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SCOTTISH NIGHT IS BACK BY
POPULAR DEMAND!

A Special

ROBBIE BURNS NIGHT

at Beth Tzedec!



Iron your kilt, dust off your bagpipes, and raise a glass!

Saturday, January 25 at 7:00 PM

Come celebrate the birthday of Scotland's most famous and beloved poet
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Sumptuous
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Three Fabulous
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Scottish Music
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Tu B'Shevat Weather and Israel

For me, Tu B'Shevat is linked to the idea of Israel Engagement.



RABBI FRYDMAN-KOHL will be teaching *The Many Faces of Avraham* as part of Monday Night Learning. See details on p. 17.

THE WINTER SNOW IN JERUSALEM AND THE ICE STORM in Toronto made me yearn for Tu B'Shevat (15 Shevat=ט"ו בשבט), the holiday that is the harbinger of spring. As it approaches, I am reminded of the song familiar to Jewish children around the world:

השקדִּיה פּוֹרֶחַת
וְשֶׁמֶשׁ פָּז, זוֹרֶחַת
צְפוּרִים מְרֹאשׁ כָּל גַּג
מְבַשְׂרוֹת אֶת בּוֹא הַחַג
ט"ו בְּשֶׁבֶט הַגִּיעַ
חַג לְאֵילָנוֹת

The almond tree is blooming
and the golden sun is shining,
birds atop each roof
proclaim the festival,
Tu B'Shevat is here,
the festival of trees.

Not only is Tu B'Shevat associated with almonds blossoming, it is also linked to birds chirping and Shabbat Shirah, the Shabbat of Song. On that Shabbat, we chant the Song by the Sea (Exodus 15) to celebrate the crossing of the Red Sea and the liberation from Egypt. A legend imagines birds joining the people of Israel in song at the splitting of the Sea and the recently liberated children joyfully feeding the birds.

The bio-geography of Israel also explains the association of birds, Tu B'Shevat, and the migration of the people of Israel from Egypt. Israel is a land bridge where Africa, Europe and Asia meet, and the Syrian-African Rift (6,000 kilometres from the edge of Turkey to Mozambique) is a natural flyway that directs birds into the airspace of the Land of Promise enabling the avians to avoid the arduous crossing of the Mediterranean Ocean.

Each autumn and spring, almost one billion birds, representing over five hundred species, traverse the airspace over this sacred strip of land. As the prophet Jeremiah stated, "The stork in the sky knows her appointed times; and the dove, the swift and the thrush observe their time of migration." Tu B'Shevat occurs at a time of high migration patterns, so the birds have a natural association with the season and a symbolic connection to the historic departure from Egypt. The birds are also portents of peace; movement between Israel and the Palestinian territories is not always possible for those on two feet, but the migration of those with two wings knows no borders. There are still some spaces to join our "edgy" Path of Abraham study mission (March 4-14) to Israel and the Palestinian Territories (see ad on page 38).

For me, Tu B'Shevat is also linked to the idea of Israel Engagement, a project that I have championed in our congregation and community. It represents a time when Rav Adam studies at the Hartman Institute and we plan our many Israel-oriented programs for the coming year. It is also when we select our *Shinshinim*, the Young Emissaries who bring so much enthusiasm, energy and excitement to Beth Tzedec. This year, Rabbi Cutler, our Youth Director, Aily Leibtag, and our President, Carolyn Kolers, will be in Israel with our partners from Robbins Hebrew Academy to select next year's two *Shinshinim*.

The Tu B'Shevat time is also when young people from our Congregation begin to think about spending the next year studying in Israel at TRY (*Tikhon Ramah Yerushalayim*) for high school students, study/volunteer programs (such as Nativ, Aardvark or a yeshivah) for a post-high school gap year, or university study as a visiting student at one of the fine academic institutions of Israel.



STANDING L-R: Zach Zittell, Ori Unterman, Moran Dinur, Rav Baruch and Gal Perlman. **SEATED L-R:** Rafi Frydman-Kohl, Noam Cotton and Inbar Erez

Recently, Josette and I spent time in Jerusalem, enjoying the delights and duties of being Savta and Sabba to our two-year old granddaughter, Ilana, and our newly born grandson, Amichai Menashe. Shopping, cooking, cleaning, running errands, and serving as a temporary shelter (during the snowstorm) were our joyful responsibilities. While there, I was able to meet with five young people studying this year in Israel: Sara Kahn (Hebrew University), Noam Cotton (*Yeshivat Hesder Petah Tikva*), Aaron Cherniak (Hebrew University), Zachary Zittell (Aardvark gap year program) and Arielle Opler (Nativ gap year program).

I also had the opportunity to take a group of our former *Shinshinim* (Young Emissaries) out for dinner. I expect Israel to have a powerful impact on our youth, but I was struck by the effect that a year at Beth Tzedec, with our families and young people, had on the Israelis. At dinner, the *Shinshinim* spoke about the relationships with our families, the importance of maintaining those friendships, the connections Beth Tzedec families made with their families back in Israel, a new awareness of the strength and vitality of Diaspora Jewish life, and a deep connection to Judaism practiced in a way they don't experience in Israel. We are grateful to the Weisdorf family for their generous contributions which have supported our participation in this vital program.

Bonds are forged that go far beyond what we anticipated when initiating the program and extend far beyond the year of service to Beth Tzedec. After five years, we see that our host families often spend time with the *Shinshinim* and their families on subsequent visits to Israel. Equally important, after they leave us, the *Shinshinim* enter Army service, but they remain connected to Beth Tzedec. They remain in contact via Skype and Facebook, attend b'nei mitzvah, grieve with our families, introduce significant partners to host families, and meet for vacations in Europe and Israel. As one of the former *Shinshinim* said during dinner, "Anyone who wants to understand me has to grasp how this year at Beth Tzedec changed my life."

At Beth Tzedec, we plant for the future. The almond trees blossom in Israel, and Jewish life blooms on Bathurst.



To listen to the Tu B'Shevat song, visit www.mywesternwall.net/files/2011/01/ha-shkediya_porakhat.mp3

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A Mid-Year Update



It is always busy at our Synagogue, and the closing weeks of 2013 were no exception.



DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE

to hear about the plans to renovate
Beth Tzedec—Sunday, February 9.
See details on p. 6.

THE ARRIVAL OF JANUARY MARKS THE MIDWAY POINT through our year and, as always, the time has passed incredibly quickly. I hope that you are well and that you have managed through the past few difficult weeks, with the ice storm, the resultant power outages and the extraordinary cold.

At Beth Tzedec

It is always busy at our Synagogue, and the closing weeks of 2013 were no exception. The *From the Heart* event was a very special evening; I thank those of you who attended or otherwise supported this unique event that we produced in partnership with the Canadian Friends of Shaare Zedek Hospital. An article about the evening appears elsewhere in this *Bulletin*, but I want to express my personal appreciation to the Event Co-chairs, Norman Bacal (also very busy with his work as our Chair of Fundraising) and Bernie Abrams, and to our staff, especially Randy Spiegel and Sheri Federman, whose efforts were critical to making the evening a success. Applause Catering did a phenomenal job.

We opened our doors to the community again this year on December 25th for our fifth annual *Family Fun Day*. Almost 300 people joined us, about 80% of whom were not Beth Tzedec members. They brought their young children for a welcome day of activities, taking the opportunity to experience the family and youth programming we offer. Thanks to all of the volunteers who helped out that day, with smiles on their faces, and to Daniel Silverman, Aily Leibtag and Jo Swartz, and the Families Committee led by its Chair, Shira Liquornik, for their coordination and planning, and ongoing work to reach out to the families who attended.

Building Improvements and Upcoming Town Hall Meetings

After being closed for a month, the Hendeles Chapel reopened sporting a refreshed look, which includes new

carpeting, paint and seat cushions. The Chapel is the most used public space in the building, as the site for services (and other activities) 365 days a year. Be sure to walk in when you're next in the shul. We are grateful to the Beth Tzedec Men's Club for its contribution of \$14,500 (the proceeds of the first annual Men's Club Golf Classic which took place last May) which was used toward the cost of these aesthetic improvements.

Robbins Hebrew Academy has also been busy working on improvements to our shared physical space. Last summer, the Lower Hall was completely made over into a new Learning Commons, called the *L'Chaim Hall*, dedicated in memory of our late member, and USDS Past President, Harvey Joseph^z™. And work continues outside the Warwick Avenue school wing to create a new outdoor play space for the school.

We are ready to share our plans for the renewal of our almost 60 year-old building. As promised, we are inviting you to come hear about the proposals for expansion and renovation. This is in large part thanks to the excellent work of our Renovation Committee, under the leadership of Stephen Kauffman, which, in consultation with the Board, has been refining plans over the past several months. Please join us at one of the two Town Hall meetings set for **Sunday, February 9 (at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.)** to learn about these important plans to refresh the building, adapting it to meet our current needs, and ensuring that we have flexible, up-to-date spaces within it. A key consideration of our work has been respect for and commitment to sustaining the historic and architectural integrity and features of our mid-20th century landmark.

Given the number of our members who winter in Florida, we also hope to bring this important presentation to Boca Raton at the end of February. If you would be interested in attending a Florida presentation, please send me an email at president@beth-tzedec.org so we can plan accordingly.

**We've Launched our New Weekly E-Newsletter:
*The Week Ahead***

We are very excited to be launching *The Week Ahead*, our new weekly e-newsletter. This new format (which includes a version for those who want to know what's happening in the Little Minyan) is designed to clearly showcase the information you want, and includes easy links to our website to access more detailed information. By pairing the weekly e-newsletter to the website, we offer you seamless, timely information, available on your smart phones and computers. **If your email address is not on file with us, you are missing out; now is the time to remedy that simply by sending a note to info@beth-tzedec.org.** Within the coming weeks, you will be asked to update your profile and to select your communication preferences. This will be your opportunity to choose the information you want to receive about areas of programming in the shul, based on your interests and needs. For example,

you will be able to subscribe to receive updates geared to Young Professionals, Families or Youth, or for Music or Adult Education events, or for periodic news about the Museum or the Library. Your up-to-date member profile will be your key to accessing upcoming web-based services, such as the ability to register for events, buy tickets and donate online.

After a few staffing changes in the Communications area, we are very pleased to announce that Terri Humphries has taken on the position of Communications Coordinator which she will officially commence after her return from a well-deserved extended vacation. Thanks to our staff and volunteers for helping to cover during Terri's absence.

Wishing you a safe winter (which hopefully includes at least a little escape from our terribly cold climate). And I hope to see you on February 9!

Beth Tzedec's Renovations—Town Hall Meetings

Sunday, February 9 – 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Join us as we present the plans to renovate Beth Tzedec!

We invite you to learn how we plan to refresh our building, adapt it to meet our current needs, and ensure that we have flexible, up-to-date spaces within it, while maintaining the key historic and architectural integrity and features of our mid-20th century landmark shul.

Please join us at either session to hear the vision and share your comments.

Note: We are considering holding a similar meeting in Boca Raton, Florida in late February. If you would be interested in attending, please send an email to president@beth-tzedec.org.



Would you be interested in joining Rav Baruch Frydman-Kohl for a Bar/Bat Mitzvah Family Tour to Israel in December 2014?

To learn more, contact Lynn Levy at 416-781-3514 ext. 227 or llevy@beth-tzedec.org.

Mazal Tov to our B'nei Mitzvah

WHO HAVE COMPLETED OUR
BAR/BAT MITZVAH PROGRAM



February 1
Lauren Jaime Schwartz
daughter of Jordan &
Michelle Schwartz
נעמי בת הערשל ומיכל



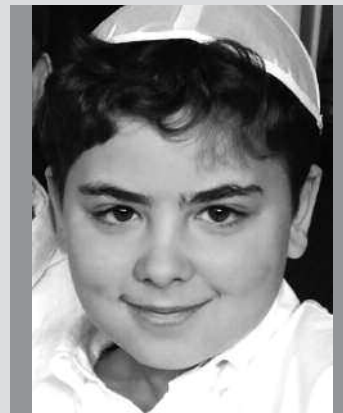
February 17
David Allan Wagman
son of Martin &
Lillian Wagman
דוד בן משה הלוי
ובתולה גיטל



(IN THE LITTLE MINYAN) **March 1**
Tali Sarah Pukier
daughter of Brian &
Joanne Pukier
טלי שרה בת ברוך משה
וחנה גיטל



March 20
Shawn Freedman
son of Robert Freedman
& Caren Baker-Freedman
שעיה בן ראובן משה
וחיה ברכה



(IN THE LITTLE MINYAN) **March 22**
Aaron Nash
son of Stephen Nash
& Janice Goldberg
אהרן משה בן שמואל וגיטל

Thank You!

Beth Tzedec is very
grateful to
Faye Firestone
for her
recent generous gift in
support of Bar/Bat
Mitzvah Tutoring.

Todah Rabah!

VOICES OF TOMORROW BETH TZEDEC CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children ages 7 and up who enjoy singing are invited to be a part of our Children's Choir. This musical group will sing with the Beth Tzedec Singers on Shabbat Shirah Weekend, and will perform in concerts and for the Congregation.

For information or to register, please
contact Marlene Laba at 416-781-3514 ext. 234 or
mlaba@beth-tzedec.org or Cantor Simon Spiro at ext. 223
or cantorsimon@beth-tzedec.org.



FAMILY SHABBAT DINNER AND WINE TASTING

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7 BEGINNING AT 5:45 PM

An enriching Family Shabbat program with stories, songs and *Tefillah* highlights, followed by dinner at 6:30 PM. After dinner, adults will swirl, sniff and sip a variety of Kosher wines. Learn what wines you love and why you love them. Kids will join our *shinshinim* Maya and Barak for a fun post-dinner activity.

Cost: \$36 for adults; \$18 for children ages 6 to 14; \$6 for children ages 1 to 5. Dinner by advance registration only. Reservation deadline: **Tuesday, February 4.**

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



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Celebrate • Honour • Commemorate
Choose 'Treasures of Beth Tzedec' Tribute Cards

Our Purim cards feature a *greggar* (pictured) from the *Beth Tzedec Reuben and Helene Dennis Museum* collection. These beautiful cards are available in two ways:

1. **Pick up cards from the Synagogue office for you to personalize and send** at a cost of \$54 for a package of 12 cards or \$5 per card.
2. **We inscribe and mail them for you** at a cost of \$10 per card (minimum order of 12 cards)—just provide us with an address list and your personal message, and we'll do the rest!



All contributions are fully tax receiptable. For more information or to order, contact Avital at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

**SAVE
THE DATE!**

Don't Miss the Sixth Annual Mother's Day Chai Tea and Fashion Show on **Sunday, May 11 at 2:30 PM**. This year's theme is *Mad Hatter's Tea Party*.

Milestones and celebrations



Remember—we can't share your good news unless you tell us about it. Send an email to bulletin@beth-tzedec.org, or call us at 416-781-3514 ext. 212, or send a fax to 416-781-0150. **Deadline for the next Bulletin is February 28.**

Births

Jory Leigh, daughter of DAVID & NAOMI COLLA, granddaughter of DR. SIMON & MARSHAL COLLA and JOE & LINDA TITLEMAN of Montreal, great-granddaughter of MALKA COLLA and EVELYN & THE LATE DR. NATHAN LEVINNE, born October 8.

Eddie Jack, son of CASEY & ERIC SILVERBERG, grandson of RAINA SILVERBERG, MURRAY SILVERBERG, CATHY & MURRAY BELZBERG and EARL GORMAN, great-grandson of JENNY & HY BELZBERG of Calgary, SARAH & HARRY GORMAN, BETTY WINSTON and LEAH ZUCKER, born October 27.

Amichai Menashe, son of YAKOV & SARAH KOHL, grandson of RAV BARUCH & JOSETTE FRYDMAN-KOHL and DANIEL & THE LATE ELAINE NEMZER, born November 9 in Jerusalem.

Roxie Star, daughter of MATTEA WINTRE & STEVE INDIG, granddaughter of DR. MAXINE GALLANDER WINTRE, DAVID WINTRE and ROSALIE & VICTOR INDIG of Yarmouth, NS, great-granddaughter of HELAINE GALLANDER and GERT STAR, born November 25.

Jake Gray, son of ALLIE & ELLIOT GOODMAN, grandson of RANDY & HOWARD ROSEN and SANDRA & KERRY GOODMAN, great-grandson of GINA & SIDNEY BROWN, PEARL ROSEN and HINDA KORN, great-great-grandson of BERTHA KERBEL, born November 26.

Alexandra Rose, daughter of SHERYL & JACOB JESIN, granddaughter of BONNIE & IGOR KORENZVIT, EVIE JESIN and PAUL JESIN, great-granddaughter of LOU BEVERSTEIN, GLORIA & HAYYIM FEINBERG and BESIA & ISAAC JESIN, born December 12.

Weddings

Rebecca Richman, daughter of ROBERT (BUTCH) & MARLENE MANDEL, and **Michael Hershorn**, son of SANDRA & THE LATE WILLIAM HERSHORN, who will be married on January 26.

Bradley Hennick, son of BARBARA & JAY HENNICK, and **Hilary Kwinter**, daughter of CATHY & AARON KWINTER, who will be married March 1.

Congratulations to

Ari Grossman, who received his Masters of Business Administration degree, and was appointed to Wilfrid Laurier University's Board of Governors.

Alan & Lorraine Sandler, who celebrated their 50th anniversary on December 15.

Many Thanks to

The Alexandroff Family, for their donation allowing us to purchase screens for audio-visual presentations.

Joyce & Howard Simmons, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on November 16 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Samuel J. Simmons**.

Dr. Allan Kanee & Dr. Thea Weisdorf and family, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on November 23 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Benson Kanee**.

Alan & Lorraine Sandler, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on December 14 in honour of their 50th anniversary.

Jordan & Michelle Schwartz, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on February 1 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Lauren**.

David & Lillian Wagman, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on February 15 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son **David**.

Jay & Barbara Hennick and Aaron & Cathy Kwinter, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on February 22 in honour of the upcoming wedding of their children **Bradley Hennick & Hilary Kwinter**.

Sion Benhamu & Esther Encaoua de Benhamu, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on March 1 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Mark**.

Brian & Joanne Pukier, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on March 1 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Tali**.

Robert & Caren Freedman, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on March 22 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Shawn**.

Dr. Stephen Nash & Janice Goldberg, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on March 22 in honour of the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Aaron**.

Special thanks and *yasher koah* to **Eddy Goldberg and Track Office Furniture Inc.** for their outstanding donation of office furniture to our shul. Track has provided a number of workstations for our clergy office suite and the main office and has helped us acquire new chairs for the entire staff. Their generosity is greatly appreciated.

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8 TO 12 WITH A PARENT**

A parent-teen experience to share! This session includes a film screening and an engaging discussion facilitated by the dynamic Leora Schaefer, Toronto Director of the organization *Facing History and Ourselves*. **No charge.**

I'm Still Here: Real Diaries of Young People Who Lived During The Holocaust

Monday, February 10 from 7:30 to 9:00 PM

This MTV documentary weaves together excerpts from the diaries of young writers between 1937 and 1944. Through an emotional montage of archival footage, personal photos and text from the diaries, the film celebrates a group of brave, young writers—first-hand witnesses to the horrors of the Holocaust—who refused to quietly disappear.



Leora Schaefer

Facing History and Ourselves is an international educational organization whose mission is to engage students of diverse backgrounds in an examination of racism, prejudice and anti-semitism in order to promote the development of a more humane and informed citizenry. To learn more, visit www.facinghistory.org.



Israeli TV Night



**Tuesday, January 28
7:15 PM**

Our Israeli *shinshinim*, Barak and Maya, invite ADULTS to the continuing **Israeli TV Night** series. View a variety of Israeli television shows, followed by facilitated conversations about the issues presented.

Our January session features *Avodah Aravit* (meaning “Arab Labour” but colloquially implying “shoddy or second-rate work”) depicting an Israel-born Palestinian journalist in search of his identity, poking fun at the cultural divide as the characters play on religious, cultural and political differences to daringly depict the mixed society that is Israel.

Upcoming program dates: Tuesday, March 25 and May 20.
For more information, contact Aily Leibtag at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or aleibtag@beth-tzedec.org. No charge.

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Mission Critical— Data Driven



A new calendar year gives us time to reflect as we begin our planning for the coming year.



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AS WE TURN THE PAGE ON 2013, WE BEGIN THE PLANNING cycle for programs to be launched next September. Part of our process involves gathering data on attendance. Usually the first indicator of satisfaction, compiling the many snapshots of how many came to what, provides a picture of the usage of our building and its place in the community. *A Community Destination for Jewish Living*, active 24/7/365, we deliver the Congregation's mission using local and renowned teachers and experts, framed by Jewish values. Our delivery system is built on four programming pillars: spiritual (*tefillah*/prayer), educational, cultural and social.

Our spiritual programs, or prayer services, bring people into the Sanctuary, Chapel and other sacred prayer spaces. Through words and music, prayer affords a personal and communal opportunity to reflect, give thanks and build a relationship with God and the Jewish people. Our shul's rabbis and cantors, as well as other resources, such as teachers and books, help provide insight and inspiration that guide us in our spiritual journey.

Twice daily, every day, people come to Beth Tzedec to pray together, giving each other strength, support and the intangible feeling of "community". Within the structure of prayer, our team of clergy look at ways to make the services positive spiritual experiences. Feedback from congregants and leadership provides our *klei kodesh* with insights to encourage more people to come to synagogue. Daily Minyan, Shabbat, *Haggim* and, of course, the High Holy Days all bring members of Beth Tzedec and members of the community into our home. With our use of the Synaplex™ model of providing several service options on any given Shabbat morning, an estimated 45,000 individuals have attended our services this year.

Our educational, cultural and social programs represent the three additional pillars. Our annual *Program Guide*, our website (www.beth-tzedec.org) and our upcoming new *The Week Ahead* e-newsletter collectively highlight more than 300 amazing opportunities for you to experience Beth Tzedec. Committed to creating programs for many different constituencies, our team works closely together, making speakers and teachers accessible and attractive across the

age spectrum. From our Mishpacha program for toddlers and caregivers; to youth, family or young professionals' social events; to classes and lectures; to book and film reviews; to introspective workshops for seniors; and to a Jewish museum that welcomes a group nearly every week, this past year we attracted more than 17,500 participants, many of whom are happy "repeat customers".

As a "community destination", our 11 different venue options are attractive to groups from 3 to 3000. We are a venue of choice for *smahot*, family gatherings, life cycle events, business meetings and community and organizational events. During 2013, Beth Tzedec played host to over 150 events, bringing an estimated 22,000 people into our building, many using the outstanding services of our in-house caterer, Applause Catering. Beth Tzedec also houses a terrific gym, providing an opportunity for members of the community, five nights a week, to play sports under our roof.

Finally, for more than 180 days a year, 400+ children, teachers, parents and visitors of the Robbins Hebrew Academy come through our doors, and they too call Beth Tzedec "home".

In one way or another, this year alone, there have been as many as 150,000 visitors to Beth Tzedec. What a truly wonderful year it has been!

I want to thank the members of our *kehillah*, our community, who have shared their thoughts and concerns, have made financial commitments to sponsor lectures, breakfasts and special events, and who have provided me with guidance and advice. I also want to applaud and thank the scores of volunteers and my staff team who perform their functions expertly, with spirit and with Jewish purpose.

I hope you will continue to support Beth Tzedec and, as you think about what you hope to accomplish in 2014, that you will frame those goals through the lens of Jewish life. Whether through prayer or through programs, we can help make your experiences fulfilling and meaningful.

Please contact me and together we can discuss ways you can achieve your philanthropic goals, recognize or honour a loved one and help grow Beth Tzedec for the future. May we go from strength to strength.

Musical Journey to England

with Cantor Simon and Aliza Spiro

August 6 to 19/21, 2014

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2014 AT 7:30 PM

At the Toronto Centre for the Arts, 5040 Yonge Street

Starring **Simon Spiro** and **The Manhat-tones** accompanied by a fabulous concert orchestra. After his last two sell-out concerts, Simon Spiro returns with another smash. Come celebrate the hit songs of four Jewish songwriters who changed the face of popular music forever!



Jewish Wanderlust

The most beautiful part is discovering that Jewish people the world over are one people.



CELEBRATE ROBBIE BURNS NIGHT
(and all things Scottish) with the Cantor on
January 25. See details on p. 2.

IN 1994, THE BIRTHRIGHT ISRAEL PROGRAM was created. This is a free 10-day heritage tour of Israel for Jewish young adults, aged 18-26. As I write this, my step-daughter Ariel is with Birthright. She left from New York, and upon landing at Ben Gurion Airport she posted the following on her Facebook page: “On Israeli soil. That was one of the most emotional, surreal plane landings ever. I’m in my second home.”

How heart-warming for her mother and me to read this. As Jewish parents we all want our children to be connected to Israel. I completely understand her sentiment, as no matter how many times I’ve gone to Israel, the landing is always emotional and somewhat surreal. The outburst of applause from passengers all around me as we touch down has always proven to me that I am not the only one who feels this way.

We are quite fortunate, all of us, that we have an Israel, a second home. In fact, I would venture to say that Israel is really our first home—the place from which we came as a People, the place where we, collectively and individually, will always be welcome and where, for better or worse, we are treated like family. No matter how many times I visit, I can’t wait to go back. (If only my father’s family and countless others had had the miracle that is Israel. But that’s a topic for another article.)

My wife Aliza and I share a great love of travel which at times may almost appear to onlookers as restless wanderlust. The simple fact is that we live in an exciting world, too exciting not to be explored. Aliza likes to say, “Put me on a plane and wake me when they’re speaking a different language.” She and I have been blessed to visit many foreign cities together with friends and family, and those of you who travel will agree that every new place leaves its mark on your lives.

Wherever we are, we make a point of visiting the local synagogue. We have seen palatial and opulent sanctuaries that have taken our breath away, and we have been humbled in other ways to see modest one-room *shteiblach*. Often these synagogues are closed during the week, available to tour by appointment only. Around the corner from the great Gothic cathedral in Amiens, France, for example, we happened upon a small, easy-to-overlook medieval shul, noticeable only by its stone carved Magen David at the entrance. In the tiny town of Siena, Italy, a tourist would walk right past the *Sinagoga* without knowing what it is, but for the identifying plaque displayed on the outside wall since 1948, listing the names and ages of shul members and their children who were deported during the *Shoah*, never to return.

On Shabbat, a foreign synagogue is even more fascinating. Firstly, it’s always thrilling to see the differences in the *davening*. Attending a small private backyard British minyan of immigrants from the Yemenite community of Aden, I was intrigued by not only their exotic melodies and Oriental Torah *trop*, but by their completely altered pronunciation of Hebrew vowels, as well. And while my head was spinning from the strangeness, I was equally comforted by the similarities throughout the *davening*.

And that, my friends, is the most beautiful part of visiting foreign shuls: Discovering and re-discovering that Jewish people the world over are one people. We are similar and bound together through prayers and Torah, language, customs and spirit. Perhaps this is what Aliza and I find so irresistible about travel—connecting to our fellow Jews everywhere.

Perhaps, too, this is why we enjoy sharing our travels with our Beth Tzedec family, leading summer Musical Journeys. Having traveled to Germany, Eastern Europe and Israel, Aliza and I are now looking forward to this summer’s Beth Tzedec Musical Journey to England. Join us for music, excitement and discoveries in the land of my birth, my second home.

**On
March 7th
tens of
thousands of
Jews across
North America
will come
together to
eat,
drink,
relax,
dance,
enjoy,
debate
and
celebrate
at the
18th annual**

SHABBAT



Friday night,
March 7, 2014,
Beth Tzedec will join
hundreds of synagogues
across North America taking
part in an historic national
Jewish event to celebrate what
unifies all Jews—Shabbat!
Everyone is invited...singles,
couples, families—all ages.
Bring your neighbours, your
friends, your co-workers and
let's celebrate together!
Kids will enjoy special
age-appropriate programming
led by our *Shinshinim* and
Aily Leibtag, Youth Director.

ACROSS CANADA

**Service: 6:00 PM
Dinner: 7:00 PM**

Cost:
\$36 for adults;
\$18 for children
ages 6 to 14; \$6 for
children ages 1 to 5.
Dinner by advance
registration only.
To register,
contact Avital at
416-781-3511 or
info@beth-tzedec.org
by Monday, March 3.



The evening will feature a special presentation by **Rabbi Barry Schlesinger** of Agudath Israel Congregation in Ottawa. Rav Barry is the former director of the Moross Community Center in the Jewish Quarter in Jerusalem and Rabbi of Kehilat Moreshet Avraham in East Talpiot, Jerusalem.

On March 8, Rav Barry will speak from the pulpit on *An Invitation to Stroll through the Garden of Eden* and at Seudah Sh'lisheet, and will lead a Havdalah sing-along.

Bageling: Nuisance or Delight?



Bageling is the act by which an individual subtly lets another know that he or she is Jewish.

I'M IN THE AIRPORT. IN THE MIDST OF DISCUSSING THE Maple Leafs' latest folly, the guy in the chair beside me slyly mentions his membership in the Jewish fraternity AEPi. I'm in the waiting room. The gentleman sitting across from me scratches his chest conspicuously, obliging his *magen david* necklace to suddenly appear. I'm in the community indoor play area. The grandmother of one of the kids mentions out of the blue that her grandson Jack's Hebrew name is Ya'akov.

As a visible Jew (because of my kippah), I am the target of frequent bageling. Coined in Montreal circa 1992, "bageling" is the act by which an individual subtly lets another know that he or she is Jewish. For the individual bageled, it can be an odd although ultimately telling, if not uplifting, experience.

I admit that my initial response to being bageled is generally less than enthusiastic. It's not that I'm bothered by the sudden knowledge of our shared heritage. The experience for me, rather, raises important questions. I am forced to wonder if for Jews, public (read non-Jewish) spaces are so intimidating that non-identifiable Jews who see me in my kippah need to make a point (surreptitiously) of letting me know their religion/ethnicity? What is to gain by my newfound knowledge of their Jewish heritage? Why should I care that the guy whose cough sounds like an intermittent battle between a hyena and a CN cargo train is a Member of the Tribe?

Wondering whether I was alone in my concerns, I asked a few friends.

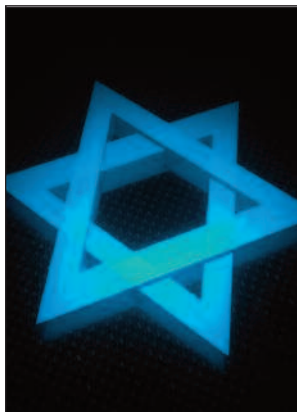
Frequently bageled, a rabbinic colleague wrote me that he loves it when Jews make themselves known to him.

In his words, the bageler is implicitly saying, "We are strangers, but we're connected."

Others in my highly unscientific polling suggested that the bageler sees the bagelee as externalizing a Jewish pride that the bageler feels deeply, but does not have the desire or confidence to display publicly. The bageler bagels out of respect for the bagelee's chosen visibility and a desire to connect with someone whom he admires. Indeed, a recent Pew Research Center survey specifies a high level of Jewish pride and sense of belonging among American Jews, but indicates a low participation rate in Jewish activities that would help actualize one's Jewish feelings. Bageling is an easy, immediate, safe and cost-free way of signifying Jewish pride.

I forget sometimes that as a rabbi, my daily interactions are not representative of most Jews' human encounters. Almost everyone I speak to is Jewish, and by design our conversations have Jewish content. As a result, when in the public sphere, I often want to connect with and speak to non-Jews simply because in my professional life, my desire for diversity is unfulfilled. For those whose daily lives exist outside of strongly Jewish environments, the desire to connect with fellow Jews is not only understandable from a sociological perspective, but speaks to the Jewish ideal of peoplehood—the belief that we are all part of one extended family.

Ultimately, though I still find the practice a tad comical, I've come to understand, if not appreciate, bageling, if for no other reason than our ability to turn food into a verb.



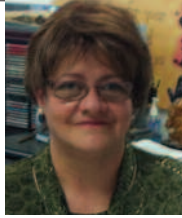
HAVURAT HASFER WITH RAV ADAM CUTLER

Wednesdays—January 8, February 12, March 5 and 26, April 9 and 30, May 21 and June 11 from 7:30 to 9:00 PM

Havurat HaSefer with Rav Adam Cutler is our new monthly book club. We will read and discuss accessible and meaningful books of modern Jewish philosophy. This program is held at Beth Tzedec and in participants' homes. Limited spaces available. No charge. For more information, contact Rav Adam Cutler at 416-781-3514 ext. 219 or ravadam@beth-tzedec.org.

New Horizons for Seniors

with Ruth Cohen



Mondays 1:30 to 3:00 PM

January 13 and 27, February 10 and 24,
March 3 and 24, May 26 and
June 9 and 23

Join Ruth Cohen for engaging and lively discussions, and the chance to learn from each other as we face life's challenges. A great opportunity to share and nourish the mind and soul.



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Shabbat Itanu

Shabbat, March 22



Itanu Toronto, UJA Federation's Inclusion Initiative, works to ensure that Toronto is an inclusive Jewish community where people with special needs are able to participate fully in educational, spiritual, communal, social and recreational activities. Our special Shabbat service will follow these principles.

To get involved in planning this special Shabbat, contact Rav Adam Cutler at 416-781-3514 ext. 219 or ravadam@beth-tzedec.org.

NEW
SERIES

NEW VOICES OF JEWISH WISDOM: *Young Scholars Speak*

Meet **Josh Lambert** speaking on **Unclean Lips: Jews, Obscenity and American Culture**

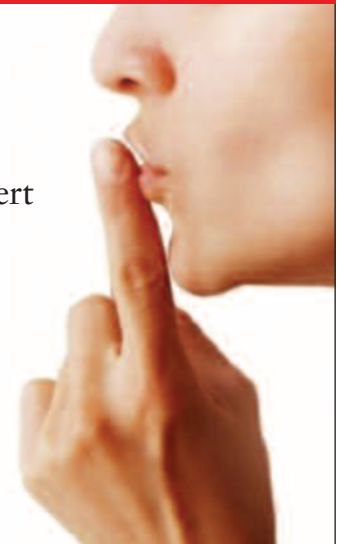
Why are so many writers obsessed with both Jews and sex? Josh Lambert argues that we can't understand the place of Jews in American culture without considering the roles they played in the history of the obscene.

Thursday, February 27 at 7:30 PM

Join **Young Professionals@Beth Tzedec** for an evening to meet and chat with this engaging young scholar. Dessert reception included. No charge. RSVPs preferred. Call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.



Josh Lambert is the Academic Director of the Yiddish Book Center and Visiting Assistant Professor of English at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. He is the author of *American Jewish Fiction: A JPS Guide* (2009) and *Unclean Lips: Obscenity, Jews, and American Culture* (2013). A native Torontonian, he is a contributing editor to *Tablet* and has written for *The Globe & Mail* and the *National Post*.



Sponsored by the Beth Tzedec Men's Club

MONDAY NIGHT LEARNING SESSIONS

The Many Faces of Avraham

with *Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl*

Mondays 7:15 to 8:15 PM

January 13 to February 24 (no class on February 17)
continuing April 28 to June 16 (no class on May 19)



In modern thought, Avraham is identified as an existential “knight of faith” and a Zionist. Throughout these sessions, we will study sources from all periods of Jewish history, as well as Christian and Islamic perspectives, on this important Biblical figure.

Cost per year: \$50 for members; \$70 for non-members. To register, contact Marlene Laba at 416-781-3514 ext. 234 or mlaba@beth-tzedec.org

H A V E R I M

PROGRAMS

2014

Haverim meets one Monday each month at 1:30 PM
Dessert, coffee and tea will be served

February 3

DR. BARRY DOV WALFISH,
Judaica specialist at the University of Toronto Libraries and Curator of Judaica at the Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library, provides an enlightening illustrated talk on the variety of images of Queen Esther in art and literature. Just in time for Purim!

March 3

DAVID WILDSMITH,
musician and guitarist, delights with an hour-long concert, sharing his wide palette of songs from crooners such as Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin to Jazz standards, Rock and Blues.

April 7

RAY AND MARMEY RAWLINGS
entertain with a retrospective on the incredible Jack Benny, with a particular focus on the Jewish content of Benny's movie *To Be or Not to Be*.

BETH TZEDEC REUBEN & HELENE DENNIS MUSEUM PRESENTS



THE POSTHUMOUS LANDSCAPE: Jewish Sites of Memory in Poland Today

Photographs by David Kaufman • Exhibition curated by Evelyn Tauben
Continues through February 2014

For details, contact Museum Curator Dorion Liebgott, 416-781-3514 ext. 232 or museum@beth-tzedec.org.

For Kids in SK to Grade 2 (Nitzanim)
and Grades 3 to 5 (Kokhavim)

Tu B'Shevat Seder

Sunday, January 19

12:00 NOON to 1:30 PM

Come celebrate the birthday of the trees through games and activities, while learning about Israel and nature. And don't forget our annual Tu B'Shevat ice cream bar! No charge.



(Separate programs for Nitzanim and Kokhavim)

Sponsored by the Beth Tzedec Men's Club

Treats for Tzedakah

Put on your chef hat, tie your apron strings and get baking!

Bring the family and be part of the mitzvah of baking bread and treats that will be donated to **Out of the Cold**. No charge.

Monday, January 27 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM



For more information, contact Aily Leibtag at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or aleibtag@beth-tzedec.org

Mock Sleepover

For kids in Grades 1 and 2

Saturday, January 18
6:30 to 9:30 PM

Join us for a fun night of camp activities including havdalah, games, treats and more. No charge.

For more information, contact Aily Leibtag at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or aleibtag@beth-tzedec.org.



Saturday Nights In Our Synagogue

Boys Night at Beth Tzedec
(for Boys in Grades 5 and 6)

Saturday, February 22
6:45 to 9:30 PM

Boys in Grades 5 and 6 are invited to join Barak for a night of sports, snacks, movies and hanging out. You don't want to miss it! Cost: \$5

Girls Sleepover
(for Girls in Grades 5 and 6)

Saturday, March 1 to Sunday, March 2
7:30 PM to 8:30 AM Sunday morning

Join Aily and Maya for an exclusive girls-only sleepover party! Chick flicks, nail painting, cookie baking and more. Come out, bring your friends and don't forget your sleeping bag and pillow! Cost: \$10 (includes snacks and breakfast)

From the Heart an Elegant Success



ON NOVEMBER 21, BETH TZEDEC was proud to co-host the special *From the Heart* event, together with The Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation. The event was co-chaired by Beth Tzedec members Bernie Abrams and Norman Bacal, both of whom have been active supporters of the Shaare Zedek Hospital. The evening's theme of *tzedec* rang out in the opening remarks of Rav Adam Cutler and the Hospital's director, Jonathan Halevy (who, along with Kurt Rothschild, travelled from Israel to participate in this memorable evening).

Senator Linda Frum presented the Kurt and Edith Rothschild Humanitarian Award to the Hon. Irwin Cotler for his unwavering commitment to advancing human rights, advocating for Israel, and fighting anti-Semitism, racism and terrorism. Senator Frum's introduction of Mr. Cotler showed her devotion to him as a Parliamentary mentor, and his response reminded the entire room that Senators, and particularly Senator Frum, are doing very important and valuable work for the country and for our community.

Mr. Cotler's acceptance speech threaded together various themes: His connection to the hospital and to Dr. Halevy; his connection to our congregation as a home away from home; his long relationship with our Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl; and

how both our organizations focus on the Jewish values needed to continue fighting the oppression of tyranny. He spoke about his move to government as being necessary to be on the "inside" to help prevent the next Darfur or Rwanda, where governments could have acted but did not. Finally, he spoke about Israel, wrapping in the calumny of Israel Apartheid Week and relating his own struggles on behalf of the late Nelson Mandela and what a true apartheid regime looks and feels like.

Gideon Raff, the executive producer and director of the Emmy-award winning television series *Homeland*, was then interviewed by Jonathan Kay, Managing Editor for Comment at the *National Post*. The magical and spellbinding interview covered the impact the award-winning Israeli television series *Hatufim* (Prisoners of War) has had on Israeli society, exposing for the

entire country the plight of the POWs and allowing people to engage in meaningful dialogue about these issues. Raff commented that *Hatufim's* acclaimed U.S. adaptation, *Homeland*, represents the U.S. dramatic experience in a different way, and shared that the show is being formatted for production in China, India and several other countries. He said we might even one day see a Palestinian version: Apparently, *Hatufim* is the most illegally downloaded show in Lebanon.

We are grateful to Norm and Bernie, the Board and our staff for their tremendous efforts in making this event such a success, and we thank the leadership and staff of The Canadian Friends of Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation for being such wonderful partners. Our heartfelt appreciation goes to all of the donors and sponsors who contributed to this incredible evening.



TOP RIGHT: Carolyn Kolers, President, Beth Tzedec; Norman Bacal, Event Co-chair; Gideon Raff, Executive Producer, *Homeland*; David Smith, President, the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation; Bernie Abrams, Event Co-chair.

BOTTOM LEFT: Senator Linda Frum and The Honorable Irwin Cotler. BOTTOM RIGHT: Jonathan Kay and Gideon Raff.

The many creative ways we experience Shabbat

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

Sanctuary Services 8:45 AM, *every Shabbat morning.* For everyone. Our musical Sanctuary Service offers a complete spiritual and liturgical Shabbat experience. Cantor Simon Spiro and the Beth Tzedec Singers lead *Shaharit* and *Musaf*, with varied music each week, including new arrangements of traditional pieces as well as beloved singable melodies. Rabbis Baruch Frydman-Kohl and Adam Cutler offer insights into our Torah and tradition. Lorne Hanick and Cantor Sidney Ezer lead the preliminary service and are joined by a cadre of Torah Readers/*Ba'alei Keriyah* to chant the weekly Torah portions. Lift your soul in prayer as you sing along, or close your eyes in meditation and be carried away by the magnificent harmonic sounds of our inspirational Shabbat morning service.

Little Minyan Services 9:30 AM, *almost every Shabbat (through June).* For those looking to be more actively involved in the worship experience, we offer a traditional service in a welcoming, relaxed, family-friendly atmosphere. Participants lead portions of the service, read Torah and Haftarah, study the Torah portion of the week, and join together in singing various prayers. A song tape of Little Minyan tunes is available on request. Contact Cantor Sidney Ezer or Lorne Hanick to arrange to learn and lead parts of the service. Torah readers, *daveners* and those wishing to give a *D'var Torah* are always welcome and are offered support and teaching. Come and experience an exceptional Shabbat morning service full of song, spirit and warmth.

Monthly Family Services 10:30 AM, *Shabbat morning, February 1, March 1 and April 5.* For children, parents and grandparents, these participatory services are led by Daniel Silverman, together with Aily Leibtag and the families and children who attend, with a monthly birthday blessing from Rav Adam and an *aliyah* for all birthday celebrants. Held in the Kimel Family Gym and followed by a complimentary luncheon in the L'Chaim Hall.

Youth Services *see pages 22 and 23 for further details*

Junior Congregation (Ages 10 to 12) 10:30 AM—Provides the opportunity for youth to connect with Shabbat and develop their prayer skills and knowledge.

SMP—Shabbat Morning Program (Ages 6 to 9) 10:30 AM—Gives children the chance to engage in fun Shabbat activities, challenge themselves and spend time learning with Maya and Barak, our Israeli *shinshinim*.

Torah Tots and Nursery Program (Ages 3 to 5) 10:15 AM—Children enjoy Shabbat stories, songs and snacks (leaving parents free to attend services in the Sanctuary or the Little Minyan).

Teen Kiddush Club 11:00 AM, *January 25, March 8 and April 12*—Join your friends, along with Aily, Daniel and Rav Adam for snacks, shmoozing and a little Shabbat learning, too.

Young Shamashim following Services—An engaging program for *B'nei Mitzvah* candidates interested in improving their Shabbat *davening* skills. Meet for a *nosh*, *z'mirot* and learning.

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



Weekly Torah study with Professor Arnold Ages

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

Lively Learning with Cantor Simon Spiro

Following Services on January 25, February 22 and March 29. Enjoy your Kiddush and study the weekly *parashah* with our Cantor. Explore fascinating commentaries of Rashi and other great sages, all presented with passion and knowledge by our amusing Hazzan.

Torah Next Dor with Rabbi Adam Cutler

11:00 AM on January 18, February 22 and March 15. Join Young Professionals@BT in Rabbi Frydman-Kohl's study, as we eat, drink and examine pressing topics from sources both ancient and modern.

Jewish Meditation with Michelle Katz

10:00 to 11:15 AM on February 1, March 1 and April 5. For men and women, centred on texts from our tradition, eliciting response and deep listening—a doorway to enhanced prayer. See page 37 for further details. Sponsored by the Beth Tzedec Men's Club.

January 18	17 Shevat	Yitro	Exodus Chapters 18-20 Isaiah 6:1-7:6-6, 9:5-6	432-450 451-455
January 25	24 Shevat	Mishpatim Shabbat Mevarkhim	Exodus Chapters 21-24 Jeremiah 34:8-22; 33:25-26	456-480 481-484
February 1	1 Adar I	Terumah Rosh Hodesh Adar I	Exodus 25:1-27:19 2nd Torah: Numbers 28:9-15 Isaiah Chapter 66	485-498 930-931 1219-1223
February 8	8 Adar I	Tetzaveh	Exodus 27:20-30:10 Ezekiel 43:10-27	503-518 519-522
February 15	15 Adar I	Ki Tissa	Exodus 30:11-34:35 1 Kings 18:1-39	523-546 547-551
February 22	22 Adar I	Vayakhel	Exodus 35:1-38:20 1 Kings 7:40-50	552-562 573-575
March 1	29 Adar I	Pekudei Shabbat Shekalim Shabbat Mevarkhim	Exodus 38:21-40:38 2nd Torah: Exodus 30:11-16 2 Kings 12:1-17	564-572 523-524 1276-1279
March 8	6 Adar II	Vayikra Shabbat Mevarkhim	Leviticus Chapters 1-5 Isaiah 43:21-44:23	585-605 606-612
March 15	13 Adar II	Tzav Shabbat Zakhor	Leviticus Chapters 6-8 2nd Torah: Deuteronomy 25:17-19 1 Samuel 15:2-34	613-625 1135-1136 1282-1285
March 22	20 Adar II	Shemini Shabbat Parah	1st Torah: Leviticus Chapters 9-11 2nd Torah: Numbers 19:1-22 Ezekiel 36:16-38	630-642 880-883 1286-1289
March 29	27 Adar II	Tazria Shabbat HaHodesh	1st Torah: Leviticus Chapters 12-13 2nd Torah: Exodus 12:1-20 Ezekiel 45:16-46:18	649-659 380-385 1290-1294

See the Calendar of Events for service times. Call Lorne Hanick at 416-781-3514 ext. 240 if you would like an *Aliyah* on Shabbat or a holiday.

Youth Shabbat

Shabbat morning, March 29
8:45 AM in the Sanctuary

Join us to participate in Services in your own way. This special Shabbat service will be presented in partnership with Camp Ramah and Robbins Hebrew Academy.





Shabbat @ Beth Tzedec

Monthly Family Service

February 1, March 1 and April 5 10:30 AM
For children, parents and grandparents, our participatory service is led by Daniel Silverman and Aily Leibtag and the families and children who attend, with a monthly birthday blessing from Rav Adam and an *aliyah* for all birthday celebrants. Held in the Kimel Family Gym, followed by a complimentary luncheon in the L'Chaim Hall.

Junior Congregation

Youth Service (ages 10 to 12)

10:30 AM to 12:00 NOON
Every Shabbat and Yom Tov except when there is a Family Service. This service provides the opportunity for youth to connect with Shabbat and develop their prayer skills and knowledge.

SMP—Shabbat Morning Program

(ages 6 to 9) 10:30 AM to 12:00 NOON
Every Shabbat and Yom Tov except when there is a Family Service. This program gives children the chance to engage in fun Shabbat activities, challenge themselves and spend time learning with Maya and Barak, our Israeli *shinshinim*.

Torah Tots and Nursery

(ages 3 to 5) 10:15 AM to 12:00 NOON
Every Shabbat and Yom Tov. Children enjoy Shabbat stories, songs and snacks (leaving parents free to attend services in the Sanctuary or the Little Minyan).

Teen Kiddush Club

Shabbat, January 25, March 8 and April 12
11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON
Join your friends, Aily, Daniel and Rav Adam, for snacks, *shmoozing* and a little Shabbat learning too, with interesting and sometimes controversial conversations on hot topics, powered by your interests and ideas.

Young Shamashim

Following Services on January 18 and 25, February 8, 15 and 22, March 8, 15 and 29
An intensive program for B'nei Mitzvah candidates interested in improving their *davening*—an essential Jewish skill. Following Shabbat morning services (except when there is a Family Service), meet for a nosh, *z'mirots* and learning. The year focuses on learning to lead weekday services.

Shabbat Hockey

January 11 and 25, February 8 and 22, March 8 and 22 and April 5
2:30 to 4:00 PM
For children in Grades 1 to 6, organized by high school students Alex and Daniel.

Shabbat Games

January 18, February 1 and 15, March 1, 15 and 29 and April 12
2:30 to 4:00 PM
For children in Grades 1 to 6, join our *shinshinim* Maya and Barak for an afternoon of games.

For Children in SK to Grade 2 (Nitzanim)

Cook and Shook

Tuesday, February 11, March 11 and April 8
4:00 to 5:30 PM
Join Maya and Barak for cooking and *shooking!* Learn how to make amazing new recipes and take home treats for Shabbat. While your food is in the oven, enjoy bits of Israeli culture from the *Shook*, the Israeli marketplace. Cost: \$5

Mock Sleepover with Camp Ramah

Saturday, January 18 6:30 to 9:30 PM
Children in Grades 1 and 2: Join us for a fun night at camp, with Havdalah, activities, games, treats, a campfire, sleeping bags and more. No charge.

For Children in Grades 3 to 5 (Kokhavim)

Cook and Shook

Tuesdays, January 21 and March 25
4:00 to 5:30 PM
Join Maya and Barak for cooking and *shooking!* Learn how to make amazing new recipes and take home treats for Shabbat. While your food is in the oven, enjoy bits of Israeli culture from the *Shook*, the Israeli marketplace. Get to know Israel with our amazing Israeli Young Emissaries! Cost: \$5

For Children in Grades 5 and 6

Boys Night at Beth Tzedec

Saturday, February 22 6:45 to 9:30 PM
Boys in Grades 5 and 6 are invited to join Barak for a night of sports, snacks, movies and hanging out. You don't want to miss it! Cost: \$5

Girls Sleepover for Grades 5 and 6

Saturday, March 1 to Sunday, March 2
7:30 PM to 8:30 AM
Join Aily and Maya for an exclusive girls-only sleepover party with chick flicks, nail painting, cookie baking and more. Bring your friends and don't forget your sleeping bag and a pillow! Cost: \$10 (includes snacks and breakfast)

For Children in SK to Grade 5 (Nitzanim and Kokhavim)

Tu B'Shevat Seder

Sunday, January 19 12:00 NOON to 1:30 PM
Celebrate the birthday of trees. Through games and activities, learn about Israel and nature, and enjoy our annual ice cream bar! No charge.

Chocolate Seder

Sunday, April 6 12:00 NOON to 1:30 PM
Prepare for Pesah by experiencing the exodus from Egypt with lots of chocolate! Go through the order of the seder and enjoy a variety of chocolate activities. Cost: \$5

For Children in Grade 6 to 8 (Keshet)

TOPs (Tikkun Olam projects)

Sunday, February 9 and April 6 4:00 to 6:00 PM
Join us for our special Middle School *Tikkun Olam* Projects (TOPs) group. We will discuss *tikkun olam* (repairing the world) and do hands-on projects to put this *mitzvah* into action! Cost: \$5

Boys Night at Beth Tzedec

Saturday, March 22 7:15 to 10:15 PM

Boys in Grades 7 and 8 are invited to join Barak for a night of sports, snacks, movies and hanging out. Cost: \$5

**For Kids in Grades 6 to 12
(Keshet* and BTTeens)**

Beth Tzedec @ Out of the Cold

Tuesdays, January 21, February 18 and March 11
5:00 to 7:00 PM or 7:00 to 9:00 PM

Beth Tzedec and Beth Sholom's Out of the Cold program helps feed and shelter the homeless in the Toronto community every Tuesday. On the above dates, take part in this *mitzvah* with a group of Beth Tzedec volunteers. *Note: Keshet age group (Grades 6 to 8) must be accompanied by a parent.

For Teens in Grades 8 to 12 and a Parent

Teen and Parent Film Club

Monday, February 10 7:30 to 9:00 PM

A parent-teen experience to share! This session includes a film screening of *I'm Still Here: Real Diaries of Young People Who Lived During the Holocaust* followed by a discussion facilitated by the dynamic Leora Schaefer, Toronto Director of *Facing History and Ourselves*. No charge.

For Teens in Grades 9 to 12 (BTTeens)

BTTeens Charity Floor Hockey Tournament

Sunday, March 9 12:00 NOON to 3:00 PM

Make a team of four players and a goalie and come out for a day of hockey and *tzedakah*. Both female and male teams are encouraged to sign up!

Hadashot

Thursday, January 29, February 19 and March 26 7:00 PM

Meet our *shinshinim* Maya and Barak at Aroma Café in Spadina Village to discuss the latest *hadashot* (news) from Israel. This informal setting is a great way to start the conversation about current events in Israel.

For Families

PJ Library Story Time

(For children ages 6 months to 6 years)

Sunday, February 2 11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

Come out for a cozy morning of stories, songs, games and other activities around the PJ Library's book of the month.

Tikkun Olam Family Program: Treats for Tzedakah

Monday, January 27 6:00 to 7:30 PM

Put on your chef hat, tie your apron strings and start baking! Join our *mitzvah* of making bread and treats for the Out of the Cold program. No charge.

Family Shabbat Dinner and Wine Tasting

Friday, February 7 5:45 to 9:45 PM

Join us for an enriching Family Shabbat program beginning at 5:45 p.m. with family stories, songs and *tefillah* highlights, followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. We continue the celebration with a wine tasting for adults and fun activities for kids with our *shinshinim* Maya and Barak. Cost: \$36 for adults; \$18 for children ages 6 to 14; \$6 for children ages 1 to 5. Dinner by advance registration only. Reservation deadline: Tuesday, February 4.

Tikkun Olam Family Program: Passover Food Drive

Sunday, March 23

4:00 to 5:00 PM or 5:00 to 6:00 PM

Join us for this special *mitzvah* project for the National Council of Jewish Women where we will pack community donations for the annual Passover Food Drive. Two packing shifts are available: 4:00 to 5:00 PM or 5:00 to 6:00 PM. There are only 25 spots for each shift which will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis, so be sure to register early to confirm your family's participation.

For information or to RSVP for any Youth or Family Program, contact Aily Leibtag at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or aleibtag@beth-tzedec.org.

PJ Library Story Time

(For children ages 6 months to 6 years and their families)

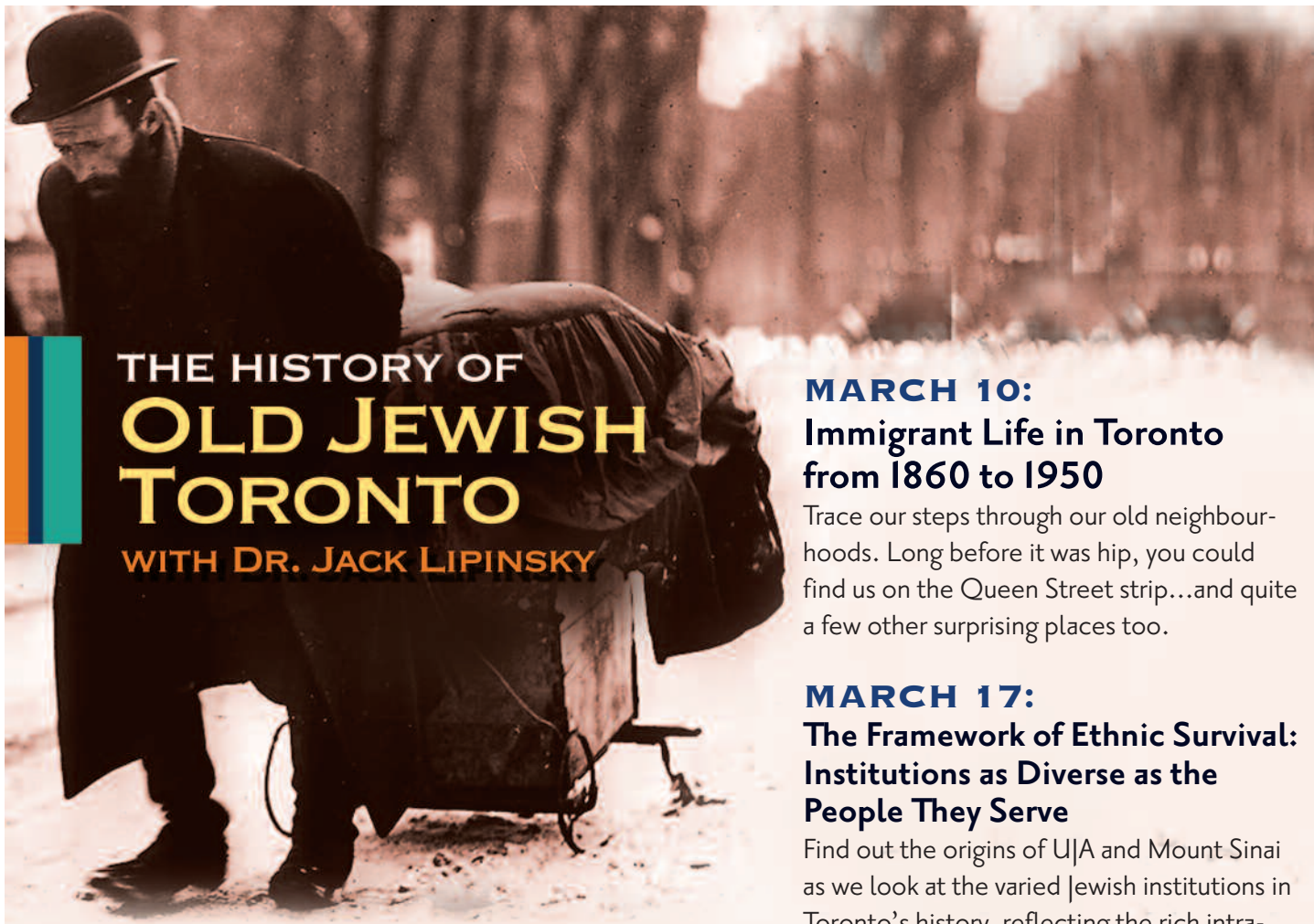
Sunday, February 2 and May 4 11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

Grab your favourite sippy cup and join us for a cozy morning of stories, songs, games and other activities suggested by the PJ Library book of the month.

PJ Library is an award-winning Jewish family engagement program, mailing free, high-quality Jewish children's books and music each month. It is funded locally by UJA Federation of Greater Toronto, Centre for Jewish Education's WOW! Initiative and generous community philanthropists.



No charge. RSVP to Aily Leibtag at 416-781-3511 ext. 239 or aleibtag@beth-tzedec.org.



THE HISTORY OF **OLD JEWISH TORONTO**

WITH DR. JACK LIPINSKY

**MONDAYS, MARCH 10, 17
AND 24 AND SUNDAY, MAY 4
7:15 TO 8:30 PM**

This series, presented by author and educator Dr. Jack Lipinsky of Robbins Hebrew Academy, provides a broad overview of Toronto's Jewish history and some of the old neighbourhoods once inhabited by a significant Jewish population from Yonge and Richmond to Bathurst and Eglinton.

MARCH 10: Immigrant Life in Toronto from 1860 to 1950

Trace our steps through our old neighbourhoods. Long before it was hip, you could find us on the Queen Street strip...and quite a few other surprising places too.

MARCH 17: The Framework of Ethnic Survival: Institutions as Diverse as the People They Serve

Find out the origins of UJA and Mount Sinai as we look at the varied Jewish institutions in Toronto's history, reflecting the rich intra-ethnic tensions of our ancestors, and often competing with each other.

MARCH 24: Weaving Unity from Diversity— Leaving Some Victims on the Side of the Road

Tzedakah vs. Scientific Charity, untrained volunteers with big hearts vs. professional fundraisers, and many more deep rifts in communal organization were woven together—or forced together—depending on whose story you believe. Learn about the winners, the losers and why we should care.

MAY 4:
The series ends with a dynamic multi-generational walking tour of old Jewish Toronto.

Sponsored by the John and Molly Pollock Lectures



From "Archaeology and Jerusalem" with Dr. Dan Bahat, former District Archaeologist of Jerusalem

LEFT: Allan Kanee, Chair, Adult Education Committee, introduces the speaker. **RIGHT:** Dr. Dan Bahat (centre) with Event Sponsors Elaine and Albert Cheskes.

Hesed Report

INFORMATION HOTLINE 416-781-3514 EXT. 261

Out of the Cold: Out of the Cold is now in full swing. We have been serving close to 175 homeless people each week. There has been a great response from our Beth Tzedec members who have been volunteering their time to help each week. Thanks to the efforts of Beth Tzedec's Youth Director, Aily Leibtag, many Bar/Bat Mitzvah aged children have been volunteering as well. Our guests thoroughly enjoy interacting with the youngsters, while the children benefit by helping out those who are less fortunate.

Visiting the Elderly: Our program of matching volunteers to either call or visit people living in seniors' residences has been very successful. Those who have been receiving visits are very appreciative, and meaningful friendships have been formed. We are always looking for more volunteers—it is a wonderful opportunity to perform a mitzvah and does not require a huge time commitment.

Games Afternoon – A NEW INITIATIVE: We are trying to kick off a new program on weekday afternoons, whereby people can meet at the Synagogue to play a variety of games, such as Mah-jong, Rummikub, cards or Scrabble. It is a wonderful way to meet new people and socialize. No experience necessary—all you need is a bit of time to share and a willingness to have fun! Please let me know if you are interested in getting involved by calling the office at 416-781-3511 and leaving me a message.

Maureen Tanz
Co-Chair, Hesed Committee

WANTED: New men's and women's underwear and t-shirts for the Out of the Cold participants. A tax receipt for the value of the goods donated will be given. Please contact Maureen Tanz at 416-781-3514 ext. 261.

Board of Governors Meetings

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

Upcoming meeting dates: **January 14, February 4 and March 11 at 7:00 PM***

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



PURIM CARNIVAL

Sunday, March 16 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Get your mask and costume ready and join in the fun of the Beth Tzedec Purim Carnival! Kids of all ages are invited to enjoy carnival booths, prizes, bouncy castles and more. No charge for activities. Snacks available for purchase.

**Tikkun
Olam**

Please bring Kosher, pre-packaged treats such as dried fruits, cookies, candies and chips for *mishloah manot* baskets that we will be assembling at the Carnival. *Todah rabah!*

Beth Tzedec's Purim Seudah

**Sunday, March 16
1:00 PM**

Bring your parents, grandparents, children, siblings and friends to a delicious Purim feast, complete with entertainment, music and more!

Cost: \$10 per person. Register by Wednesday, March 12 at 416-781-3511.



**Don't
MISS!**

Megillah Reading Saturday evening, March 15 at 8:15 PM
Sunday morning, March 16 following services at 8:00 AM

Judaism as History and Memory

with Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Harvey Meirovich

Monday, March 31 to Sunday, April 6



Monday, March 31 at 7:15 PM—*Jewish History Through the Lens of the Haggadah (Part I)*
Based on Israeli scholar Yisrael Yuval's controversial book *Two Nations in Your Womb*—Unravel the highly provocative idea that Judaism is not the 'elder brother' of the younger offspring, Christianity but, rather, the two faiths are more like twin brothers engaged in a sibling rivalry run wild. Out of such thinking comes Yuval's conclusion that not only has Judaism influenced the formation of Christianity, but the opposite also holds true: Christianity has influenced the formation of Judaism, and the Jewish-Christian sibling rivalry can be detected in our very own Passover Haggadah.

Thursday, April 3 at 7:30 PM—*Jewish History Through the Lens of the Haggadah (Part II)*
The truth of the maxim "A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words" comes alive through our examination of pictures contained in Passover *Haggadot* from the beginnings of Hebrew printing to the present day, illustrating how our ancestors confronted (with failure and success) the vexing challenge of how to forge a positive and creative Jewish identity.

Shabbat, April 5 Pulpit Lecture—*The Exodus from Egypt: History or Memory?*
Did the Exodus from Egypt really happen? Did hundreds of thousands of our ancestors exit Egypt on their way to the Promised Land? If so, why is there no external evidence of the Exodus other than in the Bible itself? If the Exodus from Egypt is a figment of the imagination of our Israelite ancestors, how does this impact on Jewish belief and practice? Lecture and discussion continue at Kiddush.

Sunday, April 6 at 10:00 AM—*Reconstruction Out of the Ashes: Five Voices of the Bible*
Learn about Rabbi Meirovich's research in progress which claims that the various *Megillot* of the *Song of Songs*, *Ruth*, *Lamentations*, *Ecclesiastes* and *Esther*, read at different seasons of the year represent a radically different view of religion, seriously at odds with the dominant beliefs and practices detailed in the five books of the Torah.

Sponsored in memory of Anne Firestone



JEWES IN FILM

WITH SHLOMO SCHWARTZBERG
FILM CRITIC, TEACHER AND ARTS JOURNALIST

All programs:

Wednesdays, Dessert 1:30 PM, Lecture 2:00 PM

Parts 1 and 2: *The Exciting and Provocative Cinema of Israel*

Wednesdays, March 19 and March 26

A discussion of the complex social themes and various groups representing Modern Israel, as reflected in Israeli cinema. Film clips will provide a window into the lives of Israeli immigrants and sabras, straights and gays, the religious divide and Israeli /Arab relations.

Parts 3 and 4: *International Jewish Cinema*

Wednesday April 2 and April 9

Examine how Jewish issues, societies and conflicts are portrayed in films from Canada, Europe, South America and other parts of the world.

\$20 for 4 sessions or \$10 per session at the door.

For information or to register, call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or email zglassman@beth-tzedec.org.

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**SAVE
THE DATE!**

Women and the Holocaust with *Professor Sara Horowitz*

Three Monday evenings: April 28, May 5 and 26

Sponsored by the Beth Tzedec Sisterhood

Guide to the Perplexed Seder Leader

with Noam Zion



Wednesday, March 19 at 7:30 PM

Using the *Haggadot* he composed and many more new ideas and stories, Noam Zion will make a practical difference in your seder and help you make this year's seder night at least a little different from all other seder nights. For veterans and novices alike!

Examine what the rabbis really intended us to do in creating a seder which maximizes storytelling, discussion and educational fun.

Consider why, for thousands of years, seders have been so frozen, so concentrated on recitation rather than drama and debate. After we unlearn what we thought the seder was *supposed* to be, we will offer multiple ways to customize the seder to your own family's needs.

Noam Zion has been a fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute since 1978 and has an ABD in philosophy from Columbia University. Noam has directed the Inservice Teacher Training Seminar, the Russian Jewish Scholars Program, the TICHON Day School Program for Judaica Faculty at North American High Schools and the Christian Leadership Institute Seminar. He is also on the faculty of the Rabbinic enrichment program (RLI) and is a curriculum writer specializing in Bible and Rabbinic Ethics. His numerous publications include: *A Different Night: The Family Participation Haggadah*, *A Different Light: The Big Book of Hanukkah*, *A Day Apart: Shabbat at Home* and *A Night to Remember: A Haggadah of Contemporary Voices*.



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Around the World in Two Nights

with Cantor Sidney Ezer

Tuesdays, April 1 and 8
7:30 to 9:00 PM

Cantor Sidney Ezer presents an interactive musical survey of diverse Passover Seder melodies from various Jewish world communities. The first session features melodies for *Ha Lah Ma*, *Ma Nishtanah*, *Dayeinu*, as well as numerous selections for Hallel. The second session covers the end of the Haggadah to explore traditional and lesser known tunes for *Adir Hu*, *Ehad Mi Yodea*, *Ki Lo Na'eh* (*Adir Bimlukha*) and *Had Gadyah*.

Free for members; \$18 for non-members for series or \$10 per individual session.
For additional information, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.



Pre-Pesah Rockin' Moroccan

**FRIDAY
NIGHT
LIVE!**

Friday Night, April 11 / Service at 6:30 PM

Get in the mood for Pesah at this musical Moroccan-themed Kabbalat Shabbat service, featuring Cantor Simon Spiro, Cantor Sidney Ezer and the Beth Tzedec Singers. Afterwards, join us for a sumptuous Moroccan-style Shabbat dinner, more singing and fun. Dinner by advance prepaid registration only.

Cost: \$40 for adults; \$18 for children ages 6 to 14; \$6 for children ages 1 to 5. Dinner by advance registration only: Call 416-781-3511 or email info@beth-tzedec.org by Monday, April 7.

Children ages 1 to 3 with a parent, grandparent or caregiver

Mishpacha

Toddlers, Tunes and Treats

with Tobie Seligman

9:30 to 11:00 AM in Room 200 at Beth Tzedec

Wednesdays

Fridays

January 15 to June 11 (19 classes)

January 17 to June 13 (21 classes)

Members \$270

Members \$300

Non-Members \$320

Non-Members \$355

Drop-ins welcome **where space permits**. Please call before coming.

Fees for individual classes: \$15 Members / \$18 Non-Members.

For registration, space availability or program information, contact Jo Swartz at 416-781-3514 ext. 230 or jswartz@beth-tzedec.org.

Beth Tzedec Men's Club Makes a Difference



Men's Club Classic Golf Tournament

Men's Club President Mark Lapedus presents Beth Tzedec President Carolyn Kolars with a cheque for \$14,500, proceeds from last May's first annual Men's Club Classic Golf Tournament.

Silverman Siddurim Update

Beth Tzedec Men's Club members David Sigal, Jeff Mills, Ted Bluestein and Alan Abrams have continued to sort and catalogue the Silverman

siddurim and have begun distributing those copies that were dedicated to families or individuals. If you have dedicated a siddur but have not yet received a call, please contact the Synagogue office and leave us your name and contact information.

And the *mitzvah* continues. With the help of the *klei kodesh*, over 400 of the undedicated prayer books have been distributed to community groups in Toronto and Oshawa, and 300 copies were shipped to Temple Har Zion in Scottsdale, Arizona. Baycrest Terrace also appreciated the 25 copies they received, replacing those destroyed during this summer's flooding.

Scholarship Awards

Each year, the Men's Club provides scholarships from various funds to deserving students. These scholarships are given to those who are pursuing higher Jewish education or cantorial studies, those who are

teaching students with disabilities, and those who are studying the arts.

If you are interested in applying for a scholarship for 2014, please contact Hersh Rosenthal at hershr@rogers.com.

Making Jewish Life Better

Each year, the Beth Tzedec Men's Club provides support for many youth programs, such as the Paperclips Trip, Mitzvah Day, Family Fun Day, Tu B'Shevat Sedarim and the Purim Carnival. It also offers scholarship awards to deserving students pursuing programs in higher Jewish learning, and supports Jewish veterans and residents at the Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre through its Sunnybrook Shabbat services.

EarthHourZ

The third annual Men's Club *EarthHourZ* will take place on March 30 at 8:30 PM. Saving the Planet on Jewish time! Watch for further details.

World Wide Wrap

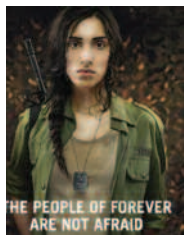
On *Super Bowl Sunday*, February 2, Beth Tzedec joins many Conservative congregations around the world in the *mitzvah* of putting on *tefillin*. This annual tradition has been designated the World Wide Wrap (WWW). Services commence at 8:45 AM followed by an enhanced breakfast. Our guest speaker will be Dorion Liebgott, Curator of the Beth Tzedec Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum, speaking on "Secrets of a Museum Curator: Beyond the Tefillin Box".

Men's Club members and clergy will be available prior to services to instruct and assist anyone wishing to participate.



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MARCH 31
The People of Forever are Not Afraid

Dr. Harriet Morris discusses Shani Boianjiu's novel.

This book follows three young female friends, before, during and after their service in the Israeli Defense Forces.

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APRIL 28
The Street Sweeper

Cathy Tile explores Elliot Perlman's book.

This wonderful tale tells how individual people matter in history and how unexpected meetings can change lives. The book addresses our capacity for memory, heroism, racism and unexpected kindness.

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With educator and lecturer
HANA WERNER

WEDNESDAYS:

1:30 PM Refreshments 2:00 PM Lecture

10 sessions: \$50 / 5 sessions: \$35
 \$10 each at the door



The Prophetic Message to People of Fate and Faith

April 30

Ezekiel: Empowering the Judeans

A mission of a 'Valley of Dry Bones'. We will explore how his words and ideas empowered the nation.

May 7

Deborah: A Woman of Valor

What would God do? How does Deborah view her mission as leader of the nation?

May 14

Jonah: An Example of a Struggle

How does the theme of forgiveness determine Jonah's mission?

May 21

Jeremiah: A Prophet of Gloom and Doom

How do his powerful words awaken the nation, and what is his message for today?

May 28

Ezra the Scribe: The Architect of a Nation

According to the Sages, if Moses had not received the Torah, Ezra would be deserving of this honour. What were his momentous decisions?

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

Adam Kruger Youth Initiatives Fund

Diane and Ronnie Ennis, honouring **Bruce Glazer** on his 70th birthday.

Jerome and Pearl Kazdan, honouring the **Speyer Family** on the B'not Mitzvah of their daughters **Alexa and Taylor**.

Daniel Silverman and Rachel Hindel, honouring **Norman and Jackie Kahn**.

Ted Starkman and Jenifer Lev, thanking **Rabbi Adam Cutler** for the New Jersey/ Hurricane Sandy relief trip for teens.

Ted Starkman and Jenifer Lev, thanking **Aily Leibtag** for the New Jersey/ Hurricane Sandy relief trip for teens.

Ted Starkman and Jenifer Lev, thanking **Daniel Silverman** for the New Jersey/ Hurricane Sandy relief trip for teens.

Annual General Fund

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

Diane and Ronnie Ennis, honouring **Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl** on the birth of their grandson **Amichai Menashe**.

Karen and Lawrence Leiter, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jack Leiter**.

Stephen and Elisha Margles, honouring **Lorne Hanick**.

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

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

Mark Rash, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harry Rash**.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, acknowledging **Prof. Arnold and Shoshana Ages** in memory of **Sharon Esther Ages (Goldberg)**.

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

Ilana and Josh Silvertown, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sidney Valo**.

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

Lyon Wexler, acknowledging **Ronnie Faust** in memory of **Adele Faust**.

Barbara and Harry Rosenberg Fund

Janet and Jack Bick, acknowledging **Joyce Bick** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Lorna and Ralph Brooke, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Eleanor Chrom and Sol Rabinovich, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Patti and John Colomby, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

The Cummings Family, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Allan and Elaine Davis, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Robert and Anita Fabricant, acknowledging **Fawn Rosenberg** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Harry and Sara Gorman, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

The Greenspoon Family, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Judy Hartman, acknowledging **Joyce Bick** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Julia and Lloyd Lavine, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Sharon Lavine and Grant McCutcheon, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Judy Libman, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Murray and Susy Miller, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Connie Rimer, acknowledging **Joyce Bick** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Jillian Rosenberg, acknowledging **Chuck Rosenberg** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Sidra and Mark Sack and Jaymie Rosen, acknowledging **Terri Lewis** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Matthew Saper and Darren Sukonick, acknowledging **Chuck Rosenberg** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Susan and Michael Sole, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Irwin and Tema Title, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Keren and Perry Tohn and Alyse and Robert, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Monique and Bernie Ungerman, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Sally and Gerry Weisbrod, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Phyllis Wingold, acknowledging the **Rosenberg Family** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Pearl and David Yolles, acknowledging **Terri Lewis** in memory of **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund

Paul and Susan Lindzon and family, honouring **Stephen and Ilene Flatt** on their anniversary.

Susan and Paul Lindzon and family, honouring **Ab and Phyllis Flatt** on their 56th anniversary.

Daily Minyan Breakfast Fund

Beverly Abramson and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sylvia Katz**.

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

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

Bunnie Appleby, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Elaine Spring**.

Sephi, Ira, Ellen and Freda Band, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Philip Ephraim Band Q.C.**

Beverly Black, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Maxwell Starkman**.

Leonard and Bella Brody, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Betty Brody**.

Jeremy Cole, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sharon Cole**.

The Colla Family, honouring the birth of **Jory Leigh Colla**.

Min Drevnig, Risa Shiff and Ellen Drevnig, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harvey Drevnig**.

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

Dr. Brian and Hon. Justice Kathryn Feldman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Charles Feldman**.

Dr. Benjamin Freedman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Murray Harvey Freedman**.

Gerald Freeman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Meyer Freeman**.



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Susan Friedrich and Harry Enchin, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Lidia Friedrich**.

Maxine Gallander Wintre, David Wintre and Rosalie and Victor Indig, honouring the birth of their granddaughter **Roxie Star Indig**.

Helen Glazer, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Lillian White**.

Nathan Greenberg, commemorating the first yahrzeit of **Harry Greenberg**.

Gloria Houser and Al Pearlstein, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Harry Pearlstein**.

The Joseph Family, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Harvey Joseph**.

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

Dr. Beverly Kupfert, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Morris Kupfert**.

Chava Kwinta, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Mike Kwinta**.

Leila and Gary Lax and family, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Bella Goldstein**.

Leila and Gary Lax and family, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Irving Goldstein**.

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

The Lubin Family, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Max Lubin**.

Ruthe Mann, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Dr. John Mann**.

Elaine Marcus and Fred Marcus, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Max Marcus**.

Irving Matlow, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Esther Matlow**.

Irving Matlow, commemorating the first yahrzeit of **Esther Matlow**.

Susie Mittelman Sokol, Judi Alter and Mary Richmond, commemorating the 40th yahrzeit **Andrew Mittelman**.

The Oelbaum Family, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Ronald Oelbaum**.

Irene Reingold, commemorating the *yahrzeiten* of **Sali and Irwin Gilbert**.

Laura Roseblit and family, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Isaac Graiewski**.

The Rosenberg Family, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Barbara June Rosenberg**.

Joe Rosenthal, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Chaya Toba**.

Caren Ruby and family, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Mel Isenberg**.

Mark Selick and family, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Connie Selick**.

Arnold and Barbara Shell, marking the conclusion of shiva for **Mashka Berenhaut**.

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Jeffrey and Rhoda Simbrow, honouring of the upcoming wedding of their son **Zachary to Stephanie Nightingale**.

The Sless and Law Families, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Brian Sless**.

Eric Sobel, in honour of his birthday.

The Sobel Family, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Lilian Fine**.

Sidney and Lola Solnik, commemorating the *yahrzeiten* of **Irving Solnik and Morris Bloom**.

Ted Starkman and Jenifer Lev and family, honouring the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Benjamin Starkman**.

Mel and Ruth Steinhart and Allan Siegel, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Sam Siegel**.

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

Harold and Carole Wolfe and family, honouring the birth of their grandson, **Spencer Wolfe**.

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

Rochelle Zabitsky and Esterita Rajskey, commemorating the yahrzeit of **William David Chananie**.

The Zidel Family, commemorating the first yahrzeit of **Julia Rayne Zidel**.

The Zisman Family, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Helen Zisman**.

The Zylberberg Family, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Dr. Bernard Zylberberg**.

Hesed Fund

Frances Ackerman and Henry Einstoss, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Jack Einstoss**.

Beverly Black, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Ada Starkman**.

Ronnie and Diane Ennis, wishing **Fred Engle** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Helen Glazer, honouring **Dr. Stephen Tanny** on his special birthday.

Helen Glazer, wishing **Yitz Penciner** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Nathan Greenberg, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Harry Greenberg**.

Marsha Joseph, honouring **Harold and Ruth Margles** on their grandson **Adam's** Bar Mitzvah.

Marsha Joseph, honouring **Brent and Adrienne Zylberberg** on their 25th anniversary.

Irving Matlow and family, honouring **Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl** on the birth of their grandson **Amichai Menashe**.

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Lorraine and Morris Rotbard, commemorating the *yahrzeiten* of **Ann and Morris Koffman**.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, honouring **Ruth and Harold Margles and family** on their grandson **Adam's** Bar Mitzvah.

Rose Sobel, acknowledging **Dr. Howard Snow** in memory of **S. Milton (Mickey) Snow**.

Rose Sobel, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Gussie Sobel**.

Ruth and Mel Steinhart, acknowledging **Karen and Dr. Larry Weisbrod** in memory of **Belle (Bobby) Feig**.

Esther Westelman, honouring **Joyce Raymond** on her birthday.

Lyon Wexler, honouring **Steven and Elyse Aronoff** on **Sam's** Bar Mitzvah.

Lyon Wexler, honouring **Hillel Kagan** on his birthday.

Lyon Wexler, honouring **Joseph Shier** on his birthday.

Lyon Wexler, honouring **Milton Shier** on his 96th birthday.

Lyon Wexler, wishing **Hillel Kagan** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Lyon Wexler, wishing **Arnold Tenney** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Howard (Hy) Cooper Trust Fund

David, Carol, Marissa and Yonit Grossman, honouring **Ari Grossman** on receiving his Masters of Business Administration degree (MBA), and on being appointed to Wilfrid Laurier University's Board of Governors.

David, Carol, Ari, Marissa and Yonit Grossman, acknowledging the family of **Dora Kirshenblatt**^{z"l} in memory of **Dora Kirshenblatt**.

Jewish Family Living Fund

Shelly Markel and Ian Freedman.

Michael and Deenna Sigel, honouring **William and Shaindy Nathanson** on Daniel Matthew's marriage to Stephanie Burke.

Skip and Lynn Sigel, honouring **William and Shaindy Nathanson** on Daniel Matthew's marriage to Stephanie Burke.

Library Books

Rose Cooper, honouring **Yvette Lerner** on her 80th birthday.

Eva Weisbrod, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Dr. Wilfred Weisbrod**.

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

Little Minyan Fund

The Diamond Family, honouring **Ted Zittell** on his 60th birthday.

Max and Beatrice Wolfe Library Fund

Nancy and Sid Golden, commemorating the yahrzeiten of **Isadore Rosen** and **Esther Rosen**.

Michael and Sharon Pupko, acknowledging **Mona Rosenberg** in memory of **Geraldine Hundert**.

Harold and Carole Wolfe and Phyllis and Ab Flatt, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Beatrice Wolfe**.

Music Fund

Howard and Halle Cohen, honouring **Renee Topper** on her grandson's wedding.

Bob and Sandy Cohen, honouring **Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl** on the birth of their grandson **Amichai Menashe**.

Gail and Irving Gerstein, honouring **Marc and Carolyn Lipton** on **Jack's** Bar Mitzvah.

Gail and Irving Gerstein, honouring **Hon. Justice Sidney Linden** on being selected as Alumni of Influence from University College's University of Toronto.

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

Arlene Silver, honouring **Cantor Sidney Ezer**.

Lorraine Simpson, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Charles Simpson**.

Dr. Albert Weinstein, commemorating the yahrzeiten of **Sheldon Weinstein, Sarah Weinstein** and **Max Siegel**.

Dr. Albert Weinstein, honouring **Gail Weinstein** her Bat Mitzvah.

Harold and Carole Wolfe, honouring **Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl** on the birth of their grandson **Amichai Menashe**.

Out of the Cold Fund

Sophie Brockman, commemorating the yahrzeiten of **Nathan Brockman** and **Ben Springer**.

Genia and Stan Elkind, wishing **Wendy Eisen** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Fred and Jocelynn Engle, honouring **Phil and Eileen Wunch** on their grandson **Matthew Bongard's** Bar Mitzvah.

Joseph Kerzner and Lisa Koeper, wishing **Harry Giddens** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Barbara and Ricky Kirshenblatt, honouring **Steven and Elyse Aronoff** on their son **Sam's** Bar Mitzvah.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring **Karen and Sydney Goldenberg** on their son Daniel Goldenberg's marriage to Mohr Schneiderman.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, honouring **Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl** on the birth of your grandson **Avichai Menashe**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging **Shirley Shapero** and family in memory of **Terry Shapero**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging **Howard Snow** in memory of **S. Milton (Mickey) Snow**.

Rose Sobel, acknowledging **Rabbi Harvey Meirovich** in memory of **Sarah Meirovich**.

Rose Sobel, honouring **Philip and Fauna Lidsky** on their granddaughter **Julia Lauren Kay's** Bat Mitzvah.

Rose Sobel, commemorating the yahrzeiten of **Gertrude Sobel McGrath** and **Lillian Kaplan**.

Elaine and Joseph Steiner, honouring **Dena Libman** on her special birthday.

Elaine and Joseph Steiner, honouring **Doris Laskin** on her special birthday.

Elaine and Joseph Steiner, acknowledging **Rabbi Harvey Meirovich** in memory of **Sarah Meirovich**.

Beverley Stern, honouring **Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl** on the birth of their grandson **Amichai Menashe**.

Anna-Lynne Taradash, acknowledging the **Shnier Family** in memory of **Irving Shnier**.

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

Rochelle Zabitsky and Monte Kwinter, honouring **Louis Litwin** on his 85th birthday.

Prayer Book (Siddur) Dedications— Daily or Shabbat

Beth Tzedec Sisterhood, acknowledging **Rabbi Harvey Meirovich** in memory of **Sarah Meirovich**.

Bayla Gross, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Morris Gross**.

Harvey and Carole Kerbel, acknowledging **Fran Giddens** in memory of **Harry Giddens**.

Dolly Kerzner, commemorating the yahrzeiten of **Murray Penwick** and **Tillie Penwick Mandel**.

Marsha and Ronnie Klein and family, honouring **Carole Andrews** on her 70th birthday.

Eleanor Krangle and family, commemorating the yahrzeit of **David (Buddy) Krangle**.

Eleanor Krangle and family and **Geraldine Greenberg**, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Morris Greenberg**.

Susan Laufer and Berry Greenberg, commemorating the yahrzeit of **Ida Laufer**.

Rena and Larry Marcus, acknowledging **Prof. Arnold Ages** and family in memory of **Sharon Esther Ages (Goldberg)**.

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

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

Howard and Lisa Winston and family, acknowledging **Galia Azouri** and family in memory of **Meir Cohen**.

Reuben and Helene Dennis Museum Fund

Ruth & Gurion Hyman and family, honouring **Paul Rothstein** on becoming *Hattan Bereisheet*.

Jewish Meditation

with Michelle Katz



Shabbat, February 1,
March 1 and April 5

Classes held on the first Shabbat of every month, from 10:00 to 11:15 AM. For men and women, centred on texts from our tradition, eliciting response and deep listening—a doorway to enhanced prayer.

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

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

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Condolences

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

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| Rita Barron | Jean Lee |
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| Michael Danzig | Borys Rozenblat |
| Harry Giddens | Phyllis Shapiro |
| Harold Grammer | Irving Shnier |
| Norton (Norty) Lorne Grimson | S. Milton (Mickey) Snow |
| Vera Houzer | Irvin Wallen |
| Jimmy Kay | Jack Westreich |
| | Sol Zulauf |

"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:

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| Harry Alexandroff | Murray Menkes |
| Gerald Solomon Marr | |

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 yahtzeit date, is mounted on a bronze tablet in the Sanctuary. The lamp is lit on the Shabbat of the week of the yahtzeit, on the day of the yahtzeit, and on the four festivals during the year when Yizkor is recited. To order a memorial plaque, contact Maya Vasserman at 416-781-3514 ext. 216 or mvasserman@beth-tzedec.org.



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BEYOND THE CHUPPAH BECOMING A COUPLE

A marriage preparation group for couples who are going to be married in the next year.

SPRING SESSION:

5 Thursdays starting January 29
7:00 to 9:00 PM at Beth Tzedec



Topics include: changing roles and expectations, finances, conflict negotiation and resolution, communication, and Jewish home and family life. This program is offered by Jewish Family & Child in partnership with the Rabbinical Assembly—Ontario Region.

Register online at www.jfandcs.com (select Life Skills from the Jewish Family Life Education Programs menu) or call 416-638-7800.



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 2014/2015 who are seeking to prepare for this experience with peers in a program suited to their needs. This program is tailored for students who have:

- difficulty with social situations in comparison to their same-aged peers (such as children with social anxiety, gifted learning disabilities, non-verbal learning disabilities and Asperger Syndrome);
- challenges that can be re-directed with supports; and
- an understanding, appreciation or knowledge of their own interpersonal challenges.

The Bar/Bat Mitzvah Club is spearheaded by a cadre of educators, clergy and committed congregants, together with a team of skilled, highly trained experts in various fields, including group facilitators with many years of experience working with kids with special 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.

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


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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
18 SHEVAT 8:45am Shaharit 12:00pm <i>Nitzanim/Kokhavim</i> Tu B'Shevat Seders 5:05pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	19 SHEVAT 7:30am Shaharit 5:05pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm ASK: The Adult Bat/ Bar Mitzvah Pgm 7:15pm Many Faces of Avraham	20 SHEVAT 7:30am Shaharit 4:00pm <i>Kokhavim</i> 5:00pm <i>Kesher/BTTeens</i> Out of the Cold 5:05pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	21 SHEVAT 7:30am Shaharit 5:05pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	22 SHEVAT 7:30am Shaharit 5:05pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	23 SHEVAT 7:30am Shaharit 5:02pm Candle Lighting 5:05pm Kabbalat Shabbat	24 SHEVAT 8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Prof. Ages 11:00am Teen Kiddush Club 12:00pm Lively Learning 4:45pm Minhah-Ma'ariv/SS 6:05pm Havdalah 7:00pm Robbie Burns Night
25 SHEVAT 8:45am Shaharit 5:15pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	26 SHEVAT 7:30am Shaharit 1:30pm New Horizons 5:05pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 6:00pm Treats for Tzedakah 7:15pm ASK: The Adult Bat/ Bar Mitzvah Pgm 7:15pm Many Faces of Avraham	27 SHEVAT 7:30am Shaharit 5:15pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm Israeli TV night	28 SHEVAT 8:45am Shaharit 5:15pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm <i>BTTeens: Hadashot</i>	29 SHEVAT 8:45am Shaharit 5:15pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	30 SHEVAT 7:15am Shaharit 5:11pm Candle Lighting 5:15pm Kabbalat Shabbat	1 ADAR I 8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Prof. Ages 10:00am Jewish Meditation 10:30am Family Service 4:55pm Minhah-Ma'ariv/SS 6:12pm Havdalah
2 ADAR I 8:45am Shaharit 9:30am World Wide Wrap 11:00am Pl Library Story Time 5:25pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	3 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 1:30pm Haverim: Dr. Wolfish 5:25pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm ASK: The Adult Bat/ Bar Mitzvah Pgm 7:15pm Many Faces of Avraham	4 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 5:25pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	5 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 5:25pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	6 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 5:25pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	7 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 5:16pm Candle Lighting 5:25pm Kabbalat Shabbat 5:45pm Family Shabbat Dinner & Wine Tasting	8 ADAR I 8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Prof. Ages 10:15am Torah Tots 10:30am SMP & Jr. Cong'n 12:00pm Young Shmashim 5:05pm Minhah-Ma'ariv/SS 6:22pm Havdalah
9 ADAR I 8:45am Shaharit 11:00am Town Hall Meeting 4:00pm <i>KesherTOPs</i> 5:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:00pm Town Hall Meeting	10 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 1:30pm New Horizons 5:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm ASK: The Adult Bat/ Bar Mitzvah Pgm 7:15pm Many Faces of Avraham 7:30pm Teen & Parent Film Club	11 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 4:00pm <i>Nitzanim</i> Cook & Shook 5:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	12 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 5:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm <i>Havurat HaSafer</i>	13 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 5:30pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	14 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 5:28pm Candle Lighting 5:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat	15 ADAR I  Ki Tissa 8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Prof. Ages 10:30am SMP & Jr. Cong'n 12:00pm Young Shmashim 5:15pm Minhah-Ma'ariv/SS 6:31pm Havdalah
16 ADAR I 8:45am Shaharit 5:40pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	17 ADAR I FAMILY DAY 8:45am Shaharit 5:40pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	18 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 5:00pm <i>Kesher/BTTeens</i> Out of the Cold 5:40pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	19 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 5:40pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm <i>BTTeens: Hadashot</i> Noam Zion/ Enhancing your Seder	20 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 5:40pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	21 ADAR I 7:30am Shaharit 5:37pm Candle Lighting 5:40pm Kabbalat Shabbat	22 ADAR I  Vayakhel 8:45am Shaharit 9:30am LM/Prof. Ages 10:15am Torah Tots 10:30am SMP & Jr. Cong'n 11:00am Torah Next Dor 12:00pm Lively Learning 5:25pm Minhah-Ma'ariv/SS 6:40pm Havdalah 6:45pm <i>Kesher-Boys Night</i>

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30 SHEVAT
ROSH HODESH-ADAR I
February

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ROSH HODESH-ADAR I
 **Terumah**
8:45am Shaharit
9:30am LM/Prof. Ages
10:00am Jewish Meditation
10:30am Family Service
4:55pm Minhah-Ma'ariv/SS
6:12pm Havdalah

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23 ADAR I 23 8:45am Shoharit 5:50pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	24 ADAR I 24 7:30am Shoharit 1:30pm New Horizons 5:50pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm ASK: The Adult Bat/ Bar Mitzvah Pgm 7:15pm Mary Faces of Avraham	25 ADAR I 25 7:30am Shoharit 5:50pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	26 ADAR I 26 7:30am Shoharit 5:50pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	27 ADAR I 27 7:30am Shoharit 5:50pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:30pm Iosh Lambert/Jews, Obscenity & American Culture	28 ADAR I 28 7:30am Shoharit 5:46pm Candle Lighting 5:50pm Kabbalat Shabbat	29 ADAR I 1 March SHABBAT SHEKALIM  Pekudei 8:45am Shoharit 9:30am LM/Prof: Ages 10:00am Jewish Meditation 10:15am Torah Tots 10:30am Family Service 4:05pm Minhah-Ma'ariv/SS 5:31pm Havdalah 7:30pm Girls Sleepover
30 ADAR I 2 ROSH HODESH-ADAR II 8:30am Shoharit 6:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	1 ADAR II 3 ROSH HODESH-ADAR II 7:15am Shoharit 1:30pm Haverim: David Wildsmith 1:30pm New Horizons 6:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm ASK: Adult BBM Pgm	2 ADAR II 4 7:30am Shoharit 6:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	3 ADAR II 5 7:30am Shoharit 6:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 6:30pm BBM Program 7:30pm <i>Havurat HaSefer</i>	4 ADAR II 6 7:30am Shoharit 6:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	5 ADAR II 7 7:30am Shoharit 5:58pm Candle Lighting 6:00pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00pm Shabbat Across Canada	6 ADAR II 8  Vayikra 8:45am Shoharit 9:30am LM/Prof: Ages 10:15am Torah Tots 10:30am SMP & Jr. Cong'n 11:00am Teen Kiddush Club 2:30pm Shabbat Sports 5:40pm Minhah-Ma'ariv/SS 6:58pm Havdalah
7 ADAR II 9 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME 8:45am Shoharit 12:00pm <i>BTTeens</i> Charity Floor Hockey Tournament 4:00pm <i>Kesher TOPs</i> Pgm 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	8 ADAR II 10 7:30am Shoharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm Lipinsky/History of Old Jewish Toronto	9 ADAR II 11 7:30am Shoharit 4:00pm <i>Nitzanim</i> Cook & Snook 5:00pm <i>Kesher/BTTeens</i> Out of the Cold 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	10 ADAR II 12 7:30am Shoharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	11 ADAR II 13 7:30am Shoharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	12 ADAR II 14 7:30am Shoharit 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:04pm Candle Lighting	13 ADAR II 15 13 ADAR II EREV PURIM SHABBAT ZAKHOR TZAV 8:45am Shoharit 9:30am LM/Prof: Ages 10:15am Torah Tots 10:30am SMP & Jr. Cong'n 11:00am Torah Next Do 6:50pm Minhah-Ma'ariv/SS 8:07pm Havdalah 8:15pm Megillah Reading
14 ADAR II 16 PURIM 8:00am Shoharit & Megillah Reading 11:00am Purim Carnival 1:00pm Purim Seudah 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	15 ADAR II 17 7:30am Shoharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv 7:15pm Lipinsky/History of Old Jewish Toronto	16 ADAR II 18 7:30am Shoharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	17 ADAR II 19 7:30am Shoharit 1:30pm Jews in Film 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	18 ADAR II 20 7:30am Shoharit 7:00pm Minhah-Ma'ariv	19 ADAR II 21 7:30am Shoharit 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat 7:12pm Candle Lighting	20 ADAR II 22 SHABBAT ITANU  Shemini 8:45am Shoharit 9:30am LM/Prof: Ages 10:15am Torah Tots 10:30am SMP & Jr. Cong'n 6:55pm Minhah-Ma'ariv/SS 8:16pm Havdalah