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NEW SIDDUR
LEV SHALEM AT
A CELEBRATORY
SHABBAT SERVICE

Shabbat, March 12, 9 am

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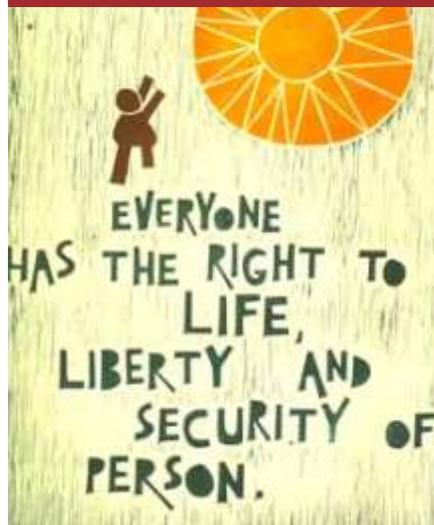


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SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE
WEEKEND WITH
RABBI DR. JONATHAN
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EDUCATION



FRIDAY MARCH 18

6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat

7:30 pm Community Dinner

SATURDAY MARCH 19

9:00 am Shabbat Services

1:30 pm Post-Kiddush Shi'ur

7:00 pm Learning session

8:15 pm Havdallah

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HAGIM

PURIM

Hamantashen Bake
Sun. March 13, 11am - 2pm

Mini-Purim Spiel and a craft
program for the little-ones
Wed. March 23, 5:00 pm

Maariv, Purim Spiel,
and Megillah reading
7:00 pm

Megillah reading
Thur. March 24, 8:00 am

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PESACH

FIRST SEDER Fri. April 22

SECOND SEDER, Sat. April 23

Tefillah at Shul at 9:00 am:
April 23, 24, 29 and
Shabbat April 30 with Yizkor

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

I'm delighted to share with you that we have filled two very important volunteer positions at the shul.

New Treasurer

I'm very pleased to report that Stephen Benjamin has stepped forward to replace David Weyman as treasurer. David, thank you again for all that you have given to the shul. Many of you will remember Stephen as he was a shul board member for thirteen years and treasurer for four and a half years. Thank you Stephen for returning to the board, bringing all your skills and excellent experience.

New Editor

I'm also very pleased to report that Tama Soble, who organized our Youth Shabbat services for many years, is our new newsletter editor, replacing Marcia Beck. Thank you very much Marcia for doing such a fine job as editor. Marcia is now our new ShinShinim lay supervisor.

As Nominating season approaches, I'm also proud to report that board service has been a tremendously positive experience for those who choose to serve.

For me, serving on the board has been a wonderful experience, but I was curious to know how other board members feel about it. Here are some testimonials which I hope will encourage many of you to join a committee and/or serve on the board:

David Barkin: Membership and Shul Community

"Sitting on the Narayever board has been a most rewarding experience. I care deeply about our shul and having the opportunity to help shape its policy has given me an appreciation for the diverse needs of our constituency. Decisions are made with a sensitivity not found elsewhere. At all times the utmost of respect is given to each member's position on any given issue. I am so proud to be a member of the Narayever board."

Morley Beiser: Social Action

"It's inspiring to work with a group with so much collective wisdom and with colleagues with so much personal integrity."

Micky Fraterman: Wider Community

"As a Narayever Board member I feel very connected to our shul community, as well as the wider Jewish community! It's an honour to be part of a group of such committed people. I find it rewarding and exciting to be able to help our community to move forward."

Leisa Hirtz: Celebrations

"As Chair of Celebrations for the past two years, I have had the honour and opportunity to more deeply engage with the First Narayever community. Although I accepted the position with much trepidation, I will say it has been the most rewarding experience of my life. I am so grateful to have had this opportunity to give back to this community, a community that welcomed and supported me for the past six years."

Sarah Margles: Hesed

"Being a member of the board has been a wonderful experience. It has allowed me to build relationships with many Narayever members in a way that would not have been possible otherwise. I also like thinking about the whole community and working to make decisions that support us collectively."

Sue Weinstein: Food

"When I joined the Narayever Board, I was planning to commit to a single year of service. I am now completing my third year on the board as Food Committee Chair, and have found the experience most fulfilling. The discussions at board meetings are thought-provoking, intelligent, and most importantly, diplomatic and civil. I have had the pleasure of working with a wonderful group of experienced volunteer Food Committee members, who encouraged and supported me in my role as Chair."

Harry Schachter, Chair of the Nominating Committee, will soon begin to recruit board members to fill vacancies. Sometimes people think serving on the board will take too much time or will not be a rewarding experience. First, you should know that the board meets for only two hours a month and there is a small amount of advance reading material. Board members also chair committees. Committee work is itself very rewarding and takes as much time as each committee needs. Being a member of a committee is often a good first step before becoming a board member. Previous chairs are always there to guide you, as are Rabbi Elkin and members of the executive.

Do volunteer to join a committee or the board! For more information, please contact me or one of the Chairs listed in the newsletter.

With best wishes,

Liz Bohnen, President, Narayever Board of Governors
president@narayever.ca



RABBI'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

A shul has many functions. Education. Life Cycle Ceremonies. Social Action. Community. All are critically important. But at the core of what a shul does is prayer. Prayer provides us an opportunity to connect with something that is bigger than ourselves, however we understand or define it. Jewish prayer in particular, while having elements that can be done by individuals, is most fully experienced as part of a community.

The Narayever has long taken justifiable pride in its lay-led, participatory, traditional-egalitarian davening. We are committed to maintaining this model for our services, and we are so grateful to the volunteers who make it happen each week. Like all aspects of our communal lives, our services can benefit from periodic re-examination and rejuvenation. For this reason, I am excited about two major developments in the prayer life of our Narayever community that are happening this year.

First, we're embarking on a six month Tefillah Project and we'll be guided on this journey by Rabbi Julia Appel, our new part-time Tefillah Coach and Coordinator. Rabbi Julia will not be a chazzanit, but rather will be recruiting and training new prayer leaders, as well as providing support and coaching to our existing leaders, together making our services even more spirited, spiritual, and participatory than they already are. Rabbi Julia moved to downtown Toronto this past summer with her family, and brings a rich background in liturgy and the art of davening. If you are interested in learning how to lead services on Shabbat or Hagim, please contact her at tefillah@narayever.ca.

Second, we will find our way with a new map. We have for many decades used the Birnbaum siddur. An Orthodox prayer book first published in 1949 to make Hebrew prayer accessible for the English speaking world, the Birnbaum siddur has long had serious drawbacks for our community. It is not egalitarian,

requiring us to paste in the names of the matriarchs. There is no transliteration for those who don't read Hebrew. The translation, commentaries, and explanations are not compelling for contemporary users.

I have long wanted to introduce a new siddur, but only now have I found one that I feel meets the needs of our traditional-egalitarian community. The shul has purchased Siddur Lev Shalem for use on Shabbat and festivals. This brand new siddur, published by the Conservative movement, is in the same series as Machzor Lev Shalem which we have used at the shul on the High Holy Days for the last two years to great acclaim. It is truly a siddur for our generation, in both content and design. It contains all the traditional Hebrew prayers, matriarchs and



patriarchs, plus transliteration of key passages, historical commentary on Jewish liturgy and kavannot (marginal notes designed to enrich the spiritual connection to the prayers, and which reflect the diversity of the Jewish prayer tradition). Lev Shalem also contains choreographic notes to make the service more "user-friendly", and it comes in a large type version for the visually impaired. In all these ways and more, it is a wonderful match for our congregation.

Join us as we embark on this new era of the First Narayever Congregation! With our new siddurim in hand, we'll celebrate our prayer life past, present and future at Shabbat services on March 12! As is customary in many Jewish communities, we will be offering congregants the opportunity to dedicate copies of the new siddur, which we anticipate will be in use in our congregation for many many years to come. Please see page 4 of the newsletter for details about how you can dedicate one of our new siddurim.

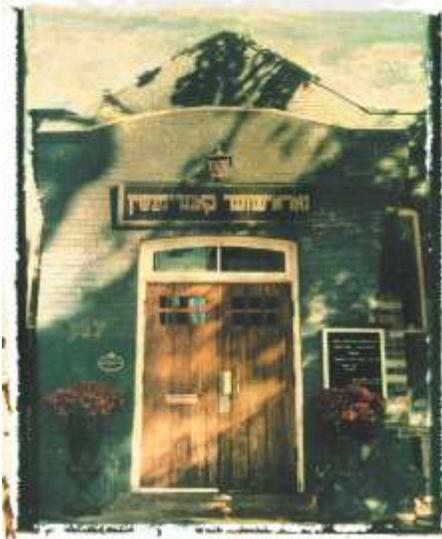
I look forward to seeing all the ways in which our new siddur, and our new Tefillah Project, will help enrich the prayer life of the Narayever for months and years to come.

Rabbi Ed Elkin
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THE TEFILLAH PROJECT

A FRESH LOOK AT COMMUNAL PRAYER AT THE FIRST NARAYEVER



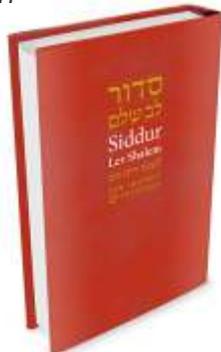
- ◆ Embracing our new siddur, Lev Shalem
- ◆ Coaching and group workshops with prayer leaders
- ◆ Making prayer leading more accessible
- ◆ Enabling new prayer leaders to step up
- ◆ Exploring prayer with creative congregational events
- ◆ Reinigorating our communal prayer

Mark your calendar!

We welcome Lev Shalem, our new siddur, at a celebratory Shabbat service on March 12, 2016!

Come at 9 am for sweets and an uplifting morning service.

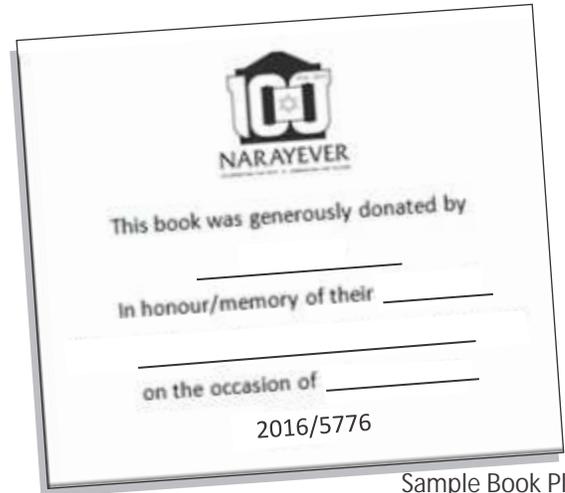
Rabbi Julia Appel
Tefillah@narayever.ca



FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

BOOKPLATES FOR LEV SHALEM SIDDUR

We are thrilled to announce that our new and long-anticipated siddur, Lev Shalem, has arrived.



Sample Book Plate

You can participate in this exciting venture by purchasing one or more bookplates to be inserted into individual siddurim. The dedication on your bookplate may be in honour of a loved one, in memory of a special person in your life, or to commemorate an occasion. Members of our shul and guests will pray from these siddurim for decades to come. Prices are \$72 for one bookplate and \$126 for two.

Be among the first to call the office at 416.927.0546 to order your bookplates, and have your name added to the Honour Roll of participants which will be presented to the shul at a ceremony on the first day of Shavuot, Sunday, June 12, 2016.

Lili Little and Lucille Narun
Fundraising@narayever.ca

SHUL MATTERS

Dvar Tefillah

One of my first powerful adult prayer experiences was in college, during a year-long, pluralistic fellowship of Jewish learning and personal growth called Netivot. We had monthly retreats and two weeks together in the summer. During the first Shabbat morning services of the summer trip, the group decided to join together for one service, and for it to be traditional. I was completely lost. Having grown up Reform, I couldn't tell where we were in the traditional siddur, which prayer was which; even staples like the Shema and Amidah were done totally differently from my upbringing. I was so upset, I left the room. But even in that moment, I was moved to pray. I found an empty room nearby, sun streaming through the windows, and I asked God to help me. To help me learn how to pray.

At the time, I didn't realize I had already found my way to pray. Many of us already have our personal prayer lives – the simple prayers or hopes we say in our hearts throughout our week, or in times of particular difficulty or joy. At the highest of communal prayer moments, our personal prayers and the words of the congregation feel joined as one.

Skip forward a decade or so. My fourth year of rabbinical school in Israel had been hard, requiring me to make many identity shifts: first year of marriage, needing to make all new friends, not feeling understood by the yeshivas I was learning in, finding my place in Israeli politics. I returned to Boston for my final year of rabbinical school somewhat shaken. The first week of school, I signed up to lead Hallel during Rosh Chodesh service in our beit midrash.

Even though I had planned the tunes I would use, when I got up there—returned to my community, surrounded by people who knew me deeply, witnessed by my dear teachers, back in my home—I felt such relief and joy.

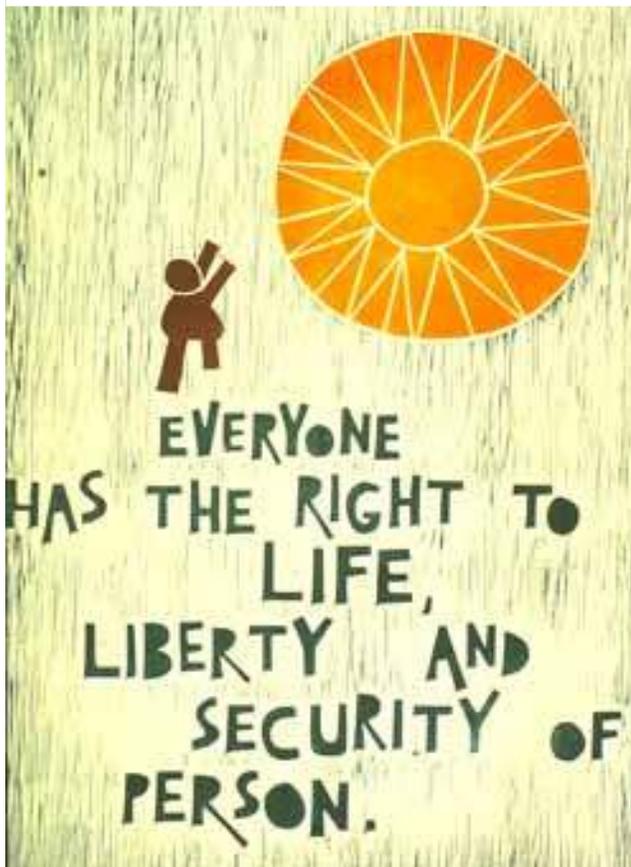


I sang with such emotion. My eyes welled with tears as my community joined in resounding, beautiful harmony. And I wasn't the only one: other students cried, too, for their own reasons, struck by the emotional space I was leading us to.

Impactful prayer leading relies on the prayer leader's own emotions, personal prayers, and connection with something higher than herself. No matter how much someone prepares the words and tunes, if he is simply performing, the congregation doesn't feel the prayer's full power. I am excited to work with the First Narayever's prayer leaders (and future prayer leaders!) to lift us all higher, together. If you are interested in learning to lead services—from total novice to experienced davenner—please be in touch: tefillah@narayever.ca. And bring your personal prayers with you.

Rabbi Julia Appel
First Narayever Tefillah Coach and Coordinator

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE WEEKEND • MARCH 18-19, 2016



Human Dignity and Jewish Ethics: Controversies and Perspectives

with

Rabbi Dr. Jonathan Crane

Human dignity (*kevod ha'adam*) is a central concept of humanism, and has served an important role in shaping secular constitutional law in Israel, Canada and many other countries. In which ways is it also a Jewish concept? What are its precedents and manifestations in scripture and rabbinic wisdom? How might it provide us with guidance to live a progressive and just Jewish life today?



RABBI DR. JONATHAN CRANE currently serves as the Raymond F. Schinazi Scholar in Bioethics and Jewish Thought in the Center for Ethics at Emory University. He received a PhD in Modern Jewish Thought from the University of Toronto in 2009. He was ordained by Hebrew Union College in New York in 2003.

Rabbi Crane is the author of *Narratives and Jewish Bioethics* (2013) and *Ahimsa: The way to Peace* (2007, with Jordi Agusti-Panareda), co-editor with Elliot Dorff of *The Oxford Handbook of Jewish Ethics and Morality* (2012), and editor of *Beastly Morality: Animals as Ethical Agents* (2015). Forthcoming books include a monograph *Eating Ethically: Religious, Philosophical and Scientific Perspectives on Eating Well*, and an edited volume tentatively entitled *Race with Jewish Ethics*. He is the founder and co-editor of *The Journal of Jewish Ethics*.

Rabbi Crane has been scholar-in-residence at multiple congregations around the United States and Canada. We are looking forward to welcoming this former Narayever member back to our shul.

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FRIDAY MARCH 18, 2016

Kabbalat Shabbat, 6:00 pm
Community Dinner 7:30 pm

Join us for our traditional Kabbalat Shabbat service, followed by a festive community dinner to give Rabbi Crane a heimish welcome to our community. Rabbi Crane will deliver a Dvar Torah "Problems of Dignity in Creation". Human dignity often stands upon the assertion in Gen.1 that humans are created in God's image (*betzelem elohim*). This verse, however, is more ambiguous than clear. Perhaps another creation account provides a more compelling ground for human dignity. We will open our weekend with this important discussion laying the groundwork for the idea of human dignity in Judaism.

Dinner: \$20/person (\$15/child under 13; free for children under 5; \$65/family)
Please register by March 10, 2016 at 416.927.0546 or admin@narayever.ca
Space is limited.

Babysitting can be provided during services and/or dinner if requested. Please note when registering if you require babysitting.

SATURDAY MARCH 19, 2016

Shabbat Services, 9:00 am
Post-Kiddush, 1:30 pm
Learning session, 7:00 pm
Havdallah, 8:15 pm

Join us for our traditional Shabbat Services. Rabbi Crane will deliver a Dvar Torah "Is Judaism Inherently Religiously Accommodating?"

It can be argued there are two forms of idolatry: worshipping the wrong god, and worshipping the right god wrongly. Both positions are strongly articulated in biblical materials, including in this week's parasha Vayikra – which raises the question of whether accommodations could (not) and should (not) be made, at least within Jewish worship. Rabbi Crane will reflect on the theme of religious pluralism in our contemporary context.



Post-Kiddush Shi'ur

Join us for a stimulating Post-Kiddush shi'ur led by Rabbi Crane: "Human (In)Dignity in Esther"
Purim is almost upon us. It's a wonderful celebration, but when we open the Book of Esther we see that oppression, sexism and conspiracies abound. The Esther narrative of colliding politics, religions and cultures is also a story of defiance, bringing to light dreams of dignity. We will learn about the Book of Esther as a source for Jewish wisdom about dignity in this very complicated world.

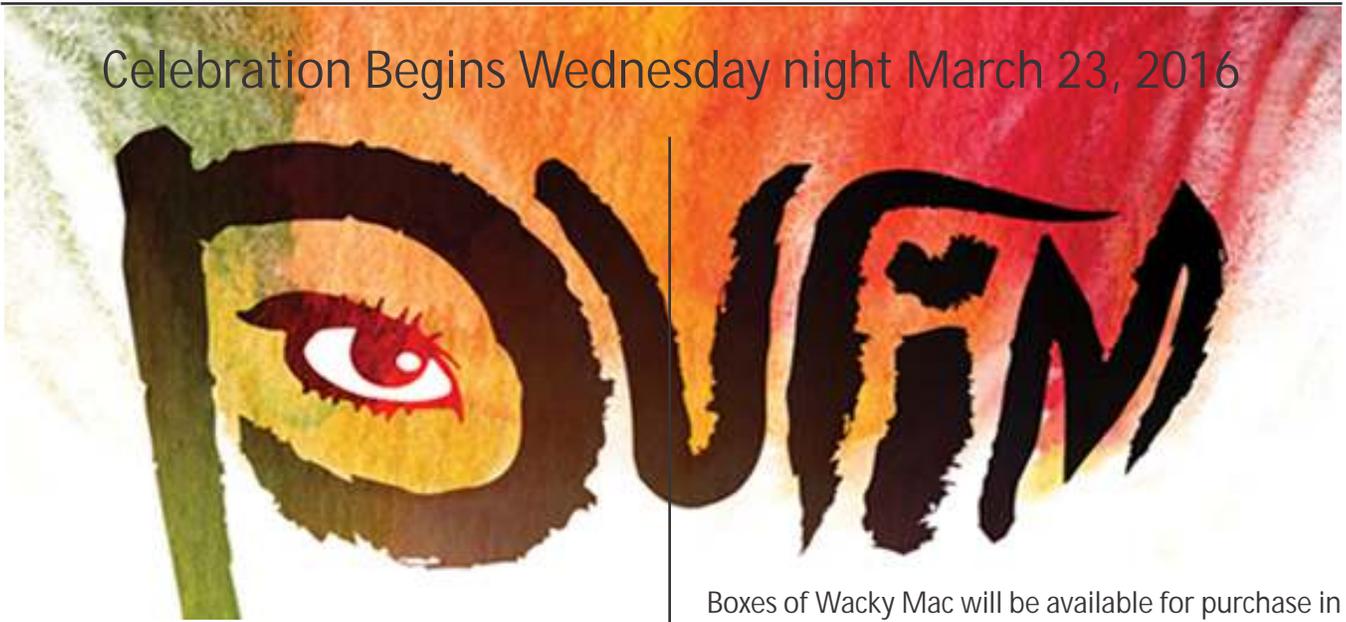
Learning session and Havdallah

Join us for a special Motza'ei Shabbat learning experience led by Rabbi Crane. "Please Be Patient: Narrating Illness with Dignity."
Illnesses, like words and symbols, are read from the outside-in by care providers. They are also read and interpreted from within, by patients themselves. This session explores classic Jewish sources in which suffering patients narrate their conditions and give voice to different notions of human dignity.

A dessert reception will follow Havdallah.
All events will take place at the Shul.

Reuven Shlozberg, Adult Education Chair
education@narayever.ca

Celebration Begins Wednesday night March 23, 2016



5776 has been a wonderful year so far for Celebrations at First Narayever. Continuing with our merrymaking, we soon will be dressing up in our most outlandish costumes, spinning our groggers, competing in carnival games and eating Hamantashen to celebrate one of our favourite celebrations of all, Purim.

Back by popular demand, on the 13 of Adar II (Wednesday, March 23, 2016) Erev Purim will begin with a special early pre-Purim celebration for the enthusiastic and eager young children of our congregation. With so much fun had and the success of last year's program for families with young children, a new tradition has begun. This program will begin at 5 pm with a special early viewing of the Dr. Seuss-Inspired Purim Spiel, a craft program and kosher meal, followed by a tiny tot carnival in the social hall.

Regular Purim celebrations will begin that evening at 7:00 pm with Maariv, the Purim Spiel, and Megillah reading. This year's enthusiastic Purim Spielers will perweezle, bedeezzle and Schlemielzel nasty ole Haman with their Dr. Seuss-inspired performance.

Boxes of Wacky Mac will be available for purchase in the social hall for those wishing to drown out the name of he whose name should not be heard. Afterward, those who wish may donate these boxes to the Food Bank. You can also purchase Mishloach Manot from the Bar/Bat Mitzvah class and support their chosen charities -- Beit HaShanti: Open House for Youth, and Wildlife Preservation Canada. If you wish, you can buy and donate an extra bag of Mishloach Manot to Jewish Family & Child Services.

The Best Purim Costumes Competition returns with one for children and another for adults. No First Narayever Purim party is complete without Narayever's traditional Purim Carnival. The Purim Carnival needs your donations of gifts and toys that are in good repair for carnival game prizes. A box in the social hall marked 'Purim Donations' will eagerly accept your offerings.

So Narayeverniks of all ages, come prepared in your wackiest costumes to hear the Megillah, spin your grogger loudly, proudly and boisterously and maybe even win a prize or two.

There will also be a Purim morning service with Megillah reading on Thursday morning March 24, beginning at 8 am. All are welcome.

Leisa Hirtz, Chair of Celebrations
celebrations@narayever.ca

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Don't miss the Food Committee's upcoming March happenings!

Sunday March 13 is the shul's annual hamantashen bake, beautifully organized by Yasmine Abasakoor and Naomi Loewith for a second year (they are true experts now)! Come out and help them create 300 yummy hamantashen for our costumed community at Narayever's Purim festivities. Individuals of all ages and families are welcome to get their hands covered with dough and filling from 11 am to 2 pm on March 13, baking day. Please ensure that all young children are accompanied by a parent.

Saturday March 26, Food Committee member Tova Kardonne's post-kiddush talk highlighting her local organic farming experiences as part of the Elm Grove Organic Farming Collective. Come and hear how she works her own quarter-acre patch and how you might be able to participate in this "earthy" endeavor.

With the kitchen closed starting from Erev Pesach April 22, the Food Committee and our caterer Rachel Zilberg, wish you a Chag Sameach and invite you to join us after the holidays for our spring and summer fresh, local, organic, and sustainable Shabbat kiddushim.

"Food for Thought" from the FOOD COMMITTEE

Heartfelt thanks to the members of the Food Committee and the shul community who volunteered their time and skills to prepare and sponsor a kosher, sustainable, Greek extravaganza kiddush on January 30. *Kol hakavod* to Dawn Berney, Joan Judge, Ellen and Lisa Friedland, Yasmine Abasakoor, Naomi Loewith, Sheila Roth, Tova Kardonne and Sue Weinstein. A special thank you to the impromptu set-up and clean-up crew of volunteers, Liz Martin-Landau, Constantin Socalski, Chris Geggie, Josh Fogel and Shaun Singer.

The Food Committee encourages groups of volunteers or individuals to help self-cater a kosher, sustainable Shabbat kiddush as an annual or biannual shul event. According to this year's volunteer crew, the experience was enjoyable and not overly labour-intensive. If you are interested in exploring the details about preparing and sponsoring a self-catered kiddush for the shul community, please visit the Food section of the Narayever's website and/or contact the Food Committee Chair at food@narayever.ca. Looking forward to hearing from all those hidden "lay chefs" out there!

CSA at Narayever continues to flourish through Everdale Farm's year-round offerings of organic produce. Their new greenhouse now means that we receive fresh local greens all winter long! What is more, in these days of inflated produce costs, CSA's prices remain constant. We are not affected at all by the price of oil, or the exchange rate. That should be "food for thought" for potential newcomers to the CSA fold at the Narayever.

Sue Weinstein, Food Chair
food@narayever.ca

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Following are some notes and information pertaining to the upcoming chag:

SEDER MATCHING

Every year we endeavour to match Narayever members with other Narayever families for a Passover seder. If you would like to be hosted for a seder or if you would like to open your seder to guests from the shul, please contact Alexa Sulzenko at 416.408.5564 or fn.meal.matching@gmail.com.

MAOT HITTIN (Food Drive)

Please consider helping others of limited means observe a proper Pesach. One way to participate in the mitzvah of *maot hittin* is to contribute to the National Council of Jewish Women's food drive. This drive provides Pesach food for over 10,000 people in the GTA, and the NCJW must raise \$125,000 in order to be able to do it. To donate, either go to <http://www.ncjwcts.org/> or call 416. 633.5100. Delivery day is Sunday March 29 from 8:30 am to noon – let them know if you can help delivering.

If you would like to receive a Pesach food basket from NCJW, either let them know directly, or Rabbi Elkin can arrange it for you.

PREPARING FOR PESACH

If you would like information about kashering your kitchen for Pesach, please contact Rabbi Elkin. Pesach can be a very expensive holiday to observe properly. Are you in need of financial assistance to keep a kosher yontif? Rabbi Elkin has special funds set aside for members of the congregation in this situation, so don't be bashful! Please contact the rabbi, in full confidence, at 416.487.4200 or rabbi@narayever.ca

Authorization of Agent to Sell Hametz – Mekhirat Hametz

There are four ways we fulfill the biblical mitzvah of ridding ourselves of hametz before Passover:

1. We clean our homes.
2. We burn any remaining crumbs.
3. We verbally declare that any hametz in our possession is worthless, nullified, and no longer owned by us.
4. In order to ensure that there is no question about our intent to remove hametz from our possession, we sell hametz to a non-Jew.

You will have to do the cleaning, burning, and nullification. But Rabbi Elkin can assist you in the sale of your hametz, if you delegate that authority to him. If you would like him to do so, please fill out the form on the next page and send it in to the shul by Wednesday April 20.

You may either drop the form at the shul, or mail it to 187 Brunswick Ave., M5S 2M4, or fax it to 416.927.0486, or scan/email it to admin@narayever.ca.

PESACH 2016

All services begin at 9 am
(No Friday night services April 22)

Shabbat April 23 (with Tefilat Tal)

Sunday April 24,

Friday April 29

Shabbat April 30 (with Yizkor)

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YOUTH COMMITTEE

Our Family and Youth Engagement Coordinator, Beth Komito-Gottlieb, has gone on an extended medical leave through the end of the school year. We wish Beth a speedy and full recovery!

Youth programs for all ages continue each Shabbat, led by our wonderful teens. We are grateful to Candice Barkin for organizing all our Shabbat morning programs in Beth's absence. Rabbi Emma Gottlieb (Beth's daughter) is helping out with the Bar/Bat Mitzvah class, the ShinShinim program, and our Chalutzim teen youth group. Thanks to all of those who help make our youth programming so active and vibrant.

Sara Borer, Youth Chair
youth@narayever.ca



At the Feb. 8 Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class session, the kids learned about tallit and tefillin.



PESACH - HAMETZ FORM Due by Wednesday April 20, 2016

I, _____, (acting on behalf of and with the authorization of my entire family) hereby authorize Rabbi Edward Elkin to act as my agent to sell the hametz that may be at my home, at my place of business, or elsewhere, in accordance with the requirements and provisions of Jewish law. I have placed my hametz and mixtures and objects containing hametz in specially designated storage areas within my home, which is at...

First Address: _____

Second Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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What's Happening with our ShinShinim?

January and February were busy months for the ShinShinim. Though pleased that it wasn't too cold, Liad and Ophir were happy to see some snow while skiing for the first time. Here's what else has kept them busy:

- ◆ Two meetings of the Chug Ivrit: This is a meeting of people who want to speak Hebrew in an informal setting, held at Aroma at Eglinton and Yonge. People with all levels of Hebrew are welcome. The next two Chug Ivrit sessions will be held on March 13 & April 10.
- ◆ Two movie nights: So far, the ShinShinim have shown how dramatic and comedic television, an animated documentary film, and a traditional movie illustrate the complexity of Israeli society. "Movie-goers" see some unusual visual media and then engage in discussion while enjoying Israeli snacks. The next ShinShinim Israeli movie night will be March 29.
- ◆ Tu B'Shvat Seder: Liad and Ophir introduced the kids to what Tu B'Shvat means to people in Israel.
- ◆ Bar/Bat Mitzvah Classes: Liad and Ophir participate in all the BBM classes. This year, for the first time, they were responsible for the whole class on Tu B'Shvat. Through creative activities, the kids learned the origins of Jewish environmental sensibility, discussed what they can do to be environmentally responsible, and built a mobile planter using recycled pop bottles to brighten up the solarium.
- ◆ Chalutzim Iron Chef: Three teams of Chalutzim spent the evening making and eating delicious Israeli dishes from scratch.
- ◆ Chalutzim Skating Party: Liad and Ophir asked the Chalutzim to teach them how to skate at Toronto's City Hall rink. Hot chocolate is definitely now an Israeli favourite!

- ◆ Shabbat: The ShinShinim deliver a Dvar Yisrael every week, sharing aspects of Israel that are new to us. They do this after participating in the services for our kids, and before schmoozing with members at Kiddush and participating with an insight about a place in Israel just before bensing. They were also delighted to be part of the shul's annual Youth Shabbat.

- ◆ Planning for Yom Hazikaron and Yom Ha'atzmaut: Liad and Ophir are working on this year's. Please see the Save the Date information on page 20 and plan to join them to honour and celebrate these important days for Israel.

- ◆ Liad and Ophir spent their days off exploring Toronto, catching up on sleep, and meeting their friends.

Ophir and Liad have each become part of two host families here in Toronto. In March, they move to their final host families, and in April they both will welcome their own families to Toronto for Pesach.



The next time you see Ophir or Liad, find out more about how they are spending their time in our terrific downtown Jewish community. They're only here with us at the shul until mid-June. Time flies when you're having a good time!

Julia Gluck

The shul thanks Julia Gluck for stepping in to serve with great dedication and energy as interim ShinShinim site supervisor for six weeks at the beginning of Beth Komito-Gottlieb's medical leave.

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ISRAEL ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM



Narayever Alumni ShinShinim 2011-2015, from left: Yuval Gur, Reut Rozner, Roni Benzikry, Itai Buchnik, Re'em Korine, Adi Novak, Hadar Parnas, Gal Fisher, Hili Paryenti, Dor Ohavim

ShinShinim Reunion

This picture was taken at a ShinShinim Alumni reunion in Jerusalem- every one of Narayever's past ShinShinim attended, which is a testament to the incredible experience that the ShinShinim enjoy in our community.

Each year, young Israeli emissaries are selected to come to Toronto for the year. The selection process is rigorous; over 2000 high school seniors from across Israel apply to be ShinShinim. That group is narrowed down to forty-eight youth through written assessment, and group and individual interviews. Only twenty-four ShinShinim are chosen to serve the Toronto community.

Every year, the selection process is extremely challenging; each young person is exceptional, with individual strengths and talents.

Over the course of just a few days, representatives from our downtown community determine which ShinShinim will join us the following year. Multiple individual and group interviews, small group exercises and informal interaction all play a role in the selection process. We are excited to have selected two more phenomenal young people to be our ShinShinim for next year.

Over the past five years that we have been involved in the ShinShinim Program, shul families have enjoyed hosting wonderful ShinShinim in their homes for three months. If you are interested in hosting a ShinShinim in your home for three months over the 2016-2017 year, please watch for announcements about information sessions in April and May. In addition, you are welcome to contact me, ShinShinim Lay Leader 2016-2017, for information about hosting.

Marcia Beck
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SHUL MATTERS

ADULT EDUCATION

Jewish Symbols and Messages in Michelangelo's Ceiling in the Sistine Chapel

A special program with Rouhama Danto
Sunday, March 6, 11 am – 1 pm

Michelangelo lived in Florence most of his life. At the age of six, he lost his mother, and despite his father's plans, he knew at this tender age that he wanted to be an artist. He was born into a Catholic family and grew up nurtured in the practice of the Christian faith. So, where does the idea "Jewish Symbols and Messages" come from?



During Michelangelo's time, educated Catholic Florentines studied Hebrew, Torah and Talmud. They also studied the mystical Kabbalah, and Catholic theologians were strongly attached to Judaism, mysticism and Hebrew as a vehicle of values considered to be extremely important.

Michelangelo's mentor, Count Pico, owned the largest Judaic library of any Gentile in Europe. They both shared a deep interest in Jewish mysticism. What was it in the Kabbalah that fascinated Michelangelo so much that he demonstrated it in the hidden messages on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel? Come to this presentation and you will find out.

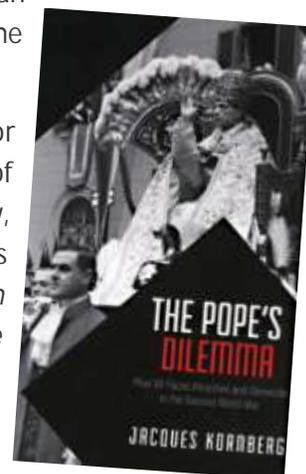
Light refreshments provided.

Pope Pius XII: The Pope's Dilemma in the Second World War

A post-Kiddush talk with Jacques Kornberg
Saturday, April 2, 1:15 pm – 2:15 pm

Pope Pius XII never explicitly condemned Nazi Germany's murder of European Jewry during the Second World War. Why he did not still remains a matter of controversy 70 years after the end of the war. Prof. Jacques Kornberg will offer an expansion of why he acted as he did.

Narayever member Professor Jacques Kornberg is a member of the Department of History, University of Toronto. His books include: *Theodor Herzl: From Assimilation to Zionism*; and *The Pope's Dilemma: Pius XII Faces Atrocities and Genocide in the Second World War*.



Reuven Shlozberg
Education@narayever.ca

We warmly welcome to our
community these new
members

Linda Woodcock
Andrew Brown
Jason Caplan and his son Frazer

ברוכים הבאים!



SHUL MATTERS

MEMBERSHIP and SHUL COMMUNITY

My favourite annual event is the havdallah service held to welcome new members to the Narayever. On January 9, new members, board members, membership committee members, Narayever staff and our ShinShinim gathered at Rabbi Ed and Linda's home to mingle over a scrumptious meal prepared by our own Rachel Zilberg. It is very exciting for me to have an opportunity to meet new members, most of whom I have spoken with by phone, and discover what drew them to us. Our pride in our shul is certainly contagious. We are hopeful that this year's new members will be with us for a long time and we will have the opportunity to share in their life cycle events. Thank you to all who helped plan this event and those who attended.

The Narayever as always welcomes new members. If you have friends or family who may be interested in joining our community please encourage them to check us out either in person on any Shabbat or on our website at www.narayever.ca. We can also be found on



Facebook at: www.facebook.com/FirstNarayever. I am always available by phone or e-mail to answer any membership related questions.

At Narayever nobody is denied membership due to an inability to pay full fees. There is a significant cost to this policy. I encourage those who are able to help to contact the shul office and donate to our Membership Subsidy Fund.

If you have any ideas for social programming please contact me or Francine Dick (fdick@rogers.com). Keep your eyes on Narayever Net for upcoming programs.

David Barkin
membership@narayever.ca

BUILDING TASK FORCE

NEXT STEPS IN OUR NARAYEVER ACCESSIBILITY and BUILDING PROJECT

We've reached an important new phase in the project to make our historic building accessible and to create much needed new space for programming and administration.

Narayever members have already been informed that after an intensive search, we engaged LGA Architectural Partners to work with us on a new design for a renewed and accessible building.

LGA's Partner in Charge Janna Levitt and her team will spend the next few months, along with the Building Task Force, taking a fresh look at design possibilities on our site. The design process will involve further consultation with the Narayever Board and congregation. The result should be an optimal design that can move forward for approval by the city.

We'll keep everyone posted as the process continues. You'll also hear more details as we get closer to the launch of a capital fundraising campaign for the renewed building.

Harry Schachter
buildingtaskforce@narayever.ca

SHUL MATTERS

REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP

The Refugee Sub Committee of the Social Action Committee would like to thank the Narayever community for helping us to reach our fundraising goal.

Now that we have reached our fundraising goal, we are no longer accepting donations for this sponsorship initiative. This will enable us to focus our attention on other necessary sponsorship tasks and issues.

In January 2016, we went online with our sponsorship effort. Please see: <http://narayever.ca/refugee-sponsorship/>. You will find information on:

- ◆ Our Timeline for the Sponsorship Initiative
- ◆ Our Implementation Strategy
- ◆ A Helpful FAQ
- ◆ Information about how to make In-Kind or Services Donations
- ◆ A Contact List
- ◆ Helpful Links related to Refugee Sponsorship
- ◆ The Lifeline Syria Sponsorship Manual

If you have any additions or suggestions for our website, we want to know! Please contact: nataliefingerhut@gmail.com

In Kind or Services Donations

Although our fundraising has come to a close, we are still accepting offers of donations-in-kind. If you have any spare clothing, furniture, or household appliances, if you have any skills you would like to contribute (e.g. medical, dental, etc.), or if you would be willing to offer your time to help with various preparation and settlement tasks, please fill in the form available on the shul website.

A sub-committee member will then be in touch with you to discuss details such as pick-up/drop-off and

other logistics.

For more in-kind donation information, please contact Alia Rosenstock at aliarosenstock@yahoo.com.



Family update

In February, Liz Bohnen, president of the shul, and Morley Beiser, chair of the Social Action Committee signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Jewish Immigrant Aid Services (JIAS). We are now able to confirm that the Narayever will be sponsoring a refugee family of five from Syria to come to Canada. The family is comprised of two young parents and their four-year-old child, and two grandparents (i.e. parents of the young couple).

They already have extended family in the GTA, and our sponsorship group looks forward to assisting the sponsored family, and their Toronto-based extended family, throughout the settlement process. We are still waiting for the sponsored family's arrival date, but do not expect it to be before spring.

Check out our weekly updates in Narayever Net!

If you have any thoughts or concerns about our sponsorship, please contact Pippa Feinstein at feinstei@ualberta.ca.

Natalie Fingerhut, Refugee Sub-Committee
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SHUL MATTERS



Happy Tu B'Shvat!

Full house on Tu B'Shvat

Our annual Tu B'Shvat Seder was held this year on January 25. Led by Rabbi Julia Appel, with song leading by Jared Peck and Sarah Colman, this joyful multi-generational event was an opportunity for us to celebrate the New Year for trees together as a community.

Thank you to Leisa Hirtz for organizing the celebration.

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KIDDUSH DONATIONS

The shul gratefully acknowledges the following donations made to our various funds from mid-December to mid-February.

We apologize in advance for any errors or omissions. Please inform the shul office so that a correction can be made.

If you would like to make a donation to one of our funds, please call the shul office at 416.927.0546

We also accept donations via CanadaHelps, www.canadahelps.org and click on Narayever.

■ DECEMBER 12, 2015

Kiddush: The Shul.

Donations to the Kiddush fund were made by Percy and Estelle Schacter, in honour of the yahrzeit of Estelle's mother Sophie Yomstock; and Peikang Dai, in honour of Rachel Zilberg and her Kiddush team.

■ DECEMBER 19, 2015

Kiddush: The Shul.

Donations to the Kiddush fund were made by Elaine Gold and Peter Gold, in honour of the naming of their granddaughter Samara Ray and in honour of Leah Gold and Jeff Carolin; Liz Bohnen, in memory of Jane Rimmer's mother, Stella Rimmer; Trevor and Zal Hart, wishing mazel tov to Ariel and Ilan on their first birthday; Harry Schachter, in memory of Jane Rimmer's mother, Stella Rimmer; and Lorne Propas, in honour of the yahrzeit of his mother Pearl Propas.

■ DECEMBER 26, 2015

Kiddush: The Shul.

Donations to the Kiddush fund were made by Linda Lipsky, in honour of the yahrzeit of her mother Molly Lipsky; and Janet Horowitz, in honour of the yahrzeit of her father Manny Kirschenbaum.

■ JANUARY 2, 2016

Kiddush: The Shul.

Donations to the Kiddush fund were made by Andrea Parker Simhon, in honour of the yahrzeiten of her parents Earl and Sylvia Parker; Irving Brown, in honour of the yahrzeit of his mother Pearl Vellis Brown; and Rosalie Shapiro and Steven Leikin, in memory of Ellie Leikin.

■ JANUARY 9, 2016

Kiddush: The Shul.

Donations to the Kiddush fund were made by Lesley Turner and Joanne Patterson, in honour of their Aufruf; Beth McAuley, wishing mazel tov to Joanne Patterson and Lesley Turner on their marriage; Lala Loon, in honour of the yahrzeiten of her parents Esterka Rozenblat and Pinkus Birencwajg; and Paul Pascal, in honour of the yahrzeit of his father Saul Morris Pascal.

■ JANUARY 16, 2016

Kiddush: The Shul.

Donations to the Kiddush fund were made by Ricki Sharpe, in honour of the yahrzeit of her father Sydney Robins; Yael Shacter, in honour of the yahrzeit of her father Barry Schacter; Rhona Phillips and Ben Carniol, wishing mazel tov to Lesley Turner and Joanne Patterson on their recent marriage; Roger Chaplin, in support of the shul community; Zipporah Dunsky, in honour of the yahrzeit of her mother Esther Dunsky; Lori Albert, in honour of the yahrzeit of her father Henry Albert; Isaac Dwosh, in honour of the yahrzeit of his mother Pearl Dwosh; Etti Miller, in honour of the yahrzeit of her mother Sonia Blitz; and Elaina Gold, in honour of the yahrzeit of her mother Libbie Gold.

■ JANUARY 23, 2016

Kiddush: Anne and Ron Golden and Karen Golden, in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of Orly Mandel.

Donations to the Kiddush fund were made by Linda Lipsky, in honour of the yahrzeit of her father Harry Lipsky; Mendl Malkin, in honour of the yahrzeit of his mother Mary Malkin; Liz Bohnen, in honour of the yahrzeiten of her parents Daniel and Judith Bohnen; Jared Peck, Sarah Colman, Morris, Shana and Yona, in celebration of a milestone; Esther and Ben Geva, in honour of Rabbi Yoseph Ben David - only in simchas!; Esther and Ben Geva, in honour of the Bat Mitzvah of Orly Mandel, mazel tov!; and Francine Dick, wishing Karen Fainman a yasher koach on leading the Sunday Minyan Service.

■ JANUARY 30, 2016

Kiddush Sponsor: This week's Kiddush was prepared and sponsored by members of the Food Committee and other volunteers from Narayever community.

Our thanks go out to: Dawn Berney, Joan Judge, Ellen Friedland, Lisa Friedland, Naomi Loewith, Yasmine Abasakoor, Isabel Malkin, Sheila Roth, Tova Kardonne and Sue Weinstein.

Donations to the Kiddush fund were made by Harvey Roff, in honour of the yahrzeit of his wife Sandy Roff; Lili Little, in honour of the yahrzeit of her mother Sarah Chernick; Norma Latsonas, in honour of the yahrzeit of her father Charles Eric Lees; and Phyllis Berck and Dorothy Garfinkel, in honour of the yahrzeit of their father Ben Berck.

■ February 6, 2016

Kiddush: The Shul.

Donations to the Kiddush fund were made by Diane Philipp, in honour of the yahrzeit of her father Rudy Philipp; Isabel Malkin, in honour of the yahrzeit of her father Henry Michel; Isabel and Mendl Malkin, wishing Brenda Enchin a refuah shlemah; Isabel and Mendl Malkin, yasher koach to Leisa Hirtz for organizing the wonderful Tu B'Shvat Seder; and Isabel and Mendl Malkin, thanking Roz Train for heading the High Holy Days committee for our shul.

MAZEL TOV TO...

- Leigh-Ann and Raphael Ronen, on the birth of their daughter Isabella Kelila.
- Alexa Sulzenko and John Mould, on the birth of their son George Maxwell.

מזל טוב!

OTHER DONATIONS

Adult Education Fund

- Elana Segal, thanking Rabbi Elkin for his Book of Job class
- Janet Horowitz, in honour of the baby naming of Elaine and Peter Gold's granddaughter Samara Ray
- Benjamin Shinewald, thanking Rabbi Elkin for the class on the book of Job and for helping him with his dvar torah
- Roz Train, wishing mazel tov to Margie and Andy Gann on the birth of their grandson Elon Reuel

Building Fund

- Hannah Brown, wishing Barry Olshen a refuah shlemah
- Jared Peck and Sarah Colman
- Anonymous

Celebrations Fund

- Liz Bohnen, with thanks to Brian Finch for starting up the shul's Facebook page and administering it so well over the last two years
- Ann Komaromi, in honour of the yahrzeit of her father Imre Joseph Komaromi

General Fund

- Paul Kaminsky, thanking the Narayever community for making him and his daughter feel welcome

Hesed Fund

- Patricia Patchet-Golubev, in memory of Asya Kovnat and Paulina Ezer's mother and grandmother Sonia Lion
- Anonymous

Membership Subsidy Fund

- Lili Little, in memory of Jane Rimmer's mother, Stella Rimmer
- Helene Jacobs, in memory of her father Jacob Jacobs

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

- Martin Geffen, in honour of the yahrzeit of his father Heime Geffen
- Lorne Cappe, in memory of his mother Patty Cappe
- Maya Schonbach and family, thanking Rabbi Elkin for his help, support and generosity during a difficult time
- Lesley Simpson and Mark Guttman, in memory of Joel Starkman
- Lesley Simpson and Mark Guttman, in celebration of Margie and Andy Gann's new grandchild
- Lesley Simpson and Mark Guttman, with thanks to Sue Weinstein for her work on the Food Committee
- Lesley Simpson and Mark Guttman, with thanks to Rabbi Elkin
- Lesley Simpson and Mark Guttman, in honour of Pippa Feinstein for her gracious leadership role in the shul's Sponsorship of the Syrian Refugee Family
- Lesley Simpson and Mark Guttman, in honour of Lily Sanro's January birthday
- Tammi Goldstein, in support of Rabbi Elkin's work
- Rosalie Shapiro and Steven Leikin, thanking Rabbi Elkin for his care and kindness
- Margaret Dore and Kim Van Rooy, wishing mazel tov to Lesley Turner and Joanne Patterson on their recent marriage

SAVE THE DATE

YOM HA'SHOAH

Wednesday May 4, 2016
6:45 - 8:30 pm



Mincha will begin at 6:45 pm. The ceremony will follow from 7 to 8:30 pm. Stay tuned for more details in the next newsletter. For more information, contact bmcauley@web.net

OTHER DONATIONS

- Lesley Turner and Joanne Patterson, with thanks to the Rabbi for marrying them and in appreciation of his wise counsel
- Lesley Simpson, in honour of Jill Magen's friendship

Ritual Fund

- Janet Horowitz, in honour of Kivi Shapiro

ShinShinim Fund

- Keren and Shalom Camenietzki, in honour of the birth of Margie and Andy Gann's grandson Elon
- Laraine and Neil Naft, in honour of Elaine and Peter Gold's granddaughter Samara Ray
- Sharon Abron-Drache, wishing refuah shlemah to Rick Kardonne
- Julia Gluck and Ted Overton, wishing refuah shlemah to Brenda Enchin
- Julia Gluck and Ted Overton, wishing refuah shlemah to Beth Komito-Gottlieb

Social Action Fund

- Gerry Enchin, in honour of the yahrzeit of his mother Rose Enchin
- Brenda and Jerry Enchin, wishing mazel tov to Lesley Turner and Joanne Patterson on their recent marriage
- Brenda and Jerry Enchin, in memory of Laila Lipetz and Celia Hirsch's brother Dan Merkur
- Lesley Wiesenfeld, in honour of Jared Peck's special birthday
- Alison and Joshua Engel-Yan, in honour of Jared Peck's special birthday
- Marcia Zuker, in support of the "Out of the Cold" program

Torah Fund

- Anita Shir-Jacob and Cyril Press, in memory of Asya Kovnat's mother Sonia Lion

Youth Fund

- Lesley and Peter Sevitt, in memory of Steven Leikin and Rosalie Shapiro's granddaughter Eleanor Ruth Leikin
- Brenda and Jerry Enchin, wishing refuah shlemah to Beth Komito-Gottlieb

SAVE THE DATE



YOM HA'ZIKARON and YOM HA'ATZMAUT

Sunday May 8, 2016 | 4 - 6 PM

Join us to honour those who lost their lives defending Israel and to comfort those they left behind.

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Then stay to celebrate Israel's 68th birthday with family-friendly games and good food!

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Please send comments to newsletter@narayever.ca

We acknowledge the following yearzeit anniversaries which occur during the coming months.

May their souls be bound up in the bond of eternal life

“ויצרור בצרור החיים את נשמותיהם”

Adar-I 21	Eli Adler	father of Shelley Adler	Nissan 5	Elsa Singer	step-mother of Nancy Singer
Adar-I 21	Moshe Ish-Horowicz	father of Naomi Ish-Horowicz	Nissan 6	Lolly Propas	wife of Lorne Propas
		Solomon	Nissan 6	Molly Willer	mother of Phillis Willer
Adar-I 21	Dorothy Miller	mother of Monica Miller	Nissan 8	Fred Pauker	brother of Jerome Pauker
Adar-I 22	Molly Medoff-Kopelow	mother of Ronald Medoff	Nissan 10	Avraham Greenberg	father of Benjamin Geva
Adar-I 22	Jordan Propas	son of Lorne Propas	Nissan 10	Paul Owsiany	brother of Gerald Austin
Adar-I 23	Edward Glazier	father of Richard Glazier	Nissan 11	Max Propas	father of Lorne Propas
Adar-I 23	Joyce Glazier	mother of Richard Glazier	Nissan 12	Jessie Berck	mother of Phyllis Berck and Dorothy Garfinkel
Adar-I 24	Yaacov (Yaap) Bar-David	father of Sharone Bar-David			
Adar-I 24	Simcha Hazany Cohen	mother of Georges Benarroch	Nissan 12	Max Shecter	father of Trudy Shecter
Adar-I 24	Leon Schwartz	father of Robert Schwartz	Nissan 12	Harold Tanenbaum	brother of Carol Tanenbaum
Adar-I 24	Faye Vanek	mother of Arthur Vanek	Nissan 13	Herb Guttman	father of Mark Guttman
Adar-I 25	Helen (Chaya) Dublin	sister of Max Dublin	Nissan 13	Max Schonberg	father of Arnold Schonberg
Adar-I 25	Alice Lowenstein	mother of Marjorie Gann	Nissan 14	Rose Horowitz	mother of Sylvia Solomon
Adar-I 25	Richard Pliskin	father of Marni Cappe	Nissan 14	Chonon Levitan	father of Jerry Levitan
Adar-I 26	Harry Naft	father of Neil Naft	Nissan 14	Adele Zilberman	mother of Hélène Silverman
Adar-I 26	Betty Stocker	mother of Maire Kushner	Nissan 15	Anne Tanenbaum	mother of Carol Tanenbaum
Adar-I 26	Saul Zuker	father of Elaine Gold	Nissan 16	Rony Karshon	mother of Yael Karshon
Adar-I 27	Annie Baruch-Nink	mother of Micky Oostr Fraterman	Nissan 18	Bernard (Barney) Davidoff	father of Jennifer Hoffmann
Adar-I 27	Robert Lewis Davis	father of Jim Davis	Nissan 18	Esther Goodbaum	mother of Mark Goodbaum
Adar-I 27	Mark Gilbert	father of Linda Tadich	Nissan 19	Sam Bucovetsky	father of Meyer Bucovetsky
Adar-I 27	Constance Dorris Roseman	mother of Ellen Roseman	Nissan 19	Flora Meltz	mother of Isabella Meltz
Adar-I 27	Moses Slack	father of Enid Slack	Nissan 19	Della Overton	mother of Ted Overton
Adar-I 28	Sylvain Caen	father of Francine Watkins	Nissan 21	Samuel Szmuiłowicz	father of Julio Szmuiłowicz
Adar-I 29	Louis Cohen	brother of Suzanne Shuchat	Nissan 22	Bessie Kershenbaum	mother of Debra Haworth
Adar-I 29	Anne Greenstein	mother of Elaine Minsky	Nissan 22	Sharon Kirsh	wife of Daniel Selchen
Adar-I 29	Rachel Jacobson	mother of Edythe Jacobson	Nissan 22	Jack Mendelson	father of Leslie Mendelson
Adar-II 2	Shirley Laskin	mother of Monty Laskin	Nissan 22	Sandra Sherman	wife of Ronald Sherman
Adar-II 3	Jack Fainman	father of Karen Fainman			
Adar-II 6	Fanny Bucovetsky	mother of Meyer Bucovetsky			
Adar-II 8	Erna Weintraub	mother of Sharon Weintraub			
Adar-II 11	Pnina Strumpf	mother of Dan Strumpf			
Adar-II 13	Esther Teitelbaum	mother of Linda Wise			
Adar-II 16	Celia Silverman	mother of Melvin Silverman			
Adar-II 16	Ralph Snow	father of Margot Feferman			
Adar-II 22	Joseph Kuperhause	father of Jacob Kuperhause			
Adar-II 23	Harry Elkin	father of Rabbi Ed Elkin			
Adar-II 23	Myrna Holzberg Levin	mother of Michael Levin			
Adar-II 23	Rita Sherman	mother of Ronald Sherman			
Adar-II 25	Herbert Lyon	father of Israel Lyon			
Adar-II 27	Steven Letovsky	brother of Eric Letovsky			
Adar-II 28	David Shukyn	father of Claire Simon			
Adar-II 29	May Judith Davidoff	mother of Jennifer Hoffmann			
Nissan 1	Al Lofchick	brother of Lawrence Lofchick			
Nissan 1	Lazarus Solomon	father of Charles Solomon			
Nissan 3	Louise Levin	mother of Robin Levin Penslar			
Nissan 3	Rose Pascal	mother of Paul Pascal			
Nissan 5	Seymour Mayers	father of Arlene Mayers			

Our Condolences to...

- Jack Klein and Nancy Klein, on the passing of their wife and mother Faigie Klein
- Celia Hirsh and Laila Lipetz, on the passing of their brother Dan Merkur
- Louis Reznick, on the passing of his father Sam Reznick

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MARCH 2016

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APRIL 2016

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