





## Ma Nishma SYNAGOG



#### מה נשמע

APRIL 30, 2022 / 5782 ביסן, 29

PARASHAT A<u>H</u>AREY MOT SHABBAT MEVAREKHIM HA<u>H</u>ODESH



#### SHABBAT TORAH READINGS

#### Torah

Leviticus 16:1 - 18:30 ויקרא Etz <u>H</u>ayim pg. 679

#### Haftarah

1 Samuel 20:18 -42 שׁמוּאל א' Etz <u>H</u>ayim pg. 1216

#### SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm
Candlelighting (April 29) 8:00 pm
Shaharit (RSVP Required) 9:00 am
Minha / Ma'ariv 7:50 pm
Havdalah 9:01 pm

The services listed above are In Person and on LiveStream

#### WEEKDAY SERVICE TIMES

Sunday-Thursday 8:30 am/7:30 pm Friday 8:30 am/6:00 pm

Please note:

Only Weekday Morning Services are on Zoom, all other services are In Person and on LiveStream

## VIRTUAL TORAH Study

We invite you to join Morley Goldberg on Friday, April 29th at 1 PM on Zoom for a virtual Torah Study on Parashat Aharey Mot. Please refer to the semi-weekly email for the link or contact daniel@bethtikvahtoronto.org.

## pife nae

Rekindle the
Family tradition of
Shabbat at shul!
We welcome back
families and their
children to join us for
a warm and welcoming
Shabbat service and
kiddush.



Coming to Beth Tikvah on Shabbat, May 21st: Rabbinical student & scholar in residence, Eitan Bloostein.

Stay tuned for more details

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### Seudah is co-sponsored by:

Harvey Bitterman in memory of Frances Bitterman z"l.

## The Shlissel Hallah

by Rabbi Jarrod Grover

There are three traditional explanations for the custom some have of baking the house key into the <u>H</u>allah on the Shabbat following Pesa<u>h</u> (also known as a shlissel [=key] <u>h</u>allah).

The first explanation is based on "Pithi Li Ahoti, Ra'ayati..." ("Open up, my darling..." — Shir HaShirim 5:2), on which the Midrash states "Pithu li petah ke-hudo shel mahat...," (cf. Shir HaShirim Rabbah 5, s.v. "Kol Dodi Dofek") = something like "Open your hearts (in repentance) like the eye of the needle, and I (God) will open the rest like [a very large opening]. The second explanation is that according to Kabbalah the lower gates to heaven are closed on the Shabbat after Pesah, and it's up to us to open them again. Therefore on the first Shabbat, we put the key on the hallah to show that through the mitzvah of Shabbat, we are opening the locks.

The third explanation is that in the wilderness, the Jewish people ate from the manna from the time following Pesah until they entered the land of Israel. At that point they ate from the produce of the land and became self-reliant for the first time. The key in the hallah after Pesah is a request that God should open the Gates of Self-Reliance.

In my opinion, part of the exciting power of *shlissel hallah* is predicated on its calendar placement. Pesah is the holiday of questions. Our tradition tells us that many of the customs of Pesah are done simply, "so the children will ask." When our heritage states a value of questioning, it doesn't stop at age 13, or when the holiday is over. On the Shabbat following the holiday, this strange custom tests whether we have learned the importance of asking questions, thinking deeply, and learning. After all, the first step towards building a strong Jewish identity is simply asking, "Why?"

## PROGRAMMING AT BT

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS



Register on the Beth Tikvah website



**SOLD OUT!** Beth Tikvah Women would like to thank everyone who purchased beautiful red and yellow begonias in our Plant Sale Fundraiser.

Plants will be available for **Pick Up** from Beth Tikvah Synagogue on:

Thursday, May 5th from 1PM - 4PM and Friday, May 6th from 9AM - 12PM



## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

Beth Tikvah Synagogue presents

# Townhall #8 MEETING

Tuesday, May 3rd at 8:15 PM on Zoom For Members Only



Thursday, May 5th, at 1:30 PM

Location: Alexander Muir Park See the Beth Tikvah website for map and details. Contact Merle Goldman with questions: 416-722-2151



## PROGRAMMING AT BT

## LUNCH & LEARN



Next session: May 3rd at 12 PM



#### 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 quide 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.





#### **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.









#### **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. Reuben Cipin

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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

> 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)





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

Wednesdays @ 1PM: MAY 11 - JUNE 1 on Zoom



## YAHRZEITS

The following members are observing Yahrzeits this week:

#### Friday, April 29

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

#### Saturday, April 30

Mona Cytrynbaum, Morley Goldberg, Harvey Hacker, Rosalind Schwartz, Les Solomon, Philip Wunch

#### Sunday, May 1

Allan Friedland, Patricia Friedland, Marilyn Mandel, Daria Resnick, Jenny Roger, Linda Sadinsky, Elaine Zuck, Victor Zuck

#### Monday, May 2

Barbara Barak, Marvin Katz, Rhoda Kirshin, Shelah Saltzman,



#### Every Wednesday at Beth Tikvah 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 Janet Chippin:

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Hazzan: Tibor Kovari

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#### Tuesday, May 3

Susan Bernstein, Sara Freedman, Cynthia Menashy, Gertrude Preszler, Robert Preszler, Linda Sadinsky, Irving Storfer

#### Wednesday, May 4

Rosalind Feinstein, Hershel Guttman, Jillian Joffe, Louis Krupat, Beverley Ogus, David Ogus, Ruben Rosen, Leslie Weisz, Aaron Wolkoff

#### Thursday, May 5

Renee Abbott, Rochelle Berg, Lionel Berger, Karen Donsky, Lennie Exton, Jerry Gula, David Meranda, Helen Sieber, Gershon Sone, Rosalyn Steiner, Lorne Tick, Stanley Turner

#### Friday, May 6

Anita Balter, Beatrice Endler, Marlene Flicht, Sara Wunch Glick, Martin Hoffman, Eva Stal

## SAVE THE DATE

**SUNDAY JUNE 5TH, 2022** 



Farewell Tribute Luncheon for Rabbi Louis Sachs and Doris Alter.



#### THIS WEEK AT BETH TIKVAH

		EVE	VTS
Fri.	Apr. 29	• Torah Study with Morley Goldberg (Zoom)	1:00 PM
Sat.	Apr. 30	• Shabbat Pray & Play	10:00 AM
Sun.	May 1	• Teen Fellowship Program	4:00 PM
Tues.	May 3	• Lunch & Learn Session #2	12:00 PM
Tues.	May 3	Beth Tikvah Town Hall Meeting #8 (Zoom)	8:15 PM
Thurs	. May 5	• Restorative Yoga & Meditation with Orli Ziv (Zoom)	10:00 AM
Thurs	. May 5	• Walk with Beth Tikvah (Alexander Muir Park)	1:30 PM
Fri.	May 6	• Kabbalat Shabbat in Israel (at Beth Tikvah)	

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

Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration



6:00 PM

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



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.









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