

SHABBAT MATTERS

Friday, February 9 Shabbat, February 10

5:20 pm Candles
5:30 pm Mincha /
Maariv - Sanctuary

7:30 am Hashkama Minyan - Beit Midrash
8:10 am Chumash/Rashi Shiur with Melech
Halberstadt—Room 106
9:00 am Shacharit - Sanctuary: Rabbi Taylor
9:00 am Shacharit - Sisterhood: Rabbi Diamond
9:30 am Shacharit - Beit Midrash: Rabbi Anstandig
9:45 am Youth Programs
9:45 am Teen Minyan
9:57 am Latest time to say Shema
10:30 am Teen Girls Parsha Chat with Yakira Gasner
Youth Lounge

11:40 am Congregational Kiddush—Sisterhood Hall
11:55 am Shiur with Prof. David Novak-Beit Midrash
5:10 pm Mincha - Sanctuary
5:30 pm Seudah Shlishit - Sisterhood Hall*
6:26 pm Shabbat Ends
7:00 pm PCL and PCL+ - Sisterhood Hall
8:30 pm Kumzitz for Rosh Chodesh Adar
Lower Level Social Hall

* Pareve from the dairy kitchen

Torah Reading:

Shemot 21:1-24:18
Hertz P. 306
Stone P. 416

Maftir:

Bamidbar (28:9-15)
Hertz P. 695
Stone P. 890

Haftorah:

Isaiah 66:1-24
Hertz P. 944
Stone P. 1208

TODAH RABAH to our sponsors:

KIDDUSH:

Sol & Taube Zeifman in
commemoration of the *yahrzeit* of Sol's
father, Max Zeifman ^{z"l}

Mark Lichtblau & Anita Schmedeg-
Lichtblau in commemoration of the
yahrzeit of Mark's father, Saul
Lichtblau ^{z"l}

9:30 MINYAN:

Sarah Brown & Steven Strauss in
commemoration of the *yahrzeit* of
Sarah's father, David Wm. Brown ^{z"l}

SHABBAT MATTERS:

Golda Brown & Harry Krakowsky in
commemoration of the *yahrzeit* of
David Wm. Brown ^{z"l}

WEEKLY MATTERS

Bernice & David Walerstein in
commemoration of the *yahrzeit* of
Bernice's mother, Adela Gopin ^{z"l}

RABBI DIAMOND'S SHIUR

Kenny & Sherri Wise in
commemoration of the *yahrzeit* of
Kenny's father, Harry Wise ^{z"l}

RABBI'S CHARITY FUND:

Leah & Mitchell Lerner in
commemoration of the *yahrzeit* of
Leah's father, David Yanovski ^{z"l}

EMMA'S MEANINGFUL MOMENTS:

Golda Brown & Harry Krakowsky in
commemoration of the *yahrzeit* of
Golda's grandfather, David Alspector ^{z"l}
& Golda's aunt, Yetta Shapiro ^{z"l}

SIDDURIM/CHUMASHIM:

Allan & Hinda Silber, and Ann Silber-
Cohen & Warren Cohen in
commemoration of the *yahrzeit* of
Allan and Ann's father, Godel Silber ^{z"l}

David & Sandra Kaminker, Andy
Kaminker, and Harry Kaminker in
commemoration of the *yahrzeit* of
David, Andy and Harry's father,
Benjamin Kaminker ^{z"l}

CHESED FUND:

Miriam Weinstein & Yossi Adler in
commemoration of the *yahrzeit* of
Miriam's mother Phyllis Weinstein ^{z"l}

PARENT-CHILD LEARNING:

Sarah Brown & Steven Strauss in
commemoration of the *yahrzeit* of
Sarah's Zaidy, Al G. Brown ^{z"l}

MAZEL TOV AND OTHER MEMBER MATTERS

- Mazel Tov to **Warren & Ellen Grossman** and Joel & Rivka Miller on the birth of a granddaughter, Nediva Tehila, born to Lelah & Avi Miller. Excited siblings are Ariya, Ezekiel, and Judah. Thrilled great grandmother is Carrie Grossman.
- Yasher Koach to **Deborah Mechanic** who is leaving on Sunday to volunteer chiropractic services on the front lines in Israel.

GEMARA MATTERS

Yasher Koach to the Daily Gemara Shiur on the completion of *Mesechet Mo'ed Katan*. All are invited to join a Siyum and breakfast following davening Sunday morning, February 11. *Mesechet Yevamot* will begin on Monday, February 12. The siyum is sponsored by **Steven Lipari, Karen & Frank Ander, Melech & Dorothy Halberstadt** and **Brian & Robbie Schwartz**.

ISRAEL MATTERS

- We ask you to please continue to pray for the safety of, and perform mitzvot in the merit of hostages, fallen soldiers, and those still serving. Match with a soldier:
www.sharejustonething.com
Fallen soldiers' names can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3SsxKa>
Information about the hostages can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3tJ6Y4t>
- If any member has a child who is currently studying at Yeshiva, Seminary and University in Israel, or serving in the IDF please let the Shul Office know. We would like to have the mission participants contact them. Additionally, Shaarei Shomayim will be sending Mishloach Manot to those in Israel for the year. Please forward names, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses to the office as soon as possible.
- If you are travelling to Israel and are willing to help by taking a bag of aid or items requested by the IDF, please let the office know and we can put you in touch with people and/or organizations in our area looking for volunteers.



UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND SHIURIM

Along with the services and programs in the shul building, weekday services and programs will continue on Zoom. Please contact the office for log-on information.

- Mondays & Wednesdays, 1:00 pm—Circle of Care Senior Exercise Class at Shaarei Shomayim. To register contact Mila Robinson: mrobinson@circleofcare.com
- Tuesdays, 10:30 am - Walkie Talkies (Banquet Hall)
- Monday, February 12 at 7:30 pm (via Zoom): Rabbi Torczyner presents: **Medical Ethics: Conflict of Interest in Medical Practice**. Please register at <https://torontotorah.com/cme>
- Shabbat, February 17 at 10:00 am: **Caffeine for the Soul** with Rebbetzin Emma Taylor.
- Wednesday, February 20 at 12:00 pm: Lunch and Learn with Jerry Scherer: "Genealogy in the Digital Age". Register at: shomayim.org/form/lunchnlearnfeb2024

For **Rabbi Taylor and Rabbi Diamond's weekly Shiurim**, please see top of page 2.

TORAH MATTERS:

Sunday, February 11 / 2 Adar I	8:30 am Shacharit 5:25 pm Mincha / Maariv	7:45 am Daily Gemara shiur - Mo'ed Katan (in person & Zoom)
Monday, February 12 / 3 Adar I	7:10 am Shacharit 5:25 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:25 am Daily Gemara shiur - Mo'ed Yevamot (in person & Zoom) 9:30 am Rabbi Taylor's Mishlei Shiur (Zoom)
Tuesday, February 13 / 4 Adar I	7:15 am Shacharit 5:25 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Daily Gemara shiur - Mo'ed Yevamot (in person & Zoom) 9:30 am Dr. Shoshana Zolty's Class (In person) 8:00 pm Rabbi Diamond's Parshat Hashavua Shiur (Zoom)
Wednesday, February 14 / 5 Adar I	7:15 am Shacharit 5:25 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Daily Gemara shiur - Mo'ed Yevamot (in person & Zoom)
Thursday, February 15 / 6 Adar I	7:10 am Shacharit 5:25 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:25 am Daily Gemara shiur - Mo'ed Yevamot (in person & Zoom)
Friday February 16 / 7 Adar I	7:15 am Shacharit 5:30 pm Candles 5:40 pm Mincha	6:30 am Daily Gemara shiur - Mo'ed Yevamot (in person & Zoom)

PARSHA MATTERS by RABBI TAYLOR

The Torah describes the vision seen by the leaders of the Nation at the time of the Revelation at Sinai. The verse portrays how, "They saw the G-d of Israel, and under whose feet was the likeness of a sapphire brick, and purity like the essence of the sky". How can these details be understood?

Rashi explains that the brick was before Hashem at the time of bondage in Egypt, in order to remember Israel's distress who were enslaved with brickwork. He kept with Him an image of a brick during the period of the Israelite's enslavement in Egypt when they were forced to produce bricks. As explained by many, Rashi here teaches the importance of empathizing with the plight of those in distress, and therefore how we must make an active effort to be mindful that there are people who are suffering.

But Rashi then continues with an explanation of the other sight at the time of the Revelation, the essence of the sky. This means, in Rashi's words, that once they were redeemed, there was joy and elation before Him. Just as Hashem made a point of sharing, as it were, in the Jewish People's pain as they suffered as slaves in Egypt, He likewise shared in their joy at the time of their redemption.

Rabbi Yerucham Levovitz notes in this context that very often, it is more difficult to share in other people's good fortune and success than in their pain and suffering. Even when people warmly congratulate those who are celebrating a happy occasion, personal milestone or achievement, Rabbi Levovitz writes, they might feel a slight tinge of jealousy. They themselves might be unaware of this feeling, but in many situations, it is sensed to one extent or another. When somebody we know enjoys a certain type of good fortune or success which we do not, it can be difficult to feel truly joyous over that individual's happiness. It is specifically for this reason that G-d is described as both empathizing with our ancestors during their period of suffering, and celebrating with them during their period of triumph. This demonstrates the importance of not only sharing the pain of those in distress, but also sharing the joy of those enjoying success and truly celebrating the happiness and achievements of other people.

YOUTH AND TEEN MATTERS



Hatzoloh members speaking and demonstrating lifesaving techniques to the Leadership Program.

This week's PCL is sponsored by Sarah Brown & Steven Strauss in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Sarah's Zaidy, Al G. Brown ^{z"l}

Thank you to Chana Stochinsky and Selah Koschitzky who delivered last week's Youth Divrei Torah

Teen girls are invited to this week's "Parsha Chat" with Yakira Gasner

10:30 am – Youth Lounge

PCL and PCL + continues this Motzei Shabbat February 10, 2024 @ 6:45PM

S.T.A.R.S. Teen Leadership Program (Winter session in progress)

Teen Night Tubing – Thursday Night February 15th – (Registration now open - see attached flyer for details and registration)

COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR...Teens & Families: Motzei Shabbat Feb 24th sign up and join Team Shaarei Shomayim to walk as part of Coldest Night of the Year, in support of Ve'ahavta's fight against homelessness: <https://cnoy.org/location/torontoforeshill>

UPCOMING Youth & Teen Programs

* Family Chesed Project * Youth Shabbat Lunch/Learn/Laugh * Sunday Funday Youth Movie Night * Teen Girls' Melaveh Malkah *
* Shul-wide Youth Raffle *

PURIM CARNIVAL EXTRAVAGANZA—MARCH 24: 11:30 AM—1:30 PM

TOTS MUSIC CLASS – Starting Feb. 21 with Deborah Maes – Wednesdays 10:15 am – 11:00 am

Register at: <https://www.shomayim.org/form/2024music.html>

To sponsor a Youth or Teen Program, please contact Rich: rich@shomayim.org

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CONDOLENCES

Our sincere condolences to **Ellen Warner & Jeff Lipton**, Gerry & Ruth Warner, Leibe & Leah Warner, Gordon Winemaker and Lillian Butozsky on the passing of their father, father-in-law and brother, Sam Warner z"l

Yahrzeits

DATE OBSERVED	Yahrzeit DATE		
Shabbat, February 10	1 Adar I	Max Zeifman, father of Sol Zeifman Ramona Blinick, wife of Joshua Blinick Adela Gopin, mother of Bernice Walerstein	Ellen Manel Derrick, mother of Aliza Derrick-Stochinsky Richard Spitzer, father of Beate Lowenberg
Sunday, February 11	2 Adar I	Phyllis Weinstein, mother of Miriam Weinstein Phyllis Siegel White, mother of Shoshana Kagedan	Milton Kumer, brother of Helen Singer Sam Resnick, husband of Bernice Resnick
Monday, February 12	3 Adar I	Mary Gelman, mother of Dorothy Halberstadt Lillian Dubrow, mother of Arnold Dubrow	Jeffery Burns, brother of Michael Bernstein Rita Brown, mother of Avrom Brown
Tuesday, February 13	4 Adar I	Mary Patricia Millar, mother of Linda Craig Helen Solomon, mother of Sally Dale	Saul Lichtblau, father of Mark Lichtblau
Wednesday, February 14	5 Adar I	Benjamin Kaminker, father of Andrew Kaminker, David Kaminker, and Harry Kaminker Beila Brin, mother of Nicole Toledano	David Wm. Brown, husband of Helen Brown, father of Sarah Brown, and brother of Golda Brown
Thursday, February 15	6 Adar I	Faye Midanik, mother of Gail Midanik Esther Herman, mother of Allan Herman Aaron Milgrom, father of Raquel Benmergui	Lewis J. E. Moses, father of Samuel Moses Sylvia Carpenter, sister of Edna Tennent Godel Silber, father of Allan Silber and Ann Silber-Cohen
Friday, February 16	7 Adar I	Dr. Bernard Sered, father of Gayle Roberts Fred Enzel, father of Blake Enzel Syd Novak, father of David Novak	Ethel Gorlick, mother of Martin Steiner Shaindel Hershenhorn, mother of Yetta Goodman Joel Mark Ellenzweig, brother of Lonni Zeifman

TODAH RABAH to our sponsors for Yahrzeit Commemorations:

- Nicole & Jeff Toledano in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Nicole's mother, Zlatta Bella Brin z"l
- Jay Stochinsky & Aliza Derrick-Stochinsky to the *Philip Wintrob Youth Fund* in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Aliza's mother, Ellen Manel Derrick z"l

COMMUNITY MATTERS

- Sundays at 8:00 pm at Or Chaim: Beit Midrash Zichron Dov presents "**Sefer Shemot**" with **David Koschitzky**. Register at: <https://torontotorah.com/shemot>
- February 18 at Leah Posluns Theatre (4588 Bathurst Street): **Jewish Film Festival Against Antisemitism**. The day features two screenings, each of which features films that explore themes of antisemitism, Jewish Diaspora and survival, and resilience in the face of evil. Get information and tickets for [Screening A](#) or [Screening B](#) here.
- Feb 21, 5:00—7:00 pm at the Schwartz Reisman Center (9600 Bathurst Street): **Gap Year Fair**. Many different organizations offering Gap Year experiences will be present.
- Motzei Shabbat Feb 24: **Join Team Shaarei Shomayim to walk as part of Veahavta's Coldest Night of the Year Walk in support of Veahavta's fight against homelessness**. More information can be found at: <https://cnoy.org/location/torontoforesthill>
- March 5, 1:30—3:30 pm: **NCJWC Toronto Games Afternoon in support of the 2024 Passover Food Drive**, 890 Sheppard Ave. W., For more information please contact: info@ncjwctoronto.org.

REFUAH SHLEIMAH

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