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**First Night of Hanukkah is Tuesday, December 4**

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A Course in Soulful, Challenging, and Intellectually Honest Judaism. Tuesdays at 7:30 alternating between the Shul and Dundas locations. Learn how different generations approached God, using diverse primary sources, active and interactive sessions, and serious questions of serious depth.

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### Soul, Body & Mind

Beth Jacob's new Prayer, Breakfast & Study series featuring Maurice Mishkel, a self-described "postal and social historian of Australia, who will speak on the topic, Philatelic Sleuthing on the Internet; on Sunday, November 25. Services at 9:00 am; Breakfast at 9:30 am.

For more information on any of the above call the shul office at 905-522-1351

Join us at the Beth Jacob  
**HANUKKAH  
DINNER**

Sunday,  
December 9

6:30 pm see back page



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## One Wish



Rabbi Dan Selsberg

If you had one wish, what would it be? It's not an original question – asked by the authors of ancient myths to the screenwriters of Disney movies, and by millions in between. But stop for a moment and think about your answer. Jot it down in the margin. Now compare it with one answer from the Jewish tradition.

While there are differences between wishes and prayer, there is also a connection, found in the central section of the central Jewish prayer, the Amidah. Three times on weekdays, we include thirteen separate *bakashot*, or prayers that request something from God. So what is the first of these requests, the one we say before all others? If we were interrupted, the only request we'll utter? "Chonneinu mei-itcha deiah, binah, v'haskayl – Grant us knowledge, wisdom, and discernment." The first request we make from our Creator is not for peace, the Messiah (though we'll pray for those before the Amidah is over), or even for our prayers to be heard (also a later request). The tradition sees that the first thing we need is knowledge, wisdom and discernment. Without these, how could we achieve our fullest potential as humans, created in the image of God?

I like to think of this as a very Jewish response. "I'll pray for the Messiah later, God. First, I need to know what's going on." Peace is impossible unless we can recognize it (or know how to create it). None of the blessings we hope to enjoy can happen without first achieving understanding. The last thing the Jewish tradition asks of us is mindlessness, and the first thing we as Jews ask of God is the ability to think. It is the first request in the Amidah, the first of the Morning Blessings, and when we bring in Shabbat with Psalm 92, we point out that the ignorant misunderstand God's ways. A well-lived Jewish life is spent in pursuit of knowledge.

Day-to-day, we try to find ways to make ourselves and other feel good, and that's as it should be. But feeling good is just one step. The search for knowledge is the response I try to have when faced with the large questions of life, and we're attempting to structure what happens at shul the same way. Adults ask each other these questions in our lively adult education sessions on Tuesday nights. Almost every Sunday, there is another gathering here exploring the meanings behind different aspects of our existence (sounds heavy, but the mood is light, though the cream cheese is heavy). Before we daven on Shabbat mornings, a few of us gather to try and figure out what the *siddur* means. The She'arim Hebrew School is restructured to help our youth learn how to ask and answer these questions for themselves (one answer we've reached is an effort to make the shul more energy-efficient this winter). Anytime you set foot in the shul, a learning opportunity is present.

Knowing our heritage well means knowing ourselves well; not exploring the Jewish tradition means a certain lack of self-knowledge. Beth Jacob is open 365 days a year, and each event, from watching a movie to Torah study, from oily food in the glow of Hanukkah candles to a daily minyan (where you're still needed), is dedicated to helping us know more. More about ourselves, our community, where we came from, where we're going. Each individual's quest for knowledge is a sacred journey, but a very long one. I wish you well.

Dear Chevre,



Wendy Schneider & John Levy

For those of you who missed the Annual General Meeting, last month, we'd like to give you a recap. In short, the last year was marked by excellent programming, a new influx of dedicated volunteers in every area, a revamping of our Hebrew school and the marvelous impact our Rabbi is having on the Synagogue. We have no doubt you'll agree that this year's High Holiday season was the best in recent memory and that Rabbi Selsberg's sermons reflect a man with deep insight, a wonderful sense of humour and great compassion.

The energy level is high, the momentum is clearly there, and if you haven't already heard by now, the cat is out of the bag, as we begin to move into an important phase of our plan. The process is underway to formulate a carefully conceived and well-structured capital campaign to support the renovation and rejuvenation of the sanctuary, the social hall and kitchen, and as our mothers-in-law always say, "if all goes well", the education facility as well. Yes, right in front of your eyes, the real life "Beth Jacob Makeover" is taking place.

Talk about the need to redesign the building is nothing new, of course, and the renaissance of the Beth Jacob has been in our minds for quite some time. We are grateful to those who started this process years ago. Now is the right time to move into high gear and convert our dreams into actions.

We know for sure that this campaign will be a complete success. That part of the plan was written long ago. Our ancestors put their hearts and souls into this shul because they knew then what we know now: that Beth Jacob has to be here and that it plays an essential role in our lives. We have all been blessed with good fortune and it is a privilege for all of us to participate in the rebuilding and renewal of a very special place.

These are exciting times and we're delighted to share them with you.

John & Wendy

Over the next few issues the Beth Jacob Circle will feature members of the She'arim staff. It is with great pride that we introduce Ginette Bromhead.



One might wonder why Ginette Bromhead, who is currently in her 17th year as a teacher of French Immersion, as well as holding a position at Brock University where she trains future teachers in the same area, would be eager to spend her free time teaching at Beth Jacob's She'arim Hebrew School and Enrichment Program.

"The year that our son, Jacob, was bar mitzvahed, I decided that I wanted to be a part of our daughter Chloe's growth as a bat mitzvah", she said. Teaching at the school seemed like a great way for Ginette, who calls herself as a life-long learner, to accomplish just that.

Ginette teaches 11 to 13 year olds and her curriculum focuses on Jewish values. She teaches concepts such as Bikkur Cholim (visiting the sick) and G'milut Chassadim (acts of loving kindness), and spends a lot of time emphasizing the importance of treating each other with respect. Ginette has also invited members of the congregation to share "real life" instances of how they live their Jewish values. Cindy Richter is scheduled to speak about Out of the Cold, Marilyn Levy will help students create their own tallitot, and Ginette invited her husband, Gary, to speak about how good it felt when people visited him after he broke his leg.

In addition to having their own personal mitzvah projects, Ginette's students will embark on the group mitzvah project of beautifying and "greening" the shul.

Ginette is a big believer in "hands-on" learning and it is rare to see her students sitting at their desks. Yet the atmosphere in her classes is charged with energy, enthusiasm and love of learning. Ginette is grateful to Karen Selsberg, who, she said, has guided her through the process of becoming a Jewish Studies teacher. And we are grateful to Ginette, for sharing her gifts with us.

**Which blessings do I say?  
Which way do I light the  
candles?**



Find the answers to these and other questions at  
**[www.bethjacobsynagogue.ca](http://www.bethjacobsynagogue.ca)**

If you're at Beth Jacob on any given Sunday or Wednesday, I invite you to come to the education wing and see the exciting things that are happening in our classrooms. In our She'arim Lilmod program (grades 1-6), our newest children are learning Hebrew and the foundations of Judaism with Fay Schmerling. Our oldest children are taking those foundations to a higher level and completing many lovely arts and crafts with Alma Arguello. Our Chug program is also underway, under the direction of Alma. Every Sunday, she works with all the students to prepare a play and some songs with the children around the theme of Tzedekah. These will be presented at the Hanukkah dinner and at Shalom Village.



Karen Selsberg

The students in the She'arim La'asot program are continuously being challenged on their thoughts about God and Judaism in their everyday life, and how they can become more involved in our Jewish community after their b'nai mitzvah. October saw the beginning of our monthly leadership seminar. Andrea Rowan from JSA came and introduced the students to different styles of leadership through group activities. Here are some events to look forward to:

- Sun, Nov 18** – B'nai Mitzvah family program 9:30 -12:30 pm
- Weds, Nov 21** – She'arim La'asot Leadership Seminar 5:00 pm
- Sun, Dec 9** – She'arim presentation at Chanukah dinner
- Sun, Dec 16** – She'arim at Shalom Village
- Sat, Jan 12** – She'arim La'asot lunch with Rabbi Selsberg
- Sun, Jan 20** – She'arim Lilmod Tu B'shevat program
- Weds, Jan 24** – She'arim La'asot leadership seminar
- Sun, Jan 27** – Community Tu B'shevat program at the JCC

## Shul for Kids

Kol haKavod to the following children for participating in Shabbat and Holiday services over the past several weeks:

Chloe Bromhead, Dana Schoenberg, Lauren Schoenberg, Jamie Morris, Joel Chocron, Taliya Hara, Amanda Katz, Jordana Katz, Molly Martin, Samantha Smyth, Jennifer Waxman, Sarah Waxman, Rachel Zalter and Joshua Shapiro

Beth Jacob Synagogue welcomes families to

## Shabbat Mishpacha

Come celebrate Shabbat with interactive and engaging services for your children while you enjoy the main service.

When: **November 24,  
December 22 & January 26**

Adult services begin at 9:15 am;  
Children's services begin at 10:30 am

## Family



## Shabbat

LARRY ROSENBERG

On behalf of Harold Goldblatt and myself, we wish to thank everyone involved in the lottery on October 24. Everyone's hard work certainly paid off. The night was a resounding success with about 250 people attending. It was a fun and entertaining evening, and the synagogue even made some money.



However some special thank-yous are certainly in order.

First and foremost to the ticket-sellers, you did a great job. We sold 700 tickets. Among our ticket-sellers special mention must be made to the following: Paul Hanover, Jerry Goldblatt, Marcia and Dan Levy, Ira Greenspoon, Ted Adler, Gerry Swaye, Jeff Manishen, Amy Back, Pauline Morris, Denise Levinson, Harold Rochweg, Gina Gatto, Kirk Kaplansky and Mark Scholes. You did an absolutely awesome job.

As awesome a job as they did, Bob Raphael with the co-operation of Parkdale International was more outstanding than anyone at selling tickets. Thanks Bob. Thanks Parkdale.

Working the door on the night of the Lottery Social were Dan and Marcia Levy and Wendy Roberts. I'm sure everyone remembers Wendy. Our former executive secretary just could not say no to helping at another IJ lottery.

Esther Shecter and Goldie Robbins raised over \$1,000 selling tickets for a Texas mickey of Canadian whisky. Helping them at their table was Maria, our new executive secretary. Ted Adler, Jeanette Nathan and Michael Sherman did just as well selling tickets for a 50/50 draw. Thank you all for your hard work.

The menu for the evening's buffet was the work of Marcia Levy and our custodian, Krystyna. Helping them in the kitchen was Joyce who help maintains and keeps the BJ cemetery beautiful. Thanks to all of you.

Jerry Goldblatt was our head cashier for the gaming tables. He worked the whole night. Gina Gatto arranged the black jack tables for us. On lottery night she did a multitude of tasks. Thank you Gina. Thank you Jerry.

Thank you Czeslaw for putting up with us. He never did anything once. If he moved a chair once, he moved it six times.

Another special thank you goes to Larry Goldblatt. He made the signs with the names of our corporate sponsors. It was a rush job that I foisted on him. He did a great job. Thanks Larry.

Harold and I also wish to thank our sponsors who donated door prizes and those who generously bought blocks of tickets.

Finally on a personal note, I wish to say that it was a great pleasure working with Harold Goldblatt. Once last year's lottery ended we began meeting almost weekly for lunch. At those meetings we agreed on what work had to done, and each of us took responsibility for various tasks. Whatever Harold said that he would do, he did. It was terrific working with him.

Both he and I know that we can build on this year's success, and we can with our congregation's support be even more successful than last year this coming year.

NATALIE SOBEL

"And you shall teach them to your children. . ."  
This commandment was fulfilled with intensity in 2 simultaneously run children's services at our first installation of Shabbat Mishpacha! Pre- and post-B'nai Mitzvah teens led truly spiritual, educational, and fun Shabbat services to captive congregants ages 2 to 12! In Torah for Tots, tefilla incorporated the playful techniques of song, dance, rhythm, movement, and storytelling which lovingly engaged the children between the ages of 2 and 5. Children in grades 1 through 6 were found enacting scenes from the week's parasha of Vayera, chanting and learning the meanings behind some of the morning's tefillot, and laughing with their leaders while playing a familiar game with a Jewish twist. Meanwhile, their parents and other adults were captivated by the rabbi's at once scholarly, spiritual, and captivating D'var Torah, and were inspired to raise their voices in devotion to join the chazzan in his beautiful melodies. If you missed this especially warm and inviting morning where there was a service for Jews at all stages of the life cycle, there will be future opportunities to partake and participate: on the 4th Shabbat of each month (except for December, when it will be on the 3rd Shabbat). A hearty yishar kochachem to all of the teen volunteers who put in hours of preparation before their very positive and caring implementation of the youth services: Chloe Bromhead, Amanda Katz, Lauren Schoenberg, Ariella Shapiro, Samantha Smyth, and Carly Yanover. If you would like more information on the 2nd installation of Shabbat Mishpacha on November 24th, please feel free to call Karen Selsberg in the synagogue office at ext. 18, or Natalie Sobel at 905-526-0490.

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### Announcements

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#### **The Out of the Cold Bathtub Project**

Out of the Cold would appreciate donations of sample sizes or standard sizes of soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, handcream, cosmetics are all needed and appreciated. Only unopened items are accepted. Winter hats, gloves and socks, socks, socks, new or used and clean are a luxury to many of our guests. Please drop off your donations to the "bathtub" in the lower foyer with our thanks.

#### **A Message from Ahuva Soifer and Mark Scholes**

Mark and I would like to thank Rabbi Selsberg, Cantor Sharpe, and the Beth Jacob family/congregation, for making Simchat Torah, and our very special honours, so meaningful and so joyous. Love of Torah by parents, teachers, students and friends has always sustained us, in myriad ways. We are both grateful for the opportunity, so personally, to feel and demonstrate its power, by completing and immediately beginning again. Thank you, again, for the chance to rejoice together, in encompassing the past, and building to the future.

## Yahrzeits

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### **20 CHESHVAN – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1**

James L. Shekter

### **21 CHESHVAN- FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2**

Bert Gooblar, Father of Fanny Davine

### **22 CHESHVAN – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3**

Abram Price, Abraham Greenspan, Ruth Goliger, Morris Redner.

### **23 CHESHVAN – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4**

Henry Morris, father of Dr. Neil Morris; Murray Cooper

### **24 CHESHVAN – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5**

Sarah Klein, Grandmother of Larry Goldblatt; Gertrude Krakauer, David Lindenbaum, Myer Karon

### **25 CHESHVAN – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6**

Ethel Walters, Nettie Levine, Father of Harold Kelman; Father of Clareta Schoenberg; Shirley Zenner

### **27 CHESHVAN – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

Sarah Shapiro, Mendel Jegendorf, Dr. Philip Yanover

### **28 CHESHVAN – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

Joseph Eisenstat, Father of Michael Orlander; Mollie Rafkin

### **29 CHESHVAN – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

Louis Rosenberg, Ruth Borden, Nathan Fenwick

### **1 KISLEV – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

Joseph Oberman, Reuben Levy, Chaya Mirel Weiner, Sidney Halpern

### **2 KISLEV- MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12**

Mother of Raye Lebow, Father of Anna Taylor, Percy Wright

### **3 KISLEV- TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

Mother of Jeanette Nathan

### **4 KISLEV- WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

William Ginsberg

### **5 KISLEV- THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

Father of Dorothy Pollock, Sam Boom, Harold Elpern

### **6 KISLEV – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

Harold Levy

### **7 KISLEV – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

Ben Davine, Sheldon Ross

### **8 KISLEV – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

Mariam Peters, Mother of Fanny Davine

### **10 KISLEV – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

Wolfe Adelman, David Orson, Michael Levinson, Harriette Smurlick

### **11 KISLEV – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

Father of Elmer Farkas, Mother of Annette Wunder, Jack Rosenfeld, Debby Moses

### **12 KISLEV – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22**

Brother of Raye Lebow; Cheryl Goldblatt

### **13 KISLEV – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

Lillian Kwitco, Irvine Shienfield, Victor Goldberg

### **14 KISLEV – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

Brother of Dorothy Pollock; Maita Rosenfeld, Betty Kay

### **15 KISLEV – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

Father of Sydney Kudlats, Marla Zack Kelman, Sadie Opper

### **16 KISLEV – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26**

Mildred Levitt, Esther Williams, Ruth Ellenzweig, Robert Gooblar, Birdie Smurlick, Daniel Maurice Kahn

### **17 KISLEV – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

Sam Soifer

### **18 KISLEV – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28**

Louis Walters, Isabel Silver, Sister of Francine Gerson

### **19 KISLEV – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

Bernard Friedman, Max Lew

### **20 KISLEV – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30**

Father-in-law of Myrle Cwitco; Rose Siegel, Kenneth Rochkin, Sylvia Rosenblood

### **21 KISLEV – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1**

Father of Dorothy Cohen; Benjamin Zaitchik, Father of Harvey Waxman

### **22 KISLEV – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2**

Maxwell Hecter, Harry Brown

### **23 KISLEV – MONDAY, DECEMBER 3**

Ernie Rosenblatt, Betty Gains

### **24 KISLEV – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4**

Father of Pauline Rubinstein, Sam Zelsman, Ida Kotick

### **25 KISLEV – WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5**

Harry Seigel, Ida Furman, Hannah Feldman

### **26 KISLEV – THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6**

Father of Dr. David Ludwin, Kenneth Fox

### **27 KISLEV – FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7**

Father of Frances Silver; Goldie Landa

### **28 KISLEV – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8**

Charles Joseph Solomon, David Peretz Rotenberg

### **29 KISLEV – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9**

Hyman Lasky, Father of Sheldon Gurevitz and Shirley Scholes, Alte Freed, Jean Brown

### **1 TEVET – MONDAY, DECEMBER 10**

Fay Klapman, Dr. James Morris

### **2 TEVET – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11**

Edith Rabkin, mother of Evelyn Albert; Eva Mandel, mother of Abe Mandel

### **3 TEVET – WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12**

Adrea Halpren, Dorothy Adler

### **4 TEVET – THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13**

Kay Caplan, Kenneth D. Soble, Dr. Meyer Carr, Gitty Kudlats

## Yahrzeits

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### **5 TEVET – FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14**

Father of Shirley Noseworthy

### **7 TEVET – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16**

Sarah Lyons, Jake Miller, Lionel Altman, David Abraham

### **8 TEVET – MONDAY, DECEMBER 17**

Nathan Fruitman, Dorothy Stein, Morrey Mintz

### **9 TEVET – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18**

Ida Wright, Father of Dr. Michael Norris, Joseph Steinberg, Eva Miller Rappoport

### **10 TEVET – WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19**

Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Goldberg, Lloyd Garshowitz, George Goodman, Thelma Pollock, Howard Rosenberg

### **11 TEVET – THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20**

Louis Ennis

### **13 TEVET – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22**

Mother of Freda Hoffman, Morris Kuttas, brother of Dorothy Rosenthal

### **14 TEVET – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23**

Father of Gordon Zack

### **15 TEVET – MONDAY, DECEMBER 24**

Mother of Baya Vertes; Dorothy Bain, mother of Allen Bain

### **17 TEVET – WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26**

Brother of Lee Cooper, Max Rosenfeld, Frances Gretenstein, Igor Eventov

### **18 TEVET – THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27**

Helen Rubenstein, Lillian Clyde, Mort Levy, Samu Krausz, Nathan Gelber

### **19 TEVET – FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28**

Myer Simons, husband of Fran Simons

### **20 TEVET – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29**

Goldeh Leah Kuttas, Samuel Steinberg, Harry Miller, Pearl Kuttas

### **21 TEVET – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30**

Albert Livingston

### **22 TEVET – MONDAY, DECEMBER 31**

Hyman Sobol, Morris Minden, Rose Roat, Emanuel Bach Allen Swaye

### **24 TEVET – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2**

Morris Smurlick, father of Peter Smurlick

### **25 TEVET – THURSDAY, JANUARY 3**

Lenore Liebow

### **26 TEVET – FRIDAY, JANUARY 4**

Lillian Topp, Sally Lees,

### **27 TEVET – SATURDAY, JANUARY 5**

Jarvous Marks, Debby Rosenberg, Max Feldman

### **28 TEVET – SUNDAY, JANUARY 6**

Lillian Weinstein, Clara Pallant, Ben Bach

### **29 TEVET – MONDAY, JANUARY 7**

Sam Handelman, Sam Adler

### **1 SHEVAT – TUESDAY, JANUARY 8**

Father of Rhoda Katz; Louis Silvert, Samuel Brown

### **2 SHEVAT- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9**

Father of Raye Lebow, Joseph Mirsky, Joseph Chisik, Abe Kaufman, Howard Krieger, David Mintz, Hy Feinstein, Charles Maclin

### **3 SHEVAT – THURSDAY, JANUARY 10**

Mother of Paul Hanoven; Shalom Abraham

### **4 SHEVAT – FRIDAY, JANUARY 11**

Sadie Livingston, Charlotte 'Lou' Levy

### **5 SHEVAT – SATURDAY, JANUARY 12**

Sadie Zenner, Nathan Topp, Sybil Levey, Louis Cantor, Sydney Dermer

### **6 SHEVAT – SUNDAY, JANUARY 13**

Harry Rosenblatt, Pete Rosenblatt, Mother of Dr. Louis Greenspan; Herman Lightstone

### **7 SHEVAT – MONDAY, JANUARY 14**

Father of Robert Fenwick; George Goldblatt, Selma Metzger, Avram Pollock, Arthur Feldman

### **8 SHEVAT – TUESDAY, JANUARY 15**

Edith, mother of Patricia Jaye

### **9 SHEVAT – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16**

Irving Leon, father of Jack Leon, Sydney Leon

### **10 SHEVAT – THURSDAY, JANUARY 17**

Toby Mandel, Jeanette Silver, Sadie Warshaw

### **11 SHEVAT – FRIDAY, JANUARY 18**

Hildred Green, sister of Rhoda Katz

### **12 SHEVAT – SATURDAY, JANUARY 19**

Rosalie Russell, sister of Madeline Goliger

### **13 SHEVAT- SUNDAY, JANUARY 20**

Frank Richter, Joseph Wenter

### **14 SHEVAT – MONDAY, JANUARY 21**

Rivka Seldin Woll, Simmie Gains, Ruth Streiner

### **15 SHEVAT – TUESDAY, JANUARY 22**

David Schoenberg

### **16 SHEVAT – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23**

Louis Shenfeld, Ruth (Rifkah) Ross

### **17 SHEVAT – THURSDAY, JANUARY 24**

Rose Goldblatt, Samuel Hershorn

### **18 SHEVAT – FRIDAY, JANUARY 25**

Timmi Fox, Earl Oberman, Saul Shaffer, David Wolfe

### **19 SHEVAT – SATURDAY, JANUARY 26**

Mildred Schreiber

## Yahrzeits

### 20 SHEVAT – SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

Grandmother of Albert Minden; Lily Wolpert, Nathan Sherman, Margaret Marcus

### 21 SHEVAT – MONDAY, JANUARY 28

Rubin Rapkowski, Mother of Marcia Saperson

### 22 SHEVAT – TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

Murray Rossman

### 23 SHEVAT – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

Esther Adelman

### 24 SHEVAT – THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

Jennie Kritzer, Rebecca Miller, Sally Silver, Sam Lax, Maurice Lebow, Molly Honig

## Donations

### CAMP RAMAH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Happy 30th to Mr & Mrs Norman Beitner by Bev & Ralph Orman  
*Mazel tov* on the engagement of Sasha & Tommy Weisz's son by Bev & Ralph Orman; on the marriage of Bernie & Norma Kirsh's daughter Vicky by Sam & Charlotte Price  
*Speedy recovery* to **Sandy Morris** by Judy & Dennis Schwartz

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*Mazel tov* on Lauren Schoenberg's bat mitzvah by Karen Saperson/Jeremy Goldberg, Nicola & Justine; Ken & Shelley Rochweg on the engagement of their son by Betsy Sauder  
*Speedy recovery* to **Larry Pollock** by Bunny & George Levinson; **Sandy Morris** by David & Esther Levy  
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*Speedy recovery* to **Larry Pollock** by Bea Matchen  
*Thank you to* Leona Bergman by Bea Matchen

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*In memory of* **Kurt Krakauer** by Yael, Alan, Mira & Tamar Livingston; Anne Goodblar's sister by Sylvia & Sol Jacobs; **Aaron Zaitchik** by Marsha Sandler, Charles & Michelle Schneider and Family, Kenny & Shelley Rochweg; **Surkie Levy** by Rhoda & Bernie Katz

### OUT OF THE COLD FUND

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik** by Victor & Diana Abraham, Marcia & Bill Halpren  
*Mazel tov* to **Ahuva Soifer** on receiving her honour by Dorothy Rosenthal; by Diana & Victor Abraham; **Mark Scholes** on receiving his honour by Diana & Victor Abraham

### PRAYER BOOK FUND

*In memory of* **Jack Magder** by Shava Siegel; Anne Goodblar's sister by Gerry Quitt; **Sam Rosenblatt** by Helen & Solly Adler, Pauline Rubenstein and Family, Evelyn Albert, the Richter and Zaitchik families, Lil Cohen, Marion & Daniel Shogilev, Barbara & Sondra Goldblatt, Bonnie & Ted Lax, Les & Beverley Lasky and Family, Rhoda & Bernie Katz and Family, David & Cecile Steinberg; **Aaron Zaitchik** by Bev & Ralph Orman, Jerry & Elena Goldblatt, Bonnie & Ted Lax, Les & Beverley Lasky, Rhoda & Bernie Katz, Ron & Anne Barrs, Marlene & Sheldon Gains and Family, Maurice & Norma Mishkel; Katchy family's wife, mother, grandmother by Shava Siegel; **Surkie Levy** by Terri & Milt Lewis; **Carl Muchmaker** by Len & Anne Goodblar; Michele Schneider's father by Denise & Randy Levinson.  
*Mazel tov* on the engagement of Kirk & Shirley Kaplansky's daughter by Jerry & Elena Goldblatt; the birth of granddaughter to Mr & Mrs Harold Pomerantz  
*In honour of* Dr & Mrs R. Filler's 10th anniversary by Bev & Ralph Orman; recent marriage of Michael & Alison Weingarden by Lowell & Cindy Richter; marriage of Dr & Mrs Larry Levin's son, Joey by Shelley & Kenny Rochweg and family; Deena Schiff's marriage by Shelley & Kenny Rochweg and family  
*Mazel tov* to **Ahuva Soifer** on receiving her honour by Myrle Cwitco, Jerry & Elena Goldblatt; to **Jerry & Elena Goldblatt** on birth of new grandson by Shirley & Kirk Kaplansky, Shelley & Kenny Rochweg and family  
*Speedy recovery* to **Lawrence Pollock** by Shelley & Kenny Rochweg and Family  
Healthy & happy new year to Mr & Mrs George Levinson by Annabelle Laskin  
Wishing Howard Rocket well on his special birthday by Auntie Aussie & Teri

### PRAYER BOOK PLATE FUND

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik** by Joanne & Jeff Manishen, Yetta Hotz and Family, Skippy Caplan; **Abe Lebow** by Joanne & Jeff Manishen; **Chuck Matchen** by Joanne & Jeff Manishen; **Kurt Krakauer** by Harriet & Michael Orlander; Bubbie & Zaida, Ruth & **Aaron Zaitchik** by Lowell, Cindy, Sari & Samantha Richter  
*In honour of* Denise & Randy Levinson by Rabbi Daniel Selsberg  
*On the occasion of* **Mark Scholes** special honour by the Gurevitz family

### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik** by Clareta & Jacques Schoenberg and family; **Surkie Levy** by Clareta & Jacques Schoenberg and family; Michele Schneider's father by Clareta & Jacques Schoenberg and family  
*Condolences* to **Michael Vaknin** on recent loss by Clareta & Jacques Schoenberg and family  
*Happy new year* to Rabbi Dan Selsberg and family by Shirley Levine  
*Mazel tov* to **Dr & Mrs Lorne Finkelstein** on their son Chad's engagement; Justin Rabb on your bar mitzvah by Clareta & Jacques Schoenberg and family; on the newest addition to your family by Diane Sandler & Bill Nisker  
*In honour of* **Gina and Maria** by Natalie Sobel & Rafi Klieman and daughters  
*Yahrzeit*: Mother of Les Lasky

### SEFER TORAH FUND

*In memory of* **Michael Briks** mother by Mr & Mrs D. Burke  
*Good luck* to **Shirley Scholes** in her new apartment by Les & Gloria Roefe  
*In appreciation* by Sandra Rabin & Ivan Ross

### Yahrzeit Memorial Plaques

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik** by Rochelle & Gerry Swaye

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### **HAROLD AND MURIEL BACK FUND**

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik** by Amy Back & Daniel Hershowitz

### **MOLLIE CAPLAN MEMORIAL FUND**

*Mazel tov* on the birth of Shirley & Morris Waxman's granddaughter by Skippy Caplan

### **ABE COHEN MEMORIAL FUND**

*In memory of* Anne Gooblar's sister by Lil Cohen

### **BARRY FOSTER MEMORIAL FUND**

*In memory of* **Sam Rosenblatt** by Joy Foster  
*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik** by Joy Foster

### **SOL FRANKEL MEMORIAL FUND**

*In memory of* Anne Gooblar's sister by Bert Frankel and family  
Happy anniversary to Sam & Sylvia Kudlats by Bert Frankel

### **GOLDBLATT ENDOWMENT FUND**

*In memory of* **Malcolm & Abby Goldblatt** by Irene & Jean-Pierre Freel

### **FARKAS FAMILY FOUNDATION**

*In memory of* **Sam Rosenblatt** by Elmer & Ada Farkas; **Aaron Zaitchik** by Elmer & Ada Farkas

### **SOL FRANKEL MEMORIAL FUND**

*In memory of* **Carl Muchmaker** by Bert Frankel  
*In honour of* the marriage of Mr & Mrs Len Goodblar's grandson by Bert Frankel

### **MYRNA GOLDHAR MEMORIAL FUND**

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik** by Larry & Jay Rosenberg; Shlomit Acciaroli's father by Larry, Jay & Morgan Rosenberg; **Chuck Matchen** by Norman Rosenblood; **Surkie Levy** by Norman Rosenblood  
*Speedy recovery* and a happy new year to **Lawrence Pollock** by Larry & Jay Rosenberg  
*Mazel tov* to Jerry & Elena Goldblatt on birth of grandson by Larry & Jay Rosenberg

### **LANDA FAMILY FOUNDATION**

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik** by Marvin & Andrea Stringer; **Sam Rosenblatt** by Marvin & Andrea Stringer

### **REUBEN AND BELLE LEVY ENDOWMENT FUND**

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik, Sam Rosenblatt** by Marla & John Levy

### **SADIE AND ALBERT LIVINGSTON SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*In memory of* **Chuck Matchen, Aaron Zaitchik, Kurt Krakauer, Surkie Levy** by Allan & Yael Livingston and family

### **BARRY NETKIN MEMORIAL FUND**

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik** by Brenda Netkin

### **CHANNA AND MELECH ORLANDER**

*Speedy recovery* to **Sandy Morris** by Harriet & Michael Orlander

### **GEORGE AND HENRIETTA POLLOCK ENDOWMENT FUND**

*In memory of* **Jack Magder** by **Lawrence Pollock, Sam Rosenblatt** by **Lawrence Pollock**; Kathy Scholes father by Ira & Shelley Greenspoon; **Aaron Zaitchik** by Ira & Shelley Greenspoon; Robert Siegel's brother by Howard & Lori Pollock; Michele Schneider's father by **Lawrence Pollock**  
Happy and healthy new year to Mr & Mrs Brody by **Lawrence Pollock**  
*Speedy recovery* to **Lawrence Pollock** by Marlene & Sheldon Gains and Family, Libby & Abe Greenspan, Dorothy Rosenthal, Michelle Schneider, Esther & David Levy, Pearl Enkin

### **HARRY AND GOLDIE ROBBINS FUND**

*In memory of* Jack by Goldie Robbins

### **PHILIP ROSENBLATT FUND**

*In memory of* **Sam Rosenblatt** by Ruth & Labol Levy; **Surkie Levy** by Sorie Rosenblatt and family

### **DEDE ROSENTHAL ENDOWMENT FUND**

*Speedy recovery* to **Sandy Morris** by Dorothy Rosenthal

### **MATT AND FAY SCHMERLING EDUCATION FUND**

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik** by Fay & Matt Schmerling, Beverly Friedman, Pauline & Jonathan Morris; David Bromstein's mother by Jonathan & Pauline Morris  
*In honour of* Matt & Fay Schmerling by Natalie Sobel  
*Mazel tov* to **Mark Scholes** on your honour of Chatan Bereshit by Fay & Matt Schmerling; **Ahuva Soifer** on your honour of Kalat Torah by Fay & Matt Schmerling  
*Speedy recovery* to **Sandy Morris** by Denise & Randy Levinson

### **ESTHER AND AL SHECTER FUND**

*In memory of* Dorothy Freedman's husband Jack by Esther Shecker  
*Speedy recovery* to Bernice Williams by Esther Shecker

### **HYMAN AND ETTIE SOBOL FUND**

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik, Sam Rosenblatt**, Phillip Siegel, **Surkie Levy** by Rhona & Louis Rottman and Family, Reva Gelber  
*Yahrzeit:* Bertha Gelber, Stanley Sobel

### **ROSE AND ALLEN SWAYE FUND**

*In memory of* **Aaron Zaitchik, Sam Rosenblatt** by Sasha & Tommy Weisz and Family, Rochelle & Sheldon Swaye  
*Yahrzeit:* Rose & Allen Swaye

### **CORRECTIONS FROM LAST LADDER:**

Page 8 - Under OUR SINCERE THANKS "to Skippy Caplan and family for the donation of ten beautiful mezuzot for the shul", it should state: *in memory of* husband and father Hy Caplan.

Page 12 - should state: "*Mazel to* Mr & Mrs Fred Rosenfeld on their new granddaughter and *Mazel to* Mr & Mrs Harold Rochweg on their grandson's engagement" Both by Skippy Caplan.

## **BETH JACOB WISHES A HEARTY MAZEL TOV TO**

**John & Marla Levy** and family and **Mary Katz** on the engagement of their son and grandson Benjie to Lauren Ackerman of Toronto, daughter of Sid & Janis Ackerman, granddaughter of Rita Bubb.

**Gloria Wunder** on the birth of her grandson Luke Ezra, son of Michael & Joanna Wunder. A great-grandson for Annette Wunder.

**Jerry & Elena Goldblatt** on the birth of their grandson Jonah Ryan, 8 lbs 14oz, son of Jeffrey Larry and Denielle Goldblatt. A great-grandson for **Shirley Scholes**.

to **Justice David & Cele Steinberg** on the marriage of their daughter Tima to Jason Machtinger.

to **Jodi and Eric Waxman** on the birth of their daughter, Olivia Kennedy  
to **Judy Rosen** on the birth of her granddaughter.

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# HANUKKAH DINNER

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The Hamilton Jewish community is constructing a beautiful ceramic tile mosaic to send to the Shechafim School in Northern Israel. The project will make its way through Jewish Hamilton allowing every child and adult the opportunity to place a tile on the mosaic until it is complete. We will ship the piece to Israel in time for Yom Ha'atzmaut. - Israel's Independence Day!

\$5 per person goes directly to the purchase of computer equipment for the Shechafim School.



## BETH JACOB JEWISH FILM SERIES

presents the acclaimed Israeli films

### **BEAUFORT**

**Sunday, November 11 at 1:00 pm**

This is the story of the final days of the Israeli occupation of Beaufort, a castle of great historical importance in Lebanon and of the men who remained there.

### **SOMEONE TO RUN WITH**

**Sunday, December 16 at 1:00 pm**

Based on the novel by David Grossman, this movie tells a beautiful story about growing up and finding the strength to overcome your fears. Age recommendation: 13+

### **PROMISES**

**Sunday, January 13 at 1:00 pm**

PROMISES offers touching and surprisingly fresh insight into the Middle East conflict when filmmaker B.Z. Goldberg returns to his hometown to see what seven Palestinian and Israeli children think about war, peace and just growing up. The film explores a legacy of distrust and bitterness, but signs of hope emerge when some of the children dare to cross the checkpoints to meet one another.

All films screened in Beth Jacob's Upper Social Hall  
Donations gratefully accepted