married August 26.

Alix Gropper, daughter of BERNIE & ELISE STERN GROPPER, granddaughter of LONY & RUTH GROPPER and BERNICE STERN & LEO STERN^z, and **Adam Goldberg**, son of GARY & LINDA GOLDBERG, grandson of DAVID GOLDBERG^z, KARA GOLDBERG, HENRY KORENBLUM and ZELDA KORENBLUM, who will be married September 2.

Congratulations to

Helen Arbus, who celebrated her 100th birthday on June 7.

Robyn Blumberg, daughter of NANCY MARCUS and MERVYN BLUMBERG, granddaughter of SHIRLEY MARCUS, and **Jeffrey Frymer**, son of CAROL & JACK FRYMER, on their engagement.

Dr. Melvin & Sandy Brown, who celebrated their 55th anniversary on June 23.

Sandy Buchman, who was elected President of the Canadian Medical Association.

Robert Farber, who celebrated his 95th birthday on June 2.

Sharing Your Success!

You've studied and applied yourself for years and now have your hard-earned graduation certificate in hand. It's time to share your success.

Beth Tzedec will include a special section of post-secondary graduation notices in the next edition of the *Bulletin*. Send your announcement to thumphries@beth-tzedec.org with the graduate's name, parents' names, degree earned and university/college name. Deadline for submissions is **Monday, July 23**.

Mazal Tov and Thank You!

Mazal tov to **James M. Melotek, MD, DBAR**, (Diplomate of the American Board of Radiology) who graduated residency training in radiation oncology and recently passed his Board certification.

The colour printing of this edition of the *Bulletin* was sponsored by **Joe Melotek**, honouring of his grandson James' Board of Radiology certification.

Lorne & Ruth Gropper, who will celebrate their 60th anniversary on August 24.

Donna & Joseph Isaacson, who will celebrate their 50th anniversary on July 9.

Many Thanks to

Carole & Bernard Starkman and **Lawrie & Ruthann Lubin**, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on March 10 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Ettie Lubin**.

Norman & Sharon Gottlieb, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 24 to honour their birthdays.

The **Wohl Family**, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on April 6 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Michael Wohl**.

The **Glied Family**, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on April 7 to honour the memory of **William (Bill) Glied**.

Albina Backman, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on April 14 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Steve Rozencwajg**.

Ava Kanner-Tobias & Norman Tobias, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on April 14 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Rabbi Joseph Kanner**.

The **Shier Family**, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on April 21 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Shoshana Shier**.

Norman Tobias & Ava Kanner-Tobias, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on April 28 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **David Charles Tobias**.

Saul & Ann Mimran and **Sid & Ellen Jelinek**, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on April 28 to honour the naming of their granddaughter **Seleste Jelinek**.

Bernice Stern, Stephen & Lisa Stern and **Elise Stern Gropper & Bernie Gropper**, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on May 5 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Leo Stern**.

Nava, Amit and Difat Jakubovicz, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on May 12 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Iran Jakubovicz**.

Noreen Kay and family, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on May 19 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Gary Kay**.

Trudy, Debbie and Barry, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on May 19 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Florence Shecter**.

Alan & Lorraine Sandler, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on June 2 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Sonia Weinstock**.

Dr. Perry & Shirley Cooper, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 9 to honour their 50th anniversary.

Harold & Carole Wolfe, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 9 to honour the anniversary of **Harold's** Bar Mitzvah.

The **Allen Family**, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 16 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Lillian Allen**.

Dr. Melvin & Sandy Brown, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 23 to honour their 55th anniversary.

Dr. Melvin & Ruth Steinhart, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on August 25 to honour their 60th anniversary.

Adam Minsky & Heidi Brown, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 29 to honour the *b'nei mitzvah* of their children **Hannah Minsky** and **Jack Minsky**.

Helon & Carmela Rzhovsky, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 29 to honour the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Adam Rzhovsky**.



ZAP! POW! OY!

Jews and the Comic Book Industry

Examine the role of the Jewish storytellers and publishers that developed this artform and industry over the past 80 years.

OPENING OCTOBER 2018





DANIEL SILVA COMES TO BATHURST STREET!

Holy Blossom and Beth Tzedec present

An Evening with Daniel Silva

Wednesday, July 25 at 7:30 PM
at Beth Tzedec (1700 Bathurst Street)

Daniel Silva, best-selling author of *Moscow Rules*, *The English Spy* and *The Black Widow*, will appear in Toronto in his only Canadian appearance.

Tickets: \$20 Beth Tzedec and Holy Blossom members; \$25 non-members; \$30 at the door. Reserve online or call 416-781-3511. Ticket price includes a copy of Silva's latest book, *The Other Woman* (retail value \$21.99)! Limited seating; reserve early!



Beth Tzedec 20s & 30s and Annex Shul
gather for a contemplative open-air
Shabbat in Christie Pits Park!

Shabbat in the Park for 20s and 30s

Friday, August 24
beginning at 6:30 PM

Join us for a prayer service that weaves mindfulness meditation and guided intentions into a joyous traditional prayer service, to create a spiritually uplifted Shabbat atmosphere. Prayer services led by Aaron Rotenberg and Yacov Fruchter and friends will be followed by a vegetarian potluck!

We will be using the "Three Table System" for the potluck dinner. Please bring a vegetarian dish to share (dairy and Kosher fish is cool), made with kosher ingredients. Your dish can either be home cooked or purchased.

When you arrive, you will be asked to place your dish on one of three tables.

Table 1. Vegetarian food prepared in strictly kosher kitchens—all packaged/processed foods & drinks (incl. cheese & wine) have a hekhsher.

Table 2. Vegetarian food prepared in strictly vegetarian kitchens—no meat, fish, or fowl at all in the kitchen.

Table 3. Vegetarian food prepared in omnivores' kitchens—the specific food brought still needs to be vegetarian (fish is ok), but the kitchen isn't strictly vegetarian nor kosher.

Watch for reservation details or call 416-781-3511.



CAMPUS CONNECT PARTICIPANT

Please return with your membership payment

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☐ **YES**, I would like to renew my child's membership and participate in Campus Connect initiative

☐ **NO**, I do not wish to renew my child's membership

Please note: an interactive form is available online at: <https://tinyurl.com/Campus-Connect-at-BT>

High Holy Days—Ticket Pick-up Information

Tuesday, September 4 – 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Wednesday, September 5 – 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Thursday, September 6 – 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Friday, September 7 – 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Sunday, September 9 – 9:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

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

*Friday, August 17 is the last day we will be mailing High Holy Day tickets.
After that date, members must come to the Synagogue to pick them up.*

Online Membership Payments

A reminder that our Beth Tzedec Membership Account website is online. As a member, you can log in and manage your account through our Home page.

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

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

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

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

Membership Matters: A New “Campus Connect” Initiative

Introducing a new initiative for Beth Tzedec’s 18 to 24 year old members.

Time and again, we hear from our members that there’s a spiritual shift and their children are less interested in faith-based organizations. We listened and came up with a program that seeks a balance between religious and other day-to-day issues that our young members face. *Campus Connect*, is a new initiative that is geared towards our college and university or recently graduated members who are the future of our community.

The goal of *Campus Connect* is to create a partnership with our 18 to 24 year old members throughout the year, strengthen the bond with our community, keep them connected and add value to their membership, whether or not they are in town for the High Holy days.

Among the benefits of Campus Connect are:

- Attend Beth Tzedec High Holy Days services or request reciprocal High Holy days tickets from out-of-town participating synagogues;
- Participate in age-appropriate programming during the High Holy Days
- Receive Purim Treats packages delivered to school/work address (*Mishloah Manot*);
- Attend on-campus seminars and/or Shabbat events (pending location), hosted by Beth Tzedec
- Join webinars and discussions on entering the work marketplace and other life skills, conducted by community professionals
- Cultivate a peer group of 18 to 24 year olds for networking and socializing.

Campus Connect will provide value to our post-secondary student members by offering spiritual, social and professional connections, and encourage these members to view Judaism as a gift and a commitment for years to come.

—Ilene Flatt
Chair, Membership Committee

Renewing Your Commitment

The membership renewal process started early this year and statement packages have already been mailed to all members. If you did not receive your statement, please contact us.

Thank you to everyone who responded to inquiries about their fair share assessment and provided information to help us keep our records current. Our goal is to treat all members with respect and sensitivity, and to maintain the integrity of our system by setting contributions that are fair and affordable. Your support ensures that Beth Tzedec will always be here for you.

We welcome and encourage prospective members to

join our community, explore and participate in our multitude of services, programs, holiday celebrations and learning opportunities. The membership office is always open; stop by to say hello and share any suggestions or concerns.

All membership inquiries can be directed to Klara Romm, our Membership and Development Coordinator, at 416-781-3514, ext. 220 or KRomm@beth-tzedec.org

Please note that all membership contributions are tax deductible. Receipts will be mailed to you in February/March 2019 for all contributions paid by December 31, 2018.

Coming
Soon

Canasta and Mahjong Lessons

Are you interested in learning to play Canasta or Mahj? We are offering a new series of lessons in the summer and fall. For fee information or to register, please contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org



SINGING IS BELIEVING

MUSIC WORKSHOP

with Maya Pennington
and Karen Goldfeder



**Wednesday, August 29 and
Thursday, September 13
at 7:15 PM**

Bring the family and join Maya Pennington and Karen Goldfeder, two members of our *Lishmoa El Harina* choir, for a fun workshop to help you exercise your 'musical chops' before the High Holy Days. No charge, but space is limited. Pre-register early to avoid disappointment.

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

CELEBRATING



*Years of
Israel's Music*
and the music of Leonard Bernstein

with Meir Briskman and Lishmoa El Harina

Sunday, September 16 at 7:30 PM

Internationally acclaimed composer and conductor Meir Briskman leads the *Lishmoa El Harina* ensemble in an outstanding evening celebrating 70 years of Israel's music from across genres as well as the music of Leonard Bernstein. No charge. Everyone welcome.

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

The Sounds of the Holy Days

Unlock the beauty of music and the High Holy Days with the acclaimed voices of Cantors Sidney Ezer and Moshe Fishel, composer Meir Briskman and the Lishmoa El Harina ensemble.

SUMMER HAS JUST ARRIVED AND HERE we are finalizing preparations for our High Holy Day services for September!

Once again, we are excited to announce the return of Cantor Moshe Fishel whose presentation of prayer has been enjoyed by our members for the past two years. Joining him will be the other half of our M&M Duo, musicologist, conductor and composer Meir Briskman along with the internationally-acclaimed *Lishmoa El Harina* ensemble, 12 of the finest voices to be featured during our *yom tovim* this year!

While they are here, our musical guests will take the opportunity to lead several workshops and programs in August and September. On Wednesday,

August 29 and Thursday, September 13, plan to join us for a two-part music workshop “Singing is Believing”, led by international jazz vocalist Maya Pennington with Karen Goldfeder, music coordinator and professional vocalist who has performed with Bobby McFerrin, among others. Unlock the beauty of music and your own voice under the direction of these two wonderful singers. Space is limited. Pre-register through the Synagogue office.

On Wednesday, September 5, Cantors Fishel and Ezer along with Meir Briskman and members of *Lishmoa El Harina* perform a few select numbers at 7:30 PM, after our annual “Member Appreciation BBQ

& Open House”. Refreshments will be served, and we will conclude the evening with a new series of “High Holy Days in a Minute” prep sessions.

Then on Sunday, September 16 at 7:30 PM, the Herman Hall will come alive with “70 Years of Israel’s Music” a special musical evening led by Meir Briskman and *Lishmoa El Harina*, celebrating the range of notable Israeli music across many genres. We’ll also celebrate the music of Leonard Bernstein, famed American composer, conductor and pianist, on what would have been his 100th year.

There’s lots to look forward to in the coming weeks ... watch for news on additional events and special guests coming soon.

Community Yom Kippur @ BT

Wednesday, September 19
beginning at 3:00 PM

On Yom Kippur afternoon, invite your family, friends and neighbours for learning opportunities, *hesed* projects and special programs and opportunities for families, children and teens. Step in our doors to experience a more meaningful yom tov.

Sportball @ BETH TZEDEC

Sunday mornings beginning September 16

Toddlers 16 months to 2 years of age: 9:30 to 10:15 AM

Preschoolers 2 to 3 years of age: 10:15 to 11:00 AM

Sportball is coming to Beth Tzedec. Preschoolers can participate in fun, non-competitive sports activities every Sunday morning. For information or to register, visit <https://tinyurl.com/Sportball-At-BT>



Short & Sweet Multi-Generational Family Service

(especially for families with young children)
Shabbat, September 29
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)
Every Shabbat and Yom Tov
9:30 AM to 12:00 NOON

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

Junior Congregation

(ages 6 to 9 and 10 to 12)
Resumes September 8
10:30 AM to 12:00 NOON

A dynamic drop-off program with activities, games, engaging and creative prayer and quality time with our new *shinshinim*, Daniel Lazar and Yuval Rotero. Junior Congregation does not meet when there is a Family Service.

Shabbat Teen Lounge

(ages 13 to 17)
Begins September 8
10:30 AM to 12:00 NOON

Calling All Teens! You now have a Shabbat hangout space all your own, complete with comfy seats, snacks, a Soda Stream, games and much more.

For Children 0 to 5 and their Families

Little Thinkers Tot Program

(18 months and older with an adult)
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings, beginning September 12
9:30 to 11:00 AM

Give your 'little thinker' a flyer start. Children will develop early critical thinking skills while participating in music and movement activities, Judaic and special Shabbat programs and much more. For information, contact Michael Ferman at 416-224-8737 ext. 137 or mferman@rhacademy.ca.

High School Student Volunteers—Calling all students in Grades 9 to 12: Volunteers are needed for many of our programs, including several beginning in September. If you are looking to fulfil community service requirements or would like to gain valuable experience working on family-oriented programs, contact Jessie Greenspan at 416-781-3514 ext. 246 or jgreenspan@beth-tzedec.org.

Pre-Shabbat Music Mornings

(babies up to 18 months with an adult)
Friday mornings, beginning September 21
11:00 to 11:45 AM

Join us and welcome Shabbat with a 45-minute music class featuring Shabbat songs and blessings, hallah, grape juice, book reading, and lots of fun. For information on fees or to register, call the Synagogue office.

Sportball @ Beth Tzedec

Sunday mornings, beginning September 16
9:30 to 10:15 AM (16 months to 2 year olds)
10:15 to 11:00 AM (2 to 3 year olds)

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PJ Library Sukkah Decorating

(toddlers ages 1 to 4 with an adult)
Sunday, September 23
10:00 to 11:30 AM

Help us decorate the Beth Tzedec Sukkah and learn about the Sukkot holiday. RSVPs requested to Shirel Barkan by Monday, September 17.

For Families

Potluck Family Shabbat Dinner

Fridays, July 13 and August 10
5:30 to 7:30 PM

Join us for a song-filled Kabbalat Shabbat and potluck dinner for the whole family. We will be eating and having our service at 15 Avenal. Weather permitting, it will be in the backyard; If it is raining, we will move indoors. Beth Tzedec will provide a couple of Kosher certified main dishes, *hallah*, grape juice and paper goods.

Please bring a vegetarian dish to share (dairy and kosher fish is cool), made with kosher ingredients. Your dish can either be home cooked in a strictly kosher or vegetarian kitchen or purchased.

No charge, but pre-registration required through our *Perfect Potluck* page at www.PerfectPotluck.com/PEVXI597

Family Sukkah Decorating Party

Sunday, September 23
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Come decorate the Beth Tzedec Sukkah and enjoy lunch, games and community. We are looking for artists, crafts-people, decorators and hanger-uppers. All ages and all families welcome! Teens can get community service hour.

For information about Youth & Family programs, contact Shirel Barkan-Slater at 416-781-3514 ext. 290 or sbarkan@beth-tzedec.org

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



Pizza in the Sukkah party

**Thursday, September 27
from 4:00 to 5:30 PM**

Join Beth Tzedec and Robbins Hebrew Academy in the sukkah and celebrate the holiday with music, food, drinks and fun. This is a great way to get in the Sukkot spirit and have fun after school.

No charge for activities. Pizza available for purchase.

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Beth Tzedec Congregation

FAMILY SHABBAT POTLUCK DINNERS

Friday, July 13 and

Friday, August 10 at 5:30 PM

Join us for our song-filled Kabbalat Shabbat and potluck dinners for the whole family.

We will be eating and having our service at 15 Avenal. Weather permitting, it will be in the backyard; If it is raining, we will move indoors. Beth Tzedec will provide a couple of kosher-certified main dishes, ḥallah, grape juice and paper goods.

Please bring a vegetarian dish to share (dairy and kosher fish is cool), made with kosher ingredients. Your dish can either be home cooked in a strictly kosher or vegetarian kitchen or purchased.

When you arrive, you will be asked to place your dish on one of two tables:

- **Table 1**—Vegetarian food prepared in strictly kosher kitchens: All packaged/processed foods & drinks (incl. cheese and wine) must have a heksher.
- **Table 2**—Vegetarian food prepared in strictly vegetarian kitchens: No meat, fish or fowl at all in the kitchen.

No charge, but pre-registration required. Please visit <https://tinyurl.com/Potluck-July> to register for the July program. Link for the August event will be available soon.

Mental HEALTH Empowerment Day

Talking About
YOUTH
Mental Health



Keynote Speaker: Torrey Creed, Ph.D.

*Assistant Professor at the University of Pennsylvania's
Beck Psychopathology Research Centre*

Dr. Creed's specialties include children, adolescents and their families

Date: Sunday, October 28, 2018

TWO Great Opportunities:

Time: Professional Platform: CBT for Youth: \$40

12:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Parents' Platform: Helpful hints for Anxiety & ADHD: \$20





4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Location: Beth Tzedec Congregation | 1700 Bathurst St.




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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 18 TAMMUZ FAST OF TAMMUZ 8:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma’ariv 9:57pm Fast concludes	2 19 TAMMUZ CANADA DAY 8:45am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma’ariv	3 20 TAMMUZ 7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma’ariv	4 21 TAMMUZ 7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma’ariv 7:30pm Movies Under the Stars: The Shape of Water	5 22 TAMMUZ 7:30am Shaharit 10:00am Torah Through the Ages with Dr. Ages 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah–Ma’ariv	6 23 TAMMUZ 7:30am Shaharit 12:00pm Social Network 6:30pm Shabbat on the Lawn 8:43pm Candle Lighting	7 24 TAMMUZ SHABBAT MEVARKHIM  Pinhas 8:45am Shaharit 9:30am Li'l Miryans 9:30am Talking Torah 8:20pm Minhah/SS/Ma’ariv 9:43pm Havdalah
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Through the international *Peace of Mind* program, Beth Tzedec has the privilege of honouring a special unit of Israeli soldiers as part of our Israel Action Committee initiatives.

Peace of Mind Program

Friday, October 19 at 6:30 PM

Kabbalat Shabbat Service and Dinner

Cost: \$40 adults; \$18 youth (ages 5-14); \$6 children (ages 1-4).
Dinner by advance reservation only **by Monday, October 15.**

Shabbat, October 20 beginning at 8:45 AM

The discharged Israeli soldiers from the Peace of Mind program join us for the *Shaharit* service, followed by a special Community Kiddush in their honour.

Peace of Mind is a unique program developed by the Israel Centre for the Treatment of Psycho-Trauma. It paves the way back to civilian life for young men and women who have served in high-risk combat units in the Israel Defense Forces. The program identifies units who have undergone severe combat experiences and provides the treatment needed to strengthen their emotional health and resilience allowing them to start their civilian life as healthy and productive citizens. Your support of this worthwhile cause is greatly needed.

To make a tax-deductible donation, contact Felicia Gopin at 416-433-6617.

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

Yizkor Memorial Booklet

It is now time to send in the information to include the names of your loved ones in the annual Yizkor Memorial Book used at Yizkor Services on Yom Kippur, Shemini Atzeret, Pesah and Shavuot for the year 5779. The cost is \$18.00 per memorialized name per household.

Yizkor Memorial Booklet Donation

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

All submissions must be received by 5:00 PM on Friday, July 13.

Our Shabbat Service Experiences

Shabbat on the Lawn Services every Friday night.

Throughout the summer, this service will be held outdoors on the south lawn adjacent to Warwick Ave. Check our weekly e-newsletter, *The Week Ahead*, our website and monthly calendars for service and candle lighting times.

Sanctuary Services 8:45 AM, every Shabbat.

Our musical Sanctuary Service offers a complete spiritual and liturgical Shabbat experience with Rabbis Baruch Frydman-Kohl, 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, resuming September 8.

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.

A Short & Sweet Intergenerational Family Service

10:30 AM, Shabbat, September 29. 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 information on **Shabbat Youth programming**, see pages 20 & 21.

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



Talking Torah with Daniel Silverman

9:30 to 10:30 AM every Shabbat morning

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

Jewish Meditation with Michelle Katz

10:00 to 11:15 AM on September 15 and October 13

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

The Beth Tzedec Sisterhood wishes everyone a wonderful and enjoyable summer and looks forward to launching new engaging and informative programs this fall.



Kehillah Inclusion Service for the High Holy Days

Rosh Hashanah—Monday and Tuesday, September 10 and 11
Yom Kippur—Wednesday, September 19
10:30 to 11:15 AM

Beth Tzedec is pleased to once again offer the Kehillah Inclusion Service, an adapted service for individuals with special needs and their families. Led by veteran educators under the direction of Raquel Binder and Lindsay Malc, this service offers a hands-on, spiritually uplifting and educationally exciting holiday experience for every participant. Open to members and non-members, the Kehillah Inclusion Service is for the whole community.

To ensure your spot and for other inquiries, please contact 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.



Getting into the
Rosh Hashanah spirit!
**Apple Picking
and Cider Tasting
for 20s and 30s**

Sunday, September 16

Reservation information
coming soon.

**Sukkot Dinner and
Harvest Beer Tasting
for 20s & 30s**

Friday, September 28

Reservations required. Cost for dinner.

Moving from Acceptance to Celebration

Pearl Cohen provides the first article in a new series where young Beth Tzedec members share their voices and perspectives on being Jewish under 40.

LIKE SO MANY OTHERS, I INHERITED MY MEMBERSHIP TO Beth Tzedec. My Bubbe and Zayde were members before I was born. My parents were married in the Rabbi's office. It was my first shul as a baby before my parents moved our family to Ottawa, where I grew up. When my partner and I eventually moved to Toronto and were shul shopping, we went to Reform synagogues. They were lovely and spiritual and inclusive—but I am a Conservative Jew.

I always had to leave my queerness at the door when I went to shul as a teenager, which eventually meant I stopped going. But I never stopped wanting that connection, that community. My familiarity with social exclusion and systemic persecution didn't originate in my queerness, but in my Jewishness. Being Jewish means I have a framework for those struggles against oppression and how it shapes our daily lives. Being queer isn't just about sexuality or gender. Like Judaism, it's a perspective that influences how I move through the world and society.

As Jews, our very existence feels like an act of defiance and survival. Despite how willing we are to assimilate, we carry in ourselves an "otherness" that we often hide to access respectability and acceptance in the world. But when we walk into a shul, we know who we are, and we know that we belong. Despite differences in our traditions, our diasporic roots, our politics, we are all Jews.

I still struggle to feel that unity and equality within the Jewish community. I still find myself singled out at times in

our community for being queer, as if it differentiates my Jewishness from other members'. But the thing is: My Judaism is queer. My queerness is an essential part of who I am, as much as my Jewish identity. These identities are intertwined and, in many ways, inseparable for me. I wouldn't be as queer if I wasn't Jewish.

Conservative Judaism has changed since I was a teenager. Experiences of LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and so much more) Jews have shifted from embarrassed silence to tolerance to, finally, acceptance. I want us to move forward, to keep going from acceptance to celebration. And more than just words, we need to take deliberate and meaningful action to include LGBTQ+ people in synagogue life—in both ritual and community. Same-sex marriage is one of the first steps that we can look forward to, but it isn't the be-all end-all, of LGBTQ+ inclusion.

June was Pride month in Toronto. Pride is about resistance, liberation, fighting against oppression and I can't think of anything more Jewish than that. The recognition of LGBTQ+ pride at synagogue shows the strides that our shul is making in inclusivity and the respect and love they have for their members. It also demonstrates the support the community is willing to give. It means that when I step in the door, I can say, "This is all of me." No part of my identity is left outside.

—Pearl Cohen,
Beth Tzedec member



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Deepening Jewish Experience: The Spiritual Dimension

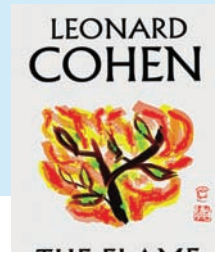
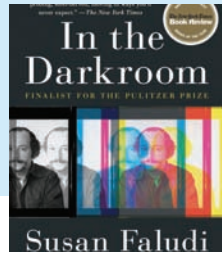
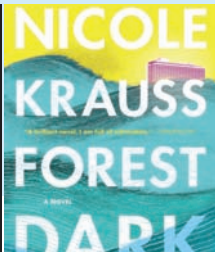
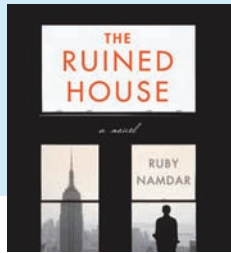
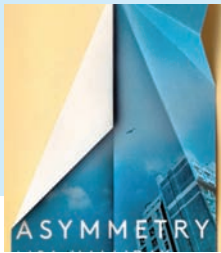
If you want to deepen your understanding of Judaism, are seeking more from your Jewish experience or are just curious, then this seminar is for you!

Six Wednesdays beginning October 17 at 7:30 PM

BETH TZEDEC CONGREGATION'S Book and Film Club Selections 2018-2019

Wednesdays at 1:30 PM (Lunch at 1:00 PM)

All six sessions: \$100 for members of Beth Tzedec Congregation, \$120 for non-members; \$25 per session at the door
(Limited seating available; pre-registration required.)



SEPTEMBER 26

Asymmetry

Dr. Elaine Newton discusses Lisa Halliday's book

A singularly inventive and unforgettable debut novel about love, luck, and the inextricability of life and art, from this 2017 Whiting Award winner.

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OCTOBER 24

The Ruined House

Dr. Ruby Newman analyses Ruby Namdar's Sapir Prize-winning novel

Ruby Namdar embraces the themes of the American Jewish literary canon as it captures the privilege and pedantry of New York intellectual life in the opening years of the 21st century.

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NOVEMBER 7

Forest Dark

Cynthia Good discusses Nicole Krauss' book

Bursting with life and humour, this book is a profound, mesmerizing novel of metamorphosis and self-realization—of looking beyond all that is visible towards the infinite.

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MARCH 27

In the Darkroom

Dr. Julia Creet explores Susan Faludi's memoir

This novel focuses on a short but extraordinary period of Chinese, Japanese and Jewish history, when cultures converged and heroic sacrifices were part of the everyday quest for survival.

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APRIL 10

The Flame

Toby Saltzman discusses Leonard Cohen's final book

A stunning collection of Leonard Cohen's last poems, selected and ordered by the author in the final months of his life. Featuring lyrics, prose pieces and illustrations, the book also contains an extensive selection from his notebooks, offering an unprecedentedly intimate look inside the life and mind of a singular artist and thinker.

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MAY 1, 10:30 AM

Call Me by Your Name

Dr. Gillian Helfield critiques Luca Guadagnino's film

A look at the complications of forbidden love through the story of a precocious Jewish teenager's sexual awakening in the 1980s.

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Mother's Day @ Beth Tzedec ... The Greatest Show on Earth!

A DECADE OF TRADITION THAT BEGAN with 65 attendees in 2008 has grown exponentially!

Under the Big Top, our 10th annual Mother's Day Chai Tea & Fashion Show, was a profound success. For over two and a half hours, the beautifully transformed Herman Hall buzzed with excitement with 200 women of all ages in attendance. Applause's outstanding carnival-inspired menu combined with the sounds of Jet Entertainment, an *haute couture* fashion show, raffle prizes galore, adorable clown and circus tent cookies for every guest, a very interactive "Pass the Present" game and a mind-boggling performance by magician and mentalist **Ben Train** left the crowd wanting more.

We are indebted to Options for Her and Whistlekids for their ongoing support by providing the outstanding fashions for both our adult and young adult models.

Thank you to our models: Mara Cole and her daughters Charlotte, Madelyn and Olivia Silber; Rachel Forman and her daughter Jacqueline Tyberg; Laura Shiner Freeman and her daughters Rachel and Shayna; Gloria Jacobs and her daughter-in-law Rachel Jacobs and granddaughter Samara; Riva Kirsh, her granddaughter Jacqueline Gozlan and Jacqueline's daughter Dylan; Gella Rothstein, her daughter Debbie Rothstein and Debbie's daughter Emma Friedman; Caryl Schwartz, her daughter Dara Schwartz and Dara's daughter Kaitlyn Walden; and finally, Haylie Mandel.

A special thanks to the following families—David and Evelyn Pollock, in memory of Daniel Stephen Pollock^{z"l} and the Pollock and Gold families in memory of Ricky Pollock^{z"l}—for their generous sponsorships. An additional thank you to Beth Tzedec's Sisterhood and Men's Club for their continued support of the event, and to our office

and maintenance staff for their assistance every step of the way.

Many thanks to all those who placed ads in our *Women of Honour* booklet, in honour of or in memory of all the special women in their lives. A further thank you to those businesses and individuals who generously donated prizes for our raffle. We appreciate the kindness and generosity of our donors and look forward to their continued support of this remarkable "friendraiser".

As in previous years, we are delighted to donate the proceeds of this event directly to Beth Tzedec's *Out of the Cold Program* and help defray the costs our synagogue incurs to sustain this initiative.

Happy 10th anniversary to the Chai Tea!

—Patti Rotman and the 2018 Chai Tea & Fashion Show Committee





Interfaith Consultation

Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl and Beth Tzedec hosted members of the Jewish Catholic Consultation and Canadian Rabbinic Caucus. While the daytime sessions were for the leaders of the groups, a public screening of “Divided We Fall” was opened to the community.



Moses: A Human Life

Avivah Gottlieb Zornberg, the ‘rock star’ of biblical scholars, presented a fascinating portrait of Moses’ inner world at her “Moses: A Human Life” presentation in April.



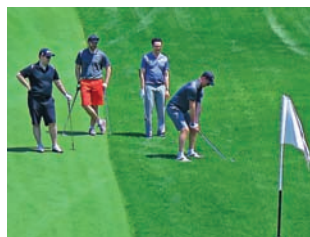
Raizel’s Journey Exhibition

On May 6, the Beth Tzedec Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum opened its newest exhibit, *Raizel’s Journey: The Paintings of Shushana Caplan*. At the opening, folk musician Jerry Gray of The Travellers performed a few songs. This exhibit continues through October 2018.



Passover Hamper Packing

As a family social action project, members met at National Council for Jewish Women to pack Passover hampers.



Men’s Club Sixth Annual Golf Classic

On a bright and sunny afternoon in May, over 75 people gathered at Lebovic Golf Course for a beautiful day on the greens. Photos courtesy of Larry Rachlin.

Out of the Cold 2018

Out of the Cold completed its 18th season of service on March 21. It is an enormous undertaking that could not be accomplished without the dedicated team of volunteers who perform a host of functions every week. Thanks to all who gave of their time and energy to help in this most personally enriching mitzvah. In particular, I want to thank our new volunteer coordinator Shari Fremeth-Tepper who put in many long hours learning our system and ensuring that all shifts were staffed.

A special thank you is owed to the members of the Mosaic Lodge of the Masons who have been outstanding supporters and volunteers for several years. Rabbi Frydman-Kohl has been a stalwart supporter of our program, and despite his extremely full schedule, managed to prepare breakfast for the homeless most Wednesday mornings at 5:00 AM.

Out of the Cold has been the recipient of the proceeds from the Mother's Day Chai Tea & Fashion Show for the past decade, and to date, has received close to \$85,000. A very special thank you is owed to the Chai Tea Committee, chaired by Patti Rotman. It is an enormous undertaking and I know that the team worked tirelessly to make the afternoon special. We certainly could not achieve the success that we have at OOTC without this generosity.

We are very fortunate to have many generous individuals, companies and groups who support the program by donating food and other essentials: Burnbrae Farms, CKF Inc., Country Queen Foods, Hermes Bakery, Pat's No Frills, Richman's Bakery, The Burnac Group and Tri-Quality Packaging. They have helped to dramatically reduce our operating costs. Our guests received much-needed new warm winter clothing and sundry items from our clothing bank, thanks to the community spirit of Bass Pro-Shops, Caulfeild Apparel Group, McGregor Socks, Mountain Warehouse, Roots Canada, Socks 4 Souls Canada, YM Inc/ Bluenotes/Suzy's Inc. and Neil and Cindy Feigelson.

The Project Winter Survival and Project Winter initiatives, courtesy of Jody Steinhauer of the Bargains Group, provided duffle bags filled with socks, t-shirts, hats, gloves, sleeping bags, snacks and water. LEAGUE, an employment benefits company, provided us with toiletries and winter essentials through their partnership with the Bargains Group program called "Kits for a Cause". (For information on how your company can get involved, visit www.bargainsgroup.com/kits-for-a-cause.html.)

BINGO is one of the highlights of the evening for many of our guests and all of the groups who volunteered to run the games did a wonderful job in making our guests' evening a little bit brighter: The Beth Tzedec 20s & 30s group under the guidance

of Yacov Fruchter, Jewish Family and Child Services Emerging Leaders division and the Bar/Bat Mitzvah students from Oraynu Congregation. The Oraynu children took the initiative to solicit donations with which to purchase the gift cards.

A big thank you is owed to Jessie Greenspan for her hard work in bringing groups of Bar/Bat Mitzvah aged pre-teens and teens to experience the mitzvah of helping those in need. I also want to acknowledge the Men's Club for supporting OOTC year after year with a large monetary contribution.

Each week, our guests were treated to outstanding musical entertainment courtesy of The Deloraines, The Wild Walker Band and Dave Borins. Guests often performed alongside the bands to wild applause! Even on the coldest, snowiest nights, these musicians schlepped their equipment to perform.

The Art Circle, under the guidance of the very talented Melanie Samra and her team of volunteers (Susan Beckerman, Bunny Ezra, Renee Raubvogel and Jayne Elman) once again inspired our guests to produce creative pieces that were sold at the Art Show and Sale. The artists received a substantial percentage from the sale of their pieces, while the OOTC program benefited as well. The feeling of pride and accomplishment on the faces of the artists made it that much more special.

This program would not have been as successful without the generosity of Jacklyn Rosenblat of Gwartzman's Art Supplies who ensured that our guests always had ample materials, as well as Elgin Picture and Frame (Dupont Street) who mounted all of the paintings. To read more about the Art Program, please visit ootcartcircle.wordpress.com.

This year, our Out of the Cold shelter made history when we partnered with the Toronto Branch of The Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) to bring two caseworkers to our site. This marked the first time in the 32-years of the Out of the Colds that a project of this magnitude had been launched. We know that mental health is the number one issue facing our guests, and that this is the way to help them get off the streets. I want to thank Steve Lurie C.M, executive director of CMHA Toronto, for making this possible.

The Beth Tzedec/Beth Sholom OOTC Program is self-funded and relies on the generosity of members and the community for support. Please consider making a donation for the Out of the Cold Fund through the Beth Tzedec office or website.

I want to wish everyone Shanah Tovah and a healthy and happy New Year.

—Maureen Tanz
Chair, Hesed Committee

Lake Region Federation News



Our Man/Youth of the Year

The spring season closes out with the Man of the Year reception, held at Beth Emeth on June 6. Our Man of the Year for 2018 is **Art Andrews**. Art has been a leader in the Beth Tzedec Men's Club for many, many years. He is a long-standing member of the Men's Club Executive and sits on the Cemetery Committee. Art also organizes the Men's Club's annual Golf Classic tournament and is the treasurer of Mercaz Canada.

Isaiah Zabitsky is the Men's Club Youth of the Year of the Lake Ontario Region. Isaiah has been active helping the Men's Club with many of its initiatives, is active in Li'l Minyans and is Events Coordinator vice president for BTUSY, Beth Tzedec's USY chapter.

Leadership Development Initiative

In the next few months, the Lake Region will participate in a Leadership Development Initiative at Pearlstone in Maryland, a week-

end series of *tefillah*, learning and teaching workshops and time for kicking back and reconnecting with other FJMC members.

Our regional retreat will be held later in the fall with time to see friends from the Region, learn and have a good time. Also coming is a visit being organized to a Bills game, with the traditional tailgate BBQ and a post-game dinner.

A NEW LOOK AT
Torah Through the Ages
with Dr. Arnold Ages

Thursday mornings from 10:00 to 11:00 AM
No sessions in August

Dr. Arnold Ages includes in his Torah study sessions a brief survey of news items relevant to the *parashah*, short book reviews of recent Jewish books, a Talmud-corner from the tractate *Avoda Zara* (Idolatry), and an in-depth look at the weekly Torah portion with traditional and modern commentaries. No charge.

Generously sponsored by the John and Molly Pollock Lectures

Men's Club Makes a Difference



Neighbourhood Interfaith Group

On May 9, the Neighbourhood Interfaith Group held its 32nd annual *Dialogue & Dessert Reception*, exploring the topic “Context, Conflict, Cooperation: Interfaith Relations Past Present & Future”. For more information about the Neighbourhood Interfaith Group, visit www.northtorontointerfaith.ca.



Proudly Supporting Israel

Men's Club member Jerry Grammer presented Lisa Grosman-Rimon with a financial contribution to the Friends of Poryia Hospital's pilot project that provides rehabilitative medical care to patients in outlying areas in Israel.



Breakfast with Rabbi Uri Regev

On Sunday, April 29, Rabbi Uri Regev, president of Hiddush, spoke to an avid audience on “A Question of Principles: Religious Freedom in Israel”. The breakfast lecture was sponsored by the Men's Club and Mercaz Canada and Masorti.

Pictured from left: Stan Greenspan (International President, Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs), Mark Lapedus, (President, Beth Tzedec Men's Club), Rabbi Uri Regev, Rabbi Jennifer Gorman, (Executive Director Mercaz-Canada/Masorti).

Your Input is Requested

The Men's Club is producing a video interview with Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl. Members are invited to submit questions that may be used in the recording. For information or to submit your question for Rav Baruch, contact Larry Rachlin at lrachlin@sympatico.ca

MEN'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP HAS BENEFITS & PRIVILEGES



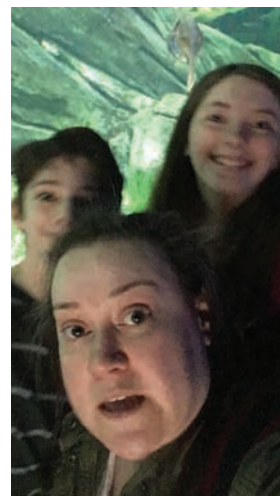
Men's Club is providing a new updated card for its members. A \$36 contribution provides members with:

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



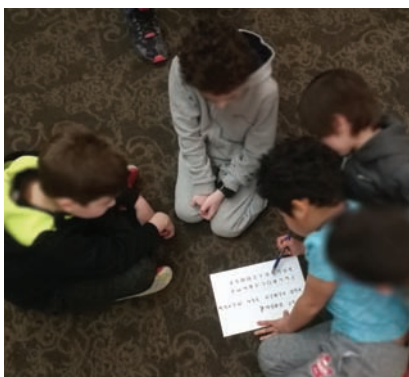
Men's Club Youth of the Year—Isaiah Zabitsky

At the annual Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs' event in May, Isaiah Zabitsky was honoured as Beth Tzedec's 'Youth of the Year', pictured above with his family. Mazal Tov!



Scavenger Hunt

Teens in Kadima (Grades 6 to 8) travelled by TTC to Ripley's Aquarium for an amazing adventure—a group scavenger hunt.



Chocolate Seder

Just before Passover, kids in Grades 1 to 5 gathered for one of Beth Tzedec's sweetest annual events—the Chocolate Seder. Looks like they all enjoyed a candy-filled trip through the seder.



PJ Library

Participants in our PJ Library programs enjoyed a pre-Purim puppet show in March and a pre-Shavuot celebration and activity in April. Look for all new PJ Library programs and celebrations coming soon!

Tributes



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

Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund

Dr. Sidney and Gina Brown, honouring **Ab Flatt** on his 90th birthday.

Lois Buckstein, acknowledging **Dr. Miriam Weinstein** in memory of **Rhea Wohl**.

Rhonda and Joshua Charlat and family, acknowledging **Jackie Kahn** in memory of **Bernard Waldman**.

Rhonda and Joshua Charlat and family, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Fred and Ruth Fishman, acknowledging **Jackie and Norman Kahn** and family in memory of **Bernard Waldman**.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, acknowledging **Cecile Zaifman** in memory of **Bernie Zaifman**.

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

Ilene and Stephen Flatt, acknowledging **Cecile Zaifman** in memory of **Bernie Zaifman**.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, acknowledging the **Freedman Family** in memory of **Dr. Lewis H. Freedman**.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, acknowledging **Yvette Lerner** in memory of **Dr. Lewis H. Freedman**.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, honouring **Rabbi Adam Cutler** on his new role as Senior Rabbi at Adath Israel.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, honouring **Yacov Fruchter** and **Ryla Braemer** on the birth of their son.

Rosylin and Gerold Goldlist, honouring **Ab Flatt** on his 90th birthday.

Bernard Gropper and Elise Stern Gropper, acknowledging **Cecile Zaifman** in memory of **Bernie Zaifman**.

Bernard Gropper and Elise Stern Gropper, honouring **Yacov Fruchter** and **Ryla Braemer** on the birth of their son.

Florence Magram and family, honouring **Ab Flatt** on his 90th birthday.

Debbie Rothstein and Michael Friedman, honouring **Ilene and Stephen Flatt** on the engagement of their son **Bryan**.

Debbie Rothstein and Michael Friedman and Zachary and Emma Friedman, honouring **Ab Flatt** on his 90th birthday.

Barbra and Manley Walters, honouring **Ab Flatt** on his 90th birthday.

Rochelle Zabitsky, honouring **Ab Flatt** on his 90th birthday.

Daily Minyan Breakfast

The parents of **Hayden Abramson**, honouring **Hayden's Bar Mitzvah**.

Carole Ash and Martin Kovnats, honouring the birth of their granddaughter **Illyana Rose Ash Kovnats**.

Elaine and Mark Atlin and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Myrtle Wise**.

Dr. Jeffrey and Helena Axler, honouring the marriage of their son **Joshua Axler** to **Taryn Bieber**.

Liddy Beck and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **H. Thomas Beck**.

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

The Berman Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Neil Berman**.

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

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

Denise Chriqui, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Maurice Chriqui**.

Dr. Harvey Coopersmith, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Myrtle Coopersmith**.

Rick and Ellen Cosman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Maida Cosman**.

Ellen and Rick Cosman and Stephen and Patricia Johnson, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Anne Johnson**.

Ellen and Rick Cosman and Stephen and Patricia Johnson, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Leonard Johnson**.

The Cummings Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sylvia Cummings**.

Rabbi Adam Cutler, honouring his friends at the morning minyan.

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

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

The Feldman Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Leslie Feldman**.

Bernice Finkelstein and Harvey Diamond and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Harry** and **Sylvia Diamond**.

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

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

Lin and Arthur Goldberg and Cris and Jesse Thé, honouring the marriage of their children **Jake Goldberg** and **Danielle Thé**.

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

Saul and Bonnie Greenberg and Harry and Roslynne Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dora Greenberg**.

Jack Gwartz, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Judy Gwartz**.

Judith Hans, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Eliezer Zeisler**.

Barbara and Jay Hennick, honouring the birth of their granddaughter **Quinn Segal**.

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

Jackie and Norman Kahn, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **Vera Waldman** and the yahrtzeit of **Allan Simon**.

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

The Krem and Winston Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Issie Grymek**.

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

Jill and Jeffrey Levine, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Shirley Pearlstein**.

Phil and Fauna Lidsky, honouring the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson **Sam Sherman**.

The Lilker Family, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Dr. Emmanuel Solomon Lilker**.

Mitch and Anne Max, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Shirley Max**.

The Menkes Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Murray Menkes**.

Rochelle Miller, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Samuel Izenberg**.

Edie Neuberger, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sarah Neuberger**.

Eden and Christine Orbach, honouring the birth of their daughter **Eliana Ziv (Miriam) Orbach**.

Barry and Susan Phillips, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Florence Phillips**.

Gary Pollock and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ricky Pollock**.

Dr. Leslie Richmond, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sam Richmond**.

Mary Richmond and Judy Alter

Allan and Ellen Rosenbluth, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Olga Mittelman**.

The Ross Family, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Robert David Ross**.

Larry and Suzanne Ross and family, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Marianne Ross**.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Norem Litvak**.

Sheila Rubinoff and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Melvyn Paul Rubinoff**.

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

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

Toby Saltzman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Kenneth Saltzman, Q.C.**

Elana and David Seligman, honouring the marriage of their son **Daniel to Kara**.

Daniel and Elana Shapiro, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **Rona Shapiro**.

Ruth Sheps, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of **Sara and Abraham Rotmensh**.

Louise Shogilev, Harvey and Earl Consky, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Max Consky**.

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

Caleb Shuster-Hyman, honouring his first aliyah.

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

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

Eric Sobel and Ricky Goldenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Philip Hornick**.

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

Jill Stern and the Kumer Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Milton Kumer**.

Sheldon Taerk, honouring the memory of **Susan Taerk**.

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

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

Dorothy Tesis and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Stanley Tesis**. Dorothy Tesis and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Zenek Wajgensberg**.

Debra Walters and the Adler Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Eli Adler**.

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

Dot Whitehouse, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Susan Layton**.

Sara Wunch Glick and Mark Naimer, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of **Srul Irving Glick and Melvin Naimer**.

Sharon Yale and Blake Teichman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Esther Yale**.

The Zarek and Colt Families, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Maureen Colt**.

Daily Minyan Fund

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

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

Rose Sobel and Duke Segel, honouring the memory of **Eleanor Charney**.

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General Fund

Graham and Enid Berg, honouring **Wendy and Irving Gold** on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson **Robbie Schwartz**.

Sophie Brockman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ida Brockman**.

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

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

Rabbi Adam and Debra Cutler, acknowledging **Jackie Kahn** in memory of **Bernard Waldman**.

Pearl and David Elman, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of **Morris Zucker, Saul Elman** and **Miriam Ostreger**.

Faye Firestone, honouring **Sharon and Norman Bacal** for a memorable seder.

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

Maxine Gallander Wintre, acknowledging **Susan Smith and family** in memory of **Bernice Ceresne**.

Mark and Loren Roth, honouring the birth of their grandson **Ariel David**.

Mark and Loren Roth, honouring **Rabbi Adam Cutler**.

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

Felicia Valo, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sheva Brandes**.

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

Cecile Zaifman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Percy Zaifman**.

Martin and Karen Zarnett, honouring the memories of **Harvey and Louise Zarnett**.

Hesed Fund

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

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

Faye Firestone, wishing **Esther Westelman** a *refuah sheleimah*.

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

Carole Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Lucille Warren**.

Nava Jakubovicz, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Sherry Kaufman, honouring **Mary Ellen Herman** on being named *Kallat Torah*.

Shirley Krem, acknowledging the **Lilker Family** in memory of **Dr. Emmanuel Solomon Lilker**.

Joni and Rob Kwinter and Gideon and Adam, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Jan Lapedus, honouring **Fred Engle**.

Mark and Jan Lapedus, acknowledging **Mary Ann and Billy Hitzig** in memory of **Dr. Lewis H. Freedman**.

Malki Lazar, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Irving Lazar**.

Malki Lazar, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Regina Lazar**.

Helen Lester, acknowledging **Lorraine Sandler** in memory of **Sheila Broomberg**.

Jeffrey and Jill Levine, acknowledging **Shirley Krem and family** in memory of **Carey Krem**.

Dr. Newton and Claire Markus, acknowledging **Lesley Sevitt** in memory of **Rayner Samuel**.

Dr. Newton and Claire Markus, wishing **Dr. George Goldsand** a complete and speedy recovery.

Dr. Newton Markus and Claire Steinberg Friedlich, acknowledging the **Lilker Family** in memory of **Dr. Emmanuel Solomon Lilker**.

Marcia Nemoy, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Norman Mazin**.

Barry and Susan Phillips, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of **Arnold and Florence Phillips** and **Ethel and David Hamer**.

Millie Pollock, acknowledging **Shirley Krem** in memory of **Carey Krem**.

Millie Pollock, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sidney Philip Pollock**.

David and Shirley Promislow, honouring **Sidney and Lola Solnik** on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson.

Irene Reingold, honouring **Rabbi Adam Cutler** on his new position.

Dr. Leslie and Mary Richmond and family, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her birthday.

Allan, Ellen, Rachel and Jonathan Rosenbluth, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Gella and Paul Rothstein, acknowledging the **family of the late Lawrence Rosenfield**.

Debbie Rothstein and Michael Friedman and Zachary Friedman, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Irving and Jeanne Salit, honouring **Wendy and Irving Gold** on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson **Robbie Schwartz**.

Cantor Deborah Staiman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Edna Itkoff**.

Cantor Deborah Staiman, honouring **Yacov Fruchter and Ryla Braemer** on the birth of their son **Sela Matan**.

Jason Stein and Jeannette Stein, honouring **Tilly Oslender** on her birthday.

Howard (Hy) Cooper Trust Fund

Jerold and Lillian Grammer, honouring **Stephen and Elisha Margles** on their 25th anniversary.

David, Carol, Ari, Marissa and Yonit Grossman, acknowledging the **family of the late Annette Ross**.

Hon. Jack and Sandi Grossman, acknowledging the **Rosenfield Family** in memory of **Lawrence (Laurie) Rosenfield**.

Jonathan Kahn Memorial Fund

Marlene Laba, acknowledging **Jackie Kahn** in memory of **Bernard Waldman**.

Ariel Lefkowitz and Sarah Friedlander, honouring **Norman Kahn** for performing the service of *Pidyon Haben* of their son **Etai Lev**.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, acknowledging **Jackie Kahn** in memory of **Bernard Waldman**.

Gerry and Shirley Taub, acknowledging **Jackie Kahn and family** in memory of **Bernard Waldman**.

Jonathan Steiner Memorial Fund

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

Frank Richmond, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dorothy Richmond**.

Kosher Food Bank

Dr. Perry and Shirley Cooper, honouring **Joy Wagner Arbus and Dr. Gerald Arbus** on their 10th anniversary.

Hon. Justice Kathryn and Dr. Brian Feldman and Bobby Feldman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ray Margles**.

Claire and Newton Markus, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Charles Gutzin**.

Anna-Lynne Taradash, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Abraham Sossin**.

Anna-Lynne Taradash, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Faye Sossin**.

Little Minyan Fund

Ilene and Stephen Flatt, acknowledging **Jackie Kahn** in memory of **Bernard Waldman**.

Ilene and Stephen Flatt, acknowledging **Yacov Fruchter** in memory of **Sylvia Fruchter**.

Mark and Judy Libman, acknowledging **Jackie Kahn** in memory of **Bernard Waldman**.

Max and Beatrice Wolfe Library Fund

David and Shirley Promislow, honouring **Ruth Steinhart** on her birthday.

Men's Club Scholarships

Arthur and Carole Andrews, acknowledging **Jackie Kahn** in memory of **Bernard Waldman**.

Beth Tzedec Men's Club, acknowledging **Sylvia Pullan** in memory of **Bernard Morton Pullan**.

Sharon Singer Karlin and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Singer**.

Out-of-the-Cold Fund

Frances Ackerman, acknowledging **Shirley Krem** in memory of **Carey Krem**.

Sandra and Harry Aronowicz, honouring **Gary Pollock** on his 65th birthday.

Caroline Bokar and Errol Gordon, honouring **Gary Pollock** on his 65th birthday.

Elka and Katie Budd, honouring **Gary Pollock** on his 65th birthday.

Neil and Lisa Casselman, honouring **Gary Pollock** on his 65th birthday.

Lynda and Jeffrey Engel, honouring **Gary Pollock** on his 65th birthday.

Barbara Firestone, honouring **Dena Pollack and J. Lowell Pancer** on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Eve Pollack Pancer**.

Faye Firestone, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Joseph Firestone**.

Jodi Firestone, honouring **Dena Pollack and J. Lowell Pancer** on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Eve Pollack Pancer**.

Ilene and Stephen Flatt, honouring **Maureen and Bernie Tanz** on the marriage of their daughter **Alyssa** to **Evan Malach**.

Sally Gallinger, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of **Herschel and Edith Rubenstein**.

Sally Gallinger, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rose Gottlieb**.

Paul and Sharon Haberman, acknowledging the family of the late **Charlotte Switzer-Lefler**.

Paul and Sharon Haberman, acknowledging the **Schlein Family** in memory of **Nancy Schlein**.

Paul and Sharon Haberman, honouring **Harry and Roslynne Greenberg** on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter **Brooke Braverman**.

Sharon and Barry Kaufman, acknowledging **Sherry Kaufman** in memory of **William Savlov**.

Jonina and Robert Kwinter, honouring **Ilene and Stephen Flatt** on the engagement of their son **Bryan**.

Bradley and Corinne Lester and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Marvin Lester**.

Anne and Mitch Max, acknowledging **Jackie Kahn** in memory of **Bernard Waldman**.

Anne and Mitch Max, wishing **Stan Goldstein** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Honey Milstein, acknowledging **Anna Rosenfelder** in memory of **Michael**.

Honey Milstein, wishing **Debbie and Jeff Levman and family** a happy Passover.

Honey Milstein, wishing **Heather Milstein and Joel Baker and family** a happy Passover.

Honey Milstein, wishing **Robin and Steve Silverberg and family** a happy Passover.

Honey Milstein and family, acknowledging the family of the late **Karen Herman**.

Gary Pollock

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, acknowledging the family of the late **Joe Bogoroch**.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, acknowledging **Jackie Kahn** in memory of **Bernard Waldman**.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, acknowledging **Stephen Zucker** in memory of **Ernest Zucker**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging **Cecile Zaifman** in memory of **Bernie Zaifman**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging the family of the late **Sydney Cooper**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, acknowledging **Mandi Andrews** in memory of **Gerald (Jerry) Ross**.

Rose Sobel, acknowledging the family of the late **Michael Lawrence Turk**.

Beverley Stern, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ida Rivelis**.



**Monday evenings
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Maureen Tanz, honouring **Stephen Fremeth and Shari Tepper** on Ethan's Bar Mitzvah.

Nina Wallach, honouring the **Mother's Day Chai Tea & Fashion Show's** 10th year of successful programs.

Manley and Barbra Walters, acknowledging the **Giddens-Robins Family** in memory of Evelyn Ross.

Prayer Book (Humash) Dedications

Sheila Rubinooff and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rose Langer**.

Prayer Book (Mahzor) Dedications

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

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

The Gale Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Brenda Gale**.

Robert Beliak and Tamar Glied, honouring the memory of **Bill Glied**.

Robert Beliak and Tamar Glied, honouring the memory of **Sara Beliak**.

Mirian, Lana, Sheldon and Jamie Kerzner, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Morris Kerzner**.

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

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

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

Sheila Wynberg and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Pearl Waxman**.

Prayer Book (Siddur) Dedications—Daily or Shabbat

Shirley and Dr. Perry Cooper, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Betty Korzenstein**.

Sheila Dropkin, honouring the memory of **Arthur Dropkin**.

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

The Gale Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Brenda Gale**.

Allan Goldstein and Michelle Glied-Goldstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jordan Goldstein**.

Mirian, Lana, Sheldon and Jamie Kerzner, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Morris Kerzner**.

Howard J. Kirshenbaum and family, honouring the memory of **Betty Kirshenbaum**.

Howard J. Kirshenbaum and family, honouring the memory of **Izzy Kirshenbaum**.

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

Susan Laufer and Barry Greenberg, honouring the memories of **William and Ida Laufer** and **Jay and Estelle Greenberg**.

Michael Kraft and Lesli Marcus, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bernie Kraft**.

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

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

Brenda Orser, honouring **Lynn Levy** on her retirement.

Brenda Orser, honouring **Dr. Melvin and Ruth Steinhart**.

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

Hava and Moshe Rosen, acknowledging **Yvette Lerner** in memory of **Dr. Lewis H. Freedman**.

Astrid Bayla Ross, honouring the memory of **Robert David Ross**.

Carolynn Judith Ross, honouring the memory of **Robert David Ross**.

Dorothy Esther Ross, honouring the memory of **Robert David Ross**.

Joel Emmanuel Ross, honouring the memory of **Robert David Ross**.

Jessica Erella Ross, honouring the memory of **Robert David Ross**.

Kim Durella Foster, honouring the memory of **Robert David Ross**.

Michael Lawrence Ross, honouring the memory of **Robert David Ross**.

Pearl Chana Ross, honouring the memory of **Robert David Ross**.

Pamela Suzanne Ross, honouring the memory of **Robert David Ross**.

Samuel Avraham Ross, honouring the memory of **Robert David Ross**.

Stephen Rothstein, honouring the memories of **Sylvia and Isadore Rothstein**.

Daniel, Elana, and Jordan Shapiro, honouring **Harley Shapiro** on his Bar Mitzvah.

Daniel, Elana, Harley and Jordan Shapiro, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Daniel, Elana, Harley and Jordan Shapiro, honouring the memory of **Rona Shapiro**.

Avrom, Howard, Elliott and Warren Sud, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Sud**.

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

Dorothy Tassis and family, honouring **Rabbi Adam Cutler**.

Rosalie White, honouring **Manley and Barbra Walters** on their 60th anniversary.

Cecile Zaifman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Zenia Zaifman**.

Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum Fund

Beverly Stern, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ida Rivelis**.

Syrian Refugee Program

Fred and Jocelynn Engle and family, wishing **Robert Shnier** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Gella and Paul Rothstein, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Beulah Berman, Tillie Freeman** and **Mary Rosenfield**.

Susan, Allen, Sarah and David Schacht, honouring **Amy Soberano** on her engagement to **Jason Freedman**.

Victims of Terror Fund

Sophie Brockman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Louis Brockman**.

Bella, Zamir and Alexander Latipow, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Sasha Shpiegelman** and **Bat-Sheva Shpiegelman**, and honouring the memory of **Rachael Latipow**.

Yom Hashoah Candle Fund

Faye Firestone

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

Sylvia Singer and family, honouring **Eddie Kirschner** on his birthday.

Young Professionals Fund

Eric Sobel, honouring **Yacov Fruchter** and **Ryla Braemer** on the birth of their son **Sela Matan**.

Youth Initiatives Fund in memory of Adam Kruger

Stephen and Judith Kruger, acknowledging **Lorne and Mimi Anisman** and family in memory of **David B. Anisman**.

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

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

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Condolences

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

Faye Albert	Pearl Keyfetz
Denise Altman	Gloria Klein
Graham Berg	Samuel Litwack
Ira Carlin	Zina Mendlowitz
Ellen Shirley Cole	Allen Miltchin
Nancy Coren	Peter Munk
Dr. Lewis H. Freedman	Karen Papernick-Levitt
Morris Friedman	Gerald (Jerry) Ross
Harvey Geist	Dr. Irving Rother
Gerda Gottlieb	William (Willy) Rothman
Judith Gruber-Gardner	Beverly Tepperman
Shirley Herschman	Bernie Zaifman

"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:

Louis Kestenberg	Anne Turk
Reta Lila Newman	Michael Lawrence Turk
Bernard Morton Pullan	Leon Zigelman
Thomas Schwartz	

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 the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or info@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.

Wave Hello to Sukkot!

Shake a lulav—Be sure to order your quality Israeli lulav and etrog! Only \$45 per set.

Beginning on Monday, September 24, bring your family and your lulav and etrog to shul, as we joyously march around the Synagogue in celebration of Sukkot. Children welcome!

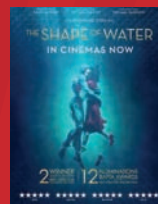
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MOVIES UNDER THE STARS



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



July 4 **The Shape of Water**

In this Oscar-winning movie, a mute janitor in a government research lab plunges into the extraordinary as she becomes drawn into their latest, top-secret asset. **Restricted to adults only.**

July 11 **Denial**

This courtroom drama explores the libel case by Hitler apologist David Irving against historian Deborah Lipstadt after she described him as a Holocaust denier. PG-13: **Adults and teens only.**

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. **Restricted to adults only.**

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

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.

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

FALL SERIES:

October 3 **Lilie Zendel**, former manager of StreetARToronto, share her insights on the “**New Face of Street Art**” as an effort to reclaim public space and beautify the urban environment.

October 10 **Dr. Suanne Kelman**, professor emeritus of the School of Journalism at Ryerson University, presents “**Fake News—Real Conversation**”, and the unfortunate collision of new technology, cynical, corrupt politics and the consumerist approach to information.

October 17 **Nissan Amdur**, Israeli Economic Attache, explores Israeli contributions in the fields of science and technology and the far reaching and incredible impacts on human life and living.

October 31 **Dr. Eric Miller**, director of the University of Toronto's Transportation Research Institute, looks at innovative implementations that will build the transportation systems that the GTA needs in “**Transportation: Today and Tomorrow**”

SPRING SERIES:

May 8 **Dr. Leo Adler**, a lawyer specializing in Canadian and international law, examines national security issues in Canada in “**O Canada, Who Stands on Guard for Thee?**”

May 15 **Elana Rabinovich**, executive director of the Scotiabank Giller Prize, shares “**From Ghetto to Geller**”, the story of how her late father Jack Rabinovitch went from a book seller on the street to creating Canada's largest literacy award.

May 22 **Dr. Avner Levin**, interim dean of the Ted Rogers School of Management at Ryerson, gives a timely presentation on “**The Protection of the Self in an Era of Smart Cities and Smart Devices**”.

May 29 **David Cravit**, vice president of ZoomerLive, ZoomerU and ZoomerMedia Ltd., looks at how Baby Boomers are literally revolutionizing ideas of aging in “**The Reinvention of Aging: How the Baby Boomers are Changing Everything**”.

Register online at www.beth-tzedec.org/login or call 416-781-3511. Pre-registration required.