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THE GENESIS PROJECT: SCIENCE MEETS JEWISH THOUGHT

An exciting new series. Leading Canadian scientists and Jewish thinkers will join us in exploring a modern interpretation of the Seven Days of Creation. No science background required—just bring your curiosity! Four programs in 5777 (2016-2017), three more in 5778 (2017-2018).

Thursday, October 20, 2016
from 7:00 to 8:30 PM

at Beth Tzedec Congregation

Day One—בראשית and the Big Bang: Is God a Particle Physicist?

In the beginning, there was Heaven and Earth—and the Higgs boson. Does Torah contemplate the Big Bang? Does The Eternal One work through physics?

Saturday, December 3, 2016
from 6:00 to 7:30 PM

at Temple Emanu-El

Day Two—The Blessing of Difference: Havdalah, Science and the Senses

An interactive Havdalah service with hands-on science experiments for everyone. Young families particularly welcome. Pizza and snacks.

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Thursday, February 9, 2017
from 7:00 to 8:30 PM

at Beth Tzedec Congregation

Day Three—A-Life: Worth Living?

Life begins on the Third Day of בראשית. Soon it will be possible to create artificial life, "A-Life": designer cells and tissue, and, eventually, entire organisms. What ethical challenges does this pose?

Thursday, April 20, 2017
from 7:00 to 8:30 PM

at Temple Emanu-El

Day Four—The God of Other Planets

On the Fourth Day of בראשית, God creates sun, moon and stars. There are over 3,000 known planets in the universe, many of which might support life. What happens to our notion of ourselves when we discover life elsewhere? How will Judaism respond to another planetary Creation story?

Made possible thanks to contributions in memory of Jonathan Steiner ז"ל

This series is a joint project of Beth Tzedec Congregation and Temple Emanu-El. It is sponsored by the Scientists in Synagogues project, which is organized by Sinai and Synapses in New York and the American Association for the Advancement of Science program of Dialogue on Science, Ethics, and Religion in Washington, DC. Support for the program comes from Clal—The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership in New York through the John Templeton Foundation, along with other donors.

Into the Future

As we enter the New Year, what might we anticipate?



DURING THE DAYS OF AWE, WE OFTEN REFLECT ON THE year ahead. We say and sing the powerful prayer, “בראש השנה יכתבון וביום צום כפור יחתמון” —On Rosh Hashanah it is written and on the Fast of Yom Kippur it is sealed.” But I don’t believe in the pre-determined finality of these initial words. I do believe that our actions, epitomised in the prayer as תפילה, תשובה וצדקה—personal change, prayer and acts of generosity—can affect the impact of what we will face. As we enter into the New Year, what might we anticipate? What are the knowns and the unknowns?

In the world, there will be continued uncertainty about terrorism and European stability. In the United States, a bruising campaign will conclude with the election of a new President and the implementation of new policies. Economic growth and social change will mark our year in Canada. Jews will face continued anti-semitism, renewed challenges on campus and community related to Israel and new initiatives to attract young adults and young families to Jewish life. Israel will continue to contend with daily security concerns along with dynamic social and technological developments.

And at Beth Tzedec? In Judaism, the physical is the gateway to the spiritual. Every morning, there are personal *berakhot* that express gratitude for the functioning of our bodies and the renewal of our soul life. We enjoy good food and sexual intimacy as part of the spiritual pleasure provided by Shabbat. Financial success creates opportunities for *tzedakah*. So too in synagogue life. Our renovated Mezzanine Banquet Hall and enhanced foyer will provide us with spectacular physical space for many spiritual celebrations and exciting opportunities to study Torah and grow in wisdom.

This year, there will be increased activity and excitement focused on the future of our Congregation. A fresh cantorial voice and choir will transform the High Holy Day services in our Sanctuary. Exciting prayer and study initiatives for young adults will continue to make our Congregation a destination for a new generation. Our Strategic Planning report will articulate where our *kehillah*-congregation should be heading. We still have to address the complex questions of renewing our prayer

spaces—Chapel and Sanctuary—as part of transforming the spirit and content of our services.

In the larger community, we joined with Ashkenaz over Labour Day weekend to host Joey Weisenberg for special musical Shabbat services at Beth Tzedec and Havdalah at Harbourfront. We hosted the annual meeting of the leadership of the United Synagogue for Conservative Judaism. Moshe Halbertal, one of the intellectual leaders of Israel, was our Halbert lecturer prior to the Days of Awe. We welcomed the arrival of the Syrian Ismaili family that we are sponsoring (your personal and financial support is welcomed).

And coming up, “Unorthodox”, a podcast developed by *Tablet Magazine*, will create their edgy show at Beth Tzedec in November, with a free-ranging discussion about contemporary Jewish life. The Genesis Project will explore scientific developments and their implications for religious life and Jewish belief.

There will be new adult seminars in the autumn exploring Jewish and Canadian law, French Jewry and Jewish values in an age of choice. We initiated a study and discussion group on aging wisely at the same time as we begin a pre-Shabbat music program for young children. Our Book and Film Club will attract sell-out crowds to its programs. Our Congregational School Experience will continue its exciting initiatives which have been recognized and honoured in the wider community.

We shall continue to partner with other organizations and congregations to expand opportunities for learning and personal growth. We’ll be engaging in new partnerships with Holy Blossom and Beth Sholom to create high school options for the many teens who are not engaged in Jewish education. For the second time, we’ll be working with Peace of Mind to bring a group of Israeli combat veterans to Toronto for rest and rehabilitation. As our Jewish Federation marks its 100th anniversary, we’ll partner with them for a Centennial Journey to Israel in October/November 2017. We welcome Paz Assulin and Dan Helft as a new cohort of *shinshinim*, the Young Emissaries from Israel, who have enriched Israel engagement in our Synagogue. We can be proud that three Israelis who served as Tanenbaum

Fellows in our Congregation were ordained as rabbis by the Schechter Bet Midrash Rabbinical School just prior to the Days of Awe.

And in our personal lives? There are the knowns and the unknowns. I just began an advanced degree program in dispute mediation at Osgoode Law to prepare me for a post-Beth Tzedec career. Some of us will be contending with difficult issues of illness, mortality and financial challenge. Others will have the blessings of b'nei or b'not mitzvah, new additions to our families, academic and career achievements. Our Congregational clergy will be available to you for consultation and counselling, both for the expected and the unanticipated.

As we peek and peer into the future, I hope that the coming year will bring you and your loved ones, our Congregational community and the world around us, many exciting opportunities and much blessing. May you be inscribed and sealed for a year of peace.

"Lift your soul in prayer as you sing along, or close your eyes in meditation and be carried away by the magnificent harmonic sounds..."



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NEW VOICES

Beth Tzedec's High Holy Days

Beth Tzedec Congregation is delighted to announce that Cantor Moshe Fishel, a dynamic young Israeli *hazzan*, will lead Beth Tzedec Congregation's Sanctuary Service during this year's High Holy Day services. Joining him on the *bimah* will be renowned conductor and composer Meir Briskman and *Lishmoa El Harina*, an international ensemble choir of men and women.

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A Vibrant Path

I am energized by the challenges ahead and leading a congregational conversation on planning a vibrant and sustainable future



I AM HONORED TO WRITE MY FIRST REPORT TO THE membership as your President. Last year we celebrated our shul's 60 years of history, and as we begin the new year, I am energized by the challenges ahead and leading a congregational conversation on planning a vibrant and sustainable future for Beth Tzedec.

Over the past year, we have been working on updating our Strategic Plan. The shul's last Strategic Plan led to a number of significant changes including the adoption of the 'Synaplex' model where members were offered a multiplicity of prayer options outside of the Sanctuary Service, most notably the Little Minyan.

The Strategic Planning Committee has been busy working with outside volunteer professionals, gathering input from the Conservative movement and compiling the successful membership survey (over 1,000 responses). Once completed this fall, the updated plan will help us better respond to the needs of our current membership, attract new and younger members and chart our course for the future.

Our goal is to have a Strategic Plan that is well understood by our membership and guides us in the hiring of our professional staff, programming and improvements to our building. Successful institutions embrace clear mission statements and strategic visions as touchstones for decisions impacting continued growth and success. I urge you to help make our collective dreams for Beth Tzedec a reality.

This year we are very excited to welcome guests Cantor Moshe Fishel and Conductor Meir Briskman along with a group of international choristers to our services. Moshe and Meir represent the next generation of ritual leadership coming out of Israel, and they will bring both their talents and enthusiasm to Beth Tzedec for this year's High Holy Day Services. Beth Tzedec has a rich history of delivering sacred music that touches the soul and engages our membership, and we will continue to strive to meet our musical needs.

Two years ago we partnered with USCJ and the Ruderman Foundation to help us be a more welcoming place for those with disabilities. With the guidance of Rav Adam Cutler and the Inclusion Committee, we hope to implement a number of changes to ensure that Beth Tzedec is a leader in this area. As a first step, we are excited to

announce the introduction of a *Kehillah* Inclusion Service for families with children with special needs offered under the leadership of Inclusion Committee chair Raquel Binder and Lindsay Malc.

For young families, our Congregational School offers an outstanding program that builds pride in our Jewish identity. Every Sunday morning, our learning through activities program gives students a repertoire of Jewish life skills while building a network of new friendships with classmates, *shinshinim* and teachers.

Each year we recognize members for their special contributions to Beth Tzedec at Simhat Torah. This year, we are pleased to honour past president Shep Gangbar as our *Hattan Torah* and Lorraine Sandler as our *Kallat Bereisheet*. Don't miss our Simhat Torah Luncheon, the first congregational event in our new Mezzanine Banquet Hall.

If you haven't been to shul recently, you will discover that our dramatically renovated Mezzanine Banquet Hall is nearing completion—go upstairs to take a look at the transformation. The main floor foyer has a new spacious look since a staircase was removed as part of the Mezzanine renovations. Our enhanced facilities along with our fabulous partner, Applause Catering, make Beth Tzedec a quality destination for weddings, *b'nei mitzvah*, baby namings, anniversaries, special birthdays and family meals. Don't forget, you can also have a wonderful Shabbat dinner for 20 to 50 in our intimate Museum setting.

We are also moving forward with hiring a new senior cantor, and, in time for 2019, a new senior rabbi. We will be establishing special search committees consisting of Board members and members at large. As we chart the evolution of our shul for the coming decades with a new Strategic Plan, there can be no more important decisions than who we choose for these two key leadership positions.

I look forward to greeting everyone over the Holy Days. Don't hesitate to come by and ask questions of me or any of your Board representatives who work tirelessly to make Beth Tzedec a destination for you and your families.

Shanah Tovah tikatevu v'tibatemu. May the New Year see us grow and build together, moving decisively to our future.

—Sheldon Rotman, President,
on behalf of the Board of Governors

✉ We can't share your good news unless you tell us about it. Send an email to thumphries@beth-tzedec.org, or call us at 416-781-3514 ext. 212. **Deadline for the next Bulletin covering January through March is November 24.**

Milestones and celebrations

Births

Lielle Miriam, daughter of STACIE & HARTLEY PERLMUTTER, granddaughter of ELYNN & GARY ROSENBERG and JOANNE & JEFFREY PERLMUTTER, great-granddaughter of BURTON BIRNBAUM and MYRNA & MERVIN LASS, born April 21.

Matthew Ethan, son of DEANNA & YANIV HART, grandson of RAYNA & RICHARD BIELAWSKI, MALI HART and ZORIK OTCHOCKOVSKI, great-grandson of MANIA BIELAWSKI, born May 13.

Jonah Franklin, son of JODIE KAUFMAN DAVIS & JAMIE DAVIS, grandson of SUE & ALAN KAUFMAN of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan and LYNDA & KEN DAVIS, born June 22.

Lev Nathaniel, son of DALIA ROTSTEIN & JOSEPH HELLER, grandson of BRIAN HELLER & DR. BEVERLY KUPPERT and DR. COLEMAN ROTSTEIN & DR. WENDY WOLFMAN, born June 22.

Isabelle Daphni Heller, daughter of MARIEL HELLER & MARK STEINMAN, granddaughter of BRIAN HELLER & DR. BEVERLY KUPPERT and STAN & BERNICE STEINMAN, born June 30.

Ethan Matthew and Emily Sarah, son and daughter of JENNIFER & MICHAEL CAINE, grandchildren of ALAN & VALERIE DAVID and DAVID & HELEN CAINE, great-grandchildren of JEAN DAVID and CLAUDE & ESTHER ABRAMS, born July 26.

Lyla Chana, daughter of ALEXANDRIA FANJOY SILVER & AARON SILVER, granddaughter of SHOEL & EILEEN SILVER and MARG & BILL FANJOY, great-granddaughter of HARRY ROTSTEIN and MARG FANJOY, born August 2.

Nicole Hailey, daughter of BETTY & SHAYL LOFSKY, granddaughter of JEWEL & SEYMOUR LOFSKY, FAINA PRUPES, LEV SPITZIN and ALEXANDER PRUPES, born August 5.

Seth Graysen, son of DAVID CUMMINGS & JENNIFER ROSENBERG, grandson of JEFF & TAMMY CUMMINGS and SHELLY & NORMA ROSENBERG, born August 18

Weddings

Nathan Stall, son of DR. LISA BERGER & DR. RICHARD STALL, and **Tali Bogler**, daughter of SUSY & AVI BOGLER, who were married June 30.

Chaz Firestone, son of SHERRY & JAY FIRESTONE, and **Rebecca Theise**, daughter of RAY THEISE KERZNER & FRED THEISE²¹, stepdaughter of GARY KERZNER of Queens, NY, who were married July 3 in Cedarhurst, NY.

Leah Walters, daughter of DEBRA & GARY WALTERS, and **Daniel Feuer**, son of DEBRA & MARVIN FEUER, who were married July 3.

Eliana Elkah Sutton, daughter of DR. MITCHELL & RENA SUTTON, granddaughter of ANNETTE SUTTON and MIN LEBOVITCH, and **Max Marcus**, son of DAVID & ROBIN MARCUS of Edmonton, who were married August 18.

Melissa Rosenberg, daughter of ELLIOT & JUDY ROSENBERG, and **Jason Sagman**, son of ROBERT & MELANIE SAGMAN, who were married September 1.

Julia Mansfield, daughter of DR. GARY & MARCIA MANSFIELD, and **Joshua Kaminsky**, son of ARTHUR & LINDA KAMINSKY, who were married September 4.

Sarah Shell, daughter of ARNOLD & BARBARA SHELL, and **Eric Cohen**, son of STEWART & RONI COHEN, who were married September 4.

Rebecca Cherniak, daughter of ROBERT & SHARON CHERNIAK, and **Noah Kochman**, son of UDI & RICKI KOCHMAN, who were married September 18 in Montreal.

David Goldberger, daughter of DR. LESLIE & SUSAN GOLDENBERG, and **Dani Warshager**, son of BEN & LOLA WARSHAGER, who were married September 18.

Emily Schwartz, daughter of THOMAS & MARJORIE SCHWARTZ, and **Peter Rabe**, son of RICHARD & SALLY RABE of Ohio, who were married September 18.

Raquel Walman, daughter of TERRY & NADINE WALMAN, and **Joshua Friedlich**, son of DR. JOSEPH & LINDA FRIEDLICH, who were married September 18.

Marni Blustein, daughter of STEVEN & MYRA BLUSTEIN, and **Michael Wolkowicz**, son of IRVING & REINA WOLKOWICZ, who will be married October 9.

Michelle Seetner, daughter of AVIE & AIDA SEETNER, and **Guy Malk**, son of FILIP & JANA MALK, who will be married October 30.

Sam Reitman, son of JOEL & JILL REITMAN, and **Stephanie Frangos**, daughter of CHRIS FRANGOS & LISA WEBSTER, who will be married November 6 in California.

Caren Ruby & Mel Brown, who will be married November 6.

Zach Fishman, son of FRED & RUTH FISHMAN, and **Lisa Winberg**, daughter of JACK & JUDY WINBERG, who will be married November 12.

Newton Glassman, son of the LATE MAX GLASSMAN AND MARLENE LEVITT, and **Laura MacDonald**, daughter of BILL & MAUREEN MACDONALD, who will be married November 12 in the Bahamas.

Congratulations to

Samantha Charlat, on receiving the Youth Leadership Award by the Beth Tzedec Men's Club at the annual Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs' awards breakfast.

Dana Davis, on receiving the Youth Leadership Award by the Beth Tzedec Men's Club at the annual Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs' awards breakfast.

Children ages 1 to 3 with a Grandparent, Parent or Caregiver



Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00 AM

Come play, sing and create arts & crafts around a different theme each week. Led by Natalie Bookman, an OISE-educated teacher with a love for children and a focus on early-years child development.

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



Mahzor Lev Shalem

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

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

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



Dr. Mervyn & Frances Deitel, who celebrated their 54th anniversary on June 18.

Amanda Feld, daughter of SHELLY FELD & HARRIET DRUKER, granddaughter of MARION & RON FELD and AVVIE & EVY DRUKER, who celebrated her Bat Mitzvah on August 4 in Israel.

Samantha Glied-Beliak, daughter of TAMMY GLIED & ROBERT BELIAK, granddaughter of BILL & MARIKA BELIAK, and **Rafi Yablonsky**, son of RUTI & REUVEN YABLONSKY, on their engagement.

Marlee Goodman, daughter of RANDY & ANNETTE GOODMAN, granddaughter of FRANCES GOODMAN and ABE & FRED A BLANKENSTEIN, and **Jason Libenson**, son of HOWARD & HELEN LIBENSON of Montreal, grandson of SONIA YERZY and LOUIS & MARY LIBENSON, on their engagement.

David & Lucille Griff, who will celebrate their 60th anniversary on December 25.

Ari Grossman, who was appointed Canada's Chef de Mission for the 2017 World University Winter Games in Almaty, Kazakhstan.

Carol Grossman, who was nominated for the Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence.

Harrison Levine, on receiving the Teen Philanthropy Award by UJA of Greater Toronto.

Sidney B. Linden, on being appointed a Member of the Order of Canada in recognition of his contribution to public administration and to the administration of justice, including serving as Chief Justice of the Ontario Court of Justice.

Aleeza Lubin, daughter of LAWRIE & RUTHANN LUBIN, on being named Chair of the Young Women's City Council, part of the Women's Division of the Jewish United Fund of Metropolitan Chicago.

Daniel Minden, who was awarded first prize in the MERCAZ Canada/MERCAZ USA/Women's League biennial essay contest.

Leora Nash, on receiving the Teen Philanthropy Award by UJA of Greater Toronto.

Barry Phillips, on receiving the 2016 Lifetime Achievement Award by the Ontario Pharmacists Association for his many contributions to the profession of pharmacy, ongoing commitment to patient care and dedication to the community.

Shaun Rotman, son of PATTI & DR. SHELDON ROTMAN, and **Michal Golan**, daughter of ITIA & YEHUDA GOLAN, on their engagement.

Dayna Simon, daughter of NORMAN & JACKIE KAHN, granddaughter of BERNARD & VERA WALDMAN and RUTH SIMON, and **Jordan Waltman**, son of BARRY & GILDA WALTMAN, grandson of TOBY WALTMAN, on their engagement.

Nicole Sitzer, daughter of MICHAEL & ELLEN SITZER, and **Adam Cepler**, son of MAURY & CHERYL CEPLER, on their engagement.

Lindsay Snow, daughter of DR. HOWARD & EMILY SNOW, who graduated with a Bachelor of Health Sciences Honors Specialization degree from Western University, and a Certificate in Gerontology from Ryerson University. She will attend the Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing at University of Toronto.

Matthew Snow, son of DR. HOWARD & EMILY SNOW, who graduated with a Master of Science degree in Cell and Systems Biology from University of Toronto and will attend Queen's University School of Medicine.

Maurice (Mo) & Karen Stekel, who celebrated their 50th anniversary on August 24.

Dr. Wendy Wolfman, who was awarded the 64th Frederick Marlowe Lecture for the Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology of Toronto.

Many Thanks to

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

Trudy, Debbie and Barry Shecter, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on June 11 to commemorate the fourth yahrtzeit of **Florence Shecter**.

Harry Klaczkowski & Rise Schwartz and family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 11 to commemorate the first yahrtzeit of **Tzipora Klaczkowski**.

Irving Lindzon, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on June 18 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Aaron Lindzon**.

Dot Whitehouse, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on June 25 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Eugene Whitehouse**.

The Carr and Allen Families, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on July 9 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Lillian Allen**.

Susan & John Rose and family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 6 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Joseph Skolnik**.

Norman & Jackie Kahn and family, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on August 13 to commemorate the yahrtzeit of **Jonathan Kahn**.

Eva Jacob, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 27 in honour of the marriage of **Zohar Jacob & Jennifer Fajertag**.

Shoel & Eileen Silver, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 27 in honour of the naming of their granddaughter.

Bob & Sharon Cherniak, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on September 10 in honour of the wedding of **Rebecca Cherniak & Noah Kochman**.

Seymour & Jewell Lofsky, who sponsored a *Seudah Shlisheet* on September 10 in honour of the naming of their granddaughter.

Leo & Karen Plotkin, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 22 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Eden Plotkin**.

Marc & Carolyn Lipton, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 29 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Claire Elizabeth**.

Beth & Zane Appleby, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on December 3 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Sydney**.

Adrian & Jennifer Kaplan, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on December 17 in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Lily Eve**.

Grandkids

Each name is a piece of history that links one person, one family, one generation to the next.



AS A KID, BEFORE I WENT TO MY AFTER-SCHOOL HEBREW class, I hung out in one of the empty classrooms. On the wall, there was a board that listed those who had come before—donors to the synagogue—and on the top of the board, my grandparents. They came from the Old Country and started with nothing. Somehow, from what they managed to earn, they raised a child (my mom), started a small business (really small), bought a home and, most importantly, gave to their synagogue. Theirs is the ancient story of Honi (*Ta'anit*, 23a) revisited generation after generation.

One day, Honi the Circle Maker was walking on the road and saw a man planting a carob tree. Honi asked the man, "How long will it take for this tree to bear fruit?"

The man replied, "Seventy years."

Honi then asked the man, "And do you think you will live another 70 years and eat the fruit of this tree?"

The man answered, "Perhaps not. However, when I was born into this world, I found many carob trees planted by my father and grandfather. Just as they planted trees for me, I am planting trees for my children and grandchildren so they will be able to eat the fruit of these trees."

I knew other names on that list and I knew their grandchildren. We studied together, played wall-ball and floor hockey together and even got tossed from class for misbehaving—together. We shared *haftorot* and kiddish and learned to wrap our tefillin—together.

Grandparents' eyes glistened when their grandkids chanted the *Ashrei* or had an aliyah side-by-side. That we had a place to congregate, to share Jewish life and

prayer and music, was thanks to them. They saw the future, they 'planted' so that we could reap the fruits of their labours.

As I grew up and travelled to various communities, the story/donor boards of communal life spoke to me. And today, as I walk around our wonderful Beth Tzedec home, I see the names of those who came before us and those who share our lives now. While some names are from long ago, each person was moved to plant, for their own reasons, so that we would have our home today. Each name is a story, a book full of memories to share with the grandkids. Each is a piece of history that links one person, one family, one generation, to the next.

As the grandkid, I learned a life lesson about *tzedakah* and much about the people I never really knew. As a grandkid, I saw that my grandparents were selfless and had deep vision. They taught my parents and my parents taught me. It was a lesson that I wanted, just as in the days of Honi, to transmit to my grandkids, should I be blessed to have them.

So I share with today's grandkids and kids and parents and grandparents—let us all be like the man with whom Honi spoke; let us, with the same wisdom and vision, give and continue to build our synagogue today so that those who come tomorrow (and the tomorrows that follow) can rejoice and share a spiritual, educational, social and cultural home with one another.

To make a gift that will strengthen our Synagogue, please contact me at 416-781-3514 ext. 211 or rspiegel@beth-tzedec.org.



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:*

Thursday, October 20 at 7:30 PM and **Tuesdays, November 22 and December 13 at 7:00 PM**

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



JEWISH TEEN
EXPERIENCE
MIDTOWN



JTEM is a new teen program that connects participants in grades 8 to 12 with each other and with meaningful Jewish learning experiences. JTEM offers unique and relevant classes with different and interesting ways to relate to Jewish themes. Whether over dinner, in class or through community service activities and trips, teens will be transformed.

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TIK TAK TALK
with the *Shinshinim*

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EDITION
(GRADES 3 TO 5)
Tik Tak Talk: A Hebrew Language Program
Tuesdays, November 8 & 29, December 13, January 10 & 24, February 7 & 21 and March 7 from 4:00 to 5:00 PM
Join Paz and Dan, our *shinshinim*, for a variety of fun activities designed to build your conversational Hebrew skills. Pizza and refreshments served. Cost: \$10 per session (includes pizza and refreshments)

MIDDLE SCHOOL EDITION
(GRADES 6 TO 8)
Tik Tak Talk: A Hebrew Language Program
Tuesdays, November 1 & 22, December 6, January 17 & 31, February 14 & 28 and March 21 from 4:00 to 5:00 PM
Helping kids maintain their Hebrew skills after leaving Jewish day school is a challenge. Our *shinshinim*, Paz and Dan, have the answer for you—an entertaining hour of Hebrew conversation and Israeli culture. Cost: \$10 per session (includes pizza and refreshments)

For information or to register, contact Simmi Toby at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or stoby@beth-tzedec.org.

Mazal Tov to our B'nei Mitzvah

WHO HAVE COMPLETED OUR BAR/BAT MITZVAH PROGRAM



(AT MINḤAH) October 22
Eden Plotkin
daughter of Leo &
Karen Plotkin

אטע רחל בת לייב וחייה מחלה



October 27
Claire Elizabeth Lipton
daughter of Marc Jason &
Carolyn Nancy Lipton

שושנה אלה בת מרדכי יעקב
ושרה צביה



November 3
Joey Rittenberg
daughter of Brian &
Lindsay Rittenberg

יעל חנה בת ברוך נתן ולאה



(AT MINḤAH) November 24
Kaylan Shekarchi
daughter of Jimmy Shekarchi &
Sigalit Kadouri

מיכל בת יוסף וסגלית



December 3
Sydney Appleby
daughter of Zale &
Beth Appleby

יעקבה בת זליג ורחל



December 17
Lily Eve Kaplan
daughter of Adrian &
Jennifer Kaplan

לילה בת אהרן משה הכהן

A Yom Kippur

Panel Discussion

Repentance and Reconciliation: Listening to the Voices of Indigenous Canadians



Wednesday, October 12 at 3:15 PM

In the wake of the Truth and Reconciliation report, Justice Sidney Linden, a former Chief Justice of the Ontario Court of Justice and Commissioner for the Ipperwash Inquiry, and a residential school survivor share their insight and experiences on a panel moderated by Rabbi Adam Cutler. Everyone welcome. (High Holy Day tickets not required.)

THE SHOSHANA SHIER MEMORIAL ANNUAL LECTURE

Diasporas and Homelands: The Jews of the Modern Arab World with Prof. Daniel J. Schroeter

Thursday, October 27 at 7:30 PM

Prof. Daniel Schroeter explores the attachment of Arab Jews to their lands of birth, their dispersion and settlement in Israel and other countries, and the challenges they have and do face in the 21st century. No charge.



COMMENTARY Rav Adam Cutler

Hearing Their Stories

If we can recite the *Al Het* prayer in the plural ... perhaps we are entitled, if not required, to pray on behalf of those who came before us.



THIS PAST SPRING, TOGETHER WITH 40 others, I visited the Woodland Cultural Centre in Brantford, site of the former Mohawk Institute Residential School, on a trip hosted by the Lieutenant Governor and attended as well by the Governor General. As a product of Toronto's Jewish Day School system, my knowledge of Canada's Indigenous Peoples was limited to a few weeks in the Grade Seven history curriculum. Though I have done my own reading since then, walking through the school and the excellent onsite museum with former residential school students—all of whom were subject to abuse—personalized my learning in a way that books could not.

In December 2015, Canada's *Truth and Reconciliation Commission* issued its final report. While most of the calls to action are directed to the government, private non-Indigenous citizens who have read the *Report*, including the volume dedicated to "Missing Children and Unmarked Burials", cannot help but ask how they should respond. As Jewish Canadians, many of our ancestors were not yet in Canada when the first two centuries of contact between European settlers and Indigenous peoples occurred,

neither were Jewish institutions (unlike Christian churches) complicit in the operation of residential schools, to which Indigenous children were taken against the desire of their parents and where forced assimilation occurred often coupled with violence. Yet, we are nevertheless the beneficiaries of policies and practices that advanced the cause of Canadian nation-building at the deep expense of those peoples who have inhabited this land for millennia.

With Yom Kippur soon approaching, I ask what is the role of the Jewish community in the truth and reconciliation process? *Teshuvah*, repentance, is understood as a personal journey, making amends for wrongs committed by one's self. Yet, if we can recite the *Al Het* prayer in the plural—we beat our chest while declaring "For the sin we have committed against you through ..." —perhaps we are entitled if not required to pray on behalf of those who came before us and whose destructive actions form a portion of our collective past.

Before anything else, we must listen. While many are eager to dialogue and to use conversations with Indigenous peoples as a springboard into understanding our own identity as Jews, the first things we

have to do is hear the voices and the stories of our Indigenous neighbours. To that end, earlier this year Beth Tzedec proudly sent a youth delegation to meet First Nation teens at the North Bay Indian Friendship Centre, and partnered with other synagogues to hear from Indigenous speakers during a Shabbat dinner. We recently co-sponsored an event featuring Minister of Indigenous Affairs and Northern Development Carolyn Bennett (who is also Beth Tzedec's Member of Parliament) and prominent Indigenous voices. Additionally, Beth Tzedec, in partnership with Ve'ahavta and two other shuls, is concluding a four-part series during which participants learned about Indigenous understandings of history, land, people and tradition while discussing related Jewish texts.

Most importantly, this Yom Kippur, Beth Tzedec is featuring a panel conversation during which congregants are welcome to hear firsthand from a residential school survivor, an Indigenous educator who is herself a generational survivor and our own Justice Sidney Linden, Commissioner of the Ipperwash Inquiry. As we ponder what it means to make amends, I hope that you join us at this event.

ITANU—A Commitment to Inclusion

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



A Four-Year Reflection



I've taken the opportunity to look back and see what has been accomplished and what is in store for the next four years.

AT THIS POINT IN 2016, THE FOUR-YEAR CYCLE IS ON MY mind. We have recently completed the Summer Olympics, held every four years. Soon we will see the election of a new United States president, whose term lasts four years. And for me personally, this summer marked four years of working at Beth Tzedec. I've taken the opportunity to look back and see what has been accomplished and what is in store for the next four years.

We have seen tremendous growth and improvement in our Congregational School. Enrolment is up and classes are of high quality. Most importantly, our students are having fun, enjoying the friendships they are making and the Jewish activities they are experiencing. Our Bar/Bat Mitzvah Program has also been strengthened, helping our 12 year old emerging Jewish adults wrap their heads around becoming full-fledged members of the Jewish community while still being teenagers.

We have facilitated three meaningful and impactful Jewish Service Network teen service learning trips to New Jersey, Detroit and, most recently, to North Bay to learn more about Canada's Indigenous community. Each of these trips has built friendships, allowed for a Shabbat experience of a different nature than at home and instilled strong principles of making our world a better place.

We are launching JTEM (Jewish Teen Experience Midtown), a new teen learning program for Grades 8 to 12, in partnership with Holy Blossom Temple and Beth Sholom Synagogue. JTEM promises a social, fun and relevant experience for teens to engage in learning directly related to their interests. When combined with further Jewish Service Network trips and a March Break Israel trip, the possibilities for learning and friendship are endless. We have also brought our teen programming in line with the Conservative movement's USY model. This year, we have a Teen Board with responsibilities that

parallel USY's regional positions and who have been empowered to create, plan, promote and implement their own programming for teens in our community. This is a great development for the teen department, as programming designed by teens for teens is the best way to further relationships and connections.

Our toddler and young family programming have also grown in frequency and variety. We continue to offer our Tot Shabbat Friday Night dinners, work in partnership with PJ Library and have seen great success with our Li'l Minyans Shabbat morning program, the weekday morning Mishpacha program and our new pre-Shabbat music class. Our youth programming, greatly enhanced by our *shinshinim*, has brought many new participants to the Synagogue. Our six-week series of Israel and *tikkun olam* programs have been very popular along with a new focus on Middle School events.

Lastly, our family holiday programming continues to engage members and families from the broader community. Be it our Sukkot festival, Purim carnival, Family Fun Day, Hanukkah celebration or new *Shtick Together* family learning, we continue to provide ways for families to engage in celebration with the synagogue community and with each other.

So, what do the next four years hold for me and for youth, teen and family programming at Beth Tzedec? It really is up to you, our members and users. Many of these amazing changes and ideas came from participants in our programs, and if I have any regrets from the last four years, it would be that more people didn't engage in all that we offer. I hope that the next four years are about continued program innovation, raising the quality of what we do, and building even more connections with people from Beth Tzedec and the community around us.

Wednesday, October 19
4:00 to 5:30 PM

Join us in the Beth Tzedec Sukkah and celebrate the holiday with music, food, drinks and fun. This is a great way to get into the Sukkot spirit and have fun after school. No charge. RSVPs requested by **Friday, October 14.**

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

Family Simhat Torah Celebration

Monday, October 24
beginning at 5:15 PM

Enjoy holiday crafts, games and a kids' Torah parade (recommended for children up to age 7), followed by a dinner for families of all ages beginning at 6:00 PM, by advance reservation only by Wednesday, October 19. The party continues at our synagogue-wide *Hakafot* with singing, dancing, candy, food and drinks. Cost: \$15 (ages 14 and up); \$10 for children.

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

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Beth Tzedec and Camp Ramah Magic Program
Saturday, January 21 at 7:30 PM

It's a magical evening of fun and magic with Jonah Babins!

BETH TZEDEC 20S AND 30S

Newlywed Shabbat Dinner

Friday, November 11 beginning at 6:00 PM

Newly married couples are invited to join the Beth Tzedec clergy for an intimate Friday night experience including a short, lively service followed by a delicious dinner and conversation.

No charge. RSVPs required to the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or email yfruchter@beth-tzedec.org by Friday, November 4.



DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY BUILDING & SPIRITUAL ENGAGEMENT *Yacov Fruchter*

3, 2, 1, Stretch!



THOSE ARE THE WORDS THAT MY TWO year old daughter Lev says most mornings when she wakes up and stretches out her cute little body. While her stretching is a full body experience, I have been thinking quite a bit this past summer about the metaphorical kind of stretching.

You see, we are constantly engaged in a process of stretching, of moving outside of our comfort zones; experimenting with new responses to old challenges; and adapting to new circumstances. The truth is, however, much of the stretching that we do is in response to loss. The loss of a loved one, the end of an important relationship, a miscarriage, the loss of meaningful employment, aging, rejection from a university program, among many other examples that we or those in our circle of care experience regularly are incredible motivators to stretch ourselves. We do this by grieving our loss which comes with many emotional responses, but also by exploring what went wrong, who is to blame, and ultimately, what changes can be made to our lives to ensure that future loss

might not be as painful. Hopefully within all of that, we can make some sense out of the experience so that we can truly grow from it and find meaning. Victor Frankel, psychiatrist, Holocaust survivor and author of *Man's Search for Meaning* wrote: "Man's main concern is not to gain pleasure or avoid pain but rather to see meaning in his life."

On the other hand, we don't need to wait for personal tragedy to occur in order to embark on spiritual journeys of self-exploration and meaning making. One of the basic tenants of Judaism is that we be life-long learners. As it is written in the *Shema*: "... when you sit in your house and when you walk on the way and when you lie down and when you rise ..." (Deut. 11:19). We are commanded to continuously work towards increasing our understanding of Torah and our closeness to God. Part of that learning is about exploring what is most precious to us and acknowledging our special gifts and how we have been using them, and ought to use them, to better those we love and the world around us.

While the leadership of Beth Tzedec will always be here to support you in moments of personal crisis and we encourage you to reach out to us in those moments. We are also very much here to help you stretch and grow when life seems full and good.

Indeed, many of the programs we are offering this year are meant to help you and your family continue to stretch and grow intellectually, emotionally and spiritually, and to increase your feelings and acts of love and kindness.

Here are few questions to get you stretching:

- What do you want to become better at this year?
- What is a relationship that you want to improve?
- What would you want to learn if you only had time for it?
- What can you do once a week to help the Jewish people and the world?

As always, I'd love to hear from you and support you through your growing journey.

B'Shalom,

Beth Tzedec 20s and 30s

Hard Cider DIY Workshop

Sunday, October 23
11:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Cost: \$18 (includes a light lunch, cider tasting and all materials). RSVP by Friday, October 14. Note: Cider will be ready for consumption by Hanukkah. For information or to register, call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 or email yfruchter@beth-tzedec.org.

"Under the apple tree, I was awakened"
—Song of Songs 8:5



YOUNG ADULT SHABBAT DINNER

Race Relations in Toronto— How Can We Be Allies?

Friday, December 9 beginning at 6:00 PM
(Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson Ave.)

For the past four years we've had the opportunity to explore hot topics as a Jewish community of young adults. This year we'll consider important issues such as minority carding, police violence, and demonstrations. A panel of leaders in the community will help us to understand race relations in the GTA and beyond. Home hospitality available. Cost: \$25. RSVPs required to Temple Sinai at (416) 487-4161 by Tuesday December 6.

6:00 PM – Davening / 7:00 PM – COR-certified kosher dinner
7:30 PM – Panel Discussion

Presented by Beth Tzedec 20s and 30s in partnership with Temple Sinai and Holy Blossom



Simḥat Torah Luncheon

Honouring outstanding dedication to our Beth Tzedec community.



IT IS OUR GREAT PLEASURE TO HONOUR THIS YEAR'S *Hattan Torah* Shep Gangbar, and *Kallat Bereisheet* Lorraine Sandler at our Simḥat Torah services and luncheon in our stunning new Mezzanine Banquet Hall. Shep and Lorraine have demonstrated outstanding dedication to our Beth Tzedec community and now join our distinguished list of honourees.

Shep Gangbar—*Hattan Torah*

Forty-three years ago, Shep walked into Beth Tzedec wondering if it was the right shul for him. He was lucky enough to meet with Jack Orenstein who made him realize that Beth Tzedec was not about bricks and mortar, but about the wonderful people that would come to be known as friends, religious partners and fellow volunteers.

Shep quickly became a Beth Tzedec “regular”, and, having had previous choral experience under Cantors Blye, Aroni, Weingort and Barkin, joined the Beth Tzedec choir under the direction of Gordon Kushner and our late Cantor Joseph Cooper^{z”l}, and then under Cantor Paul Kowarsky.

Over time, he became more involved, joining the Board of Governors, serving on several committees including Ushering, Catering, Cantorial Search, overseeing the kitchen renovations, producing two concerts, the 50th anniversary weekend and the “Liberation”, a memorial to Cantor Cooper. Shep is proud to be a past president of Beth Tzedec and looks forward to continued involvement.

Shep is very blessed with a wonderful wife, five children and one grandchild. It is his hope that as we transition forward into the next period at Beth Tzedec, that we will be able to satisfy the needs of all the congregants in a respectful and spiritually fulfilling manner.

Lorraine Sandler—*Kallat Bereisheet*

Lorraine was born in Rhodesia, Zimbabwe to Chona and Sonia Weinstock, Polish and Lithuanian immigrants. One of four children, she had a simple but idyllic childhood. Home was infused with Jewish tradition and values, shul, love of Israel and Zionism, and Lorraine credits her parents for whom she has become.

Lorraine studied early childhood education. She met and married Alan Sandler, making a home in Cape Town where Alan practiced accounting. They had two precious sons, Robert and Ian, who attended the Hebrew Nursery

School and Herzlia, the Jewish day school in Capetown. Life was fulfilling with many friends and raucous family celebrations.

Community involvement was the cornerstone. Lorraine taught and volunteered in African locations training African women to run their own early childhood centers. The disquiet the Sandlers felt about the apartheid system, though, led to a desire to emigrate. The political situation was untenable, and as Jews, the apartheid system was abhorrent. On August 6, 1976, the Sandler family arrived in Toronto to start their new life.

There were many trials and tribulations at first. Never forgotten, though, were the kindnesses shown by their first neighbours, Helen and Marvin Lester, and their first Shabbat dinner hosts, Paul and Gella Rothstein. The boys were attending USDS and many families showed kindness to them as well.

The years were filled with opportunities for creativity and change. Holy Blossom offered a supply position at the pre-school for six weeks. With this, Lorraine became part of the Toronto community, supporting families in the development of their children, helping them see the world through Jewish eyes.

Lorraine began consulting in early Jewish childhood, travelling across Canada and the U.S. working with educators and teaching at the CAJE conference. She became the spokesperson for Jewish early childhood education as the portal to Jewish identity, speaking to community agencies and synagogues. She was also hired as the Early Years consultant at USDS, now Robbins Hebrew Academy.

Lorraine chaired the UJA Women’s Campaign, Israel Experience, the Education Committee of the Holocaust Centre, the Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Centre, and was a board member of JFCS. She runs a parenting practice and sits on the Board of RHA and the advisory committee of PJ Library.

Her greatest sources of pride are her sons, Robert and Ian, their beautiful and accomplished wives, Nyla and Fern, and their precious children and “bubbe’s great joy”, Noa, Hannah, Leo and Cole.

Jewish children and families have been her great endeavours during Lorraine’s 40 years in Canada. She insists that she has never met a child she hasn’t loved, with the most challenging ones sometimes the most endearing.



Beth Tzedec’s Annual Simḥat Torah Luncheon

Tuesday, October 25 following Services

Join us in the stunning new Mezzanine Banquet Hall as we honour our *Hattan Torah* **Shep Gangbar** and our *Kallat Bereisheet* **Lorraine Sandler**.

Adults \$40.00 / Youth (4 to 14) \$18.00 / Children (under 4) free.
To RSVP, call 416-781-3511. Limited Space. Reserve Now!

Yorkville Lunch 'n' Learn for 20s & 30s

with Yacov Fruchter

Thursdays from 12:30 to 1:30 PM

October 6 & 20, November 3 & 17 and December 15

Take a break from your busy day for some Jewish learning. Yacov will bring the lunch and some Torah to dig into.

Call 416-781-3511 to confirm location.



FOR EVERY SEASON:
for Seniors

with Yacov Fruchter

Mondays, November 7 & 21 and December 12

1:30 to 3:00 PM

Join us for rich discussion and a nosh as we create a warm space for learning with and from each other about the topics that are pertinent to the lives of seniors.

The Beth Tzedec Sisterhood wishes everyone a happy new year.



Pre-Shabbat Music Class

with Sara Borer

Friday mornings from 9:30 to 10:15 AM and 10:30 to 11:15 AM



For children up to age 3 with a parent, grandparent or caregiver

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

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

Welcome Jessie Greenspan



BETH TZEDEC IS DELIGHTED TO WELCOME JESSIE GREENSPAN as our new Director of Teen Engagement.

Jessie is an informal Jewish educator and is very excited to be a part of our Youth department. From a very young age, Jessie has been involved in Toronto's Jewish community, including being an active participant with her family at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda. During her teen years, she served in several leadership positions in USY and, during her postsecondary studies, she played an instrumental role in founding Hillel at Seneca College.

For the past decade, Jessie has worked professionally throughout the Jewish community, including serving as the

Program Associate at BBYO and working on youth and family engagement initiatives in synagogue settings.

Jessie is a graduate of Yeshiva University's Certificate Program in Experiential Jewish Education, and she is always seeking ways to connect teens to their Jewish identities.

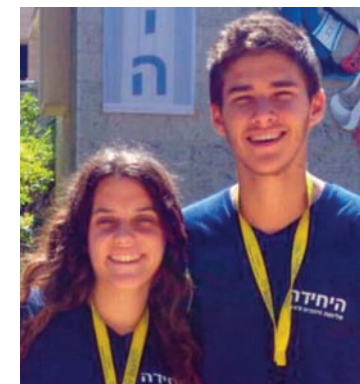
In addition to her role as our Director of Teen Engagement, Jessie will also serve as Regional Youth Director for the Eastern Canada Region chapter's United Synagogue Youth (USY). Jessie can be reached at 416-781-3514 ext. 246 or jgreenspan@beth-tzedec.org.

Introducing Paz and Dan

HI! WE ARE PAZ ASSULIN AND DAN HELFT, THE NEW SHINSHINIM (ISRAELI YOUNG EMISSARIES) at Beth Tzedec. We are very excited to be here from Israel and to be living here in Toronto, joining your amazing community.

We both live in the centre of Israel not far away from each other, outside Netanya. Paz lives in Even Yehuda and she has a twin sister, big brother and a big sister. She was a counselor in the Israeli scouts. Dan lives in Moshav Udim and he has one younger brother and one younger sister. We both love film and even majored in Film Studies in high school.

We are looking forward to meeting everyone in the Synagogue and getting the chance to talk with you and share our experiences and programming.

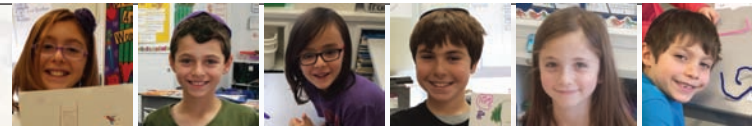


Our New Teen Board

BACK ON JUNE 5, TEENS GATHERED TO ELECT A TEEN BOARD TO UNDERTAKE leadership roles in creating, planning and implementing programs, as well as advocating for Beth Tzedec's teens. Our Teen Board is: Isaiah Zabitsky (Religion/Education Vice President), Josh Arbess (Co-President), Sarah Schacht (Communications Vice President), Lily Sherman (Membership/Kadima Vice President) and Zach Friedman (Co-President). Not pictured: Daniel Minden (Israel Affairs Vice President) and Alissa Schwartz (Social Action/Tikkun Olam Vice President)



Congregational School Experience



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

At CSX, your child will:

- Develop a sense of Jewish identity and learn about Jewish traditions, holidays and customs
- Gain familiarity with prayer and Jewish ritual
- Learn to read and write Hebrew
- Use technology, art, music and movement to create meaningful and lasting learning experiences
- Have the opportunity to meet other children and make friends
- Establish a vibrant link to Israel
- Begin a path to a more meaningful Bar/Bat Mitzvah experience

Limited spaces available. Register your child today!

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





Shabbat @ Beth Tzedec

Li'l Minyans

(children up to age 5 with a parent)
10:15 AM to 12:00 NOON

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

Junior Congregation

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

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

Teen Shabbat Lunch: Heimish Series

Following Services on October 29

Enjoy a delicious home-cooked meal at a staff member's home, play games, talk and enjoy the calm atmosphere of Shabbat!

Teen Shabbat Lunch: Network Series

Following Services on November 26

They say networking is the key to success! Schmooze with successful young professionals, ask questions and enjoy a delicious sponsored lunch.

Young Shamashim

Following Services on October 29, November 5, 12, 19 & 26 and December 10

An intensive two-year program for B'nei Mitzvah candidates interested in improving their *davening* skills. Meet for a nosh, *zemirot* and learning. This year focuses on learning to lead weekday services.

Shabbat Sports

Shabbat, November 12 & 26 and December 10
2:30 to 4:00 PM

Come and enjoy afternoon sports with Zachary Friedman, Noah Aaron and Sam Aronoff. Participants will decide on the game they would like to play each week. Games are split according to age group, and both girls and boys are welcome. Pre-registration required to Simmi Toby.

For Children 0 to 5 and their Families

Mishpacha Program

(ages 1 to 3 with an adult)
Tuesday mornings
9:30 to 11:00 AM

Come play, sing and create arts & crafts around a different theme each week. Led by Natalie Bookman, an OISE-educated teacher with a love for children and a focus on early-years child development. For fees, information or to register, call the Synagogue at 416-781-3511. Drop-ins welcome where space permits. Please call ahead.

Pre-Shabbat Music Class

(ages 0 to 3 with an adult)
Friday mornings
9:30 to 10:15 AM and 10:30 to 11:15 AM

Join Sara Borer and welcome Shabbat with a 45-minute music class featuring Shabbat songs and blessings, *hallah*, grape juice and lots of fun.

PJ Library Storytime

Sunday, November 6
10:30 to 11:30 AM

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

Grandparent and Grandchild Sunday Morning Hangout

(ages 1 to 4 with a grandparent)
Sunday, November 20
10:30 to 11:30 AM

Enjoy a late morning program where grandparents and grandchildren can engage in music, arts & crafts and other activities that encourage *Yiddishkeit* to be passed from one generation to the next. No charge.

For Children in SK to Grade 5

Tik Tak Talk for Elementary School

(for Grades 3 to 5)
Tuesdays, November 8 & 29 and December 13
4:00 to 5:00 PM

Join Paz and Dan, our *shinshinim*, for a variety of fun activities designed to build your conversational Hebrew skills. Cost: \$5 per session (includes pizza dinner).

From the Kotel to the Negev: Let's Travel Israel Through Food

(for Grades 1 to 5)
Sundays, November 6, 13, 20 & 27 and December 4 & 11
12:00 NOON to 2:00 PM

Get a taste of Israel through this interactive cooking series with our Israeli tour guides, Dan and Paz! Enjoy a culinary tour of Israel's six major cities—Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, Tzfat, Eliat and Be'er Sheva—and take part in exciting programs to develop a strong understanding of and connection to Israel. Create your own Beth Tzedec Passport that will include a map of all of the beautiful places that we 'visit'. Participants will be placed in two groups—*Nitzanim* (Grades 1 & 2) and *Kokhavim* (Grades 3 to 5). Cost: \$5 per session (includes lunch)

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

Tik Tak Talk for Middle School

(for Grades 6 to 8)
Tuesdays, November 1 & 22 and December 6
4:00 to 5:00 PM

Helping kids maintain their Hebrew skills after leaving Jewish day school is a challenge. Paz and Dan, our *shinshinim*, have the answer—an entertaining hour of Hebrew conversation and Israeli culture. \$5 per session (includes pizza dinner)

SHTICK TOGETHER: Fun for the Whole Family!

Thursdays at 6:00 PM

Drop in and join us for one or more of our fun and engaging activities, with several featuring a special mitzvah opportunity the whole family can enjoy.

November 10
The Shabbat Project: Family *Hallah* Bake
Take part in the incredible mitzvah of making *hallah* and get your hands doughy as we learn fun braiding tricks from the experts. Dinner will be served. Pre-register by November 4. Cost: \$10 per person.

December 1
Rosh Hodesh: Mother and Daughter Paint Night with Tanya Zbili
Roll up your sleeves to paint as we learn about the connection between women and Rosh Hodesh. Participants will take home their very own masterpieces! Cost: \$30 per person.

January 12
Mitzvah Project for Ve'ahavta with Danny Richmond
Danny Richmond will lead us in a mitzvah project with Ve'ahavta. Cost: TBA

February 2
A Tu B'Shevat Seder with DANI
We partner with DANI (an organization for young adults with special needs) to celebrate the birthday of the trees. This buddy program is a great way to learn about the programming that DANI offers and to make connections with DANI participants. Volunteer hours available. Cost: \$5 per person.

March 2
A Purim Mitzvah Project
Learn about the mitzvah of *mishloah manot* while getting all of your packages done! Led by Yacov Fruchter, it's sure to be a fun-filled night. Dinner will be served. Pre-register by February 22. (Indicate the number of *mishloah manot* packages you plan to make.) Cost: \$10 per *mishloah manot*.

May 4
The Lone Soldier Center
Learn about the Lone Soldier Center from a real 'Lone Soldier'! Explore how the Center assists Lone Soldiers before, during and after their army service. At the end of the evening, write your own letters of support to be sent to the Lone Soldiers defending Israel today. Dinner will be served. Pre-register by April 28. Cost: \$5 per person.

For more information or to register for the program, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

OUR MOST POPULAR SHABBAT DINNER IS BACK!

BLUE JEANS SHABBAT

Family Shabbat Dinner

Friday, November 18 at 6:00 PM

Dress down and enjoy an evening with good friends and great food, with lots of family fun, including a kids comedy-magic show, a SodaStream tasting station and local beer sampling for adults. And best of all, no shopping, cooking or cleaning!

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

Hockey Hall of Fame Legends Classic Games

Sunday, November 13
1:00 to 6:30 PM

Get ready for a legendary sports adventure as Eric Lindros and Borje Salming captain two star-laden teams in this annual classic with a pre-game ceremony honouring the Induction Class of 2016 and celebrating the Toronto Maple Leafs' centennial season. Registration for *Kadima* participants opens October 3; remaining tickets will be released to the public October 10. Cost: TBA (includes bus transportation and admission)

Games Afternoon with Chai Lifeline

Sunday, December 4
4:00 to 6:00 PM

Chai Lifeline Canada is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to helping Canadian children with serious illnesses and their family members. Spend the afternoon at Beth Tzedec fighting illness with love as we play games with children from Chai Lifeline. No charge (snacks served). RSVPs requested.

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

For Kids in Grades 6 to 12

“Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them” Premiere Screening

Thursday, November 17 7:00 PM
Harry Potter is back! Be one of the first to see this highly anticipated movie at a premiere showing. Meet at SilverCity Cinemas (Yonge/Eglinton). Cost: \$20 (includes admission, drink and snack).

For Teens in Grades 8 to 12

JTEM: Jewish Teen Experience Midtown Program

Mondays, November 7, 14, 21 & 28 and December 5, 12 & 19 (at Holy Blossom)
6:00 to 8:30 PM

JTEM is a new teen program that connects participants with each other and with meaningful Jewish learning experiences. It offers unique and relevant classes with different and interesting ways to relate to Jewish themes. Whether over dinner, in class or through community service activities and trips, teens will be transformed. For more information, visit www.jtemidtown.com.

For Grades 1 to 5 and Grades 9 to 12

Student Mentorship Program

Wednesdays, November 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 and December 7
5:15 to 6:30 PM

The Beth Tzedec Student Mentorship Program partners Elementary School children with High School teens in a positive Jewish environment. Teens and children will be placed based on social compatibility, subject matter and activity preference. Though Mentors arrive at 5:00 PM, students are welcome to arrive directly after school and aftercare will be provided. Cost: \$60 (includes weekly dinner). RSVPs requested.

For Teens in Grades 9 to 12 (BTTeens)

Sukkot Harvest Cook-Off

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

Celebrate the harvest festival of Sukkot with local, seasonal food. Eat delicious treats that you cook yourself, help prepare a meal for those less fortunate, earn volunteer hours and learn why Sukkot is a holiday where we give back. No charge. RSVP, to jessie@greenspan.com.

TAC Teen Program

Sunday, November 27

Mark your calendars and keep November 27 free for an amazing teen program. Check the weekly eNewsletter and website for details.

For Families

Young Families Sukkah Decorating

Sunday, October 16
10:30 AM to 12:00 NOON

Dress for a mess and help us with the decorations for the Beth Tzedec Sukkah. Let's all make our sukkah the most colourful, festive one in the neighbourhood! No charge. RSVPs requested.

Pizza in the Hut Sukkah Party!

Wednesday, October 19
4:00 to 5:30 PM

Join us in the Beth Tzedec Sukkah and celebrate the holiday with music, food, drinks and fun. This is a great way to get in the Sukkot spirit after school. No charge. RSVPs requested by Friday, October 14.

Simhat Torah Family Celebration

Monday, October 24 5:15 PM

Enjoy holiday crafts, games and a kid's Torah parade (recommended for children up to age 7), followed at 6:00 PM by a dinner for pre-registered families of all ages. The party continues at our synagogue-wide *Hakafot* with singing, dancing, candy, food and drinks. Cost for dinner: \$15 adults; \$10 children (ages 13 and under). RSVPs for dinner required by Wednesday, October 19.

Tot Shabbat Dinner

Friday, November 4 5:00 PM

This special Shabbat dinner is for young children (up to age 7) and their families. Welcome Shabbat with music and crafts, enjoy a delicious dinner with a child-friendly menu, and kids will be entertained by a performance before dessert. Cost: \$25 adults; \$15 youth (ages 5-14); \$5 children (ages 1-4). RSVPs required by Friday, October 31.

Shtick Together: Fun for the Whole Family

Thursdays, November 10 and December 1
6:00 to 8:00 PM

Drop in and join us for one or more of our fun and engaging activities, with several featuring special mitzvah opportunities the whole family can enjoy.

November 10—**The Shabbat Project: Family Hallah Bake** Take part in the incredible mitzvah of making *hallah*.

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Get ready to get your hands doughy as we learn fun braiding tricks from the experts. Cost: \$10 per person

December 1—**Rosh Hodesh: Mother & Daughter Paint Night with Tanya Zbili**
Roll up your sleeves to paint as we learn about the connection between women and *Rosh Hodesh*. Participants will take home their very own masterpieces. Cost: \$30 per masterpiece

Blue Jeans Family Shabbat Dinner

Friday, November 18 6:00 PM

Dress down and enjoy an evening with good friends and great food, a kids comedy magic show, SodaStream tasting station and local beer sampling for adults. Best of all, no shopping, cooking or cleaning! Cost: \$25 adults, \$15 youth (ages 5-14), \$5 children (ages 1-4). RSVPs required by Monday, November 14.

The Genesis Project: The Blessing of Difference—Havdalah, Science and the Senses

Saturday, December 3 6:00 PM
(at Temple Emanu-El)

In an exciting new series, leading Canadian scientists and Jewish thinkers will join us in exploring a modern interpretation of the Seven Days of Creation. Journey through the beginnings of the universe, the prospect of artificial life forms, the search for life on other planets, the origin of species, the possibility of brain enhancement, and what dreams are really about. Day Two is an interactive Havdalah service with hands-on science experiments for everyone. Pizza and snacks will be served. Presented with P|Library's Plug into P| Initiative.

Family Fun Day

Sunday, December 25
10:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Looking for something to do with your family on December 25? Celebrate Hanukkah at Beth Tzedec's eighth annual Family Fun Day. Enjoy three hours of activities and programs for children including sports, crafts, music, games and so much more. Cost: \$10 per person or maximum \$40 per family. Lunch available for purchase.

ECRUSY Programs

ECRUSY Fall Convention

(for Grades 8 to 12)
November 18 to 20

Enjoy a fun-filled weekend with old friends and making some new ones. Participate in a great variety of programs and a unique USY Shabbat that you will never forget.

Kadima Shabbaton

(for Grades 6 to 8)
December 9 and 10

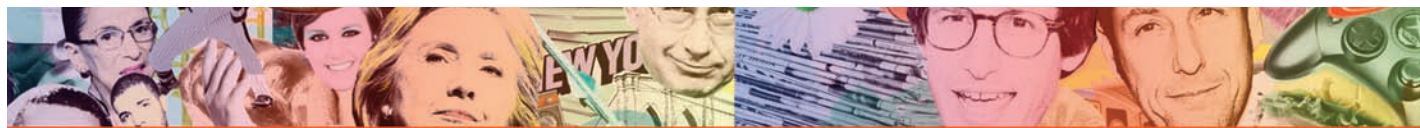
Join ECRUSY for a *Kadima*-only convention and a weekend filled with new friends and lots of fun hosted right here at Beth Tzedec!

USY International Convention

(for Grades 9 to 12)
December 25 to 29

Join hundreds of Jewish teens in Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas for five days of fun, friendship, reunion, celebration and community service opportunities. For more details, see page 42.

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



Unorthodox

A Tablet Magazine Podcast

Jews (& friends) talk news, arts & other stuff...

Thursday, November 17 at 7:30 PM

Unorthodox is a smart, fresh, fun weekly take on Jewish news and culture presented by Tablet Magazine. In a program first, this international podcast program will be streamed from Beth Tzedec Congregation. Watch for panel and discussion details to follow. No charge, but reservations strongly recommended.

Prior to the podcast, Beth Tzedec will host an intimate meet and greet with the panelists from the Unorthodox podcast. Watch for details and registration information coming soon.

Reserve online at Eventbrite or call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

Sponsored by the Libby & Jack Orenstein Institute of Adult Education



Tuesdays, November 22 & 29 and December 6 & 13 at 7:30 PM
In this four-part series, scholar-in-residence Professor Arnold Ages explores the history of the Jewish presence in France. No charge.

NOVEMBER 22
The Medieval Period to the Present

NOVEMBER 29
The 18th Century

DECEMBER 6
The 19th Century

DECEMBER 13
What of the Future?

Anne Belle & Manuel E. Pusitz Annual Memorial Lecture

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29 ELUL EREV ROSH HASHANAH	1 TISHREI ROSH HASHANAH	2 TISHREI ROSH HASHANAH	13 TISHREI FAST OF GEDALYAH	14 TISHREI	5 TISHREI	16 TISHREI SHABBAT SHUYAH
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Our Shabbat service experiences

For Young Families

Sukkot Family Service, Lunch and Sukkah Hop

Shabbat, October 22 beginning at 10:30 AM

Our monthly Family Service offers a lively, engaging prayer service incorporating the participation of the children, teens and families in attendance, followed by a community lunch in the L'Chaim Lower Hall. Then we head off on our annual Sukkah Hop where we will visit the sukkahs of neighbourhood families, enjoying treats along the way. We will depart from the Beth Tzedec parking lot at 1:00 PM. No charge; everyone welcome.

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

The Ethical Life: Jewish Values in an Age of Choice

with Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl

Mondays, November 14, 21 & 28 and December 5, 12 & 19 from 7:30 to 9:00 PM

From political and financial scandals to rapid progress in biomedical science and technology, the complex issues of modern society are, at their core, issues of ethical and moral concern. Now, more than ever, we require a solid understanding of how Jewish ethics can inform our discussions and decisions about the critical questions of the day.

Each session includes a short video lecture featuring JTS faculty members and other expert scholars, text study, and guided group discussion led by Rabbi Frydman-Kohl. Join us for this unique opportunity to study the sources of Jewish ethics in their original and learn how we can apply them today.

Cost: No charge for Beth Tzedec members; \$80 for non-members (includes text). To register, contact the Synagogue office at 416-781-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org

Sponsored by contributions made in memory of Meredith and Mircea Cohn

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

Sanctuary Services 8:45 AM, every Shabbat.

Our musical Sanctuary Service offers a complete spiritual and liturgical Shabbat experience with Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl and Adam Cutler, Cantor Sidney Ezer and Lorne Hanick. Lift your soul in prayer as you sing along, or close your eyes in meditation and be carried away by our inspirational Shabbat morning service. Join us during this year of experimentation.

Little Minyan Services 9:30 AM, every Shabbat. Looking to be more actively involved in the worship experience? The Little Minyan offers a traditional service in a relaxed, family-friendly atmosphere full of song, spirit and warmth. Participants lead portions of the service, and Little Minyan tunes are available on request. Contact Cantor Sidney Ezer or Lorne Hanick to arrange to learn and lead parts of the service. Torah readers, *daveners* and those wishing to deliver a *D'var Torah* are always welcome.

Little Minyan—Raise the Ruah 9:30 AM, Shabbat mornings, October 22 and November 12. While the Little Minyan offers a warm, welcoming, participatory and

spiritually meaningful Beit Knesset each and every week, our 'Raise the Ruah' service takes it to the next level by infusing our *davening* with enhanced music and singing. There are many ways to participate—email yfruchter@beth-tzedec.org to get involved.

Little Minyan—Lunch 'n' Learn following Services, Shabbat, October 22. Join the Little Minyan for our Lunch 'n' Learn session during which we will tackle relevant Jewish topics by delving into important Jewish texts. A complimentary dairy lunch will be served.

Monthly Family Services 10:00 AM, Shabbat mornings, October 22 and December 3. This participatory service is a perfect way for children, parents and grandparents to experience Shabbat morning together, learn the structure of the service and take leadership roles. The service features the highlights of a Shabbat morning service and is led by children, teens and our Director of Education and Family Programming, Daniel Silverman. It also includes programming with our *shinshinim* (Israeli Young Emissaries), and a group aliyah and blessing for everyone whose birthday is that month. The service is followed by a complimentary dairy community lunch.

For information on Shabbat Youth programming, see page 24.

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.

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

11:00 AM to 12:00 NOON on October 15, November 19 and December 17
Join our 20s & 30s in Rabbi Frydman-Kohl's study, as we eat, drink and examine pressing topics from sources both ancient and modern.

Jewish Meditation with Michelle Katz

10:00 to 11:15 AM on October 1, November 5 and December 3

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



Professor Stephen Berk Scholar Weekend

At the annual Sam & Sarah Kerzner and Joseph Kerzner Memorial Holocaust Lectures, Prof. Berk joined Beth Tzedec, Beth Emeth and Adath Israel for a series of presentations on "From Past to Future". Pictured; Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl, Prof. Stephen Berk, Cantor Eli Kirshenblum and Michael Kerzner.



Beth Tzedec's Camp Ramah 'Team' of 2016

Rabbi Adam Cutler and Simmi Toby, Director of Youth Engagement, gathered Beth Tzedec children members for a group photo while on a visit to the Camp Ramah in July. Sunny skies, hot weather and water-front life with great friends ... there is no better way to spend the summer!



Beth Tzedec's Spiritual Sounds Lab Shabbat Weekend

Rabbi Frydman-Kohl joins Joey Weisenberg and friends for Havdalah at Harbourfront's Ashkenaz Festival as part of Beth Tzedec's Spiritual Sounds Lab Shabbat weekend.



'Fore' 4th Annual Men's Club Golf Classic

This annual Men's Club fundraiser was held for the first time at the newly opened Lebovic Golf Club in Aurora. From all appearances, a grand time was had by all.



Rav Baruch Summers in Israel

During his recent trip to Israel, Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl enjoyed the opportunity to meet with our High Holy Day guest cantor Hazzan Moshe Fishel and his wife Tiferet. We are excited to welcome the Fishel family, along with choir-master Meir Briskman and the Lishmoa El Harina Ensemble choir to our services in October.



Play Ball!

On September 12, a busload from Beth Tzedec travelled to the Rogers Centre to catch the Toronto Blue Jays in the end-of-season playoff run. The good news—everyone had a stellar time. The great news—the jays won!

Our New Look Bulletin

To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often. —Winston Churchill

AS THE NEW COMMUNICATIONS Committee chair, I am pleased to introduce a few improvements to the *Beth Tzedec Bulletin*.

This year, you will notice two significant changes. First, we have moved to a quarterly production schedule and will produce four issues per year. Members can expect it to be delivered to homes in December, March, June and September.

Second, the calendar has been moved to the centre-spread, thereby allowing you to remove it and post it for ongoing reference, making it easier to find information about service times, program dates and listings of the weekly *parashah*. We will continue to post the digital, full-colour version online as soon as the *Bulletin* is sent to print.

We hope that the *Bulletin* will

continue to complement our other communications vehicles and keep you up-to-date on all that is Beth Tzedec.

I welcome your input and suggestions, and encourage you to volunteer to help me as we improve our communications.

Best wishes for a sweet New Year!

—Paul Brown, Chair

Communications Committee

The Joys of JEWISH MUSIC

Tuesdays, November 15, 22 & 29 at 1:30 PM

Explore, enjoy and sing along to the many different musical styles in this entertaining three-part series, including Yiddish musical theatre, Ladino/Sephardic songs and modern Yiddish tunes. No charge but reservations requested.

NOVEMBER 15	NOVEMBER 22	NOVEMBER 29
Molly Picon: The Life and Music of the Darling of American Yiddish Musical Theatre	Sephardic Songs: The Real Story	Songs of Life and Praise
Cantor Deborah Staiman	Dr. Judith Cohen	Lenka Lichtenberg
Sponsored by: Living Assistance Services Home Care For Seniors	Sponsored by: Living Assistance Services Home Care For Seniors	Sponsored by: Med Plus Home Health Care

LIVING ASSISTANCE SERVICES
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Celebrating 25 years of outstanding service

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IMPROVING LIFESTYLES

In Pursuit of Justice: Robert Cover and the Jurisprudential Theories of Jewish and Secular Law



with Rabbi Adam Cutler & The Hon. James F. Diamond
(Ontario Supreme Court Justice)

Wednesdays, October 19 & 26, November 16 & 30
and December 7 & 14
7:30 to 9:00 PM

The eminent Yale legal scholar Robert Cover shook up the legal and Jewish world with his landmark article “Nomos and Narrative”, which he wrote as the introduction to the Supreme Court of the United States 1982 Term in *Harvard Law Review*. This class will provide an in depth look at the exciting Jewish writings of Robert Cover—his understanding of the role of context and biography in legal decision making, role of *Aggadah* in legal decision making, and the purpose of law itself—as we come to a new understanding for both Jewish and secular law. Cost: \$45 or \$20 for legal professionals with less than seven years experience.

This course is appropriate for legal professionals and all those interested in legal theory and the intersection of Jewish and Secular law. It may fulfill LSUC Continuing Professional Development requirements.

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

Presented in partnership with the Toronto Jewish Law Society



A Survivor's Legacy

Beth Tzedec member Leizer (Lou) Hoffer shares a brief glimpse into the Holocaust in Transnistria, a small republic located between Moldova and Ukraine.

ON OUR WAY TO THE DEATH CAMPS IN TRANSNISTRIA, I SAW messages left behind on the walls of the empty Jewish houses with the following words: “We are being killed. If you survive, please tell the world what happened to us, say Kaddish for us and don't ever forget us.” When I read these messages at the age of 12, I took an oath that, if I survived, I would fulfill these last requests.

I believe that most of the survivors of the Holocaust carried within their hearts and minds the need to tell the stories, but there was no one ready to listen. It took almost 30 years, starting with *The Diary of Anne Frank* and the books of Elie Weisel before the Holocaust story took on a life of its own. Personal testimonies, documentaries, Holocaust education centres, thousands and thousands of books and the establishment of Yad Vashem in Jerusalem brought to the world's attention to what really happened to the European Jewish community. The loss of six million people, including 1.5 million children, was forever recorded in the darkest chapters of human history, never to be erased or forgotten.

No sooner was the truth revealed than the deniers

started to discredit the story of the Holocaust. They said it was a lie, a Jewish conspiracy, and in spite of all the evidence to the contrary, they said it never happened.

But the evidence was everywhere. Auschwitz Berkenau, the Arberit Macht Frei sign at the entrance of the Auschwitz death camps, the gas chambers, the crematoriums, the hundreds of other concentration and death camps, the mass graves at Babi Yar—all a stark reminder of the truth of what really happened.

The survivors, the witnesses to this greatest tragedy in the history of the Jewish people, have fulfilled their duty to tell the world what really happened. But, in time, all the survivors will be gone to their eternal resting places, and who then will speak for the memories of the victims and survivors?

The legacy that they left behind will be inherited by their children, grandchildren and future generations to protect this legacy, to ensure that the last wishes of those who perished will be honoured and never forgotten.

—Leizer (Lou) Hoffer

Imagine: You are a Jew living in Finland at the start of WWII. Russia is invading your country. You join the Finnish army, fighting alongside Finland's German allies...

JEWS IN WWII FINLAND: AN UNLIKELY HISTORY

with Ariel Nadbornik

Monday, November 7 at 7:30 PM

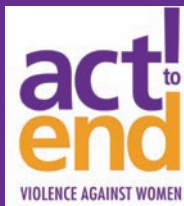
Hear the little-known story of the Jews who served in the Finnish army, fighting alongside German soldiers against the Soviet invaders. Despite an alliance with Nazi Germany against the Russians, the Finnish army protected their Jewish compatriots from German harassment in the field and in the barracks. Ariel Nadbornik will present personal testimonials of Finnish Jewish soldiers through selected clips from the documentary *David: Stories of Honour and Shame*, and will continue the discussion exploring the current state of Jewish life in Finland.

Sponsored by the Itta & Eliezer Zeisler Memorial Lecture



BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

SHATTERING THE MYTHS ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 at 7:00 PM

Please join us as we reveal the harsh realities of domestic abuse in our Jewish community. Hear from experts in the field including a first line responder, abuse survivor and spiritual leader. No charge.

Moderator: Karen Mock, Human Rights Consultant

Speakers:

Rabbi Adam Cutler, Dr. Barbara Landau, Psychologist, Lawyer, Family Mediator/Arbitrator and Jewish Survivor of Domestic Abuse



BETH TZEDEC MEN'S CLUB



Fashion + Friends + Fun = Mother's Day @ Beth Tzedec

Mother's Day at Beth Tzedec is always a fabulous event at Beth Tzedec, and this year was no exception!

THE WAY WE WERE, OUR 8TH ANNUAL Mother's Day Chai Tea & Fashion Show, was a profound success. For over two and a half hours, the beautifully transformed Banquet Hall buzzed with excitement with over 220 women of all ages in attendance!

Applause Catering's outstanding menu combined with the sounds of Jet Entertainment, an incredible fashion show, raffle prizes galore, mannequins adorned with vintage clothing courtesy of Queenie Teichman, and exciting games and inspiring words from keynote speaker Dr. Marla Shapiro left the crowd wanting more.

We are indebted to Options for Her, Whistlekids and Over the Rainbow for their ongoing support by providing outstanding fashions.

Thank you to our models: Alice Black and her daughters Michelle Fletcher and Sari Santangelo, Mariana Grinblat, Riva Kirsh, Betty

Klimitz and her daughter-in-law Ester Klimitz and granddaughter Maya, Ainnat Lifshitz and her daughter Romi, sisters Andrea, Joanna and Julia Mansfield, Julie Mitz and her daughter Lily, Macey Alexandroff and our tiniest model, Sienna Mansfield-Cooperberg.

A special thanks to the Pollock and Gold families for their generous sponsorship in memory of Ricky Pollock^{z"l}. Thank you to Beth Tzedec's Sisterhood and Men's Club for their continued support of the event and to our maintenance and office staff for their assistance every step of the way.

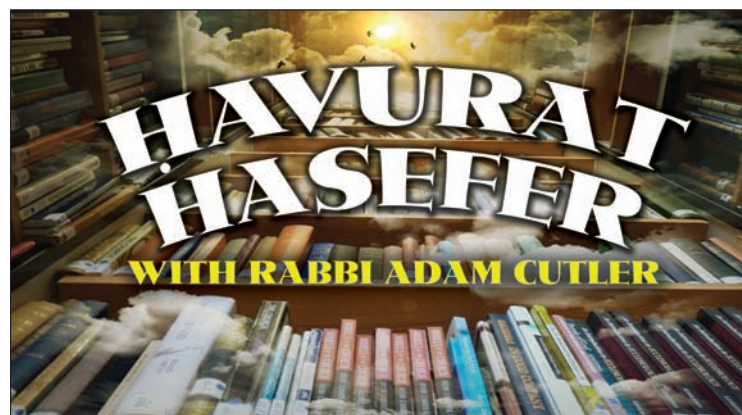
Many thanks to all those who placed ads in our *Women of Honour* booklet, donated raffle prizes or provided items for our sensational swag bags. We appreciate the kindness and generosity of our donors and look forward to their continued support of this remarkable

"friendraiser".

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

Be sure to mark Sunday, May 14, 2017 on your calendar for Beth Tzedec's ninth annual Mother's Day event!

—Patti Rotman and the 2016 Chai Tea & Fashion Show Committee



Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:00 PM
October 13 & 27, November 10, December 15,
January 12 & 26, February 2 & 23

Beth Tzedec's best-kept secret, Havurat HaSefer, now in its third year, is a Jewish philosophy reading group that explores modern and accessible works of Jewish thought. Guided by Rav Adam, this engaging group is for anyone interested in thinking and talking about the meaning and purpose of Judaism in a global, technologically advanced world. Limited spaces available. No charge.



Open Sukkah for Interfaith Couples

Friday, October 21 at 6:00 PM

Introducing a unique and inclusive Sukkot opportunity for interfaith couples in the Beth Tzedec sukkah. Enjoy a delicious dinner and conversation with other Jewish adults and their non-Jewish partners. No charge, but reservations required. Call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511 by Friday, October 14.

Sisterhood Shabbat

Shabbat, December 3
Services at 8:45 AM

The Beth Tzedec Sisterhood celebrates Shabbat with a special guest speaker and Kiddush following. Watch for details coming soon.



DAY TRIPS IN JEWISH HISTORY

With educator and lecturer
HANA WERNER



WEDNESDAYS:

1:30 PM Refreshments

2:00 PM Lecture

10 sessions:

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

5 sessions:

\$40 Beth Tzedec members;
\$50 non-members
\$12 per session at the door

FALL SERIES

“To be or not to be is not the question. The question is how to be.”

—A.J. Heschel

September 21

Am I My Brother's Keeper? Cain and Abel and significant others

September 28

Spies: A Risky Profession—No previous experience necessary

October 5

Three Judahs—The formula for visionary leadership

October 19

Define the Demons: Jealousy unleashed—changing the course of history

October 26

Celebrating the Legacy of Women as Trailblazers

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

HOLOCAUST EDUCATION WEEK

Preserving Memories for Future Generations

Sunday, November 6 at 7:00 PM

Holocaust survivors William Glied and Hedy Bohm together with March of the Living students discuss personal experiences during the Holocaust and the effect on young people so distant from the past. No charge.



Bill Glied was born in Subotica, Serbia in 1930. He was deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau in 1944 along with his family. He was later transferred to the Dachau concentration camp in Germany and worked as a slave labourer. Bill was liberated by the US Army in April 1945 and immigrated to Canada as an orphan in 1947.



Hedy Bohm was born in Oradea, Romania in 1928. In 1944, Hedy was deported from the local ghetto to Auschwitz-Birkenau. An only child, she saw her parents, many relatives and friends murdered by the Nazis. She was selected and shipped to Fallersleben, Germany, to work as a slave labourer at an ammunition factory. She was liberated by the US Army in April 1945 and immigrated to Canada in August 1948.

Sponsored by the Dr. Emil & Bessie Glaser Memorial Lecture



Hesed Report

INFORMATION HOTLINE 416-781-3514 EXT. 261

Mother's Day Chai Tea and Fashion Show

The eighth annual Mother's Day Chai Tea and Fashion Show, held on Sunday, May 10, was another sold-out, fabulous event! A very special thank you is owed to the Chai Tea Committee, chaired by Patti Rotman, who all worked tirelessly to ensure the success of this festive afternoon. Over the past eight years, the Out of the Cold Program has been the recipient of the proceeds raised from this annual event, now totaling close to \$65,000. We could not achieve the success that we have at OOTC without this generosity. Save the date—Sunday, May 14, 2017 is next year's Mother's Day Chai Tea program!

Out of the Cold 2017

The 18th season of Out of the Cold will run on Tuesday nights from January 3 to March 22, 2017. It is run jointly with Beth Sholom out of their premises. Last year, we fed close to 200 guests each week and provided sleeping accommodations and breakfast for 55 people.

New volunteers are always needed to join our team. Registration opens the end of November. Please visit www.beth-tzedec.org, click the link marked social action/*tikkun olam* and then click on Community Action. Shifts are approximately two hours in length, and volunteers can sign up for the dinner set-up, dinner service, distribution of warm clothing/art program, overnight shifts and breakfast preparation on Wednesday mornings.

This program is an excellent Bar/Bat Mitzvah project and community service hours are available to high school students. It is also a wonderful opportunity to participate in *tzedakah* and help those who are less fortunate in our community.

Out of the Cold is completely self-funded, relying on donations from members of the congregation and the community at large. We are always in need of new or gently used adult clothing, specifically down-filled coats and ski jackets, winter/hiking/construction boots, running shoes, sweatpants and sweatshirts, t-shirts, sweaters and jeans as well as new sleeping bags and blankets. Please do not donate summer clothing, socks or underwear. Donations should be bagged, labeled and dropped off at Beth Sholom on weekdays from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM beginning November 1. If you have items to drop off sooner, please contact me to make arrangements. Hotel-size toiletries are very popular, and can be dropped off at Beth Tzedec.

Any large donations of **new** items, such as underwear, socks, t-shirts, sweatpants, sweatshirts and toiletries, as well as coffee, tea, tuna, paper products (plates, cutlery, and cups), industrial-sized garbage bags and latex gloves may be eligible for a tax receipt for the value of the goods.

Visiting with the Elderly—An Urgent Request

Our program of matching volunteers to either call or visit those living in seniors' residences, hospitals or at home is an often overlooked but most vital lifeline for our elderly or ill members. You cannot imagine the positive impact you can make on someone by taking the time to show that you care. Many are sick and may not have family members who are able to visit, while others are just lonely. Please consider volunteering for visits or to become a phone pal. It is a flexible opportunity as you can choose how much time you can offer. It is also a wonderful opportunity for Bar/Bat Mitzvah-age students to participate in with their parents or grandparents.

Driving the Elderly to Synagogue

Volunteers are needed to drive members to and from the synagogue on an occasional basis. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lynn Levy at 416-781-3514 ext. 227 or llevy@beth-tzedec.org.

Hesed Fund Occasion Cards

Hesed cards are available for purchase through the Synagogue office for all of your family occasions. Contributions help support a variety of *Hesed* projects throughout the year.

Thursday Games Afternoons—Mahj, Bridge and Canasta

Games Afternoon, held every Thursday from 1:00 to 4:00 PM, continues to be very successful with over 50 participants each week enjoying Mahjong, Bridge and Canasta. New players are always welcome.

Mahjong and Canasta lessons are now being offered. Please contact me if you are interested. There has also been a request for Chess lessons, so if you are interested in teaching, please let me know.

If anyone has a spare Bridge table and/or a Mahjong set that they would like to donate to our program, it would be much appreciated.

I would like to wish everyone a Shanah Tovah, and may the coming year be filled with good health, happiness and peace for everyone.

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

—Maureen Tanz
Co-Chair, *Hesed* Committee

Lake Region Federation Programs

THE FEDERATION OF JEWISH MEN'S CLUBS will host several programs this year supporting Beth Tzedec and the larger Jewish community.

Minyan of Comfort is a program that was developed by the FJMC and the Cantors Assembly. This year, Cantor Sidney Ezer and Lorne Hanick will lead a two-part session for seasoned Hebrew readers who are interested in learning the skills for becoming *shiva minyanim* lay leaders. Areas covered will include developing an understanding of the role of *menahem avel* (comforter), learning the *minhagim* and *halakhah*, becoming fluent in the *nusah* for each service and understanding other special liturgical needs. These classes will be for a very

small group and are open to men and women. Watch for details on class dates and times.

Hearing Men's Voices is a wide-ranging program developed to help Jewish men deal with an evolving community and society through discussion, expert speakers and learning sessions:

- *Body and Spirit: Staying Healthy and Fit*—Examine wellness issues like cancer awareness and prevention, general fitness, baldness and Jewish medical perspectives on health and healing.
- *Our Fathers, Ourselves*—Exploring life with aging parents to rebellious adolescents and everything in between.

- *Work and Worth*—Defining ourselves and how we cope with problems, crises and even success.
- *Listening to God's Voice*—Bringing God into our daily routine to improve the quality of our lives, help us deal with crisis, and visioning how prayer, ritual and spiritual can help.



Hanukkiyot Around the World

with Zahava Lambert

Monday, December 5 at 7:30 PM

Explore the cultural designs of Misrahi, Sephardi and Ashkenazi *hanukkiyot* and learn about the different traditions in lighting Hanukkah lights throughout the world with silversmith and jewellery historian Zahava Lambert. Examples of *hanukkiyot* from the Beth Tzedec Museum collection will be on display.



Men's Club Makes a Difference

Men's Club Scholarships

The annual Men's Club Awards Breakfast was held on June 5. Congratulations to the following awarded scholarships for their pursuit of higher Jewish education:

Carrie Bettel: Carrie is a multi-year recipient of scholarships. She is completing her Master's degree at the Rothberg International School in Jerusalem and plans to begin a PhD in Jewish studies at York University.

Shira Cohen: Shira is studying in Israel to obtain her Judaic Teachers Certificate. She plans to pursue a degree in psychology to assist those in need in the Jewish community. Shira has previously worked in the Jewish community helping children with special needs.

Yuval Cohen: Yuval will attend Bar Ilan University and will volunteer with children that have been in traumatic situations. His goal is to have a career in social work.

Shaindy Fuerst: Shaindy is studying at the Mesores Rochel Academy in Israel to become a teacher. She has been involved with a program for children with disabilities.



Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs Annual Awards Breakfast

At the Federation of Jewish Men's Club (FJMC) annual breakfast, our Beth Tzedec Men's Club honoured Don Smith, Samantha Charlat and Dana Davis for their leadership. Pictured (L to R): Don Smith, George Nadas (Regional Federation president), Mark Lapedus (Beth Tzedec Men's Club President), Samantha Charlat and Dana Davis.

Elysa Keshen: Elysa will study at Hebrew College in Israel to obtain her Master's in Jewish Education. In 2013, she was drafted into the Israel Defense Forces where she served as an administrator to a medical officer.

Chana Lang: Chana will be taking Jewish studies in Israel to become a teacher in the Jewish community.

Chaya Lebovits: Chaya's goal is to become a teacher of Judaic studies for young children. She volunteers at the Village Shul, leading young children at services and events.

Yehudis Perman: Yehudis, a firm believer in playing an instrumental role in the Jewish community, will take teacher training in Israel. In the past, she has led youth programs for young girls.

Sunnybrook Shabbat

Men's Club will conduct Shabbat services for the Jewish war veterans and other permanent residents of Sunnybrook Hospital on October 29. This abbreviated service begins at 10:00 AM and concludes at 12:00 NOON with a Kiddush following. Parking is free to those attending. A spring Sunnybrook Shabbat date is in the planning stages. Watch for details. For information, contact Jerry Grammer at 905-889-8760 or jaygeel937@gmail.com.

MEN'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP HAS BENEFITS & PRIVILEGES



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

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

Experiencing North Bay

Teen member Alissa Schwartz reflects on her participation in the Jewish Service Network trip.

WHEN I FIRST GOT THE EMAIL FROM MY MOM ABOUT THE Jewish Service Network trip to North Bay, I was really only in it for the community hours, and did not expect to be moved emotionally or have any new outlook on life. However, part of me was curious to know more about Native Canadians, and this trip opened my eyes to what is outside our small Jewish bubble of a community here in Toronto. When I met the people I would be going on the trip with, I was so relieved because everyone was kind and welcoming, and I am glad to have shared my trip experience with them.

On the first day, we met with a group of First Nations people at the North Bay Indian Friendship Centre. Some of them had never met Jews before, and some of us had never met a First Nations person either, so it was quite exciting for all of us. I have definitely heard in history class about the struggles of Native Canadians, but hearing about it first-hand was life-changing.

I never really thought about how lucky I am to be privileged enough to graduate high school and have the opportunity to go to university, have extracurricular activities and to even have sidewalks on my street, let alone being able to drink the tap water in my house. I have learned that Native people continue to struggle from the tragic effects of residential schools, which was an attempt at genocide. It has caused a lot of families harm and pain, and destroyed many aspects of Native culture.

But even the schools now don't seem to be that much better. The dropout rate for high schools on Native reserves is high due to issues such as drug abuse, poverty, racism and teen pregnancy. It is upsetting to know that a group of people are still being treated as second class citizens in Canada. Canadians are so focused on helping people from other countries that are in distress, but we have forgotten to help the people in our own country.

During the trip, we learned from elders about First Nations culture. This was my favourite part of the trip because it was very interesting to learn about a culture that is so traditional and sacred. I learned that First Nations culture is about respecting the land you live on, and to live with everything and everyone in peace. We

participated in a activity called 'smudging', which involved burning sage, and it was incredibly spiritual. It is performed at the beginning of meetings to show that you are willing to listen to what others will present with all of your senses.

That day, we also listened to live Powwow drum music. The singing and drum beats were so unique—like nothing I had ever heard before—and it was quite beautiful. We also spoke with Cole Forest, a high school student like me, a cool guy who is very talented at writing great poetry. He told us about his life growing up as a First Nations teenager in Canada. It was mind-opening to hear his experiences at school, about being bullied because of his background; it reminded me of how I take so many things for granted.

We spent our Shabbat with the small but humble Jewish community of North Bay in their shul. It is nice to know that even though there are not a lot of Jewish people around the world, it seems like there will be some anywhere you go. It just goes to show that you will never be alone. We had a fantastic Friday night service and dinner with the community, and we compared our similarities and differences between being a small-town Jew and a big-city Jew. It turns out we are not different after all!

It does not matter how religious you are or how big your city is when we all have the same beliefs. I noticed that First Nations people and Jewish people are actually quite similar. We both have a beautiful culture and religion but we have both been oppressed and experienced prejudice and stereotypes, ultimately leading to genocides such as residential schools and the Holocaust. But we are both persistent and continue to exist and maintain our unique lifestyles.

Part of what made this trip so amazing was that the people I went on the trip with were all very friendly. We had so much fun—having our meals together, going bowling, hiking to see a waterfall, gardening and going on merry go rounds (which is still fun even if you are a teenager). This trip has left me with so many amazing memories, and I have learned so much. I absolutely recommend anyone who wants a great weekend experience should go.



GRADES 1 TO 5

From the Kotel to the Negev: Let's Travel Israel Through Food!

Sundays, November 6, 13, 20 & 27 and December 4 & 11

12:00 NOON to 2:00 PM

Get a taste of Israel through this interactive cooking series with our Israeli tour guides, Dan and Paz, while learning about Israel's six major cities: Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, Tzfat, Eilat and Be'er Sheba! Cost: \$10 per session (includes lunch)

For information or to reserve, contact Simmi Toby at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or stoby@beth-tzedec.org.

Jewish Refugees from Arab Countries

Monday, October 31 at 7:30 PM

The Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs created an exhibition to share the story of the Jewish refugees driven from their homes in the Middle East and North Africa following the establishment of the State of Israel. While most of these refugees chose to live in Israel, many arrived in Canada and rebuilt their lives here.

This exhibition celebrates the heritage and culture of Jews from Arab countries, highlighting their immense contributions to Jewish communal life in Israel, Canada and throughout the world.

Produced by the Consulate General of Israel in Toronto in partnership with the Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs (CIJA).



COMING SOON

Jewish Service Network Trip for Teens

Engage in meaningful, hands-on volunteer opportunities while connecting with teens from other communities. Details coming soon.

For Today and Tomorrow



ANNETTE AND RONALD OELBAUM built much more than a family. As legacy members of Beth Tzedec, they shared *smahot*, socialized, prayed and consoled with others who shared our sacred space. The Oelbaum family has always been leaders in giving *tzedakah*, growing the community and providing places and programs where Jewish life flourishes.

To honour the memory of Ronald Oelbaum ז"א, the family has made a generous gift to Beth Tzedec,

adding the names of Annette and Ronald ז"א to the Founders Wall. Their gift supports the capital projects of Beth Tzedec and helps us reshape and improve our facilities. The Oelbaum family hopes that their gift will be an example for others who similarly have the capacity to help transform Beth Tzedec today for our community tomorrow.

"Our grandparents and parents taught us the importance of giving," stated Mitchell Oelbaum. "As a

family, we are fortunate to have the opportunity—and to use that opportunity—to give to our Synagogue. It's always been a second home, a tradition we wish to continue."

The Congregation thanks the family for their generosity.

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



Friday, November 4 at 5:00 PM

This special Shabbat dinner is for young children (up to age 7) and their families. Welcome Shabbat with music and crafts, enjoy a delicious dinner with a kid-friendly menu, and kids will be entertained by a performance before dessert. Cost: \$25 adults; \$15 youth (ages 5-14); \$5 children (ages 1-4). Dinner by advance reservation only by Monday, October 31.

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

BETH TZEDEC MAX & BEATRICE WOLFE LIBRARY Book and Film Club Selections 2016-2017

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

All six sessions: \$100 for members of Beth Tzedec Congregation, \$120 for non-members \$25 per session
(Pre-registration is required.)

OCTOBER 31 As Close to Us as Breathing

Cynthia Good analyses Elizabeth Poliner's book.

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

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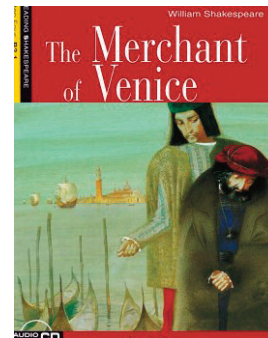


NOVEMBER 14 The Merchant of Venice

Shakespearean specialist Dr. Jane Freeman explores this literary classic.

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

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Our Tanenbaum Fellows



THE ANNE AND MAX TANENBAUM Fellowship was established by the late Anne Tanenbaum as part of her holistic vision for the totality of Conservative Judaism. It links Beth Tzedec with two of the three Conservative rabbinical schools—the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York and the Schechter Rabbinical Seminary in Jerusalem—as well as with Camp Ramah in Canada.

Each year (alternating between Israeli and Canadian students), the

Fellowship provides financial support for the year of study, the opportunity to intern at Beth Tzedec for two weeks and time at Camp Ramah. While at Beth Tzedec, the Fellow "shadows" our rabbis, meets with synagogue professionals and volunteer leaders, and is involved in a number of teaching opportunities, including a sermon in the Sanctuary service and a D'var Torah in the Little Minyan.

We are delighted to announce

that three of our past Israeli Fellows were ordained during the 27th ordination ceremony of the Schechter Bet Midrash on September 14 in Jerusalem. Nathalie Lastreger who was with us in 2011, Dr. Naomi Dar who interned here in 2013 and Dikla Druckman who studied with us in 2015 will be full-fledged rabbis. Having worked with them, we know they will be great assets to the rabbinate and to the Masorti movement in Israel.

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Mid-Winter Film Afternoons—A Three-Part Series
Wednesdays, January 11, 18 & 25 at 1:30 PM

**FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES 1 TO 5
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The Beth Tzedec Student Mentorship Program partners Elementary School children with High School teens in a positive Jewish environment. Teens will be 'mentors' to younger children, helping them with homework in a variety of subjects and planning activities, crafts and sports activities for all to enjoy. No charge, but RSVPs requested.

WEDNESDAYS FROM 5:15 TO 6:30 PM

SERIES ONE:

November 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30
and December 7

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February 1, 8, 15 & 22 and
March 22 & 29



For information or to reserve, contact Simmi Toby at 416-781-3514 ext. 239 or stoby@beth-tzedec.org.

Peace of Mind: In My Own Words

A unit of discharged Israeli soldiers in the Peace of Mind program joined us for a Shabbat dinner in May. Eli, a participant in the weeklong program, shared his experience.

I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE A BIT ABOUT US. WE ARE ALL members of the same platoon of an infantry unit called *Orgev Givaty*. This is a unit that specializes in anti-tank activity, that's why we call ourselves "the tank hunters". However, when there's no tanks around, we function as a regular infantry unit.

We started as a collection of guys coming from different areas and different backgrounds. One of us, Oscar, was even a Lone Soldier, coming from Latvia to join the army. So one day, we all found ourselves together in a tent in the middle of the desert looking around and wondering how we got here and who all these people are. After a few months of training, this very diverse group of people became one organic platoon, one body. Each and every one of us knew that when the time came, his friend would be there to save his life.

When we finished our training, we went to Gaza and stayed for the rest of our military service. We went through a lot during those two or three years. Gaza was a real war zone and most of the time, we had the upper hand. Believe me, we are full with stories of the heroes we were and how many terrorists we killed. However, one day this deep feeling of superiority that characterized our platoon was crushed by the death of three dear friends during a battle against terrorists in the northern area of the Gaza strip. They were Haim Hezki Gutman, a member of our platoon, Anatoly Karasik, our commanding officer, and Alex Gladkov, a member of a parallel platoon.

To be honest, when we signed up for the *Peace of Mind* program, most of us just thought about the free trip to Canada. We knew that we had gone through a lot but we are strong warriors, nothing affects us. And more, we all continued with our lives—most of us are married with children and have a career, so we're fine.

As part of *Peace of Mind*, we had a two day workshop in Israel, the first time we really talked about our experiences. And only then we realized how important this program is for us and how all of these events we experienced 14 years ago were still with us in all aspects of our lives. The reason I'm telling you all this is to give you a feeling of how big your contribution is to our well-being and how much you are doing for us. This journey we're on

is possible only thanks to you.

How can I put to words our deep feelings of appreciation and gratitude? We feel so fortunate to be a part of nations of people that keep a strong connection to each other even though they are thousands of miles apart.

Right at start, when we landed in the airport, Patricia and Tanya accepted us with a big welcome sign and a hug. It's amazing that we were able to live in the houses of strangers and feel like home. The families opened their houses as well as their hearts to us, and did everything in order to make us feel comfortable. An example of such an effort was the fact that you were so worried that we wouldn't like your coffee (probably because Felicia told you that we need it in order to breathe or something like that) that you bought coffee especially for us and always made sure it fit our standards. One of the guys here described the feeling of coming home to the hosting family as the feeling of a young boy coming back home from school. I couldn't describe it better.

You always say how privileged you feel to be able to host us and be a part of this program. I want to tell you that we felt privileged to be warrior soldiers and serve the country, and the week we spent here just reinforced our feeling of satisfaction and the belief that it was all worth it. We found a loving and warm community, and I believe I speak on behalf of all of us when I say that now we have some new family members here in Canada.

The week was very meaningful for us. None of this would have happened without your support and warm hospitality which enabled us to combine the serious, heavy talks during the day with fun and relaxation during the evenings. This combination was crucial for the success of this program.

I want to thank all of the people that were involved in the arrangements of this week, especially Felicia and the POM Committee of Beth Tzedec who worked very hard, always with a big smile on their faces. I want to thank again the families—the amazing families! And a big thank you to our two mentors, Yuval and Udi, who always knew how make this work and to navigate our way throughout this journey.

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Peace of Mind Shabbat Dinner: Friday, June 9, 2017

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

Beginning on Monday, October 17, bring your family and your lulav and etrog to shul, as we joyously march around the Synagogue in celebration of Sukkot. Children welcome!

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Bar/Bat Mitzvah Prep Club

Sharon and Paul Haberman, honouring **Faith Ospolak** on her special birthday.

Lorne Hanick, acknowledging **Nancy Kraft** in memory of **Bernie Kraft**.

Lorne Hanick, honouring **Sophie Kraft** on her Bat Mitzvah.

Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund

Rhonda and Joshua Charlat, honouring **Phyllis Lindzon** on her special birthday.

Rhonda and Joshua Charlat, honouring **Randy Spiegel** on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Lorne Hanick, honouring **Zachary Kolers** on his Bar Mitzvah.

Shaina Kerzner, honouring **Alexa Charlat** on her birthday.

Daily Minyan Breakfast

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

The Arbuck and Ezer Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Marvin Arbuck**.

Albina Backman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Steve Rozencwajg**.

Debbie and Mark Bank, honouring the marriage of **Sara Bank and Jordan Tannenbaum**.

Janice Bennett and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Geoffrey Bennett**.

Ruth Berman, Mara Lederman and family and Ayala Beck and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Neil David Berman**.

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

The Brenzel, Cooper and Soberano Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Joseph Cooper**.

Tammy Brooks and David Rouimy, honouring their marriage.

Moshe Chriqui, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Aharon Chriqui**.

Dr. Paul and Rochelle Citron and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Kenneth Citron**.

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

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

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

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

Elliott and Wendy Eisen, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Eisen**.

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

Shep Gangbar and family, commemorating the *yahrtzeiten* of **Sarah and Philip Gangbar**.

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

Helen Glazer, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jennie Potash**.

Helen Glazer and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Albert Glazer**.

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

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

Sydney and Karen Goldenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Lillian Goldenberg**.

The Greenberg Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dora Greenberg**.

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

Andrew and Sharon Himel and Alison Himel and family, commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **Malka Green**.

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

Gloria Houser and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Cyril Houser**.

Beverly Kupfert, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Eva Altenberg Kupfert**.

Dr. Beverly Kupfert and Brian Heller and Bernice and Stan Steinman, honouring the birth of their granddaughter **Isabelle Dafni**.

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

Irving Lindzon, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Israel Lindzon**.

Pauline Menkes, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Florence Weintraub**.

Rachel Nisker and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Genia Prusznowski**.

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

Betty Plotnick and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bernie Plotnick**.

Esterita Rajskey and Rochelle Zabitsky, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ida Chananie**.

Joel and Jill Reitman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Cyril Reitman**.

Mary Richmond, Judi Alter and Susie Sokol, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Olga Mittelman**.

Lori Rosenberg and Marcelo Lopez, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bernard Taube**.

Joe Rosenthal, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Gertrude Rosenthal**.

Nancy and Michael Ross, marking the conclusion of kaddish for **Molly Goldenberg**.

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

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

The Seigel Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Harold Seigel**.

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

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

The Sobel Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bert Fine**.

The Sobel Family, honouring **Frances Sobel** on her 100th birthday.

Jeffrey Swartz and Angie Swartz and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Verna Swartz**.

Dr. Stephen Tanny and family, commemorating the 13th yahrtzeit of **Aron Tanny**.

The Tesis Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Stanley Tesis**.

Gary and Debra Walters and family, honouring the marriage of **Daniel Feuer and Leah Walters**.

Cecile Zaifman, honouring the marriage of **Jordan Tannenbaum and Sara Bank**.

Daily Minyan Fund

Cantor Deborah Staiman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Herman Itkoff.

General Fund

Dr. Jeffrey Axler, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Sara Axler.

Sally Benyes and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of David Azar.

Graham and Enid Berg, honouring Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl on the birth of their granddaughter.

Dr. Abraham and Esther Bernstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Annie Bernstein.

Gene and Peter Chodos, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Abe Chodos.

Rayner Conway, honouring Randy Spiegel on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Rose Cooper, honouring Randy Spiegel on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Gary and Jan Elman and family, honouring Randy Spiegel on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Sally Gallinger, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Rose Gottlieb.

Mariana Grinblat, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of Mike Grinblat, Bety Klepper and Dr. Oscar Klepper.

Shirley Grossman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Max Berman.

Mary Ellen Herman, honouring Randy Spiegel on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Ruby Herman, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of Michael John Herman and Murray Herman.

Lorna Kahn, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of Marie Casher, Philip Casher, Bernard Kahn and Esther Kahn.

Eric and Gay Libin, wishing Shep Gangbar a happy birthday.

Anne Malc, honouring Randy Spiegel on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Ruthe Mann and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Harry Longert.

Marcia Nemoy, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Norman Mazin.

David and Shirley Promislow, honouring Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl on receiving the Gordon Wolfe Award.

David and Shirley Promislow, honouring Randy Spiegel on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Larry and Sara Rachlin, acknowledging the Drukarsh Family in memory of Florence Drukarsh.

Paul Rothstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Marjorie Rothstein.

Devora Rottem, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Bella Abramovitch.

Alan and Lorraine Sandler, honouring Randy Spiegel on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Cantor Deborah Staiman, honouring Randy Spiegel on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Sylvia Steinberg, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of Josef Glanzstein and Arnold Steinberg.

Martha Sud, commemorating the yahrtzeit of David Sud.

Felicia Valo, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Sheva Brandes.

Lyon Wexler, acknowledging Nancy Kraft in memory of Bernie Kraft.

Harold and Carole Wolfe, honouring Randy Spiegel on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Hesed Fund

Sophie Brockman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Esy Mokoff.

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Sandy Cohen, acknowledging Sharon Yale in memory of Esther Yale.

Jocelynn and Fred Engle, honouring Ronald Ennis on his special birthday.

Ronald and Diane Ennis, honouring Phil Wunch on his birthday.

Ab and Phyllis Flatt, honouring Bill and Marilyn Sklar on the marriage of their daughter Cara to Jonathan Goldberg.

Susan Fremes and Michel Silberfeld, honouring Jeffrey and Joanne Perlmutter on the birth of their granddaughter Lielle Miriam.

Michael Friedman and Debbie Rothstein and family, acknowledging Sharon Yale in memory of Esther Yale.

Anna Gangbar, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Geoffrey S. Gangbar.

Helen Glazer, honouring Randy Spiegel on being awarded *Amin Tzibur* from NAASE.

Helen Glazer, wishing Minnie Ross a *refuah sheleimah*.

Helen Glazer, wishing Anna-Lynne Taradash a *refuah sheleimah*.

Irving Gold, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Dora Gold.

Nathan Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of Jacob Greenberg, Anne Greenberg, Morris Greenberg and Joseph Greenberg.

Nathan and Carole Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Rebecca Greenberg.

Nathan and Carole Greenberg, honouring Albert Weinstein on his birthday.

Paul and Sharon Haberman, honouring Roslynn and Harry Greenberg on their anniversary.

Esther Hussman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Miriam Mizrahi.

Marsha Joseph, honouring Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl on receiving the Gordon Wolfe Award.

Marsha Joseph, acknowledging Judy Librach in memory of Herbert Elliot Sibling, CM, FCA.

Mel and Cookie Kay and family, honouring Paul and Mary Spring on their 50th anniversary.

Marlene Laba, acknowledging Sharon Yale in memory of Esther Yale.

Susan Laufer and Barry Greenberg, in honour of opening the ark.

Susan Laufer and Barry Greenberg, in honour of Yizkor.

John and Molly Pollock, acknowledging Sharon Yale in memory of Esther Yale.

John and Molly Pollock, wishing Helen Cohen a *refuah sheleimah*.

John and Molly Pollock, honouring Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl on the birth of their granddaughter Shachar Devora.

Lorraine Resnick, acknowledging Sharon Yale and Blake Teichman and family in memory of Esther Yale.

Mary Richmond, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of Tirza and Meir Friedman.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring Eliot and Carolyn Kolers on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Zachary.

Andrew and Alisha Rotstein, honouring Rabbi Adam Cutler.

Andrew and Alisha Rotstein, honouring Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl.

Andrew and Alisha Rotstein, honouring Lorne Hanick.

Andrew and Alisha Rotstein, honouring Randy Spiegel.

Andrew and Alisha Rotstein, honouring Cantor Simon Spiro.

Ken, Clare and Noah Shapiro, acknowledging Sharon Yale in memory of Esther Yale.

Howard and Emily Snow, acknowledging Dr. Coleman Rotstein in memory of Eleanor Charney.

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

Cantor Deborah Staiman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Rebecca Staiman.

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Allan, Kathy and Daniel Troster, commemorating the yahrtzeit of Sydney Troster.

Joy Wagner-Arbus, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of Moe and Bess Wagner.

Harold and Carole Wolfe, honouring Bill and Marilyn Sklar on the marriage of their daughter Cara to Jonathan Goldberg.

Howard (Hy) Cooper Trust Fund

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Michael and Phyllis Kaplan, acknowledging **Susan Brown** in memory of **Robert Brown**.

Michael and Phyllis Kaplan, honouring **Ted and Elaine Batcher**.

Michael and Phyllis Kaplan, honouring **Sandy and Hal Braudy** on their special anniversary.

Kosher Food Bank

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

Leo M. Sherman Fund (Men's Club Scholarships)

Arthur and Shari Witkin, acknowledging the Cooper Family in memory of **Jack Cooper**.

Library Books

Rhonda and Joshua Charlat, honouring **Eleanor Dover** on her special birthday.

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

Harold and Carole Wolfe, honouring **Ronald Ennis** on his special birthday.

Little Minyan Fund

Judy and Mark Libman, wishing **Bari and Ted Zittell** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Debbie Rothstein, Michael, Emma and Zachary Friedman, acknowledging **Judy Librach** in memory of **Herbert Elliot Sibling, CM, FCA**.

Max and Beatrice Wolfe Library Fund

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Men's Club Scholarships

Arthur and Carole Andrews, acknowledging **Sharon Yale** in memory of **Esther Yale**.

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

Music Fund

Moshe and Denise Chriqui, wishing **Lyon Wexler** a happy birthday.

Linda and Gary Goldberg, honouring **Gary and Marcie Mansfield** on their 40th anniversary.

Rita Goldenberg, honouring Cantor **Simon Spiro**.

Mariana Grinblat, honouring Cantor **Simon Spiro**.

Lorne Hanick, honouring **Leonard Cappe** on the conclusion of his service as Parnos.

Sandi and Raoul Korngold, wishing **Lyon Wexler** a happy birthday.

Malki Lazar, honouring Cantor **Simon Spiro**.

Brenda Orser, acknowledging **Ken, Clare and Noah Shapiro** in memory of **Jakob Shapiro**.

Lorraine Resnick, acknowledging **Rosette Rutman and Stephen Abrams** in memory of **Edith Valo**.

Lorraine Simpson, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Lillian Simpson**.

Albert Weinstein and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Evelyn Weinstein**.

Out-of-the-Cold Fund

Barbara Firestone, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sheldon Firestone**.

Doreen and Bernie Fogel, honouring **Bob and Flory Cohen** on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter **Hannah Diamond**.

The Glassman Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sybil Glassman**.

Jackie Kahn, honouring **Patti Rotman** for her hard work and dedication to the Mother's Day Chai Tea and Fashion Show.

Ruth Nichols, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Hilda Nichols**.

David and Shirley Promislow, honouring **Ralph and Judy Shiff** on the marriage of their granddaughter **Rachel Max**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging **Norma Kulbak** in memory of **Martin Kulbak**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, honouring **Don Smith** on receiving the 2016 Man of the Year Award.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, acknowledging **Sharon Yale** in memory of **Esther Yale**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, honouring **Stephen and Ilene Flatt** on Bryan's graduation from law school.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, honouring **Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl** on the birth of their granddaughter **Shachar Devora**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, honouring **Dr. Marvin and Carrie Gelkopf** on the marriage of **Shira to Ari**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, honouring **Norman and Jackie Kahn** on the engagement of their daughter **Dayna to Jordan Waltman**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman and family, honouring **Blake Teichman and Sharon Yale** on the engagement of their daughter **Emily to Jonathan Zworth**.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, acknowledging the **Drukarsh Family** in memory of **Florence Drukarsh**.

Ralph and Judy Shiff, acknowledging **Sharon Yale** in memory of **Esther Yale**.

Paul and Mary Spring, acknowledging **Shanitha Kachan and family** in memory of **Maura Kachan**.

Elaine and Joseph Steiner, acknowledging the family of the late **Bernie Kraft**.

Prayer Book (Mahzor) Dedications

Dr. Gerald Arbus and Joy Wagner-Arbus, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl** on receiving the Gordon Wolfe Award.

Gene and Peter Chodos, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Abe Chodos**.

Rose Cooper, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl** on receiving the Gordon Wolfe Award.

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

Dr. Newton and Claire Markus, honouring the memories of **Isadore and Fannie Steinberg**.

Alan and Lorraine Sandler, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl** on receiving the Gordon Wolfe Award.

Ken, Clare and Noah Shapiro, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jakob Ari Shapiro**.

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

Prayer Book (Siddur) Dedications—Daily or Shabbat

Lynn Catzman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Hon. Justice Marvin Catzman**.

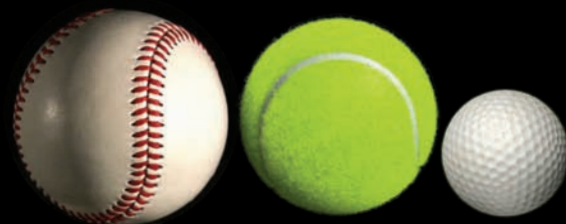
Alex Eisen and family, honouring the memory of **Bernie Kraft**.

Jesse and Nora Glass, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Anne Glass**.

Everything's Coming Up Aces

In baseball, it is a nickname for a pitcher. In tennis, it is an unanswered serve. In golf, it is the elusive hole-in-one. At Beth Tzedec, ACE is our Annual, Capital and Endowment campaigns. All are good things, but at Beth Tzedec, ACEs are a real winning strategy to help make a big difference in our community.

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Condolences

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

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| Betty Abramsky | Florence Rother |
| Hanka (Hanna) Adler | Helene Salzman |
| Ronald Douglas Alton | Gabriella Schmidt |
| Shimmy Berger | Herbert Elliot Siblin |
| Chana Syma Celinker | Allan Martin Siegel |
| Bernard Clayman | Jerry Silverberg |
| Florence Drukarsh | Carol Simmerman |
| Valerie Good | Harriet Spiro |
| Gertie Gotlieb | David Harrold Spring |
| Linda Hecht | Sam Steel |
| Dr. Seymour Klebanoff | David Stren |
| Florence (Flossie) Koven | Sam Tanenbaum |
| Bernie Kraft | Edith (Regina) Valo |
| Jack (Ichak) Malc | Gertrude Wald |
| Morton Manilla | Toba Brenda Weinstein |
| Nancy Posluns | Frances Weintrop |
| Marvin Reisman | Esther Yale |

"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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| Nate Ash | Moses M. Nathan |
| Niki Bledin | Stanley Tassis |
| Sydney Frankfort | Frances Weintrop |
| Eric Lawrence Katz | Leah Yack |
| Myron Elliot Katz | |

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

Everything we do Today is for Tomorrow

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

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

Irving and Barbara Green, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

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

Lorne Hanick, honouring *Hazzan* **Simon Spiro**.

Gloria Houser, acknowledging **Jill Levine** in memory of **Shirley Rose Pearlstein**.

Gloria Houser, acknowledging **Diane Novack** in memory of **Harry Shanoff**.

Harvey and Carole Kerbel, honouring **Dr. Sidney Brown** on his 90th birthday.

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

Harvey and Faggie Klein, honouring **Bernard Dales** on his birthday.

Malki Lazar and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Evelyn Chava Lazar**.

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

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

The Melotek Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bea (Bonby) Melotek**.

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

Gella and Paul Rothstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Beulah Kamin Berman**.

Trudy, Debbie and Barry Shecter, commemorating the 16th yahrtzeit of **Max Shecter**.

Dr. Harold Weizel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Eleanor Weizel**.

Reuben & Helene Dennis Museum Fund

Gella Rothstein, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Pauline Goldhar**.

Syrian Refugee Program

Esther Cole, wishing **Teddy Zittell** a *refuah sheleimah*.

Verna W. Cooper, honouring **Rabbi Baruch and Josette Frydman-Kohl** on the birth of their granddaughter **Shachar Devora**.

The Hussman Family

Irving Matlow

Eleanor Wisenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Louis Wisenberg**.

Bari and Teddy Zittell, honouring **Ferne and Joey Kappy** on the birth of their grandson.

Bari and Teddy Zittell, honouring **Todd Walters**.

Victims of Terror Fund

Lorne Hanick, honouring **Harvey Shaul**. **Shayndelynne, David, Daniel and Jonathan Zeldin**, acknowledging **Richard Banks** in memory of **James Howard Banks**.

Yom Hashoah Candle Fund

Judith Shostack

Cathy Surdin, Lawrence and Brooke Schiff, honouring **Les Kravitz** on his 60th birthday.

Youth Initiatives Fund in memory of Adam Kruger

Joan Mirsky, honouring **Lesli and Michael Kraft and family** on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Sophie**.

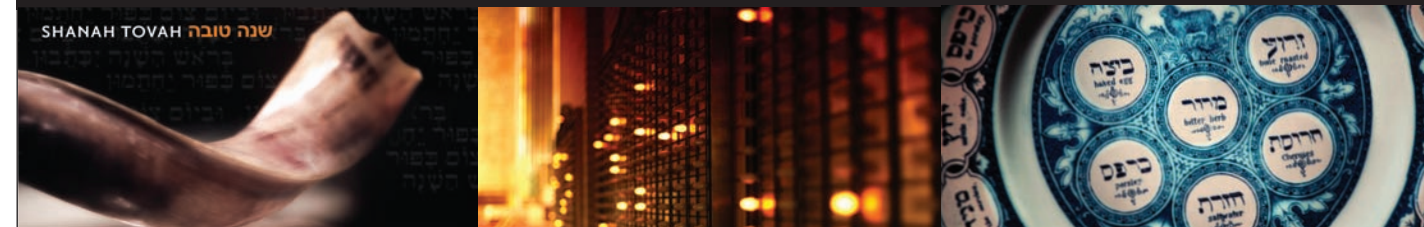
Alan and Lorraine Sandler, honouring **Harrison Levine** on receiving the Teen Philanthropy Award.

Alan and Lorraine Sandler, honouring **Leora Nash** on receiving the Teen Philanthropy Award.

Harold and Carole Wolfe, acknowledging **Judy Librach** in memory of **Herbert Elliot Siblin, CM, FCA**.

Lynda and Bert Wolfman, honouring **Adam and Miriam Joseph** on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Ellie**.

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