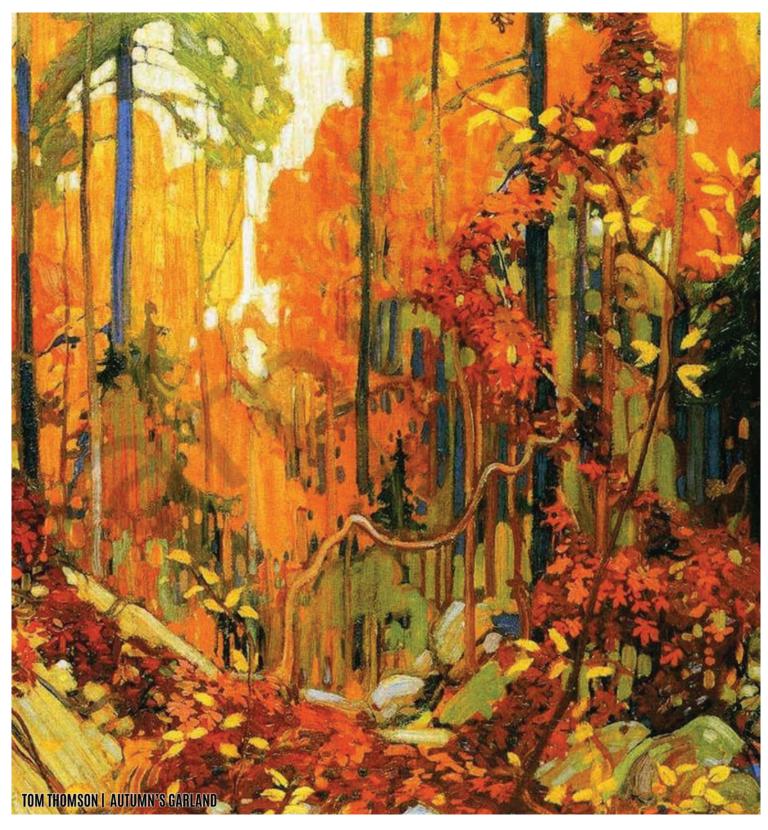


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# Shabbat Services and more...

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## Weekly Torah Portions

October 1 - 2

B'reishit Haftarah Genesis 1:1-6:8 Isaiah 42:5-43:10

October 8 - 9

Noach Haftarah Genesis 6:9-11:32 Isaiah 54:1-55:5

October 15 - 16

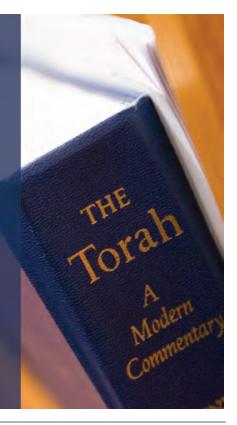
Lech L'cha Haftarah Genesis 12:1-17:27 Isaiah 40:27-41:16

October 22 - 23

Veyeira Haftarah Genesis 18:1-22:24 II Kings 4:1-37

October 29 - 30

Chayei Sarah Haftarah Genesis 23:1-25:18 I Kings 1:1-31





## It is not far from you

by Cory Weiss



We are the only ones who can keep this synagogue, illuminated for us and for the generations to come.

As B'nai Mitzvah season restarts (we have four this month alone!), Beit Midrash, Beit Ivrit, and Beit Noar reconvene in the building, and synagogue programming is ramping up again, I urge you to come back and see your friends at shul live and inperson when you're feeling ready. Everyone in the building will be fully vaccinated, masked when necessary, and distanced as appropriate. I share with you a relevant selection from my Yom Kippur sermon on the meaning of synagogue to us all.

Only we can keep synagogue alive—it's in our hearts, it's who we are, it's our history, our heritage, and the place where Judaism lives. The two anchors of Jewish life have always been Jewish homes and synagogues. If we lose one, the other will be adrift, aimless. We can't allow that to happen.

This is where we look for the complicated and nuanced truths about life. This is where we struggle together to find God or the deeper meaning of our existence. This is where we come together to repair the world, to make a difference, to pass our heritage and traditions to our children and grandchildren. This is where we work to assure the survival of the Jewish people and the Jewish idea.

As Rabbi David Cohen puts it, synagogues matter because "they provide a place to meet three intrinsic human needs: the need to belong; the need to believe; and the need to become." This is the holiest day of the Jewish year. Whether you are here with us in the building, or at home livestreaming, we should all be considering: How do I belong? What do I believe? What should I become? Trust me, you won't find the answers to those important questions at Tim Hortons, or Loblaws, or your gym, or your bank, or your pharmacy. You find them right here in shul. Well, at least you'll find others who are asking the same questions. If I come up with the answers, I'll let you know. But you and I know that Temple Har Zion is a safe place to ask the questions. I pray it always will be.

We are the only ones who can keep this synagogue, and all synagogues, illuminated for us and for the generations to come. We can do it. Lo bashamayim hi, it's not in heaven. Lo me'ever hayam hi, it's not across the ocean. Ki karov eleicha hadavar m'od—no, this thing is close to us. It's in our hearts and in our souls. Bring your lamps to Har Zion in 5782. Let's light this place up once again.

L'Shalom, Rabbi Cory Weiss

## IN-PERSON SHABBAT SERVICES

THZ members wishing to attend in person must PRE-REGISTER ONLINE by completing a registration and waiver form, including proof of vaccination (you can also show proof at the door, with Government photo ID). This form is available each week for the upcoming Shabbat services from noon Sunday to noon Friday.







## Resilience and renewal

by Rachael Littman Cantor

UJA Federation invited me to present a "message to guide us into the holiday" at a special L'Chaim for their staff. It was after the September Connect went to press, but I'd like to share it with you now.

Boker Tov, Good Morning, it was truly an honour to receive an invitation to be here today with you from Gil and Tanya, two of your amazing community leaders, they unknowingly provided me with the hope and belief that there are young people out there that believe in and will continue making UJA Federation's invaluable mission possible into the foreseeable future. Ì was truly impressed, because as someone who began to work within a new congregation in the middle of this pandemic just over a year ago, I understand the challenges that exist maintaining connection during this challenging time, and the importance of that connection... your being here today cannot be underestimated.

In my hope to offer a universally spiritual message, I wanted to ensure I took into consideration the diverse community I would be speaking to. The holiday of Rosh HaShanah presents an important opportunity for everyone, regardless of religious affiliation, practice or observance, and belief system. At each new year, or Rosh HaShanah, (literally translated from the Hebrew as "Head of the Year") we have the opportunity for renewal and return. It presents a time for prayer, selfreflection, and teshuva, the Hebrew word for "Return," return as a concept of repentance or the opportunity to return, begin again.

This holiday marks the beginning of a 10-day period, known as the Yamim Noraim or "Days of Awe," or "High Holy Days"), ushered in by Rosh HaShanah and culminating with Yom Kippur (the Day of Atonement). It provides the chance to review our actions of the past year, and look for ways to improve ourselves, our community, and in part by doing so the world.

Each of you here works every day with an organization whose mission is to improve the lives of others. You have chosen to dedicate your work to an organization whose main commitment is to preserve the strength and quality of Jewish Life within Toronto, Canada, Israel, and around the world. You make it possible to enable Federation to continue its commitment to the healing of both the world, tikkun olam, and in order to continue to doing this work, to remain healthy it is necessary to make sure you are feeding your own body, and soul, we are best able to help others when we are make the time to address tikkun atzmeinu the healing of ourselves, in order to provide tikkun olam, the healing of the world.

Rosh HaShanah is a moment for renewing and rededicating ourselves to that which gives us a sense of ultimate meaning, a rededication to what gives our lives ultimate hope, and a rededication to serving others by standing up for justice in the world. We find our purpose in our ability to spread love, compassion, and justice to those around us. Throughout the year, it is easy to become distracted from these deeper truths, so Rosh HaShanah for me has always been a celebratory time, but also a challenging time, to embrace new beginnings and a commitment to work on improving how I can better respond to past mistakes and learn from them. Rosh HaShanah is

also a moment of hearing the shofar [a ram's horn blown like a trumpet] This sound announces a moment of unity, return, and hope. A return to one's true self, a splintering of illusion and alienation, a call to help others and pursue justice. So even if this is not your tradition, the beginning of Jewish new year, the beginning of the academic year is a great time to take some time out from the hectic pace of modern life, turn off the phone, find a quiet place for contemplation and reverence, and think about how you might want to go about rededicating yourself to the things that matter most.

May 5782 be a year that allows you to get closer to the person you hope to be, that brings our world a chance to begin the road to recovery from the pain and suffering Covid has wrought, relief from the dividedness created by ignorance and hate, antisemitism, racism, climate change, and all of the other tragedies that create an unending list. It is incumbent on each of us to show daily care, concern, and support for others in our community and the world around us. We each have the ability to work with empathy and passion, and lead with innovation throughout the diverse community you work with at UJA Federation.

Shanah Tovah u'Metukah — may this year be a sweet one!



# Thanksgiving Day should be a Jewish holiday

by Sheree Davis President

When I was around 10, I asked my mother why we weren't celebrating Thanksgiving the same way my non-Jewish friends' families were doing. You know, watching football and having a big family gathering with turkey with stuffing. I was fascinated by the side dishes I read about and heard about on Kraft commercials. Yes, I am showing my age. I had never heard of sweet potatoes with marshmallows but I had heard about the mysterious pumpkin pie with whipped cream for dessert.

My mother responded by saying that, "Thanksgiving Day is not a Jewish holiday." She reminded me that we had just celebrated Sukkot when we gave thanks both for the harvest and for God's providing for and safely bringing the Israelites through the wilderness to Canaan. A mother's version of been there, done that! She then went on to address what she thought was the true origins of my interest and said, "Jews don't celebrate with pumpkin pie." I'll get back to that point later.

My mother was right about the second Monday in October not being one of the Jewish holidays or festivals. But, although she was correct technically, the truth is that taking a moment to give thanks is very Jewish. In fact, almost all religions have prayers and practices about the giving of thanks. Almost all cultures have a tradition of expressing gratitude for their harvest and gathering with their families and communities at different times to give thanks to the divine presence they might worship.

Thanking God is entrenched throughout Judaism — our worship, practice and tradition. Daily prayers

are in part about giving thanks to God for the good things in our lives. Erica Brown, director of the Mayberg Center for Jewish Education and Leadership at the George Washington University notes that "Blessings over food and aspects of nature make us conscious of everyday gratitude and create a structure for thanks." The Shecheheyanu is thanking God for bringing us to a particular moment, holiday or event. The HaGomel blessing, which the Rabbi reminded us about on Rosh HaShanah, is said after we have recovered from an illness or made it through a pandemic. We give thanks a lot.

Celebrating Thanksgiving Day is about gratitude, but it is also an opportunity for connection. Rabbi Michael Beals writes that the answer to the question in Psalm 100, "how do we serve God with joy?", is that we do it with gratitude. Rabbi Peal notes that "Coming together strengthens what we have in common, which is so much more than what separates us. And the thing that best connects us is gratitude."

To focus on the meaning of the holiday, Erica Brown created what she viewed as a "Jewish" practise focusing the conversation on gratitude even before the meal begins. To stimulate what she calls her "pre-turkey gratitude conversation," she hides a piece of paper under every plate with one question on it, to explore what it is that we are each grateful for. For example:

- What are three specific things you are grateful for about your family?
- What are you most grateful for in your Temple community?
- What are three things you are

grateful for at work, school or in your volunteer job?

See page 10 for more gratitude questions.

In this way, celebrating Thanksgiving Day is very Jewish because it is about gratitude.

Having just emerged from *teshuva* (repentance) and *tashlich* (casting off our sins and personal renewal), it seems natural to me that we should begin our new year remembering with gratitude what we have, who we are and how we are connected to one another. I think that it centres us from the outset.

As we became adults, my sisters and I began to gather our families to celebrate Thanksgiving. We often invited people close to us who might not have had somewhere to be on Thanksgiving Day. Yes, we did spend a lot of time on keeping the menu new and different each year (think turducken), but we also took a moment to reflect. We've always felt grateful that we could be together.

So yes, I do believe that what began as a statutory holiday in Canada is very Jewish and should be celebrated. Thanksgiving Day's proximity to the High Holy Days, gives Jews the unique chance to start our year unburdened, optimistic, grateful, centered and connected.

Oh, and my Dad did have us watch football on Thanksgiving Day by first bribing us with chocolates from Kresge's. By the time I reached my late teens, he introduced us to the mysterious delicacy known as pumpkin pie, which my sisters and I each have baked on our own. My mother however, never developed a taste for pumpkin pie.

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Temple Leadership wants to thank our remarkable Temple staff who went above and beyond to ensure that our first large congregational gatherings in a year were meaningful, warm, joyous and for those who felt comfortable attending in person were safe.

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# Building our future together, today

by Brena Taylor Campaign Chair/Immediate Past President

In the September issue of our newsletter Connect, our president Sheree Davis wrote about optimism. In his New Year video message to our Reform community, Rabbi Rick Jacobs, the President of the Union for Reform Judaism spoke of hope.

I am inspired by both of the messages and I am truly grateful to write to you about my optimism and hope for our Temple Har Zion family. My optimism comes from the ability of our clergy, professional leadership, lay leaders and members stay connected despite the pandemic. We have not faltered in supporting each other even though we have had to find new ways to connect. Although we have yet to have an opportunity to celebrate our 50th Anniversary, we will do so. We have always been here for each other. God willing, we will be here for another 50 years and for many more years beyond that.

My optimism and hope also comes from the generosity of Isai and Dora Scheinberg, long-standing members of Temple Har Zion. They also believe in the future of THZ. They share and inspire my optimism and hope.

Isai and Dora Scheinberg are giving us an extremely generous gift and opportunity to sustain our Temple family. They have chosen to match all donations raised in the Scheinberg Family Sustainability Fund on a 2:1 basis up to \$500,000. This is absolutely incredible, and I am overwhelmed by their generosity.

This means, if you donate \$100 to the Scheinberg Family Sustainability Fund as part of this campaign, the Schienberg family will provide an additional \$200 to Temple Har Zion. Most people will also receive a \$45 tax refund which means your \$55 after-tax donation turned into \$300 for Temple Har Zion. A multiple on your after-tax donation of almost 5.5 times!

The Scheinberg Family Sustainability Fund will provide financial support for our Temple by using the investment income to subsidize and enhance future membership needs and maintain worship, music, education and programming. The intent is to provide long-term financial security for our congregation.

This fund will:

- Generate long term income
- Enhance our membership experience
- Support affordable membership
- Sustain our congregation from generation to generation

My hope is that you join our Board of Directors, Past Presidents and other members and donate to the Scheinberg Family Sustainability Fund to help us all to sustain the future of Temple Har Zion.

For more information or to donate go to harzion.ca/sfsf

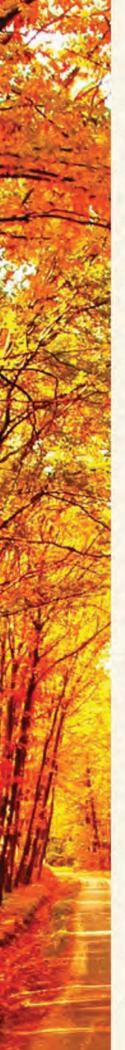
Thank you for sharing my optimism and hope in sustaining our Temple home. Help us all in Building our Future Together, Today.

L'Shalom, Brena

because we have deep roots and family history here. Our children have grown up at Temple, always looking forward to seeing family and friends when we attend services together. We want this community to thrive so it can be here for our children as they become the future leaders of this congregation.

- Robyn and Mitchell Rozen, Hannah and Jacob -





# Pre-turkey gratitude questions to choose from:

- What made you laugh or smile today?
- What are you most grateful for in your Temple community?
- What are three specific things you are grateful for about your family?
- What are three things you are grateful for at work, school or in your volunteer job?
- What foods are you most grateful for?
- What is something that once caused you pain, but that you are now grateful for?
- What have others done in your life that you're grateful for?
- How many of your basic needs do you not have to worry about meeting today?
- What's the best thing about your home, and have you taken the time to enjoy it recently?
- Have you had a chance to help someone recently, and how did that make you feel?
- What's something enjoyable you get to experience every day that you've come to take for granted?
- What's a hard lesson that you were grateful to learn?
- What about today has been better than yesterday?
- What's an aspect of your physical health that you feel grateful for?
- What happened today/yesterday/this week/this month/this year that you're grateful for?
- How have you used your talents recently, and what have you enjoyed about doing that?
- What relationships are you grateful for?
- What's one thoughtful thing someone did for you recently?
- What's an aspect of how you were parented for which you feel grateful?

## RECIPES

## Cranberry Apple Noodle Kugel

#### INGREDIENTS

8 ounces fresh cranberries

2 teaspoons cornstarch

3/4 cup water

1/2 cup sugar

1 teaspoon fresh lemon zest

1-1/2 lbs wide egg noodles (one and a half packages)

5 large eggs

3 large apples, peeled and thinly sliced

1/2 cup margarine or butter

3/4 cup sugar

1 teaspooon cinnamon (plus extra)

#### DIRECTIONS

Place cranberries, 1/2 cup sugar, water and lemon zest in a saucepan over medium heat. Wait until water begins boil and then add cornstarch and stir. Continue to simmer until cranberries are all soft and sauce thickens. Add a little water if needed. Set aside to cool.

Cook noodles in large pot. Drain well and set aside.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and grease a 9×13 pan.

Melt margarine or butter and mix with sugar, cinnamon and apples. Separate eggs and beat egg whites until frothy and thick. Add egg yolks to sugarapple mixture.

Add noodles and mix well. Gently fold egg whites to noodle mixture.

Spread half the noodle mixture into the pan. Add a layer of the cranberry sauce. Add the remaining noodles. Sprinkle with a very light dusting of cinnamon on top.

Bake 50 to 55 minutes, or until desired crispiness on top.



## **Pumpkin Challah Cinnamon Rolls**

#### INGREDIENTS

#### FOR THE DOUGH:

1-1/2 tablespoon yeast 1 teaspoon sugar 1-1/4 cup lukewarm water 2 large eggs 4-1/2 to 5 cups unbleached all-purpose flour

3/4 cup sugar
1/4 cup vegetable oil
1/2 cup pumpkin puree (not pumpkin pie filling)
1/2 tablespoon salt
1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1/4 teaspoon yanilla

#### FOR THE FILLING:

1-1/2 cups brown sugar 1-1/2 tablespoon cinnamon

1/2 teaspoon ground cloves 1/4 teaspoon salt 3/4 cup (1-1/2 sticks) butter, at room temperature

#### FOR THE GLAZE:

2 cups powdered sugar 1/4 to 1/3 cup milk

1 teaspoon vanilla Pinch salt



Recipe courtesy The Nosher

## >>> CLICK HERE FOR VIDEO

#### DIRECTIONS

In a small bowl place yeast, 1 teaspoon sugar and lukewarm water. Allow to sit around 5-10 minutes, until it becomes foamy on top.

In a large bowl or stand mixer fitted with whisk attachment, mix together 1-1/2 cups flour, salt, sugar and spices. After the water-yeast mixture has become foamy, add to flour mixture along with oil, vanilla and pumpkin puree. Mix thoroughly.

Add another cup of flour and eggs until smooth. Switch to the dough hook attachment if you are using a stand mixer.

Add another 1 to 1-1/2 cups flour and then remove from bowl and place on a floured surface. Knead remaining flour into dough, continuing to knead for around 5 minutes. **Don't add more flour than the dough needs** – the less flour, the lighter the dough.

Place dough in a greased bowl and cover with damp towel. Allow to rise 3 to 4 hours.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a medium bowl mix together brown sugar, cinnamon, cloves and salt for filling. Grease two 9×13 pyrex dishes. You can also use round cake pans.

Split dough evenly into two balls. Roll out each ball of dough into a large rectangle about 1/2-inch thick. Spread half the softened butter all over. Top with half the brown sugar mixture. Roll up on the longer side, working quickly. Pinch dough together and pinch ends.

Cut dough into roughly 2-inch pieces. Place in greased baking dish. Repeat with other half of dough.

Allow the cinnamon rolls to rise another 30 minutes. Place a damp towel over rolls while rising.

Bake around 20 to 23 minutes, or until rolls appear puffy and no longer raw or too doughy in the middle.

While rolls are baking, whisk together powdered sugar, milk, vanilla and pinch of salt in a small bowl. If glaze seems too thick/ too thin add milk or powdered sugar until desired consistency. Drizzle on top of challah rolls using a spoon while rolls are still warm so glaze melts slightly.

RECIPES



# Welcome! Back-to-school prep and more

by Judy Silver Education Director

We can't wait to see you back at Temple Har Zion!

**Sunday, October 3 - Beit Midrash** 9:30 am to 12:30 pm Grades JK-6

**Monday, October 4 - Beit Noar** 6 pm to 8 pm Grades 7-10

Tuesday, October 5 - Beit Ivrit 4:45 pm to 6:45 pm Grades 3-6

In order to keep your children and all our students and teachers safe, please follow the following guidelines:

Preparing for the morning:

If your child is 12 and older, proof of vaccination is required in order to attend school. Please CLICK HERE. The file will be deleted once it is noted.

Please fill in the COVID attestation prior to arrival – all students will need

to be checked in before entering the building. CLICK HERE for a copy to print.

Make sure your student has had a good morning breakfast – morning snack will only be available for students in JK to Grade 2

## When you are packing your students up for school remember to:

- Add an extra mask in their bag
- Add a filled reusable water bottle the water fountains in the building are off limits!

## When you bring your students to the school remember to:

- Make sure your student is wearing a mask before exiting the car
- Wait in the car until your students meet the teacher and are cleared to enter
- Stay masked until you are off THZ property

#### We have available in the school:

- Extra child-sized masks
- Personal hand sanitizers for all our students
- PPE for all our teachers
- Bacterial wipes for cleaning up
- Classroom set ups that allow for learning together while being safely spaced

#### For first term (October to December):

- Morning snack only for JK-Grade 2 students. Snacks and pizza on Mondays and Tuesdays will not be offered. This will be re-assessed in the new year.
- There will be no Junior Choir offered
- On cooking days, lessons and preparation will be held in the Social Hall. No students will be in the kitchen. Food creations will be boxed/bagged to bring and eat at home.

# 3 QUESTIONS/3 ANSWERS with Mika Sela, our 2021/22 ShinShinit

## How do you celebrate Sukkot in Israel?

When I'm with my family, we all go to my grandfather's house and visit his sukkah on the balcony of his apartment. If I'm with the Scouts, I go on trips across the country.

## What do you like about Temple Har Zion?

Everybody has been so nice to me! I really enjoyed the Rosh HaShanah services a lot. The service was different from anything I have ever known.

## You are new to baseball. What have you learned about baseball so far?

I've learned all the rules, half the team, and I already have my top 3 player list: Bichette, Guerrero Jr. and Gurriel Jr.



# Congrats, many thanks, and hope to see you at our 25th!

by Eric Birnberg and Tony Katz Golf Committee Co-Chairs

The 24th Annual THZ/Dick Grimm Memorial Golf Classic is in the books. More than 120 golfers and our dedicated volunteers enjoyed an absolutely stunning day of "best ball" golf at the RedCrest Golf Course at the Cardinal Golf Club in King City on September 1st.

Congratulations to the overall winning foursome (scoring 12 under par) of Mark Inglis, Tony Lane, Luke Inglis and Arman DelBusso, and to the mixed team winning foursome (scoring 7 under par) of Jack Goncalves, John Camara, Harold Cipin and Lynne Cipin.

Congratulations as well to individual prize winners for the Longest Drive – Men (Shane Pollock), Longest Drive – Ladies (Alexis Paradis), Closest to the Pin – Men (David Cutler), Closest to the Pin – Ladies (Jennifer Pollock and Lynne Cipin), Most Accurate Drive – Men (Richard Zlotnick Shaul) and Most Accurate Drive – Ladies (Lynne Cipin).

Immediate feedback regarding the course conditions, the facility and its amenities, and the tournament organization was overwhelmingly positive. Many thanks to the staff at Cardinal Golf Club.

The tournament-related raffle was held afterwards, with unprecedented ticket sales, and more than 50 prizes awarded. Congratulations to the following winners of the top three prizes:

- Set of Taylor Made RBZ Speedlight Golf Clubs with Bag (Robert and Susan Weiss – the Rabbi's parents!)
- Sports Weekend Raptors and Maple Leafs games, with overnight hotel for 2 (Michael Rubinfeld)
- Large Screen TV 65" TCL (Thomas Walden)



Eric Birnberg, Rabbi Weiss, and Tony Katz

The full list of raffle winners may be found here: harzion.ca/raffle

Many thanks again to our valued corporate and individual sponsors, as well as our prize and giveaway donors, for your generosity.

It is heartening to know that, even during through challenging times such as COVID-19, THZ is able to call upon you to support us with this, our most important annual fundraiser.

And many thanks again to the THZ Golf Committee members as well, for your time and dedication.

Watch this space, since the 25th Annual Golf Classic is now in the planning stages, and it is poised to be bigger and more successful than ever!

If you have comments or suggestions regarding this year's events, or are interested in joining the THZ Golf Committee, please email Tony Katz or Eric Birnberg at golf@harzion.ca.





## My journey to hair donation

by Jakey Berman MHarZY President



Back at NFTY-NEL's Winter Kallah in 2018, one of my friends told me that they thought I could pull off long hair. That's when I decided that I wanted to grow my hair out. Up until this past August, I hadn't gotten a single haircut. I later thought that I shouldn't just do this for personal gain; I wanted to help someone with this.

There were many different attempts throughout the years to do some sort of a fundraiser with cutting my hair as a final donation goal. Initially, I wanted to do it as a part of the 2020 NFTY-NEL Spring Kallah Auction where people would bid and the highest bidder would get to shave my head with all the money going to charity. Then due to COVID, Spring Kallah got cancelled. I was bummed but still hopeful. So then I thought, "Hey! I could do the same thing but for the Camp George B'libeinu Move-a-thon at camp and make my

haircut a donation goal!" But then, lo and behold, camp was also cancelled that year. At this point I was at a standstill and was starting to really like the long hair. So, I decided to grow it out even more!

This past year, Camp George had started a big fundraiser called "The Camp George Homeward Bound Campaign" where they have been raising lots of money to help fund camp and scholarships to help return camp to what it was before COVID hit. So I figured I would reach out to the new Associate Director, Lauren Grundland, who was in charge of this fundraiser to see if I could set up my own page to raise some money for camp scholarships. She said that not only could I set one up but she encouraged me to do it. So, I set one up. I started my fundraiser on June 15th, and closed it on my birthday, August 29th. I was able to raise over \$1,500 and all

of the money I raised was matched by a supporter of the campaign.

I decided that I wanted to raise money for camp scholarships because I know that money can be a bit tough for people in these uncertain times and I believe that every Jewish kid should be able to attend camp. Going to a Jewish overnight camp is like one of the most Jewish things you can do. Everyone should have this great opportunity to go to camp no matter how much money you have. By raising money for scholarships, I've now helped future campers have the opportunity to go to camp and I couldn't have done it without all of my generous donors!

Thanks so much to everyone for helping me **surpass** my goal!



# **Good for your Soul**

### MONDAY OCTOBER 4 at NOON: Zoom with the THZ Knitters

The Temple Knitters continue to stay connected! Have a great time socializing, knitting, and sharing patterns. If you can't knit, they'll teach you! New members are always welcome to join in!

CLICK HERE to connect!

# **Good for your Spirit**

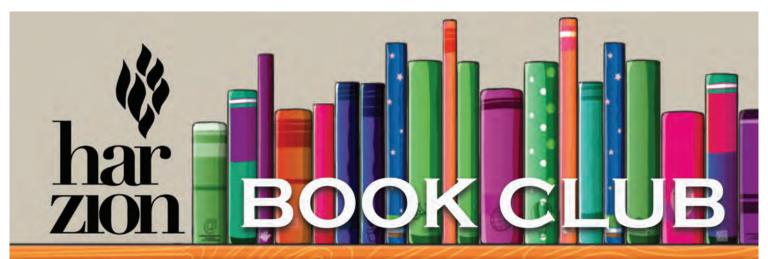
MONDAY OCTOBER 18 at NOON: Virtual Sip & Schmooze

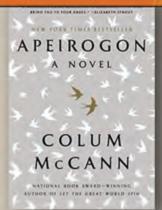
Schmooze, chat and check in with your Temple Family! Grab a snack and a coffee, or whatever you fancy, and visit your THZ friends virtually. Invite your friends, too!



Please send requests for Jewish songs or secular oldies to eleanor@harzion.ca

Click here for the link





## TUESDAY OCTOBER 12 7:30pm via Zoom

Apeirogon by Colum McCann

This highly original and inventive novel reframes the never-ending Israeli-Palestinian conflict. It tells the story of a Palestinian and an Israeli, and how they came together after the terrible loss of both of their daughters - one to suicide bombers and the other to Israeli police. The result is a breathtaking narrative based on events that actually happened.

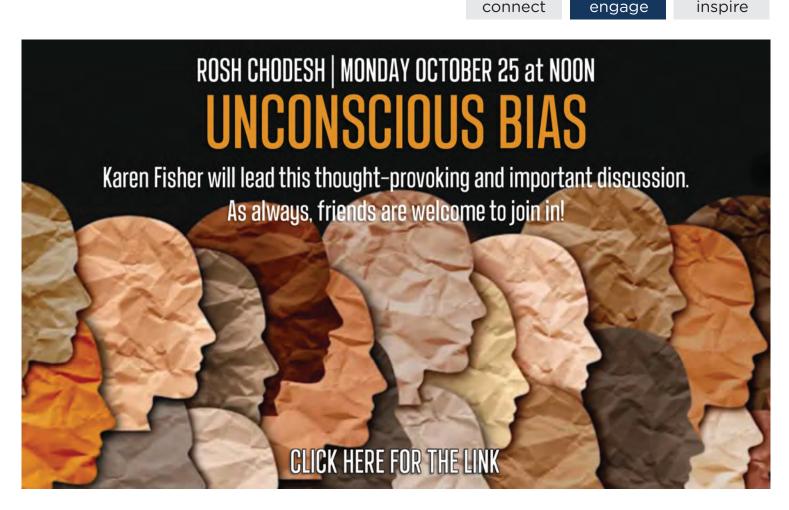
Tuesday November 30: The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah

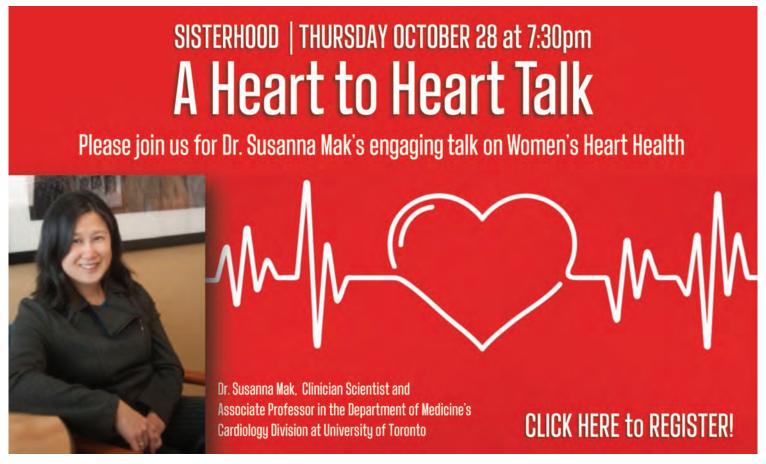
## THURSDAYS at NOON Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Weiss The Fall session begins October 14th.

Everyone is welcome to participate in these informative sessions with the Rabbi. Expand your horizons!



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## Temple Family News

A hearty Mazal Tov to the following families:

#### **BAR/BAT MITZVAH**

Marnie Beard; and Paul Beard and Julie Sermer in celebration of their son Iordan's Bar Mitzvah

**Tania and Jeffrey Minuk** in celebration of their daughter Erin's Bat Mitzvah **Michael Ross and Andrea Victor** in celebration of their son Dylan's Bar Mitzvah

Susan and Paul Sermer in celebration of their grandson Jordan's Bar Mitzvah Jennifer Shneer in celebration of her son Jarryd's Bar Mitzvah

#### **ENGAGEMENTS**

Elka and Brian Birnbaum in celebration of their son Lorne's engagement to Elana Rosenberg

## Tributes and Acknowledgements

#### **TEMPLE HAR ZION FUND**

Naomi and Saul Joel in memory of their son Elliot Elijah Joel

Rhonda Korzenstein in appreciation Leonora Shaw on the Yahrzeit of her husband Martin Shaw

We thank the following for a donation to the Temple Har Zion Fund for the sponsorship of a Congregational Kiddush, Seudah, Oneg, Torah Study or Morning Minyan Breakfast:

**Len and Sara Bates** in memory of Len's mother Hilde Beitowitz Bates

**Sid and Barbara Finkelstein** in memory of Sid's mother Mildred Finkelstein

Shelley and Ken Glick; and Brena and Tom Taylor in memory of Shelley and Brena's grandparents Nettie Mary and Charles Eckler

**Ken and Shelley Glick** in memory of Ken's father Saul Glick

Florence Glickman in memory of her mother Taube Bornstein

**Karen Grimm** in memory of her stepson John Edward Grimm and her sister Marilyn Brown

Jerry and Marley Greenglass; and Martin and Barbara Greenglass in memory of Jerry and Martin's grandmother Esther Politsky and their father Phillip Greenglass

Morris Joseph and Josette Sassoon in memory of Joseph's mother Sophie Joseph

**Molly and Bernard Keyes** in memory of Molly's stepmother Anne Waldner

Shira Hart in memory of her mother-in-law Lillian Hart and mother Ethel Dambrot

**Frances Malach** in memory of her father Israel Gelbard

**Harriet Noik** in memory of her husband David Noik

Judith Ross in memory of her father Aaron Shachter and brother Yaacov Shachter

Marian and Maurice Sprumont in memory of Marian's father Miklos Kamaras

#### **ADULT EDUCATION FUND**

Irving and Paula Frisch to George Volgyesi in memory of his wife Paulette Volgyesi; and to Jordan and Melissa Cait in memory of their mother and mother-inlaw Helen Klingman-Cait Sam and Esther Mandelbaum in appreciation Michael Zitney on the Yahrzeit of his mother Nomi Tisch

### ARTHUR AND DVORA BROWN CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Samantha and Shelly Bacher and family to Carol Handelman in celebration on the birth of her twin grandsons

Janice and Steven Pearl and family to Andrew Hazen and Naomi Zeigler Hazen on the special occasion of their Ketubah signing

#### CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Clare and Serge Adam to Alyssa Gilman in

appreciation

Shelly Cukierman in appreciation for the leading of the unveiling service of her husband Ilan

Adrienne and Don Pearsons to Cantor Rachael Littman in celebration of her first Anniversary at Temple Har Zion

### DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION & SCHOOL FUND

Robin and Slava Apel in appreciation Judy and Ian Silver; and Ellen and Mark Morrow in memory of Judy and Ellen's aunt Marion "Mickey" Kalin

Lynn and Ken Tepper in apprecation

#### MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS FUND

Ora Harris and Michael Hutchins in memory of Ora's father Reinhard Nassau

#### **MUSIC FUND**

Wendy and Earle Gotfrit to Rabbi Cory Weiss in appreciation

**Tony and Ilissa Katz** in memory of Tony's grandfather Woolfie Katz

**Stanley and Jill Segal** on the Yahrzeit of Stanley's father Abram Segal

Gary and Debra Viner to David Saslove in celebration of his special birthday

## PAULETTE VOLGYESI MEMORIAL CHESED FUND

**Shae Eckler** to Clare Adam for a speedy recovery

#### RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Clare and Serge Adam to Heather and Robert Sculthorpe and family in memory of their father, father-in-law and grandfather Harry Weinstein

Mary Aisen to Dara Kideckel and the Morning Minyanaires for their warmth

and encouragement

Steven and Marie Borlak in appreciation Marty Brent in memory of Bertram and Estherlea Eckmann

**Shari and Larry Goldberg** to Rabbi Weiss in appreciation of him officiating their son Ryan's marriage to Jessica Gotfrit

Elaine Ross and family to Rabbi Weiss in appreciation for his guidance and compassion

**Shalom Shapurkar and family** to Rabbi Weiss and family for their spiritual guidance

### RABBI MICHAEL AND CELIA STROH EDUCATION PROGRAM FUND

**Steven and Marie Borlak** on the Yahrzeit of Steven's father Harvey Borlak

#### SISTERHOOD FUND

Mary and Irwin Aisen to Sherry Gluck and family in celebration of the birth of Izzy Gluck; and to Susan Rowan for her healing exercise guidance

**Judith Ross** to Clare Adam for a speedy recovery

## TARA ABRAMS LEGACY FUND FOR MUSIC EDUCATION AND PROGRAMMING

David and Tara Abrams on the Yahrzeit of David's grandmother Golda Abrams David Silverman in appreciation

#### VIDEO STREAMING FUND

**Clare and Serge Adam** to Shirley and Emile Kehimkar for their kindness

**Dorothea Burstyn** for a wonderful streaming service

Tzedakah: Whatever your Why, Thank You!

For a full list of donation opportunities, please click HERE

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Serge and Clare Adam; Cal and Carol Avertick; Shelley and Samantha Bacher; Nikki Barnett; Len and Sara Bates; Ariana Birnbaum and Timothy Brown; Eric Birnberg and Jennifer Angel; Heather Bordo and Eric Appleyard; Steven and Marie Borlak; Joan and Alan Dessau; Peter Drutz and Laurie Saunders; Todd Feinstein; Lorne Feld; Mimi Fox and Lloyd Wasser; Jack Furman and Andrea Rifkin; Ken and Shelley Glick; Kimberly Poster and Larry Herscu; Lawrie and Debby Kaplan; Renette Loeffler; Daniel Lundenberg; Stephen and Myrna Marcus; Stanley and Brenda Pasternak; Julian and Donna Pencharz; Jodi Rachman Patel and Jack Patel; Lisa Rose and Sydney Fox; Robyn and Mitchell Rozen; Sandra Rudin-Goodman; Agnes Safran; Jessie Saunders-Drutz; Lori Silverstein; Brena and Tom Taylor; David Tepper and Alison Ferry; Rabbi Cory and Karen Weiss; Robert and Susan Weiss; Andrea Woolley; Jill and Michael Yablonsky; and Heather Zaitlin to help us all to build our future together, today

**Samantha and Shelly Bacher** to Andrew Hazen and Naomi Zeigler Hazen on the special occasion of their Ketubah signing

**Elka and Brian Birnbaum** in honour of their son Lorne's engagement to Elana Rosenberg

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Shae Eckler in memory of her husband Morey Eckler

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**Alexander and Mirit Khemlin** in memory of Rabbi Jonathan Sacks

**Karen Kline** in honour of her grandchildren Nathan, Emily, Joshua and Chloe

**Steven and Lorraine Landau** in memory of their fathers Bob Landau and Harvey Silver

**Robyn Gitelman and Mark Mingail** in memory of Robyn's father Moishe (Morris) Gitelman

**Stanley and Brenda Pasternak** to Heather and Robert Sculthorpe and family in memory of their father, father-in-law and grandfather Harry Weinstein

**Janice and Steven Pearl** in memory of Janice's parents Dvora and Arthur Brown

**Andrew and Pam Reiner** to Rabbi Weiss in appreciation for officiating their son Michael Reiner's marriage to Kate MacNeill

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**John and Glyn Wolpert** on the Yahrzeit of John's brother Maurice Wolpert

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#### **TEMPLE HAR ZION**

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