

SHABBAT MATTERS

Friday November 17	Shabbat, November 18				Torah Reading:
4:32 pm Candles	7:30 am Hashkama Minyan - Beit Midrash	9:45 am Teen Minyan - Lower Level Social Hall			<i>Toldot 25:19 - 28:19</i>
4:40 pm Mincha / Maariv - Sanctuary	8:10 am Chumash/Rashi - Melech Halberstadt Classroom 106	11:25 am Congregational Kiddush - Sisterhood Hall*			Hertz P. 93
	9:00 am Shacharit - Sanctuary: Rabbi Taylor	11:45 am Shiur with Prof. David Novak - Beit Midrash			Stone P. 124
	9:00 am Shacharit - Sisterhood Hall	4:20 pm Mincha - Sanctuary			
	9:30 am Shacharit - Beit Midrash - Rabbi Anstandig	4:40 pm Seudah Shlishit - Sisterhood Hall			Haftorah:
	9:38 am Latest time to say Shema	5:36 pm Maariv / Shabbat Ends			<i>Malachi 1:1 - 2:7</i>
	9:45 am Youth Programs - Classrooms	6:15 pm Parent - Child Learning			Hertz P. 102
		*(Pareve from Dairy Kitchen)			Stone P. 1137

MAZEL TOV

- Mazel Tov to **Jeff & Gayle Roberts** on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, **Joshua**. Excited siblings are **Michael, Rachel and Daniel**. Proud grandmother is **Ilona Roberts**.
- Mazel Tov to **Draisa Frischman** on the engagement of her granddaughter, Layla Frischman, daughter of Mark & Michelle Frischman, to David Mochon, son of Manual & Lina Mochon. Proud grandparents are Martin & Eleanor Lipson, David & Esther Mochon, and Moises & Linda Senado.
- Mazel Tov to **Elfreda Vale** in honour of her 100th birthday.
- Mazel Tov to **Sam & Sharyn Moses** on the marriage of their daughter, Dr. Lauren Moses to Jeffrey Zelin, son of Barry & Linda Zelin of New York.

TODAH RABAH to our sponsors:

KIDDUSH:

Jeff & Gayle Roberts in honour of the bar mitzvah of their son Joshua Roberts

RABBI TAYLOR'S MISHLEI SHIUR

Brian & Robbie Schwartz in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Brian's mother, Lyla Schwartz z"l

HASHKAMA MINYAN

Robert & Renee Spiegel in commemoration of the 1st yahrzeit of Robert's mother, Nina Mae Spiegel z"l

SHABBAT MATTERS:

In loving memory of: Abraham Hain z"l (London, England), grandfather of Alan Burger and of Murray Nelson, father of Suzanne Burger z"l

9:30 MINYAN

Ted and Caroline Perlmutter in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Ted's father, Zvi ben Avraham z"l

SEUDAH SHLISHIT

Roberta Kremer and Sandy Finkelstein in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Sandy's mother, Dorothy Finkelstein z"l, and Roberta's father Alex Kremer z"l

WEEKLY MATTERS:

Maryka Weisz in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her father-in-law, Oscar Weisz z"l

EMMA'S MEANINGFUL MOMENTS

Maryka Weisz in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her sister-in-law, Miriam Roth z"l

CHUMASH:

Francine & Michael Goldrich in commemoration of the 1st yahrzeit of Francine's father, David Alloul z"l

SIDDUR:

Lana & Yechiel Bobrowsky, Yaakov & Tamara Goldrich, Kayla & Josh Bernick, Shimon Goldrich and Families in commemoration of the 1st yahrzeit of their grandfather, David Alloul z"l

CHUMASH AND SIDDUR:

Tara Dubrow and David Nadler, Zoe, Zack, Ezra, Yona, Gaby and Lee in commemoration of the yahrzeit of David's father, Joseph Y. Nadler z"l

PARENT - CHILD LEARNING

Sarah Brown & Steven Strauss

GEMARA MATTERS

The daily Gemara Shiur is celebrating the completion of Mesechet Me'ilah. All are invited to join for a Siyum and breakfast following davening Sunday morning, November 19th.

ISRAEL MATTERS

As we continue to focus on the war in Israel, we want to remind everyone of the various opportunities available to support. The Shul has prepared a list of both global and grassroots initiatives, some even started by our Members, that are in place to support our Brothers and Sisters in Israel. Please email president@shomayim.org for the lists.

- Ellin Besser of the CJN** published a podcast interviewing our members who attended the March for Israel Rally in Washington DC: You can listen here: <https://bit.ly/47t9tGR>
- November 28 - December 1: Mizrahi is holding a Mission to Israel.** More information, itinerary and registration can be found at www.mizrahi.ca/mission
- The Ministry of Health** has established a pool of volunteering within the framework of the Ministry's command center. The Ministry calls upon anyone who wishes to volunteer, including healthcare professionals from Israel and other countries, to add their names to an ever-growing community of Israel supporters. Information can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3QxqjmM> along with volunteer forms.



UPCOMING SHIURIM AND PROGRAMS

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

- Mondays & Wednesdays, 1:00 pm - **Circle of Care Senior Exercise Class at Shaarei Shomayim.** To register contact Mila Robinson at mrobinson@circleofcare.com.
- Tuesdays, 10:30 am - **The Walkie Talks.** Outdoors (if raining - Banquet Hall).
- Tuesdays, 8:00 pm - **Rabbi Diamond's Parshat Hashavua Shiur.** On Zoom.
- Wednesdays, 9:00 pm - **Rabbi Taylor's Mishna Berura Shiur.** In person.
- Thursdays, 9:00 am - **Coffee Klatch** with **Rabbi Taylor.** On Zoom.
- Sunday, Nov 19 after Shacharit: **Siym and Breakfast:** Gemara Shiur's celebration of the completion of Mesechet Me'ilah
- Thursday Nov. 23, 8:00 pm: **Jews for Judaism: Responding to Christian Challenges to Judaism** "Who is a Human Being: Dealing with our Imperfection". Registration is required: jewsforjudaism.ca/challenges
- Friday Nov. 24, 8:30 pm **Friday Night Tisch** with Scholar in Residence Rabbi Arye Lightsone
- Shabbat Nov. 25, **The Weinbaum Family Scholar in Residence: Rabbi Arye Lightstone.**
- Sunday Nov. 26, 10:00 am **Health & Social Services Fair Featuring Keynote Speaker Dr. Shlomo Brody**
- November 28, 7:30 pm **General Members' Meeting**
- Motzei Shabbat December 2, 6:30 pm: **Light Night Bingo Night**
- Monday, December 4, 7:30 pm: **Halacha Program with Rabbi Mordechai Torczyner** (on zoom at <https://tiny.cc/mteethics>): "Halachic Dimensions of Dementia." Pre-Registration at <https://torontotorah.com/cme>

TORAH MATTERS:

Sunday, November 19 / 6 Kislev	8:30 am Shacharit 4:30 pm Mincha / Maariv	7:45 am Masechet Mo'ed Katan (in person & Zoom)
Monday, November 20 / 7 Kislev	7:10 am Shacharit 4:30 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Mo'ed Katan Shiur (in person & Zoom) 9:30 am Rabbi Taylor's Mishlei Shiur (Zoom)
Tuesday, November 21 / 8 Kislev	7:15 am Shacharit 4:30 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Mo'ed Katan Shiur (in person & Zoom) 9:30 am Dr. Shoshana Zolty's Class (Zoom, by registration) 8:00 pm Rabbi Diamond's Parshat Hashavua Shiur (Zoom)
Wednesday, November 22 / 9 Kislev	7:15 am Shacharit 4:30 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Mo'ed Katan Shiur (in person & Zoom) 9:00 pm Rabbi Taylor's Mishna Berurah Shiur
Thursday, November 23 / 10 Kislev	7:10 am Shacharit 4:30 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Mo'ed Katan Shiur (in person & Zoom) 9:00 am Coffee Klatch with Rabbi Taylor (Zoom)
Friday, November 24 / 11 Kislev	7:15 am Shacharit 4:27 pm Candles 4:35 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Mo'ed Katan Shiur (in person & Zoom)

SPECIAL THANK YOU

A special thank you goes to **Benny and Elaine Osher** for sponsoring the sweatshirts for Shaarei Shomayim's contingent to "March for Israel" in Washington, DC

GENERAL MEMBERS MEETING

The 2023 General Member's Meeting will take place November 28 at 7:30 pm. Please send signed proxies to the office if you do not plan on attending.

PARSHA MATTERS - by Rabbi Anstandig

Whenever a baby is born, parents and strangers alike typically play the game of "who does the baby look like?" This, apparently, was also a game they played in the Ancient Near East.

In his opening remarks on the parsha (Bereshit 25:19), Rashi notes that there was open debate over Yitzchak's paternity. After all, for decades Sarah and Avraham had been married and never had a child. All of the sudden, after a brief span of time as Avimelech's captive, Sarah became pregnant. And so, Rashi notes, the scoffers of the generation maintained that Avimelech, not Avraham, was Yitzchak's father. To combat this, Rashi explains that Hashem formed Yitzchak's face to be identical to Avraham's, thereby removing all doubt that Avraham was the real father.

Rabbi Yehuda Amital, former Rosh Yeshiva in Yeshivat Har Ezion, asks a rather obvious question – why on earth does Hashem care about the scoffers of the generation? Does it really matter that there was a group of people questioning whether Avraham was Yitzchak's father?

Rabbi Amital suggests that the question is not about whether Avraham was the biological father, but the ideological one. Avraham was a literal iconoclast. And the question everyone was asking was– could this be continued? Would Yitzchak be able to continue the lifestyle set by Avraham? This question is relevant to all of us.

Rabbi Amital explains that Yitzchak was the spitting image of Avraham to demonstrate that yes, Avraham's legacy could continue. It is true that Yitzchak was very different from Avraham. Their lifestyles were different and their religious devotion likely manifested itself differently. Still, Yitzchak resembled his father. They may have been different in practice and approach, but Yitzchak unmistakably carried on his father's legacy.

We are living in a time in which our achdut and unity is of chief importance. This transition from Avraham to Yitzchak shows us that even if two people approach their Judaism differently, even if their love of Judaism manifests itself in different ways, this doesn't mean that we are not inheritors of the same tradition. The approaches of Avraham and Yitzchak looked different, but they were nonetheless related. May we recognize our inherent unity with one another. And may see that even if our expressions of Judaism differ, we are no further distanced than Avraham and Yitzchak.

YOUTH and TEEN UPDATE

'LIGHT NIGHT' DECEMBER 2ND 6:30PM EVERYONE INVITED!

Jewish themed Bingo • Amazing Prizes • Food and Snacks • Raffles
Registration Now Open! www.shomayim.org/form/lightnight2023



PCL - PARENT / CHILD LEARNING... Begins this Saturday Night November 18th 6:15pm

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This week's PCL is sponsored by Sarah Brown & Steven Strauss

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THE WEINBAUM FAMILY SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE SERIES RABBI ARYEH LIGHTSTONE SHABBAT | NOVEMBER 25, 2023

Kabbalat Shabbat Dvar Torah:
"Swords of Iron & Harvard Hypocrisy"

Friday Night Oneg Shabbat - 8:30 pm
@ the home of Zvi and Naomi Glustein -
135 Glen Park Ave.

"Opening the Embassy in Jerusalem
and the Ramban on Shlach"

Shabbat Morning Post-Mussaf Drasha
"From Rabbi to Diplomat"

Seudah Shishit Talk
"Let My People Know:
The Inside Story of the Abraham Accords"



Rabbi Aryeh Lightstone served as the Senior Advisor to U.S. Ambassador to Israel David Friedman from 2017 to 2021. During his tenure as Senior Advisor he played a critical role in advancing bilateral U.S.-Israel relations with a focus on economic development & technology cooperation. He was instrumental in facilitating the opening of the U.S. Embassy in Jerusalem as well as its successful merger with the Jerusalem Consulate. Lightstone was later appointed as the Special Envoy for Economic Normalization. In that role he was an integral member of the Peace to Prosperity team, leading the inaugural Abraham Accord Business Summit, directing the Abraham Fund, and serving as point person in the Middle East for the actualization of the Abraham Accords. Lightstone is the author of "Let My People Know", the inside story of the Abraham Accords. He is a proud father of four and husband to a very patient wife, Estee.

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HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES FAIR

SUNDAY, NOV. 26, 2023 | 10:00AM-1:00PM

Join us as we showcase health and social services that are available to the Greater Toronto Jewish Community.

Light Refreshments will be served.

FEATURING KEYNOTE SPEAKER RABBI DR. SHLOMO BRODY

If Not Now, When? How to Complete Advance Healthcare Directives
and Have Meaningful Conversations About Aging & Mortality.
In Conversation with Dr. Arielle Berger and Dr. Ellen Warner

Rabbi Dr. Brody is executive director of Ematai, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping people navigate their healthcare journey with Jewish wisdom. Rabbi Dr. Brody's writings focus on making Jewish texts accessible to broader audiences while applying them to contemporary social and ethical dilemmas. A graduate of Harvard College, he received rabbinic ordination from the Israeli Chief Rabbinate, an MA in Jewish philosophy at the Hebrew University, and Ph.D. from Bar Ilan University Law School. He is the award-winning author of "A Guide to the Complex: Contemporary Halakic Debates" and the forthcoming "Ethics of our Fighters: A Jewish View on War and Morality."



PRESENTERS INCLUDE: Aspira Kensington Place, Living Assistance Services, MyDignity Inc, United Chesed of Toronto, Spectrum Home Health Care, UJA Social Services, Renewal Canada, JF&CS Jewish Family and Child Services, crohn's, colitis, ematai, CANADIAN YASOTI INITIATIVE, BETH SHOLOM FOOD BANK, THE DONALD BERMAN Chai Lifeline CANADA, TIKVAH, KCC, KID'S COMMUNITY CENTRE, mazon CANADA, Keshet, Keshet Employment Services, Sagecare, Circle of Care Sinai Health, 50, Relief, Dani, NCJWC Toronto, jewsforjudaism, Baycrest, KOSCHITZKY CENTRE for Innovations in Caring, JWS EMET Employment, Sinai Health, Cyril & Dorothy, Joel & Jill Behrman Centre for Alzheimer's Support and Training.

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HISTORY AND TRADITION



**RABBI MORDECHAI
TORCZYNER**

Saturday Night, Dec 16 at 7:30 pm
Shaarei Shomayim - 470 Glencairn Ave

COMMUNITY WIDE EVENT

No charge for admission but pre-registration is required at:
torontotorah.com/dec16

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CONDOLENCES

- Our sincere condolences to **Elaine Platt**, Dayna, Ilana, and Michael Platt on the passing of their husband and father, Ben Platt ^{z"l}

Yahrzeits

DATE	Yahrzeits Being Observed	
Shabbat, November 18 / 5 Kislev	David Burde, brother of Avis Osher Dorothy Finkelstein, mother of Sandy Finkelstein Phillip Freedman, father of Ronald Freedman	Herbert Perlmutter, father of Edward Perlmutter Sidney Taran, husband of Susanne Taran
Sunday, November 19 / 6 Kislev	Alex Kremer, father of Roberta Kremer Harry Markin, father of Charles Markin and Stanley Markin Nina Mae Spiegel, mother of Robert Spiegel	Irwin Talesnick, husband of Ruth Talesnick and father of Chyla Talesnick Lilly Zeifman, mother of Samuel Zeifman and Sol Zeifman
Monday, November 20 / 7 Kislev	Lyla Schwartz, mother of Brian Schwartz	Ada Shlager Sydney, mother of Joyce Rifkind
Tuesday, November 21 / 8 Kislev	Joyce Asher, mother of Ilana Kurtz	Andrew Raab, father of Judy Kotzer
Wednesday, November 22 / 9 Kislev	Simon Frankel, father of Linda Levenstein Marvin Gerstein, husband of Sharon Gerstein	Roberta Sered, mother of Gayle Roberts Stanley Mark Stone, father of Raymond Stone
Thursday, November 23 / 10 Kislev	George Cohen, father of Samuel Cohen Sonia Dorfman, sister of Albert Hoffman David Alloul, father of Francine Goldrich Shirley Train, mother of Leslie Train	Greta Greisman, sister of Stephen Title Lily Osher, mother of Robbie Osher Lorraine Ringel, mother of Ian Ringel
Friday, November 24 / 11 Kislev	Wolf Faintuch, father of Lily Steinberg Jack Leifer, father of Pearl Goldrich Joseph Nadler, father of David Nadler and Berl Nadler	Irving Oilgisser, father of Marlene Oilgisser Jolan Peto, mother of John Peto Herman Salb, father of Draisa Frischman

TODAH RABAH to our sponsors for Yahrzeit Commemorations:

- Marlene Oilgisser & Bernard Goldhar in commemoration of the yearzeit of Marlene's father, Irving Oilgisser ^{z"l}
- Ruth Talesnick in commemoration of the yearzeit of her husband, Irwin Talesnick ^{z"l}
- Mark Federman and Marina Gutman in commemoration of the yearzeit of Mark's sister, Cheryl Ann Federman (Chava Chaya bat Yitzchak v'Rayzel) ^{z"l}
- John & Helen Peto in commemoration of the yearzeit of John's mother, Jolan Peto ^{z"l}
- Eric Gertner & Family in commemoration of the yearzeit of Eric's mother-in-law, Beulah Wagman ^{z"l}
- Judy & Brian Kotzer in commemoration of the yearzeit of Judy's father, Andrew Raab ^{z"l}

COMMUNITY MATTERS

- Monday Nov. 20, 7:30 pm: at Shaarei Shomayim: **Fireside Chat with Jason Greenblatt**, Assistant to President Donald J. Trump (2017-2019), and White House Special Envoy to the Middle East, in conversation with Mark Adler, Head of Canada Silver Road Capital Group. Information and Ticket link: impaction.ca
- Tuesday Dec. 5, 8:30 pm (dessert reception at 7:45 pm) - Netivot HaTorah Day School: **Evening of Appreciation for Rabbi Elliott Diamond**. In recognition of Rabbi Diamond's leadership in Torah and Mitzvot, the school will be dedicating a Sefer Torah in his honour. In addition, a Megillah (Megillat Esther) and Menorah will be commissioned in honour of Rabbi Diamond. To register: <https://netivot.crowdchange.ca/42756>
- ♦ The UJA is looking for families to host Israelis for Friday night dinners, each week until December 15. For more information, please email shabbatshalomcanada@gmail.com, and to register, please go to <https://www.jewishtoronto.com/events/shabbat-shalom-dinners>

REFUAH SHLEIMAH

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