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*Celebrating Selihot with*  
**SHTISEL**

**SATURDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 21**

**8:30 PM** Havdalah / **9:00 PM** Shtisel Program / **11:30 PM** Selihot Service

Following Havdalah, join us for a special program with actors and creators from the hit Israeli TV program, *Shtisel*. We will conclude the night with a musical *Selihot* service led by Cantor Sidney Ezer with the Beth Tzedec *Shir Hadash* Ensemble.

Ticket pre-sale information for Beth Tzedec members coming soon.  
Check our weekly eNewsletter for details.

*Shtisel* is an Israeli television drama series about a fictional Jewish family living in Geula, Jerusalem. Created and written by Ori Elon and Yehonatan Indursky, the series is considered innovative for its treatment of an irregular group of Orthodox Jews by stripping them of their political associations and depicting them as “ordinary” people. It follows the lives of Shulem Shtisel (Dov Glickman), the Shtisel patriarch and a rabbi at the local yeshiva, as well as those of the other members of his family. The series is available on Netflix.

# We Are a Camp Family



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**WE ARE A CAMP FAMILY. PERHAPS THE BEST WAY TO KNOW** this is to know that our youngest daughter Alana is 18 years old, and this summer will be her 16<sup>th</sup> at Camp Ramah in the Poconos.

I've been going to camp, in some way, shape or form, for my entire life. I've been a camper, a counselor, a *Rosh Edah* (division head) and camp educator. My wife Jody is still a camp nurse (without a doubt the hardest and most important position) and each of our kids have been campers or camp staff.

We are a camp family.

So as summer approaches, the Wernicks are getting excited for camp. Jody and Alana will be returning to the Poconos and I will be visiting Camp Ramah in Canada.

I love camp for multiple reasons. I love being outside and in casual clothes (especially sandals). I love the people; they are family. I love not having cellular service and being present in all the activities and with all the people. And I love the return to a more organic creativity that being at camp and without devices forces upon me. I love the activities and the rhythm of camp which is more tightly connected to the rhythm of the world.

And I admit that I am partial to Camp Ramah (though I support any Jewish camp that has an education mission). Ramah offers an immersive Jewish experience that melds the best of camp with the best of Jewish values. One doesn't just learn how to deal with communal living dynamics. At Ramah, one learns how to live *makhloket l'shem shamayim*—disagree for the sake of heaven—meaning at Ramah the value of learning to live and disagree in a communal setting is a religious value.

Spirituality, prayer and Torah learning are interwoven in the fabric of life. Everyone does it, even the cool people. Your counselor who you love to play basketball with or your tripper also wear *talit* and *tefillin* and can quote biblical passages regarding our responsibility to be stewards of the world while on hike.

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For me, I also learned important life and leadership skills, especially as a *Rosh Edah*. As a division head, I was responsible for the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of 70 campers going into grade 7 and for 15

counselors. We had to strengthen our program development, project management, interpersonal, problem-solving, conflict resolution and evaluation skills. Little did I realize then how much I would continue to draw on those skills as a rabbi and leader now.

Of course, anyone who has been to camp knows exactly what I'm talking about. Michael Eisner, the former CEO and president of The Walt Disney Company, several years ago wrote a book simply titled *Camp*. It is what one reviewer called a "Valentine to camp". In it he reflected on his camp experience as a child and how it impacted his leadership skills leading one of the most successful companies in the world.

So as the weather is getting warmer and summer is around the corner, I'm thinking about camp.

I am excited to see our Beth Tzedec Ramaniks at camp this summer. And I'm interested in hearing your camp experiences too. Post a camp memory or hope for this summer to our Beth Tzedec Congregation Facebook page and tag it with #BTlovescamp.



Wernick family at Ramah Poconos circa 2017.

For more information about Camp Ramah in Canada, visit [www.campramah.com](http://www.campramah.com).

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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
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# A Tradition of Service



I hope that you will join me as we build relationships for the next generation.

**I DON'T REMEMBER A TIME WHEN BETH TZEDEC WAS NOT A** part of my life. My grandfather, J. Barney Goldhar, was a founding Board member of Beth Tzedec and served as Chair of the Board. My father, Paul Rothstein, served as Chair of the Board and President. Beth Tzedec was always a topic of conversation at the dinner table when I was growing up. It was, in many respects, a family business.

I started coming to shul regularly when I was about eight years old. My sister Jackie and I would sleep at my grandparents' home after Shabbat dinner and walk to shul the next morning with my grandfather. We would sit in the Sanctuary with him for the first half hour and then we would head to Junior Congregation. It was there that I formed my first true Beth Tzedec relationships.

Howard Black taught me to read Torah; Ellen Kachuck led the Junior Choir; Anne, Elaine and Ruth Matlow ran the services and we tried to never miss a week. The early '70s were the heyday of Conservative Judaism and we were engaged, not just by the great programming, but by the Matlow sisters and every other youth leader of the time.

In the years following, Beth Tzedec was less central to my life for a long period. Like so many people, I found my way back to shul for life cycle events—my husband Michael and I were married and our daughter Emma was named at Beth Tzedec. But it was when my grandfather passed away that I started coming to shul regularly again. I was desperate to maintain a connection to him and sitting at shul for Shabbat services brought me full circle. There is not a day that I am in the building that I don't think about him. However, I never imagined myself on the Board, let alone serving as Chair and now President.

This past year has been an eventful one. We have just spent the last few months celebrating Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl as he retires as The Anne and Max Tanenbaum Senior Rabbinic Chair and transitions to Rabbi Emeritus. We held numerous successful events as part of that celebration—a weekend with Yossi Klein Halevi, an evening with the Honourable Chrystia Freeland, a panel with Supreme Court Justice, the Honourable Rosalie Silberman Abella and former Israeli Supreme Court President Dorit Beinisch, a Purim *seudah* with *Rabbis (Trying) to Tell Jokes*, a Lag B'Omer BBQ and a

tribute evening honouring Josette Frydman-Kohl. The celebrations culminated in a Shabbat weekend with Dr. Daniel Gordis and a beautiful gala celebration.

It was our objective to attract as many people in the shul to honour Rav Baruch for all he has done over the past 26 years. Rav Baruch has touched every member of Beth Tzedec—it's all about the relationships he built. But we are not saying goodbye as he will have a continuing role at the shul through The Centre for Spiritual Well-Being which is being funded by the Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl Endowment Fund. The fund has been created in his honour as a tribute to his profound contribution to our personal and communal well-being. To-date, we have raised just over two million dollars. We hope that every member will participate in this initiative as a tribute to the years of service that Rav Baruch has provided to us and the relationships he has formed.

So now we look to the future. Rabbi Steve Wernick joined us as Senior Rabbi in February, and both he and Rav Baruch exemplified what a positive and respectful transition should look like. Rabbi Robyn Fryer-Bodzin will join us as Associate Rabbi in August. It's an exciting time for Beth Tzedec.

Change is not always easy but with Rabbis Wernick and Fryer-Bodzin joining Cantor Sidney Ezer, Rev. Lorne Hanick and Yacov Fruchter, I think we are starting off on the right path. Again, it's the relationships that we build that will bring people to the building.

On Erev Shavuot, I had the privilege of listening to a panel discuss the benefits of diversity and the challenges of inclusion in the Jewish community. I heard that Jews of colour, Jews who identify as LGBTQ+ and Jews by choice do not always feel comfortable at shul. I am hoping that in the near future, we can change that. I love Beth Tzedec—it has always been a huge part of my life—and I want to make everyone begin to feel like they have a place here in our *kehillah*, whether it's at a service, learning opportunity or social program. It's all about the relationships we form here.

I hope that you will join me as we build relationships for the next generation.

—*Debbie Rothstein, President*



# The New York Cantors

*An Evening to Remember*

Thursday, October 24, 7:00 PM  
Beth Tzedec Congregation

For tickets and information, visit [www.cftau.org/concert](http://www.cftau.org/concert) or call 416-781-3511

## High Holy Days—*Ticket Pick-up Information*

Monday, September 23 – 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

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

Tuesday, September 24 – 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Friday, September 27 – 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Wednesday, September 25 – 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Sunday, September 29 – 9:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

*\*Erev Rosh Hashanah—The ticket office closes promptly at 12:00 NOON*

*Friday, September 13 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](http://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](mailto:kromm@beth-tzedec.org).

# I Strongly Dislike Change, but...

Our *kehillah* is going through a period of major measured change, all for the good.



**WE ARE CREATURES OF COMFORT.** WE rise as the sun rises, we face the east, beginning the day by recognizing that we are alive and well—and we thank our Creator for enabling us to do our thing. We dress, go to work or school, discuss, argue, hang by the proverbial water cooler—which of late is more likely the nearby Tim’s or Second Cup. Over lunch or some kind of snack, we replay the previous evening’s games, dinner or lecture and talk about the challenges that lie ahead. We look forward to the social experiences that ground us; like the sprinter in the blocks facing a big race, we prepare for what may come.

We get used to the pace of the day; the sunrise and sunset, the cadence of the days of the week. We thrive on patterns and, like engineers or gamers, we love them and use them to discover and uncover treasures. We learn using patterns. The regularity and pattern recognition allows us to predict what lies ahead. A child learns that B follows A. She learns that after she wakes, breakfast is soon to follow. We look forward to the early spring, the first swings of the bat or golf club. We find ourselves frustrated when we cannot plant our garden on or before May 24, when our pattern is disrupted.

Our Jewish life calendar provides a framework within which we can live our lives. We look forward to Shabbat; the smell of fresh *hallah*, the sweetness of wine, the faces of family around a table. The change of seasons that bring Shavout (“blintzes

anyone?”), Passover (“pass the matzah—and the prunes”) and Sukkot (“this year we *will* build our own sukkah”), bring communities together. Individually and collectively, we prepare for the High Holy Days, taking stock of our lives, pondering our future. We look forward, after a summer spent here or there, to renewing friendships, catching up, praying and being together in our synagogue.

Change can be good incrementally in our work and our lives but it can become difficult when thrust upon us. In today’s rapidly changing world, where it seems that instability is the new normal, the impact of radical or sudden change on the individual is manifest in stress, illness and difficulty coping both in the workplace and at home. We may find ourselves frustrated when the unexpected touches us, lost when friends do not show up as planned or when a meeting we prepared for doesn’t happen. Worse, when faced with real loss, our lives erupt with uncontrolled emotion.

Radical change causes an imbalance; suddenly days and nights can be confused and happiness becomes a distant memory. With time and support we regroup, chart a fresh path and create new patterns, we reengage and find comfort in the relationships we have with places and people.

Our *kehillah* is going through a period of major measured change, all for the good. Together we are breaking new ground with new initiatives, spiritual leadership and lay

leadership. As a team, we will find fresh approaches to program delivery, spiritual health and well-being and new opportunities for personal expression and growth. Your Beth Tzedec is all about creating the resources, experiences and community to help you use the gifts of Judaism to enhance your life and make the world a better place. We are embracing change and shaping the future of our *kehillah*.

Maimonides teaches that it is easy to drift to the right or the left (socially, religiously) but the most difficult task is to find stability down the middle. Stand on one foot, then close your eyes and “see” how difficult it is to maintain your balance. When we can’t see things around us, our normal challenges intensify. We are moving forward with open eyes, seeing left and right but not falling away from who we are or where we need to get to.

As we approach a new year, even with some trepidation, I am excited and motivated to be part of leading the changes that will bring us into a new future. I am certain that there are greater things to come!

I encourage you to come by for a chat or a beverage and share your thoughts and ideas. I am always here for you.





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

We will be eating and having our service at Rabbi Wernick's house, 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. 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 and drinks (incl. cheese and wine) must have a *hekhsher*.

**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. August registration information coming soon.

Please visit <https://www.perfectpotluck.com/GHHR3943> to register for the July program.

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

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# Mazal Tov to our B'nei Mitzvah

WHO HAVE COMPLETED OUR BAR/BAT MITZVAH PROGRAM



August 26  
Maci Lopez

daughter of Marcelo Lopez  
& Lori Rosenberg

מלכה שרה דבורה בת אלקא מירה



September 21  
Ryan Lapedus

son of Justin Lapedus  
and Danielle Lapedus

אהרן יהודה בן צבי חניאל  
וגיטה פיגה



September 28  
Ethan Charles Reiken

son of Cole Reiken  
& Deborah Drukarsh Reiken

איתן בן דוד ודבורה חנה



Congregational School  
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Directed by an accomplished educational professional and staffed by well qualified teachers, CSX makes a personal connection with every child.

At CSX, your child will:

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# Kehillah Inclusion Service for the High Holy Days

**Rosh Hashanah—Monday and Tuesday, September 30 and October 1**  
**Yom Kippur—Wednesday, October 9**  
**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. 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](mailto:info@beth-tzedec.org).



Getting into the  
Rosh Hashanah spirit!

**Apple Picking  
and Cider Tasting  
for 20s and 30s**

**Sunday, September 22**

Reservation information  
coming soon.

## SUMMERTIME

*Kabbalat Shabbat Service  
and Dinner for 20s & 30s*

**Fridays, July 19 and August 16**

Watch for registration  
information coming soon.

# Milestones and celebrations



We can't share your good news unless you tell us about it. Send an email to [thumphries@beth-tzedec.org](mailto:thumphries@beth-tzedec.org), or call us at 416-781-3514 ext. 212. **Deadline for the next Bulletin covering October through December is August 1.**

## Births

**Noa Esther**, daughter of LEAH MAUER & JOSH ZELIKOVITZ, granddaughter of BRENDA & MARVIN MAUER and JUDI CAPLAN ZELIKOVITZ & JOEL ZELIKOVITZ, born February 23.

**Talia Gabrielle Meira**, daughter of REBECCA CHERNIAK & NOAH KOCHMAN, granddaughter of SHARON & BOB CHERNIAK and RICKIE & UDI KOCHMAN (of Montreal), great-granddaughter of LIL COOPER and RIVKA KOCHMAN, born May 1.

**Izzy Jaye**, daughter of ANDY KRYSTAL & DR. ZOE KICHLER, granddaughter of MARCIA LIGHT KRYSTAL & STEVEN KRYSTAL and STEPHEN & SARI KICHLER and MEIRL KICHLER, great-granddaughter of MARILYN & THE LATE IZZIE (ISADORE) LIGHT, born May 6.

**Chase Gabriel**, son of MARNI & MICHAEL WOLKOWICZ, grandson of MYRA & STEVEN BLUSTEIN and REINA & IRVING WOLKOWICZ, great-grandson of RUTH & LONNY GROPPER, born May 7.

**Otis Cooper**, son of MATTHEW & JAIME ZIMMERMAN, grandson of GARY & ALISON POLAN and DANNY & ARLYN ZIMMERMAN, great-grandson of ZOLTAN & SARA ZIMMERMAN and ED COOPERMAN, born May 30.

**Harper Lace**, daughter of JASON & MARLEE LIBENSON, granddaughter of RANDY & ANNETTE GOODMAN and HOWARD & HELEN LIBENSON, great-granddaughter of FRIEDA BLANKENSTEIN, FRAN GOODMAN and SONIA YERZY, born May 1.

**Marlee Rose**, daughter of JORDANA LEVINE & ROSS FISCHHOFF, granddaughter of JILL & JEFFREY LEVINE and SOPHIE & LESTER FISCHHOFF, great-granddaughter of GITA SMOLYAR, born May 16.

## Congratulations to

**Dr. Sidney Brown**, who celebrated his 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday on May 31.

**Rhonda Burstyn**, who will celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on August 17.

**Seth Harrison**, son of ROCHELLE & MICHAEL KERZNER, grandson of DOLLY & MAX KERZNER, on receiving the 2019 Jewish Community Service Award, a student leadership award recognizing students pursuing a post-secondary degree who demonstrate leadership and outstanding commitment to the Ottawa Jewish community.

**Henrietta Kostman**, who celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 13.

**Bonnie & Larry Moncik**, who celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary on June 12.

**Amanda Ross**, on receiving the 2019 J. Shirley Denison Award from the Law Society of Ontario for her significant contributions to the "Lawyers Feed the Hungry" program.

**Dr. Sheldon Rotman**, who celebrated his 65<sup>th</sup> birthday on June 2.

**Rose Strauss**, daughter of JACQUELINE & LOWELL STRAUSS, granddaughter of SIDNEY & LOLA SOLNIK and GORDON & JOYCE STRAUSS, on receiving the Environmental Hero Award by the Community Environment Council of the city of Santa Barbara, CA.



Seth Harrison received the 2019 Jewish Community Service Award.

## 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](mailto:thumphries@beth-tzedec.org) with the graduate's name, parents' names, degree earned and university/college name. We'd also be happy to include a digital photo. Deadline for submissions is **Monday, August 5.**

### Many Thanks to

Liddy Beck and family, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on March 9 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Tom Beck**.

The Seetner Family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 16 to honour the marriage of their son **Jordan Seetner & Ashley Katchky**.

Edna, Jon and Ruth Hussman, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 16 to honour the birthday of **Esther Hussman**.

Norman & Sharon Gottlieb, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 23 to honour their birthdays.

Carole & Bernard Starkman and Lawrie & Ruthann Lubin, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on March 30 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Ettie Lubin**.

The Freiman Family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 30 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **David Freiman**.

Dorothy Tesis, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on April 13 to honour the birth of her granddaughter **Camryn Alegria Benadiba**.

The Tanenbaum Family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on April 20 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Anne Tanenbaum**.

Zina Glassman and family and Renee & Russell Sugar, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on April 21 to honour the marriage of their children **Nicole Glassman & Daniel Sugar**.

Rochelle Reichert & Henry Wolfond, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on May 11 to honour the marriage of their son **Max Samuel Wolfond & Erin Pollon**.

Albina Backman and family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on May 18 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Steve Rozencwajg**.

Michael Friedman and family, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on June 1 to mark the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Henry Friedman**.

Trudy, Debbie and Barry Shecker, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on June 8 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Florence Shecker**.

The Gertin Family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 22 to honour the Bar Mitzvah of **Coby Abrahams**.

Harold & Carole Wolfe, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 29 to honour the anniversary of **Harold's Bar Mitzvah**.

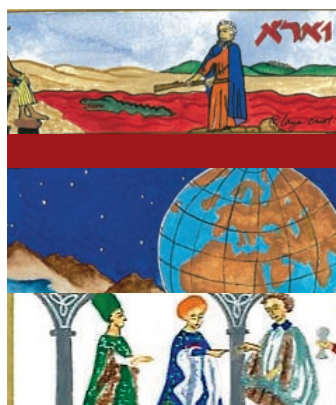
Marcelo Lopez & Lori Rosenberg, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on August 24 to honour the Bar Mitzvah of their daughter **Maci Lopez**.

Justin Lapedus and Danielle Lapedus, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 21 to honour the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Ryan Lapedus**.

Cole Reiken & Deborah Drukarsh Reiken, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 28 to honour the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Ethan Charles Reiken**.



Mazal tov to Bonnie & Larry Moncik on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.



## LAYA CRUST ILLUMINATIONS: The Art of Haftarah

To book a guided group tour, contact Dorion Liebgott at 416-781-3514 ext. 232 or [museum@beth-tzedec.org](mailto:museum@beth-tzedec.org).



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# 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 23 The Shoe Project**

Experience the heart-wrenching stories of female immigrants as they recount their amazing journeys to and arrivals in Canada.

**October 30 Lifestyle and Healthy Brain Aging** Dr. Deirdre Dawson, senior scientist at Baycrest's Rotman Research Institute, presents the latest research on brain aging and proven approaches to protect your brain health as you age.

**November 6 Canada on the World Stage** Dr. Adam Chapnick, professor of defence studies at Royal Military College, explores Canada's past, present and future, including its international interests and how and whether the Canadian government should pursue them.

**November 13 Volunteering Opportunities for the Betterment of the Jewish People** Ryla Braemer, director of Israel Engagement, USA Federation, joins us to share new, innovative approaches to connecting communities locally, globally and in Israel.

Register online at [www.beth-tzedec.org/login](http://www.beth-tzedec.org/login)  
or call 416-781-3511. Pre-registration required.

### SPRING SERIES:

#### **May 6 Which Species Should We Save from Extinction?**

Dr. Stutchbury, professor of biology at York University, explores the difficult and soul-searching questions we confront as we enter the sixth mass extinction event in our planet's history.

**May 13 Hidden Toxic Chemicals—Do You Know What is in Your Sandwich?** Corinne Berman, development director at Environmental Defence, discusses the unhealthy chemicals that are used in food products and ways to combat these issues.

**May 27 The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Museum and the Future of Jewish Art and Life at the ROM** As the ROM is embarking on a new, ambitious strategic plan to become one of the foremost cultural organizations in the world, Josh Basseches, director and CEO of the ROM, goes behind the scenes to explore the past, present and future of Judaica and Jewish art and culture at the Museum.

**June 3 The European Union—Challenges and Opportunities** Heather MacRae, associate professor of politics at York University, examines the challenges faced by the E.U. and the ways in which it has evolved and changed in recent years.

**COST:** Beth Tzedec members: Eight sessions: \$80; Four sessions: \$50 / Non-members: Eight sessions: \$100; Four sessions: \$70 / Per session: \$20

*Sponsored in memory of Anne Firestone<sup>21</sup>*



### A Purim Carnival All Tied Up

As is tradition, families enjoyed bouncy castles, face-painting, dancing and a toddler playzone, but this year, we also honoured Rav Baruch for his 26 years as Beth Tzedec's senior rabbi. In celebration, many participants donned mustaches and bowties along with their costumes.



### Building Our Own Beresheet

In anticipation of our Yom Ha'atzmaut and our "Israel is Real" program for families of all ages, staff members Klara Romm and Shirel Barkan-Slater built the shul's own replica *Beresheet* lander. Consul General Galit Baram took the opportunity for a quick photo op.

### A Sweet Pre-Passover Tradition

Just before Passover, elementary, middle and high school students gathered for our annual infamous chocolate seders. In addition to sugary treats, they enjoyed Passover activities and time to meet new friends.



### PJ Library Passover Celebration

In partnership with PJ Library, toddlers and their families enjoyed an amazing Passover celebration learning about Moses and the people of Israel. Along with fun craft projects, everyone enjoyed a story read by Isaiah Zabitsky.



### Annabelle, Our Museum Intern

Annabelle Kolomeisky is a student of History, Renaissance Studies and Material Culture at Victoria College, University of Toronto. In the spring, we were pleased to welcome her as an intern to the Museum where she fulfilled her commitment of 100 hours spent learning and working. Annabelle was particularly interested in our *ketubbah* collection and the influences shown in some of our collection to Italian art, specifically from the Baroque period. In addition, she wanted to learn about museum practice in general. From Annabelle's study of the Italian *ketubbot*, she created a poster for poster day at Victoria College where she won an award.

# Of Wisdom and Courage



It takes a great deal of courage to set out on one's own. It also requires a level of wisdom to be able to see the big picture and to take advice from others.

**IN THE FIFTH CHAPTER OF PIRKEI AVOT, THE BOOK OF** the *Mishna* usually translated as Ethics of our Fathers, Rabbi Judah ben Temah, a relatively unknown figure of the early 3<sup>rd</sup> century, shares two statements. In the first, he encourages his readers to follow God's instructions and commandments with the strength of a leopard, the swiftness of an eagle, the speed of a gazelle and the bravery of a lion. In the second statement, he outlines what actions or traits align with different benchmark ages: At age five, the study of Torah; at age 10, the study of *Mishna*; at age 13, taking on the obligation of the *mitzvot*; at age 15, the study of *Talmud*; at age 18, to the wedding canopy; at age 20, finding a profession; at age 30, the peak of one's strength; at age 40, wisdom; at age 50, giving advice ...

What is Judah ben Temah trying to convey with these ideas? In his first statement, it is not surprising to hear an ancient rabbi urge us to engage in *mitzvot* with urgency and speed. To me, it is the piece about bravery that stands out. Why do I need to be brave, why do I need courage, to follow God's laws? And in his second statement, how hard and fast are these ages and their corresponding characteristics? Is no one wise until age 40? Can one not offer advice until age 50?

When my daughter Mira turned four just over a year ago, a friend gave her two wonderful books as a birthday present: *Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls* by Elena Favilli and Francesca Cavallo and *She Persisted Around the World: 13 Women Who Changed History* by Chelsea Clinton. These books tell the stories of a cumulative 110 women spanning three millennia who impacted the world in which we now live.

One of the few women to appear in both books is Malala Yousafzai, the now 21-year-old Pakistani activist and Nobel Peace Prize winner. Malala has earned high praise for her work promoting girls' education and for persevering after being shot and wounded at age 15 by a Taliban gunman who had targeted her for her views on

girls' education. There is no doubt that Malala was and continues to be someone who has embraced her mission with speed, urgency and bravery. But as a 21-year-old, is she sufficiently wise to be leading this charge? Does she have enough life experience to be giving advice to others? Judaism is not, and has never been, a literalist tradition. If it was, then there would have been no need for the *Mishna*, *Talmud* and thousands of rabbinic and contemporary commentaries. We would otherwise be living a life according to what the Torah says, because the Torah and God have said so. Instead, thankfully in my opinion, we get to be the navigators of our own journeys.

It takes a great deal of courage to set out on one's own. It also requires a level of wisdom to be able to see the big picture and to take advice from others. If one tries to do this absent a framework of ethics, morals and behaviours, the likelihood of success is very low. The gift that Judaism offers all of us is exactly this type of framework; and the gift of Conservative Judaism in particular is that this framework is continuously evolving and adapting to the modern world in which we live.

The bravery that Judah ben Temah spoke of 1,800 years ago is still a necessary condition for Jewish life, be it choosing to wear a kippah or publicly displaying a Magen David necklace, incurring the additional financial costs of Kashruth, Jewish education and synagogue membership, and supporting a Jewish state that is increasingly isolated in the international community, just to name a few. It is not that Judaism will at some point end this cycle of needing to be brave; rather, it is the destiny of the Jewish experience over generations.

While I'm not quite at the age where ben Temah says that one has wisdom, my learning this summer is that while Jewish living might be challenging, it is incredibly rewarding. And while I'm even further away from the age of offering advice, might I suggest that being brave and trying new Jewish actions is exactly what we can all do to enrich our own lives and those of our community.



**Sunday, October 13**

**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.

# SUMMER MOVIE NIGHTS



Beth Tzedec brings back the ever-popular summer film series on Wednesday nights in July at 7:30 PM.



## July 3 The Museum

**Director: Ran Tal**

This engaging documentary about Jerusalem's Israel Museum takes viewers on a tour behind the scenes, delicately and carefully using a wide view of staff members and visitors to show how this exceptional cultural institution operates.

*Hebrew with English subtitles*

## July 10 The Interpreter

**Producer: Martin Sulik**

Wavering between comedy and tragedy, this movie focuses on two old men weighed down by the unresolved conflicts that have plagued their lives who are now trying to free themselves from them.

*German/Slovakian with English subtitles*

## July 17 Dinah's Piano

**Producer and author: Bette Elle Klinitz**

This special evening features a screening of the documentary based on the book *Dinah's Piano*, followed by a short lecture and a theatrical performance.

The documentary is the vivid and inspiring story that spotlights the extraordinary life of an ultra-orthodox child prodigy, Dinah Frimit. In spite of the adversaries she faced throughout her life, Dinah became an inspiration and a gifted pianist.

Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

For more information, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or email [info@beth-tzedec.org](mailto:info@beth-tzedec.org)

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

## GLASS-MAKING WORKSHOP

### for 20s & 30s

**Wednesday, September 11 at 7:30 PM**

Join us for a glass-making workshop in preparation for Rosh Hashanah with artist Marcela Rosenberg. There will be a light dinner and the opportunity to create beautiful artwork, beginning at \$40.

**Spaces limited. Watch for RSVP information coming soon.**





# Courageously Self-Aware

Spiritual wholeness or *sh'laymoot* as Rabbi Wernick calls it, is about making meaning, identifying sources of hope and better understanding the purpose in our lives.



**IN MAY, I COMPLETED A MASTERS IN** Pastoral Studies with a certificate in Spiritual-Based Psychotherapy from Emmanuel College at U of T, and am currently completing my final placement in Spiritual Care, working as a resident in the transplant units at Toronto General Hospital. Half of my time is spent with patients and the other half is in a group environment with other spiritual care students as we present case studies, share spiritual practices and, most importantly, dig deep into our emotions and increase self-awareness.

When in the transplant units, I encounter heroic and courageous people on a daily basis. There are, of course wonderful nurses, doctors and other health care professionals who do work that seems miraculous at times; living donors who literally give of themselves with some risk to their own lives to fulfil a mitzvah to preserve life; the families of deceased patients who make life-affirming decisions at their most difficult hours; family members of patients who visit and care with such love and devotion for their ill loved ones; and the patients themselves who cling to hope as their bodies endure ongoing medical interventions.

And if this wasn't enough to label these people as courageous, consider the incredible introspection work that these people go through. Through my spiritual assessments and interventions, I am constantly witnessing people who are exploring what is most

meaningful in their lives, the sources of hope and love and the purposes that they want to fulfil in their lives.

Spiritual wholeness or *sh'laymoot* as Rabbi Wernick calls it, is about making meaning, identifying sources of hope and better understanding the purpose in our lives. It is incredible that at the dimmest, scariest moments, they often turn inwards and wrestle with themselves, examining their values and the way they have lived their lives in order to best understand how to turn outwards and be the best person they can be for the people they love, for God and for our world.

Ben Zoma said: Who is mighty (courageous or heroic)? One who subdues one's [evil] inclination, as it is said: "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that rules his spirit than he that takes a city".

The reality is that controlling our emotions or our spirit are difficult tasks to be sure, but it begins with self-exploration and understanding ourselves well, both our greatest strengths and shiny parts of our personalities and stories, as well as what Carl Jung called our shadow sides. The broken and uglier parts of ourselves are still parts of us, and as we accept our mistakes and our shadows, we can learn to use them too, as tools towards wholeness. This to me is the epitome of what it means to be courageous—to continue to live deliberately and mindfully respecting ourselves as humans who are in the

image of God in spite of all the challenges we face as mortal, broken people.

On the inside cover of *Empty Chair*, a book of Breslov quotes compiled by Rebbe Nachman, there is a short retelling of an encounter between the *Hassidic* rabbi and one of his followers.

Rebbe Nachman said to his student: Is the chair that you are sitting in empty?

Shocked by the question, the student responded: Rabbi, I'm not sure what you mean. If I'm sitting in it, then of course it is full.

Rebbe Nachman responded: Well my dear student, if the person sitting in the chair feels empty inside, then indeed the chair is empty.

I have always loved this story because it reminds us that people are complex and that to really know someone, we have to understand and accept someone at a deep emotional level, not just rely on what you see at the surface, and this is also true of ourselves.

I hope this summer is filled with wonderful adventures and opportunities to further explore what is truly going on inside of you, as well as inside the ones that you love. And when you feel like sharing some of that with me, please know that I and the rest of the spiritual leadership team at Beth Tzedec are here for you, both on the days that you feel empty and on the days that you are filled with joy.



Exploring the Meaning and Observance of  
**TISHA B'AV**

*with Rabbi Steven Wernick*

**Mondays, July 15 and 22 at 7:30 PM**

Tisha B'Av, the ninth day of the month of Av (which coincides with July and/or August), is the major day of communal mourning in the Jewish calendar. Although a large number of disasters are said to have befallen the Jews on this day, the major commemoration is of the destruction of the First and Second Temples in Jerusalem in 586 B.C.E. and 70 C.E., respectively. Central to the observance of this day is fasting and the reading of the Book of Lamentations.

In this two-part course, we will explore the meaning of the day through a close reading of Lamentations and explore the issue of observance of Tisha B'Av in light of the establishment, and thriving, of the State of Israel.

No charge. Everyone welcome. RSVPs appreciated.

## 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 universities 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](mailto:rspiegel@beth-tzedec.org).

# My Rabbi, My Mentor

For *simhah* or sorrow, Rav Baruch knew each of our stories and was genuinely interested in our lives.



AS I APPROACH THE END OF MY EIGHTH YEAR AS PART OF THE *klei kodesh* at Beth Tzedec, I recall the initial struggle I faced in pursuing this new career path. One of the instrumental people who helped in completing this process was Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl. Though this will be the first *Bulletin* issued without him as Senior Rabbi, I could not think of a more appropriate time to thank him for the impact he has had on me as a cantor and as a person.

Beginning with my year of saying Kaddish, Rav Baruch encouraged me to enrol in the School for Shamashim, a two-year program initiated by Rabbi Roy Tanenbaum where people acquired a combination of skills and knowledge to become a prospective ritual director or *hazzan sheini*. He was one of the people influencing my decision to go to cantorial school at the Jewish Theological Seminary, which involved going to Israel in the first year of study, the importance of which has never been lost on me.

Since we have been colleagues, he has always looked out for my best interest and for the musical interests of the synagogue, advocating for musical opportunities wherever possible. The most recent case in point was at the UJA Super Sunday fundraiser. The Israeli President's wife had fallen ill and Rav Baruch was asked to do a *mi sheberakh* for her. He could have simply said yes and recited it. Yet as the evening's festivities included the singing of "One Day" by Matisyahu, he suggested to the UJA leadership the idea of singing Debbie Friedman's *mi sheberakh* and submitted my name to lead it in song instead. I was eventually joined by Cantor Beny Maissner, and the impact created from all the public singing was very powerful.

Rav Baruch has a special way of making things meaningful. Any of us who have had him officiate at a

family wedding, funeral or b'nei mitzvah would certainly agree. He has a way of transforming what at times can appear as mundane ritual into something more significant. At a wedding, the bride may simply circle the groom seven times without any thought at all, but with Rav Baruch, each circling has special significance.

Beginning with the first one, he encourages the couple to reflect on what they wish for the outside world, eventually moving closer to thinking about their extended family and friends, their parents and themselves. Before cutting *kriah* at a funeral, he gently guides us in picturing an image of our departed loved ones, whether more recent or longer ago, and to hold on to that image for support.

For those of us saying Kaddish and not proficient with the words, keeping up with any congregation can be a daunting task. Besides greeting and shaking hands with everyone at minyan, Rav Baruch makes sure that each of us is welcome and comfortable, slowing down the recitation of Kaddish when necessary in order not to neglect anyone. For many of us who concluded Kaddish, he took the time prior to the end of services to say a few words in memory of our late father or mother, to acknowledge our presence at minyan over the year. Even at times when people came back from a trip out of town, he made it his business to publically welcome them back to minyan. For *simhah* or sorrow, Rav Baruch knew each of our stories and was genuinely interested in our lives.

Saying goodbye is never easy and that is why I am thrilled that Rav Baruch will continue to serve the Beth Tzedec community, even on a part-time basis. He certainly has impacted my development and I look forward to continuing our relationship.

## Herend's Jewish Heritage: A Hungarian Porcelain Exhibit

**Opens Thursday, September 12**

The Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum is pleased to exhibit, for the first time in North America, Herend's Jewish Heritage. The exhibition is coming directly from Hungary and includes a collection of traditional hand-crafted and hand-painted porcelain seder plates, mezuzahs, kiddush cups and dreidels with designs dating back hundreds of years. Exhibit continues through January 5, 2020.





It's more than a program—it's a culture shift.

**WHEN PEOPLE TALK ABOUT RABBI FRYDMAN-KOHL, "GENTLE" IS OFTEN** one of the first words that comes up. Pastoral, compassionate, and comforting, the Rabbi has a well-deserved reputation for his kind heart and spiritual guidance.

That legacy—and the impact it's had on Beth Tzedec over the last 26 years—is what we hope to celebrate and ensure with the new Centre for Spiritual Well-Being. It will be a tribute to Rabbi Frydman-Kohl's legacy as well as an opportunity for us to grow and thrive together as a community in the spirit of *sh'laymoot*, or well-being.

*Sh'laymoot*, שלמות, is an ancient idea. Explored by rabbis and scholars for generations, it refers to the peace and contentment that comes from caring for your mental, emotional and physical health, along with your relationship to the values and beliefs give life purpose.

Those values and beliefs are particularly important today because we are living in a time of historic paradigm shifts impacting the very nature of the human experience. We are the most connected, yet personally isolated generation in history. Climate change, the global marketplace and technology are rapidly impacting how we work, how we socialize, how we communicate, how we behave and even how we think.

In this shift, there is anxiety, pain, uncertainty and insecurity. The Centre for Spiritual Well-Being will create a community of shared Jewish language and practices to reconnect us to ourselves, to each other and to the sacred in traditional and new ways.

More than a specific program or event, the Centre for Spiritual Well-Being represents a shift in culture for Beth Tzedec. With dedicated spiritual leadership and a passion for *sh'laymoot*, the Centre will embrace and expand Beth Tzedec's commitment to learning, social justice and relationship building.

## Modern solutions for modern problems

It is increasingly difficult to live Jewish lives in 2019. With new technologies and opportunities come new challenges, and many of us don't feel equipped to handle those challenges in healthy, productive ways. Here are a few of the issues the Centre for Spiritual Well-Being will help the Beth Tzedec community address:

- How to parent children with unmitigated access to the Internet.
- How to make a habit of mindfulness, learning and self-improvement.
- How to seek and find spiritual guidance in our most vulnerable moments.
- How to tackle large-scale issues like anti-Semitism as a united Jewish community.

## What does a culture shift look like?

### Expanding Current Programs

- Growing opportunities for Jewish meditation and reflection for all members
- Magnifying the impact of our *hesed* programs, such as Kadima and Out of the Cold
- Making learning opportunities more relevant and accessible to everyone

### Offering New Opportunities

- Establishing support groups for those touched by addiction, mental illness and loss
- Creating more opportunities for spiritual engagement outside of regular services
- Developing programs and events with a holistic view of well-being, including mind, body and spirit

### Forging New Relationships

- Launching small groups of members around shared passions, interests and goals
- Reaching out to those who may have been marginalized or ignored in the past
- Partnering with other congregations and organizations with proven skills in the field of spiritual wellness

## Who is making the difference?

A large focus of the Centre for Spiritual Well-Being will be ensuring that we have the most effective people spending their time on the most effective things and giving them the support they need to improve the lives of every member of the Beth Tzedec community.

Rabbi Robyn Fryer Bodzin is joining our spiritual leadership in August 2019 to help develop and grow the Centre for Spiritual Well-Being. Her experience in counseling and curriculum development will help her identify and meet the unique spiritual needs of our community.

Rabbinic intern David Lerner is having his role expanded, so expect to see more of him around the synagogue. He is already a valued member of the community and will increase his work with families and young people as part of the Centre.

You are the most important factor in the success of this initiative. The Centre for Spiritual Well-Being will be a resource for every member of the Synagogue to ask for and receive the tools they need to live joyful lives in the spirit of *sh'laymoot*.

So tell us what programs you'd like to see. Let us know what we can offer to support and improve your mind, body and soul. And be sure to make your contribution today, for the legacy of Rabbi Frydman-Kohl and the future of the Beth Tzedec community.

## The six virtues of *sh'laymoot*

Rabbi Wernick often talks about the spirit of *sh'laymoot* in terms of six major virtues—each of which offers an opportunity to better ourselves, our community and our world.

1. **חכמה** *Hochmah* (wisdom) celebrates the open-minded pursuit of knowledge and understanding.
2. **אמץ** *Ometz* (courage) reminds us to be brave and resilient, even in trying times.
3. **אהבה** *Ahavah* (love) means embracing all of humanity with kindness and compassion.
4. **צדק** *Tzedek* (justice) calls on us as leaders, activists and citizens of the world.
5. **רחמים** *Rahamim* (mercy) cries out for forgiveness and self-control when we have been wronged.
6. **קדושה** *Kedushah* (transcendence) demands holiness, gratitude and a sense of radical amazement.

Focusing on these important values will help ensure that we each live meaningful Jewish lives that foster gratitude, mindfulness and resiliency.

## Quotes from the Community

We asked members to share their thoughts on the value of the Centre for Spiritual Well-Being and the things it will offer.

*“The Centre for Spiritual Well-Being is a response to your desires and wants for the synagogue of the future. You have been heard.*

*The Centre will focus on wellness of mind, body and spirit in a Jewish context.*

*Complementing the vast array of social and educational and prayer opportunities already offered at Beth Tzedec, the offerings of the Centre will enable you to flourish and connect.”*

**–Rabbi Fryer Bodzin,**  
Incoming Associate Rabbi

*“Jewish Meditation enhances our spiritual well-being by focusing with 'kavannah' (intention) on the presence of God (Hashem, the Divine). Through the practices of silence, deep reflection, visualization, compassionate listening, prayer and study, we enhance our daily life with purpose, meaning, shalom (peace), and tranquillity.”*

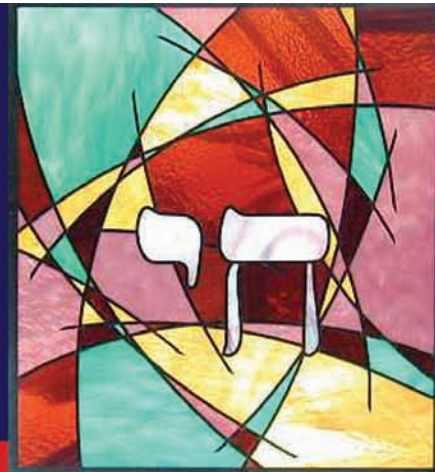
**–Michelle Katz,**  
Jewish Spiritual Director and Educator

*“As a long-standing and active member of the Beth Tzedec community, I am committed to ensuring the relevance of the synagogue to our members, especially the younger ones, so that it can be as fulfilling to them as it has been to me over the years. The Centre will provide opportunities to connect spiritually and communally, building on the legacy of Rav Baruch. As such, it is a meaningful and lasting tribute to his 26 years of service to our congregation.”*

**–Paul Rothstein,**  
Campaign Co-Chair,  
Centre for Spiritual Well-Being

# DAY TRIPS IN JEWISH HISTORY

With educator and lecturer  
**HANA WERNER**



## MONDAYS:

1:30 PM Refreshments / 2:00 PM Lecture

10 sessions: \$60 for Beth Tzedec members / \$70 for non-members;

5 sessions: \$45 for Beth Tzedec members / \$55 for non-members; Per session: \$14

### PART ONE:

**Achievers: For Them,  
Nothing is Impossible!**

#### September 16

Sergey Brin—The Google super-genius

#### September 23

Moshe Dayan—Warrior and  
archaeologist par-excellence

#### October 28

Shimon Peres—The darling  
kibbutznik who became President

#### November 4

Golda Meir—The powerful voice,  
the daunting builder

#### November 11

Barbra Streisand—  
Extraordinary talent and ambition

### PART TWO:

**Bible is Our School of Life**

#### April 27

Evil and Hope in Noah's Ark:  
A modern approach

#### May 4

The Challenge of Blindness: Samson, Isaac,  
Jacob and others

#### May 11

Rejuvenation and Resilience: Deborah,  
Yael and Miriam

#### May 25





Vision, Passion and Hutzpah: The midwives,  
Puah and Shifra and the five daughters of  
Zelophehad





#### June 1

Jewish Continuity: Dilemmas in family  
relationships—Moses, Eli and Samuel

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>August 2019 / Tammuz 5779</b>						
<p>3 AV</p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>4 AV</p> <p><b>CIVIC HOLIDAY</b></p> <p>8:45am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>5 AV</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 1:00pm Imahot (Matrarchs) in the Amidah with Rabbi Steven Wernick 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>6 AV</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>7 AV</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 1:00pm Games Afternoon 7:00pm Minhah–Ma'ariv</p>	<p>8 AV</p> <p>7:30am Shaharit 12:30pm Social Network 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 8:13pm Candle Lighting</p>	<p>9 AV</p> <p><b>SHABBAT HAZON</b></p> <p> <b>Devarim</b> 8:45am Shaharit 9:30am Mini Miynans 7:45pm Seudah Shlischeet 8:30pm Minhah–Ma'ariv 9:14pm Havdalah 9:15pm Eikhah/Lamentations</p>
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> 1 EULUL <b>ROSH HODESH EULUL</b>	<b>2</b> 2 EULUL <b>LABOUR DAY</b>	<b>3</b> 3 EULUL	<b>4</b> 4 EULUL	<b>5</b> 5 EULUL	<b>6</b> 6 EULUL	<b>7</b> 7 EULUL <b>Shofim</b>
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<b>September 2019 / Eulul 5779</b>						
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<b>29</b> 21 TISHREI <b>EREV ROSH HASHANAH</b>	<b>30</b> 1 TISHREI <b>ROSH HASHANAH DAY I</b>					
8:30am Shaharit 6:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 6:46pm Candle Lighting (Light a 24-hr candle before festival candles)	8:00am Sanctuary Service 8:30am Mezzanine Service 10:00am Short & Sweet Service 10:30am Family Service 10:30am Kehillah Service 11:30am Spiritual Exploration 5:00pm Tashlich 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:42pm Candle Lighting					

Beth Tzedec's bringing a Kibbutz tradition to Toronto!

# BAZAAR TZEDAKAH

**Sunday, September 8, 2019**

**from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM**

We're hosting our first-ever Bazaar Tzedakah—think Israeli yard sale—and we need your help! Bring your gently used/like-new housewares, books, DVDs, CDs, knick-knacks and other items for our giant bazaar. (Sorry, we are not collecting clothing in this project.) Items can be dropped off at the Synagogue office during regular office hours throughout the summer.



Calling all Families! Join us for this incredible bazaar where we will have wonderful items for sale, as well as craft activities, face painting, dancing and food and drinks. No charge for admission. Refreshments available for purchase. All money collected will be donated to community organizations.

For more information, contact Shirel Barkan-Slater at  
416-781-3514 ext. 239 or [sbarkan@beth-tzedec.org](mailto:sbarkan@beth-tzedec.org)



## BETH TZEDEC

### Short & Sweet Family Service

(especially for families with young children)  
Shabbat, September 14  
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 David Lerner. 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.

### Mini 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, storytelling, healthy snacks and guided play.

### Junior Congregation

(kids ages 6 to 12)  
Resumes September 7  
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*, Gal Goren and Alona Laufer. (Does not meet when there is a Family Service.)



Gal Goren and Alona Laufer, our new *shinshinim*

#### For Children 0 to 5 and their Families

### Sportball @ Beth Tzedec

Sunday mornings, beginning September 8  
8:45 to 9:30 AM (16 months to 2 year olds)  
9:30 to 10:15 AM (16 months to 2 year olds)  
10:15 to 11:00 AM (2 to 3 year olds)

Sportball is back at Beth Tzedec! Preschoolers can participate in fun, non-competitive sports activities Sunday mornings. For information or to register, visit [www.sportball.ca](http://www.sportball.ca).

### PJ Library presents: Let's Talk About Tzedekah

(toddlers ages 1 to 4 with an adult)  
Sunday, September 8  
10:00 to 11:30 AM

Experience the powerful meaning of tzedekah and its importance all year long, and especially before the High Holy Days. Shofar crafts, apple games, music sweet as honey and a story will prepare us for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. No charge, but RSVPs requested to Shirel Barkan-Slater by Tuesday, September 3.

#### For Families and Parents

### Potluck Family Shabbat Dinner

Fridays, July 5 and August 16 5:30 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 Rabbi Wernick's house, 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/GHHR3943](http://www.PerfectPotluck.com/GHHR3943)

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### Family Shabbat Dinner

Friday, September 20  
5:15 to 7:30 PM

Come together for a delicious Shabbat dinner and great programming for kids of all ages. A young children's craft program begins at 5:15 PM, with a lively 30 minute Shabbat at the Floor service at 5:45 PM followed by a delicious Shabbat dinner and older kids and adult programming. All are welcome to join for the craft and service at no cost. Cost for dinner, but all are welcome to join for the craft and service at no cost. RSVPs required by Monday, September 16.

High school student volunteers are needed for many of our youth and family programs. If you want to fulfil your community service requirements or would like to gain valuable experience working on youth-and family-oriented programs, email Daniel Silverman at [dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org](mailto:dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org)

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

# Shabbat and Yom Tov Mornings

9:30 AM to 12:00 NOON



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**Calling all young talented singers ages 8-12 and teens 13 and up for**

**Cantor Sidney's:**  
**@-SID**

(Choral Singers In Development)  
**Program**

Do you enjoy singing but can only commit for a short time? Earn school volunteer hours and a \$50 stipend singing with Cantor Sidney Ezer and the Beth Tzedec Shir Hadash Ensemble during a few special services and concerts throughout the year. Approximately two rehearsals for one to two hours needed in preparation for each event.

**Teens and young adults:** Have more time and interest to commit for the whole year? Have strong music skills and want to eventually be a full-time member of the choir? Earn school volunteer hours and \$50 per month. Rehearsals are approximately twice per month, two hours per rehearsal.

For information, contact Cantor Sidney Ezer at 416-781-3514 ext. 296 or [cantorsid@beth-tzedec.org](mailto:cantorsid@beth-tzedec.org)



# Our Shabbat Service Experiences

## **Kabbalat Shabbat Services** every Friday night.

Check our weekly e-newsletter, *The Week Ahead*, our website and monthly calendars for service and candle lighting times.

## **Sanctuary Services** 8:45 AM, every Shabbat.

Our musical Sanctuary Service offers a complete spiritual and liturgical Shabbat experience with Rabbi Steven Wernick, 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 7.

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.

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

## 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 14

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

Bar/Bat  
Mitzvah

CLUB



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

We are looking for students with a Bar/Bat Mitzvah in 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 who are seeking to prepare for this experience with peers in a program suited to their needs.

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

For information, contact Daniel Silverman at 416-781-3514 ext. 231 or [dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org](mailto:dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org).

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

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**DEAR TRIBUTE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND BETH TZEDEC STAFF:**

There are not enough expressions of gratitude or accolades to convey how grateful we are for all of the hard work, expertise and consistent support we have experienced over the course of planning and carrying out the many successful events for Rav Baruch's Tribute Year. Dedication to detail, follow-up on plans and their implementation required so much time and effort. It was truly a team effort.

Special thanks to Sheri Federman who worked endlessly and tirelessly to coordinate all of the many elements making up each of the *Tribute Year* events. She kept us all on track.

As a way of expressing our appreciation for this amazingly successful Tribute partnership, we are making a contribution, in your honour, to the Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl Endowment Fund.

Thank you so much.

—Elaine and Joey Steiner  
R'BFK Year of Tribute Co-Chairs

**Wine & Friendship — An Evening Honouring Josette Frydman-Kohl**



**Rav Baruch's Backyard BBQ with 20s & 30s**



### Gala Celebration honouring Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl



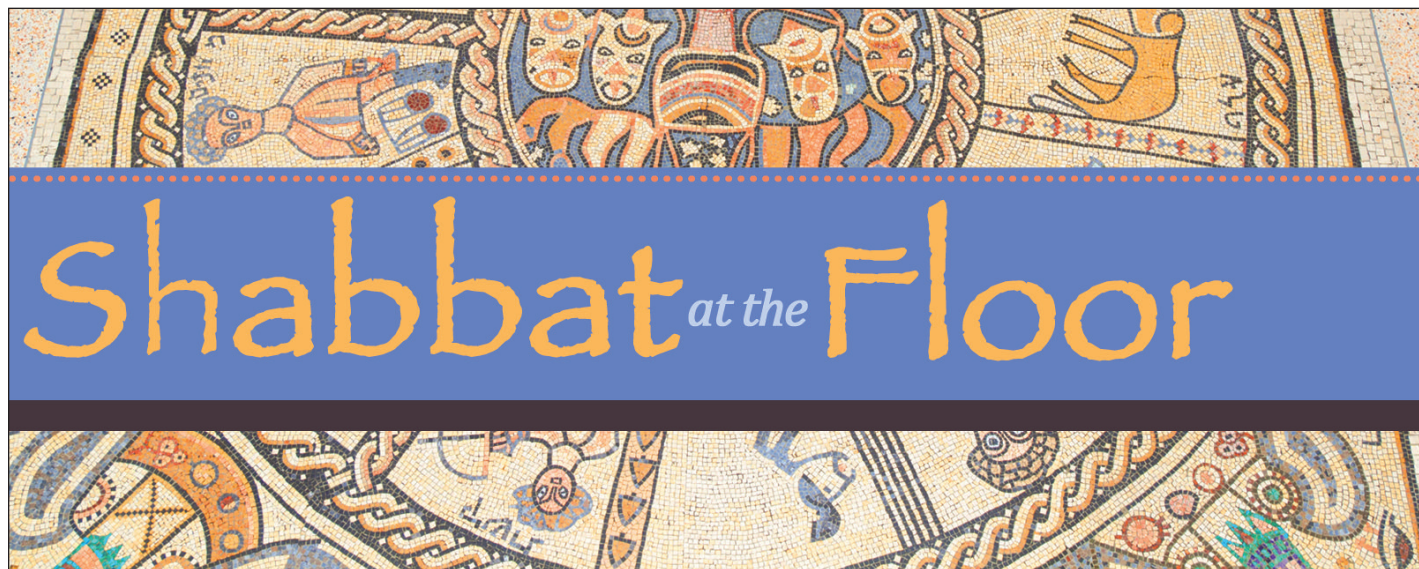
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## Shabbat *at the* Floor

**Friday, September 6 at 6:00 PM**

Join our monthly musical Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat service on the Bet Alpha Floor (just outside the Museum). Led by Cantor Sidney Ezer, Reb Yacov Fruchter and friends, the focus is on high energy and spirited, participatory singing. For more information, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.



# Mother's Day @ Beth Tzedec ... 11 Years of Tried and True Tradition!

**CHANGE IS GOOD ... ESPECIALLY WHEN** it comes to format and venue.

Our 11<sup>th</sup> annual Mother's Day Chai Tea was another wonderful success. For over two and a half hours, the beautifully transformed Mezzanine Hall buzzed with excitement with 120 women of all ages in attendance!

F + B's outstanding healthy menu combined with the sounds of Jet Entertainment, raffle prizes galore, a very interactive "Pass the Present" game and an inspiring talk by Chef Jordan Wagman followed by his enjoyable cooking demonstration left the crowd wanting more! We are indebted to Chef Jordan for his time and dedication to our event.

Thank you to our committee: Lisa Aaron, Rhonda Charlat, Ilene Flatt,

Laura Shiner-Freeman, Jodi Mandel, Joanna Mansfield, Marcie Mansfield and Ellie Richmond. Together, we brainstormed to provide an exciting and new program for our guests.

A special thanks to the Pollock and Gold families for their ongoing and generous sponsorships in memory of Ricky Pollock<sup>z"l</sup>. 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 custodial 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 gener-

ously donated prizes for our raffle. We appreciate their kindness and generosity, 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*, helping to defray the costs our synagogue incurs to sustain this worthwhile initiative.

Happy 11<sup>th</sup> anniversary to the Chai Tea!

—Patti Rotman, Debra Wolfe,  
Arlyn Zimmerman and the 2019  
Beth Tzedec Chai Tea Committee



*Save the Date:*

**Sunday, May 10, 2020**  
**12<sup>th</sup> Annual Mother's Day Chai Tea**

# Re-Introducing Faye Kellerstein

After a 12 year hiatus from Beth Tzedec's *bimah*, Faye Kellerstein returned to our choir.



**FAYE KELLERSTEIN RETURNED TO BETH** Tzedec's choir two years ago, after a hiatus of 12 years, when Cantor Sidney Ezer asked

her if she was interested in singing again in his newly-formed choir. It was in 1994 that she was originally hired by conductor Gordon Kushner to sing in the alto section; she enjoyed singing weekly for 13 years with Cantors Kowarsky and Finkelstein.

Faye was born in a displaced persons camp in post-war Germany to Polish-born holocaust survivors, Helen and Philip Zucker. Yiddish was the first language she spoke. They immigrated to Canada when Faye was three years old. From her mother, she learned Yiddish folksongs; from her father, a Torah scholar, she learned Hebrew liturgical *nushaot*. She began teaching her own bar mitzvah students from the age of ten on. In 1982, the women of Beth Haminyan Congregation asked Faye to teach them the cantillation for *Megillat*

*Esther*. The women of this minyan have continued to chant the *megillah* to the present day! Faye was hired as the *hazzanit* and Torah reader of Darchei Noam Congregation in the 1980s and as one of the b'nei mitzvah teachers at Beth Tzedec from 2001 to 2003.

Majoring in modern languages at the University of Toronto, Faye became a highschool language teacher by profession. However, she admits that music has always been her "passion". She began studying with private vocal coaches and doing solo concerts, combining her teaching skills with music as she presented a variety of Jewish-themed musical educational programs. For over 30 years, Faye has been both a chorister and solo performer in local and international synagogues.

At Beth Tzedec, Faye presented three musical lectures on "The Yiddish Theatre", the latest one for the series "*The Joys of Jewish Music*". Faye has done her part to keep the Yiddish language alive by teaching Yiddish to both adults and

children, producing a children's Yiddish musical play called, "*A Kid-dush for Yiddish*" with a cast of 18 children, and recording a CD of Yiddish songs called *A Feygele Zingt* with accompaniment (some swing-tempo) and arrangements by musician Jordan Klapman. It was nominated for a Juno in 1994 and some of the songs on the CD were aired on CBC National Radio.

Faye's recent musical highlights include singing at the Ashkenaz Harbourfront Festival, winning second prize in the Ontario Chartwell Senior Star singing competition and rejoining the Beth Tzedec choir.

"It's a joy working with Cantor Sidney Ezer, conductor Ezra Burke and the talented singers of The Beth Tzedec Shir Hadash Ensemble. There's a wonderful camaraderie in this group!"

Faye is married to Dr. Martin Kellerstein, a dentist; she's the mother of three, a daughter and two sons and the grandmother of eight.



**Monday evenings  
at 7:30 PM**

Sculpt your body, improve your strength and flexibility and relax your mind with certified pilates instructor Christine Biggs. Participants must bring their own mat and sign a waiver form. Class size limited. Pre-registration recommended. Contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or [info@beth-tzedec.org](mailto:info@beth-tzedec.org).

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# A Singer of Service

Gerry Posner introduces us to Beth Tzedec member and Shabbat regular, Jeroham Singer.



**ONE OF THE MOST FUNDAMENTAL ASPECTS OF BEING A** member at a synagogue or any other religious institution is just to turn up. After that, the rest is up to you and the synagogue.

Coming to synagogue on a regular basis was once a given. But today there are few that fall into this category. Happily, Beth Tzedec can and does produce many regular Shabbat attendees and one of them is not just there, but is one who makes his presence felt. Jeroham Singer is undoubtedly the one person who could be the poster child for Shabbat service commitment. You have a service and he is there.

I first came to know Jeroham when he was a regular at the Narayever Congregation. I would attend there from time to time when I came from Winnipeg to visit my children in Toronto. I was always amazed at Jeroham's ability to remember that I was a Kohen (he handed out the aliyahs), given that a year or more might pass between my visits. Later, when I joined Beth Tzedec, who should start to turn up every Shabbat but Jeroham—and it was not long before he was an integral part of the Shabbat service often leading the preliminary service and *Shaharit*.

I asked Jeroham how it came to pass that he became so involved in synagogue life. Some start from birth, but this was not the Jeroham Singer story. Jeroham was a product of the Morris Winchfsky Parochial School in Montreal which was then a Communist-oriented folk Shul. The focus was on Yiddish and Jewish culture. Thus, it was not until Jeroham was married and had his second child that his desire to become involved in synagogue life was ignited. Forty years ago, when their second son was seven years old, the Singers moved from Montreal to Ottawa, and Jeroham joined a synagogue led by none other than Rabbi Roy Tanenbaum. He was soon learning the various services with a group of men just like himself. Three years later, around 1981,

Jeroham and his family, now consisting of three children, moved to Toronto and joined the former Shaar Shalom Synagogue where he became more connected to Jewish melodies and services. He became so proficient that he was able to prepare his son for his bar mitzvah including the reading from the Torah and the *Musaf* service. Because women did not then have full rights at Shaar Shalom, Jeroham moved to Adath Shalom in Richmond Hill to allow for his daughter to have the opportunity to *lein*, just like his second son.

Jeroham notes with a grin that, even with his full participation in services at Adath Shalom and Shaar Shalom, these two Toronto synagogues both ended up in closure. Jeroham moved on to Narayever where he was a fixture for 22 years. It was there where he also learned more melodies and assumed responsibilities that included “*toiveling*” as the *Mashgiah*, prompting *leiners* as a weekly *gabbai*, leading Friday night services and giving Dvar Torahs during the Rabbi's six-month sabbatical and various other absences. Moreover, he was a long-time member of the Ritual Committee and *davened Pesukei D'zimra* at most Shabbats. In short, this was a Singer who really sang and then some. He would say he has traveled quite a distance from his days at the Morris Winchfsky Parochial School.

With all of that said, the lure of Beth Tzedec—where his daughter Debra and her family and as well his *machatonim*, Harold and Carole Wolfe, were members—was strong. So Jeroham and his wife Brenda joined and he has never looked back since. If you come to any Shabbat service be it in the chapel or sanctuary, you can count on Jeroham Singer to be there and to be a significant part of the service. He can do it all as he wears many *kippot* so to speak. Beth Tzedec is always looking for singers to participate in the synagogue service, but what it really needs is simple—more Jeroham Singers.

—Gerry Posner



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

### Prosecuting Evil: The Extraordinary World of Ben Ferencz with Barry Avrich

Tuesday, November 5 7:30 PM

Beth Tzedec welcomes producer and director Barry Avrich for a special Holocaust Education Week program with a screening and discussion of this gripping documentary.



### Sharing Words

As has become a tradition, we had the privilege hosting author, filmmaker and Beth Tzedec member David Bezmozgis for the release of his latest book, *Immigrant City: Stories*. The launch was held during our Passover Prep program series and was presented in partnership with JIAS Toronto.



### Out of the Cold Art Show and Sale

In partnership with Beth Sholom, we concluded this year's Out of the Cold program with the much anticipated Art Show and Sale. The one-of-a-kind art classes empowered the guests of OOTC to develop and explore their creative talents, providing them the opportunity to display and sell the artwork at this showcase.



### Shoulder to Shoulder

Over the past few months, members of many faith communities around the world have gathered with others in sorrow and solidarity. Beth Tzedec will continue in its leadership tradition, standing in solidarity with local faith groups as we did following the mosque shooting in New Zealand, the Easter church bombings in Sri Lanka and the synagogue shooting in Poway, California.



### Engaging Our Community

Under the direction of Zina Glassman, senior program coordinator for Beth Tzedec, the *Notable Speakers* lecture series has continued to grow, featuring prominent community leaders speaking about engaging and informational topics on a wide array of issues.

PICTURED: Elana Rabinovitch, executive director of the Scotiabank Giller Prize and guest speaker of the "From the Ghetto to the Giller" session, with Zina Glassman.



### Standing in Solidarity

On Friday, March 22, members of Beth Tzedec joined with faith communities across the region, standing in solidarity with the Muslim community by forming Rings of Peace around Syeda Khadijah Centre and other regional mosques before Friday afternoon prayers.

### A message from Babar Anwar

*I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you from the bottom of my heart for the kind gesture shown to us at the Syeda Khadijah Centre mosque during the Jumu'ah prayers today. It filled my heart to the brim with warmth and my eyes with tears. May God Almighty shower all of you with his infinite blessings and kindness.*

# Welcoming New Faces and Familiar Friends



**WE ARE EXCITED TO WELCOME Rabbi Robyn Fryer Bodzin into the Beth Tzedec family as our**

Associate Rabbi on August 1, 2019. Her energy, compassion and experience will make her an invaluable addition to our Spiritual Leadership team.

Rabbi Fryer Bodzin is a Toronto native. She attended Associated Hebrew School, was deeply involved in USY and spent her summers at Camp Katonim. Her work and education took her to Miami, Los Angeles, Jerusalem, Chicago and New York, but she felt a call to return to Toronto when she became a parent.

Rabbi Fryer Bodzin spent the last ten years leading the Israel Center of Conservative Judaism in Queens, New York. She plays a leadership role in Israel advocacy with AIPAC's National Council and is in the middle of her second term on the Rabbinical Assembly's Executive Council. She is also a Fellow of Rabbis Without Borders – an elite cadre of rabbis spanning denominations, geography and experience.

The new Associate Rabbi is returning to Toronto with her husband Aaron and their daughter Ariella Bella. She is looking forward to getting to know each member of Beth Tzedec and is eager to help launch our Centre for Spiritual Well-Being.



**WE ARE ALSO THRILLED TO HAVE Linda Marleny Dow join our staff as Manager of Marketing and**

Communications. A writer and strategist, Linda is passionate about telling great stories and helping people feel connected to Beth Tzedec.

Linda previously worked as a freelance content developer and brand strategist at Shikatani Lacroix, where she helped clients such as Cineplex, Tip Top and Maplewave find new ways to connect with the audiences they wanted to reach. She decided to transition to Beth Tzedec to use her branding and communication skills to serve a community she cares about deeply.

Linda and her partner, Joel Pearl, have been attending Beth Tzedec for the last year and have grown attached to the community here. They are engaged to be married in September 2019.



**FINALLY, WE'D LIKE TO RE-INTRODUCE David Lerner. Although Rabbi Lerner has been a familiar face at**

Beth Tzedec since he was our Anne & Max Tanenbaum Fellow last year, you can expect to see more of him around the synagogue as his role as Rabbinic Intern is expanded to two Shabbats a month.

Rabbi Lerner is a rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary. Before joining the Seminary, he was deeply involved in Jewish communal work in his native city of Detroit. He and his wife Alexis, who is a doctoral candidate at the University of Toronto, have recently moved to Toronto full-time along with their daughter, Magda Rose.



## The End of One Era ... and the Opportunities for the Next

On Monday, May 13, Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl concluded his final, official Monday Night Learning sessions at his "... and the Pursuit of Happiness" class with learning, celebration and cake! I know all look forward to his first annual lecture series as our Rabbi Emeritus. PICTURED ABOVE: Louise Cohn (top-left), Mary Ellen Herman (top-right).

# BETH TZEDEC CONGREGATION'S Book and Film Club Selections 2019-2020

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

All six sessions: \$100 for members of Beth Tzedec Congregation, \$125 for non-members; \$25 per session

(Limited seating available; pre-registration required.)



SEPTEMBER 25

## The Guest Book

Dr. Elaine Newton reviews Sara Blake's novel

A multi-generational family saga exposing long buried secrets and truths—not only providing a mirrored reflection of the privileged in America, but of the entire country as well.

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OCTOBER 16

## The Female Persuasion

Cynthia Good discusses Meg Wolitzer's novel

A timely novel exploring political activism, the second wave of feminism and identity among many other socially important themes.

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NOVEMBER 20

## Memento Park

Dr. Julia Creet reviews Mark Sarvas' award-winning novel

Mark Sarvas' award-winning novel examines questions of authenticity and identity, memory and father-son relationships, and the cruelty of the past and uncertainty of the future.

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MARCH 25

## The Iron Tracks

Dr. Harriet Morris discusses Aharon Appelfeld's novel

A peddler of Judaica, has been riding the trains of postwar Austria for over 40 years, ever since his release from a concentration camp, with a secret mission. Appelfeld takes us on a trek of memory revenge and forgiveness.

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APRIL 22

## Immigrant City: Stories

Author David Bezmozgis discusses his latest collection

This award-winning author and filmmaker shares his latest work, a timely depiction of the plight of refugees and their quest to be a member of a free world.

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in memory of  
Max and Beatrice Wolfe

MAY 20, 10:30 AM

## Precious Life

Dr. Juliet Helfield reviews Shlomi Eldar's documentary

Shlomi Eldar's documentary explores the attempts to save the life of a Palestinian boy in an Israeli hospital; a moral and political journey with epic implications.

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To register, please contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or [info@beth-tzedec.org](mailto:info@beth-tzedec.org).

## Thursday Games Afternoons

We are going into our sixth year and I am so delighted by the incredible turn out we get each week. On any given Thursday afternoon from 12:30 until 4:00 PM, there are between 70 and 80 participants enjoying a game of Mahj, Canasta or Bridge. So many wonderful new friendships have been formed, while others have become re-acquainted after many years. It has become a vibrant and social afternoon, filled with lots of chatter and great snacks!!!

The cost of participation is a toonie and the funds collected help to support this initiative as well as many other *hesed* activities at the Synagogue. Please consider joining us. This program is open to members and non-members alike. Mahj and Canasta lessons are available and are taught by Judi Rosen, a fabulous instructor. If you would like information on registering for lessons, leave a message at the Synagogue office.

## R'BFK Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service and Dinner

This incredible event honouring Rav Baruch was a huge success. The Herman Hall was at capacity, with all 40 tables adorned with incredible centrepieces that were filled with products that are most needed by Out of the Cold: tins of coffee, granola bars, soy milk, Tang, art supplies, personal care products, socks and t-shirts. These baskets were specifically chosen to honour Rav Baruch's passion and commitment to helping the homeless in our community and for his hands-on involvement in the program since its inception.

## Celebrate R'BFK Musical Shabbat Service and Dinner

I would like to thank Bari Zittell and the entire committee for working tirelessly for several months to solicit and collect the various items. The creative team of Caryn Ladovsky and Janna Walters lent their personal touch to make the centrepieces pop!

I want to extend a special thank you to Joey and Elaine Steiner, co-chairs of the R'BFK Year of Tribute, who did an outstanding job overseeing these fabulous events. Their involvement was truly a labour of love, which certainly showed, as they worked tirelessly to ensure that every single event honouring our wonderful Rabbi and Josette was meaningful, unique and special.

## Mother's Day Chai Tea

The 11<sup>th</sup> annual Mother's Day Chai Tea featuring Chef Jordan Wagman was a huge success, and a wonderful time was had by everyone who attended. I would like to thank Arlyn Zimmerman, Patti Rotman and the Chai Tea Committee for all of their hard work and dedication. As co-chair of Out of the Cold, I am proud to announce that proceeds from this annual event, totalling over \$80,000 to date, have been donated to Beth Tzedec's Out of the Cold program.

I want to wish everyone a healthy and happy summer.

—Maureen Tanz  
Chair, *Hesed* Committee



Maureen Tanz filled her car with the baskets from the Musical Kabbalat Shabbat dinner centerpieces and delivered them to our Out of the Cold storage space. Rav Baruch joined her for the ride!

Limited  
Spaces

## 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](mailto:info@beth-tzedec.org).

# Anshe-eh Zafon (Lake Region) News



## FJMC Convention

The FJMC Convention July 3 to 7 at Westin Harbour Castle will include a USY reunion and Mercaz meetings and presentations along with the dozens of other training sessions, shows, presentations and services.

## Man and Youth of the Year

The Beth Tzedec Man of the Year is Lyon Wexler and Youth of the Year are Gaby Milner and Seth Aronoff. The annual event will be held in September.

## Anshe-eh Zafon

Lake Ontario Region is now Anshe-eh Zafon, encompassing all of Canada. Beth Tzedec member Don Smith will serve as President of the region for the next two years.

## Family Blue Jays Baseball Night

Jays vs Boston - Thurs Sept 12  
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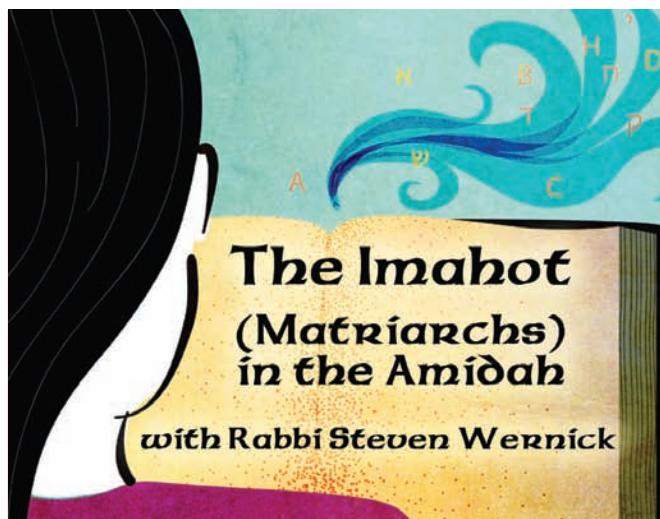
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**Monday, July 8 7:30 PM**

Join Rabbi Wernick to learn the history, structure and opportunity for innovation that Judaism embraces with regard to prayer, and the Imahot in particular.

No charge. For detailed information, visit <https://tinyurl.com/the-imahot>.



# Men's Club Makes a Difference



Photo courtesy of Larry Rachlin

## Men's Club Scholarship Recipients for 2019

At this year's Men's Club award breakfast, Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl had his name added to the Men's Club Honour Roll.

Hersh and Cheryl Rosenthal (pictured in centre of photo) organized the morning's program and ensured that there was plenty of food—including lox—for all.

Mazal tov to the recipients of the Men's Club scholarships awarded on Sunday, June 2, representing a bright future for the Jewish community:

**Ariel Cohen** plans to obtain a degree in Jewish studies with the goal of becoming a youth leader

**Seth Goldsweig** is working toward a PhD in educational leadership in order to pursue a career as a Jewish day school principal.

**Noam Blauer** Following a master program in Jewish studies at Hebrew University, he plans to prepare for a career in Jewish education.

**Surela Sussman** is enrolled in teacher training seminary in Israel and hopes to eventually obtain a Master's degree in education.

**Rachel Lebovits** Following a course of study in biotechnology in Israel, she plans to become a doctor to treat patients in Israel's orthodox religious community where there are few female doctors.

**Lifshie Lebovits** is studying in Israel to become a Hebrew teacher.

**Nechama Perman** is studying in Israel to obtain a post-secondary teaching degree.

**Lily Chapnik Rosenthal** is a three-time scholarship winner enrolled in the concurrent Law Doctor/Master of social work. Upon completion, she would like to work for a Jewish agency providing legal and social services to the religious community.

**Josh Gozlan** is planning to undertake studies in rabbinic and cantorial studies.

## 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

# Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl Endowment Fund

The Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl Endowment Fund has been established to honour the legacy of Rav Baruch. The income from the fund will power the programs and services of our new Centre for Spiritual Well-Being. Thank you to all of those who have supported this initiative.

An anonymous contribution, honouring **Avital Narvey**.

An anonymous contribution, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

An anonymous contribution, honouring **Rae Hatherton** on her birthday.

Claude and Esther Abrams, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Enid Berg, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl** and wishing him the best in the future.

Rosalee Berlin and family, honouring the **Beth Tzedec Men's Club**.

Rosalee Berlin and family, honouring the **Beth Tzedec Sisterhood**.

Rosalee Berlin and family, honouring **Cantor Sidney Ezer**.

Rosalee Berlin and family, honouring the **Executive and Board of Directors**.

Rosalee Berlin and family, honouring the **Hesed Committee**.

Rosalee Berlin and family, honouring **Lorne Hanick**.

Rosalee Berlin and family, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Rosalee Berlin and family, honouring **Rabbi Steven Wernick**.

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

Sandy and Melvin Brown, honouring **Bernard Papernick** on his very special birthday.

Sandy and Melvin Brown, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her very special birthday.

Halle Cohen, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl** and wishing him a happy Passover.

Barbara Firestone, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Ilene and Stephen Flatt, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

The Giddens Family, acknowledging **Aida Seetner** in memory of **Beverly Engelberg**.

Sidney and Nancy Golden, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Sam and Ronna Hoffer, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Eddie and Bonny Kirschner, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Pearl Lipton-Silver and the Silver family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Marvin Lipton**.

Marcie and Gary Mansfield, honouring **Gella and Paul Rothstein**.

John and Molly Pollock, honouring **Rabbi Jack Reimer** on his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Chuck and Anne Resnick and family, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, acknowledging **Elaine Glassman and family** in memory of **Allan I. Glassman**.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Debbie Rothstein and Michael Friedman, acknowledging **Alan Sless** in memory of **Maureen Sless**.

Debbie Rothstein and Michael Friedman, honouring **Joshua Zelikovitz and Leah Mauer** on the birth of their daughter **Noa Esther**.

Debbie Rothstein and Michael Friedman, wishing **Barry Phillips** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Harvey and Simma Shaul, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Skip and Lynn Sigel, honouring **Norman Mogil** on his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Lorraine Simpson, honouring **Ilene and Stephen Flatt** on the wedding of their son **Bryan Flatt and Sophie Gottesman**.

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

Joseph and Elaine Steiner, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Beverly Stern, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Isadore Stern and Ida Stern**.

Stephen Tanny and Sharon Weinstein, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Dorothy Tassis, honouring **Bonnie Moncik** on her birthday.

Line Troster, commemorating the 40<sup>th</sup> yahrtzeit of **Madeleine Veillant** and the 20<sup>th</sup> yahrtzeit of **Jean Veillant**.

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

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

Miriam Weinstein and Yossi Adler, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Rosalie White, honouring **Esther Hussman** on her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.



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# Tributes



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

## **Betty and Sydney Troster Fund**

Steven and Line Troster

## **Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund**

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

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, wishing **Barry Phillips** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Lorraine Simpson, honouring **Ab and Phyllis Flatt** on their anniversary.

## **Daily Minyan Breakfast**

Carole Ash and Martin Kovnats, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Nate Ash**.

The Berlin Family, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Dr. Seymour (Solomon) Berlin**.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Linda and Joey Friedlich, honouring the marriage of **Justin Friedlich and Marlee Klaiman**, and honouring the birth of **Cobie Rae Armeland**.

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

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

Marcia Gilbert and Rabbi Shalom Schachter, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Esther Hecht Gilbert**.

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

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

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

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

Ydessa Hendeles, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jacob Hendeles**.

Ydessa Hendeles, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Joel Zweigel**.

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

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

Jackie and Norman Kahn, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bernard Waldman**.

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

Michael Katz, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ricky Katz**.

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

The Leventhal Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Abraham Leventhal**.

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

Pauline Menkes and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Murray Menkes**.

Dr. Brian and Lindsay Rittenberg, honouring the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Ruby Rittenberg**.

Dr. Allan and Ellen Rosenbluth, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Annette Rosenbluth**.

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

Dorothy Ross, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Robert David Ross**.

The Rubinstein and Gray Families, honouring the birth of their granddaughter **Jordyn Noa Gray**.

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

Evelyn and Pearl Schusheim, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Hannah Schusheim**.

Arnold and Barbara Shell, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Gedalia Berenhaut**.

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

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

Bernice Stern, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Nachum Shmuel**.

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

The Teichman Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Bernard Teichman**.

Barbra Walters, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rita Taylor**.

Sara Wunch Glick, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Srul Irving Glick**.

## **Daily Minyan Fund**

Rosalee Berlin, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Harold Albert Green and Abraham Greenberg**.

Rose Sobel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Eleanor Charney**.

## **David Singer Memorial Fund**

Eddie and Bonny Kirschner, honouring **Sylvia Singer** on her birthday.

Bonny Kirschner, honouring **Eddie Kirschner** on his birthday.

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

## **General Fund**

Barbara Cole, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ellen Cole**.

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

Brenda Orser, honouring Cantor **Deborah Staiman**.

Brian Overstreet, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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

## **Hesed Fund**

An anonymous contribution, honouring **Marlene Laba**.

Dr. Gerald Arbus and Joy Wagner Arbus, honouring **Dr. Steven Strasberg** on receiving a Lifetime Achievement Award.

Dr. Murray and Faygie Buchman, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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

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

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

Hon. Jack and Sandy Grossman, honouring **Tilly Oslender** on her birthday.

Marlene Laba, acknowledging **Beatrice Barzilai** in memory of **Ezra Barzilai**.

Judy and Mark Libman, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Judy and Mark Libman, wishing **Barry Phillips** a *refuah sheleimah*.

The Matlow Family, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

John and Molly Pollock, wishing **Rabbi Benjamin Friedberg** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Millie Pollock, acknowledging **Rosalee Berlin** in memory of **Dr. Seymour (Solomon) Berlin**.

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

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Fern and John Spencer, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Mel and Ruth Steinhart, acknowledging **Ian and Janet Roher** in memory of **Howard Roher**.

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Sara and Zoltan Zimmerman, wishing **Barry Phillips** a *refuah sheleimah*.

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#### **Howard (Hy) Cooper Trust Fund**

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#### **Jewish Family Living Fund**

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#### **Jonathan Kahn Memorial Fund**

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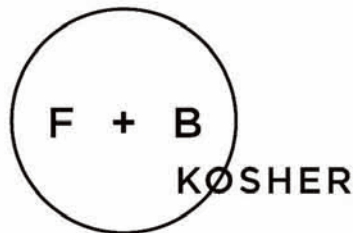
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Frances Ackerman, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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

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Newton and Claire Markus, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Anne Markus, Charles Gutzin, Jack Gutzin, Sarah Gutzin** and **Lyla Markus**.

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

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

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

Bari and Teddy Zittell, honouring **Ruth and Fred Fishman** on the birth of their granddaughter **Zoe**.

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Florence Bendelac, acknowledging **Michael Friedman and Debbie Rothstein and family** in memory of **Henry Friedman**.

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#### **Lorne Hanick Website Development Fund**

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An anonymous contribution, honouring **Barry Phillips**.

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Esther Hussman, honouring **Cantor Sidney Ezer**.

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Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging **Alan Sless** in memory of **Maureen Sless**.

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Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, acknowledging **Yehuda Golan** in memory of **Hava Kaufman**.

Melvin and Ruth Steinhart, wishing **Barry Phillips** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Anna-Lynne Taradash, wishing **Jay and Sandra Taradash** a happy Passover.

#### **Prayer Book (Mahzor) Dedications**

Marsha Bronfman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Edward Bronfman**.

Sheila Rubinoff, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rose Langer**.

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

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Arthur and Carole Andrews, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Nathan Anelevitz**.

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Michelle Glied-Goldstein and Allan Goldstein and family, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **William (Bill) Glied**.

David Weisdorf and Risa Levine and family, honouring **Geoffrey Brockman** on his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Brenda Orser, honouring **Helen Glazer** on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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

Rosalie White, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rita Taylor**.

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

#### **Syrian Refugee Program**

Teddy and Bari Zittell and family, acknowledging **Michael Friedman** in memory of **Henry Friedman**.

Teddy, Bari and Zach Zittell, acknowledging **Sandford Sussman** in memory of **Murray Sonny Sussman**.

#### **Young Professionals Fund**

An anonymous contribution, honouring the **Beth Tzedec** staff.

The Havurah Group, honouring **Rabbi Steven Wernick**.

Josh Zelikovitz and Leah Mauer, honouring the birth of their daughter **Noa Esther**.

#### **Youth Initiatives Fund in memory of Adam Kruger**

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### Condolences

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

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*“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:

<b>Morris Friedman</b>	<b>Marianne Patricia Ross</b>
<b>Blanche Helene Katz</b>	<b>Paul Gerald Walfish</b>

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](mailto: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.

# Yizkor Memorial Booklet

It is time to send information to include the names of your loved ones in the annual Yizkor Memorial Book used at Yizkor Services on Yom Kippur, Shemini Atzeret, Pesah and Shavuot for the years 5780. The cost is \$18.00 per memorialized name per household. Submission deadline: **Friday, July 19.**

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