

The Circle

BETH JACOB SYNAGOGUE



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TISHREI/CHESVAN/KISLEV 5775

Dates To Remember

Sunday, Sept. 14 at 2 p.m.
O-MA-NOOT Reception

Thursday & Friday Sept. 25 & 26
Rosh Hashanah

Friday, Oct. 3
Kol Nidre

Saturday, Oct. 4
Yom Kippur

Thursday & Friday, Oct. 9 & 10
Sukkot

Sunday, Oct. 12 at 10 a.m.
**One Book, One Shul
discussion in the Sukkah**

Thursday, Oct. 16
Shemini Atzeret - Yizkor

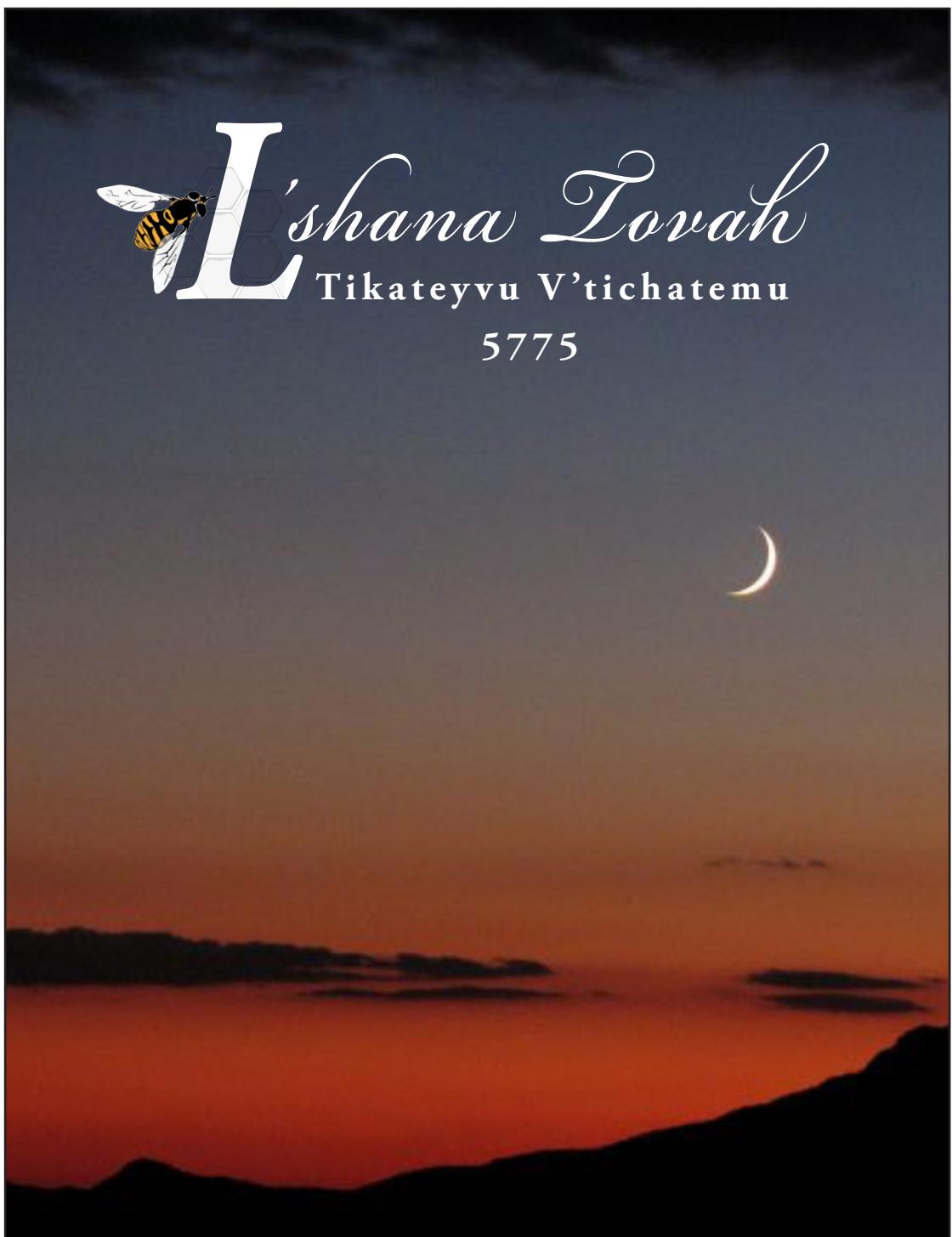
Friday, Oct. 17
Simchat Torah

Sunday, Oct. 26 at 11a.m.
**Storied Treasures Exhibit
Opening Reception**

Thursday, Oct. 30
Beth Jacob Lottery

Friday, Nov. 14
Congregational Dinner

Wednesday, Dec. 17
Chanukah Dinner



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Far Away. So Close.



Rabbi Dan Selsberg

It's hard to imagine that not too many months ago, discussions about Israel's political situation tended to centre on talks with the Palestinian Authority regarding the West Bank. And the Iranian nuclear program. And the risks associated with Syria's ongoing civil war. But Hamas, and the dire situation Hamas puts both Israel and the residents of Gaza into, was a back-burner issue.

Hamas' elaborate plans to tunnel into Israel for military and kidnapping raids were not generally known. I googled "Hamas tunnels into Israel", and came up with 16,900,000 hits. I googled the same words, and limited the search to July 1, 2013 - July 1, 2014: no results found. "Terror tunnels" gets many thousand hits, but none before July 1, 2014. Much has changed since July 1. It's safe to say the recent war in Gaza, while sim-

ilar to past conflicts, is unique — and not in a good way.

Synagogues are not inherently political organizations, and, by design, house diverse political opinions. That goes for both domestic policies and Israeli policies. At the same time, Jewish law and thought have, for millennia, claimed relevance in every corner of human experience. How we approach war and peace is no different. For rabbis, this is a minefield, but a considerably less dangerous one than real soldiers face.

As Jews, we are obligated to support our brothers and sisters in Israel. All Jews are responsible for each other, the sages emphasize. This is not so different from any other people — Canada will rescue Canadians in distress around the globe, and any nation seeks the well-being of its own. Still, Jews live with the knowledge of a unique history, a burden of too many events when no one looked out for Jews. Baruch Hashem, Jews and the Jewish state have friends today, but it all starts with us. Our covenant requires us to look after the well-being of Israel and Israelis.

What form should this support take? Some like to support hospitals, Magen David Adom, or UJA's "Stop the Sirens" campaign. Some prefer supporting those serving in the IDF, with food or equipment. Some opt for building shelters for those under attack from Gaza, providing food

relief for those whose work life is disrupted, or improving the quality of life for Israelis under attack. All are good, just pick one that is close to your heart. We all know there is great suffering in Gaza. We also know that Hamas has a history and a goal of diverting international aid, aimed at alleviating the suffering in Gaza, to offensive military ends, targeting Israeli civilians and causing the death of Palestinians. I lament the human tragedy in Gaza, and the unnecessary suffering of many innocent civilians. I don't know how to alleviate the pain, aside from marginalizing Hamas.

Hamas. What are our obligations vis-a-vis Hamas? It is imperative to not confuse Hamas with Palestinians: Hamas want to kill Jews, destroy Israel, and does not care how many civilians, Israeli or Palestinian, it has to sacrifice to achieve its despicable goals. Hamas is as bad as any terrorist group one can name. Israel, Canada, the US, and the EU are all (formally, at least) on the same page on this: they also share a goal of a two-state solution between Israel and the Palestinian Authority. There are many different shades of what one might think of these policies, but views well-grounded in the Jewish tradition have limits: Support for Hamas, its allies, or its agenda are anathema to Jewish thought, or to any sense of a just resolution for Is-

raelis and Palestinians. Hamas wants to kill Jews, and proudly tells this to anyone who will listen. Our clear-eyed view of Hamas does not mean we are to be indifferent to the very real suffering in Gaza. I don't trust Hamas' numbers on casualties, but that's not the point: in war, innocents suffer and die. There is a time to talk about who started it, and a time to focus on how to end it. We are commanded to view every life as precious, and to alleviate suffering when possible. Hamas bears responsibility for the suffering in Gaza, but lovers of Israel, by definition, are pained by this tragedy.

Gaza might not have been a front-burner issue for long, but the war looks like it will drag on. Polls show a vast, vast majority of Israelis see the conflict as a battle for survival — I think they're right. We will soon join together, in prayer and camaraderie, in our ancient and essential practice of being honest about our past and clearly confronting our future. Then, we will pray for the well-being of the people and State of Israel. We will pray for the safety of those who defend her. We will pray for a just solution for the conflict that plagues Israel and her neighbours. And we will re-commit to the dream of Israel of peace and justice; we will know our responsibilities and accept them. May God give strength to His People, may God bless the people Israel with peace. (Psalm 29).

Wishing the Beth Jacob Family

Shana Tova

Rabbi Dan & Karen Selsberg
Cantor Eyal Bitton & Michele Tredger
Rina Rodak
Cindy Richter
The Beth Jacob Board of Governors
Hanna Schayer, Maureen Price,
Kelly Buwalda and Voeun Mom



TASHLICH

Tashlich will be on Wednesday, October 1, 2014
Our congregational Tashlikh will be at 6:15 at Bayfront Park.
Mincha will be there at 6:00pm; feel free to bring a picnic dinner!

Fragrance-Free High Holy Days

This High Holy Day season we ask that congregants please refrain from wearing perfume or cologne as some people get allergic reactions or headaches as a result of other people's fragrances and moving seats isn't always an option. Thank you!

Leadership entrances are wide. Exits are narrow.



Cindy Richter

One of the most frequent questions I am asked is, "Madame President, how much longer are you going to do this?" My response is sometimes, "Did Lowell tell you to ask me?" or "Oh no, am I sinking the shul, letting you down, putting us into debt?" But my response always includes, "I love it!! Being able to share daily synagogue life alongside our rabbi, Eyal and Hanna, the Board, staff and busy, funny, thoughtful congregants is joyful beyond words."

Rarely do I reply, "No one is stepping up." I can't respond that way,

because in all honesty, I haven't asked anyone. Why, you would ask. Well, it takes more than a tap on the shoulder, a cup of coffee, an email and a look of desperation to ask someone to be part of a team to execute a fundraiser, serve on a finance committee, check in on the housebound and ill, or plan our future. It takes the absence of the fear of rejection. It also entails handing off responsibility and hoping that it will be done without causing another person hardship. There, that's been said; I feel better. I've been selfish with the tasks that I've been hoarding. Giving time to a synagogue is a sacred responsibility and also a mitzvah opportunity. It binds people together. If delegated wisely, a volunteer experience should be so meaningful and suited to that persons interests, passions, talents, vested project or social group that they want to continue to give of one of their most precious commodities: time.

Here is what I propose: In accepting a synagogue role, one is given a well-defined goal, a mentor or a *synaguide* and mounds of support

to do the job well. So help me G-d! There are congregants who are best accommodated by short and intense roles. Others who are episodic, long or short term projects; how about family participation, outdoor, once a year, ones that give someone a chance to teach someone else a skill or learn one. The most important thing is that it is something that brings you meaningful engagement and experiences to your Jewish life!

Understandably, requests to become more involved are best delivered by people who are most involved. Amy Back, Yael Reznick DeMarco, Benson Honig, Jeff Levy, Wendy Schneider and Michael Sherman, have stepped into the positions of *synaguides*. (It took a lot of convincing and the promise of a flashlight for them to agree to that moniker.) If they don't call, call them or me!

Here are my honest answers to the opening question. Upon entering the presidential space, ha ha, one should already know about relationships, HVAC, HR, not-for-profits, financial statements, setting aside time

for one's own spiritual growth. One must be prepared for unexpected generosity, painful human loss, gratitude, recognition of one's short-comings, apologizing, listening, learning, seeking advice and, truthfully, 'miracles from God.' If I had come up through the ranks by involving myself first on The Board or committees or fund-raising efforts, it would have helped enormously. (Alas, another plug for involvement from more members who are given true ownership and responsibility.) What I did own already was and still is *ahavat Yisrael*, a love for the Jewish people. That's why many of us, given the mission, never waiver from the vision, the tradition, the goal. We're in the shul business of shaping ourselves and the people with whom we study, share meals, cry, laugh and pray.

If there's a single-minded vision for the next sweet year at Beth Jacob, it is my hope that you can experience the joyfulness of giving more of yourself over to Jewish life, replenishing, enhancing, sustaining and dreaming of it's future.

Access to the shul during the High Holidays will be from the parking lot only. The Aberdeen Avenue entrance will be closed.

Thank you

NEW CONSOLATION

Interactive learning into the heart of the Jewish tradition*

Join us for a Slichot program
Saturday night, September 20
in preparation for the High Holidays

Mincha services begin at 7:00 pm.

Havdallah/Slichot Program at 8:00 pm.

Slichot Service at 9:15 pm.

KOSHER FOOD DRIVE for JEWISH SOCIAL SERVICES

Please bring food Erev Yom Kippur, Friday, October 3. Look for the bin by the entrance of the parking lot. Jewish Social Services have requested the following kosher items for special consideration: *cold cereals –cheerios, corn bran, or any cereal that is kosher, *instant coffee –decaf or regular, soups –either in a box or can, kosher tomatoe sauce or paste, dishwashing liquid –Palmolive, Sunlight, Mr. Clean or any other brand, *shampoo, soap, toilet paper, tissues, *canned pineapples, applesauce, rice, spaghetti, *cooking oil –kosher.

* Items that are especially needed



HELP FEED THE HUNGRY IN OUR COMMUNITY

HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICE TIMES

EREV ROSH HASHANAH SERVICES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2014

Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00 pm Candle lighting 6:57 pm

ROSH HASHANAH 1ST DAY

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2014

<i>T'fillah</i>	8:30am	Sermon	10:30am
<i>Bar'khu</i>	8:45am	Musaf	10:45am
<i>Avinu Malkeinu</i>	9:15am	Adon Olam & <i>Gut Yontiff!</i>	12:45pm
Torah Reading	9:20am	Mincha/Maariv	7:15pm
Shofar/Return Torah	10:20am	Candle not before	7:50pm

ROSH HASHANAH 2ND DAY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2014

<i>T'fillah</i>	8:30am	Shofar/Return Torah	9:45am
<i>Bar'khu</i>	8:45am	Sermon	10:00am
<i>Avinu Malkeinu</i>	9:15am	Musaf	10:20am
Torah Reading	9:20am	Adon Olam & <i>Gut Yontiff!</i>	12:30pm
Please note sermon times!!			6:00 pm
			Light Shabbat candles at 6:53pm

SHABBAT SHUVAH

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2014

Shacharit 9:15am Mincha/Seu'dah Shlisheet/Ma'ariv 6:50pm
Havdallah 7:44pm

KOL NIDRE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2014

Kol Nidre Services *6:40 pm Candles by 6:40 pm

* Sharp. Our start time is not determined by when all are seated, but based on the position of the sun in the sky. We cannot wait for latecomers before beginning. Please consider arriving sufficiently early to park (if driving), walk to shul, find your seats, shmooze with friends, and do some last-minute atoning before 6:40pm.

CANDLE LIGHTING

On Kol Nidre Eve, after 6:30 pm candles will be available in the main kitchen for those who wish to avoid riding to synagogue after the kindling of lights.

YOM KIPPUR DAY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2014

<i>T'fillah</i>	9:00am	Musaf	noon
<i>Barchu</i>	9:15am	Adon Olam & <i>Gut Yontiff!</i>	2:00pm
Torah Reading	10:30 am	Mincha	5:00 pm
Sermon	11:00 am	Neilah	6:30 pm
Yizkor immediately following sermon		Conclusion of Fast/Shofar	7:31 pm

Service start times are firm; all other start times are approximate.

A word from THE CANTOR



The new anti-Semitism

The military conflict between Israel and Hamas has been an upsetting experience for many Jews around the world. Jewish shops and synagogues in Paris were targeted. Many pro-Palestinian demonstrations across Europe and here in Canada exuded anti-Semitic sentiment with shouts of "Kill the Jews" and "Hitler was right!". In Calgary, a Jewish man was dragged along the street and a Jewish woman was punched several times.

I came across too many comments on Facebook expressing great antipathy towards Israel - and some of these people have no compunction about calling for the end of the two-state solution and Israel. And, of course, I watched skewed reporting of the conflict, to say the least. And the truth is, I have felt fear. I'm afraid about what this means for Jews around the world. I'm afraid of what this means for my safety. I'm afraid to learn that some people I know want my beloved Israel gone - and that some of these people may well harbour anti-Semitic views, overt or latent.

When I was 17, I took part in a phenomenal 6-week tour of Israel. On one occasion, we walked through Hezekiah's Tunnel in Jerusalem, mentioned in the Bible (2 Kings 20:20). I walked through that tunnel knowing that I was making a tangible connection with my heritage and with the Tanach (Bible). Ahead of us, a group of newly-initiated Israeli soldiers, young men and women, began singing: "Kol ha'olam kulo gesher tzar me'od, gesher tzar me'od... V'ha'ikar, v'ha'ikar lo l'fached klah" - "The entire world is a very narrow bridge; and the essential thing is not to be afraid."

Rabbi Nachman of Breslov's words, with a melody by Baruch Chait, continue to resonate - in every sense of the word - within me so many years later. If the world is a narrow bridge, then we can easily fall off. We are in peril. Dangers abound. So mustn't we tread carefully and with trepidation? No. "V'ha'ikar lo l'fached klah" - we must not be afraid. We must embrace the values we have been imparted. We must forge ahead.

As we approach the High Holy Days, we become aware that God is judging us; that our actions should be evaluated. Let us approach this time with truth and honesty and also with the knowledge that we, as Jews, must forge ahead, unafraid of who we are and unafraid of the values and legacy that we have been given. I choose to remind myself that I should not fear how I am seen by the world - but by God.

Like the Israeli soldiers in Hezekiah's Tunnel, may our voices on these Days of Awe rise in unison to a thunderous and triumphant expression of joy, camaraderie, and community. This is how we cross the narrow bridge that is our world to the other side.

Need a ride to shul?

If you live in Hamilton and need a ride to and from Beth Jacob services or events, please call the shul office at 905-522-1351.



SUKKOT, SIMCHAT TORAH SERVICE TIMES

EREV SUKKOT **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2014**

Sukkah Decorating and Pizza in the Hut: 4:30 – 7:00pm
Candle lighting 6:32pm Ma'ariv Services 7:00pm

SUKKOT, DAYS 1 & 2

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9 – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

Morning <i>T'fillah</i>	9:00am
Thursday, Mincha/Ma'ariv Services	6:45pm
Friday, Mincha/Ma'ariv Services	6:00pm
Thursday, Light candles	7:30pm
Friday, Light candles	6:30pm

HOL HAMOED SUKKOT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 – WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 15

Shabbat Morning <i>T'fillah</i>	9:00am
Shabbat Mincha	6:30pm (Havdalah 7:30pm)
Sunday <i>T'fillah</i>	9:00am
Mon - Tues	7:30am
Wednesday, Hoshana Rabbah	7:15am
Sun - Wed, Mincha	6:00pm

SHEMINI ATZERET/ EREV SIMCHAT TORAH

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15 – THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

Wednesday, Candles 6:20am	Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm
Morning <i>T'fillah</i>	9:00am
Yizkor	10:30am
Mincha	7:10pm

SIMCHAT TORAH

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16 – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

Thursday, Candles 7:20pm	
Thursday, Ma'ariv, Hakafot, dancing, & snacks!	7:30pm
Morning <i>T'fillah</i> 9:00am	
Hakafot, dancing, snacks, & Controlled mayhem!	9:40am
Simchat Torah luncheon following <i>t'fillot</i>	
Yom Tov Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	6:00pm

SHABBAT BERESHIT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17 – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

Shabbat Candle Lighting	6:16am
Friday, Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat	6:00pm
Saturday, Morning <i>T'fillah</i>	9:15am
Shabbat Mincha & Seudah Shlishit	6:15pm
Havdalah	7:08pm

SIMCHAT TORAH HONOUREES

Join us on **Friday, Oct. 17** as we recognize
Ted Adler with the honour of **Chatan Torah** and
Rabbi Dan Selsberg with the honour of **Chatan Bereshit**



Ted Adler is this year's honouree for Chatan Torah, the honour of concluding the reading of the Torah. In his active involvement with Beth Jacob Synagogue, Ted is following in the footsteps of three generations of Adlers and Kritzers. His sister, parents, grandparents and even his Kritzer great-grandparents are buried in the Beth Jacob cemetery on Snake Road. His grandmother, Sera Adler, donated a Torah to Beth Jacob in gratitude for the return to health of her eldest son, Dan, Ted's father. It took Sera Adler four decades of putting aside small change and the odd dollar bill to save up enough money to fulfill her vow. However, she persevered and finally in 1962, when Dan Adler was almost 50 and Ted was away at school in Boston, the Torah was donated, and is used proudly at Beth Jacob to this day. It was Dan Levy who first recruited Ted, initially to serve on the Beth Jacob board, and then on the Cemetery Committee. Ted played a key role in the planning and negotiations leading to the opening of the Stanley Sobel Cemetery. Ted joined the Pulpit and Ritual Committee, as the Religious Affairs Committee was then called, when recruited by Matt Schmerling. An early hands-on challenge was to help Matt hand out the Honours the year Philip Price was in Israel over the High Holy Days. Sensing Ted's latent talents, Philip took Ted under his wing and taught him how to run a service from behind the scenes, a skill that Ted has put to

good use over the years. For Ted, being a member of the Beth Jacob community is very much like being part of a large extended family, where the rewards of shared goals and diverse friendships far outweigh the responsibilities.

Over his own dissenting vote, Beth Jacob's Religious Affairs committee selects **Rabbi Dan Selsberg** as this year's Chatan Bereshit honouree. The stated reason for the selection is "other rabbis have had this honour". Rabbi Selsberg, if nothing else, merits keeping pace with other rabbis. Rabbi Selsberg, unquestionably the finest rabbi east of the 403, has never been honoured with the first aliyah in the Torah, a poetic description of the seven days of creation. His favourite day of creation is the third, dry land and vegetation. Also, dancing on Simchat Torah is the Rabbi's favourite activity of the two days of Shmini Atzeret, narrowly edging out the prayer for rain. Rabbi Selsberg has been at Beth Jacob since 2006, presiding over renovation, revitalization, and renewal of Beth Jacob. He is the president of the Ontario Region of the Rabbinical Assembly and a shareholder in the Green Bay Packers Football Club, Inc. He lives in Hamilton with his wife, Karen, and their three sons. On Simchat Torah morning, he will be present from 9:00 am. You should be there, too.

YAHRZEITS

6 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 1

Father of Anita Smurlick
Rebecca Kauffman

7 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 2

Ben Solomon
Ben Sager

8 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 3

George Berens
Benjamin Price
Max Goldberg

10 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 5

Nathan Katz
Fraser Kirk Metzger

11 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 6

Miriam Penn
Saul Smurlick

12 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 7

Tillie Goldberg

13 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 8

Shegulla Abraham
Alexander Mintz
Jean Schure
Esther Zelda Shecter
Benjamin Shapiro

14 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 9

Shaye Zimmerman
Hedy Ross

15 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 10

David Leslie Stringer
Mary Solomon
Reta Barrs
Florence Lasky
Aaron Zaitchik

16 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 11

Hilda Kurensky
Nachum Greenberg

17 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 12

Sera Adler

18 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 13

Annie Zaltz
Eve Finkelstein
Sam Rosenblatt

19 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 14

Abby Goldblatt

20 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 15

Benjamin Rosenfeld
Thelma Pearl Rusanik

21 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 16

Minnie - Mother of Joie Gold

Milton Roher

22 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 17

Paul Landa
Chaim Schayer

23 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 18

Frances Lew

24 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 19

Grandfather of Hilton Silberg
Morris Silver

25 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 20

Rose Farkas
Rebecca Mishkel
Anne Bergart
Jacob Abraham

26 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 21

Father-in-law of Pete Rosenblatt

27 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 22

Ida Rosen

28 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 23

Malcolm Goldblatt

29 ELUL - SEPTEMBER 24

Grandmother of Larry Goldblatt
Samuel Levy

1 TISHRI - SEPTEMBER 25

Mother-in-law of Pete Rosenblatt
Morris Black

Zev Pearl
Bernard (Bernie) Tick

2 TISHRI - SEPTEMBER 26

Toby Skrobacky
Bertram Kaplansky
Ida Charney

3 TISHRI - SEPTEMBER 27

Harry Gaffe
Bubbles Benjamin
David Gurevitz
Marcia Bailery Levy

4 TISHRI - SEPTEMBER 28

Lillian Dressler Waldman

5 TISHRI - SEPTEMBER 29

Judi Green
Blanche Latner
Anne Wells
Dr. Jack Shekter
Muriel Back
Barbara Molly Berens
Harold Abraham Ellison

6 TISHRI - SEPTEMBER 30

Hilda Goldblatt

7 TISHRI - OCTOBER 1

Nate Rotman
Andrew Back
Peter Wald
Jacob Brown

8 TISHRI - OCTOBER 2

Robert Madow

9 TISHRI - OCTOBER 3

Marion Levy
Manny Richter
Reuben Molot

10 TISHRI - OCTOBER 4

Harry Cohen
Rose Swaye
Michael Burjaw

12 TISHRI - OCTOBER 6

Harry Zigelstein

13 TISHRI - OCTOBER 7

Faye Haiven
David Polan
Trevor Shogilev

14 TISHRI - OCTOBER 8

Bernie Greenbaum
Saul Aaron Cohen
Mischa Weisz

15 TISHRI - OCTOBER 9

Louis Labol Goldblatt
Lawrence Wengle
Betty Levy
Belle Cohen

16 TISHRI - OCTOBER 10

Jacob Furman

17 TISHRI - OCTOBER 11

Monya Cherns
Grandmother of Hilton Silberg

18 TISHRI - OCTOBER 12

Grandfather of Shelley Waxman
Maurice Wolpert
Hinda Myra (Babsie) Goldberg
Reiselle Schayer

19 TISHRI - OCTOBER 13

Mother of Betty Foster
Ethel Goldberg
Gordon Fruitman
Jack Friedman

20 TISHRI - OCTOBER 14

Rose (Cookie) Rosenblatt

21 TISHRI - OCTOBER 15

Jessica Kaplansky
Claris 'Brownie' Freedman

22 TISHRI - OCTOBER 16

Belle Orson
Irvin Eber
Gertrude Finkelstein
Hy Rotman
Ben Dasch

23 TISHRI - OCTOBER 17

Bertha Kaufman
Joseph Gold

24 TISHRI - OCTOBER 18

Marjorie Staples
Martha Caplan

25 TISHRI - OCTOBER 19

Anne Resnick
Reva Gelber
Eva Halasz

26 TISHRI - OCTOBER 20

Sylvia Arron
Evelyn Silver

27 TISHRI - OCTOBER 21

Harry Petigorsky

28 TISHRI - OCTOBER 22

Sandra Marks

29 TISHRI - OCTOBER 23

Abraham Louis (Oscar) Weitzman
Minya White

30 TISHRI - OCTOBER 24

Rose Silvert
Bertha Gelber

1 CESHVAN - OCTOBER 25

Meyer Rotman
Paul Silver
Rose Fine
Shelley Borovoy

2 CESHVAN - OCTOBER 26

Boris Roefe
Else Orkin
Blanche Levy

4 CESHVAN - OCTOBER 28

Helen Zimmerman
Jack Caplan

5 CESHVAN - OCTOBER 29

Morris Paikin

YAHRZEITS

7 CHESHVAN – OCTOBER 31

Rebecca Haren
Harold Applebaum
Barbara Roat
Albert Ennis

8 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 1

Bessie Gurevitz
Coosy Frank
Sylvia (Sorkey) Nellicks

9 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 2

Samuel Price

10 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 3

Hyman Wiseman

11 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 4

Father of Marla Hoppe
Maurice Zaltz
Jack Rosen
Ronald Fein
Gina Guerina Gerotto-Pillon
Solomon Waverman

12 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 5

Mary Ackerman
Gertrude Eisenstat
Nathan Fox
George Scholes
Hyman Caplan

13 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 6

Ralph Ennis
Sydney Cohen
Allan Rosen
Stan Sobol
Goldie Finkelstein

15 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 8

Hasna Solomon
Irene Bella Hershberg

16 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 9

Father of Betty Foster

17 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 10

Ruth Anne Zaitchik

18 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 11

Jacob Norman Goldblatt
Jacob Adler
Barbara June Rosenberg

19 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 12

Anuta (Hana) Pulver
Sybil Dermer
Melvin Manishen
Alexander Khayutin
Sigmund Botnick

20 CHESHVAN – NOVEMBER 13

James L. Shekter

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Know someone new to the neighborhood?

If you know someone new to the Hamilton Jewish community, who you believe would be interested in finding out about Beth Jacob Synagogue, please contact the shul office, so we can speak to them about all of the wonderful religious, spiritual, educational and communal opportunities the synagogue has to offer.

Farewell to Milena and Jason

The revitalization and growth of the Kesher Religious School and family programs is contributed to our retiring co-educators Milena Romalis and Jason Leizer. From their first leap, they committed to making learning fun, experiential and community binding. Yasher koach and thank you with all our love!

Flowers on the bima

Flowers on the bima for the High Holidays were donated in memory of Lou and Claire Latner by Donna and Henry Vine and Family and Hershey Latner

Book of Remembrance

The Beth Jacob Family wants to thank the hard working members of this year's Book of Remembrance Committee, Norma Mishkel, Sandra Morris, Maureen Price, Sandra Rabin & Fay Schmerling. Special thanks to Henry Morris for re-keying in all the Hebrew texts

Welcome to Lyonsgate Montessori School

All summer long, the excitement mounted as our building was readied for the Fall opening of Lyonsgate Montessori School. The owner and operator Rachel Lyons was born and raised in Hamilton west and has been working as a Montessorian since 2000. She and her staff, students and their families are welcomed warmly. *Thank you to all who did so much to see the renovations through: Fay Schmerling, Wendy Schneider, Milena Romalis, Joe and Tom for moving desks, cabinets, furniture and books and for sorting through our school belongings. Calm and caring custodian Tom Lawlor and Hanna Schayer must be by now Fire Regulation specialists. Martin Levy, Benji Katz, Mark Scholes and Lorne Richter who were always available for building and business advice.*

How would you like to win \$50,000?

Now that we have your attention, Beth Jacob is forming an exclusive group of individuals who want to help keep the grounds around Beth Jacob looking beautiful. You can help with our **PRE-HIGH HOLIDAY CLEAN UP** and have input into efforts being made to make our grounds more pleasing to look at. We'll be putting our gardening tools to work early in September and all help would be appreciated. There may even be free coffee and bagels for those joining the group. Please leave your name with the Beth Jacob office before Sept. 11. *A message from the Beth Jacob Green Thumbs, Weed Whacking, Tree Pruning, Bush Trimming, Flower Planting, Gardening Group.*

Prayers for Healing

If you would like to have a name placed on the misheberach (prayer for healing) list, please contact the shul office at 906-522-1351.

A Message to the Beth Jacob Community from Ahuva Soifer

If I have offended you in any way, I regret it and apologize and hope that you will tell me and give me a chance to atone. My best wishes to Rabbi Selsberg and family, and to Cantor Bitton and Michele and their dear ones for a year of peace, growth, and quiet. To all those who keep Beth Jacob going as a warm, lively place that is always inviting.

Kesher Educa

We Believe in Family Education

In our monthly family programs, families have the opportunity to take Judaism off the page and into a broader context with field trips, art and writing workshops and innovative holiday celebrations.

If you would like to be on our email list or learn more about a particular program,
email school@bethjacobsynagogue.ca or visit www.bethjacobsynagogue.ca.

This fall, the Kesher Education Program invites you to join us for

Kesher Hebrew School

JK-Grade 7 - Classes start on Oct. 22

Wednesdays, 4:30-6:45 p.m. with dinner included

The school runs from JK-Grade 7 and features Hebrew language, music and prayer and an interactive arts component.

Shabbat Programming

10:15 a.m. to noon - all ages

Our family education program is thoroughly integrated with the life of the entire congregation, and adult community members are partners in learning with our children. In this intimate service, Cantor Eyal Bitton leads a child-centered, interactive approach to tefillah.

Adopt-a-Park Program It's a Mitzvah

Beth Jacob has adopted Beulah Park through the City of Hamilton Adopt-a-park program. The first of Beth Jacob's four assignments will take place on Wed. October 22 at 4:30pm. Meet us at the park where all materials will be provided. Then, following the clean-up, we'll return to Beth Jacob for a light dinner. Bring the whole family!

**Beth Jacob
welcomes
new education
director
Rina Rodak**

Beth Jacob is delighted to announce the appointment of Rina Rodak as its new education director. Since moving to Hamilton from Toronto in 1994, Rodak has worn many hats. She has served as Camp Kadimah director, and as a teacher and administrator at Beth Jacob and Temple Playhouse. Rina recently served as co-chair of the Kehila Jewish Community Day School board. Rina is married to Matthew and mom to Zane, Bram and Jack.



Beth Jacob's Kesher Family Education Program is hitting the ground running! Our weekly program takes place on Wednesday afternoons beginning on October 22. We have new teachers, a new curriculum and we will once again be serving dinner (at the end of class time so that our Minyanaires can join in). We will also offer Shabbat opportunities for kids of all ages, including a "Kid"ush Club and "Bubies & Bagels" program.

We have excellent family programs during the High Holidays. Please see the box on the next page for more information about all of our programs.

For more information contact Rina Rodak at school@bethjacobsynagogue.ca or call 905-512-4036.

tion Program

Family Program Schedule



Rosh Hashanah Day 1

Diane Sandler will lead us through an interactive family service from 10:45 - 11:30 am in the Richter Chapel.

Rosh Hashanah Day 2

David Gershon leads another reflective and inspirational family service from 11:00am to noon. (see box) Please arrive by 10:45 am

Yom Kippur

Diane's Yom Kippur family service begins at 10:30 am. Jonah and the Whale comic book activity at 11:00 am

Apple Picking

Sunday, Sept. 14 - A joint program with Temple Anshe Sholom. Meet at 2:00 pm @ Myers on Highway 52 in Copetown. Donation of kosher nonperishable food item.

Pizza in the Hut & Sukkah Decorating

Wednesday, October 8 at 5 pm - Help us decorate our synagogue sukkah. Paint beautiful pictures, string veggies, and then enjoy the first meal of the holiday as a community.

Other Important Dates

Oct. 13: Open Sukkah at the Selsbergs - 6 p.m.

Oct. 22: First Day of Hebrew School

Dec. 17: Chanukah Dinner

Jan. 10: Havdalah Dinner

Feb 1: Family Program TBA

Feb. 27: Congregational Dinner

March 4/5: Purim Megillah Reading & Carnival

May 3: PJ Library Program

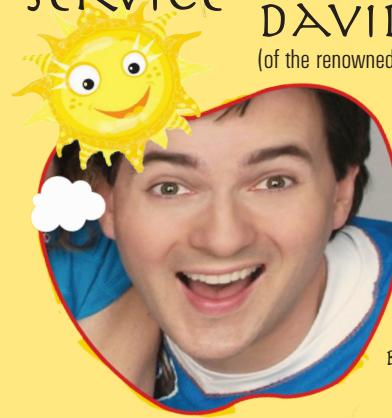
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ROSH HASHANAH FAMILY SERVICE

featuring

DAVID GERSHON

(of the renowned Juno-winning "Judy and David")



FRIDAY, SEPT. 26
AT 10:45 A.M.

SONGS, STORIES, REFLECTION
AND OF COURSE, SHOFAR
BLOWING AND HONEY CAKE!

If you came last year, you know what you're in for!!
If you missed last year, be sure to come for the fun!!

Book your seats today!

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school@bethjacobsynagogue.ca.

Please note: If you already have High
Holiday tickets for Beth Jacob, contact
us to reserve complimentary seats.

TICKETS: \$36/FAMILY

David Gershon specializes in turning family
synagogue services into meaningful, interactive
experiences. He leads services in synagogues
and camps throughout Canada.

BETH JACOB DAY



THE HAMILTON BULLDOGS



Come watch the 'Dogs,

hear Cantor Eyal sing the National
Anthems, and enjoy an afternoon with
fellow hockey-lovin' Hebrews.

TICKETS \$15
from the shul office

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Puck Drop 3:00PM

First Ontario Centre

(I know- it's still Copps to me, too)

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Adult Education

Condolences to: Richard & Arlene Leibtag & Family by Chris, Terry, Andrew & Alysse Overholt; Gould Family by Chris, Terry, Andrew & Alysse Overholt.

Chai Fund

Condolences to: Family of Faye Leibtag by Cele & David Steinberg;

Golden book

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Library Fund

Mazel Tov to: Dr. Elliot Biro by Philip & Maureen Price.

Music Fund

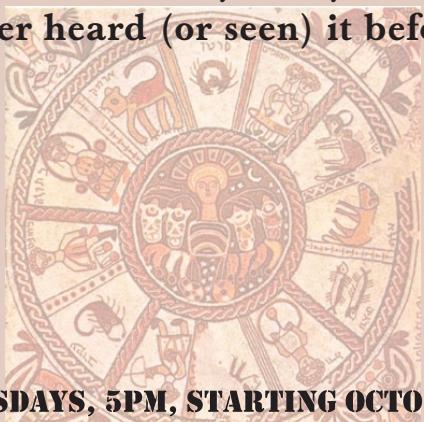
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Out Of The Cold

Condolences to: Dennis Schwartz & Family by Diana & Victor Abraham; Dennis Schwartz by Tony Metzger, Carole & Allen Bain; Michael & Gwen Sherman & Family by Lowell & Cindy Richter; Michael Sherman & Family by Renee & Jeffrey Solomon; Gloria Wunder by Donna & Henry Vine; Gail & Les Wolfe, Dennis & Judy Schwartz, Stan & Liz Tick by Ahuva Soifer; Mayor Bob Bratina & Family by Cindy Richter; Reverend George Horton & Julia Horton by Cindy Richter; Gould & Horvath Family by Nomi & Carl Cuneo & Hanna Schayer. *Mazel Tov to:* Tony Metzger, Brian Albert, Sandra Rabin, Shirley & Hilton Silberg by Carole & Allen Bain; Fay Schmerling, Bev & Les Lasky, Susan

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Jewish History like you've
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WEDNESDAYS, 5PM, STARTING OCTOBER, 29

An upfront look at why and how we got here. A multimedia class where our discussions will leap off from text, drawings and video

WHO: You — even if your parents don't force you to come.

WHY: You have to know where you came from to figure out where you're going.

HOW: By asking honest questions and getting honest answers. It's part of our history; make it part of your present. Questions? RSVPs? Contact Rabbi Selsber 905.522.1351 or rabbi@bethjacobsynagogue.ca

& Judah Denburg by Ahuva Soifer; Solomon Samson by Victor & Diana Abraham; Julia Kollek by Carl Cuneo & Hanna Schayer.

Prayer Book Fund

Condolences to: William Tidball by Cele & David Steinberg; Dennis Schwartz & Family, Stan Tick & Family by Judi & Marvin Caplan; Dennis Schwartz by Marcia & Bill Halpern; Dr. Michael & Gwenn Sherman by Jeffrey & Joanne Manishen; Dennis & Judy Schwartz & Family by Jeffrey & Joanne Manishen; Michael Sherman by Ron & Anne Barrs; Michael Sherman & Family by Jerry & Elena Goldblatt; Dan Levy & Family by David & Libby Garshowitz & Family; Michael Sherman & Family by Philip & Maureen Price; Richard & Arlene Leibtag & Family, Gould Family by Judi & Marvin Caplan. *Mazel Tov to:* Stan & Pat Dermer by Francine & Murray Gerson. *Thank you to:* Lowell & Cindy Richter by Judi & Marvin Caplan.

Prayer Book/High Holiday Machzor/Chumash Fund Bookplate

Condolences to: Dana Hollander & Family by Olshansky & Ashtar Family, Shlomit Acciaroli. *Mazel Tov to:* Mendel Somer by Cele & David Steinberg; Shelley Carr by Cele & David Steinberg.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In Memory of: Phyllis Kantor by the Gurevitz Family. *Condolences to:* Dennis Schwartz by Irwin & Katherine Levine; Judy & Dennis Schwartz & Family by Francine & Murray Gerson, Mary Louise & Dennis Beecroft; Nick Storch, Dana Hollander & Family by Olshansky & Ashtar Families; Michael & Gwen Sherman & Family by Elaine Miller. Foxman Family by Beverly Sobel & Family; Michael Sherman by Mary Louise & Dennis Beecroft; Dennis Schwartz by Pat & Stan Dermer; Michael Sherman by Tony Metzger; Richard & Arlene Leibtag by Elaine Miller. *Yahrzeit of:* Cecelia Levy by Jeanette Tauber. *Mazel Tov to:* Stan & Pat Dermer by Barb & Jeff Dermer, Sarah, Matthew, Michele, Amanda, James, Emiko & Gilda Dermer, Chela Zane & Family. *Thank you to:* Rabbi Dan & Karen Selsberg by Carole & Allen Bain.

Sefer Torah Fund

Mazel Tov to: Victor Abraham by Philip & Maureen Price.

Shabbat Kiddush Fund

Condolences to: Dennis Schwartz & Family by Philip & Maureen Price, by Shlomit Acciaroli, Cuneo & Schayer Family, Rabbi Dan & Karen Selsberg, Gail & Les Wolfe, Sherman Family by Gail & Les Wolfe, Michael Sherman & Family by Judy & Dennis Schwartz; Joe Walker by Hanna Schayer & Carl Cuneo. *Mazel Tov to:* Sheridan Lax, Anne Sanderson, Tony Metzger, Mr. & Mrs. Al Foreman, Mrs. Eva Raphael, Bea Matchen by Gail & Les Wolfe; Bea Matchen, Pat & Stan Dermer by Maureen & Philip Price; Ramona & Gabriel Samuel by Shlomit Acciaroli; Diana & Victor Abraham by Carl Cuneo & Hanna Schayer. *In honour of:* Melodie Adler by Nomi, Sara, Carl Cuneo, Hanna Schayer.

Mollie Caplan Memorial Fund

Yahrzeit of: Ethel Caplan, Louis Bain by Carole & Allen Bain. *Mazel Tov to:* Victor & Diana Abraham by Allen & Carole Bain.

Myrna Goldhar Memorial Fund

Condolences to: Michael & Jay Sherman by Larry & Jay Rosenberg.

Daniel & Rebecca Kaufman Fund

Condolences to: Michael & Gwen Sherman by Peter Smurlick & Anne Sanderson.

George and Henrietta Pollock Endowment Fund

Mazel Tov to: Joel & Ilana Goldberg by Lawrence Pollock.

Dede Rosenthal Educational Endowment Fund

Mazel Tov to: Miriam Lebow, Diana & Victor Abraham by Dorothy Rosenthal.

Matt & Fay Schmerling Educational Fund

Condolences to: Dennis Schwartz & Family, the Family of Dorothy Sherman by Fay Schmerling.

Mazel Tov to: Sandra Rabin, Dorothy Rosenthal, Pat & Stan Dermer, Rafael Kleiman, Sharon & John Biro, Shelley & Howard Brown, Rosalie & Paul Gaffe, Shirley & Hilton Silberg, Marla & John Levy by Fay Schmerling.

Nathan and Dorothy Sherman Educational Fund

Condolences to: Howard Sherman & Family by Harold & Rayella Goldblatt; Michael Sherman & Family by Sondi Goldblatt, Ralph & Bev Orman. Howard Sherman by Maurice & Linda Desjardins; Michael Sherman & Family by Gertrude Solomon, Merle & Jack Brown, Elaine & Cuppy Katz.

Rose and Allen Swaye Endowment Fund

Condolences to: Annette Segal, Gloria Wunder, Howard Sherman & Family, Dennis Schwartz & Family, Michael Sherman & Family by Sasha & Tommy Weisz.

MILESTONES

Beth Jacob extends a hearty Mazel Tov to:

- all Hamilton Jewish Federation's Shem Tov award winners most especially to Sandra Rabin, Brian Albert, Dennis Schwartz, and Yael Reznick DeMarco – our most excellent volunteers.
- Jerry and Elena Goldblatt on their 45th wedding anniversary.
- the members of our Adult B'nai Mitzvah for completing a year of study with Cantor Eyal Bitton and Karen Selsberg, and for participating in the Shabbat service – Brandon Irish (D'var Torah), Tory Metzger (Reading from the Torah), Anna Ouwehand (D'var Torah) and Anne Sanderson (D'var Torah).
- Sally, Bonnie, and Ted Lax on the birth of a baby boy to Richard and Rachel Lax.
- Sarah Rochwerg on the engagement of her grandson Jeff, son of Lorne and Judy Rochwerg, to Hayley, daughter of Frank and Deborah Fisher.
- Fred and Marla Hoppe on the engagement of their son Daniel to Tamara Grundland, daughter of Shelly Galler and Sam Grundland
- Michael Sherman on his birthday.
- Rabbi Dan Selsberg on his new role as president of the Rabbinical Assembly, Ontario Region.
- Naomi Metter, mother of Laura Ludwin, on her 90th birthday.
- John and Marla Levy on the marriage of their daughter Lani to Marc Weisinger; Mazel-tov also to Grandmother Mary Katz.
- Lorne and Jill Gaffe, Jared Gaffe, Paul and Rosalie Gaffe, and Sam Lewis on their son, brother, grandson, and great-grandson Isaac becoming Bar Mitzvah.
- Ramona and Gabriel Samuel and big sister Sapphira on the birth of a baby girl; proud family members are grandparents Diana and Victor Abraham, and Uncle Jordan.
- Marlene and Sheldon Gains, daughter Eryn, and grandparents Sam and Lillian Silverstone on the marriage of Daniel to Debbie Allworth.
- Shirley and Hilton Silberg on the marriage of their son Brad to Liron Redden.
- Victor Abraham on his birthday.
- Joel and Ilana Goldberg on the occasion of the birth of their grandson.
- Doreen and Larry Goldblatt on their 60th wedding anniversary and on their special birthdays.
- Elliot Biro on receiving his doctorate.
- Pat and Stan Dermer on their 45th wedding anniversary
- Bonnie and Ted Lax on their 40th wedding anniversary.
- Brenda Zalter and Gary Minden on the marriage, in Israel, of Brenda's daughter, Brittany Ventresca.
- Mazel-tov to Francine and Murray Gerson on their 45th wedding anniversary.
- Lorne and Michele Finkelstein on the birth of their third grandchild, Charlie Braydon Finkelstein, to Sheri and Chad Finkelstein.
- Roz and Alan Cohen, Karen Selsberg's parents, on the occasion of their 50th Anniversary.
- Joanne and Jeff Manishen on their 30th wedding anniversary.
- Shirley and Hilton Silberg on the birth of their first grandchild, Isabella Riley Silberg.
- Diane Sandler and Bill Nisker on their 30th wedding anniversary.
- Goldie Robbins on the marriage of Dustin and Talia Katz.

Beth Jacob wishes to thank:

- those who made the Ben Caplan/ Michele Tredger concert such a success: Ben Caplan, Michele Tredger, Brenda Burjaw, Wendy Schneider, Ben Shragine, Becky Katz, Khalm Smiderle, Jordan Abraham, Judi and Marvin Caplan, Hanna Schayer, Kelly Buwalda, Maureen Price, Voen Mom, Jason Leizer, Cindy and Lowell Richter, Tory Metzger, Laura Ludwin, Jeff and Naomi Levy, Cindy and Samantha Smyth, Amy Back, Les and Bev Lasky, Milena Romalis, Lisa Zaitchik, Mark Scholes, Eyal Bitton, Jerry Golblatt, Denise Levinson, Rabbi Dan and Karen, Joe Walker, Tom Lawlor, The Effort Trust Company, Taylor Leibow, Sheldon Levy, and Post Controlled Air Inc.
- our cheesecake bakers: Francine Gerson, Harriet Orlander and Marvin Caplan.
- the Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class of 2014, Rabbi Dan and Karen Selsberg, and an anonymous donor for sponsoring Shabbat kiddush lunch.
- David and Bonnie Loewith for donating ice cream for Tikkun Leil Shavuot.
- Dan Levy for generously replenishing our liquor supplies; the minyanaires are very happy.
- Ethan Stolar, Avivit Jhirad and Daniella Khayutin for leading services.
- Pat and Stan Dermer, for sponsoring Shabbat kiddush in honor of their 45th wedding anniversary.
- Sally, Ted, and Bonnie Lax for sponsoring "Down By the Bay".
- Sharon and John Biro for hosting Shabbat kiddush in honour of their son Elliot Biro receiving his doctorate.
- Nomi and Sara Cuneo and Norman and Evelyn Schayer for sponsoring Shabbat kiddush in honour of the birthdays of Carl Cuneo and Hanna Schayer (the Schuneos)
- Patrizia and Alex Maine for polishing all the silver breast plates and crowns.

- Thank you to Creekwood Metals (aka Jerry Goldblatt), Murray Gerson, Martin Levy, Benjy Katz and Tom Lawlor for refurbishing with blood, sweat and gilt, the downstairs men's washroom.
- Joanne and Jeff Manishen for sponsoring a kiddush in honour of their 30th anniversary.
- Jodi Asch, Mayta Shore and Susan Gilbert for sponsoring Shabbat kiddush in honour of their parents Larry and Doreen Goldblatt's 60th anniversary.
- Our wonderful High Holiday bakers Jordana Asch, Jodi Asch, Marvin Caplan, Harriet Orlander, Rhona Rottman, Lainie Tessier and Gail Wolfe.

Beth Jacob extends our sincere condolences to:

- the family of Phyllis Kantor, z"l, on her passing.
- Joe Walker and family on the passing of his aunt Joan Decker, z"l.
- Kristine and Mario Stolar and family on the passing of Kristine's mother, Carolyn Barbara Wilson.
- Jeanette Nathan, David and Esther Levy, Martin and Sandi Levy and Jeff and Naomi Levy on the passing of their brother, brother-in-law and uncle, Murray Minden, z"l.
- Kathryn Johnson and family on the passing of her husband George Johnson, z"l.

O-MA-NOOT 
Gallery at Beth Jacob Synagogue - Values Inspiring Creativity
is proud to present the exhibit
In Celebration of the Pomegranate
Please join us for the
Opening Reception & Artist Presentations
Sunday, Sept. 14, 2 to 3 p.m.
A portion of the proceeds from the sale of art will continue to fund the initiative to create, educate and collaborate.

Sukkot Programs
Help Build the Sukkah
Help build the sukkah on Sunday, October 5 at 10:00am. Call the shul office at 905-522-1351 if you can help.

Order your lulav & etrog
Sukkot begins on **Wednesday, October 8**. If you'd like to purchase your own lulav and etrog, call Philip Price at 905-523-8067 to order.

Open Sukkah at the Selsbergs'
Join Rabbi and Karen Selsberg at their home at 19 Orchard Hill on Monday, October 13 for a light nosh in their Sukkah, immediately following evening services.

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Most Jews **don't** know our foundational stories well—
Learn the **real stories** of our all-too-human ancestors.

The stories of the pious, the rebellious, the unrepentant, the rejected, and the chosen.

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Beginning October 28 | Shul Library

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BROWN BAG BABYLON

Lunch With the Sages

WOULD YOU LIKE WISDOM WITH THAT?

Study Talmud Brachot over the noon hour. Join Rabbi Selsberg as we explore the masterwork of Jewish thought. The text can be surprising, confusing, offensive, strange, familiar, clever, and challenging—sometimes on the same page.

Join the discussion. Bring your questions.
Beginners welcome.

NOON WEDNESDAYS

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A MULTIMEDIA CLASS ABOUT
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A history discussion, using the BBC/PBS documentary from acclaimed historian Simon Schama. We'll explore the often overlooked corners of the Jewish story, learning what it meant then and what it could mean now.

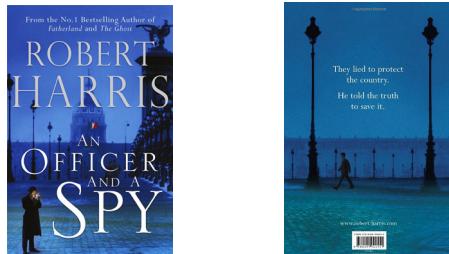
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ONE BOOK ONE SHUL

Sunday, Oct. 12 @ 10 am in the shul sukkah!

If our community opens the **same book**, will we close it with a **greater sense of connection?**



From the No. 1 Bestselling Author of *Fatherland* and *The Ghost*
ROBERT HARRIS
AN OFFICER AND A SPY

They lied to protect the country.
He told the truth to save it.

We're bound together by a book and by the stories we share, and this year we'll add a story to our repertoire. Beth Jacob's inaugural One Book One Shul event asks each of us to read a book, then we'll get together and discuss it in the fall. Especially keen readers are welcome to discuss it in the aisles of Fortino's, over coffee, at kiddush, etc.

SEPTEMBER 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Elul 6 Shacharit 9:00am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	2 Elul 7 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	3 Elul 8 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	4 Elul 9 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	5 Elul 10 Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00pm Candles 7:31pm	6 Elul 11 Parashat Ki Teitzei Shacharit 9:15am Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:30pm
7 Elul 12 Shacharit 9:00am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	8 Elul 13 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	9 Elul 14 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	10 Elul 15 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	11 Elul 16 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	12 Elul 17 Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00pm Candles 7:18pm	13 Elul 18 Parashat Ki Tavo Shacharit 9:00am Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:15pm
14 Elul 19 Shacharit 9:00am Omanoot Reception 2:00pm Family Program Myers Apple Farm 2:00pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	15 Elul 20 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	16 Elul 21 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	17 Elul 22 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	18 Elul 23 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	19 Elul 24 Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00pm Candles 7:06pm	20 Elul 25 Parashat Nitzavim-Vayeilech Shacharit 9:15am Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:00pm Havdalah/Slichot Program 8:00pm Slichot Service 9:15 pm
21 Elul 26 Shacharit 9:00 am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	22 Elul 27 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	23 Elul 28 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	24 Elul 29 Erev Rosh Hashanah Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm Candles 6:57pm	25 Tishrei 1 Rosh Hashanah I Shacharit 8:30am Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:15pm Candles 7:55pm	26 Tishrei 2 Rosh Hashanah II Shacharit 8:30am Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00pm Candles 6:53pm	27 Tishrei 3 Parashat Ha'Azinu Shabbat Shuva Shacharit 9:15am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:50pm
28 Tishrei 4 Shacharit 9:00am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	29 Tishrei 5 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	30 Tishrei 6 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm				

OCTOBER 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Tishrei 7 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	2 Tishrei 8 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	3 Tishrei 9 Shacharit 7:45am Kol Nidre Candles 6:40 pm 6:40pm	4 Tishrei 10 Yom Kippur Shacharit 9:15am Mincha 5:00pm Neilah 6:30pm
5 Tishrei 11 Shacharit 9:00am Sukkah Building 10:00am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	6 Tishrei 12 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	7 Tishrei 13 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	8 Tishrei 14 Erev Sukkot Shacharit 7:45am Pizza in the Hut Sukkah decorating 4:30pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:00pm Candles 6:20pm	9 Tishrei 15 Sukkot I Shacharit 9:00am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:45pm	10 Tishrei 16 Sukkot II Shacharit 9:00am Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 pm Candles 6:16pm	11 Tishrei 17 Sukkot III Volunteer Shabbat Shacharit 9:15am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:25pm
12 Tishrei 18 Sukkot IV Shacharit 9:00am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	13 Tishrei 19 Thanksgiving Day Sukkot V Shacharit 9:00am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm Open Sukkah at the Selsbergs 6:00pm	14 Tishrei 20 Sukkot VI Shacharit 7:30am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	15 Tishrei 21 Sukkot VII Shacharit 7:15am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm Candles 6:20pm	16 Tishrei 22 Shmini Atzeret Shacharit 9:00am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00 pm	17 Tishrei 23 Simchat Torah Shacharit 9:00am Hakafot 7:00pm	18 Tishrei 24 Parashat Bereshit Shacharit 9:15am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:15pm
19 Tishrei 25 Shacharit 9:00am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	20 Tishrei 26 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	21 Tishrei 27 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	22 Tishrei 28 Shacharit 7:45am First day of Hebrew School 4:30pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	23 Tishrei 29 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	24 Tishrei 30 Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan Shacharit 7:30am Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00pm Candles 6:05pm	Chesvan 1 25 Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan Parashat Noah Shacharit 9:15am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:05pm
26 Cheshvan 2 Shacharit 9:00am Storied Treasures Opening 11:00am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	27 Cheshvan 3 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm	28 Cheshvan 4 Shacharit 7:45am Brown Bag Babylon 12:00pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm Primordial Israel 6:30 pm	29 Cheshvan 5 Shacharit 7:45am Mincha/Ma'ariv 6:00pm The Story of the Jews 6:30pm	30 Cheshvan 6 Shacharit 7:45am Ma'ariv 6:00pm The Lottery 7:00pm	31 Cheshvan 7 Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00pm Candles 5:55pm	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Cheshvan 8 Parashat Lech Lecha Shacharit 9:15am Mincha/Ma'ariv 5:55pm
2 Cheshvan 9	3 Cheshvan 10	4 Chesvan 11	5 Cheshvan 12	6 Cheshvan 13	7 Cheshvan 14	8 Cheshvan 15 Parashat Vayera Shacharit 9:15am Ma'ariv 6:00pm
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9 Cheshvan 16	10 Cheshvan 17	11 Cheshvan 18	12 Cheshvan 19	13 Cheshvan 20	14 Cheshvan 21	15 Cheshvan 22 Parashat Chayei Sara Shacharit 9:15am Mincha/Ma'ariv 4:35pm
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16 Cheshvan 23	17 Cheshvan 24	18 Cheshvan 25	19 Cheshvan 26	20 Cheshvan 27	21 Cheshvan 28	22 Cheshvan 29 Parashat Toldot Shacharit 9:15am Mincha/Ma'ariv 4:30pm
Shacharit 9:00am BJ Day at the Bulldogs 3:00pm Ma'ariv 6:00pm	Shacharit 7:45am Ma'ariv 6:00pm	Shacharit 7:45am Ma'ariv 6:00pm Primordial Israel 6:30 pm	Shacharit 7:45am Brown Bag Babylon 12:00pm Ma'ariv 6:00pm The Story of the Jews 6:30pm	Shacharit 7:45am Ma'ariv 6:00pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Candles 4:33pm	Shacharit 9:15am
23 Kislev 1 Rosh Chodesh Kislev	24 Kislev 2	25 Kislev 3	26 Kislev 4	27 Kislev 5	28 Kislev 6	29 Kislev 7 Parashat Vayetzei Shacharit 9:15am Mincha/Ma'ariv 4:25pm
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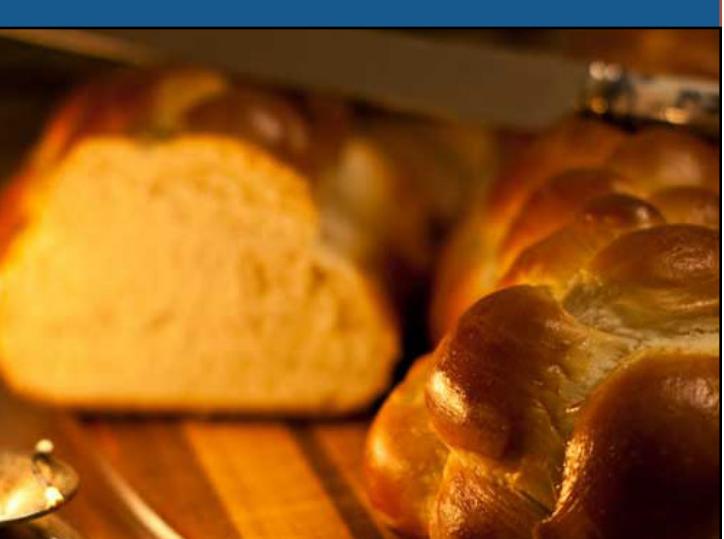
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