

SHABBAT BULLETIN

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Oyfruf of Philip Dubrofsky

Shabbat Parshat Tol'dot
Haftara: Malachi 1:1 - 2:7

Friday, November 17

- 3:55pm Minha et Kabbalat Chabat -
Minyane Sépharade - Lower
Level Chapel
- 4:04pm Candle Lighting
- 4:05pm Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat -
Main Sanctuary
- 4:23pm Sh'hiah

Shabbat, November 18 / 5 Kislev

- 8:00am Shacharit - Hashkama Minyan
- 8:30am Shacharit - Minyane Sépharade -
Lower Level Chapel
- 8:40am Parsha Shiur with Rabbi Claman
- 9:00am Shacharit - Main Sanctuary
- 9:13am Sof Zman K'riyat Shma
- 9:30am Kef Club Shabbat Programs
for Kids - Lower Level Classrooms
- 9:30am Youth Minyan - Youth Lounge
- 10:15am *The Zone* for Kids in Gr. 1 to 3 -
Library
- 10:45am *The Zone* for Kids in Gr. 4 to 6 -
Library
- 3:23pm Plag Hamincha
- 3:30pm Bnei Akiva Walking Group
leaves for HA - *pick up at HA at
5:45pm*
- 3:40pm Minha, Seoudah Shleesheet
et Shiour - Minyane Sépharade
- 4:00pm Mincha, Seoudah Shleesheet
and Maariv - Main Sanctuary
- 4:22pm Sh'hiah
- 5:09pm Havdala

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Mincha / Maariv: 4:05pm

Shacharit

Sunday: 8:00am

Monday and Thursday: 6:50am

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 7:00am

Friday, November 24

Mincha - Minyane Sépharade: 15h50

Candle Lighting is at 3:58pm

Mincha - Main Sanctuary: 4:00pm

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! WEEKLY "DAF
DIVE" RESUMES ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26!
AFTER SHACHARIT AT 8:00AM.**

For our full schedule, go to tbdj.org/calendar.



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Mazal Tov to **Karen & Lionel Dubrofsky** and to **Dora & Allan Korzinstone** and their families on the upcoming wedding of their son and grandson Philip Dubrofsky to Robyn Gathercole on Sunday, November 19. Sharing in their simcha are Robyn's parents Pam & Mike Gathercole and many delighted siblings, aunts, uncles and cousins in both families. Lovingly remembered at this time are Philip's grandparents Frances & Reuben Dubrofsky z"l and Robyn's grandparents Rhoda & Irwin Itzcovitch z"l.

Condolences to **Sylvia Corber Levitt, Linda Levitt Saks, Iris Levitt, Mark Levitt, Jason Bowen, Dvora Bowen Miller and Joshua Saks** and their families on the loss of beloved husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather TBDJ Member **Ben (Beryl) Levitt z"l** who passed away on Wednesday, November 15. Funeral scheduled for 12:00pm on Friday, November 17 at Paperman's. Shiva in the reception room at 6803 Heywood, Cote St. Luc H4W 3L6 until Wednesday, November 22; Friday - following burial until 3:00pm, Saturday - 7:00pm to 9:00pm, Sunday through Wednesday - 2:00pm to 4:00pm and 7:00pm to 9:00pm; Shacharit services at TBDJ, Mincha/Ma'ariv at 4:00pm at 6803 Heywood.

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING SPONSORS

Kiddush for the Main Sanctuary is sponsored by **Karen & Lionel Dubrofsky** in honour of the oyfruf and upcoming wedding of their son Philip.

Kiddush for the Hashkama Minyan is sponsored by **Veeta & Ralph Engel** in memory of Ralph's beloved father Myer Engel z"l (Meir ben Chayim Yaakov - 6 Kislev).

This Shabbat Bulletin is sponsored by **Judi & David Grunbaum** in memory of Judi's beloved parents Blanka & Simon Markovitch z"l (Bracha bat Matis - 23 Cheshvan and Shimshon ben Yechiel - 21 Cheshvan).

Rabbi Claman's Parsha Shiur on Shabbat morning is sponsored by **Maggy & Michael Rubin** in memory of Michael's beloved mother Sarah Rubin z"l (Sara bat Shmuel - 5 Kislev).

Rabbi Claman's *Lunch and Learn* Program on Wednesday, November 22 is sponsored by **Sharon & Robert Hecht** in memory of Robert's beloved mother Rebecca Hecht z"l (Rivka bat Moshe - 13 Kislev) and in memory of Sharon's beloved grandmother Dina Goodin z"l (Dina bat Nachum Hakohen - 14 Kislev).

Please join us for an
evening of learning to mark the
Shloshim for
Samuel Gewurz z"l



Sunday November 19, 2023

8:00 pm

TBDJ Synagogue

6519 Baily Rd, Côte Saint-Luc, Quebec H4V 1A1



יחד ננצח! 

HOMEFRONT MISSION

A SPECIAL 3-WEEK PROGRAM TO
SUPPORT, INSPIRE, AND STRENGTHEN
OUR COMMUNITY IN SUPPORT OF ISRAEL

SUNDAYS FROM 12:00-12:30PM

NOVEMBER 12, 19, 26

FOR ADULTS & KIDS

REGISTER AT WWW.TBDJ.ORG/HOMEFRONT

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**MESSAGES OF INSPIRATION AND STORIES
OF HEROISM FROM ISRAEL**

**SELECT YOUR WEEKLY ACTIVITY OF
GOODWILL & VIRTUE IN THE MERIT OF
ISRAEL'S CITIZENS AND BRAVE SOLDIERS**

SPECIAL MISSIONS (AND PIZZA) FOR KIDS

**Culminating in a monumental
Shabbat Ahdut at TBDJ
on Shabbat December 2nd**

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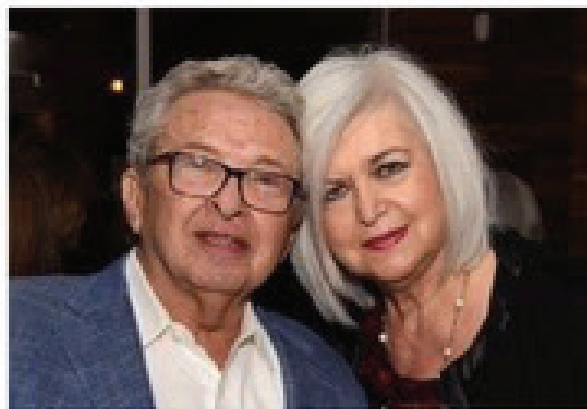


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À la douce mémoire de

In loving memory of

Sara et David Rinzler



Lundi 20 novembre - 13h30 à 19h30

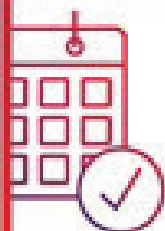
Monday, November 20 - 1:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

SUR RENDEZ-VOUS / By appointment

Congrégation Tifereth Beth David Jérusalem

Lower Social Hall

6519, chemin Baily, Côte-Saint-Luc



Prenez rendez-vous dès aujourd'hui !

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→ **Par téléphone: appelez le 1 800 343-7264**

Book now! Scan the QR code or call us at 1-800-343-7264.





Resilience In Israel and at Home

Join us and Canadian Friends of Herzog Hospital for a special briefing by Dr. Yehezkel Caine, Former Surgeon General of the Israeli Air Force and the President of Herzog Hospital Medical Center, for a first-hand briefing of the impact of the War on Israel.

TBDJ's own Dr. Leechen Zukor will focus on how to remain resilient in Montreal.

Moderated by TBDJ member,
Dr. Rachel Goodman.

Tuesday, November 21st, 2023 7:30 PM
Congregation Tifereth Beth David Jerusalem
6519 Baily Rd, Côte Saint-Luc, Quebec
Free admission, but preregistration required
www.tbdj.org/herzog





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all the updates!



COLOUR WAR!

Nov 18 - PART 2! - LAYLA LAVAN!!

4:00- 5:45PM

**COLOUR WAR GAMES, HAVDALLA
AND BANNER-MAKING
WEAR YOUR TEAM COLOUR!**

**WALKING GROUP WILL LEAVE
FROM TBDJ AT 3:30PM, PICK
UP BY PARENTS AT 5:45**

grades 2, 4, 5



VS



grades K, 1, 3, 6



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מי שברוך אבותינו אברהם יצחק ויעקב הוא יברך את
סגלי צבא הגנה לישראל העומדים על משמר ארצנו
וערי אלהינו. מן הלבנון ועד מדבר מצרים ומן הים
הגדול עד לבוא הערבה ביבשה באויר ובים. וכן
ה' את אויבינו הקמים עלינו נגפים לפניהם. הקדוש
ברוך הוא ישמר ויציל את סגלינו מכל צרה וצוקה
ומכל גגע ומחלה וישלח ברכה והצלחה בכל מעשה
ידיהם. יברך שונאינו תחתיים ויעטרם בכתר ישועה
ובעטרת נצחון ויקים בהם הכתוב: כי ה' אלהיכם
ההלך עמכם להלחם לכם עם אויביכם להושיע אתכם
ונאמר אמן

The Montreal Jewish Communities come together in

Prayer & Unity

for our brethren in Israel

Motzei Shabbat for the duration of the war.
We will no longer be having musical havdalla.

6.15pm sharp: Brief Remarks
Tehillim
Concluding by 6:40pm

At Kollel Torah MiTzion - The Lieberman Beit Midrash
5700 Kellert

security at entrance



Parshat Tol'dot: History, Connections and Memories

This week's Torah portion opens with words of history:

וְאַלֶּה תּוֹלְדֹת יִצְחָק בֶּן אַבְרָהָם אֲבִרְהָם הוֹלִיד אֶת יִצְחָק
And these are the offspring of Isaac the son of Avraham;
Avraham begot Isaac.....
 Breisheet 25:19

This is where our nation originated, where we came from. Avraham, the first Jew, had two sons and the younger one, Yitzchak - born to our matriarch Sarah - became our second patriarch.

Over the years, I have become fascinated with the lives of our ancestors who paved the eternal ways and observance of Judaism for us. With the reading of the book of Breisheet at this time of year, I delve into countless commentaries and midrashim which give life to the rich story content in this first book of our holy Torah: The fratricide with Cain killing Hevel, the evil behaviour that led to the flood, the tower of Babel, our patriarchal families, their devotion to Hashem, the early acceptance and spread of our religion. The stories in Breisheet detail the tests and challenges of our patriarchs, their spouses, and families: The spousal and sibling rivalries, the fights for supremacy, the hate, famines, lying, cheating and more.

The many commentaries and midrashim which inform us about what was going on behind the scenes enhance our knowledge beyond the Torah's narrative. The midrashim read like novels and are hard to put down. These are the stories of our past and we relate to these stories within the framework of our lives. We learn that our Biblical ancestors were people - flesh and blood like us. We learn from their role modeling. We emulate the positive characteristics of their behaviour, and we apply the lessons of their lives to ours. We empathize with the difficulties in their lives, and we try to learn from their positive and negative experiences. Like us, they had feelings, emotions, challenges and more. At times we question their actions and their motives. We wonder what they were thinking. We wonder what we would do, how would we react if we were faced with their trials and challenges. The book of Breisheet is certainly an eye-opener in many ways.

The accounts of our biblical ancestors and their lives trigger us to research, examine, learn and shape our lives with stories from our personal ancestors and many of us trace the history of our families as we research our roots.

This past Tuesday, TBJ hosted a siyum and breakfast sponsored by one of our members on the occasion of the shloshim for his late mother. One of the grandsons reminisced about his late "granny." I connected with his words about the special way that she made a bracha on her Shabbos candles. It brought back memories of my maternal grandmother, who would light her Shabbos candles and stand by them for extended precious moments beyond the recitation of the brachot, eyes closed, her mouth moving quietly, whispering her prayers for the family, for health, for spouses, for my sister and myself and much more. Her prayers were expressed with holiness, love, and devotion for this precious mitzvah. My bobbe's face radiated the holiness of *Sholom Bayit*, of peace in the home. Reminiscing about the way our grandmothers kindled the Shabbos candles serves as an example that we learn from the lives of our matriarchs Sarah and Rivka. The timing of the grandson's recollection of the way his granny lit the Shabbos candles connects us with a verse from Parashat Chayei Sarah, which we read last Shabbos:

וַיָּבֵאָהּ יִצְחָק הָאֵלֶּלָה שָׁרָה אִמּוֹ וַיִּקַּח אֶת רֵבְקָה וַתְּהִי לוֹ לְאִשָּׁה
 וַיֵּאָהֲבָהּ וַיִּנָּחֵם יִצְחָק אַחֲרֵי אִמּוֹ

And Yitzchak brought her - Rivka - to the tent of Sarah his mother, and he took Rivka, and she became his wife, and he loved her. And Isaac was comforted for the loss of - his mother.
 Breisheet 24:67

We learn from Breisheet Raba about the holiness and the piety of Sarah and Rivka, as role models for a Jewish woman's spiritual devotion and observance.

He brought her - Rivka - to his mother's tent, and behold, she was Sarah his mother; i.e., she became the likeness of Sarah his mother, for as long as Sarah was alive, a candle burned from one Sabbath to the next, a blessing was found in the dough, and a cloud was attached to the tent. When she - Sarah - died, these things ceased, and when Rivka arrived, they resumed.

Pirkei D'Rabbi Eliezer explains the significance of the relationship between a man and the important women in his life: his mother and later on, his wife.

It is the way of the world that, as long as a person's mother is alive, he is attached to her, but as soon as she dies, he finds comfort in his wife.

The above verse teaches us that Yitzchak brought Rivka to his mother's tent. He married her and he then found consolation for the loss of his mother Sarah. *Malbim* teaches us about the influences of our mothers and the connection with our eventual choice of a wife: *He - Yitzchak - did not take her - Rivka - for a wife until he brought her to Sarah's tent to see how she would behave there, and he - Yitzchak - saw that Rivka was like Sarah in her righteousness.*

וואלה... These words bring back precious memories. I remember how, during my years at Bar-Ilan University, my maternal grandfather would patiently stand waiting for me on the third-floor porch of his apartment on Achad Ha'am street in Yerushalayim every Friday afternoon. I remember the joy of his smile upon my arrival for Shabbos, and how we walked to shul together on Friday evening and davened at *Yad Harav Nissim*, the shul of the past Sephardic Chief Rabbi of Israel. I remember the food on the table. How Bobbe would prepare my favourite foods and Zaida and I would sing zemiros together. So many family memories.

In a Grade Five class the other day, I noticed a board on the wall with old pictures of the immigration of the Jews to the United States. There was a photo of Ellis Island, and I told the children that my grandfather and my father entered the United States through Ellis Island. There is a saying: *ma'aseh avot siman l'banim*. One way of understanding this is that the actions that our forefathers performed serve as signs for the children's actions, for future generations. We learn that our ancestors and the memories of their role modeling are invaluable in helping us shape our lives. Sadly, as the generations pass, we lose many stories and accounts in our family histories. Our family histories are important and at times we fail to take proper advantage in securing these historical gems of information for future generations.

Years ago, I was called to officiate at a funeral for the mother of one of our synagogue members. I asked the daughter of the deceased about the shiva observance. I was told that there would be no shiva as she - the daughter - was not observant and anyway, the only people that may come to pay shiva calls would be her mother's friends, with whom she had nothing to talk about. I respectfully advised her that there was what to talk about with these women, that she could learn a lot of things that she may not have known about her mother from them, and that it could very well be the last opportunity for her to get more knowledge about her mother. Following the shiva, the mourner thanked me for encouraging her to sit shiva and that she indeed learned things about her mother that she never would have known, knowledge that she found important to share with and pass down to her children.

וואלה... The definition of the word *toldot* is also understood as *history*. I teach my bar mitzvah boys many things beyond their Torah portions and Haftarahs. Upon finding out their Hebrew names, I ask who they are named after. During their year of learning, we work on the young men's family trees and I instruct them to go as far back as they can in their family histories by asking their parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents questions about their ancestors. I also encourage them to go, if possible, to the burial places of their ancestors, where there is valuable information found on the tombstones: the names of the deceased's parents, dates of death and sometimes, dates and origins and even countries of birth. With the help of his mother, one of my bar mitzvah boys actually traced one family ancestor back to the year 1844!

וואלה... What is your history? What are your stories? Do your children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren know what they should about you and your origins? If the answer to these questions is "no", roll up your sleeves as you've got rewarding work to do. You can record your history for your offspring in writing, on recordings or in person.

May our prayers be answered. May the wicked fall and may our hostages return home, safe and sound... עם ישראל חי!

Shabbat Shalom,

Rev. Amiel

IN HONOUR OF "CHODESH IRGUN",

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COLOUR WAR!

SHABBAT * 4PM * @HEBREW ACADEMY

Nov 11

colour war part 1-
breakout!!
Shevet skit prep

Nov 18

colour war part 2-
Competitions &
"Layla Lavan!"

Nov 25

colour war part 3-
SHABBAT IRGUN
PERFORMANCES!





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COMMUNITY
SECURITY
NETWORK

Community safety has always been a top priority for Federation CJA, but our role has significantly expanded in recent years with the increase of antisemitic incidents and violent hate crimes both worldwide and close to home. **Our Jewish community has prioritized our safety**, ensuring that Jewish life in our institutions, synagogues, and Jewish day schools can continue to operate with a sense of security and normalcy.

The **Community Security Network (CSN)** was created four years ago for these exact reasons. Federation CJA is able to deal effectively with the current rise of antisemitism in our own backyard. Our CSN has served as a **point of contact for critical incident coordination, information and intelligence sharing, as well as safety and security training**. In partnership with experts in the field and over 33 local Jewish institutions, we have developed best practices to enhance the safety, security, and resilience of our schools, synagogues, and agencies.

The **CSN volunteer program** has been training community volunteers to **act as the eyes and ears of our community**. Both the war in Israel and the recent spike in antisemitism has shown just how important community volunteers are in such situations.

We are looking for volunteers to join our Community Security Network!
To become a member, please note the following commitments:

- **8-WEEK MANDATORY TRAINING COURSE THAT MEETS ONCE A WEEK**
- **TRAINING SESSIONS TWICE PER MONTH**
- **SECURITY SHIFTS TWICE PER MONTH**

We understand that this is a big commitment. Especially now with Israel at war, but also in our everyday lives as Jews when things are not as tense. We are grateful to have this dynamic team protecting the Montreal Jewish community and empowering us to be proactive about our own safety. Nobody knows our community institutions better than its members, so who better to secure them than you?

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT JOINING THE CSN, PLEASE LET US KNOW BY RESPONDING TO THIS EMAIL.

Thank you!

For more information, please email Coby Dykler at

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