

THE WINDOW החלון

5779 High Holy Day Edition

September - December 2018

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The program runs on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from October 9th to May 28th, from 6 pm to 8 pm, excluding weeks with school or Jewish Holidays,

The program is \$300 for Beth David members and \$ 380 for Non-Members. Registration is available on bethdavid.com or by calling the office at 416-633-5500

Dinner at every session and transportation to off-site service projects are included in the registration price



From the Rabbi

“*Much of our High Holy Day liturgy, and the confessionals we recite during these powerful days relate to our relationships with each other.*”



Philip S. Scheim
Rabbi

Last Rosh Hashanah I shared the story of a close friend who had returned late at night to Israel from an overseas trip. Asher was saying *Kaddish* for his mother and was hoping to find a *Ma'ariv minyan* upon his trip home from the airport. He asked his taxi driver if he knew of a synagogue that would have a late *Ma'ariv* service. Sensing that his driver was secular, because he wasn't wearing a kippah, he knew the odds of the driver knowing of a *minyan* were slim, but he figured he would ask, anyhow.

“You need a *minyan*?” the driver asked.

“Yes,” Asher answered.

“*Al tidag*,” his driver assured him. “Don't worry.” Asher wasn't sure what the driver had in mind, but they continued on the climb up the steep highway to Jerusalem. Shortly after entering the city, the driver pulled his taxi to the side of the road, took a well-worn kippah out of his glove compartment, got out of the cab, and told my friend, “Wait a minute.” The driver then proceeded to flag down eight cars, got the drivers to come out of their cars, brought them together, to make a late-night *minyan* on a Jerusalem sidewalk.

Human nature leads us so often to focus on the negative,

of which there never seem to be a shortage. No doubt, there are reasons to fear, to distrust, to be skeptical about almost everything in life, but then we encounter the taxi driver who restores our faith in humanity, in the innate Jewish instinct to stand by each other.

We live in a deeply divisive political environment, where office-holders and candidates for office expend great energy to denigrate their opponents. In a fantasy world perhaps, candidates for public office would articulate their vision and promote their agenda for strengthening society, and say only nice things about those competing for the same position, with the understanding that their opponents are also decent people trying to do good in the world. Unfortunately, pollsters would warn such candidates that nice guys finish last, that in order to win, they must go for the jugular, and focus on the foibles and weaknesses of their opponent.

In opposition to this mindset, our sages long ago taught us to judge our fellow human beings *l'khaf zehut*, positively, to seek out the good and de-emphasize the negative. It is not only in politics that one goes negative, but, as our sages well understood, it happens regularly in day-to-day life as well. We love to gossip, to share the sordid details of people's misdeeds, and tend too often

to focus on the failings, rather than the virtues, of those we encounter.

It is only at funerals, it seems, that we say nice things – sometimes overdone, because, our sages also teach us not to over-praise, because that could lead to mocking the subject of our eulogizing. But why do we have to wait for someone to die in order to say the nice things that were drowned out by the more colorful, juicy, negative tidbits that spiced up our conversations while he/she was alive?

Much of our High Holy Day liturgy, and the confessionals we recite during these powerful days relate to our relationships with each other. How we speak to each other, how we talk about others, how we treat others, represents a significant portion of our *Mahzor* content. May we be able, in the year ahead, to commit to an agenda, wherever possible, to search out the good, the positive, the life-affirming, in those around us. Like our anonymous Israeli taxi driver, perhaps, unexpectedly, in the coming year, someone will surprise us with an act of kindness that will add to the sweetness that we wish each other in this sacred season.

Philip S. Scheim
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From the President

“ I can not think of a better way to exemplify Beth David’s motto, Participate, Learn, Grow;

Madeleine Sarick
President

Last year at High Holy Days, I asked all of you to think about why you belong to Beth David. Each of us has our own unique reason for belonging to Beth David and we bring all of those reasons together to form a community. This year I would like to highlight something new that encapsulates so much about Beth David in one small space. When you walk into our building, through the front doors, look to your right at the new garden. I am writing this in May, so there are just a few shoots there, but by September, there should be a lot growing: radishes, parsley, lettuces and other vegetables.

This year’s B’nai Mitzvah group, with the assistance of Shoresh, (a nature-based Jewish education non-profit organization) planted the seeds for a vegetable garden. Some of the vegetables will be used by the Shul and some will be donated to Shoresh for the Jewish food bank. The garden will be tended by Rachel, our new Director of Youth and Family Engagement, and by the B’nai Mitzvah families. The vegetables will be harvested by this year’s and next year’s B’nai Mitzvah class, when they begin in the fall. If subsequent B’nai Mitzvah classes need more room to plant, there is space to build more planting beds.

I can not think of a better way to exemplify Beth David’s motto, Participate, Learn, Grow; and to exemplify our philosophy of planting now, for our own use and to help others in the community; and planting now to sustain our future. The founders of Beth David probably could not have imagined that there would be a vegetable garden on our front lawn, but they planted a sustainable legacy and it is up to us to water it, nourish it, share it with those in need and continue planting for the future.

Madeleine Sarick
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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday9AM – 5PM

Fridays.....9AM – 3PM

EXTENDED HOURS:

Sunday, August 26th 9AM – 1PM

Thursday, August 30th9AM – 7PM

Thursday, September 6th..... 9AM – 7PM



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From the Executive Director

“ Here, at Beth David we also turn the page to a new year.

Ian Borer
Executive Director



The year 5779 is upon us. We leave a very hot summer and move towards the autumn season. We don't know yet what the fall will provide us, but we will embrace whatever we get, right? As the calendar moves to the new year we begin the year with hope and optimism that the year 5779 will be filled with peace, happiness and good health. Individually, we can hope for other things, but peace and happiness and good health is a great start, right? Of course it is.

Here, at Beth David we also turn the page to a new year. Throughout the summer all staff, committee chairs and volunteers have been busy getting things organized for you for the new program year. I hope you will take the time to see what we have to offer for all members of your family in the Beth David Community. When we say that we are making a concerted effort to keep every

demographic busy throughout the year, we mean it. From the revitalized young family initiatives to the shul wide, all age programming and on through the adult education and seniors programming, we do have it all. When you are in shul for the High Holy Days make sure to pick up the printed information on what we are preparing for you and your family. Make sure you continually check out our revitalized website bethdavid.com to get the essence of what we are.

The halls and rooms of Beth David are busy throughout the week. We are open and busy on days other than Shabbat. But rest assured, our Shabbat morning service and Kiddush that follow are the highlight of many people's week. Now that I have your attention (by talking about food), I would ask you to consider sponsoring a Kiddush or a breakfast or a seuda shlyshit. They are great opportunities

to honor someone, commemorate a special birthday or milestone or a yahrtzeit you may have. By doing this you are also helping the shul. It is truly a win-win scenario. Simply call the office and we can walk you through the possibilities.

One other parting point I would like to make is that we are always looking for volunteers who have interests and new ideas that we could use to make what we already do even better. I'd be happy to talk to you about any opportunities that we have. Simply call me at 416-633-5500 extension 22, email me at ian@bethdavid.com or better yet, come see me at the shul.

As we enter the year 5779, I want to wish a year of health and happiness for all of us and our families.

Ian Borer
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סליחות
Selihot
in Song and Study led by

Rabbi Philip Scheim
Cantor Marshall Loomer and
Ritual Director Michael Rubin

Saturday night, September 1, 2018 9:30 to 10:30 PM

followed by festive refreshments



Marshall Loomer
Cantor

From the Cantor

“*May all of you
be blessed
with a good year
filled with good
health.*”

We are all familiar with apples and honey on Rosh Hashanah and the meaning of wishing and praying for a sweet year. Another beautiful custom is to purchase a pomegranate for the one you love for Rosh Hashanah. The pomegranate is still grown in Israel today and in fact they grow over 60,000 tons a year. Half of them are for export.

What is the significance of the red thick skinned fruit on the table? Firstly, they have exactly 613 seeds inside significant of the 613 mitzvot. Do you believe me? Count and you'll see! Well, maybe there's 614 or 714 but who's really counting? The ideal is to remind us that as numerous the seeds are, so may we be blessed with as many children, (not all to one family)! And, so may we be blessed with the performance of as many mitzvot. In our tradition, pomegranates are a symbol of fertility and love winning them frequent mention in biblical texts, the Song of Songs. For example 4:3 “Your lips are like a crimson thread; your mouth is lovely. Your brow behind your veil gleams like a pomegranate split open.” The two silver decorative crowns on the Torah handles are called Rimoni. Rimoni is the Hebrew word for pomegranate. Many of us eat the pomegranate as the “new fruit” for the year on the second night of Rosh Hashanah.



Pomegranates make frequent appearances in the Torah and the Talmud.

In Parashat Sh'lach in the Torah, a pomegranate is one of the items brought back by the 12 spies when they return from scouting out the Land of Canaan.

Images of pomegranates adorn the robes of the high priest, as described in parashat Tetzaveh of the Torah.

In one story in the Talmud, the wife of Rabbi Hiyya Bar Ashi tests him by disguising herself as a prostitute and then seducing him, demanding he pay her with a freshly picked pomegranate. (Kiddushin 81b).

Pomegranates are found on ancient discovered coins from the era of the Bar Kochba revolt.

Whatever images arise for pomegranates at your Rosh Hashanah table, I hope that all of you who recite a shehecheyanu on a “new fruit” possibly a pomegranate that your mitzvot will be as numerous as the seas and that blessings for your family will also be as numerous.

May all of you be blessed with a good year filled with good health.

Shana Tova Umetukah,

A sweet year,

Cantor Marshall Loomer
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From the Ritual Director

What is it about the High Holy Days that offers us a sense of something unique, something worthy of our presence, our attendance at synagogue, even if we haven't frequented the edifice during the course of the year? Why has this always been, and why does it continue to be a time when Jews feel compelled to show up, even if for only the chanting of Kol Nidrei?

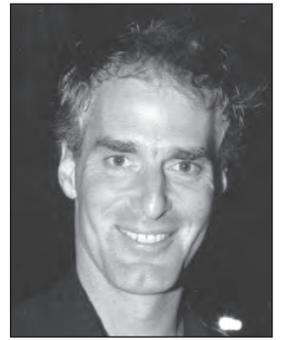
Certainly, it is a social occasion, an opportunity to engage with those from our community / congregation we have not seen for months. It can be the chance for parents to have time with children where some of the more substantial issues of our Jewish identity may be considered, even if not in an overt and verbal manner. We may, if often facetiously and half-heartedly, actually take a moment to genuinely self-evaluate, whether through the template of the traditional liturgy, or merely through the inspiration of the mass gathering of fellow Jews.

This past August, Iris and I spent some time in Montreal. Part of the daily routine included walks through some of the more interesting and historical of Montreal's neighbourhoods. As we usually do when in Montreal, we abided in Mile End. Much of its charm for us is the eclectic nature of its current residents, a diverse demographic collection. At the same time, no less an occasional draw was both the former and current Jewish content. There is a fairly large ultra-orthodox community in this adjacent-to-Outremont locality, one that remains distinct in its dress and identity, yet is present in a seamless and natural manner. After taking in the possibilities of the Shabbat synagogue options in the vicinity, I also went for a run that afternoon, coming across a Hassid striding hurriedly on the other side of street, perhaps on his way to a Shabbat shiur. I considered, in my certainly similarly sweaty situation, yet far more exposing garb whether to greet him and, if so, with which salutation. I decided upon the Sephardic Hebrew, “Shabbat Shalom”, expecting perhaps the familiar Yiddish response. He expressed surprise, chose to remain silent, but allowed a smile to briefly cross his face as we passed one another.

Constantly reminded of that living presence, I was also aware of the Jewish past here; the nearby home of Mordechai Richler, the regular aromatic experience from the famous Fairmount bagel bakery on the other side of the street, and the prominent remaining arch of the B'nai Jacob synagogue, owned by the College Francais since the late 50's, but with the still visible Hebrew from Psalms 118:20, “This is the gate of the Lord, the righteous shall enter through it.” When I set out for a run up Mont Royal, and before entering the massive cemetery along its slopes and plateau, I first, by chance, ran by the Jewish cemetery and immediately felt the type of connection that most of us feel when coming across Jewish sites during our travels, wherever they may lead us.

So what does all this have to do with the High Holy Days? Well, this is exactly the challenge we should encounter during this time of year. On the one hand, we traditionally see these days

“Hayom Harat Olam - This Day is the Birth of the World” היום הרת עולם



Michael Rubin
Ritual Director

as a wholly Jewish experience, with unique liturgy, annually familiar chants and melodies, even special culinary indulgences. We seek to reconnect with our Jewish aspects, particularly if we allow them to lapse for much of the year. We find comfort in the Jewish immersion. However, these days need to be much more than that, if they are to have any significance for us as members of both the Jewish community and world at large.

Let us consider the timing for these days. The Jewish New Year occurs on the first day of the 7th month. As Rabbi Jonathan Sacks explains, the number seven in Jewish tradition is one which connects us with the world in its entirety, reminding us of the seven days of creation. This significance is strengthened when considering the negative side of this; that the days do not occur in the first month of the distinct Hebrew calendar, a month reserved for the national birth of the Jewish people, with the exodus from Egypt. Furthermore, the ten days of repentance, Aseret Y'mei Teshuvah, begin on the first day of the month, a day when the moon is not seen, where there is only the faint natural light of the stars at night; an indication of something we share with all humanity, starting with a blank slate. Is this not, perhaps, the way we would like to see our entry into the New Year?

Of course, the liturgy may be no less indicative. As you know, our communal morning service any day of the year usually begins with Birchot HaShachar and, so appropriately, these days as well. (I know that at least some of you recall my challenge in the Pesach Window to prepare, especially if you have never done it before, to lead that first page at our daily morning minyan. Some of you have taken that on and done wonderfully, inspiring other more hesitant members to consider it.) Those all reflect an expression of gratitude to God for providing us with our most basic needs. Consider that first blessing. How much more universal can one get than to be thankful in the most indirect manner for being able to wake up in the morning? Is it so surprising that we do not thank God for being able to get up in the morning through our own human power and talent but, rather, thank her for giving another living creature the ability to call out the distinction between night and day and thus allow us to begin our daily

routine? Yes, the cock does this out of a genetic, instinctual inclination. We utilize that trigger and then, only as humans, are we able to demonstrate and pronounce appreciation for that quotidian cycle. The cock cannot do that. But it is part of the world in which we live and our awareness of its presence and function in this world, not our world, should demand of us the responsibility to ensure its sustainability. General environmental considerations notwithstanding, it should also enable and empower us to see the value of all human beings within the world.

Furthermore, take all these blessings out of the personal context and place them in the communal. Rather than only thanking God for dressing the naked, etc, we should, as creatures / creations of God, thank ourselves, if deserved, or take upon ourselves the responsibility to do God's work, and provide clothing for those who are without, guide those who are encumbered by unseen obstacles, offer those beaten down the means and the dignity to stand upright and with confidence, give strength to the weary.

Later, in the musaf service, we have three unique sections, each replete with shofar blasts, both in the silent Amidah and reader's repetition. This awakening measure should bring our attention to the text as much as serving as mere shock therapy. The second section is called, Zikronot, or Remembrances. Although much of it is related to significant events in our own Biblical experience, the opening paragraphs are, perhaps, equally instructive:

Atta Zocher – You remember the making of the world; You come to all those formed long ago. You remember all of creation and all things that were formed.

Of course, we are naturally inclined to think of, and relate to our own personal, communal, and national experience, but we need to recall that we are part of something larger, and have a responsibility in that sense, as well. We need to recall the Biblical experiences of others whose narrative may be somewhat different than our own. We often make an effort to see the narrative of Abraham and family through the eyes of Hagar and Ishmael. Where else are we willing to go to see the other?

And, lastly, when we hesitatingly

delve, even if only momentarily, into the Martyrology section on Yom Kippur, we lament the horrors of our history throughout the centuries, but do we pause and consider those of others? Granted, we have only so much emotional and penitential energy to expend during these ten days and, for many of us, only three, or even one day. When we resolve to undertake a process of repentance, how thinly can we spread ourselves if we wish any of it to be effective, even if only in the short term?

And yet, when we seek forgiveness, we must think in grander more inclusive terms. We need to forgive ourselves for neglecting others and seeing only our narrative. As we look inside, we need to look without, as well. God does not want only our personal repentance, expressed in biblical and temple era sacrifices, today through attending shul, beating our breasts, and fasting. As we read in the Yom Kippur Haftarah from Isaiah,

No, this is the fast I desire:

To unlock the fetters of wickedness,

And untie the cords of the yoke

To let the oppressed go free;

To break off every yoke.

It is to share your bread with the hungry,

And to take the wretched poor into your home;

When you see the naked, to clothe him,

And not to ignore your own kin.

Let us ensure that “your own kin” properly reflects the nature of Rosh HaShanah as the day of the birth of the world, ensuring our willingness to initially be aware of that, and then act accordingly in consideration of others within our families, congregations, communities, and without.

Wish wishes for a year of caring for, and engagement with those who might benefit, including ourselves.

Elah, Iris, and Michael
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SYNAGOGUE SERVICE TIMES

September - November 2018

Ritual matters



	Candle Lighting	Friday Evening	Saturday Evening	Sunday to Thursday
August 31 – September 6	7:36 PM	6:00 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM
September 7 – 8	7:23 PM	7:15 PM	7:15 PM	
September 9 – 11	SEE ROSH HASHANAH SCHEDULE – PAGE 9			
September 12 – 13				7:15 PM
September 14 – 17	7:10 PM	7:15 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM
September 18 – 19	SEE YOM KIPPUR SCHEDULE – PAGE 9			
September 20				7:00 PM
September 21 – 22	6:58 PM	7:00 PM	6:45 PM	
September 23 – October 2	SEE SUKKOT SCHEDULE – PAGE 10			
October 3 – 4				6:30 PM
October 5 – 11	6:32 PM	6:30 PM	6:30 PM	6:30 PM
October 12 – 18	6:20 PM	6:15 PM	6:15 PM	6:15 PM
October 19 – 25	6:08 PM	6:15 PM	6:00 PM	6:00 PM
October 26 – November 1	5:58 PM	6:00 PM	5:45 PM	6:00 PM
November 2 – 8	5:48 PM	6:00 PM	5:45 PM	4:45 PM
November 9 – 15	4:39 PM	4:45 PM	4:30 PM	4:45 PM
November 16 – 22	4:32 PM	4:30 PM	4:30 PM	4:45 PM
November 23 – 29	4:27 PM	4:30 PM	4:15 PM	4:45 PM
November 30 – December 6	4:24 PM	4:30 PM	4:15 PM	4:45 PM

MORNINGS: Sundays 8:30 AM | Shabbat 9:00 AM | Monday – Friday 7 & 8 AM

SPECIAL MORNINGS:

Monday, September 3	Labour Day	8:30 AM ONLY
Monday, October 8	Thanksgiving	8:30 AM ONLY
Sunday, November 4	Return to Standard Time!	

Ritual matters

High Holy Day Season Services Timetable 2018/5779



Rosh Hashanah

Candlelighting

Sunday, September 9.....7:20 PM

Evening Services

Sunday, September 9.....6:00 PM

Monday, September 10.....6:00 PM

Tuesday, September 11.....7:30 PM

Morning Services

Monday, September 10 & Tuesday, September 11

Main Services9:00 AM

Yeomans Rd. & Richmond Hill

Havurah Service.....9:30 AM

In the Sisterhood Hall

Family Minyan.....10:00 AM

In the Chapel

Children's Services & Supervised

Pre-School Activities9:30 AM

Yeomans Rd & Richmond Hill

Tashlikh Service

Monday, September 105:15 PM

Meet in the synagogue lobby

Yom Kippur

Tuesday, September 18

Candlelighting.....7:03 PM

Evening (Kol Nidrei) Service

Main Services 7:00 PM

Havurah Service..... 7:00 PM

Family Minyan..... 7:00 PM

Children's Services 6:45 PM

Yom Kippur Day Services

Wednesday, September 19

Main Service9:00 AM

Havurah Service..... 9:30 AM

Family Minyan 10:00 AM

Children's Services 9:30 AM

Mincha: 6:00 PM

Shofar and end of fast: 8:00 PM

'You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea'

Micah 7:19

Tashlikh 5779

Monday, September 10, 2018 (first day of Rosh Hashanah)

Tashlikh is a custom dating back to the early 14th century, symbolizing our wish to rid ourselves of sins and be forgiven by God.

Join us as we walk from the shul to Timberlane Avenue. Rabbi Scheim and Cantor Loomer will lead us in a brief service and then we will throw bread crumbs into the water to symbolically cast our sins "into the depths of the sea".

Meet in the Shul lobby at 5:15 p.m.

Refreshments to follow

Minhah begins at 6:00 p.m.

Sukkot Services 2018



Sukkot Eve

Sunday, September 23

Candlelighting	6:54 PM
Minhah	6:45 PM

First Day Sukkot

Monday, September 24

Morning Service	9:00 AM
Minhah	6:45 PM

Second Day Sukkot

Candlelighting

7:52 PM	
Tuesday, September 25	
Morning Service	9:00 AM
Minhah	7:00 PM

Hol Hamo'ed Sukkot I - II

Wednesday, September 26 – Thursday, September 27

Morning Service	7:30 AM
Minhah	6:45 PM

Hol Hamo'ed Sukkot III

Friday September 28

Morning Service	7:30 AM
Minhah	6:00 PM
(Outdoor Service)	

Shabbat Hol Hamo'ed Sukkot

Candlelighting

6:45 PM	
Saturday, September 29	
Morning Service	9:00 PM
Minhah	6:30 PM

Hoshana Rabbah

Sunday, September 30

Morning Service	8:30 AM
Minhah	6:30 PM

Shemini Atzeret

Candlelighting

6:41 PM	
Monday, October 1	
Morning Service	9:00 AM
YIZKOR and Memorial Plaque Dedications	
Minhah	6:30 PM

Simhat Torah

Ma'ariv & Hakafot

7:00 PM	
Tuesday, October 2	
Morning Services	9:00 AM
Minhah	6:30 PM

Ritual matters

Lulav and Etrog

We're looking forward again this year to seeing many members participate in the unique and wonderful Mitzvah of Arba' at Haminim, the Four Species, otherwise known as Lulav and Etrog. So again, the synagogue is able to provide members with a set priced at \$60. (Enhanced sets will be available for \$80) There is also an opportunity to purchase a set including a ritually 'kosher' etrog with no "pitom"! Please specify with the ritual director if you would like to try this new experience!

We remind you to bring your Lulav and Etrog to Sukkot services on both the 1st and 2nd days of Sukkot – **Monday September 24th and Tuesday September 25th** - as well as on the subsequent days of Hol HaMo'ed, **September 26th – September 28th and Hoshana Rabba, Sunday, September 30th**. For those somewhat apprehensive as to the proper handling (shaking) of the Four Species, you needn't fear! We shall be reviewing the proper manner in which to *Shake Your Lulav* leading up to the Festival, as well as handing out shaking instructions to those purchasing a set.

Orders must be received and paid by Wednesday, September 12th.

For details, please contact Michael Rubin at 416-633-5500 ext. 23 or by email mrubin@bethdavid.com



Congregational Shofar Blowing!



In recent years, we have instituted a new tradition of inviting members with the ability and motivation to participate in the final Teki'ah Gedolah of the shofar that takes place at the conclusion of Yom Kippur. Including our clergy, there were several dozen willing and capable Tok'im last year. We wish to further increase those numbers and ask that anyone interested

in this experience, please bring your shofarot with you to the Ne'ilah service at the conclusion of Yom Kippur, on **Wednesday, September 19th.**

Of course, you are also invited to join in the brief shofar blowing at the conclusion of the weekday morning services from **August 12th to September 7th.**

Teki'ah Mehanah!



A NOTICE TO VISITORS OF PARDES SHALOM CEMETERY

Arrangements have been made by Pardes Shalom to provide transportation to the cemetery before Rosh Hashanah and between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, for those without transportation.

Bus service will be provided on the following two days:

**Wednesday August 29 and
Wednesday September 12**

On each of these days, a bus identified by a sign "PARDES SHALOM", will depart from the parking lot of **The Lipa Green Centre**, 4600 Bathurst St. at **10:00 AM** for Pardes Shalom Cemetery. The bus will make a stop at the parking lot of the **Betel Centre** on Steeles Avenue West at **10:15 AM** to pick up passengers before proceeding to the cemetery. For further information, and to register, please call Trudy at the cemetery office at (416) 635-5595.



Annual Dedication of Yahrzeit Plaques

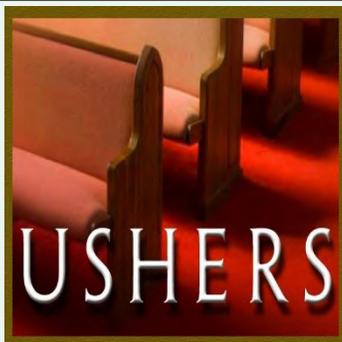
We shall hold our annual memorial plaque dedication ceremony on Shemini Atzeret **Monday, October 1, 2018** as part of the Yizkor Service that day.

Services begin at 9:00 AM.

The names listed below will be called, at which time members of the family will rise in silent tribute. We encourage you to extend an invitation to members of your family and friends to attend this moving service.

- Mel Berger
- Jodi France Bernholtz
- Jerry Blitzer
- Harriet Cohen
- Pearl Gertzbein
- Bess Good
- Ken Gordon
- Jack Graham
- Anne Haniford
- Sydney Jacobson
- Fay Lazebnik
- Lou Meirovich
- Maxine Povering
- Allen Richman
- Arthur Rose
- Dr. Terance (Terry) Shapero
- Rose Stein
- Rose Stone
- Nettie Wasserman
- Berny Weinstein
- Miriam Wise





Ushers Needed for High Holy Day Services

Volunteer ushers are required for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services in order to provide an environment conducive to the mood and purpose of the synagogue experience. With the help of volunteers from the congregation serving as ushers, we try to maintain the proper decorum and sense of security in all our services.

We ask that you participate in this important and necessary task. Our expectation is for a minimum one hour of ushering duty (or more) during one of the three days or Kol Nidrei evening service. Please contact the office, listing in order of preference, two possible days/times that you can usher at the Main Sanctuary, Yeomans Road location.

Please email Faye at faye@bethdavid.com or telephone 416-633-5500 ext. 0

Ritual matters

Communicate with us!

We are a community. We are here for each other in good times and in bad.

Have good news?

Share it with the entire congregation by contacting Faye. We will share your good news when we email the weekly Shabbat Shalom.

Struggling with illness?

Let us know. Our clergy would like to call or visit and lend the moral support that you and your loved ones need.

Contact Faye: 416-633-5500 ext. 0 or faye@bethdavid.com

Tanach Reading Opportunity Corner -

This corner is for those who would like to read Torah or a Haftarah in general, but also especially for anyone who might like to mark the anniversary of their Bar/Bat Mitzvah celebration or Wedding Aufruf by reading from the same portion chanted on that special occasion. You will find here a list of coming Shabbatot & Festivals when there is no Simcha taking place at our Synagogue, meaning the Haftarah and any Torah reading is open to our members. If you are interested, please contact Michael Rubin directly by email – mrubin@bethdavid.com – and confirm your chanting assignment!

Also, we would like to update our records of when your Bar/Bat Mitzvah took place. Please email Michael Rubin with details – Gregorian date and Parashah. We look forward to hearing you relive the excitement of that special day, however many years ago!

Reading Openings:

Shabbat / Festival	Parashah	Haftarah	Torah
Monday	September 24	Sukkot I	Available
Tuesday	September 25	Sukkot II	Available
Shabbat	September 29	Sukkot – Shabbat HM.	Available
Monday	October 1	Shemini Atzeret	Available
Tuesday	October 2	Simchat Torah	Available
Shabbat	October 6	Breishit	Available
Shabbat	October 13	No'ach	Available
Shabbat	October 27	VaYeira	Available
Shabbat	November 3	Hayei Sara	Available
Shabbat	November 10	Toledot	Available
Shabbat	November 24	VaYishlach	Available
Shabbat	December 1	VaYeishev	Available
Shabbat	December 8	Mikeitz – Hanukkah - RH	Available
Shabbat	December 15	VaYigash	Available
Shabbat	December 22	VaYechi	Available
Shabbat	December 29	Sh'mot	Available



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Hebrew Academy | העברית
of Toronto | ע"ש טננבאום

PARENT OPEN HOUSE

Evening Session
Wednesday, October 24, 2018
8:00 - 9:30 PM

Morning Session
Thursday, October 25, 2018
9:00 - 10:30 AM

New Stream
Information Session
7:15 - 8:00 PM

New Stream
Information Session
10:30 - 11:15 AM

THE NEW STREAM PROGRAM is for students with little or no Jewish day school experience



UJA Federation
of Greater Toronto

RSVP REQUIRED

www.tanenbaumchat.org/open-house



Send a Soldier some Canadian love

If you are interested in knitting a hat for an IDF soldier, please contact me. I have downloaded the pattern and the instructions which are very precise and must be followed exactly, as you can appreciate that they all have to be the same. The only thing you need to purchase is the wool and the needles – a circular needle to start and double pointed needles to finish. We need to have them completed for Oct. 22, 2018 so that I/we can take them to Israel with us on the Beth David Israel Shul trip.



I can arrange a meeting so that we help each other get started. I will also give you the wool details and needle sizes once I have names. I have made 2 of them and they can be used as samples.

If you cannot come to Israel with us, then please consider sending your love and support in the form of a hat which will help keep them warm during the winter months.

Please contact me at: bkochberg@rogers.com

Living the Jewish Values 2018-19

Participate Learn Grow

Classes

יידיש YIDDISH

LITERATURE AND LANGUAGE

Mondays: 10:00 – 11:00 AM

Self-Study Program led by Anne Sokoloff
with readings and discussions on
'Tevye the Dairyman' by Sholem Aleichem
All are welcome!



Our Women's Study Group

led by Rabbi Scheim and
Ritual Director Michael Rubin

8 Morning Sessions

Tuesdays 10:30 AM - 12:00 noon

October 16, October 30

November 20, November 27, December 11, 2018

February 12, February 26, March 12, 2019

3 Evening Sessions*

** This is a duplication of the morning sessions.

Location: off-site in a participant's home

7:30 - 9:00 PM

October 16, November 27, 2018

February 26, 2019

PRACTICAL DAVENING

WITH RITUAL DIRECTOR MICHAEL RUBIN

THE 3 C'S; CHOREOGRAPHY, CONTINUITY AND CRITICISM

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND
AT 7 PM**



Shabbat Sidra Luncheons

Led by members of the
congregation
following morning
services.



Each session will include
both lunch and a discussion of
the Torah and Haftarah portions of
the day.

Join us on the following dates in 2018-2019

DATE

PARASHAT

Cost: \$12

October 13	Noah***
November 10	Toldot
February 9	Terumah
March 16	Vayikra
May 11	Kedoshim
June 15	Naso

*** This Sidra
lunch is jointly
organized by
Adult Education
and Youth and
Families.

Lectures

BROTHERHOOD and ADULT EDUCATION

jointly present a

HOLOCAUST EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Power of Music During the Holocaust

with Cantor Marshall Loomer

Sunday, November 18, 2018

11:30 AM to 1:30 PM

THE STATE OF THE JEWISH WORLD TODAY: Where we are headed

With Malcolm I. Hoenlein

Executive Vice Chairman/CEO of the Conference of
Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations

Tuesday, November 13, 2018 7:30 PM.

See inside front cover for details

Lectures

Adult Education presents a 4 part series with

Rachael Turkienicz



Living the Jewish Values

Wednesdays 7:30-9:00 PM

November 28, 2018

The School of Mussar: An Introduction to Jewish Ethics and Values

December 5, 2018

Are Jewish Values Supposed to be Universal?

May 8, 2019

What if the Commandments Don't Fit My Jewish Values?

May 15, 2019

Living Jewish Values Through Mussar: Relieving My Stress While Repairing the World



Beth David Adult Education
and

Montessori Jewish Day School invite
Parents and their Children 5 to 13 years old
to Beth David Synagogue for **dinner** and a **talk** by

Dr. Randal Schnoor

NEW APPROACHES TO THE JEWISH FAMILY

Monday, November 19, 2018

6:00-7:30 pm

Dr. Schnoor will be discussing
his new book **Jewish Family:
Identity and Self-Formation at
Home** which he co-authored
with Alex Pomson.



Parallel Children's Programme

\$10 for adults free for children

Registration is required by Wednesday, November 14th

ADULT EDUCATION and
CANADIAN INSTITUTE FOR
JEWISH RESEARCH (CIJR)

present 2 lectures

'Growing up Jewish in Jamaica'

with Wilfred Lindo

Thursday, October 30, 2018

7:30 - 9:00 pm

'Advocating for the Jewish People and Human Rights'

with Michael Mostyn

Thursday, December 13, 2018

7:30 - 9:00 pm

Beth David Adult Education presents...

A Canadian Genocide: Canada's Historical Treatment of its Indigenous People

A panel discussion

with

Bernie Farber,

Dr. Michael Dan &

Dr. Suzanne Stewart

Thursday, November 29, 2018

7:30 to 9:00 PM

Adult Education

Tea Time and Books

A Series of Five Books ~ Tuesdays 1:30PM-3:00PM

The Women in the Castle by Jessica Shattuck
Moderated by Suanne Kelman
October 16, 2018

The Betrayers by David Bezmozgis
Moderated by David Bezmozgis
December 4, 2018

The Best Place on Earth by Ayelet Tsabari
Moderated by Ayelet Tsabari
March 5, 2019

The Weight of Ink by Rachel Kadish
Moderated by Michael Greenstein
April 30, 2019

And After the Fire by Lauren Belfer
Moderated by Cynthia Good
June 4, 2019



\$35 for the series or \$10 per session
Please register in advance.

Light refreshments will be served

Please visit www.bethdavid.com
or call the office at (416) 633-5500 to register.



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Canadian Foundation for
Masorti Judaism



We wish you, along with your family and friends, a happy, healthy, and peaceful new year filled with renewed determination in our continuing support for Israel. May the year 5779 bring peace and security to Israel and the Jewish community around the world.



לשנה טובה

David Sefton
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Ron Hoffman
President
CFMJ

Rabbi Jennifer Gorman
Executive Director
MERCAZ-Canada and CFMJ

BETH DAVID SINGLES50PLUS

IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE INTER-SYNAGOGUE SINGLES

INVITES THE TORONTO JEWISH SINGLES COMMUNITY TO

An Autumn Dance

featuring

THE FADED GENES BAND



This exciting 5-piece party band will be playing music from the 1960s to the 1980s for your dancing and listening pleasure.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2018 – 7:30pm

Beth David Synagogue (1 block west of Bathurst, south of Sheppard)

Admission: Cash only \$15

Includes Refreshments

For more information:

Phone: 416-633-5500 ext. 52 Website: www.bethdavid.com

Email: singles50plus@bethdavid.com



Shalom Beth David Families,

Welcome back! We hope your summer vacation was enjoyable and restful.

At Beth David, our youth programming is set-up by age group and each age group has a name. Take a look below and familiarize yourself with the names and age groups for each program.

Young Families	Youth who are not yet in Grade 1, accompanied by their adult
Yedidim	Youth grades 1-5
Kadima	Youth grades 6-8
USY	Youth grades 9-12

Our youth programming will kick off in Mid-September with a Regional USY program. Programming for all other age groups will begin in Early October.

In addition to our youth group programming, we are busy re-imagining what our Shabbat morning programming looks like, and would like to announce some major changes. Shul in 30 with Cantor Marshall (and special guests) will be occurring twice a month. A new program called USY Shabbat will be replacing our Teen Talks program for our pre-teen & teen community members and will now take place once a month. USY Shabbat aims to bring discussion topics, games and USY traditions together to create a welcoming place for teens & pre-teens to celebrate Shabbat. It will be done in a way that is unique to their demographic. As always, there is Shabbat programming led by our amazing youth staff team every Shabbat from 10 am to noon. Additionally, there is now Youth Kiddush & Teen Kiddush sponsorship opportunities for Shabbat. We invite families to celebrate their children's birthdays & other milestones at either USY Shabbat or Shul-in-30 Kiddush. Please call the Synagogue office for details.

Over the summer the youth lounge as well as the library got a little bit of a makeover to make the space even more youth centric. We are currently accepting donations to go towards some new furniture and bean bags for the space. Please contact me for details on what we need and how you can help.

Please check out our website and Facebook page to stay up to date with youth programming. There, you will also find photos, video clips, contests, and the like. If you are not yet on the email list for our Youth & Families programs and would like to have updates sent right to your inbox, send me an email with the title, "Please add me to the Youth & Families Newsletter", and to the list you shall be added, It's as simple as that! You will never be out of the loop with youth or family programming ever again.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, comments, concerns, or anything else. I am always happy to chat.

Thanks,

Rachel Karstadt

Director of Family & Youth Engagement
Rachel@bethdavid.com
 416-633-5500 ext. 24

BETH DAVID
USY presents...

USY Shabbat

Our biweekly shabbat program, Teen Talks, is changing!

Come join us **once a month** on USY Shabbat where interesting discussions, games, and USY traditions come together to create a welcoming place for USY and Kadima aged teens to celebrate shabbat.

Save the dates:
**October 12th, November 10th, December 15th, January 26th,
 March 2nd, April 6th, May 11th**

Learn how to get involved and direct questions to rachel@bethdavid.com

Shul-in-30 with Cantor Marshall

A SUPER FUN & FAST SERVICE FOR YOUTH

**Shul-in-30 10:15-10:45,
 Youth Kiddush & additional activities 10:45 - Noon**

Shul-in-30 is designed for kids aged 4-12 but everyone is welcome

September 29th (with special guest leader)
 October 13th
 October 27th
 November 10th
 November 24th
 December 8th (with special guest leader)
 January 12th
 January 26th

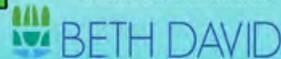
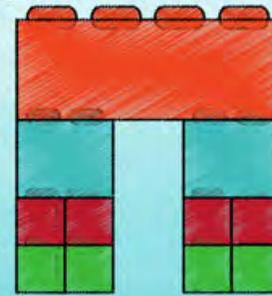
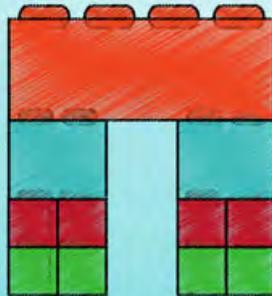
THE GREAT LEGO SUKKAH-OFF

Sunday September 23rd 11am - 12:30pm
\$10 a person, Light Lunch included

Register at Bethdavid.com

Join Beth David Yedidim (Grades 1-5) for the greatest mini-Sukkah building competition of all time.

Prizes for the best & most creative sukkahs.



Join Beth David USY for those in Grades 9-12

For Coffee House in the Sukkah

Wednesday September 26th

7:30-9pm

\$5 a person

Join us for a night of acoustic fun in the sukkah. All are welcome to bring an acoustic instrument, sing their favorite song, tell a great joke or just hang out.

Bring a blanket, dress warmly & we'll move inside if it starts to rain.

Coffee, hot drinks and dessert will be provided.

Register at Bethdavid.com



USY & Kadima Grades 6-12

Come, Learn to make amazing Sushi With our USY & Kadima Advisors.

Sunday October 14th

5:30-7:30 pm

\$10 a person

Register at bethdavid.com



The High Holy Days bring with them pause for reflection, to take stock of the year that has passed and the year that is to come. They always come at a busy time of year as everyone is adjusting to new school years and new routines, and somehow they always coincide with busy times at work too. A few years back, I remember thinking to myself that the Holy Days 'couldn't have come at a worse time, there was just too much going on', and that, in and of itself, made me realize that the High Holy Days are exactly the right thing to punctuate the busyness of life. In addition to Shabbat, the Holidays bring the opportunity to slow down for a few days, to have a few more family meals, to come to shul a few more times.

When you come to Beth David this year, you'll see a new approach to High Holy Day services for children and teens. When you bring your children and grandchildren on Shabbat, you can participate in our "Shul in 30", an interactive and educational service in the Chapel.

We have great programs planned for this year, everything from Torah and Tacos for Simchat Torah, to an Outer Space Havdalah, to a Super-Hero Hanukkah, in addition to our regular Sukka decorating and Parsha Noah programs.

We are also very excited to partner with other groups at Beth David to do joint programming. There's a Sidra lunch in October with concurrent children's programming - our children can have fun while we learn and interact with other adults.

In November, we are partnering with Adult Education, our Hebrew School and with Montessori Jewish Day School to learn about new approaches to the Jewish family. Our children will enjoy their own dinner and educational program, while adults participate in an engaging discussion with Dr. Randal Schnoor, a member of Beth David, who will be sharing themes from his recent co-authored book *Jewish Family: Identity and Self-Formation at Home*. I am particularly excited about this event because the Schnoor family and our family are very close friends and I deeply respect Randy's perspective.

Check out the details on these and other upcoming events at www.bethdavid.com. If you are interested in learning about our committee, we would love to hear from you. The shul office can put you in touch with me.

Wishing you and your loved ones a Shana Tova u'Metuka.

Silvia Lulka
Chair, Youth and Families

Beth David Families Tacos and Torah

Join Beth David Families to celebrate
Simchat Torah
with a special pre & post Hakafot program.

October 1st, 2018, \$10 a person

**Taco dinner at 6, Hakafot with the congregation at 7pm
and activities and dessert following the conclusion of
Hakafot**

Pre-registration required, please register at bethdavid.com



Parsha Noah

Sunday October 14

10:00am-11:30am

Children: \$10 each

Grownups (attending with a child): no charge

**Learn about the story of Noah's
Ark and meet an ark's worth of
fun & furry animals**

This program is intended for children 2-6
years old and their grownups.

Please register at www.bethdavid.com
or call the office at (416) 633-5500



Come Decorate the Sukkah

Thursday, September 20th

5:30PM-7:30PM

\$5/person

Help us cover our Sukkah from wall-
to-wall in super creative
decorations made by you!

All are welcome. Pizza and drinks
will be served.

Please register at www.bethdavid.com or call
(416) 633-5500 for more information.



Over the past few years I have noticed that the Shinshinim's involvement is not limited to their three institutions. They can be found volunteering on the Ve'ahavta van, food banks, UJA launch events and the Walk for Israel. For the past two years the Beth David Shinshinim joined other Shinshinim in a well

attended performance of song and dance in honour of fallen Israeli soldiers, held at the Bernard Betel centre. This year Yuval and Or were greeted by many friendly Beth David members. As you read this article, Or and Yuval will be on their way home to celebrate the Chaggim with their families. We wish them the best of luck in their army service.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome Izhar and Guli, our new Shinshinim.

Guli (Avigail) Doron lives in a moshav called Mesilat Zion. Her father is a lawyer and her mother is a psychologist. She has a 14 year- old brother. She loves animals and has two dogs and a cat . Guli volunteers in an animal shelter in Tel Aviv. In high school, she majored in Biology and Chemistry. Guli volunteered at Bnei Hamoshavim, organizing events for children in grade two. Guli is part of the Diller program, serving as a Madricha for teens in grade 10 and 11. Her hobbies include travelling with her family, reading, painting and music. Guli looks forward to " having a deep connection with the people of the Toronto community and to be a bridge between them and Israel, and our mutual identity."

Izhar Deutsch lives in Midreshet Ben Gurion, which is south of Beersheva in the middle of the desert. He lives with his two sisters and brother. His mother is an occupational therapist and his father is an engineer. In high-school, he majored in math, chemistry and environmental studies. He likes to play piano, playing since age seven and has played in concerts with professional musicians as part of his musical studies. He also likes to swim, play chess and run and has competed in a half marathon 2 years ago. Izhar is also involved with Bnei Hamoshavim, a scout program. Izhar's goal this year is to "improve the relations between Israel and the Jewish world, as it is essential to the survival of both Israel and the Jewish diaspora."

On behalf of Beth David, I welcome Guli and Izhar!!!

Best wishes to the Beth David community for a

Shana Tova, a happy, healthy 5779!

Mindy Simon
Lay Leader, Shinshinim Program
mindysimon@rogers.com

BETH DAVID'S
CHALLAH BAKE Thursday, October 25th 7 pm

- Make Challah from scratch
- Learn Challah Braiding Techniques
- Discover new Challah Recpies

Everyone will leave with a Challah ready to Bake!

All are welcome to this program

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participate • learn • grow

Pre-Registration is required for this program, please register at bethdavid.com or call the office at 416-633-5500. Limited edition aprons available for purchase for \$12



Friday Night In the Sukkah

Friday September 28th
6:00pm
Beth David Synagogue

Join the Beth David community to participate in a Family Friendly Friday night. Enjoy outdoor services, a light dairy dinner & entertainment by Yonge Guns Quartet.

This is a rain or shine event. In the event of inclement weather, this event will move indoors.

Sponsorship opportunities available.

Please register in advance at www.bethdavid.com or call the office at (416) 633-5500

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Ruth Shapiro
President,
Beth David Sisterhood

This New Year brings exciting programs for our Sisterhood. Rose Haspel and her enthusiastic committee have been working hard to plan programs for the upcoming year. In terms of meetings, we will not have a meeting in September, due to Yom Tovim. On October 9th, we will continue our regular meeting time, 7:30PM, with Dr. Mike Daly, who will discuss the Beatles. In November, we will have a rare Wednesday meeting on the 14th at 7PM due to a cooking demonstration with Nettie

Cronish. As Nettie has done demonstrations at Longos and has written cookbooks, she will be demonstrating vegetarian sushi. There will be a cost of \$20 pre-reservation and \$25 at the door. We have limited space so make sure to pay at the first meeting, or call into the synagogue office, or on the Beth David website. In December, we will be showing the movie "Dolphin Boy" at 7:30PM, introduced by Fran Klinger. The story is about an Arab Israeli boy who is intellectually disabled and receives help from by a dolphin in Eilat. On January 27th 2019, the Sisterhood and the Synagogue are having the second Milk Bag project. There will be more information in the Hanukkah Window. Make sure to bring your milk bags to the shul lobby. Lastly, more programs are being planned in the spring culminating with INR region of WLCJ's Spring Conference June 2nd and 3rd, 2019 at our synagogue.

Shana Tova u'Matukah from my Israeli family and I.

Ruth Shapiro
Sisterhood President

Sisterhood

TORAH FUND PINS AND CARDS

For the Pins
call Rose Haspel
(905) 764-8141

For cards
call Ann Shapiro
(416) 783-4103



TIKUN OLAM

Every Month in the Shabbat Shalom we ask people to bring in items for the homeless and less fortunate in our Community eg: Toothbrushes, toothpaste small soaps, small shampoos, socks, underwear, bras & feminine products.

Call: Bev Spagat: (905) 731-8415

JUDAIC SHOP

For all your needs from Tefillin and Tallit to challah boards & jewellery as well as gifts for hostesses, brides and B'nai Mitzvah. Please call Sybil Jackson to set up an appointment: (416)225-4995

CRAFTS

Sisterhood has a Crafts Night once a month on the third Tuesday of each month.

Learn how to Knit or Crochet or just come with your own knitting/ crocheting or just a fun night out to meet friends or make new ones.

Call Noreen Kasman:
(905)881-2164



Beth David Sisterhood in conjunction
with Shabbat Unplugged Presents



**Back by Popular
Demand!**

THE MILK BAG PROJECT



Sunday, January 27, 2019 3PM to 5PM

Turn clean 4 litre milk bags into sleep mats

Save your bags and bring them to the bin in the lobby.

For more information, please visit www.bethdavid.com or call the office at (416) 633 5500.

Club Chaverut

Sunday October 28, 2018 1:30 PM



Beth David Synagogue, Ganz Family Social Hall
The Toronto Jewish Male Choir



“Traditional Jewish and Hebrew Melodies”

Club Chaverut members: \$8.00 Non-members: \$12.00
RSVP to Rose Haspel at 905 764 8141 by October 22, 2018

Sunday November 25, 2018 1:30 PM



Beth David Synagogue, Ganz Family Social Hall
The York Jazz Ensemble



“The sweet sound of Classical Jazz”

Club Chaverut members: \$8.00 Non-members: \$12.00
RSVP to Rose Haspel at 905 764 8141 by November 19, 2018

Sunday December 16, 2018 1:30 PM

Beth David Synagogue, Ganz Family Social Hall

Kevin Mills- Las Vegas Entertainer
“An Elvis Presley Review”



Club Chaverut members: \$8.00 Non-members: \$12.00
RSVP to Rose Haspel at 905 764 8141 by December 10, 2018

The Window Notice!!!

The Window is published four times per year, in time for Rosh Hashanah, Hanukkah, Pesach and Shavuot, and distributed to all Beth David Members via mail and e-mail.

In view of the increasing cost of printing and recent hikes once again in Canada Post rates, we will deliver the Rosh Hashanah Window and Pesach Window via mail and e-mail, while the Hanukkah and Shavuot Window will be delivered only via e-mail. Copies of the Hanukkah and Shavuot Window will also be available in the Beth David lobby and at the office.

Thank you for your understanding and support.





Brotherhood

“Your Men’s Club continues to be a relevant and respected member of the Beth David Synagogue and the Toronto Jewish community.”

Steven Risenman
President

Rosh Hashanah is a time of reflection where we review our performance and actions over the past year and aspire to improve on these in the upcoming year. Your Men’s Club continues to improve and evolve in a positive and ongoing basis. When we began the rebuilding of your Men’s Club several years ago, we had four major tenets upon which it was based. The **first two** included **reorganizing our financial operations** to be a fiscally responsible organization and **improving our programming** to be more entertaining, relevant and educational. These have been successfully achieved and continue to evolve. Over the past year our Treasurer – Aaron Daniels, who led our financial reorganization, decided to step down from his role, and Manny Litwin, a long time Brotherhood member, former Brotherhood President and retired finance professional, has stepped in to take his place. We thank Aaron for his many years of dedication, tenacity and leadership not only as our Treasurer but as a former Brotherhood President and devoted member of our synagogue.

Our dedicated Programming Committee, made up exclusively of Brotherhood members who, led by Steven Baker, continues to produce a higher quality of speakers and entertainers which, in turn, has led to more successful programs both in content and attendance. I want to make special mention and thank Sandy Bokser, for her continued assistance and guidance with our program content. Our opening program on October 21, 2018 is “Jewish Toronto – a history from 1930 to 1960” presented by the Ontario Jewish Archives. This program continues last year’s presentation, which followed the period from 1880 to 1930, and will detail how important and relevant the Jews of Toronto have been to this city’s successful and transcendent growth. This program has something for all generations, so we want to invite your entire family to

attend, where the senior members will reminisce, the younger ones will be educated and impressed, and all will be entertained and filled with pride. This will be followed with a special program on November 18, held jointly with Adult Education. This is the third year we are honoured to be presenting a joint program with Adult Education and we hope it continues for many years. Our December program, to be held on December 2, will be a musical program with Hanukkah overtones.

Over the past year we have dealt with the **third** tenet which is embracing our **chesed and outreach initiatives** within Beth David and throughout the Toronto community. In March 2018, in association with National Council of Jewish Woman Toronto branch, we prepared and served a meal to underprivileged youths in downtown Toronto. This was emotionally rewarding and fulfilled one of our main goals of assisting those in need and less fortunate. We are planning to continue our participation in this program on several occasions during the upcoming fiscal year and ask that you join us to not only perform a mitzvah but to have a very emotionally satisfying experience.

The **fourth** tenet is one which we have begun in earnest recently, now that the other three tenets have been successfully implemented and will be our focus during the current year. The tenet is engaging the next generation and looking to find a younger demographic to not only be a part of our Men’s Club but also to participate in its programming and leadership. We have added a younger presence to our new Brotherhood Executive and Board and we will be introducing a few innovative and specific programs during the year directed at this demographic. If anyone has additional thoughts and ideas or wishes to assist us in this important proposal, please do not hesitate to contact me. As part of this initiative, this past June, we honoured Jordan Freedman, the son of Alan and

the late Janice Freedman as our ‘Man of the Year’ at the annual FJMC-LOR Man of the Year reception. Jordan is a long time, active Beth David member who grew up in our synagogue and his father, Alan, has recently re-joined our Brotherhood.

Despite overall synagogue membership declining, your Brotherhood membership has been able to maintain its numbers over the past year and while we can assume it is due in part to the quality programs and the professional standard to which our Club holds itself, it is ultimately accomplished through the tireless dedication and efforts of your Brotherhood Executive, Board, Committees and general members. The support your Brotherhood has received from our synagogue office has been tremendous and we are appreciative to our synagogue Executive Director, Ian Borer and the office staff, Helene Jacobs, Faye Major, Robyn Zajac-Cooper, Thanuja Perera and Jeev Logan for their assistance in ensuring our programs are successful and that our mailings and marketing initiatives are properly directed.

Your Men’s Club continues to be a relevant and respected member of the Beth David Synagogue and the Toronto Jewish community. If you have any suggestions for forthcoming programs, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please do not forget to maintain your Brotherhood membership when you pay your dues. I appreciate the efforts, dedication and counsel of all our hard-working Brotherhood members in striving to make our Brotherhood great and hope it will continue as we redefine your Brotherhood in a positive and active fashion.

On behalf of the Risenman family, I want to wish you a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

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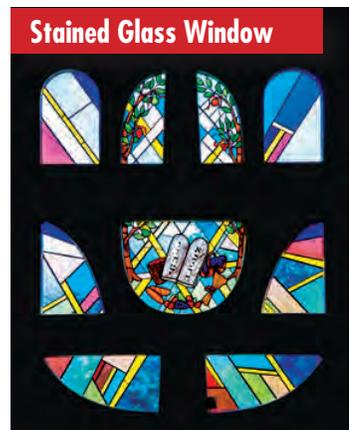


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Mazal Tov

Mazel tov to Matthew Hart Budin who graduated from Ryerson University with his Civil Engineering Degree. Matthew, may you continue to go from strength to strength.
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Harry & Muriel Mendelson	September 19	70
Hana & George Stern	September 25	45



October

Gilbert Levy & Sally Mintz Levy	October 2	35
Milton & Marilyn Snow	October 7	62
Robert Hartman & Susan Hershkop	October 15	20
Mimi & Al de Castro	October 16	60
Howard & Gloria Goodman	October 16	30
Phyllis & Jack Chisvin	October 18	65
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Perry & Gloria Sugar	October 23	35
Sheldon & Arlene Mendlowitz	October 26	40
Bethany & Daniel Wygodny	October 26	10
Jacqueline Saber & Marshall Sone	October 30	20

November

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Ken Kraft & Beverley Aron	November 7	25
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