



Parshat Chaye Sarah

November 3, 2018 25 Cheshvan 5779

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We welcome everyone to Beth Radom's Annual Radomer Memorial Shabbat.

Today's Congregational Kiddush will take place in the Bojman Bresler Social Hall adjacent to the sanctuary.

Heartfelt condolences to the family of Dora Fuchs ^{z"l}, who passed away on October 27th.

Holocaust Education Week: November 1-8, 2018

Monday, November 5 @ 7:30pm Beth Radom Presents
How Japan saved Thousands of Jews

Illuminating The Shadows: Untold Stories of The Holocaust
More information at: <https://www.holocaustcentre.com/HEW>

Things to Look Forward to in December!
Chanukah begins!

Light candles every night - Dec 2 - 9

Saturday, Dec 8 | 9:30am

Family Shabbat/Chanukah Celebration

Register at www.bethradom.com

Thursday, December 13, 20, Jan 10, 17

Adult Ed with Cantor Burko:

Heretic! Lives & Beliefs of Infamous Jewish Thinkers
Register at www.bethradom.com

CANDLE LIGHTING & SERVICE TIMES:

Friday, November 2 Light Candles at 5:49pm
Saturday, November 3 Shabbat ends at 6:56pm
Remember: Turn your clocks back 1 hour at the end of the day!
Sunday, November 4 Morning Minyan begins at 9am
Friday, November 9 Light Candles at 4:41pm
Saturday, November 10 Shabbat ends at 5:48pm

Daily Minyan (M-F) begins at 7:30am Sunday at 9:00am
Shabbat Mornings - Service begins at 9:30am

The 4th Annual Beth Radom Chanukah Concert
Shir Chadash

Cantor Jeremy Burko
"In his fine baritone, Jeremy Burko has already lifted our spirits and has earned a place of honour in our hearts."
Jewish Federation of Greater New Orleans

Cantor Magda Fishman
INTERNATIONAL GUEST STAR
"liturgical virtuosity with a contemporary stage presence... a cross between Moyshe Oyssher and Adele!"
The Forward

Yonge Guns Quartet
"An enthusiastic mix of new and newer, this award winning quartet injects Dean Martin with a little Pentatonix and One Direction with a little bit of Dapper Dans."
The Space UK



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We remember the Tree of Life shooting victims.

STRANGER TOGETHER

We wish Refuah Sh'lema to:

Howie Meyer	Joe Levitan	Bella Davidson
Joel Zeger	Dorothy Shessel	Allan Fryman
Rachel Akierman	Phillip Shadlesky	Anice Stark
Gerald Robinson	Sam Weisberg	Abe Swimmer
Ilsa Matheus	Ruth Leichner	Rosa Weisberg

If you know Beth Radom members who would benefit from Clergy outreach or should be part of our Refuah Sh'lema list, please contact office@bethradom.com. We assure you of confidentiality.

With Reverence, We Honour The Yahrzeits Of:

Jack Wachtel	Late Husband Of Linda Wachtel
Israel Kardish	Late Father Of David Kardish
Samuel Jacobsohn	Late Father Of Clive Jacobsohn
Miriam Rivka Waksberg	Late Mother Of Rachel Akierman
Perry Zegman	Late Son Of Fela Zegman
	Late Brother Of Joey Zegman
Harold Pelchovitz	Late Husband Of Lillian Pelchovitz

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

Audrey Michaels	Elizabeth Shapero	Dalia Van Bergh
Alexandra Rose	Sara Van Bergh	Neil Rochweg
		Paul Kay

Happy Anniversary Wishes To:

Corey & Naomi Miller	28 th Anniversary
Ronald & Ferne Kantor	46 th Anniversary
Peter & Carol Rothbart	38 th Anniversary

IT'S FALL BACK TIME!
REMEMBER TO TURN BACK YOUR CLOCKS 1 HOUR
...and change the batteries in your smoke detectors!

NEW DISPLAYS FOR THE NEW YEAR!
CHECK OUT BETH RADOM'S MUSEUM AND GALLERY

Does your family have things to add to this museum? We would appreciate donations of plaques, photos, paperwork, hand written letters, booklets, flyers, old landing papers – anything related to the once thriving, Jewish, City of Radom. And of course we are looking for funding streams to expand the presentation space. Contact Allan afryman@rogers.com for more information.

THE BLESSING FOR STUDY:

Barukh attah Adonai	ברוך אתה ה'
Eloheinu melekh ha-olam	אלהינו מלך-העולם
asher qidshanu b'mitzvotav	אשר קדשנו במצותיו
v'tzivanu la-asoq b'divrei Torah.	ואינו לעסק בדברי-תורה.

Praised are you Adonai, our God, eternal Sovereign of the Universe, Who sanctified us with [God's] commandments and enjoined upon us to study Torah.

RABBINIC REFLECTIONS—PARSHAT “CHAYE SARAH”
Rabbi Dr. Geoffrey Haber, MA, DMin, DD (Hon.)

Today, the least talked about subject from synagogue pulpits is interfaith marriage. Noted Jewish historian and demographer, Jack Wertheimer, notes, “Not long ago, a Manhattan rabbi stunned his congregants by informing them that the future of the Jewish people would be secured not through trips to Israel, not through the battle against anti-Semitism, and not through the continued upward mobility of Jews, but in the bedroom. What shocked his sophisticated Upper East Side audience had nothing to do with his allusion to sex; these days, it is perfectly acceptable to speak in public about intimate behavior. What is not permissible in polite Jewish company is an allusion to the decisions people make about their own family lives, or to the impact of those decisions on the ability of the Jewish community to sustain itself.”

The Torah gives a detailed narrative of Abraham’s effort to find the right wife for his son, Isaac. Living in a land dominated by a Canaanite population, Abraham knows the future of God’s promise to make him the father of a great nation rests upon Isaac’s continued commitment to this vision and to his clan. Abraham’s concern is so great that he sends his servant, and not his son, to find the appropriate mate among the members of his brother’s family. He compels his servant to take an oath that he “will not take a wife for [Abraham’s] son from the Canaanites among whom [he] dwells, but will go to the land of [Abraham’s] birth and get a wife for Isaac (Gen. 24:3-4).” Abraham’s concern is not about the worthiness of Canaanite people, but the cultural and spiritual differences that exist.

Before 1965, the intermarriage rate for Jews was 10% (4% in Quebec). By 1985, a demographic study found the rate to be 52% (12% in Quebec). What changed during this time? Were Jews less interested in being Jewish? Maybe so, but the years between 1965 and 1985 also marked an increasing acceptance of the Jew as Canadians. Barriers that previously prevented Jews from living in certain neighborhoods, attending certain schools, practicing medicine in certain hospitals, began to fall. Today, a Jew can live anywhere, be a part of any profession, and move freely through Canadian society. With this openness comes increased involvement with the majority non-Jewish culture. In 1965, Jews primarily lived, worked, and socialized within their own parochial community. By 1985, their circles of involvement had greatly increased and, so to, the intermarriage rate.

Why marry a Jew? Jews need Jews to be Jewish. It is difficult enough to build a marriage and raise a healthy family. To complicate it with different belief systems and cultural norms, that too often come into competition with one another, can make difficult almost insurmountable. A number of non-Jewish spouses make the decision to convert, and others, who don’t convert, still agree to raise their children Jewishly. But a larger number of Jews in an interfaith marriage decide to “drop out” of Judaism altogether.

The question we are left with is the same question Abraham had to confront- “Why be Jewish?” Rabbi David Wolpe’s answer to this question is, “Because Judaism can teach us how to deepen our lives, to improve the world, to join with others who have the same lofty aims. Judaism can teach us spiritual and moral mindfulness, a way of living in this world that promotes joy inside of us and also encourages ethical action. But finally, the answer to why be Jewish must reside in the mystery of each seeking soul, trying to find its place with others and with God.”

(With appreciation to Rabbi Howard Siegel for permission to use his material in this reflection.)

Shabbat Shalom
 Rabbi Geoff



OUT OF THE COLD FOUNDATION
 Please Help with Carly Levett's Bat Mitzvah Project
GET INVOLVED

For her Bat Mitzvah project, Carly Levett will be collecting items and volunteering hours at the Out of the Cold program. Information about the program can be found at <https://www.baby.org/out-of-the-cold.html>

Please help make this program a success by bringing items that can be donated. A bin has been set up in the main hallway of the shul.

The following is a list of donation items needed.

Clothing	Self Care Products - travel size preferred
Men and women's shoes	Baby powder, Shampoo, Body Wash
Women's pants size 12+	Purell, Disposable Razors, Deodorant
Men's pants size small (size 36 & under)	Novelty Items
Men's small tops	Crossword Puzzles, Sudoku, Playing Cards
Men's XXL clothing	Magazines/paperbacks
NEW undergarments	Food Items - (kosher products)
Warmth Items - Adult Size	Chocolates, Cookies, Nuts
Scarves, Toques, Gloves/Mittens, Neck Warmers, Socks	Mints/Hard Candies, Licorice



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 Tuesday, June 11, 2019



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A Minyan has been requested by a Member of Beth Radom wishing to say Kaddish on

Wednesday, November 14 | 7:30am
Thursday, November 15 | 7:30am
Sunday, November 18 | 9:00am



Please try to attend morning services as regularly as possible to help achieve a minyan each day. Please attend. It’s a Mitzvah!

Members: Call or email the Shul office to request a minyan!

A Prayer For Healing

Mi she berach avoteinu **מי שברך: אבותינו,**
M'kor hab'racha l'imoteinu **מקור הברכה לאמותינו**
 May the source of strength, who blessed the ones before us;
 Help us find the courage to make our lives a blessing.

and let us say: Amen.
Mi she berach imoteinu, **מי שברך: אמותינו**
M'kor hab'racha l'avoteinu **מקור הברכה לאבותינו**
 Bless those in need of healing with refuah sh'lema
 The renewal of body, the renewal of spirit, and let us say: Amen

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