

SHABBAT MATTERS

Friday, September 8
7:00 pm Mincha / Maariv Sanctuary
7:23 pm Candles (earliest 6:22 pm)

Shabbat, September 9 7:30 am Hashkama Minvan - Beit Midrash Chumash-Rashi: Melech Halberstadt 8:10 am Classroom 106 9:00 am Shacharit - Sanctuary: Rabbi Taylor Post-Mussaf Drasha: Raizi Chechik 9.00 am Shacharit - Sisterhood: Rabbi Diamond Shacharit - Beit Midrash: Rabbi Anstandig 9:30 am 9:45 am Youth Programs - Classrooms Recite Shema before 10:02 am Kiddush* - Sisterhood Hall for all 11:45 am Minvanim

12:00 pm Shiur with Prof. Novak - Beit Midrash

12:00 pm Pre-Rosh Hashana Luncheon Banquet Hall (by registration only)
6:20 pm Pre-Mincha Shiur - Sanctuary:
Raizi Chechik
7:10 pm Mincha - Sanctuary
7:30 pm Seudah Shlishit* - Sisterhood Hall:
Raizi Chechik
8:25 pm Maariv / Shabbat Ends
10:00 pm Pre-Slichot Kumzitz

7:10 pm Mincha - Sanctuary
7:30 pm Seudah Shlishit* - Sisterhood Hal Raizi Chechik
8:25 pm Maariv / Shabbat Ends
10:00 pm Pre-Slichot Kumzitz
Lower Level Social Halls
10:45 pm Earlier Slichot - Sanctuary
1:15 am Later Slichot - Beit Midrash
*Pareve from dairy kitchen

 Torah
 Haftorah:

 Reading:
 Yeshayahu

 Devarim
 61:10 - 63:9

 29:9 - 31:30
 Hertz P. 883

 Hertz P. 878
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 P. 1202

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ROSH HASHANA SCHEDULE

Erev Rosh Hashana - Friday, September 15Slichot & Shacharit 6:30 am Sanctuary & Zoom *Hatarat Nedarim* following Shacharit

Candle Lighting 7:10 pm (earliest 6:11 pm)

Mincha 7:00 pm Sanctuary: Chazzan Shai Abramson & Choir

First Day Rosh Hashana - Shabbat, September 16

Hashkama 7:30 am Beit Midrash: Rabbi Anstandig
Shacharit 8:00 am Sanctuary: Rabbi Taylor, Chazzan Chaim
Freund. Chazzan Shai Abramson & Choir

Shacharit 8:30 am Sisterhood: Rabbi Diamond

Chazzan Chayim Rubin

Youth Programs 10:00 am Classrooms

Pray & Learn 11:30 am Beit Midrash: Rabbi Anstandig

Mincha 7:05 pm Sanctuary: Chazzan Shai Abramson & Choir Shabbat Ends/Earliest Candles 8:12 pm

Second Day Rosh Hashana - Sunday, September 17

8:30 am

7:15 pm

Hashkama 7:30 am Beit Midrash: Rabbi Anstandig

Shacharit 8:00 am Sanctuary: Rabbi Taylor, Chazzan Chayim

Rubin, Chazzan Shai Abramson & Choir

Sisterhood: Rabbi Diamond

Chazzan Chaim Freund

10:00 am Classrooms

11:30 am Beit Midrash: Rabbi Anstandig

Sanctuary Rabbi Anstandia

TODAH RABAH to our sponsors: SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE RAIZI CHECHIK:

The Weinbaum Family

KIDDUSH:

Rosalie & Isadore Sharp in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Rosalie's father, Joseph Wise z"

Gail & Sheldon Rajesky and Andrea & David Pines in honour of the 50th wedding anniversary of Bryna & Brian Bloom

Clifford & Katy Korman in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Clifford's brother, Neil Korman z"

Theodore Croitoru & Edith Devico in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Theodore's mother, Jackie Croitoru z"

RABBI'S CHARITY FUND:

Ala Gamulka and Family in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Yonah Gamulka ^{z"} and Jonah Mark Gamulka ^{z"}

MAZAL TOV AND OTHER MEMBERS MATTERS

Shiur between Mincha/Maariv

Shacharit

Youth Programs

Pray & Learn

Yom Tov Ends

Mincha

- Mazal Tov to Elfrieda Vale on the birth of a great-granddaughter, born to Reuven & Batya Menzelefsky of Thornhill. Mazal Tov to grandparents Rabbi Richard & Devorah Vale and Duvie & Debbie Menzelefsky. Excited brothers are Nechemia, Eliahu, Daniel and Simcha.
- Mazal Tov to **Bryna & Brian Bloom** on their 50th wedding anniversary.

UPCOMING SHIURIM & PROGRAMS

Along with the services and programs in the shul building, weekday services and programs will continue on Zoom. To obtain the access information, please email info@shomayim.org.

- Motzei Shabbat, Sep. 9, 10:00 pm Pre-Slichot Kumzitz Program.
- Sun. Sep. 10, 10 am-12 pm **Youth Apple Picking** at Downey's Strawberry Apple Farm.
- Sunday, Sep. 10, 8:00 pm Shaarei Shomayim & BMZD **Tishrei in a Night**. At Shaarei Shomayim.
- Tuesdays, 10:30 am The Walkie Talkies. Outdoors (if raining Banquet Hall).
- Mondays & Wednesdays, 1:00 pm Circle of Care Senior Exercise Class at Shaarei Shomayim. To register contact Mila Robinson at mrobinson@circleofcare.com.
- Wednesdays, 9:00 pm Rabbi Taylor's Mishna Berura Shiur. In person.
- Thursdays, 9:00 am Coffee Klatch with Rabbi Taylor. On Zoom.
- Women's Simchat Torah Dvar Torah Program Women interested in delivering a Dvar Torah on Simchat Torah, please contact Marcy Ages at auntiemarcy@gmail.com.

This Shabbat, we are honoured and thrilled to welcome *The Weinbaum Family Scholar In Residence* Raizi Chechik. See the flyer on p. 3 to learn more about the various learning opportunities available.

GREETERS FOR YAMIM NORA'IM: Start the year off by welcoming your community to shul at the Greeters' Table! We need some volunteers for Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. Welcoming people to shul and offering information or help to those in need is a wonderful experience. Everyone who volunteers enjoys and appreciates the experience. Shifts are 45 minutes long from 9:00 am. Sign up for a shift at https://tinyurl.com/shshHHwelcome. If you are having difficulties signing up or want more information, please contact Sholom Eisenstat at sholomeisenstat@gmail.com.

Prof. Novak's Shabbat morning shiur will not take place on Sep. 16, 23 & 30. It will resume on Oct. 7.

| TORAH MATTERS: | | | | |
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| DATE | DAVENIN | IG TIMES: IN PERSON & ZOOM | SHIURIM | & PROGRAMS: IN PERSON AND / OR ZOOM |
| Sunday, September 10 / 24 Elul | 8:30 am 7:15 pm | Shacharit Mincha / Maariv | 7:45 am 10:00 am 8:00 pm | Masechet Me'ila Shiur (in person & Zoom) Youth Apple Picking (Downey's Apple Farm) Tishrei in a Night (in person) |
| Monday, September 11 / 25 Elul | 7:00 am 7:15 pm | Slichot & Shacharit Mincha / Maariv | 6:15 am 1:00 pm | Masechet Me'ila Shiur (in person & Zoom) Circle of Care Senior Exercise Class (in person) |
| Tuesday, September 12 / 26 Elul | 7:00 am 7:15 pm | Slichot & Shacharit Mincha / Maariv | 6:15 am 10:30 am | Masechet Me'ila Shiur (in person & Zoom) Walkie Talkies (outdoors; if raining - Banquet Hall) |
| Wednesday, September 13 / 27 Elul | 7:00 am 7:15 pm | Slichot & Shacharit Mincha / Maariv | 6:15 am 1:00 pm 9:00 pm | Masechet Me'ila Shiur (in person & Zoom) Circle of Care Senior Exercise Class (in person) Rabbi Taylor's Mishna Berura Shiur (in person) |
| Thursday, September 14 / 28 Elul | 7:00 am 7:15 pm | Slichot & Shacharit Mincha / Maariv | 6:15 am 9:00 am | Masechet Me'ila Shiur (in person & Zoom) Coffee Klatch with Rabbi Taylor (Zoom) |
| Friday, Sep. 15 / 29 Elul - Erev Rosh Hashana | See full schedule on p. 1. | | | |

Kriyat Shema should be repeated after 8:23 pm this week.

PARSHA MATTERS - by Rabbi Sam Taylor

Moshe Rabbeinu assures the Israelites that 'this command which I issue to you today... is not in the heavens... and it is not across the sea... for the matter is very close to you...' The common interpretation of theses verses is that Moshe speaks of the accessibility of a Torah lifestyle. It is something that is readily accessible and while it entails considerable effort and sacrifice, we should not perceive it as something beyond our reach. The Ramban, however, explains these verses as speaking of the particular command of teshuva, which Moshe discusses in the previous section. As difficult as it may seem to change, Moshe assures the Nation that it is possible and well within their reach.

The Lubavitcher Rebbe noted the point of connection between these two interpretations. In the previous section, Moshe foresees the time when G-d would banish the Jewish People from their land on account of their wrongdoing, and the time when they would repent and return to the service of G-d, whereupon G-d would bring them back to their land. According to the standard interpretation of our verses, the Rebbe noted, Moshe here impresses upon the people that even in exile, while enduring hardship and instability, the Torah is 'not in the heavens.' Moshe reassures the Nation that they are capable of remaining loyal to G-d and to Torah even under the harsh conditions of exile, and so they should not despair or try excusing themselves from their Torah obligations after being driven from their land and subject to hostile foreign rule.

Herein, the Rebbe suggested, lies the connection to teshuva. Just as we are reassured of our ability to observe the Torah under the difficult practical conditions of exile, we are likewise reassured of our ability to observe the Torah under difficult spiritual conditions. Even if we have failed and strayed far from the path we are expected to follow, 'it is not in the heavens.' The Torah is relevant, binding and accessible under all circumstances, including under conditions of exile, both geographic exile as well as spiritual exile. We are guaranteed of our ability to live a Torah life regardless of our past, and no matter what kind of adverse conditions we currently face, even if we are responsible for creating those adverse conditions through our sinful conduct. Under all circumstances, 'the matter is very close to you,' and spiritual excellence is well within our reach.

Project Kol David (The Sound of David) honours the memory of David Wm. Brown z" who for so many years dedicated himself to ensuring we fulfilled the Mitzvah of Shofar on Rosh Hashana. David made special efforts to blow shofar for those who were unable to come to shul by bringing the sound of the shofar to them. *Project Kol David* continues David's legacy by matching those who need to fulfill the Mitzvah with volunteers who are available to blow shofar for them. Please notify the office at lifecycle@shomavim.org or 416-789-3213 if you need a volunteer to blow shofar for you, or whether you are able to help by blowing shofar.

YOUTH and TEEN UPDATE | rich@shomayim.org

Shabbat / Yom Tov Mitzvah Project

Many of our amazing High School Students have offered to be part of this new initiative. If you know someone who needs a helping hand walking or being pushed to shul in a wheelchair, needs a short Shabbat visit, have someone recite kiddush for them etc., please contact Rich to make arrangements.

Pre-School Music Class with Deborah (Monday mornings at 10:00 am, beginning after Sukkot)

If you are interested in joining a pre-school music class, please contact Rich. Class will be run by Deborah Maes and is open to children under age 3 with parents, grandparents and caregivers.

Special thank you and yasher koach to our amazing Teens for helping out with this year's Welcome Back BBQ!



THE WEINBAUM FAMILY SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE SERIES

RAIZI CHECHIK

SHABBAT | SEPTEMBER 9, 2023

Shabbat Morning Post-Mussaf Drasha

"Touching the Soul: Cultivating Sprituality in Our Children and Grandchildren (and Ourselves!)"

Pre-Mincha Shiur

"Hakhel: Modern Messages from Ancient Tradition"

Seudah Shlishit Talk

"The Genesis of Repentance: Adam, Kayin, and the Power of New Beginnings"



Ms. Raizi Chechik is the former Head of School at Manhattan Day School. She studied Tanach and Counseling at Michiala Jerusalem Teacher's College, holds an MA in Jewish History, and is currently a doctoral candidate at the Bernard Revel Graduate School where she focuses on the printing of the Vilna Talmud. Ms. Chechik is a recipient of numerous professional and academic awards, among them the national Grinspoon-Steinhardt Award for Excellence in Jewish Education. A graduate of the Intensive Training Program for Day School Leaders at Yeshiva University, Ms. Chechik served as a mentor to new school leaders through their Principal's Partnership program and continues to support new Principals and Heads of School. A sought-after scholar, she has lectured in dozens of communities throughout the US, Europe and Israel.

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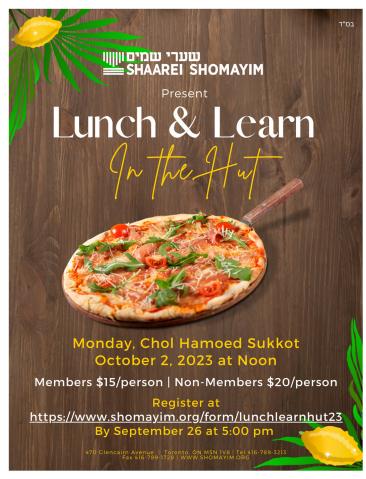
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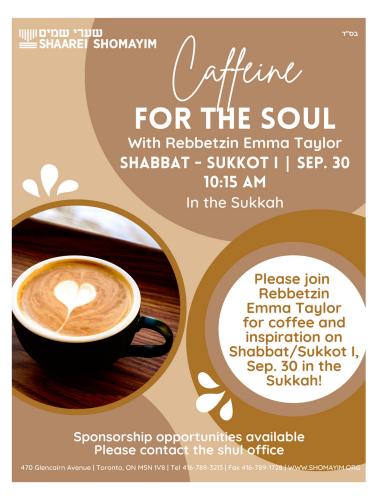
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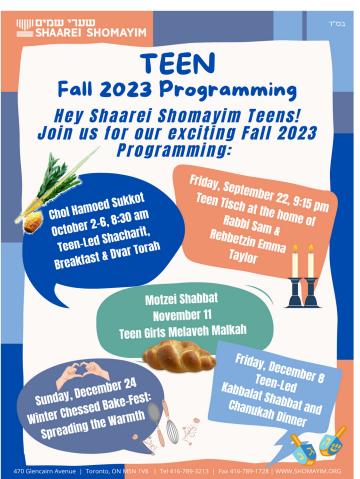
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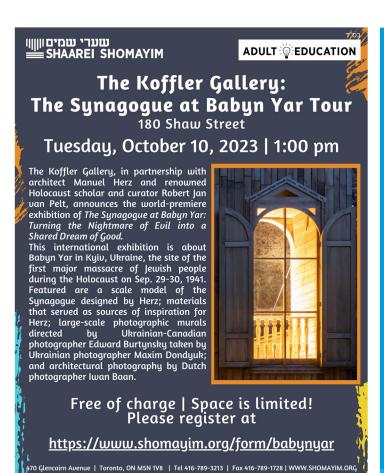














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Pre-ordering/reserving is strongly recommended in order to have a sufficient supply to choose from. For pricing and information please contact Tom: 416-789-3865 or tfmmoos@yahoo.ca.

FULL LULAV & ETROG SETS

Date: Wednesday September 27, 2023 Time: 12:00 PM-8:00 PM Lower Level Social

Halls A & B

Payment by cash, cheque or e-transfer.

PRE-ORDERED HOSHANOT

Date: Friday Oct. 6, 2023 Times: 6:00 AM-6:30 AM & 8:00 AM-8:30 AM* NOTE ADDITIONAL TIME! Main Lobby *Pick up Hoshanot NO LATER than 8:30 AM on Friday, October 6, 2023.

Wishing you a safe, healthy, happy and prosperous New Year! 470 Glencairn Avenue | Toronto, ON M5N IV8 | Tel 416-789-3213 | Fax 416-789-1728







Isabel Vincent

Tuesday, October 17, 2023 | 7:30 pm

Overture of Hope

Non-Jewish British siblings Ida and Louise Cook make the unlikeliest of heroines. The Jerusalem Post

The amazing story of two British sisters who saved dozens of Jewish stars and personnel out of Nazi Germany to England.



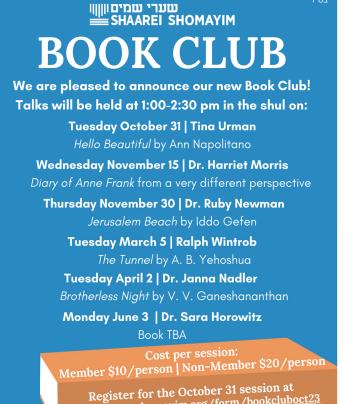


Isabel Vincent is an award-winning investigative reporter for the *New York Post*.

Isabel is the recipient of the National Jewish Book Award for Bodies and Souls; The Yad Vashem Holocaust History Award for Hitler's Silent Partners: Swiss Banks, Nazi Gold, And The Pursuit Of Justice; The National Newspaper Award for The War in the Congo (National Post); The Canadian Association of Journalists Award for See No Evil: The Strange Case of Christine Lamont and David Spencer; The Inter American Press Citation for reporting on Shining Path, Terrorism in Peru.

Free of charge Registration encouraged at https://www.shomayim.org/form/isabelvincent

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CONDOLENCES

Our sincere condolences to **Rose (Togman) & Michael Heilbronn**, Martin & Tali Togman and families, on the loss of their mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great-grandmother, Annie Togman ^{z"l}.

| YAHRZEITS | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| DATE | YAHRZEITS BEING OBSERVED | |
| Shabbat, September 9 / 23 Elul | Philip Corber, father of Barbara Corber Shmuel Eliezer Feldman, father of Yaacov Feldman | Joseph Wise, father of Rosalie Sharp |
| Sunday, September 10 / 24 Elul | Ida Berenbaum, mother of Shirley Hoffman Ralph Cohen, father of Alan Cohen Mary Fink, mother of Larry Fink and Elaine Umansky | Irving Green, father of Bernard Green Neil Korman, brother of Clifford Korman Salomon Schildkraut, father of Hymie Schildkraut |
| Monday, September 11 / 25 Elul | Lawrence Etigson, brother of Barbara Cohen | |
| Tuesday, September 12 / 26 Elul | Bracha Goldman, mother of Joseph Goldman | |
| Wednesday, September 13 / 27 Elul | Malka Edelstein, mother of Jerome Edelstein | |
| Thursday, September 14 / 28 Elul | | |
| Friday, September 15 / 29 Elul | Renee Bald, mother of Ellen Grossman Jackie Croitoru, mother of Theodore Croitoru Jonah Mark Gamulka, son of Ala Gamulka Ursula Gerstl, mother of Raffi Gerstl | Ethel Roskies, mother of Naomi Roskies Laurence Brian Shiff, son of Dorothy Shiff and brother of Daniel Shiff and Randy Shiff |

TODAH RABAH to our sponsors for YAHRZEIT COMMEMORATIONS:

Bernie & Helene Green in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Bernie's father, Irving Green z"

COMMUNITY MATTERS

- Sep. 10 & Oct. 29 UJA's Super Sunday Telethons. To volunteer: https://www.jewishtoronto.com/super-sunday-telethon.
- Wednesday, Sep. 13, 10:00 am-12:00 pm Emunah Toronto's Pre-Rosh Hashanah Bake Sale. At the home of Judy Roth, 345 Hillhurst Ave. To bake something for the sale contact Lauren at toronto@emunahcanada.org or 416-634-3040. To donate visit https://www.emunahcanada.org/.
- Israel Bonds appeal for the High Holy Days 5784/2023 see current rates at https://www.israelbonds.ca/.
- Monday, Oct. 2 **Simchas Bais Hashoeiva** featuring 8th Day, Shlomo Simcha and Storyteller Yossi Blaustein. Kids Program 5:00 pm; Concert 6:00 pm; followed by dancing. Free admission. At Chabad Lubavitch, 770 Chabad Gate, Thornhill.
- Thursday, Oct. 5 "The Beauty Queen of Jerusalem." Israeli Star Swell Ariel Or in an up close and personal interview with award winning journalist, Naomi Parness. Presented by Israel Bonds. For info contact Shaindy Nathanson 416-256-5172.
- Oct. 23-30 Canadian Hadassah WIZO's Journey 4 Impact to Israel. Experience challenges with a purpose, create social impact and economic independence for women entrepreneurs. Register at https://chw.ca/journey-4-impact/.
- Wednesday, Nov. 1, 7:45 pm **Netivot HaTorah Honouring Rabbi Elliott Diamond**. At Netivot HaTorah Day School, 18 Atkinson Ave. Thornhill. To RSVP or donate go to https://netivot.crowdchange.ca/42756.
- Nov. 14 Ezer Mizion's Evening of Wonder with Mentalist Lior Suchard. Meridian Arts Centre, 5040 Yonge St.

REFUAH SHLEIMAH

Eliyahu ben Ryejah, Yehuda Yoseif ben Miriam Yocheved (Jerry Genesove), Eliyahu ben Ruth, Minah Tzurel bat Ita, Elyakum Zev ben Leeah, Moshe ben Malka, Yekutiel ben Sara, Ronitte Dvora bat Esther, Hinda Rivka bat Mindel Esther, Tova Rachel bat Elka Tema, Yehoshua Tzvi ben Sara, Baruch Bendit ben Chana Gittel, Elana Chana bat Gila Brynlah, Shaul Efraim ben Hendl, Leah Adi bat Miriam Gitel, Brachah bat Gitl, Eliyahu Yom Tov ben Leah, Aryeh ben Tzipporah, Israel Binyamin ben Telma, Yehuda ben Chana, Levi David ben Elisheva Leba, Oved ben Regina, Aron Shimon ben Faigi Chana, Emily Yael bat Naomi Gittel, Tova Sara bat Chana Rivka, Devora Malka Raizel bat Rut Chana, Eliyahu ben Clara, Rivka bat Chana Hentcha, Rivka Tzippora bat Chana Gittel, Inbal bat Shoshana, Moshe Mordechai ben Basha, Mordechai Ron ben Rachel, Yosef ben Esther, Chaim Shmuel ben Dina, Shimon ben Esther, Rifka Malka bat Liba, Frimet Ita bat Feiga Perl, Davida Leiba bat Bracha Rut, Pesach Shlomoh ben Leah, Aharon Leib ben Tzipora, Adi bat Francis, Lieba Rivka bat Chaya Reizel, Roochel Beila bat Chaya, Neshama bat Luba, Malka Beila bat Golda, Tzvi Moshe ben Yeshaya, Yaakov Zvi ben Chaya Baila, Binyamin Uriel ben Sarah.

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