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A message from our Senior Rabbi



Rabbi Jarrod
Grover

This is an excerpt of the Rabbi's sermon from our Solidarity Shabbat on November 3, 2018, which was attended by over 750 community members.

We all have our own way of making sense of the attack at the Tree of Life Synagogue. But we become wiser people when we also make the effort to see things and interpret them through someone else's eyes.

Boris Tsinman is a new member of our Synagogue from Halifax - one of the friendliest guys you could meet. But his name and his accent give away that Halifax is not his city of origin. Boris was born in Latvia to survivors of the Holocaust. I never met his father, but I have met his mother before. She is a very simple yiddishe mame, close to 100 years old, who speaks no English but remains fluent in Yiddish. Once upon a time, she had parents and siblings and cousins and aunts and uncles and nieces and nephews. But on one awful day in 1942, all were taken from her.

Boris describes growing up in a world of Jewish ghosts. Surrounded by survivors of the Holocaust, who may have survived in the physical sense, but in many other ways had not survived. We're going to be exploring that theme in our Holocaust Education Week program here tomorrow night. Boris will also tell you about the anti-Semitism he experienced in Latvia, and why today there is no more Jewish community there. Boris wrote me this e-mail on Sunday, the day after the attack:

"Both Laura and I are deeply troubled by this horrific act of violence. Me, being from the family of Holocaust survivors, growing up without grandparents, aunts, cousins and extended family, left a significant void in my life. I feel that no family should experience similar loss due to the act of violence perpetrated either by a group of people or by a single individual. I am watching the rise of anti-Semitism with absolute dismay. I grew up in a country filled with anti-Semitism and when I left the old world, I thought I left it all behind. Now, the attack in Pittsburgh brings all the unpleasant and unwanted memories."

Of all the tweets, posts, and articles I've read in response to the Pittsburgh attack, it was Boris's that hit me the hardest. Boris didn't do what so many other commentators and pundits did. He didn't look for who was to blame. He didn't write to me about Trump or BDS or gun control. He just saw that hatred for Jews is hatred for Jews. Whether it's in the old world or the new world. Whether it comes from the left or the right. Whether it's in the Former Soviet Union, or Main Street USA. When 11 Jews are murdered because they are Jews, that's all you have to know.

In that sense, anti-Semitism is truly different from other hatreds. Lots of different nations and peoples in the world have enemies. But none of those conflicts and hatreds so easily morph and transfigure and adapt through time and space. Rabbi David Wolpe wrote a magnificent column in Time Magazine a day

after the attack, attempting to explain the phenomenon. He wrote that a divided society and a hateful society will always find a way to turn its divisions and its hatred on the Jews. "When circles are drawn close, Jews will always end up on the outside."

Rabbi Wolpe's observation that a hateful society always ends up turning its hatred on the Jews, is an observation worthy of our reflection. Not only because it speaks to the current state of affairs, but because it leads us to consider the most important tool we have to combat anti-Semitism. If it is divisiveness in our national conversation, in our rhetoric, and in broader society, that has throughout history, been the fertile ground that allows anti-Semitism to thrive, then it follows that it is unity, love, and solidarity - those are the conditions that cause anti-Semitism to wither and die.

This observation is empowering because it gives us something to do with our outrage. Our people have been faced with terrible tragedies throughout our history - from the destruction of our Temples all the way up to the Holocaust. We've never responded to those tragedies by wallowing in self-pity or remaining enraged. We've responded with humility, with self-examination, and with resolve. And division and hatred is not just their problem, it is ours as well.

Rabbi Salanter ^{zt"l} once taught: "I can't change the world, but I can change myself. And if I change myself, it will make an impact on my family. And, my family and I could make an impact on our town. And that, in turn, could change the country and we could all indeed change the world." When we make an effort to use positive language, language that prioritizes human dignity, we are fighting anti-Semitism. When we go out of our way to do something good for another person, we are fighting anti-Semitism. When we bring more love into this world, especially love for someone you disagree with, we are fighting anti-Semitism.

In the portion *Hayei Sarah*, before Rebecca meets Isaac, she veils herself. That veil represents everything that divides people. Rebecca and Isaac start off as strangers. They're from different lands with different customs. Like all relationships, theirs begins with mistrust and suspicion. But the goal of a healthy marriage is God's goal for all humanity. That is - that in time, we move to see the value, the worth, and the holiness inside each person. We slowly remove the veils that divide us, and bring more people together in a spirit of love.

The words of the late Dr. King ring true especially in this season: "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. And hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."

A message from our Assistant Rabbi



Rabbi Louis
Sachs

Be A Light!
Hanukkah is an interesting holiday, and there is some confusion about what the actual mitzvah of it is. On Sukkot we wave the lulav and gather together in the sukkah. On Pesah we sit down at the seder and abstain from leavened bread. But Hanukkah comes with a wide variety of practices which can make it easy to forget what the commandment of the holiday actually is.

Dreidels are fun to play with, and so is eating sufganyot or latkes, but all of these are customs. They help us to re-tell the story of how our ancestors bravely continued to learn Torah in secret, and remind us of the miracle of the oil. Despite all that, the actual commandment of Hanukkah is fulfilled by lighting the hanukiah each night. But there is still another step.

We are not supposed to light it simply on our kitchen tables or a shelf in the living room, we are meant to place the hanukiah in a window so that people can see. The reason being that, *pirsumei nisa*, or publicizing the miracle," is the actual mitzvah of Hanukkah. It is not enough to light the candles in remembrance of the miracle in private, we must do it so that others will see it and know the story.

This is a really interesting act when you think about it; no other commandment requires that others witness it, but this one does because the whole point of the holiday is not simply to celebrate that we were saved from destruction, but to remind the world of it. The Greeks tried to break us, they tried to destroy us, but here we are!

In light of recent tragedies in Jewish communities around the world, this commandment feels incredibly relevant this year- reminding the world that we are here; we are Jewish and proud to be. This task goes beyond just lighting and placing a hanukiah in the window, it means rededicating ourselves to Jewish values and practices. Hanukkah means rededication, and so it is an appropriate time to rededicate ourselves to our spiritual inheritance.

As we shift into winter and the days become increasingly shorter, it is important to have a holiday of light, a celebration which reminds us to see the light in the darkness. It can be easy to fall into thinking of darkness as a thing on its own, but the truth is that darkness is simply the absence of light. The tiny flames on our hanukiah can remind us that it takes just a little bit of light to push away a whole lot of darkness.

The same lesson holds true when it comes to the non-physical darkness we see in the world today. A simple smile, a small act of tzedakah, or kind word, can all go along way towards making the world a brighter place.

This Hanukkah, as we light the flames to remind the world that the Jewish people live on, let them serve as a reminder to us of our own responsibility. As the prophet Isaiah declared, the Jewish people should serve as "a light unto the nations." Let us all remember to be a light, to banish darkness with acts of love and *hesed*. Let us all remember our sacred task, and stand firm in it before the world. Let us be a light!

A message from our Executive Director



Doris Alter

I was recently asked why I host the family Hanukkah party every year?

My first response to my friend who asked me this question was, "It's a happy holiday and not many of the holidays growing up in my home were happy." Thinking about my reply made me reflect on my childhood. I am a child of Holocaust survivors and my mother was one of thirteen children and my father was an only child. My mother's eldest brother was the only relative who survived the Holocaust, he lived in Germany and then retired to Israel. I grew up with my older brothers and parents, the five of us, no other family. When the holidays came each year my mother was sad, she lit 15 Yahrzeit candles and it was a constant reminder of what they had lost. But on Hanukkah my mother was happy, she made sufganiyot (jelly and chocolate donuts), latkes, we played dreidel for money, we sang songs in Yiddish, Hebrew and English, and lit the Hanukkah. We were all together as a family - not just for one or two nights, but every evening to light the candles. I carry on the tradition of bringing my family together so we may celebrate and remember all that we are grateful for. From our family of five, we have now grown to 29!

Wishing all of you a frellich, gezunt, happy and healthy Hanukkah.

Doris Alter

A message from our out-going President



Hershel Guttman

This is my last Presidential article, and my remarks are very similar to my report to the Annual General Meeting of Thursday, November 22. Given I have been serving in this capacity for almost three years, rather than make it only about 2018, I have chosen to give a review of the past three years of growth in the shul.

Many things have taken place over that period, but three stick out as key achievements of the Executive Committee and the Board of Governors:

1. The successful hiring of Rabbi Sachs. Like the other items on this list, I take no credit for them, but I am proud and happy to have been a small part of. I have already seen the benefits of having an assistant Rabbi, especially one with the stature of Rabbi Sachs. His being here has allowed us to develop new programs directed specifically at our youth and young families like Ruah Shabbat and Camp Shabbat among others. Then there is his backup role for Rabbi Grover, relieving some of the pressures of attending to the individual needs of our members, often during difficult times in their lives.
2. The development and completion of a Strategic Plan. This is a work in progress, as we continue on the path of building for the future. I know that many of you contributed in one way or another to the Plan. What stuck out for me was your wish for us to provide and grow community for the current membership and for a new generation. This will be achieved in part through developing a culture of giving and a culture of volunteerism.
3. The institution of Egalitarianism. This was long overdue. Some would say at least 25 years overdue, but the most important aspect of the process we went through was how we strived to hear everyone's concerns and desires, in a non-judgemental environment. I was proud how all of you respected others' feelings. Now comes the job of education, men and women alike, for a more inclusive participation of all of us in services.

Being President is not necessarily hard, but it would be impossible were it not for the support you have given me. There is no way I could have survived without that support and good wishes. But there are two people who deserve special mention, aside from my wife Kathy, who was a trooper throughout the past three-odd years. I am speaking of the two COOs (chief operating officers) of the shul, namely our Executive Director Doris Alter, and our Senior Rabbi, Jarrod Grover. I am here to tell you that you are very well served by these two leaders. Not only do they work very well together, with respect and professionalism at all times, but for them, it is never about them, but about our congregants, and their families. That is their number one objective, to care for the needs of those households and extended families. It was my privilege to serve with them every day. Indeed, it was the gift of working with them day in, day out that I will always cherish. With that, I have a request. Douglas Millstone generously accepted the role of your new President. I am asking you to give him the same patience, respect, and support that you gave me. Thank you.

Hershel Guttman

A message from our incoming President



Douglas Millstone

At the date of this Hakol, I have been the President of Beth Tikvah Synagogue for less than a week. So far so good.

I have known about this congregation since long before it became established. I grew up next door to the home of our fourth president, Norm Levine ^{ztl}, and his sister, Hannah Bellack. They were always telling my parents and me about this new synagogue they were going to be part of founding.

In the early 70's, one of my best friends married Harvey Haber's niece. Once I got to know Harvey, Beth Tikvah was on my radar. I grew up at Shaarei Tefillah but slowly drifted away after the rabbi I knew best left and my values began to clarify once I began university.

While I was in law school I spent time with a favourite cousin of mine who was studying Community Jewish Studies at Brandeis in Boston. I connected with her and her soon-to-be husband in an organization called USY. I was invited to Camp USY at the end of that summer in 1973. So enthusiastic and infused was I by the ruah of those young Conservative Jews that it struck me that this may be my Jewish identity moving forward.

I needed some part-time income during my last year of school so the Camp USY director suggested that I contact the rabbi in charge of youth in Ontario. That person was Rabbi Avraham Feder ^{ztl}. I met with Rabbi Feder and he told me to look nowhere else for work. I became a USY advisor at BT just before the Yom Kippur War. The rest is history. I became a member in 1976. I sat on the Board from 1977 to 1983. Last year I did a brief stint on the Board and then joined the Executive. In between, I have volunteered in various capacities and here I am now.

We Jews are a very small minority in the world population yet we contribute enormously. We are a "light" as it is said. Survival as a people will enable that contribution to be maintained. To me everyone who identifies as a Jew, and even those Jews who do not, are valuable members of our community. To that end I have a "big tent" approach to involvement in Beth Tikvah.

The Strategic Plan that has been adopted calls for, among other priorities, a wider engagement of our community, inclusiveness, inspiring volunteerism and planning for a sustainable financial future.

To me, Beth Tikvah is a progressive congregation that is rooted in tradition. There is a lot we need to accomplish. My most important goals are to widen our voluntary base and formulate a plan for the financial sustainability of our membership. This includes a hard look at our dues and membership structure and planning for the future use of the building and its site.

I have an Executive committee whose membership is dedicated and a pleasure to work with. The Board of Governors is representative of the congregation and I anticipate the members being as much of a pleasure to work with as the Executive. I will continue to work closely with Rabbi Grover and the rest of the professional staff. Doris, as she has been, will continue to be my "go to" person.

I will try to be as available as possible. Please understand that I have a full-time law practice. I do however, take the responsibility of being President seriously. I am going to organize, deputize, and supervise. I'll take on what I am able to. I hope this works to make sure that what needs to get done, gets done.

So far so good.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'DM' or 'Douglas Millstone' in a stylized cursive script.

Beth Tikvah welcomes the
**New and Returning Executive
and Board of Governors**



Position:

President
1st Vice President
2nd Vice President
3rd Vice President
Secretary
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Executive Member at Large
Immediate Past President

Board of Governors

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Moir Kaminker
Hershel Guttman

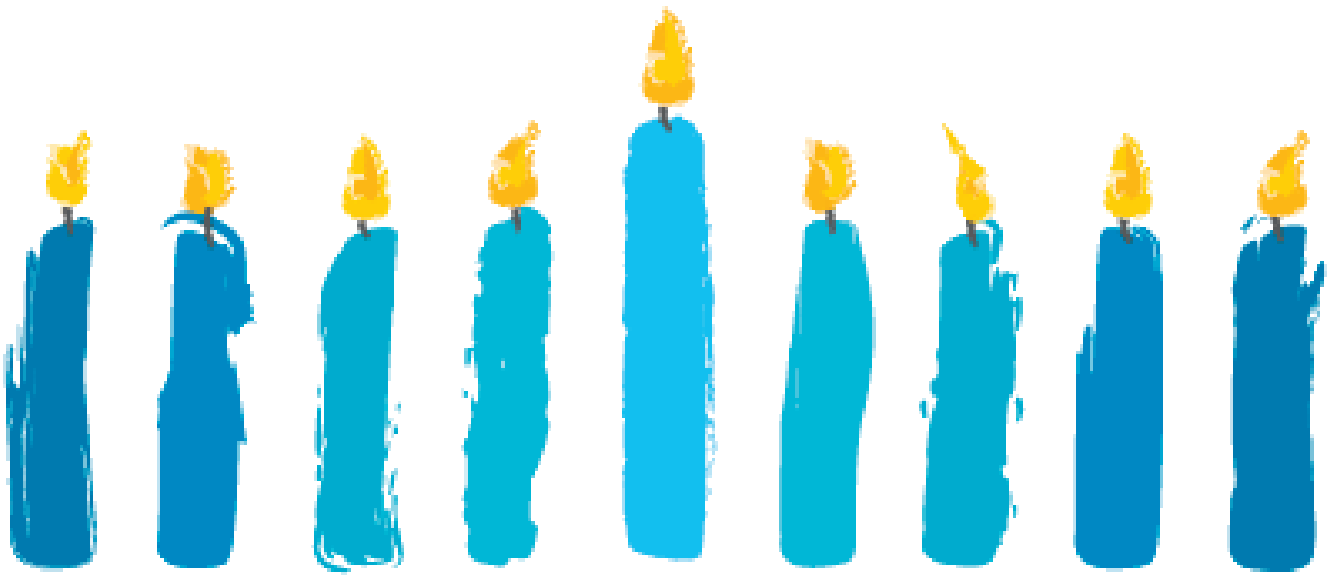
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Join us this Holiday: HANUKKAH



Synagogue-Wide Karaoke Night

Karaoke, board games, casino games, latke bar, tea bar, dessert bar, prizes PLUS much more for the entire family!

December 2, 2018 @ 7PM

Cost: \$5 per person

Advanced Registration Required
Register by November 28, 2018



**BETH TIKVAH
YOUTH AND
YOUNG FAMILIES**



Tots Hanukkah Party

Join Rabbi Louis, Sigal, and Kati Szabo Kovari for storytime, cookie decorating, latkes, and much more! Free to attend. Please bring a donation for the Chai Lifeline Toy Drive. Thank you!

Pre-registration required. Visit the BT website or call 416-221-3433.
For more info: sigal@bethtikvahtoronto.org

December 9 @ 10:00 - 11:30 AM in the Youth Room

RUAH SHABBAT

Calling all families with kids aged 5-10,
for a beach party you'll never forget!

Friday, December 7 @ 6:30-8:00 PM
at Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

Join Rabbi Louis and Hazzan Tibi for a
special Family Friendly Shabbat for our
young sunbathers. Following the Service,
we will join together to eat dinner, sing songs,
play games, and work on our tans!

Cost: \$7 for children / \$10 for adults

Register: 416-221-3433, email gayle@bethtikvahtoronto.org, or on the BT website.

Deadline: Monday, December 3

Kids, come dressed for the beach!



Lighting the Hanukkah Candles

Candles are lit on each of the eight nights of Hanukkah. One the first night, two the second, and an additional candle on each subsequent night. The candle for the first night is placed at the far right of the *hanukkiah*; on each subsequent night, another candle is added to the left. An extra candle, designated as the “*shamash*” is lit first, then used to light the others after the blessings are recited.

ברוך אתה ה', אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו, וצונו להדליק נר של חנוכה.	Barukh atah Adonai Eloheinu melekh ha-olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu l'hadlik neir shel Hanukkah.
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Praised are You Adonai our God, who rules the universe, instilling in us the holiness of mitzvot
by commanding us to light the lights of Hanukkah.

ברוך אתה ה', אלהינו מלך העולם, שעשה נסים לאבותינו, בימים ההם ובזמן הזה.	Barukh atah Adonai Eloheinu melekh ha-olam, she-asah nisim la-avoteinu, ba-yamim ha-heim u-va-z'man ha-zeh.
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Praised are you Adonai our God, who rules the universe,
accomplishing miracles for our ancestors from ancient days until our time.

On the first night only:

ברוך אתה ה', אלהינו מלך העולם, שהחיינו וקיימנו והגענו לזמן הזה.	Barukh atah Adonai Eloheinu melekh ha-olam, she-heheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higi'anu la-z'man ha-zeh.
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Praised are You Adonai our God, who rules the universe,
granting us life, sustaining us, and enabling us to reach this day.



	<p>Jan. 8 MENASHE (USA) 2017 82 minutes Set within the New York Hasidic community in Borough Park, Brooklyn, Menashe follows a kind but nebbishy grocery store clerk trying to maintain custody of his son Rieven after his wife, Lea, passes away. One of the few movies to be performed in Yiddish in nearly 70 years.</p>
	<p>Jan. 15 SAMMY DAVIS JR.: I'VE GOT TO BE ME (USA) 2018 100 minutes . Documentary This is the first major film to examine Sammy Davis Jr.'s vast talent and his journey for identity through the shifting tides of civil rights and racial progress during 20th-century America.</p>
	<p>Jan. 22 THE WOMEN'S BALCONY (Israel) 2016 96 minutes <i>Hebrew with English Subtitles</i> When the women's balcony in an Orthodox synagogue in Jerusalem collapses , leaving the rabbi's wife in a coma and the rabbi in shock , the congregation falls into crisis. Charismatic young Rabbi David appears to be a savior after the accident , but slowly starts pushing his fundamentalist ways and tries to take control.</p>
	<p>Jan. 29 THE LAST GOLDFISH (Australia) 2017 81 minutes . Documentary <i>English but some German with English Subtitles.</i> Born in Trinidad in the West Indies, Su Goldfish discovers her father is a German Jew who fled the terrors of Kristallnacht to the only place that would let him in without a visa. As she grows up, she wonders what happened to the rest of the Goldfish family. Is she really the last one?</p>
	<p>Feb. 5 THE SHELTER (Israel/Germany) 2018 93 minutes <i>Hebrew, German & Arabic w/ Eng. subtitles</i> An Israeli Mossad agent is sent to Germany to protect a Lebanese informant recovering from plastic surgery to hide her new identity. Together for two weeks in a quiet apartment in Hamburg, the relationship that develops between the two women is soon threatened by her former terrorist associates.</p>
	<p>Feb. 12 WINTER HUNT (Germany) 2017 74 minutes <i>German with English Subtitles</i> Lena, a young woman seeks to take justice into her own hands against an elderly Nazi war criminal. A stand off occurs with moral complexities and shocking revelations.</p>
	<p>Feb. 19 MONKEY BUSINESS: THE ADVENTURES OF CURIOUS GEORGE'S CREATORS (USA) 2017 81 minutes . Documentary The story of Hans and Margret Rey, the co-creators of Curious George, who fled Paris just ahead of the Nazi occupation of that city, their arrival in America and their success with a series of books about Curious George.</p>
	<p>Feb. 26 SHALOM BOLLYWOOD (Australia) 2017 76 minutes. Documentary When Indian cinema began some 100 years ago, it was frowned upon for Hindu and Muslim women to perform on screen, so Jewish women took on female lead roles and had a major impact on Indian cinema for many years.</p>
	<p>Mar. 5 THE LAST SUPPER (Germany) 2018 83 minutes <i>German with English Subtitles</i> On the day Hitler comes to power, a German/Jewish family comes together for Shabbat dinner. Most don't take the Nazis seriously while others are seeking to leave the country. One actually admits he admires the Nazis. The family is on the brink of being torn apart.</p>
	<p>Mar. 12 ITZHAK (USA/Israel) 2017 82 minutes . Documentary Itzhak Perlman personifies the resilience, the vision and ultimately the contribution of the Jewish people. The violin is the chosen instrument of Perlman, the vehicle he has used to overcome his own challenges and express himself to the world.</p>



HIGHLIGHTS



Prof. Aurel Braun - The Ever Volatile Middle East and the Russian and Iranian Stokers

Professor of International Relations and Political Science at U of T, Prof. Braun examined the impact of Iran and Russia on Israel and the Middle East. With his extensive experience, study and publication on this topic, his talk about current events was very well received.



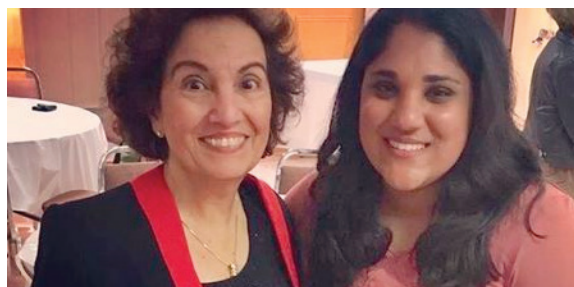
Ya'ara Saks - The Jerusalem Conundrum - A PR Journey through the Heart of Politics, Holiness and Conflict

Writer, communications specialist and political analyst, Canadian and Israeli citizen, Ya'ara has worked in politics in both countries as a consultant in advisory roles for policy, communications and project management. She has held positions for over a decade both at the Municipality of Jerusalem, at the office of the Mayor, and in Government while working with former Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert.



The Resurgence of Jewish Life and Culture in Poland

Senior Rabbi at Kehillat Shaarei Torah; in the early 2000's, Rabbi Kanofsky was Director of the Ronald S. Lauder Foundation in Poland, travelling throughout the country to learn with Jews of all ages and backgrounds. He earned a PhD in Comparative Literature at Boston University under the direction of Professor Elie Wiesel.



The Jews of India: Culture and Traditions

Ann Samson (MEd): born and raised in Bombay in an observant Jewish home, (founding member, Past President and currently) Director on the Board of Congregation BINA, is the leading spokesperson for the Indian Jewish community. She told us about the history and sociological structure of the Jewish Community in India.



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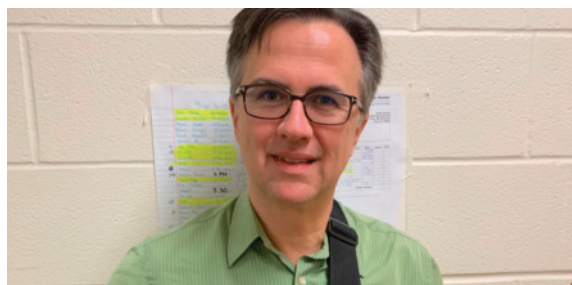
In The Name of Humanity-The Secret Deal to End the Holocaust

Holocaust historian and New York Times bestselling author, Max Wallace, presented startling new evidence that a trio of unlikely rescuers, led by a Swiss ultra-Orthodox woman, deceived the Nazis into ending the Final Solution in November, 1944, and may have saved as many as 300,000 Jews including the remaining Jews of Hungary. Max's book was described as "an impressive piece of historical scholarship" by the Canadian Jewish News.



Jewish Intellectuals and their Role in the Evolution of the University

Award-winning National Post columnist and author, Barbara Kay, discussed the evolution of the University and the contribution of Jewish intellectuals. Beginning her career as a book reviewer, teacher at university and CEGEPs, Barbara has been a weekly columnist at the National Post for more than 15 years.



The Story of Richard Rodgers

Mike Daley teaches popular music history at York University and has published several articles and book chapters. In this presentation, he told about the award-winning Broadway musical composer, Richard Rodgers (Sound of Music, etc.), and performed several of the songs with voice and guitar.



Dr. Josh: My Journey as a Jewish Olympic Athlete

Two-time world Olympian, Canadian Beach Volleyball player (2012 and 2016 Olympics), Dr. Josh also competed for Canada at the 2015 Pan Am Games, and in Israel in the 2009, 2013 and 2017 Maccabiah Games. While earning his degree from the Canadian Chiropractic College, he continued to train and compete professionally.

BT Women 2nd Annual Nosh & Drash



BT Women presented its 2nd Annual Nosh & Drash this past Fall, on Thursday, September 27, as it kicked off the year with Brunch in the Sukkah.

Guest speaker this year was educator Karen Goodis, who spoke on the importance of inviting people to the Sukkah. Everyone was welcome to attend and donations of non-perishable food items for the Kosher Food Bank were given as part of this program.

(picture to the right is Karen Goodis)



Scarf making with the Pomegranate Guild & BT Women



An incredible time was had by all who attended on Tuesday, October 30! Everyone who attended got the chance to create a silk scarf. We learned a lot from the Pomegranate Guild, who joined Beth Tikvah Women for a wonderful night of creativity and friendship. Thanks to all who joined us and sent photographs of their completed projects.



An Interfaith Fall Fair



On Sunday, October 21, 2018, people from Beth Tikvah Synagogue, Congregation Darchei Noam and the Islamic Foundation of Toronto (IFT) gathered to enjoy an Interfaith Fall Fair. Hosted at the IFT, it was a wonderful afternoon filled with learning and sharing across our communities. Attendees commented on how much they enjoyed the opportunity to visit the mosque, observe services and enjoy the warmth and welcome of the IFT community. We greatly value these opportunities to come together in peace, to learn about what we share in common and to strengthen the bridges between our congregations. A HUGE Todah Rabbah to our docents Michael Bernstein, Helen Daniels, Barbara Levitt and Jaden Szigetti, who manned Beth Tikvah's three booths that covered Rosh Hashannah, Yom Kippur and Sukkot.



Synagogue-wide Hallah Bake with Carmela Grover



What an amazing time was had by all who attended on Thursday, October 25! Everyone got a great upper-body work-out mixing and kneading the dough by hand. We learned a lot from Carmela who shared her amazing wisdom and spirituality with the group. Sigal was on hand to guide the group through the step-by-step process. Everyone left with incredible hallot ready for the oven or freezer to be shared with family and friends, gathered around the Shabbat table. Thanks to all who joined us and sent photographs of their completed projects.



A Common Thread: Four Generations Speak Out



On Sunday, November 4, Beth Tikvah hosted its annual Holocaust Education Week program, with guest speaker, Emily Wanderer Cohen. Emily moderated a panel of survivors who discussed intergenerational trauma and the continuing psychological and physical effects of the Holocaust that have been passed down from generation to generation. The evening was generously sponsored by our members, Gayle & Alf Kwinter & Family and attended by close to 300 guests. Panelists included Andre Stein (Holocaust survivor), Paula Goldhar (Holocaust survivor), Michael Wagner (2G), Varda Springer-Kline (2G), and Carly Lerner (3G). They each spoke passionately about their shared and divergent experiences, transmitted trauma, inherited resilience, and the responsibilities of their direct connection to the Holocaust.

BT Connects



חסד

Ruth Goldberg Kosher Food Drive

The Ruth Goldberg Kosher Food Drive from Beth Tikvah to assist The Pride of Israel Kosher Food Bank, was established many years ago when a few of our members discovered there were many Jewish families who needed "our help." That need has grown to 175 families who rely on the generosity of time and non perishable goods provided by the Pride of Israel Kosher Food Bank.

It is very evident if you drive by the front door on Wednesday mornings and see the people lined up to receive their parcels. It is quite a sight.

Twice a year, in spring and fall, volunteers make phone calls to ask for donations of non-perishable kosher goods or a monetary donation from our congregants. Volunteer drivers pick up the donations and bring them to the Pride of Israel where more volunteers sort the donations into boxes.

Since our membership is large, congregants are called for donations just once a year. If you are called in the spring, you might not be called in the Fall. However, at any time, if you would like to make a donation of goods or a cheque, please contact the Synagogue office at **416 221-2433**.

Pride of Israel announced recently that they might have to close shop due to financial difficulties. Since the article in the Canadian Jewish News others have stepped up to help. But Pride of Israel still needs our help and has often thanked us for our generosity. They say "we are the model" for continuous support to their efforts.

YASHER KOACH TO OUR CONGREGANTS

Dear Beth Tikvah,

During my tenure here at the Pride, I have been privileged to write numerous thank you notes to all of the folks at Beth Tikvah who contribute so strongly to our kosher food bank. I look forward to seeing them at the annual food drive. The contributions have always been abundant and useful.

I have received the donation from your Synagogue. Yet again, the good people of Beth Tikvah have come through for us and for the community. On behalf of the Pride of Israel, I want to thank you for this amazing contribution.

Kol tuv.

Rabbi Sean Gorman

Thank You

MOTHER HUBBARD'S CUPBOARD

Located in the hallway next to the Coat Check.

We would love to see this cupboard always filled with donations of non-perishable Kosher items for the Pride of Israel Food Bank.

We would love to see this cupboard always filled with new or unused cosmetics for National Council of Jewish Women for a Jewish Women's Shelter. **We would love to see** this cupboard always filled with used eye glasses and their cases which are taken to the Superstore at Steeles & Dufferin. They are sent to a Third-World country.

Do you have milk bags? **We would love to see** them filling the cupboard as well. They are taken to Sobey's for Haiti. That poor country still needs our help. At least once a week the cupboard is checked, donations are removed, and taken to various recipients.

Please keep us busy emptying the cupboard!

Beth Tikvah WOMEN



As we think about our future, should we not wonder what our LEGACY will be? Will we leave the world in a better place than we found it? Will we give the next generation the tools to handle inevitable change? Will we provide the next generation good values to live by? Will we cultivate truly fine Jewish leaders? Will we build institutions that deepen the authentic Jewish experience of our people? The TORAH FUND Campaign of Women's League of Conservative Judaism directly affects every one of these issues.

If you were not aware already, Women's League for Conservative Judaism (WLCJ) is the umbrella organization of all Conservative sisterhoods in North America and Beth Tikvah Women has been a member since 1964. Women's Leagues' dedicated Tzedakah is called "Torah Fund". Monies raised by its annual campaign provide support to our Conservative/Masorti students and the FIVE institutions where they study – in New York at the Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS); in Los Angeles at the Ziegler School of Jewish Studies; in Buenos Aires, Argentina at the Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano; and in Potsdam, Germany at the Zacharias Frankel College.

By giving to Torah Fund, we leave a LEGACY that will allow these seminaries to continue to educate Rabbis who offer wisdom and leadership; Hazzanim who enhance the beauty of our prayers; educators who transmit the richness of our heritage to our children and grandchildren; professors of Jewish studies at our children's universities; professionals with deep Jewish knowledge who serve the community; and lay leaders who are informed, educated and committed Jews.

When the JTS in New York, Ziegler on the West coast and even the Seminario Rabinico in Argentina educate clergy who serve in North America, they can have a profound effect on the direction of their synagogue communities, on local Jewish agencies on whose boards they sit; they can affect battles against local expressions of anti-Semitism or anti-Zionism. More positively they can have a great impact on day schools, congregational schools, on hospitals, nursing homes – indeed every door through which they walk can be an

opening to a positive impact in their community.

You may not know that a substantial minority of alumni, across our seminaries, do not enter the pulpit at all. Some serve as educators in universities, day schools, summer camps or as Hillel directors. In these roles, their impact on thousands of young people's lives is incalculable. What a great use of your LEGACY to support the person that so many people turn to, when wisdom and strength are needed in a crisis or when wisdom and sound advice are needed in good times.

Another essential skill being taught in our seminaries is through their Clinical Pastoral Education Program. Rabbis and cantors used to be required to take 40 hours but this has now been increased to 400 hours of CPE, where they learn how to speak with those who are ill, suffering or in the process of dying, as well as with their loved ones.

What a LEGACY it would be to have your Torah Fund donation support the education of a rabbi or hazzan who can provide the spiritual support needed in so many of life's challenges.

The Torah Fund mission is to give every person the opportunity to participate in preserving, promoting and perpetuating Conservative/Masorti Jewish education through active giving in support of our seminaries. Your donation, at whatever level you choose, makes an impact. If you donate at the Benefactor level, \$180 or above, you will receive the beautiful 5779 Torah Fund Pin as a gift.

Please contact Beth Tikvah Women's Torah Fund Chair, Fran Caine - 905.881.4830 - to make your Torah Fund contribution.

Your LEGACY impacts positively on our Jewish World – its present and its future. Together with your generosity, we can truly say "Am Yisrael Chai."



Thursday Nov. 29th, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. – Shmaltzando Part II – Our original Shmaltzando was in 2015. It's time for a reprise. Cantors Tibi Kovari and Charles Osborne will join forces once again to entertain us in song and kibbitzing. They will be joined by Shir Harmony Choir directed by Susan Michaels and the Beth Tikvah Choir directed by Alexander Veprinskiy. This promises to be a pre-Hanukkah evening of fun for all.

\$15 with advance reservation through the synagogue office (416) 221-3433 or \$20 at the door.

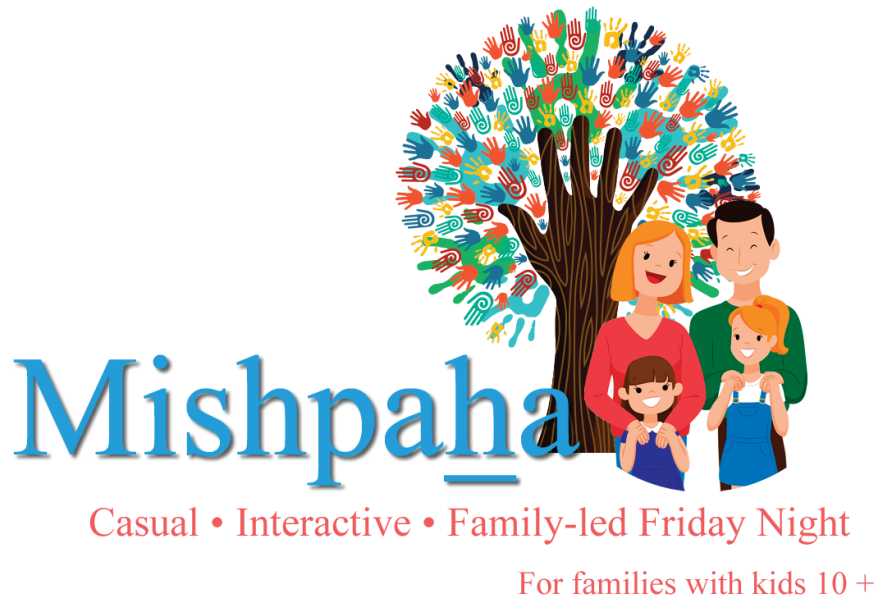
Saturday Jan. 19th, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. – Passport to Canada – Shabbat Shira. We're featuring a cast of very talented musicians who have immigrated to Canada and enriched our musical landscape. Join us for Havdalah followed by song and instrumentals with the international flare of the presenters.

\$15 with advance reservation through the synagogue office (416) 221-3433 or \$20 at the door.

Friday April 12th – Sunday April 14th, 2019 – Musical Scholar-in-Residence Weekend with Binyumen Schaechter. After our delightful introduction to this talented Yiddish scholar at our Gala Concert last year, Binyumen is returning for a different kind of Yiddish experience.

Details are being finalized at this time, but one confirmed component is Sunday afternoon with a sing-a-long with Friends of Yiddish to end the weekend joyously.

Watch Beth Tikvah's website, Ma Nishma and social media for further details.



YOUTH & YOUNG FAMILIES

Join us for this new program:

MISHPAHA

Join us for this new exciting, family oriented program: **Mishpaha!** No knowledge of customs is required, and we encourage you to come in comfortable clothing, and be relaxed. Let's bring Shabbat in together! Help us lead an interactive, family-friendly Kabbalat Shabbat service, followed by a Friday night dinner. For extended families with kids 10 +.

Our first Mishpaha Friday Night Dinner will be on **February 22 at 6:00 PM, beginning in the Kulanu Room. Our guest speaker will be three-time Sledge Hockey Paralympic Champion, Paul Rosen.**

Paul Rosen's childhood dream mirrored the fantasy of virtually every young boy growing up in Canada: to play in the National Hockey League. Skating hard in a hockey tournament in 1975, Paul's skate caught a rut causing his leg to jam, breaking his leg in 14 places. Paul's leg was shattered, as well as his hopes of playing professional hockey. Paul didn't give up, however, and began playing sledge hockey. He has participated in both the Summer and Winter Paralympic games, and is a three-time Gold medalist in sledge Hockey.



Price: Household of 4: \$72, Each additional person \$20

Contact the synagogue office 416-221-3433 or register online by February 14

For more information contact Sigal at sigal@bethtikvahtoronto.org

Beth Tikvah Winter Programs (more to come)

January 2019

January 10- April 18 (inclusive): Gym:
Floor Hockey. 8:30 – 10 pm

January 19: Assembly Hall: 6/7pm: Ruah
Shabbat Tu B'Shevat Havdalah Program:
Assembly Hall. Cost \$5/person.
Registration deadline: January 14

February 2019

February 2: Night On The Town #2:
Curling Night (Off-site)

February 8-9: Middle School Shabbaton
Details to follow.

February 10: Family Volunteer Day
Details to follow.

February 22: Mishpaha Friday Night
Dinner.

March 2019

March 1-2: Organ Donation Shabbat with
Rabbi Reuven Bulka

March 3: Family Volunteer Day (#2)

March 20: Morning Megillah Reading at
6:45 AM

March 20: Evening Megillah Reading at
7:00 PM

March 20: Sprouts Purim Carnival at
5:30 PM

March 24: Heading Home Movie Night
Details below.

March 30: Night on the Town #3
Details to follow.



A stirring story of sports, patriotism and personal growth, *Heading Home* charts the underdog journey of Israel's national baseball team competing for the first time in the World Baseball Classic. After years of defeat, Team Israel is finally ranked among the world's best in 2017, eligible to compete in the prestigious international tournament. Their line-up included several Jewish American Major League players—Ike Davis, Josh Zeid and ex-Braves catcher Ryan Lavarnway—most with a tenuous relationship to Judaism, let alone having ever set foot in Israel. Their odyssey takes them from Tel Aviv and Jerusalem where they are greeted as heroes, to Seoul where they must debunk their has-been, wannabe reputations.

Book Club

Our next Beth Tikvah book club will be on December 10, at 1:30 PM. We will review the book "The Children Act - a novel" written by Ian McEwan. Violette Cohen has graciously offered to review this book.

The Joy of Leadership: By Mona Brown, Chair of the Adult Education Committee

There are no books that describe the ways that being a leader can bring you joy - but the satisfaction to be gained by knowing that your leadership can make a difference to your synagogue and your community brings not only joy but a great feeling of fulfillment.

We are blessed in many ways, and we have a responsibility to "give back." Good leaders are in a position to do just that, and to know themselves and their community better, gain insights, develop sensitivity towards others, and to lead by example. What better achievement can there be than sharing your knowledge and skills with your peers, and being an example for your children? Being good at what you do, and sharing it with others is a wonderful thing...and it might even bring you joy!

If you are interested in becoming a leader, please email the office at adminoffice@bethtikvahtoronto.org





THOUGHTS, MITZVOT, AND TIMES FOR PURIM AT BETH TIKVAH

ADAPTED BY RABBI GROVER



“There is one nation scattered and separated among the nations whose customs and actions are different, and they are not worthy of your tolerance.”

—Megillat Esther 3:8

Haman tries to convince Ahashverosh, the King of Persia, that this *different* nation should not be tolerated. Haman succeeds in winning over the heart of the king and were it not for the change of events, his plan would have been actualized. Our sages teach us that within each of us there resides an aspect of Haman, of evil, which whispers to us that the one who is different should not be tolerated. The mitzvot of Purim are aimed at deconstructing these perceived differences and silencing that whisper.

Both men and women are obligated to observe four unique *Mitzvot* on Purim.

- 1) Megillah- Hearing the reading of the Megillah enables us to re-live the story recounting its messages. Men, women, and children are obligated to hear the Megillah twice; once at night and once during the day. One must hear every word of the Megillah read from a “kosher” parchment. Here at Beth Tikvah we will read the Megillah during the course of services: Wednesday night, March 20th and Purim day, Thursday morning March 21st. Details of timing will be announced closer to Purim.
- 2) Matanot L'Evyonim- Gifts to the poor, reminds us that *our* possessions are in truth not fully ours. One has a responsibility to find two poor people and provide each, at the minimum, enough money for a meal. In addition to this *halakhah*, on Purim one should give to anyone who asks for a donation. The total giving should ideally be equivalent to or surpass the amount that one spends on his/her own Purim Meal. Money collected by Beth Tikvah this year will be used to help feed the needy in Toronto's Jewish community.
- 3) Mishloah Manot – Gifts of food to one another allows us to reach out to share our celebration of the day, and to increase love and friendship with others in the community. There is a custom to send Mishloah Manot to those who one has had particularly strained relations with over the past year. One is obligated to send two kinds of ready to eat foods to a fellow Jew to enhance their Purim meal. We do not send Mishloah Manot to those who are in mourning.
- 4) Seudat Purim - Celebratory Purim Meal. From a minimalist perspective, one is obligated to have a meal with bread; however ideally the meal should be a joyous festive meal, with meat (for those who eat it), and wine in an effort to help us blur distinctions that we often hold fast to. When one drinks wine he/she easily learns that what distinguishes him/her from a babbling fool is often only a few ounces of a chemical.

With the exception of Megillah, which is read also at night, all of the mitzvot should only be performed during the day of Purim.

In addition, the Fast of Esther begins Wednesday morning March 20th at 5:55 a.m. and ends at 8:01 p.m. The only restriction of the fast is eating and drinking. One may bathe, shave and enjoy live entertainment as usual. However, as with all fasts, it should be used as an opportunity for introspection and personal growth. Our sages have taught that only one who experiences the fast of Esther can truly celebrate on Purim.



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Join us this Holiday: PURIM

March 20, 2019

Evening Megillah reading at 7:00 PM

March 21, 2019

Morning Megillah reading at 6:45 AM

Please note: More details will follow, closer to the date. Please check our website, Ma Nishma, and social media for updates. Thank you.



Join the combined sprouts carnival and megillah reading, with Rabbi Sachs in the Assembly Hall/Lower Foyer this Purim, and dress up in your favourite costume! Learning, fun, games, food and much more!

March 20 at 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM



Monday Morning Learning with Rabbi Grover



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Join us this Winter:

KONTEMPORARY KOHANIM

An introduction and source-based exploration to the role of the kohen in Biblical and modern Judaism. Is the Kohen a relevant figure in the modern period, and how does gender complicate the discussion?

Monday Mornings at 9:45 AM

Part One - Feb 4 and Feb 11

Part Two - Feb 25 and March 4

Join us this Spring:

SHABBOS GOY

One of the overarching questions behind Shabbat is just how comprehensive its effect on the world is meant to be. We are accustomed to thinking of Shabbat as a specifically Jewish practice, but the Torah may have other ideas. Sources, history and insight on the role of Shabbos Goy.

Monday Mornings at 9:45 AM

April 29, May 13, and May 27

Mazal Tov to:



BIRTHS

Devon & Robert McCleave on the birth of their son, Declan Williams McCleave. Grandparents are Anne and Michael McCleave and Kim and Peter Scaiff.

Kimberly & Jason Saxe on the birth of Zachary Edward Saxe. Grandparents are Brian & Marilyn Saxe and Sandra & Kenneth McAllister

Adina Weinerman & Jonathan Chetner on the birth of their daughter, Rayna Gertrude Chetner. Grandparents are Bob & Donna Weinerman, and Eileen Wunch.

Natalie & Andrew Suess, on the birth of their daughter, Chloe Renee Suess.

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Kyle Goldenberg on becoming a Bar Mitzvah. Parents are Heather and Bram Goldenberg. Grandparents are Shirley & Louis Greenbaum, and Nancy & Gerald Goldenberg.

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Devin McCulloch on becoming a Bar Mitzvah. Parent is Michelle McCulloch. Grandparents are Fiona & Bob Kroll.

ENGAGEMENTS & MARRIAGES

Kim Edwards & Robbie Agar on their Marriage. Parents are Daniel & Hilary Edwards, and Sue Pearl-Agar & Ed Agar. Grandmother is Lillian Pearl.

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Kathryn Balter & Rob Levesque on their Marriage. Parents are Anita & Meyer Balter, and Jan & Terry Levesque.

Carly Teperman & Josh Raxlen on their Aufruf. Parents are Lynne & Peter Raxlen, and Wendy & Stuart Teperman.

(Listings are by date occurrence)

MAZEL TOV!

Beth Tikvah Weddings

Weddings to suit every couple!



Beth Tikvah

BAR & BAT
MITZVAHS

Celebrations to suit every family!

Please call our Event Coordinator, Gayle Kertzman, at 416-221-3433
or gayle@bethtikvahtoronto.org



We extend Condolences to the following:



Dr. Morris Pearlman, on the passing of his wife, Rose Pearlman^{z"l}.

Maurice Moss and Karen Garmaise, on the passing of their brother and brother-in-law, Jonathan Moss^{z"l}.

Shirley and Gary Greenbaum, on the passing of their sister and sister-in-law, Gloria Izraelski^{z"l}.

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The family of our member, Moses Weingarten^{z"l}.

Perry Chasson, on the passing of his wife Gail Chasson^{z"l}.

Annette Needleman, on the passing of her husband, Julius Needleman^{z"l}.

To the family of our member, Jack Kuretzky^{z"l}.

Ralph & Ruth Anne Cohen, on the passing of their sister and sister-in-law, Sarah Mayo^{z"l}.

Susan and Ron Flam, on the passing of their father and father-in-law, Harry Fish^{z"l}.

Dinah and Howard Kutner, on the passing of their mother and mother-in-law, Ida Reich^{z"l}.

To the family of our member, Nathan Kaiman^{z"l}.

Bernard Cooper, on the passing of his wife, Margaret Cooper^{z"l}.

Fiona & Clive Cohen, on the passing of their mother and mother-in-law, Rebecca Hurwitz^{z"l}.

The family of our member, Elizabeth Silverberg^{z"l}.

Michelle & Eric Cohen, on the passing of their mother and mother-in-law, Rhoda Cohen^{z"l}.

(Listings are by date occurrence)

Bereavement Support Group: This support group is for BethTikvah members who have suffered the loss of a loved one, and are looking to gain strength as they pass through the stages of mourning. These sessions are free of charge and for members only, but pre-registration is required in advance. Next session starts on Sunday, January 6, from 10:00 – 11:00 AM. For more information, or to register, call the office at 416-221-3433.

הַמָּקוֹם יִנַּחֵם אֶתְכֶם
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Hamakôm ye'nachem et'chem
be'toch she'ar evlei Tsiyon ve'Yerushalâyim.

May G-d comfort you among all
the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

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OUR 18-19 UJA SHINSHINIM!



OMRI AHARONSON

Yael JERASSY-ETZION



Seems like only yesterday that we were introducing our 2018-2019 UJA ShinShinim Omri Aharonson & Yael Jerassy Etzion to our Beth Tikvah community. Time flew by as we began to get to know these amazing young people, listened to poignant Divrei Israel delivered from the Bima, cooked and learned together in Golda's Kitchen and enjoyed moving discussions at Café ShinShinim. In just a few short weeks, Omri & Yael will be returning home to Israel for a well deserved Hanukkah break.

BUT THEY'VE GOT MORE PLANNED IN 2019!



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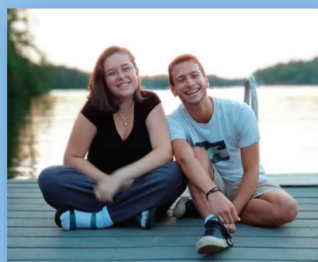


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
**CAFE
SHINSHINIM**

Post Kiddush
Discussion Sessions

YOUTH PROGRAMS, YOUNG FAMILY PROGRAMS,
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THE GREAT SHINSHINIM DEBATE
AND MUCH MORE!



Thank You

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MORNING SERVICES Monday to Friday Sunday Rosh <u>Hodesh</u> Sunday Rosh <u>Hodesh</u> EVENING SERVICES Monday to Thursday Sunday Please consult with the BT website or Ma Nishma for Shabbat and Holiday times		7:15 am 9:00 am 7:00 am 8:30 am 7:00 pm Sukkot–Pesah 7:30 pm Pesah–Sukkot Varies according to the Calendar				1 23 Kislev PARASHAT VAYESHEV SHABBAT ENDS 5:29 PM
2 24 Kislev 	3 25 Kislev  Pl Plus Library at 10 AM Hanukkah Party at 7 PM HANUKKAH: CANDLE 1	4 26 Kislev  Monday morning learning with Rabbi Grover at 9:45AM HANUKKAH: CANDLE 2	5 27 Kislev  Conservative approaches to Jewish Law at 7:30 PM HANUKKAH: CANDLE 4	6 28 Kislev  Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM HANUKKAH: CANDLE 5	7 29 Kislev  Ruah Shabbat at 6:30 PM HANUKKAH: CANDLE 6 LIGHT CANDLES 4:23 PM	8 30 Kislev  Camp Shabbat at 9:30 AM HANUKKAH: CANDLE 7 PARASHAT MIKETS SHABBAT ENDS 5:28 PM
9 1 Tvet  Tot's Hanukkah at 10AM ROSH <u>HODESH</u> HANUKKAH: CANDLE 8	10 2 Tvet Monday morning learning with Rabbi Grover at 9:45AM BTW Book Club at 1:30 PM ROSH <u>HODESH</u>	11 3 Tvet HANUKKAH: CANDLE 3	12 4 Tvet Conservative approaches to Jewish Law at 7:30 PM	13 5 Tvet Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	14 6 Tvet LIGHT CANDLES 4:23 PM	15 7 Tvet Golda's Kitchen at 7 PM (At Beth Emeth) PARASHAT VAYIGASH SHABBAT ENDS 5:29 PM
16 8 Tvet	17 9 Tvet	18 10 Tvet	19 11 Tvet	20 12 Tvet	21 13 Tvet LIGHT CANDLES 4:23 PM	22 14 Tvet
Raising the Bar: Dvar Torah Think Tank at 2 PM		Board of Governor's Meeting at 7:30 PM FAST OF TEVET		Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	LIGHT CANDLES 4:26 PM	PARASHAT VAYHI SHABBAT ENDS 5:32 PM
23 15 Tvet	24 16 Tvet	25 17 Tvet	26 18 Tvet	27 19 Tvet	28 20 Tvet	29 21 Tvet
30 22 Tvet	31 23 Tvet	OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED		LIGHT CANDLES 4:30 PM	PARASHAT SHEMOT SHABBAT ENDS 5:37 PM

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		124 Tevet	225 Tevet	326 Tevet	427 Tevet	528 Tevet
		OFFICE CLOSED NEW YEAR'S DAY			LIGHT CANDLES 4:36 PM	PARASHAT VAERA SHABBAT ENDS 5:43 PM
629 Tevet	71 Shevat	82 Shevat	93 Shevat	104 Shevat	115 Shevat	126 Shevat
	ROSH HODESH	Tuesdays with Larry at 1:30 PM		Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	LIGHT CANDLES 4:43 PM	Scholar in-Residence PARASHAT BO SHABBAT ENDS 5:50 PM
137 Shevat	148 Shevat	159 Shevat	1610 Shevat	1711 Shevat	1812 Shevat	1913 Shevat
PJ Plus Library at 10 AM		Tuesdays with Larry at 1:30 PM		Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	LIGHT CANDLES 4:52 PM	Ruah Shabbat at 6:30 PM Passport to Canada at 7:30 PM SHABBAT SHIRA with BT Choir PARASHAT BESHALLAH SHABBAT ENDS 5:57 PM
2014 Shevat	2115 Shevat	2216 Shevat	2317 Shevat	2418 Shevat	2519 Shevat	2620 Shevat
		Tuesdays with Larry at 1:30 PM		Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	LIGHT CANDLES 5:01 PM	PARASHAT YITRO SHABBAT ENDS 6:06 PM
PJ Plus Library at 10 AM	TU BISHVAT	Board of Governor's Meeting at 7:30 PM				
2721 Shevat	2822 Shevat	2923 Shevat	3024 Shevat	3125 Shevat	<div>MORNING SERVICES</div> <div>Monday to Friday</div> <div>Sunday</div> <div>Rosh Hodesh</div> <div>Sunday Rosh Hodesh</div> <div>Monday to Thursday</div> <div>EVENING SERVICES</div> <div>Sunday</div> <div>7:15 am</div> <div>9:00 am</div> <div>7:00 am</div> <div>8:30 am</div> <div>7:00 pm Sukkot-Pesah</div> <div>7:30 pm Pesah-Sukkot</div> <div>Varies according to the Calendar</div> <div>Please consult with the BT website or Ma Nishma for Shabbat and Holiday times</div>	
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					1 26 Shevat	2 27 Shevat Night on the Town: Curling at 8:30 PM (Off-site) PARASHAT MISHPATIM SHABBAT ENDS 6:15 PM
3 28 Shevat PJ Plus Library at 10 AM	4 29 Shevat Monday morning learning with Rabbi Grover at 9:45AM	5 30 Shevat ROSH HODESH Tuesdays with Larry at 1:30 PM	6 1 Adar I ROSH HODESH	7 2 Adar I Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	8 3 Adar I LIGHT CANDLES 5:20 PM	9 4 Adar I PARASHAT TERUMAH SHABBAT ENDS 6:23 PM
10 5 Adar I PJ Plus Library at 10 AM	11 6 Adar I Monday morning learning with Rabbi Grover at 9:45AM	12 7 Adar I Tuesdays with Larry at 1:30 PM	13 8 Adar I	14 9 Adar I Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	15 10 Adar I LIGHT CANDLES 5:29 PM	16 11 Adar I BT Choir Singing PARASHAT TETSATVEH SHABBAT ENDS 6:32 PM
17 12 Adar I Raising the Bar: Divisons Haydalah Set Making at 2 PM	18 13 Adar I Monday morning learning with Rabbi Grover at 9:45AM	19 14 Adar I Tuesdays with Larry at 1:30 PM	20 15 Adar I	21 16 Adar I Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	22 17 Adar I LIGHT CANDLES 5:39 PM	23 18 Adar I BT Choir Singing PARASHAT KI TISSA SHABBAT ENDS 6:41 PM
24 19 Adar I	25 20 Adar I OFFICE CLOSED FAMILY DAY	26 21 Adar I Tuesdays with Larry at 1:30 PM	27 22 Adar I	28 23 Adar I Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	MISHPATIM Family Shabbat at 6 PM LIGHT CANDLES 5:39 PM	
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3 26 Adar I	4 27 Adar I	5 28 Adar I	6 29 Adar I	7 30 Adar I	8 1 Adar II	9 2 Adar II
PJ Plus Library at 10 AM	Monday morning learning with Rabbi Grover at 9:45AM	Tuesdays with Larry at 1:30 PM		ROSH HODESH Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	ROSH HODESH LIGHT CANDLES 5:57 PM	PARASHAT PEKUDEY SHABBAT ENDS 6:58 PM
10 3 Adar II	11 4 Adar II	12 5 Adar II	13 6 Adar II	14 7 Adar II	15 8 Adar II	16 9 Adar II
		Tuesdays with Larry at 1:30 PM		Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	LIGHT CANDLES 7:05 PM	BT Choir Singing PARASHAT VAYIKRA SHABBAT ZACHOR SHABBAT ENDS 8:07 PM
17 10 Adar II	18 11 Adar II	19 12 Adar II	20 13 Adar II Sprouts Purim Carnival at 5:30 PM Purim at BT FAST OF ESTHER	21 14 Adar II PURIM Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	22 15 Adar II SHUSHAN PURIM LIGHT CANDLES 7:14 PM	23 16 Adar II PARASHAT TSAV SHABBAT ENDS 8:16 PM
24 17 Adar II 'Heading Home' Dinner & Movie Night at 5:30 PM	25 18 Adar II	26 19 Adar II	27 20 Adar II	28 21 Adar II	29 22 Adar II	30 23 Adar II
31 24 Adar II		Board of Governor's Meeting at 7:30 PM		Floor Hockey at 8:30 PM	Rush Shabbat at 6:30 PM LIGHT CANDLES 7:22 PM	PARASHAT SHEMINI SHABBAT PARAH SHABBAT ENDS 8:25 PM

NIGHT ON THE TOWN: CURLING

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