

Ma Nishma

מה נשמע

APRIL 22-23, 2022 / 5782, 21-22 ניסן

YOM TOV PESAH & SHABBAT
HAG PESAH SAMEAH!



PASSOVER SERVICE SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 21

Zoom Shahrut for Hol Hamoed 8:00 AM
Mincha for Hol Hamoed & Ma'ariv for the seventh night of Passover . 6:30 PM
Eruv Tavshilin
Candlelighting..... 7:50 PM

Friday, April 22

Shahrut for seventh day of Passover..... 9:00 AM
Mincha for seventh day of Passover
& Ma'ariv for the eighth night of Passover 6:15 PM
Candlelighting..... 7:51 PM

Shabbat, April 23

Shahrut for Shabbat
& the eighth day of Passover (**Yizkor recited**) 8:45 AM
Mincha for Shabbat & the eighth day of Passover,
Ma'ariv & Havdalah 7:45 PM
Havdalah 8:57 PM

TORAH READINGS

FRIDAY, APRIL 22nd PESAH: SEVENTH DAY

Torah

Exodus 13:17 - 15:26 שמות
Etz Hayim pg. 399

Haftarah

2 Samuel 22:1 - 51 שמואל ב'
Etz Hayim pg. 1311

SHABBAT, APRIL 23rd PESAH: EIGHT DAY

Torah

Deuteronomy 14:22 - 16:17 דברים
Etz Hayim pg. 1074

Haftarah

Isaiah 10:32 - 12:6 ישעיהו
Etz Hayim pg. 1316

Mazal Tov to:

Melanie Steinberg & Zachary Potashner in honour of their Aufruf on Thursday. Parents are **Melissa & Wayne Potashner** and **Isla & David Steinberg**. Grandparents are **Sheila Ocopnick** and **Shirley & Bert Potashner**.

Ilana Naiman & David Ferreira in honour of their Aufruf on Friday. Parents are **Ruth Weintrop & Elli Naiman** and **Natalia & Ernesto Ferreira**. Grandmother is **Doris Hall**.

Friday, Passover Kiddush is co-sponsored by:

The **Ferreira & Naiman Families** in honour of the Aufruf and upcoming marriage.

SHABBAT MUSINGS: Counting the Omer-Don't Miss Your Chance

Beginning the second night of Pesah we take part in the ritual of counting the Omer. For 49 days from Pesah to Shavuot, from the holiday of Freedom to the celebration of receiving the Torah, we count each night.

The rules are fairly simple, after sunset we say a blessing and then count, "Today is the ____ day of the Omer." As time goes on, we count the weeks too, "Today is ____ days, which is ____ week(s) and ____ days of the omer." But the question gets more complicated if one forgets to count at night.

While there is a debate among the early rabbinic sources, the widely accepted practice today is that one can still count, though without a blessing, if they remember during the following day. The following night they would resume counting with a blessing as normal. However, if one misses a day entirely, the practice is to continue counting but without a blessing for the rest of the Omer.

Though there is a strong precedent to continue to use a blessing even if one forgets an entire day, there is also a valuable lesson in the accepted practice. Sometimes you miss your chance.

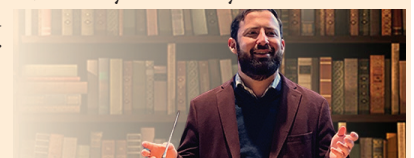
Judaism teaches us again and again, that we can do *teshuvah*, that we can change and grow. If we make a mistake and truly repent, we can wipe the slate clean. Yet the Omer reminds us, that sometimes a fresh start doesn't mean a do-over.

As a child in Elementary school I remember that during handball if you messed up on the very first shot, you could yell "Do-Over", and get another try. While there are times in life we really do get a second chance, the Omer reminds us, that sometimes you don't.

Our tradition teaches that we can always continue to grow and be better, but sometimes you can't change what has happened. Sometimes when you miss an opportunity, it's gone forever. It doesn't mean there won't be other opportunities in the future, just that this one is no longer an option.

In the words of the Psalmist, "Today is the day the Lord has made, rejoice and be glad in it." Or said another way, "It's now or never."

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PROGRAMMING AT BT

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Restorative Yoga and Meditation Therapy

with Orli Ziv

Spring Session

To register, please contact Gayle:
gayle@bethtikvahtoronto.org



Register on the Beth Tikvah website

Please note, drop-off children's programming will only take place on Shabbat, April 16th and April 23rd. On other days of Yom Tov there will be a play space made available, but parents will be responsible for their own child's supervision.



Monday, April 25th, at 1:30 PM

Location: G. Ross Lord Park

See the Beth Tikvah website for map and details.

Contact Merle Goldman with questions: 416-722-2151



Beth Tikvah Synagogue presents

Townhall #8 MEETING

SAVE THE DATE: MAY 3 @ 8:15 PM

UPCOMING PROGRAMS



COMMEMORATION OF THE HOLOCAUST
APRIL 27, 2022 / 6:30 PM EDT
EARL BALES PARK, TORONTO
IN PERSON / LIVE STREAM

Join us for an in-person, community-wide Yom HaShoah commemoration. This special event will bring together our entire community to remember the victims of the Shoah, honour the survivors, and reaffirm our commitment to preserving the memories and lessons of the Holocaust.

The program will feature the Toronto Jewish Chorus, survivor testimony, a candle-lighting service, a moving tribute to Toronto-based Holocaust survivors we have lost throughout this past year, remarks from Canadian officials, dignitaries, and community leaders and more!

A virtual streaming option will be available for those who wish to participate online.

REGISTER & LEARN MORE

HOLOCAUSTCENTRE.COM/YOM-HASHOAH-2022

LEARNING WITH BRACHA FEDER



TOWARDS SHAVUOT:
ENCOUNTERING GOD ON MOUNT SINAI
and in the FIELD, Then and NOW

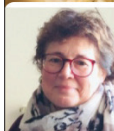
WEDNESDAYS @ 1PM:

MAY 11
CELEBRATING THE HARVEST,
THE REVELATION AND THE COVENANT

MAY 18
DIVINE LAWS: INTENTIONS AND CHALLENGES
PART ONE

MAY 25
DIVINE LAWS: INTENTIONS AND CHALLENGES
PART TWO

JUNE 1
THE TORAH and MEGILLAT RUTH:
FIXED FRAMEWORK OR AUTONOMY?



Bracha Feder has shared her passion for learning and teaching with teens, adults and teachers for years. She holds an M.A. in Jewish Thought and Education from the Hebrew University. She was Instructor of Ethics in Jewish Living for the Florence Melton Adult Mini School of the Hebrew University in Toronto for 12 years.

Reminder: no classes
April 27 and May 4

REGISTER TODAY

PROGRAMMING AT BT

LUNCH & LEARN



A new virtual lunch & learn series of 6 sessions begins April 26th

Eat your lunch in a private virtual room with friends, and then re-join the full group at 12:30 PM for an hour lecture!

Advance RSVP required.

PRICE:

6 Pack: \$36

3 Pack: \$18

ON DEMAND: \$30

Watch each lecture at your own leisure!

By reservation only: 416-221-3433 or renee@bethtikvahtoronto.org



Was Alexander Hamilton Jewish?

The life of Alexander Hamilton has captivated theater audiences the world over. But for all the attention thrust on this founding father, a key facet of his upbringing has escaped notice for centuries: he was probably a Jew. Join Professor Porwancher as he shares fresh evidence of Hamilton's Jewish identity and explores Hamilton's alliance with Jewry at the dawn of the American republic.

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X Troop: The Secret Jewish Commandos of World War II

In June 1942, Winston Churchill and his chief of staff devised an unusual plan: a new commando unit in the United Kingdom called X Troop; made up of Jewish refugees from Germany and Austria.

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The Secret Bunker

In the middle of Tel Aviv, it's very easy to miss a building that is situated on top of a huge, marble wall. At the foot of the wall there is an almost indistinguishable door behind which lies a monumental secret. Underneath, there's a secret Bunker built on Ben Gurion's orders by former Nazis during the 1950's, in a project the likes of which the young state of Israel had never seen until that day. Film director and content creator Naor Meningher will take you on a journey through the fascinating history of the bunker, and its secrets.

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Beit Shearim - The Ancient Jewish Necropolis

Led by tour guide Julia Newman, we will "visit" this often-overlooked site, which was chosen by rabbi Yehuda HaNassi – the assembler of the Mishna – to become his gravesite. For centuries it was the greatest Jewish cemetery. We will see the caves, menorahs and inscriptions, as well as the statue of most famous "Shomer" Alexander Zaid who found the site some 90 years ago.

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Jewish Fur Traders and their Native Wives

The work on "Jewish Fur Traders and their Native Wives" is part of Mara W. Cohen's loannides work on the American Jewish Midwest. The relationship between Jews and Natives is not well studied and so not well known. This talk focuses on the myths and realities surrounding Jewish fur traders and their relationships with Native women. It helps us understand another part of the Jewish experience in North America.

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Bagels to Bhajis: The Ever Changing London Jewish East End

Focusing on shuls, schools, markets and more, this virtual tour is a perfect introduction to the Jewish East End for those who have not visited London at all, or for for a long time. Rachel Kolsky is a popular, prize-winning, London Blue Badge Tourist Guide, focussing on the 'human stories' behind the buildings, with anecdotes from the past and present.

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Check the
Beth Tikvah website
for Lunch & Learn
dates and to Register

Catch up on
missed classes,
sermons, lectures
and other programs:



Tune in to the Beth Tikvah
YouTube channel

www.youtube.com/c/BethTikvahSynagogueToronto
(or visit YouTube and search for Beth Tikvah Toronto)





YAHREZEITS

The following members are observing Yahrzeits this week:

Thursday, April 21

Arlene Anthony, Lillian Benson, Marsha Feldberg, Abraham Gelbloom, Stephen Goldman, Harvey Kestenber, Peter Kunz, Nurith Safir, Julian Segal, Irvin Suchall

Friday, April 22

Shelly Altman, Gloria Clamen, Lynne Czutrin, Shimon Felsen, Norma Gelade, Sasha Schaeffer

Saturday, April 23

Renee Birnbaum, Hilary Edwards, Bertha Gold, Raizie Jacobson, Leslie Kraft, Helen Sherman

Sunday, April 24

Beryl Kofman, Ben Nemani, Sheila Ocopnick, Mireille Siegel, Stanley Ungar, Shirley Weinstein

Monday, April 25

Barbara Albert, Gertrude Fox, Patricia Friedland, Hilda Goodman, Shirley Anne Haber, Jeff Levine, Mindle Levitt, Jonathan Mandel, Brenda Perlmutter, Elaine Sone, Gershon Sone, Lori Sone-Cooper, Fred Yack

Tuesday, April 26

Ted Batcher, Mona Brown, Bruce Rosebrugh, Ian Schlifer, Sylvia Stokes, David Sugar, Dodi Weill

Wednesday, April 27

Toby Brotman, Shirlee Rona Dolman, Kim Posen, Riva Rosenfeld, Arlette Schulman

Thursday, April 28

Elliott Grad, Maurice Grzeda, Marilyn Herman, Eva Klein, Terry Lipkus, Martin Silver

Friday, April 29

Moshe Dlin, Jane Goodman, Kevin Goodman, Jerry Kalpin, Douglas Millstone, Sandra Stern, Arlene Sylver, Abraham Weinstein



Circle of Care
Sinai Health

**Every Wednesday
at Beth Tikvah Synagogue:
1:30pm - 3:30pm**

Join us in person for a fun weekly program! There will be board games, Scrabble, cards, jigsaw puzzles, colouring activities and more!

Feel free to bring one of your favourite games, such as Mahjong, and set up a game with fellow players. Participants are also welcome to play with what we have available.

For more information, contact
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Hazzan: Tibor Kovari
Ritual Director: Irv Kirshenblat
Executive Director: Rivka Campbell
President: Douglas Millstone

TO HONOUR THE SANCTITY OF THE SYNAGOGUE

We ask that everyone coming up to the bimah cover their head and shoulders and be dressed respectfully. We do not permit smoking, photography, writing, use of beepers, cell phones or other wireless equipment in the synagogue throughout Shabbat and Yom Tov. At any time in the service when the congregation is standing in prayer, please refrain from moving about. Applause is not appropriate at any time during the service.

THIS WEEK AT BETH TIKVAH



Thurs. Apr. 21	• Eruv Tavshilin	before candlelighting
Fri. Apr. 22	• Seventh Day of Passover	
Sat. Apr. 23	• Shabbat & Eighth Day of Passover	
Sun. Apr. 24	• YYF Interfaith Connections: A Lesson in Storytelling	10:00 AM
Mon. Apr. 25	• Walk with Beth Tikvah: G. Ross Lord Park	1:30 PM
Tues. Apr. 26	• Lunch & Learn with Andrew Porwancher	12:00 PM
Wed. Apr. 27	• Yom HaShoah Community-Wide Commemoration	6:30 PM
Thurs. Apr. 28	• Restorative Yoga & Meditation with Orli Ziv	10:00 AM

A portion of funds raised at Bingo World Richmond Hill helps to support programs at Beth Tikvah Synagogue



We no longer require vaccine certificates to enter the building,
but we are maintaining social distancing in the Sanctuary.
There are no longer capacity limits in place



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