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CHOOSING HOW WE REMEMBER

It's that time again. Camp is over, the long and soft days of summer have passed, school has begun, traffic has returned and soon the Shofar will sound, and these words will be chanted from our Torahs:

וַיָּהְוָה פָּקַד אֶת־שָּׁרָה בַּאֲשֶׁר אֲמָר וַיַּעֵשׂ יְהָוֹ לִשַּׂרָה בַּאֲשֵׁר דְּבֵּר:

And G-d remembered Sarah as promised

Jewish tradition makes it clear that G-d did not forget Sarah; for 'That' which is all-knowing forgets no-thing and no-one. But it is read to teach us of G-d's faithfulness and by learning it we are asked to do the same.

I was reminded of this teaching this past summer when Lisa and I visited the west coast of France. Perhaps best known today as the beaches where the Allied Armies landed on June 6th 1944 it was the place chosen for the great push to end the war and bring the downfall of the Nazi regime. Yet, apart from a few memorials the beaches today give little sign of what transpired on those terrible days or what hung in the balance just a few decades ago. To catch a glimpse of that one needs to head to the military cemeteries that ring those landing sites where American, Canadian, British and others stormed.

Each of these cemeteries are similar because military cemeteries are filled with the remains of young people. And



yet, there are differences to be seen. The British and Canadian governments did not give a choice to the families if they wanted their loved ones remains brought back home. It was ordered they would be interred where they fell.

Not so for the American fallen. Families were asked to choose with many deciding their fallen be left alongside the men they trained, fought and perished with. Another difference is amongst the near endless rows of graves marked with crosses are the presence of some marked with a Magen David. Although not widely known the sacrifice which Jews made to the war effort far exceeded their percentage of population. As we walked between the markers, we held rocks in our hands, and as we passed a Jewish grave, we placed a few on them. The posted rules of the cemetery ask people to refrain from placing items on the markers, which I was prepared to do, until I noticed stones on the Jewish graves.

Jews who had been there before us had walked down the trimmed hedged rows to pay respect to all the fallen and could think of only one way to do so: placing a rock on the marker as a symbol that we remember. G-d's lesson has not and must not be lost to us.

At the Canadian military cemetery at Beny-Su-Mer is the marker of George Meltz y"h, a Jewish soldier from Toronto who fell at Normandy. His parents Rachel and Nathan asked to have these words inscribed on his tombstone:

"He died so world Jewry should suffer no more."

While the true answer came too late for George Meltz it has not for us: the State of Israel would be founded but 4 years after the landing on the beaches of Normandy. With that idea in mind this October I – along with 23 other Torontonians – will be traveling to Israel to train as combatants, be treated as soldiers, live in tents, eat rations and be subjected to the rigors of IDF Basic Training.

Why?

We are doing this in support of Israel's premier wounded warrior program Brothers for Life and the Out of the Cold homeless project at Beth Sholom Synagogue. Wounded combat soldiers are in desperate need of support for rehabilitation, treatment and scholarships to help in their return to civilian life. They stood to protect the homeland of the Jewish people and we now must help them. The Out of the Cold project supports hundreds of homeless Torontonians during the winter months. They are amongst the most vulnerable and needy in our society. We did this in 2019 and are back at it again.



Here is my promise: I will do the intense training to accomplish this, but I need YOU to be at my side for the journey. I am asking for you to help us raise money for these two important and meaningful projects. This time with YOUR support and my sweat I know WE CAN make this happen again!

If you haven't yet please consider going to www.masakumta.com – searching for Rabbi Aaron Flanzraich – and offer your support. May it be for a blessing to you, me and the People of Israel.

I want to wish you and your loved ones a sweet and meaningful year.

Shana Tova!

Rabbi Aaron Flanzraich •

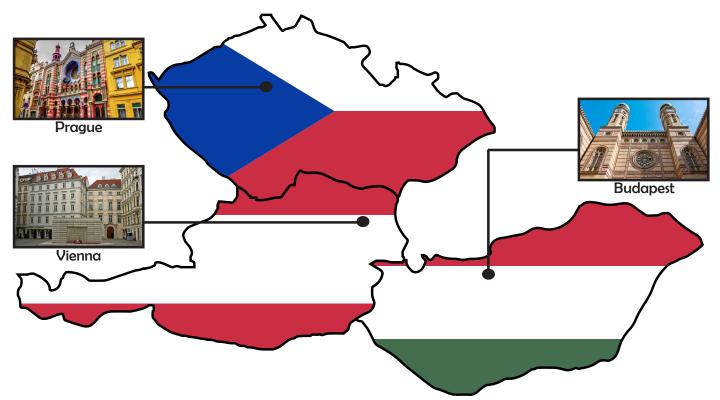
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ERIC MOSES

WHEN THE "GOLDEN AGE" DOESN'T FOLLOW THE "YELLOW BRICK ROAD"





A little over a year ago, when our esteemed Rabbi had Covid during the Shavuot Yizkor service, I delivered an impromptu sermon. It was just before Father's Day, and I was continuously being asked what I wanted by Melissa and my kids. My answer was simple -- all I wanted was more time... perhaps another special memory. The last thing I needed was a new tie or more stuff. I spoke about the challenges of aging parents and the health struggles Melissa's and my father were both experiencing. As a planner by nature, I believe in saving today for tomorrow, investing wisely, thinking long term, buying life insurance, and planning for the unexpected. What happens when all that preparation throws you a curveball you did not foresee? Perhaps a little more living in the present is in order with less emphasis on what tomorrow may bring.

I went to visit my son Sammy in San Francisco two weeks ago where he is spending the summer working at an investment bank. (When did he suddenly grow up?!) Thinking that I am still 25 years old, I took the red-eye flight home. The last leg of the flight was excruciating as I began to experience horrible sciatic pain. As I walked off the plane, I collapsed en route to immigration. I suddenly became "that guy" families would be talking about at their dinner – lying on the ground in the middle of the airport. As I trembled in

pain, four people carefully lifted me into a wheelchair and helped me navigate through customs until Melissa picked me up on the other side. So much for being invincible, despite my many hours spent at the gym thinking I was. As I write, thank G-d my back is much better.

My poor father recently fell down the stairs in his home. In a short flash, his future was permanently altered. He broke his neck in two places, fractured his sternum, punctured a lung, broke two ribs, and his hip. Add stage 4 prostate cancer and dementia to that and he doesn't have a bright future ahead. My father will spend the rest of his days in hospital and long-term care. My mother's life suddenly turned upside down, she finds herself with the prospect of trying to manage the resulting permanence of this. When she recently told me that she was picking up my father's pants at the dry cleaner, I sadly reminded her that she can empty his closet. He will never be wearing them again. It's time to sell the house and contemplate her next steps so that her children don't have to do it for her. The unfortunate reality is that her life has been permanently altered. Although my father is eleven years older than my mother, his family genetics are excellent, and the Moses' live into their late nineties. His older brother died just shy of 100. My mother's genetics are not very good. Two of her three siblings died in their 70s and her younger sister is already on a steep decline. It's a very sad and humbling reality to watch those whom you have admired and looked up to your entire life become so vulnerable.

I have been a full-time Hazzan since 1996. That's 27 years of participating in these moments in other people's lives. And despite all my experience helping others, I humbly submit that I have made mistakes and not been proactive enough with my own parents. Despite all my planning, no plan is ever

perfect. Thankfully, my brothers and I get along and we are aligned with the required next steps. As we are frequently reminded in life, we need to celebrate every good day as it comes. In the final analysis, the only thing that matters is good health and good luck!

When I was younger, I loved the high holidays because it was my time to really perform and deliver my G-d given craft to my community. I now realize how naïve and self-serving that mindset was. Today, my greatest pleasure on Rosh Hashana is to watch families embracing as they walk into shul, observing seat neighbours reconnecting after a year apart, and trying to recognize my former bar/bat mitzvah students who are now grown adults. The high holiday experience is about being together with family, community, and friends. Sure, a good tekiah gedola never hurts, but does it really matter if it is thirty or forty seconds? The sound of the shofar is your annual wakeup call, an alarm that sounds to take stock of what truly matters, to be a better version of yourself, and to make a difference for others.

I have never bought a lottery ticket because the math has never made sense to me. The odds of winning are so overwhelmingly low. But I strongly believe in the power of the three F's -- family, faith, and friendship. If you invest in that, you have won the jackpot without ever buying a ticket. On this Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, please come to shul. Look around at our wonderful community comprised of multigenerational families embracing and spending this time together praying for another year of goodness. I will humbly do my part as your Hazzan to sing in tune, to blow the shofar, and above all, to try to be a better person.

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PRESIDENT

COMMUNITY

Community. A powerful word. Oxford Dictionary describes it as "a feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests, and goals". According to Toby Lowe, Visiting Professor of Public Management at the Centre for Public Impact, "a community is a group of people who share an identity-forming narrative. This means, a group of people who share a story that is so important to them that it defines an aspect of who they are. Those people build the shared story archetypes (characters) of that community into their sense of themselves; they build the history of those communities into their own personal history; and they see the world through the lens of those shared stories." He goes on to say, "that community is an important concept for social change because it helps us to see that social change requires a change in some of the most important stories we tell ourselves. Social change requires that we rewrite our communal narratives. Social change is change in community."

This concept of community has always been the driving principle of our synagogue. It is the singular most shared comment I hear when I am in services, when I see volunteers or when visitors enjoy our programming. I have had the opportunity to be part of many synagogue communities in Toronto. Some smaller synagogues and some larger synagogues. I have never felt more welcomed, more supported or more valued than I have at Beth Sholom Synagogue.

I know what community means to me. A welcoming smile, a shabbat shalom and handshake/hug/kiss on Shabbat, a congratulations on becoming president of the shul, taking soup to members recuperating from surgery, dinner with the shul ladies, tea with a board member, saying a quick hello to my CHW chapter friends in services, – the list goes on. What is important for me to know, and for our Board of Governors is "What does community mean to you?"

Our shul, as with many in the GTA, is at a pivotal time in its history. A changing of the guard, so to speak, as young families make up the future of our synagogues and these families don't necessarily prioritize the membership and support of a shul. These and other challenges facing our synagogue will be looked at over the coming months as our Strategic Planning Committee begins this work in earnest.

I look forward to hearing your feedback as the committee connects with our community through surveys, focus groups and conversations. I urge you to be candid, forthcoming and honest about your experiences, feelings and connection to our shul.

We are fortunate to have an excellent team of leaders at Beth Sholom. This includes our outstanding clergy, the exceptional team of Senior Officers, the accomplished Board of Governors and our strong Executive Director and her Administrative and Maintenance team of employees. This team is committed to addressing the findings of our Strategic Planning Committee and execute its priorities for positive change to strengthen the future of our community.

I look forward to finding out what our community means to you, what touch points you value, and how we can make Beth Sholom a place of connection for you and your family now and in the years to come.

As we begin to rewrite "our communal narratives" it is timely to remember the words of Susan Kearsley, "The past can teach us, nurture us, but it cannot sustain us. The essence of life is change, and we must move ever forward or the soul will wither and die." We have demonstrated this as we have moved forward in our ritual to incorporate new music styles and liturgy, egalitarianism and inclusion.

I am honoured to be tasked with the leadership of the shul alongside the

formidable Senior Officers and Board of Governors. Your many good wishes and confidence in my work in the coming two-year term is very much appreciated. I look forward to many positive milestones as my tenure progresses. Please reach out to me at any time with your comments or concerns. My email is margaret@margaretlindzon.com. I look forward to hearing from you.

May your family enjoy a meaningful Yom Tov. L'Shana Tovah tikatevu - May you be inscribed for a good year and Gamar hatimah tovah – May you be inscribed in the book of life.

Margaret Lindzon •





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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

BALANCING COMMUNITY, CONTINUITY & CHANGE

Rosh Hashanah marks the beginning of the Hebrew calendar. As with any beginning, on Rosh Hashanah we are afforded an opportunity to start anew. As we sit in shul over the *yamim noraim*, the High Holy Days, and listen to the liturgy, we are (hopefully!) inspired to look towards the future and dream about how we can be better. We look at how we can improve, set goals, and begin a journey to achieve those goals.

In addition to Rosh Hashanah marking the beginning of the Jewish year; it is also a symbol of renewal. Shanah - year - shares the same shoresh (root word) as shinui - change - and Rosh Hashana (the beginning of the year) thus mirrors Rosh Hashinui (the beginning of change). It is an opportunity for us to think about the coming year, and what we might want to do differently. We review what was, and rediscover and reimagine what will be in the future. Can we improve? Should we make a change?

The idea of change can be frightening! Is it necessary? What should change? Would change be better? These questions are not simple ones and often have complex solutions. Judaism relies heavily on tradition, and synagogues serve as the centre of those traditions. Typically, 'tradition' denotes something that doesn't change. A synagogue is often looked at in the same manner where members abide and stand by traditions built on the foundations of many previous generations. Beth Sholom is no different. As one of the oldest Conservative synagogues in Canada, our Beth Sholom family has established its own traditions, some of which have more to do with shared personal and community history than religion. Change is not always desired or appreciated, especially when nostalgia kicks in - I have sat in this very seat alongside my parents and grandparents for all my life... and I expect to sit in the same seat alongside my children and grandchildren for many more years!

When the Beth Sholom leadership, clergy, and staff begin planning for the

High Holy Days, we do not take a cookie-cutter approach. We review available data and work to make effective decisions. For example, we review responses to the High Holy Day survey, look at attendance numbers and demographics, revise internal processes, etc. We look at Rosh Hashanah and the High Holy Days as an opportunity to review what occurred in previous years, and to make decisions or changes that will better and strengthen our community.

Early this spring, when the High Holy Day Task Force began meeting and planning for the High Holy Days, we recognized the elephant that had been lurking in the room for several years. We realized that with the wonderful growth our shul has experienced, and considering the needs of our younger membership, we could not ignore it any longer. It is, I believe, a good news story. Even though it involves change.

Year after year, we've seen our Family Service growing... and growing... Young families are flocking to Beth Sholom for the High Holy Days. For many years, the Family Service has taken place in the Chapel, which can accommodate 200 people. As the service has grown in numbers, it has exceeded the capacity of the Chapel, and resulted in us offering two Family Services, scheduled one after the other.

Last year, BOTH Family Services were sold out. We began a waiting list for families that could not secure a space, and by the time Rosh Hashanah was upon us, there were more than 15 families that were unable to attend Family Services due to space limitations. This was at a time when people were still concerned about social distancing. Our expectation is that this year's demand will be even greater.

It was problematic for us that we could not accommodate these young families in our community. As the viability of synagogues today is reliant on young families. Real estate data shows there is an influx of young families moving into the neighborhoods surrounding

Beth Sholom. Anecdotally, we believe a significant percentage of these to be Jewish families, and we look at the challenge of accommodating these young families as integral to the continuity of our community.

In a similar vein, we have seen this trend manifest itself with the influx of students in our SholomLearning supplementary Jewish educational afterschool program. While COVID impacted student enrollment over the past few years, we were one of the only supplementary schools that continued to operate, albeit virtually, throughout the pandemic. And in fact, we were the only supplementary school to gain new students as we absorbed those from schools that had closed! Pre-pandemic, in the Fall of 2019, SholomLearning enrollment was 111 students - 38 of those new families. For this upcoming 2023-24 academic year, we already have 80 new students enrolled in our threemonth trial program and are projecting an enrollment of over 125 students! This is an unprecedented number, especially so early in the registration process. In 2019, we had off-site learning locations in two neighborhood public schools, and on days that SholomLearning offered classes at the shul, we organized walking groups back to our facilities from an additional two public schools. This year, because of the demand from parents, we will offer classes in four public schools, and will organize walking groups to our building for classes from an additional four neighborhood schools.

Which brings us back to the Family Services offered over the High Holy Days, and our need to ensure all these families – whether members of the synagogue or not – have the opportunity to attend our High Holy Day Family Services. How can we turn them away because of a lack of space?

These families, G-d willing, will carry the torch of many High Holy Days to come. They will serve as the backbone of our community and we must accommodate, engage, and build meaningful

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BAR & BAT MITZVAH

FAMILY PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE 2023-2024

WEDNESDAY, **OCTOBER 11,** 2023 6:30PM - 8:00PM

PUTTING THE "MITZVAH" INTO YOUR BAR/BAT MITZVAH!

Introductory session with Cantor Moses and Rabbi Flanzraich – Meet all the other families celebrating in 2022. Learn how to keep the spirit of Shabbat at your simcha (less "bar" more "mitzvah.") Tips for how to prepare for your mitzvah project. Introductory fun with Cantor Moses – prizes for the winners!

WEDNESDAY, **NOVEMBER 8,** 2023 6:30PM - 8:00PM

THE VALUE OF \$1

So you're having a bar/bat mitzvah... but what will you do with your gift money? What's the value of \$1 to you? How about to someone less fortunate? After a discussion about the difference between needs and wants, we will talk about how you can change someone's life by donating a percentage of your gifts to worthwhile charitable causes. We will then invest (for fun) in the stock market. Don't miss this exciting game of STOCK TICKER with Cantor Moses. Prizes will be awarded to the top investors!

A once-monthly, family oriented program, for 2024 Bar/Bat Mitzvah students and parents, featuring a variety of meaningful topics. This will be a great opportunity to meet other Beth Sholom B'nai Mitzvah families as well!

Dinner will be provided at each evening session.

SUNDAY, **DECEMBER 10,** 2023 at 10:00 am

FATHERS & SONS

"TNT" (TALLIS 'N TEFILLIN)

Learn how to put on Tallis 'n Tefillin with Cantor Moses. On the day a Jewish boy becomes Bar Mitzvah he is responsible for the observance of G-d's commandments. One of the most important of these commandments is wearing Tefillin. Join your Cantor as he teaches you and your son how to wrap Tefillin and answer all of your questions. BYOT — Bring your own Tefillin!

MOTHERS & DAUGHTERS YOU'RE SO NOT INVIDED TO MY BAT MITZVAH!

The way we celebrate our bat mitzvah has transformed significantly over the last few years. Nonetheless, mothers and their daughters often feel the same pressures as the generations who came before them. Social media, the need for high achievement and perfectionism have all played a role. In this program, mothers and daughters will learn about the challenges of living as a Jewish tween, while exploring their own values, as they approach this important milestone in their lives.

UPCOMING DATES

All Wednesday sessions take place at 6:30 pm

January 10 Mysteries of the Torah
February 2 Oneg Shabbat
March (TBD) Ahavat Eretz Yisrael

April 10 What Makes You a Witness?May 15 Scavenger HuntOptional (tentative) Family Trip to NYC

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

September 8 September 27 September 29 Mini Minyan - New Year Sukkah Decorating Mini Minyan - in the Sukkah

October 7 October 15

October 20

Simchat Torah Carnival Superhero & Princess Training Mini Minyan - Noah's Ark

November 17 November 25 Fall Shabbat Dinner Havdallah Sleepover at the Shul





Register for programs early to guarantee your spot! Visit bethsholom.net/calendar

Some programs are subject to a cost. Registration required for all programs.







TEENS AT BETH SHOLOM



Founding members of Kochavim BBG were presented with their chapter charter issued by BBYO at the regional convention in February.

This fall marks two years since Beth Sholom Synagogue and BBYO joined forces to engage Jewish teens in the Cedarvale community. Together we launched two chapters at the synagogue for teens in Grades 8-12, known as Koach AZA and Kochavim BBG.

AZA and BBG, which stand for Aleph Zadik Aleph and B'nai B'rith Girls, are a high school fraternity and sorority that serve as the Jewish teen membership program of BBYO. Each member of BBYO is part of a chapter; it's where teens have meetings, plan programs, and socialize with their friends.

The founding members of Beth Sholom's AZA chapter chose the name Koach, which means strength, and the BBG members chose the name Kochavim, which means stars. These two BBYO chapters at Beth Sholom are part of a network of more than 600 chapters across North America, and in 60 countries around the world.

The Beth Sholom chapters already have 49 members and teen leaders have set a goal of reaching 80 members this year. We now have 10 Chapter board members, up from eight last term and five the term prior. Four Beth Sholom teens attended the International Convention in February alonside 5,000 other participants from over 40 countries! And one Beth Sholom teen sat on the regional board last year. BBYO teens have been organizing programs at the synagogue,

participating in Shabbat services, working with clergy, strategizing with lay leadership, and volunteering at events like the synagogue's Chanukah Party.

As a member-led organization, teens are at the front of the room and behind the scenes taking on leadership roles—from committees to elected positions—to support their chapter, region, country, and the entire International Order. From coordinating a BBYO Summer Experience, supporting a campaign or initiative, running fundraisers, or steering at International Convention, teens find the right way to use their strengths to make our community stronger.

In addition to weekly programming at Beth Sholom, teens are able to "plug in" to regional and international conventions, community service,



More than 200 teens attended J-Serve in April

KEVIN GOODMAN

leadership development opportunities and summer immersive experiences around the world.

The partnership between Beth Sholom Synagogue and BBYO is about creating a Jewish space where teens can build their character, confidence, lifelong friendships and find their Jewish community. Teens want to be a part of something bigger than themselves, have a chance to develop leadership skills and make a difference in the world.

The BBYO chapters here at Beth Sholom Synagogue meet on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00pm in the Assembly Hall. To learn more, visit bbyo.ca/bethsholom or contact BBYO at (416) 398-2004 or info@bbyo.ca.

Kevin Goodman • Executive Director, BBYO Ontario



BBYO volunteers at our Chanukah party





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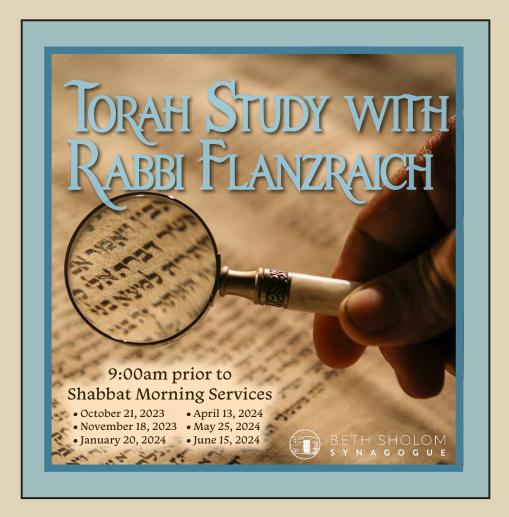
relationships with them so they sustain our synagogue family long into the future.

The leadership, clergy, and staff have worked hard to devise a way to accommodate all of the young families, and came to the necessary, yet clear decision, to relocate the Family Services from the Chapel to the Assembly Hall. This *change* is necessary, as the Assembly Hall can accommodate all the young families and will allow them to participate together in one service. We recognized that some members of the community might feel displaced, no longer being able to sit in the seat in which their parents or grandparents used to sit. But we also look at this change as a necessary and welcome one, which will enable the Family Service to grow, and for our Beth Sholom community to grow as a result. We hope that the tradition of sitting in the Assembly Hall over the past number of years will not prevent our members from establishing new traditions, by moving to an alternate service room. We look forward to welcoming many new members to our community, and to watching our existing membership grow as the younger generation marries and brings their children to the Family Service in what we hope will be the beginning of new and long-lasting traditions for them and their families.

We know how important it is for people to maintain what has always been; what they are familiar with; and what they are comfortable with. We also know how important change is, and how necessary it can be to accommodate the needs of our community. This is the great balancing act of synagogue life.

Together with all of you, I look forward to a new, exciting, and prosperous year. Shanah Tova Umetuka to you and your families. May we all find much health and happiness in 5784.

Stephanie Krasman •





UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Join us for these thought provoking and engaging programs:



Wednesday, Jewish History through September 6 Great Spaces, 1 of 4, weekly Wednesday, Babyn Yar Exhibit Visit September 20 Tuesday, Great Jewish Ideas October 3 1 of 3, weekly Wednesday, SholomChai October 4 Ongoing, weekly Wednesday, Modern Jewish Heroes October 11 1 of 10. weekly Thursday, Installation Dinner October 19 November 2-9 Holocaust Education Week

Whisky Tasting





Thursday,

November 9

SUKKOT & SIMCHAT TORAH

SUKKOT & SIMCHAT TORAH SERVICES

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2023 Shacharit Services 8:00 am Mincha Services 6:00 pm Candle Lighting 6:45 pm

FIRST DAY SUKKOT

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 Shacharit Services 9:30 am Mincha Services 6:00 pm Candle Lighting 7:46 pm

SECOND DAY SUKKOT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023 Shacharit Services 9:30 am Mincha Services 6:00 pm Yom Tov Ends 8:01 pm

חג סכות שמח

HOSHANA RABA

EREV SHMINI ATZERET

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2023
Shacharit Services 7:30 am
Mincha Services 6:00 pm
Candle Lighting 6:32 pm

SHMINI ATZERET

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023 Shacharit Services 9:30 am Yizkor at approx. 11:00 am Mincha Services 6:30 pm Candle Lighting After 7:32 pm

SIMCHAT TORAH

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ARAVA - ערבה

Willow has no fruit and no fragrance

לולב - LULAV

Palm branch has no fragrance, but has fruit which can be eaten

ETROG - אתרוג

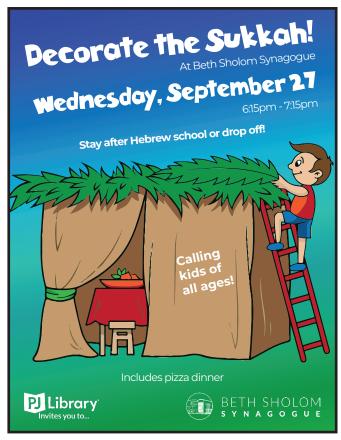
Citron, a fruit like a lemon, has a sweet fragrance and can be eaten

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Myrtle has a nice smell but cannot be eaten

Three myrtle twigs and two willows are tied together to a palm branch. **This bouquet is called the lulav.**









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AISHET CHAYIL, CHATTAN BERESHIT & CHATTAN TORAH



JACQUI ALLOUL

AISHET CHAYIL

A Women of Valour, a person of courage. This expression comes from the third chapter of Sefer Mishlei, the Book of Proverbs, which poetically frames the courage and dedication that women bring to their families, homes, and communities. This award recognizes the persistent, and tireless dedication of those women who continue to redefine the strength of our Jewish life at Beth Sholom.

Beth Sholom has been my spiritual home for the last 50 years. It has provided me and my family the support, the joy, and the confidence to practice Judaism with love and glory. I served on the Board Of Governors for seven years. I also served on the Ritual Committee and the HHD Task Force. I started the archives program from scratch. Over many years I collected all sorts of photos (color and black and white), letters, meeting minutes, and various other important documents. All of this has been catalogued and stored appropriately. I loved to serve because I am a member here and we need each other. This is how you create a positive surrounding and to get along with people – building relationships are key. We are here to work on what we know best. Positive language is so important in daily dealings. Humbly, I had a tremendous reputation, professionally, in the field of Education, and I used skills I learned there at Beth Sholom. People should come and see Beth Sholom, and invite people to come and see that we do the right thing. Everyone is included. May G-d Bless you.



JACK HERSON

CHATTAN BERESHIT

The Chattan Bereshit or "The Bridegroom of the Beginning". The one honoured with this aliyah marks the moment of our cyclical "reboot" – the moment we begin again with the opening of the first five books of the Torah, Sefer Bereshit, the Book of Genesis.

חתן בראשית

Beth Sholom is a place of worship, learning, enjoyment, peace, and friends. It is now 50 years that I have been a member, and it is also my 50th wedding anniversary. I have been a past president of the Brotherhood a past board member, I sat on committees, ran the bingos at the Delta Gaming halls for the synagogue's charity, and played baseball for the shul with the Synagogue baseball league. Thanks to many dedicated people over the years, our great clergy, staff, and board. This is the Synagogue to be part of. Thank you for the honor.



DAVID KRIEGER

CHATTAN TORAH

On Simchat Torah we complete and restart the yearly cycle of Torah readings. The Chattan Torah, literally "The Torah's Groom", is the one wedded to this auspicious moment when they read the last words of Moses' Torah from Sefer Devarim, the Book of Deuteronomy.

חתן תורה

It is a true and humbling honor to be selected as Chattan Torah and to follow in the footsteps of previous leaders. My involvement in the Beth Sholom community came very naturally, but deliberately. Who wouldn't want to be connected so closely, often twice a day with such an awesome group of people- both members and non members? Individuals who truly care about one another. Who wouldn't want to be involved with an organisation that is dedicated to raising people up in a kind and dignified way? Our Out of the Cold Program and Kosher Food Bank come to mind. Who wouldn't be inspired by such dedicated and devoted lay leadership, clergy, and professional staff. Above all else, I am proud to have been a contributor and encourage you all to get actively involved. Thank you for this honor and blessings to you and yours.

Join us at Simchat Torah, as it is our honour to acknowledge and thank

JACQUI ALLOUL, JACK HERSON and DAVID KRIEGER

for their dedication to our congregation.

KOSHER FOOD BANK

DEBBY POLLIT & MICHELLE BERMAN

We look forward to another busy year at the Beth Sholom Kosher Food Bank. Regrettably, the need in our community continues to grow and we feel very fortunate to have the resources and volunteers to continue this important program. Last year, from September 2022 to June 2023, we gave out approximately 2500 weekly bags of food, providing basic protein, starches, fruit and vegetables, and 900 monthly bags of food which have higher value items such as coffee, tea, peanut butter, jam and almond milk, for a total of approximately 3400 bags. In addition to our regular bags of food, once again we will be distributing special foods for the holidays including apples and honey for the upcoming high holidays.

In the past year, new clients registered at the food bank each week with a noticeable increase towards the end of the year. We anticipate this coming year to be very busy. The food bank opens on September 6, and in addition to ongoing challenges relating to a growing need in the community, as well as maintaining a safe environment for our volunteers and visitors, we are

also facing new challenges such as the ban on plastic shopping bags. We have been very lucky to receive many generous donations in the past and hope that you keep us in mind for the new year.

We'd like to extend a thank you to our dedicated food bank volunteers as well as Dina, Jorge and Carl for their continued support.

Debby Pollit & Michelle Berman • Co-Chairs,

Beth Sholom Kosher Food Bank



HOW YOU CAN HELP! BETH SHOLOM **KOSHER FOOD BANK**

MONETARY DONATIONS

Monetary donations allow us to continue providing the staple items weekly to our community. Donations can be made online at www.bethsholom.net or by contacting the synagogue office.

KOSHER NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS

Our Food Bank is always in need of Kosher non-perishable food items. Most needed items are; tuna, canned veggies and fruit, tomato sauce, dry pasta, macaroni & cheese, cereal and soup mix.

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Add an element of chesed to your next simcha. Consider creating a centerpeice filled with items that can be donated to the Kosher Food Bank!

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TOGETHER WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

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KHesed/ noun loving kindness the attribute of grace, benevolence, or compassion

OUT OF THE COLD

The Beth Sholom/BethTzedec 2024 OUT OF THE COLD program at Beth Sholom will be restarting. The program will take place on MONDAY nights beginning in January for and run for approximately 12 weeks. We will operate from 5:30 pm until 9:30 pm and offer a hot dinner, clothing distribution, an art program, BINGO, and bagged lunches. Unfortunately, we are not able to continue our sleepover and breakfast program.



Our annual Art Showcase and Sale featuring the work of our talented artists in the OOTC Art Circle will be held at the end of the program. There will be plenty of volunteer opportunities available for both adults and teens, as well as many opportunities for the Bar/ Bat Mitzvah groups to get involved. Community service hours will be available for high school volunteers. Shifts are approximately 2 hours in length and volunteers can sign up for dinner set up, dinner service and distribution of clothing/art/program/ bingo. We are looking for people who are interested in supervising sandwichmaking with students, checking in volunteers and guests, and being shift leaders. There will be a link to register on our Synagogue's website as of October 9, 2023.

OOTC is completely self-funded, relying on donations from both Synagogues and their members. Our entire clothing

MATTHEW KROFCHICK

and supplies inventory has been depleted, as we donated everything to the Church that we partnered with during the pandemic, so we are starting our clothing bank from scratch.

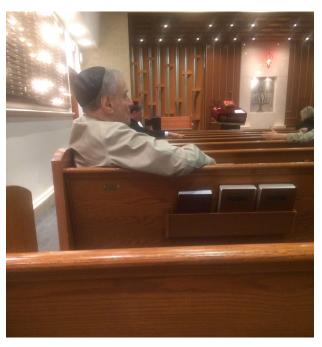
We will need ADULT ONLY NEW or GENTLY-USED jeans, pants, t-shirts, sweatpants, sweatshirts, warm ski jackets, running shoes, winter boots, hiking boots, hats, scarves, gloves, brand new sleeping bags, underwear, and hotel-sized toiletries. PLEASE DO NOT DONATE SUMMER CLOTHING OR CHILD-SIZED CLOTHING. Donations should be bagged, labelled and dropped off at Beth Sholom, weekdays between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm beginning on October 9th.

Matthew Krofchick •

Chair, Beth Sholom Out of the Cold

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HONOURING HOWARD KIRSH z"I

Howard Kirsh z"l passed away March 2023 and was 81 years old. Howard grew up and lived his entire life with his parents (Morris z"l and Rose z"l) and younger brother Gerald (now age 76) in the Cedarvale community. It was there that he made the lifelong connection with Beth Sholom Synagogue. Howard was a proud and committed member for much of his life. He would go on to attend Vaughan Road Collegiate and University of Toronto and graduated to become a pharmacist. After graduating, he managed a Shoppers' Drug Mart store at the intersection of Lawrence and Dufferin for a number of years and then another pharmacy store at the east end of Queen Street. His attendance and support of our weekend services is well known to the many who have seen him over these years.

We are honoured that Howard, amongst gifting scholarships at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Pharmacy, also provided for a generous bequest to Beth Sholom Synagogue. May his memory be for a blessing.

For more information on planned giving for Beth Sholom, email stephanie@bethsholom.net or call (416) 783-6103.

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A SINCERE THANK YOU TO ALL THE BELOW MEMBERS WHO HAVE MADE A DONATION TO THE FOLLOWING FUNDS OR WHO HAVE SPONSORED THE FOLLOWING OCCASIONS IN HONOUR OF A SIMCHA OR IN HONOUR OR MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE.

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WE EXTEND OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE FOLLOWING FAMILIES OF THE LATE:

Florence Antecol z"l, beloved wife of Saul Antecol z"l, loving mother and mother-in-law of **J. Edward Antecol & Joy Kaufman**, David & Shelley Antecol and Philip & Judy Antecol. Proud grandfather of **Harrison Antecol**, Leo Antecol and Sarah Antecol.

Michael Feldman z"l, beloved husband of Sue Feldman, loving father and father-in-law of Sandi Stuart and Barnet Bain, **Debra Feldman and Rick Pottens**, and Steven Feldman. Dear brother and brother-in-law of Marcia and the late Leon Donsky z"l, the late Art and Ida Feldman z"l and the late Lila and Murray Kirsh z"l. Devoted grandfather of Sophie and Simone, Ari and Lucy, Mathew and Emily, Seth and Rosalind. Delighted great grandfather of Jack and Theo.

Miriam Gangbar z"l, wife of Sheppy, mother to Jan & Peter Kirsch, Howard Gangbar & Jennifer Gurland, **Stephen & Nancy Gangbar**, Daniel & Lisa Gangbar. Grandmother to Shawn & Molly Levine, Hailey & Kevin Knopman, Rory & Danielle Gangbar, Shelby & Rafi Skapinker, Colby, **Jordyn, Rachel & Jonas Gangbar**. Gigi (Great great grandmother) to Benjamin & Mia Levine, Shoshana, Ezra & Noam Knopman, Micha & Maxie Gangbar, Stuey & Reese Skapinker.

Pauline Glassman z"l, beloved wife of the late **Issie Glassman z"l**. Loving mother and mother-in-law of Michael and Usha Kreaden, and Lynn Kreaden. Devoted grandmother of Jennifer Oona and Avi, Shira and Koby, Anapurna, and Siddartha.

Herbert Grossman z"l, beloved husband of Elinor, loving father and father-in-law to Eric Grossman and Margaret Mohan, Brian Grossman and Cristina Fontoura, **Karen and Sid Yellan**, and Esther Grossman and Frank Goldschleger. He was a devoted grandfather to **Isaac Yellan**, Lauren Grossman, **Sarah Yellan**, Stevey Goldschleger and Rachel Goldschleger.

Lin Judelman z"l, beloved wife of Alan. Loving mother and mother-in-law of **Andrew & Leah**, Vanessa and Michael, and Greg and Lauren. Dear sister of the late Patricia Shepherd z"l. Devoted Granny of Aaron, Joshua, **Mia**, **Sam**, Noah and Felix.

Eva Lieberman z"l, beloved wife and best friend of the late Sam Lieberman z"l. Loving and devoted mother and mother-in-law of Joy and the late Joe Sommerfreund z"l, Hester and Simon Witenoff, **Morlyn and Richard Shurman**. Cherished Bubbie of David and Holly, Julie and Dean, Amy and Jason, Noah, Mollie and Leah, Jesse and Sarah, **Corey and Ross Etherington**, Baylee and Kyle. Adoring Big Bubbie of Seth, Saige, Piper, Kyle, William, Elizabeth, Max, Oliver, Abi, Hannah, Edie, Levi, Ari and Parker.

Joy Lieberman z"I, beloved wife and best friend of the late Morty z"I for fifty-seven years. Daughter of the late Celia z"I and of the late Philip Small z"I, and daughter-in-law of the late Leah z"I and late Joseph Lieberman z"I. Cherished mother and mother- in-law of Jeffrey and Jenny, Sidney and Jodi, Earl, Philip and Sherri, and Michael. Adored grandma of Danielle and Michael, Brittany, Aidan and great-grandma of Mason. Much beloved sister and sister-in-law of Rita and the late Harvey Silver z"I; Beryl and the late Manny Goldberg z"I; the late Stanley and Karen Small z"I; the late Florence z"I and the late David Silien z"I; and the late Sam z"I and the late Eva Lieberman z"I.

Rose Lindzon z"l, beloved wife of the late Dr. Martin Lindzon z"l. Loving mother and mother-in-law of Fern Lindzon and Richard Shoichet, **Andrew and Margaret Lindzon**, and the late Ralph Lindzon z"l. Dear sister and sister- in-law of Gena and Norm Haber Devoted grandmother of Alexandra, David, **Aaron**, **Adira**, and Joshua. Caring Aunt of Steven Haber and Leslie Marsh-Haber, and the late Darlene Haber z"l.

Lynn Morris z"l beloved wife of Edgar Morris, Loving mother and mother-in-law of **Shawna Orzech**, Dan Morris and Barb Lee-Morris, and Anthony Morris. Dear sister and sister-in-law of Larry and Marielle (z"l) Witten, and Norman (z"l) and Mona Witten. Devoted Bubbie of **Lewis**, **Ryan**,, Kelsey, and Evan.

Arie Raif z"l, beloved husband of Daliah Raif for 55 years. Devoted father and father in law to Iris Raif, Nuryt (Peter Gioulos), **Daphne (Kyle Fenwick)**. Dear brother of Shoshana (Michael Singer). Loving Grandfather of Gal, Mai, Abbey, Andrew, Ashley, **Jack** and **James**.

Leo Rothman z"l, beloved husband to the late Joyce Rothman z"l, brother of the late Shirley and Nicky Katz z"l, brother of Eleanor and Norman Merlin, brother-in-law of Howard and Sandra Sterling and the late Irving and Myrna Sterling z"l. Father of Elissa Weiss, Doreen Saskin (Alan) and **Dr. Steven Rothman (Diane)**. Grandfather of Shonna Berlin (Nachman), Eric Grynspan, Evan Saskin (Cameron), Andrew Saskin (Sarah), Jyll Saskin Gales (Phillip), **Adam Rothman** and **Julia Rothman**. Great grandfather of David, Bennie, Beckett, Emmeline, Jasper, Audrey, Natalie, Nora and Leo.

Dr. Harry Weisfeld z"I, loving and caring husband of the late **Dolly Weisfeld z"I** for over 62 years. Wonderful father to Shelley Weisfeld and Aileen Weisfeld. A special place in his heart for his daughter- in-law Linda Atlin, his son-in-law Ron Savlov, and grandson Justin Savlov.

NEW MEMBERS

WE ARE PLEASED TO EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

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BIRTHDAYS

MAZEL TOV ON THE FOLLOWING MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS:

SEPTEMBER

Heather Berk-Samel Paul Bernstein Phyllis Chapnik Ida Dick Hedy Frisch Elliot Frishman Yetta Goldenberg Lori Gudofsky Tamara Horowitz Judith Kauder Nathan Kaufman Rachelle Lerner Freema Pellman Ruth Reisman

Kay Rotman

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OCTOBER

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NOVEMBER

Sheldon Baker Rosa Bergman Yetta Freeman Shirley Goldenberg Joseph Grader Hindy Greben
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Marvin Latchman
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Lawrence Scheinman
Michael Shapira
Frimette Snow
Barbara Stepak
Darren Sukerman
Martin Sversky
Cheryl Talsky

Milestones birthdays are those that mark a big birthday year. The names mentioned above are members who are turning 50, 60, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90 and everyone over 90 years of age.

ANNIVERSARIES



MAZEL TOV ON THE FOLLOWING MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES:

SEPTEMBER

Brian Borts and Tama Kossman David and Stacey Cynamon Jack Herson and Ellen Herson Ilan Tsafnat and Sylvie Tsafnat Darrin Zweig and Franceen Bernstein

OCTOBER

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NOVEMBER

Micheal Greenberg and Debbie Miskin Peter and Lara Kaufman Martin and Doreen Kerbel Sheldon and Francine Libfeld Sandra and Alvin Thuna

The names mentioned above are members who will be celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th, 65th, and 70th wedding anniversaries.

FAMILY NEWS

MAZEL TOV ON THE FOLLOWING BAR & BAT MITZVAHS

To **Jordana Berke & Mark Glogauer** on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Abby Mia**, granddaughter of **Gary & Barbara Berke** and Isaac & Eileen Glogauer. Proud great grandmother Jennie Berke. Fondly remembered are Cynthia Berke z"I, Dorothy & Meyer Nuerenberger z"I, Alexander Berke z"I, Rosie & Jack Nickel z"I, Max & Ruth Glogauer z"I.

To **Jessica & Daniel Browman** on the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Jacob (Jake) Bernard**, grandson of **Marilyn & Robert Burke**, Phil Browman & the late Terry Browman z"l. Proud great-grandmother is Belle Burke. Fondly remembered at this time are Matt Burke z"l and Freda & Bernard Raber z"l.

To **Michelle Gordon & Joshua Koziebrocki** on the Bar Mitzvah of their son **Isaac Avi**, grandson of Carolyn Fineberg and Allan & Carol Gordon. Proud brothers are **Nate** and **Max Koziebrocki**. Fondly remembered at this time is Irwin Koziebrocki z"l.

To **Alana & Mark Katz** on the bat mitzvah of their daughter **Stella Jane**, granddaughter of Ken Gertner and **Michel & Meyer Katz**. Proud sister is **Madeleine**. Lovingly remembered at this time is Sandra Gertner z"l.

To **Rachel Landen** and Ryan Landen and proud sister **Aria Landen** on the Bat Mitzvah of **Scarlett Elle**, granddaughter of **Mimi & Terry Green**, Mark Sharpe and Shae-Lynn Ross and Pauline & Barry Landen. Fondly remembered at this time are Sally & Albert Niddam z"I, Elsie & Abraham Green z"I, Helen & Sydney Sharpe z"I, Toby & Abe Pollack z"I, and Goldie & Sid Landen z"I.

To **Jennifer Suess & Adam Segal** on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter **Paige Alexander Shira Suess Segal**, granddaughter of Dr. Gerald & Mrs. Marcia Suess and Carol Segal. Fondly remembered at this time are Papa Sam (Sonny) Segal z"l and great grandma Diane Wexler z"l.

To **Brad & Karen Wiseman** on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, **Emma Jessica**, granddaughter of Sheldon Wiseman and Susan & Murray Lieberman. Fondly remembered at this time is Trudy Wiseman z"l.

MAZEL TOV ON THE FOLLOWING ENGAGEMENT

To Nikki Millman and Cody Erlick on their engagement. Proud and joyous are the parents, Michelle & Steven Millman, Lisa & Rabbi Aaron Flanzraich and Allan Erlick.

MAZEL TOV ON THE FOLLOWING MARRIAGES

To **Adam Freeman**, son of **Jane Freeman & Elden Freeman**, and Paulina Mendel, daughter of Andrea & Dean Mendel, on their marriage. Proud siblings are Tamara Freeman, Thomas Schrieber, Jillian Mendel, Max Mendel, Tyler Mendel. Proud Grandparents are

Nancy & Barry Freeman, Lois Thomas, Joe Mendel, Israel Zlotnik. Fondly remembered are Douglas Thomas z"l, Anna Mendel z"l, and Libby Zlotnik z"l.

To Sarah Kardish and **Jason Rapoport** on their marriage. Proud parents are Elayne & Adam Kardish and **Rhonda Silverstone & Nathan Rapoport**.

To **Michael Levine** and Natalie Dracopoulos on their marriage. Proud parents are **Dr Ron & Sybil Levine** and Spiro & Anne Dracopoulos.

To Isaac Zucker and **Amanda Springer** on their marriage. Proud parents are Symon Zucker & Lisa Borsook and **Benjamin & Karen** z"l Springer.

To **Vicki Sterling & Allan Kaufman** on the marriage of their son, Elliot Kaufman, of New York City, to Sarah Rosenberg, daughter of Patti & Sam Rosenberg, of Connecticut. Proud brother: Harris Kaufman of London, England. Delighted grandmother: Nora Kaufman of Winnipeg. Fondly remembered are grandparents David Kaufman z"l of Winnipeg; Myrna & Irving Sterling z"l of Montreal.

MAZEL TOV ON THE FOLLOWING BIRTHS

To Noah Bronstein & Rachel Schlosser on the birth of their daughter Sally Miriam Bronstein. Thrilled first-time grandparents are **Andrea & Allan Bronstein** and Robert Schlosser and Susan Benzaquen. Proud great grandparents are Diane Grafstein and Leon and Doris Bronstein. Lovingly remembered at this time are Murray Grafstein z"l, Alice Schlosser z"l, Emil Schlosser z"l, David and Sylvia Benzaquen z"l.

To parents **Matthew Frisch & Jessica Rotman** on the birth of their daughter Romy Gabrielle on December 24, 2022. Proud grandparents are **Ron & Heddy Frisch** and Earl Rotman & Ariella Rohringer.

To **Josef Khoudatov & Denisa Firaj-Khoudatov** on the birth of their daughter **Emma**. Proud grandparents are Robert & Aferdita Firaj and Viatcheslav & Irina Khoudatov.

To **Susan Shames** on the birth of her granddaughter Maya Shoshana. Thrilled parents Tilly & Or Shemer (Shames). Proud grandparents are Simi & Rafi Vichnizer and Isaac Shames. Lovingly remembered at this time are **Jack & Tilly Kreaden z"l**.

To **Sarah & David Stoller** on the birth of their son **Braeden Zachary** on July 20. Excited big sister is **Paige** and loving grandparents are **Elsa Stringer, Teresa & Stanley Grossman**, Vicki and Barry Solway and Lynda & Martin Stoller.

To parents Kelly & Aaron Zimner on the birth of their daughter Kaia Deen. Proud grandparents are **Jeff & Honey Rubenstein** and Yossi & Tami Zimner, and siblings are Aria and Ella.









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Welcome Margaret Lindzon, incoming President

> Pay tribute to David Krieger, outgoing President

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