



**BETH TZEDEC**

SHOFAR



**September 2017**  
**Elul 5777-Tishrei 5778**



*L'Shanah Tovah*  
*Happy New Year*

## CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

### Friday September 1st

Candle Lighting: 8:03pm  
Torah Portion: KI TETSE

### Shabbat September 2nd

9:00am Shabbat Services  
10:45am Tot Shabbat

### Monday September 4th

OFFICE CLOSED

### Tuesday September 5th

4:00pm B'nai Mitzvah Classes

### Wednesday September 6th

6:30pm Beth Tzedec Board Meeting  
(Members Welcome)

### Friday September 8th

Candle Lighting: 7:47pm  
Torah Portion: KI TAVO

### Shabbat September 9th

9:00am Shabbat Services  
9:00am Bat Mitzvah

Sasha Kettner

9:00am Minyan Katan

### Sunday September 10th

10:00am Shul School  
10:00am Lil Faider Brunch  
6:00pm Torat Chaim

### Monday September 11th

5:00pm Mysticism and Meditation

### Tuesday September 12th

4:00pm B'nai Mitzvah Classes  
7:00pm Keruv Class

### Friday September 15th

5:30pm Tot Shabbat Eve  
Candle Lighting: 7:32pm  
Torah Portion:  
NITSAVIM + VAEYELEKH

### Shabbat September 16th

9:00am Shabbat Services  
11:00am Koleinu Minyan  
8:30pm Selichot Services

### Sunday September 17th

10:00am Shul School

### Monday September 18th

5:00pm Mysticism and Meditation

### Tuesday September 19th

4:00pm B'nai Mitzvah Classes

### Wednesday September 20th

Erev Rosh Hashanah  
12:00pm Office Closed  
6:00pm Mincha/Ma'ariv

### Thursday September 21st

Day 1 Rosh Hashanah  
Office Closed  
8:30am Shacharit  
9:45am Torah Reading  
10:00am Youth Programs  
10:00am Family Service  
4:30pm Tashlich and Mincha at  
Heritage Park Marina  
8:00pm Ma'ariv

### Friday September 22nd

Day 2 Rosh Hashanah  
8:30am Shacharit  
9:45am Torah Reading  
10:00am Youth Programs  
10:00am Family Service  
6:00pm Mincha  
Candle Lighting: 7:16pm

### Shabbat September 23rd

9:00am Shabbat Services

### Sunday September 24th

10:00am Shul School  
10:30am Kever Avot Memorial Services  
(Various Cemeteries)  
4:00pm Torat Chaim

### Monday September 25th

5:00pm Mysticism and Meditation

### Tuesday September 26th

4:00pm B'nai Mitzvah Classes  
7:00pm Keruv Class

### Friday September 29th

Erev Yom Kippur  
12:00pm Office Closed  
6:30pm Mincha  
6:45pm Kol Nidre  
Candle Lighting: 7:00pm

### Shabbat September 30th

Yom Kippur  
9:00am Shacharit  
10:00am Torah Reading  
10:00am Youth Programs  
10:00am Family Service  
11:45am Yizkor  
12:00pm Musaf  
5:30pm Mincha  
7:00pm Neilah  
8:00pm Ma'ariv  
8:08pm Shofar/End of Fast

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## Rabbinic Reflections



There is a Talmudic discussion between Rabbi Akiva and two of his students about which verse in the Torah is the most important one. Rabbi Akiva asserts that it is the verse, “*You should love your neighbor as yourself.*” Ben Azai counters with the verse, “*This is the book of the generations of man,*” while Ben Zoma suggests the verse, “*One lamb you shall offer in the morning and a second lamb you should offer in the evening.*”

Rabbi Akiva offers love as the great principle of religion. We must all learn how to get along and how to love each other. Ben Azai’s verse teaches us that we are all human beings and equally deserving of respect and dignity. But why did Ben Zoma choose his verse as the most important sentence in the whole Torah? The reason, according to many rabbis, is because you can believe in such lofty principles as love and human equality but if they remain only as theoretical constructs, then they do not mean much. Ben Zoma reinforces the idea that you have to implement values and principles every day of your life.

As we navigate through the Hebrew month of Elul in our annual preparation for the arrival of Rosh Hashanah, many of us make “resolutions” intended to improve ourselves and our lifestyles. In doing so, we tend to separate physical needs from those relating to becoming better religious, spiritual, and moral persons. The Talmudic discussion persuades us that we must integrate these two aspects of ourselves and create a consistent pattern of daily behaviour that exemplifies our values.

Shimon HaTzaddik teaches us in Pirke Avot that, “*The world rests on three things- on Torah, on service to God, and on deeds of loving-kindness.*” A life that is both balanced and meaningful incorporates learning, prayer and introspection, and a commitment to *mitzvot* that bless and uplift others.

I encourage you to carve out time in your busy lives for these three

pursuits. Doing so will bring you joy and fulfilment, and inner peace. Bobbie and I wish you a *Shanah Tovah Tikatevu*- May you be inscribed in the Book of Life for a year of physical and spiritual well-being and may your efforts contribute to peace and goodness in the world.

**Rabbi Shaul Osadchey**

*Leo & Goldie Sheftel Rabbinical Chair*

## **MINYAN MATTERS**

- \* a spiritual comfort zone for meditation, contemplation, prayer
- \* an opportunity for regular, meaningful Torah study in a relaxed environment
- \* a venue for learning Jewish skills – how to have an aliyah, how to lift and wrap the Torah
- \* the place where one fulfills the mitzvah saying kaddish for a loved one during the period of mourning or on yahrzeit
- \* a source of spiritual meaning and connection in our lives – the feeling of satisfaction that comes from being part of the “community” (of 10 or more) that makes communal Jewish prayer possible

**Daily minyan at Beth Tzedec  
is all this and more**

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**Prayer Service Times**

**Morning Services:** Monday-Friday 7:45am  
Saturday, Sunday and Stat Holidays 9:00am

**Evening services:** Daily at 6:00pm



## Cantor's Notes



On August 11<sup>th</sup>, there was a particularly powerful article in the *New York Times*. It was written just days after the legendary singer Barbara Cook passed away. I would like to share a bit of that article with you.

On a flight home to New York last week, the jazz musician John Pizzarelli received a text message saying that Barbara Cook, the 89-year-old star of Broadway and cabaret, was in failing health. He and his wife, the singer Jessica Molaskey, had met Ms. Cook a decade earlier at Café Carlyle, one of her musical haunts, and they had become close. Would the couple like to come to her bedside and say their goodbyes?

“The first thing I said was, ‘Well, can I bring my guitar?’” Mr. Pizzarelli recalled.

In the days before Ms. Cook’s death on Tuesday, friends from her legendary career delivered a fitting farewell: More music. Vanessa Williams and Norm Lewis, who starred with Ms. Cook in the 2010 Broadway revue “Sondheim on Sondheim,” were among those who came by her Upper West Side apartment and sang to her. Josh Groban, Hugh Jackman, Audra McDonald, Kelli O’Hara and others sent audio and video recordings full of memories and melodies.

Ms. Cook was in and out of consciousness, able to recognize voices and respond with a squeeze of the hand.

“So often music can kind of connect in ways that just speaking can’t,” said Mr. Groban, the singer and recent star of Broadway’s “Natasha, Pierre & the Great Comet of 1812,” who sent an audiotape.

For 45 minutes at Ms. Cook’s side, Mr. Pizzarelli played whatever sprung to mind. He strummed the opening chords to “The Way You Look Tonight,” a song that appeared on her 1993 album, “Close as Pages in a Book,” a collection of songs by Dorothy Fields. Then came “More Than You Know,” which Ms. Cook featured on the 2012 album “Loverman” and which Mr. Pizzarelli recalled hearing her sing at a party once. He went through “I Got Rhythm,” the George Gershwin staple, because Ms. Cook used to close shows with the song.

“I never know what to say in general,” Mr. Pizzarelli said. “But I thought the only thing that I can do is go and play and sing.”

Ms. Molaskey sang “Goodnight, My Someone,” which Ms. Cook performed in “The Music Man.”

“It’s so interesting how life is, that you could adore someone so much when you were a kid in your basement, and there you are invited to the most personal thing that could ever happen, to say goodbye to somebody,” Ms. Molaskey said. “She was unconscious but the doctors had said that they thought she could hear people talking.”

In at least one moment, Ms. Cook seemed to signal that she was hearing them, according to Ms. Molaskey.

“We started singing and she lifted her finger up to her mouth,” Ms. Molaskey said. “She tapped her lips twice and I thought she was singing with us.”

Several Broadway luminaries sent recordings after Ms. Martzinek sent word about Ms. Cook’s health. In Mr. Groban’s message, he sang snippets of “Not While I’m Around” from “Sweeney Todd,” a number he performed at Ms. Cook’s behest at her concert at the Metropolitan Opera in 2006.

That song was special to both of them, he said, but he wasn’t necessarily thinking about an ending in making his recording.

“I didn’t think of it necessarily as so much a goodbye,” he said, “as just wanting to show her my love and to give her some sense that I was there with her in spirit, at least, and in thought.”

As the excerpt from the above article shows, there is something deeply profound in the act of listening to and engaging with music. By making music together both participants and listeners, and it does take both, at one and the same time can achieve the highest levels of authenticity and the most profound depths of emotion. It is very powerful to me that in her last moments, Barbara Cook was not lost to the silence, but was actually able to engage with the art of music as she had done for most of her life. I hope that through the unique power that only music contains, she was able to be fully alive inside and felt more connected to the source from which that life springs. As we reflect and prepare for our own personal and communal encounters with the Source of all Life on Rosh Hashanah, it is my sincerest wish for all of us that the New Year, with its unique music and prayers, help us connect more deeply with our God and with each other. May we fully experience every note and every syllable.

Shanah Tova U’metucha!

*Cantor Russell Jayne*

*Norman & Beulah Martin Cantorial Chair*



## Joshua's Jam

Over the summer we've been working hard to prepare for the next programming season. Each year we make changes to the programs we offer and experiment with different times and frequencies of those programs in order to make those programs as successful as possible. In this issue I'll be providing a brief overview of what programming changes you'll see this year.

As always we're offering a Family Service on all three days of the High Holidays. In response to what congregants vocalized last year, we are shortening this service so that it will go from 10:00am-11:00am, rather than 11:30am. Also in response to congregants' feedback, we are offering a Youth Service for children eight and up. This service will be part of our usual Youth Programming which will be supervised by our staff on the Lower Level. Youth Programming is open to children five and older (children between five-seven will be with their supervising staff or their parents in the Family Service until 11:00am. Parents with children younger than five are, of course, encouraged to participate in the Family Service from 10:00-11:00am; outside of those time frames there will be space designated for parental supervision.

Shul School and the B'nai Mitzvah Program will continue to run as before, with one major change: our beloved Shul School teacher, Sarah Katz, will no longer be teaching with us as she is taking more work at her full time teaching position. We are so grateful to Sarah for her hard work and dedication to our children. She will be missed here and we wish her all the best in her future endeavours. We are thrilled to welcome our new Shul School instructor, Avi Sherman.

Last year, Tot Shabbat took place on two Shabbat mornings per month. Tot Shabbat will still meet twice monthly, but this year we're moving one of those times to the evening. Tot Shabbat Eve will include a special Shabbat dinner for tots and their parents. Minyan Katan, a monthly Shabbat morning service geared toward B'nai Mitzvah students and their families, will now start at 9:00am. This change was made so that students will not be split between Minyan Katan, and seeing a fellow classmate ascend the *bimah* for their Bar or Bat Mitzvah.

Our Youth Coordinator, Ina Sandler, and I are reopening the Youth Lounge to children in grades two to five. Details will be available soon. In addition to the Youth Lounge we are planning youth events for the coming year, the calendar should be available by Rosh Hashanah. We've also created a new teen program this year called Torat Chaim, which combines Torah learning with practical guidance to dealing with some challenging issues that teens face today and in their immediate future such as creating safe spaces and dealing with anti-Semitism and BDS on campuses. Torat Chaim, which means the 'Torah of life' will meet two Sundays per month. Meeting times will vary between the late afternoon and early evening. If you know a teen who may be interested, please contact me so I can reach out to them personally.

In terms of adult learning, my regular Mysticism and Meditation class will continue to be offered on Monday afternoons at 5:00pm. This year we will be undertaking a more serious study of Kabbalah and Hassidut. We'll be focussing on the multiple dimensions of the Hebrew letters as taught by Rav Yitzhak Ginzburg, a student of Reb Menachem-Mendel Schneerson, the 7th Lubavitcher Rebbe. 5778 will see the return of the beloved *Koleinu Minyan*, which will meet monthly on Shabbat morning at 11:00am (after Torah service, before Kiddush). This year we will be looking at the parasha of the week through the lens of the Sfat Emet, Reb Aryeh Leib of Gur, whose mind-expanding interpretations of Torah will infuse your Shabbat with spiritual inspiration. In addition to these regular classes, we will hold a number of evening series of adult learning so as to hit as many areas of interest as possible and garner more participation. If there is something you would like to study with your fellow congregants, feel free to suggest some topics to myself, Rabbi Osadchey, or Cantor Russ.

I look forward to celebrating the new year and embarking on the next step of our journey together in 5778. *Shalom uvracha!*

### *Rabbi Joshua Corber*

#### **Our Clergy in the Community**

- Rabbi Osadchey and Cantor Russ continued to alternate visits to the Trinity Lodge where they lead a pre-Shabbat service every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month.
- Rabbi Osadchey spoke at the Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Build Project home dedication on July 14th.
- Rabbi and Bobbie Osadchey attended the wedding of Imam Soharwardy's daughter on August 4th.
- Rabbi Osadchey was the speaker at the 5th Annual Floating Lanterns for Peace event at Olympic Plaza on August 5th.
- Rabbi Osadchey gave a presentation on Judaism to the U of C's Kaleidoscope Project students at Beth Tzedec on August 16th.
- Rabbi Osadchey attended the briefing by Israeli Ambassador Barkan at the JCC on August 22nd.
- Rabbi Osadchey hosted two meetings for the Calgary Interfaith Council Leadership Team and general membership on August 22nd and August 29th.
- Rabbi Osadchey and Rev. Debra Faulk shared their experience in Jordan for the UN World Interfaith Harmony Week Award presentation with members of B'nai Tikvah on August 23rd.
- Rabbi Osadchey played his only round of golf this year at the JFS Golf Tournament on August 24th.
- Rabbi Osadchey attended the Metropolitan Alliance for the Common Good's Board meeting on August 25th.



## Through the President's Lens

*A Message from David Inhaber*

Hi All,

I hope everyone had a great summer. It always seems to go so quickly. The summer months tend to be quiet for our Board as we don't conduct much business. However, as I said previously in *Shofar*, we are blessed with great staff, clergy and an executive director that ensure our operations run very smoothly through the summer months.

This is the time of year when our congregants renew their annual commitment to the Beth Tzedec Community. If you haven't already made your arrangements, please contact the Beth Tzedec office as soon as possible. Our planning for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is well underway. We hope to make this upcoming new year (5778) a special and meaningful one.

I'm writing from an airplane that just left Tel Aviv (Ben Gurion) airport. Beth Tzedec was well represented at the 20<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah Games in Israel. I spent my seven days as a spectator both at the games and on the streets of Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.

Our athletes did very well. Calgary athletes included Jordan Balaban, Andrew Camilleri, Samuel Eisenberg, Cory Gelmon, Josh Inhaber, Eddy Lang, Zack Lister, Nathalie Lussier, Taylor Mennie, Alex Molotsky, and Maya Sohn. The Calgary athletes left with an impressive six silver and three bronze medals. The majority of were members of Beth Tzedec.

Our very own Nathalie Lussier won three silver and one bronze medal in swimming. Cory Gelmon captured a silver in ice hockey. My son, Josh Inhaber, won a bronze medal in track & field (4 x 400 relay) and came in eighth place overall in the half marathon – this despite the fact that his father has difficulty running to the hotel breakfast buffet! Special thanks to Maccabi Canada and all the organizations in Calgary that supported our athletes. The Krell Family Maccabi Endowment Fund played a huge role in assisting Calgary athletes to compete. Thank you, Ron, and Barb. I'm looking forward to the 21<sup>st</sup> games to be held in Israel.

Aside from the games itself, was the opportunity to speak with members of the general public and members of my family that live in Israel. Based on the conversations I had with individuals in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Ramat Gan, and a Kibbutz in the north called Kfar Masaryk, I gained a real appreciation for how real lives are lived in the land of milk and honey. I got a sense of Kibbutz life, the hustle and bustle of the city, the role religion plays in the lives of Israelis, and the necessary sacrifices associated with serving in the army and army reserves.

I had to pinch myself and remind myself never to impose my own standards on the lives and cultures of others. I'm still in awe that on Shabbat an entire city (Jerusalem) comes to a complete halt. I even found myself travelling from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv on the 443 Highway through what I later learned was the West Bank. The danger did not end there as Friday morning, not five kilometres from the hotel where we were staying, a terrorist attack took place on the Temple Mount.

The Israelis with whom I spoke had varying views on any topic I raised. We talked politics, the environment, the economy, the weather, and city rivalries (Jerusalem versus Tel Aviv reminds me of Calgary versus Edmonton). One common theme with all residents is that they love Eretz Israel.

We visited the Knesset, the Israel Museum, and Hebrew University of Jerusalem. I was enthralled, amazed and mesmerized at all the places we toured. There was never enough time to take it all in. What a rewarding visit. I cannot wait to return!

We continue to explore the possibility of a congregational trip to Israel. If you are interested in participating and/or helping to organize a Beth Tzedec trip to Israel, please let either me or Rabbi Osadchey know.

Happy New Year and I hope you have an easy fast.

Shana Tova and G'mar Tov,

*David Inhaber*  
*President*



## Philosophical Confessions

**Dr. Tinu Ruparell**

It is an honour and pleasure to be the Lil Faider Interfaith Scholar-in-Residence at Beth Tzedec this year. Hopefully I can communicate to the congregation something about Hinduism, as well as learn more, myself, about Jewish faith and tradition.

I think I am correct in saying that I am the first interfaith scholar in residence to be an academic rather than a member of the clergy. This might give my contributions a little different flavor than my illustrious predecessors, though I hasten to add that I will try not to lecture too much – and I can promise that there won't be any exams. So perhaps I should try to introduce myself a bit more in this context.

I am currently an Associate Professor in the University of Calgary's Department of Classics and Religion, a position I have held for 15 years. Prior to that I taught in the UK for five years, at the Universities of Liverpool and Hope University College, and at the University of Cambridge where I did my PhD. My work focusses on Hindu Philosophy, Interreligious Dialogue, and Theories of Interpretation (Hermeneutics). I also used to be a scientist, so I also keep one foot in that world through teaching courses in Science and Religion, as well as lecturing on Humanities in Healthcare at the Cumming School of Medicine.

While I have a bit of an eclectic background, I would consider my main training to be that of a philosopher. Now before you recoil in horror, prepare to fall asleep or try to find where you put that bottle of hemlock, let me assure you that I don't spend my time (or much of it) thinking 'big thoughts' nor, despite my fondness for tweed, sitting in large armchairs pontificating about obscure topics while waving a pipe around for dramatic effect. I am a philosopher in the same way that *all* of us are: I like to ask questions to learn more about the nature of whatever captures my interest. Actually we are all born philosophers – just observe any child under the age of 10 to see a pure, inquisitive mind in action.

We all want to know more about what interests and concerns us, and being 'trained as a philosopher' just means subscribing to slightly more rules about how we should ask these questions. I happen to think these rules are, by and large, good ones - but your mileage may vary. Some of these rules are logical and others are more practical, so philosophizing is really just a particular practice of asking questions within these rules and conventions. This practice sometimes goes by other names: critical thinking, conceptual analysis, rationalisation ... but it all boils down to asking lots of questions and seeing what

kinds of responses they may elicit. Notice I said ‘responses’ rather than ‘answers’ because, as everyone knows, philosophy provides precious few answers. So why do philosophy? Well, the questions are pretty interesting and quite often revealing, and sometimes questions are far more important than answers since they bid us to reconsider things we may have accepted too blithely. Moreover, asking such questions helps to shape one’s character toward being better able to distinguish good, helpful, honest, delightful and useful beliefs and practices from the morass of nonsense and fluff (I could use more earthy language here) in which they are often mired. Philosophizing might also provide us some tools to better understand ourselves, our environments and others. Finally, since all human beings are born philosophers, it gives us a potential connection to those who appear very different from us, yet share common, human predicaments. We all want to know more about what interests and concerns us, and doing philosophy *together* can build strong bridges between inquisitive minds, regardless of where we come from or which religion we follow.

So philosophy is best done as a conversation (it is no coincidence that so many philosophical works are written as dialogues), and what I hope we can do this year is to enter into several conversations. Firstly we might consider Hinduism not so much as a religion (I will explain later why this is such a problematic term for Hindus) but as a very long, ongoing, quite voluble at times, meandering and delightful conversation. Hinduism commits its practitioners, observers, texts, traditions, critics, authors and interpreters to a conversation-already-in-progress. While this conversation can sound like an argumentative cacophony at times, hopefully we will see that it can also yield Truth, Beauty and Goodness as well. The second conversation is that between Hinduism and other faith traditions: Judaism of course, but also others. No religion can be understood in isolation since we always bring with us various contexts and presuppositions. So by engaging in a conversation with Hinduism, (as well as learning about its internal conversations) we will necessarily be comparative and reflective: we will see how Hindu faith traditions are both the same as and different from other traditions, as well as what they show us about our own beliefs and practices.

So I invite you to philosophize with me this year. Together we can ask questions, consider responses, and reflect on what both may teach us. In the process we might understand Hindus and ourselves a little better, and at least we can have some good conversations along the way.

**Dr. Tinu Ruparell**



## News and Notes from the NML

We are still kvelling from the amazing first ever NML BBQ held in late July. Max and his operations and administrative staff team bent over backwards to ensure that we would have a fun and successful event, and that, we sure did! The weather couldn't have been better as we dined on salad, chips, hot dogs, veggie

dogs, sausages, cocktail wieners and Rabbi Osadchey's famous chili, complete with all the fixings to give it a real kick!

The chapel was filled with a standing room only crowd for evening services with many more milling about outside. I commented that this is how I wanted to see the minyan every day, both morning and night—the Chapel filled to capacity! Over 90 people joined us for the BBQ, and the parking lot ambience couldn't have been better! A very important member of the program was absent, and we really missed his presence. Due to our conflicting holiday schedules, Cantor Russ was not able to join us. I will ensure that this does not happen in the future.

Of course, the event was planned to thank the various cogs that make this big wheel such a success...so much so that other synagogues in Canada and the US have inquired and shown interest in our program over the past two years. So many people are vital to the whole concept of the National Minyan League. The entire endeavour only works because of the commitment that all of them have made.

At the event, I had another chance to acknowledge:

The **operations staff** who prepare and set out a yummy breakfast each morning.

The **administrative staff** who send out the reminders, include our material in the various publications and help whenever we ask them for anything including the breakfasts when their assistance is needed.

**Cantor Russ and Harvey Silverstone**, who co-founded the NML, as well as **Ron Singer**, who are great supports to me and provide encouragement, and an additional appreciation to Cantor Russ, for acting as the NML's official scorekeeper.

**Bert Glow**, who is there almost daily ensuring the daily services run on-time, handing out the honours for the week-day Torah Service, and keeping us all in line during the services as well as keeping track of how many people attend each service, so that we can monitor the success of the NML.

**Rabbi Osadchey and Rabbi Corber** who provide their continued support for the NML, and ensure the smooth operation of our daily services.

Our **learned members who lead the weekday services** in such an inspiring and capable manner.

The **Platinum Minyanaires** (the regular attendees who are not assigned to a team) who don't attend for the points but rather because they know that it is the right thing to do for our congregation. They come, and have been doing so for years, so that those who need to say Kaddish can. Like the members of NML, they do it from the heart.

The many people who have graciously stepped up over the past two years to become **members** of one of our **NML teams**, and their families who make it possible for them to participate. Their attendance has also really made a tremendous difference in ensuring that our twice-daily minyanim can be maintained.

The **captains** of our NML teams who send out the monthly reminders, liaise with their teams and who are always on the lookout for new members to shore up our numbers.

**My family** who stands behind me in everything that I do and make it possible for me to give so much of my time to this endeavour and who themselves are members of my team.

**Max**, who graciously assigns his staff to help wherever they are needed to make the NML such a success, and who helped me plan the BBQ.

Kol Hakavod to everyone. Thank you, thank you from the bottom of my heart!!

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This was also an opportunity to recruit some new members and we did have some people join our teams. But it is never too late to join. **WE NEED YOU!** All it takes is one hour each month, but it will give you weeks of satisfaction. Just select which day of the month works best for you, and we'll do the rest. Current members: if you would like to join an additional team, that would be so appreciated as well. There are definitely a few teams that need extra members.

*If you have ever come to the Shul to observe a Yahrzeit, and were able to do so, it was likely because an NML team and some Platinum Minyanaires made up the bulk of the minyan. Please consider offering just an hour of your time each month to pay this mitzvah forward to others.*

If you would like to join one of our amazing teams, please email me at : [inhaber@telusplanet.net](mailto:inhaber@telusplanet.net) or leave me a message at the Synagogue office.

However, if you are not ready to commit to being on a team, just drop by whenever you are in the area. We would be happy to see you.

Season three for the National Minyan League has just begun, and I would like to wish everyone good luck. Of course, the points and prizes are only a small part of the reward. The greater prize is the feeling that you get from knowing you've been a part of something bigger, helping-out others in our Congregation.

Warmly,

**Susan Inhaber**, NML Commissioner



## By Naomi Lakritz

Jew, jews, jewed, jewing, yid and yids. All slurs – and all perfectly legitimate words in online Scrabble. For more than a year, I’ve been attempting to get Hasbro, the makers of Scrabble, to remove these words from the official Scrabble word list. It hasn’t happened. Never mind that the words shouldn’t be on the list in the first place; it shouldn’t take this long to get them off.

I first wrote to Hasbro’s customer service department. No answer. I waited a while and then wrote them again. Finally, a typical buck-passing reply came back: You need to talk to Merriam-Webster, not us. My subsequent note to Merriam-Webster went unanswered. Turns out Merriam-Webster isn’t responsible for Scrabble; they simply wrote the dictionary that Scrabble uses.

Back to Hasbro. This time, I wrote to Hasbro CEO Brian Goldner, who passed my complaint to Kriss De Nardo, senior director of consumer care at Hasbro. She asked me to let her know a good time for her to call me. I did. She didn’t call. I then emailed her, referring her to a 2014 Huffington Post column by Jan Phillips called “‘Jew’ Is Not a Verb,” and for good measure sent her the dictionary definition of “to jew”: “To be screwed over or robbed of in some way ranging from the most innocuous to the most malicious actions, often in reference to money.” I also sent her a link to Merriam-Webster’s definition of yid: “offensive 1. – used as an insulting and contemptuous term for a Jewish person.”

De Nardo then phoned me and began our conversation in typical corporate communications-speak, by saying that she understood how I feel. Customer service people are trained to say this, to make the complainant feel as though the corporation is actually on their side. When I told her that these derogatory words should be removed from Scrabble, she said, “But they’re in the Merriam-Webster dictionary.” So what? They’re insulting and demeaning. And when my opponent in online Scrabble puts one of those words down on the board, what am I supposed to do? Congratulate them on the 30-point score they got with the word “jewed”?

You may think this is all a tempest in a teapot because it’s just a game. First World problem, right? Well, one of the First World’s problems is a complete lack of civility, not just in real life, but online with all the hate, the harassment and the trollish behaviour that infests the internet. So whatever we can do to bring back civility should be done.

De Nardo then told me that Hasbro has leased the online rights to Scrabble to some other company. She needs to get in touch with that other company. This, she said, will take two or three months. Two or three months to send a simple

email to the other company saying, “You guys have to remove these words from the Scrabble list”? It should realistically take two or three minutes. However, De Nardo told me to check back with her by October.

De Nardo said she understood my position because of her own ethnic background. She’s Italian. This whole thing is descending into the realm of the farcical. Is she aware that “wop” is on the official Scrabble word list? Meanwhile, the “N” word is also in Merriam-Webster. And guess what? It’s on the official Scrabble list, too. Clean up your act, Hasbro. To borrow from that Huffington Post column, you “cannot collude in this anymore.”

*Naomi Lakritz is a journalist and a member of Beth Tzedec.*



## Sasha Kettner

September 9, 2017 · 18 Elul 5777

Sasha, daughter of Anette Ceraficki and Eric Kettner, is a grade seven student at The Calgary Jewish Academy and is being called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday September 9, 2017.

Sasha is a curious, thoughtful young lady with varied interests that have led her to explore the arts, sports, and entrepreneurial endeavors. A diligent student, she also loves to read, paint and draw, and has been involved in dance (tap and jazz) for eight years. As well, she has participated in the CJA musical theatre program for the past three years, with a highlight being her roles as Fiona and Gingy in this past year’s production of *Shrek*.

Sasha is an avid tennis player who is very much looking forward to embarrassing her father on the court in the near future!

As one of her Bat Mitzvah projects, Sasha has been volunteering at Feed the Hungry, a local charity that provides a weekly meal for impoverished Calgarians.

She has also chosen to twin with a child who was lost in the Holocaust. Through researching her own family roots, Sasha found Henia Ejzenman in the Yad Vashem database. Henia perished at Auschwitz, with the rest of her family, at age 10. There will be more about Henia’s story at the September 9 service.

It is with great pride and excitement that we celebrate this milestone in Sasha’s life. Mazel Tov!



Lil Faider Interfaith  
Scholar-in-Residence  
**Professor Tinu Ruparell**

Calendar of Events  
Fall 2017\*

**September 10, 2017 - 10:00am**

Brunch and Opening Lecture:

*On Being in the Middle: An Interfaith Journey on the Margins*

**October 17, 2017 - 4:00pm**

Presentation to the B'nai Mitzvah Students- *What is Hinduism*

**October 17, 2017 - 7:00pm (TBC)**

Diwali Festival at Hindu Temple

**October 22, 2017 - 10:00am**

*Hinduism 101: Paths through the Forest*

**November 8, 15, and 22, 2017 - 7:00pm**

Three-part lecture: *A Hindu View of Life*

November 8 - *Formations and Foundations*

November 15 - *Nothing is Thrown Away*

November 22 - *Living Hinduism Today*

**November 26, 2017- 10:00am (TBC)**

Visit to Hindu Temple

**December 10, 2017- 10:00am**

Brunch and Lecture: *The Ironies of/in Hinduism*

\* All event dates are tentative and subject to change



Yasher Koach to those who participated in the 2017 Maccabiah Games in Israel, including Nathalie & Eddy Lang (Swimming), Alex Molotsky (Tennis), and Joshua Inhaber (Track and Field).

We are kvelling with pride!

## Programs



### Tot Shabbat

**Shabbat, September 2nd - 10:45am**

Parents with young children are invited to a Shabbat service aimed at engaging young minds and turning them on to the magic and majesty of Shabbat. For more information, please contact Rabbi Corber at [rabbicorber@bethzedec.ca](mailto:rabbicorber@bethzedec.ca) or 403-255-8688 ext 8.

### Tot Shabbat Eve

**Friday, September 15th - 5:30pm**

Introduce your little ones to the magic of Kabbalat Shabbat in a relaxed kid-friendly environment. Followed by Shabbat Dinner.

For more information and to RSVP, please contact Rabbi Corber at [rabbicorber@bethzedec.ca](mailto:rabbicorber@bethzedec.ca) or 403-255-8688 ext 8.

### Minyan Katan

**Shabbat, September 9th - 9:00am**

A special minyan for the B'nai Mitzvah Cohort of 2017/18 and their families. All children in grades 5-7 and their families are welcome. For more information, please contact Rabbi Corber at [rabbicorber@bethzedec.ca](mailto:rabbicorber@bethzedec.ca) or 403-255-8688 ext 8.

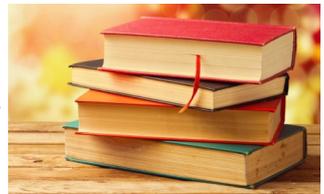
### Lil Faider Scholar-in-Residence Brunch

**Sunday, September 10th - 10:00am**

This is the fifth year of the religious literacy program designed to increase our understanding of the major world religions. We are honoured to have University of Calgary professor Dr. Tinu Ruparell as our scholar focusing on the religion of Hinduism. For more information and to RSVP, please contact the Beth Tzedec office at 403-255-8688.

## Used Book Fair

Looking to expand the Jewish content of your home library? Beth Tzedec has a plethora of lovely "gently used" books that would look great in your collection. So drop by the synagogue during business hours from September 5<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> and have a look. You may just get to take home that Jewish book you always had your heart set on.



## Ongoing Classes

### **Keruv (Conversion) Class**

**Thursdays 7:00-9:00pm**

The Keruv (Conversion) Class is currently underway and welcomes anyone interested in learning about Judaism with a focus on becoming Jewish. For enrollment, contact Rabbi Osadchey at 403-255-8688 or [rabbi@bethtzedec.ca](mailto:rabbi@bethtzedec.ca).

### **Shul School**

**A unique approach to Jewish education**

**Sundays - 10:00am - NOON**

**Beginning September 10th**

**Ages 4-9**

Shul's cool at Shul School where kids enjoy music, arts and crafts, and much more! Infuse your home and community with a love of Judaism. Your child will learn prayer and blessings, Bible Stories, Holidays, mitzvot, Jewish ethics, Hebrew and more! For more information please contact the Beth Tzedec office at 403-255-8688 or [info@bethtzedec.ca](mailto:info@bethtzedec.ca).

### **B'nai Mitzvah Program**

**Tuesdays - 4:00-5:30pm**

**Beginning September 5th**

**Ages 10-13**

Each student receives personalized instruction and attention. We are committed to making your child's journey toward Jewish adulthood an exciting and memorable experience. Your child will learn to lead Shabbat Prayers, Hebrew reading/comprehension, observance of mitzvot, what it means to become a Jewish adult in 2017 and more! For more information please contact the Beth Tzedec office at 403-255-8688 or [info@bethtzedec.ca](mailto:info@bethtzedec.ca).

### **Torat Chaim: The Torah of Life**

**Two Sundays per month**

**Beginning September 10th at 6:00pm**

**For Teens in Grades 8-12**

The new project "Torat Chaim" combines practical life-skills training with Jewish learning. It provides practical guidance for navigating real-life issues. Torat Chaim will make you an asset in any workplace, camp, or university campus. Gain experience and wisdom in dealing with difficult issues and creating positive outcomes. The program is led by Rabbi Corber and Ina Sandler. For more information please contact [sandler@bethtzedec.ca](mailto:sandler@bethtzedec.ca) or [rabbicorber@bethtzedec.ca](mailto:rabbicorber@bethtzedec.ca) or call 403-255-8688 ext. 8. To RSVP to our September 10th Introductory Session with free dinner please contact [info@bethtzedec.ca](mailto:info@bethtzedec.ca) or 403-255-8688.

**Mysticism and Meditation****Mondays - 5:00pm****Starting September 11th**

Mysticism and Meditation is a one-hour meditation combined with teachings and insights from the Jewish mystical tradition (Kabbalah and Hassidut). This year will be focused on the multiple dimensions of the Hebrew letters as taught by Rav Yitzhak Ginzburg, a student of Reb Menachem-Mendel Schneerson, the 7th Lubavitcher Rebbe. For more information, please contact Rabbi Corber at rabbicorber@bethzedec.ca or 403-255-8688 ext 8.

**Lost and Found**

Do you think you lost something  
at Beth Tzedec?  
Check the lost and found display  
in the coat room.

**September Unveilings**

The families of the late **Kathleen Fleishman, Edward Chetner, David Halpern, David Horodezky, David Rosenthal** and **Janet Sorochan** have requested the announcement of the unveilings of the headstones.

<b>Kathleen Fleishman</b> Sunday, September 3	11:00am	Beth Tzedec Memorial Park
<b>Edward Chetner</b> Sunday, September 3	11:00am	Erlton Cemetery
<b>David Halpern</b> Monday, September 4	1:00pm	Erlton Cemetery
<b>David Horodezky</b> Thursday, September 7	1:00pm	Erlton Cemetery
<b>David Rosenthal</b> Sunday, September 10	11:00am	Erlton Cemetery
<b>Janet Sorochan</b> Sunday, September 24	1:30pm	Beth Tzedec Memorial Park

## HIGH HOLIDAY PROGRAMMING

### Selichot Services

Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>

Havdalah and Dessert Reception 8:30pm

Program 9:00pm

Selichot Services 9:30pm

Please join us on September 16<sup>th</sup> as we set the tone for the High Holiday liturgy through study, and prayers of reflection and repentance. This year, we will be studying the *Unatanatokef*, one of the most beautiful and yet challenging prayers in our High Holiday service.

### Tashlich/Outdoor Mincha

First Day of Rosh Hashanah - Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>

*Weather permitting*

Join us for this symbolic ceremony of casting away the sins of the past year as we toss bread crumbs into the reservoir while reciting the words of the prophets Ezekiel and Isaiah along with Psalms. We will also daven mincha services outdoors at this time. Please meet at the Marina by Heritage Park at 4:30pm.

### Kever Avot Memorial Services

Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>

Public Memorial Services will be held at the following cemeteries:

Chevra Kadisha Cemetery at 10:30am

Beth Tzedec Memorial Park at 11:00am

Erlton Street Cemetery at 12:00noon

### Family Service

Rosh Hashanah (September 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>) and Yom Kippur (September 30<sup>th</sup>)

10:00am - 10:45am

We invite children (ages 3-7) and parents/grandparents to pray, learn, and enjoy the High Holiday experience together. Led by Rabbi Joshua Corber, the Family Service features participatory prayers, a lively and interactive Torah service, and shofar blowing. Children or adults with special needs, and their families, are welcome to join.

### Youth Programming

Rosh Hashanah (September 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>) and Yom Kippur (September 30<sup>th</sup>)

10:00am-12:30pm

Supervision is available for children (ages 5-12). Youth Programming will be run by Ina Sandler. Activities, games, stories and discussions will be centred around High Holiday learning. This will also include a short service for children (ages 8-12). Kosher snacks will be provided. In order to ensure the safety and comfort of your children, it is extremely important that you register in advance.

**Parents and Tots**

Parents who need to stay with their young children and babies (ages 0-4) can pray, hear the Shofar, nurse, and watch their children play in the Abraham and Hinda Belzberg Social Hall. Kosher snacks will be provided.

**HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICE TIMES****Rosh Hashanah 5778****Wednesday, September 20**

6:00pm Mincha/Ma'ariv

**Thursday, September 21**

8:30am Shacharit

9:45am Torah Reading

10:00am Youth Programs

10:00am Family Service

4:30pm Tashlich and Mincha at  
Heritage Park Marina

8:00pm Ma'ariv

**Friday, September 22**

8:30am Shacharit

9:45am Torah Reading

10:00am Youth Programs

10:00am Family Service

6:00pm Mincha

**Yom Kippur 5778****Friday, September 29**

6:30pm Mincha

6:45pm Kol Nidre

**Shabbat, September 30**

9:00am Shacharit

10:00am Torah Reading

10:00am Youth Programs

10:00am Family Service

11:45am Yizkor

12:00pm Musaf

5:30pm Mincha

7:00pm Neilah

8:00pm Ma'ariv

8:08pm Shofar/End of Fast

*\* Please note that all times listed are approximate*

## Life Cycle Events In Memoriam

Cassie Humby, mother of Bev (Ed) Dunn.  
The funeral was held in Newfoundland on June 28, 2017.

Max Fogel, father of Bruce (Renee) Fogel.  
The funeral was held in Winnipeg on July 10, 2017.

Carol Brettschneider, mother of Richard (Donna) Brettschneider,  
Mindy (Danny) Joffe, and Fred (Michele) Brettschneider.  
The funeral was held on July 12, 2017

Faith Riback, mother and sister of Cheryl Green (Hushy),  
Howard Green (Kathy), and Adam Green and Donna Riback.  
The funeral was held on Thursday, July 20, 2017.

Lionel Harold Forman, husband of Joyce Forman and father of Simon Forman and  
Jonathan (Jill) Forman. The funeral was held on July 31, 2017.

Clare Prasow, mother of Esther (Don) Kenyon and David (Cynthia) Prasow. The  
funeral was held on August 20, 2017.

### Baby Naming

Mazel tov to parents David Klimove and Cynthia (Charpentier) Klimove on the baby  
naming of their daughter, Aliyah Isabel Klimove, on July 2, 2017. Proud grandparents  
are Charlene Klimove, Angel Charpentier Saldana and Marta Luz Montilla.

### Brit Milah

Mazel tov to parents Jana Zalmanowitz and Terry Crohn and brother Nathaniel on the  
Brit Milah of Benjamin Eitan Crohn on July 27, 2017.  
Benjamin was born on July 19, 2017.

### B'nai Mitzvah

Mazel tov to Parents Ian Elchitz and Rory Hornstein, brother Henry and grandparents  
Mel and Denny Hornstein and Ellen Elchitz on the occasion of Brady's Bar Mitzvah on  
July 1, 2017.

### Wedding

Mazel tov to Fred and Jenny Singer on the August 20th wedding of their son  
Jordan Singer to Lee-Ann Cuthbert in Montreal.

*If you are marking a life-cycle event and would like it included in SHOFAR, please let us know  
by contacting the Shul office at 403-255-8688 or [info@bethzedec.ca](mailto:info@bethzedec.ca).*

## ***Yad Club* - Torah Reading Initiative**

Beth Tzedec Congregation is pleased to initiate the *Yad Club* intended to encourage congregants to become active Torah readers for our congregation. Learning to read Torah requires dedication and discipline to master the melodies and techniques for reading directly from the sacred scroll.



For those who are successful in this endeavor and complete 14 (The Hebrew numerical equivalent of *Yad*) Torah readings here at Beth Tzedec, the congregation will be pleased to provide special recognition by awarding a special *Yad*. For more information contact Cantor Russ at [cantorruss@bethzedec.ca](mailto:cantor russ@bethzedec.ca) or 403-255-8688 ext. 4.



## **Silver Polishers Needed!!**

In addition to taking account of our spiritual life as Yontif approaches, we at Beth Tzedec also have to take an account of our beautiful Torah silver. This “accounting” will take place on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am–12noon with our Annual Silver Polishing Party. Milt Fischbein will be on hand to instruct us in the proper polishing technique, and Beth Tzedec will provide lunch for the volunteers. If you are available, please call the office at 403-255-8688 to sign up. Just a few hours of your time will help make our sanctuary sparkle for the New Year.

**Please support our twice daily weekday prayer services.**

**Morning Services:** Monday-Friday 7:45am  
Saturday, Sunday and Stat Holidays: 9:00am  
**Evening services:** Daily at 6:00pm

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**MAZEL TOV**

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**Gary Sankoff**, on the loss of his brother, Leonard Sankoff

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### SYMPATHY

**Mindy and Danny Joffe & Family**, on the loss of their mother and grandmother, Carol Brettschneider

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### SYMPATHY

**Bruce & Renee Fogel and Family**, on the loss of their father and grandfather, Max Fogel

By Ron, Paul, & Jerdy Harrison



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**SYMPATHY**

**Howard Ackman & Family**, on the loss of their wife and mother, Sheryl Ackman

By Sally & Joel Grotzky and Family

Helmi & Ron Switzer

**Stuart Libin & Family**, on the loss of their sister and Aunt, Sheryl Ackman

By Sally & Joel Grotzky and Family

**Phil & Harriet Libin and Family**, on the loss of their daughter, Sheryl Ackman

By Sally & Joel Grotzky and Family

Helmi & Ron Switzer

**Bruce and Renee Fogel & Family**, on the loss of their father, father-in-law, and grandfather, Max Fogel

By Rick & Bonney Pollick  
 Harriet & Phil Libin  
**The Family of the late Clare Prasow,**  
 on the loss of their mother and  
 grandmother, Clare Prasow  
 By Harriet & Phil Libin

***NORMAN and BEULAH  
 MARTIN CANTORIAL  
 CHAIR FUND  
 MAZEL TOV***

**Phil & Harriet Libin,** on the occasion  
 of their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary  
 By Beulah Martin  
**Ralph & Sheila Gurevitch,** on the  
 occasion of their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding  
 anniversary  
 By Beulah Martin  
**Harriet & Larry Schneider** (of  
 Scottsdale AZ), on the occasion of their  
 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary  
 By Beulah Martin  
**Morris & Ann Dancyger,** on the  
 occasion of their special wedding  
 anniversary  
 By Beulah Martin

**SYMPATHY**

**Gary Sankoff,** on the loss of his  
 brother, Leonard Sankoff  
 By Beulah Martin

**THINKING OF YOU**

**Ann Dancyger**  
 By Beulah Martin

**YAHARZEIT FUND**

**Helen Goldenberg, beloved mother**  
 By Sherry Goldenberg  
**Dobby Freitag, beloved wife**  
 By Benny Freitag  
**Doris McKay, beloved sister**  
 By Les & Hazel Cosman  
**Wilfred Cosman, beloved brother**  
 By Les & Hazel Cosman

**Chaim Cosman, beloved father**  
 By Les & Hazel Cosman  
**Froim Hardin, beloved father**  
 By Les & Hazel Cosman  
**Maita Cosman, beloved mother**  
 By Les & Hazel Cosman  
**Ernie Cosman, beloved brother**  
 By Les & Hazel Cosman  
**Fanny Hestrin, beloved brother**  
 By Les & Hazel Cosman  
**Dr. Henry Herbert Cosman, beloved  
 brother**  
 By Les & Hazel Cosman  
**Earl Osadchey, beloved father**  
 By Rabbi Shaul and Bobbie Osadchey  
**Max Pearlmutter, beloved father and  
 grandfather**  
 By Myrna Pearlmutter, Nelson, Alan, &  
 Sammy Hudes  
**Benjamin Rosenbaum, beloved  
 husband**  
 By Mona Rosenbaum  
**Alex Bakshan, beloved nephew**  
 By Sara & David Profis  
**Lilly & Morris Manusewitz, beloved  
 mother and father**  
 By Arnold and Jeanette Finkelstein &  
 Family  
**Ann Ratner, beloved mother**  
 By Barbara Joffe  
**Mark Profis, beloved father**  
 By Mara & Alex Shkolnik  
**Mark Profis, beloved father**  
 By Sara & David Profis  
**Vera Fleishman, beloved mother**  
 By Jerol A. Fleishman  
**Milton Lainof, beloved husband**  
 By Muriel Lainof  
**Robert Prupas, beloved uncle**  
 By Hope Rajesky  
**Ann Smith, beloved mother and  
 grandmother**  
 By Stan and Carey Smith & Family  
**Perry Kaplan, beloved son**

By Doris Kaplan

**Perry Kaplan, beloved brother**

By Roberta Hulmes

**Harry Lupescu, beloved uncle-in-law**

By Leah Saltman

**Ferne Bickman, beloved mother**

By David Bickman

**Percy Barksy, beloved brother**

By Naomi Hashman

**Leila Silverberg, beloved sister**

By Naomi Hashman

**Joe & Dorothy Steinberg, beloved parents**

By Eric Steinberg

**Dr. Jean Ruth Wolfman, beloved sister-in-law**

By Wilfred Wolfman

**Toby Conn, beloved aunt**

By Karen Belzberg

**Benjamin Goldenberg, beloved brother**

By Jeanette Berger

**Harvey Sheftel, beloved brother**

By Rose Zivot

**Nick Waldman, beloved father**

By Blair Waldman & Family

**Benjamin Tauber, beloved father**

By Eli & Sandy Kogut

**Morris Hector, beloved brother-in-law**

By Arthur P. Fishman

**In memory of 147 Jews who were killed 20/07/1941**

**In the village of Onishkavy Moldova**

By Mara & Alex Shkolnik

**Sophie Starkman, beloved mother**

By Jessica Starkman

**Mariasha Dvorkin, beloved grandmother**

By Muriel Lainof

**Chana Gitel Aizenman, beloved mother**

By Lily Joffe

**Morris Aizenman, beloved father**

By Lily Joffe

**Sophie Rose Kettner, beloved sister**

By Lily Joffe

**Max Jacobson, beloved father-in-law**

By Charlotte Jacobson

**Rose Jacobson, beloved mother-in-law**

By Charlotte Jacobson

**David Hyman, beloved father**

By Charlotte Jacobson

**Mary Hyman, beloved mother**

By Charlotte Jacobson

**Irving Jacobson, beloved husband**

By Charlotte Jacobson

**Jack Sklar, beloved father**

By Ethel Caplan

**Isador Pomerance, beloved father**

Philip Pomerance

**Aaron Feingold, beloved father**

By Lucille Hanson

**Benny Martin, beloved husband**

By Lillian Martin

**Jack Sklar, beloved father**

By Lillian Martin

**Ida Martin, beloved mother-in-law**

By Lillian Martin

**Johny Gopman, beloved uncle**

By Harriet & Phil Libin

**Samuel Pencer, beloved brother**

By Wylma Freedman

**Sharon Meadow, beloved mother**

By James & Elissa Meadow

**David Hyman, beloved father**

By Carol Allan

**Mary Hyman, beloved mother**

By Carol Allan

**William Gelmon, beloved father**

By Reesa Girvitz

**Rachel Well, beloved mother**

By Dr. Arnold D. Well

**Abraham (Art) Bleviss, beloved brother**

By Fran Viner

**Bernard Smith, beloved grandfather**

By Carey and Stan Smith & Family

**Regina & Salek Bleiweiss, beloved**

**parents**

By Phyllis Krygier

**Bernice Rosendorff, beloved mother**

By Steven Rosenberg

**Marsden Levitt, beloved brother**

By Mort &amp; Ruth Levitt

**Edward Weiner, beloved grandfather and great grandfather**

By Lori, Shel, Blair, and Craig Laven &amp; Families

**Robert M. Smithens, beloved father**

By Renee, Elaine, &amp; Sheldon Smithens

**David Waterman, beloved cousin**

By Margret Kramer

**Ida Martin, beloved mother-in-law**

By Beulah Martin

**Harry Lupesco, beloved uncle-in-law**

By Leah Saltman

**Frank Rosenthal, beloved grandfather**

By Joey Bleviss

**Dora Florence, beloved sister**

By Jacques Mydlarski

**Harry Middleman, beloved father**

By Janice Middleman

**Isaac Hashman, beloved brother**

By Edith Sugarman

**Minnie Kowall, beloved sister**

By Max Fishman

**Dora Florence, beloved mother and grandmother**

By Bernard, Carol, Jonathan, Caroline, Eddie &amp; Tyler

**Edith Fischbein, beloved mother**

By Milt &amp; Maxine Fischbein

**Connie Dressler, beloved grandmother**

By Milt &amp; Maxine Fischbein

**Linda Van Wilde Rode, beloved sister**

By Joey Bleviss

**Abraham Art Bleviss, beloved uncle**

By Joey Bleviss

**Michael Wise, beloved father**

By Jack Wise

**Kerstin Bobroff, beloved wife**

By Wayne Bobroff

**Evelyn Silver, beloved mother**

By Alan Silver

**Avraham Goldstein, beloved grandfather**

By Ken Goldstein

**Max Bulshin, beloved grandfather**

By Jerry Dubisky

**Allan Sheftel, beloved brother**

By Fran Kolinsky

**Harry Pearlman, beloved father-in-law**

By Frances Pearlman

**Ben Rosenbaum, beloved brother**

By Frances Pearlman

**Harold Hoffman, beloved father**

By Barry Hoffman &amp; Family

**Sam Kaplan, beloved father**

By Roberta Hulmes

**Sam Kaplan, beloved husband**

By Doris Kaplan

**Harry Krygier, beloved brother**

By Lea Kohn

**Toni Kohn-Woodward, beloved granddaughter**

By William &amp; Lea Kohn

**Evelyn Wise, beloved wife**

By Jack Wise

**Benjamin Goorevitch, beloved grandfather**

By Karen Belzberg

**Sarah Steinberg, beloved mother**

By Norman Steinberg &amp; Family

**Hymie Steinberg, beloved father**

By Norman Steinberg &amp; Family

**Dorothy Steinberg, beloved aunt**

By Norman Steinberg &amp; Family

**Sadie Pearlmutter, beloved aunt**

By Myrna Pearlmutter, Nelson Hudes, Alan &amp; Sammy

**Ida Zaitlin, beloved mother**

By Brian Zaitlin

**Pearl Jeffries, beloved sister-in-law**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Shirley Kapitan, beloved sister**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Freda Cooperman, beloved sister-in-law**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Maurice Jeffries, beloved brother-in-law**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Freeda Polsky-Shatkin, beloved mother**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Shlomo Zalman Kacipolski, beloved grandfather**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Norman Sparber, beloved uncle**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Faige Yuffe, beloved mother-in-law**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Freddie Yuffe, beloved brother-in-law**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Murray Polsky, beloved brother**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Aaron Yuffe, beloved father-in-law**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Henya Basia Kracipolski, beloved grandmother**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Philip Jeffries, beloved brother-in-law**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Abraham Yuffe, beloved husband**

By Beatrice Yuffe

**Harvey Sheftel, beloved son-in-law**

By Beatrice Yuffe

### SPECIAL YAHRZEIT FUND

**Ruby T. Swartz, beloved mother**

By Helen & Mark Swartz

**Dr. Harry Cohen C.M., beloved father**

By Cheryl Cohen

**Walter Barron, beloved father**

By Gerry, Ron, & Tony Barron

**Fanny & Ben Katchen, beloved grandparents**

By Barry & Debby Smolkin

**Shoshana Levant, beloved mother**

By Rachel Amir

**Mel Nagler, beloved husband**

By Therese Nagler

**Naomi Rudolph Rothery, beloved sister**

By Beth S. Price

**Moshe Levant, beloved father**

By Rachel Amir

**Aliza Ungar, beloved mother**

By Avi Amir

**Ida Fraiberg, beloved mother**

By Alec Fraiberg

**Allan (Curly) Gurevitch, beloved father**

By Darrell Gurevitch

**Tillie Cohen, beloved mother**

By Susan & Usher Barnoff

**Harry Cohen, beloved father**

By Susan & Usher Barnoff

**Nathan Roth, beloved father-in-law**

By Elisabeth Roth

**Clara Roth, beloved mother-in-law**

By Elisabeth Roth

**Bill Roth, beloved husband**

By Elisabeth Roth

**Ralph Price, beloved father**

By Lorne & Beth Price

**Mona Zavalkoff, beloved sister**

By Saul Prince

### KIDDUSH YAHRZEIT FUND

**Benjamin Sklar, beloved father**

By Beulah Martin

**Herman & Rachel Zeisler, beloved parents**

By Abe Zeisler



## Community News

### **Biblical Coin Display**

**Until September 7th and September 23rd-24th**

#### **Nickle Galleries, University of Calgary**

The exhibition will run until Sept 7th and then there will be a special exhibition for the University's Alumni Weekend (open to all) Sept 23-24. There will also be a talk on Saturday Sept 23rd at 1:30pm and Sunday Sept 24th at 11:45am. Please visit [nickle.ucalgary.ca](http://nickle.ucalgary.ca) for more information.

### **How to Get Noticed and Hired in Tough Times, Employment Skills**

**Sunday, September 10th - 9:00am-12:00pm**

#### **Calgary JCC**

LinkedIn, Résumés and Job Search Savvy: How to Get Noticed and Hired in Tough Times. Based out of Calgary, Alberta, Joy Cohen is a Subject Matter Expert on the topic of Résumé Writing, and works in private practice as a Career & Human Resources Consultant and Employment Counsellor, providing services Canada wide, to job seekers, and companies, primarily in Alberta's oil and gas sector. She is a Registered Professional Recruiter and holds a Bachelor's degree in Human Services.

### **Let's Celebrate CHW's Centennial**

**Sunday, September 10th - 2:00-4:00pm**

#### **Jewish Community Centre**

In honour of our 100th birthday, CHW Calgary is having a Birthday Bash and will be launching our commemorative book. Please register online [www.chw.ca/calgary.ca](http://www.chw.ca/calgary.ca) or call the office at 403-253-4612.

### **Surviving and Thriving Series: You've got a diagnosis, Now what?**

**Tuesday, September 12th - 6:30pm**

#### **Calgary JCC**

This is the second education session in the series "Surviving and Thriving," this time about dealing with a new diagnosis. If your child was recently diagnosed with ADHD, ADD, learning disability, autism, cerebral palsy etc., come and learn more about funding and resources, and meet other parents. For parents, extended families, friends and guardians of a child with a disability. Registration is required - contact Karina Szulc at [karinas@jewishcalgary.org](mailto:karinas@jewishcalgary.org) or 403-389-6994.

### **Israel Security Briefing with Mickey Rosenfeld**

**Wednesday, September 13th - 7:30pm**

#### **Beth Tzedec Congregation**

JNF Calgary and its community partners - Jewish Federation, B'nai Brith, Beth Tzedec Congregation and Canadian Hadassah-Wizo, invite the Calgary Jewish

community for an exclusive ISRAEL SECURITY BRIEFING with Mickey Rosenfeld Israel National Police Spokesman to the Foreign Press. It will be held on Wednesday, September 13th at 7:30pm at Beth Tzedec Congregation, no cover charge. In addition, a young professional's private dinner (ages 20-45) with Mickey will be held at 5:30pm and tickets (limited seats) may be purchased at [jncalgary.ca](http://jncalgary.ca). Make your dinner reservations now!

### **PJ Library Chag Sameach High Holidays**

**Sunday, September 17th - 10:30am**

#### **Calgary JCC**

Join PJ Library for the next in our Holiday Programming - Chag Sameach High Holidays. Learn about Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah through songs and stories with educator Amy Goldberg and musician Karina Szulc.

Contact Kathie Wainer to register: [kwainer@jewishcalgary.org](mailto:kwainer@jewishcalgary.org) or 403-537-8592.

### **UJA Launch Event with YidLife Crisis**

**Sunday, September 17th - 7:00pm**

#### **Beth Tzedec Congregation**

Calgary's own Yenta and Shmenta open an evening of *Yiddische* laughs with YidLife Crisis, the award-winning young funny men from Montreal. You really can't miss this. Unless you hate laughing, in which case, never mind. Nu? Buy your admission already at [jewishcalgary.org](http://jewishcalgary.org), or at the door for more money, if you're a big spender.

### **Surviving and Thriving Series: Living with Autism**

**Tuesday, September 26th - 6:30pm**

#### **Calgary JCC**

The third in a series of educational seminars and workshops for parents and guardians of children and youth with special needs. Candace Ford-Taperek and Maria Vial from Autism Calgary will share information to help family, friends, and neighbours better relate to children with autism. Registration is required - contact Karina Szulc at [karinas@jewishcalgary.org](mailto:karinas@jewishcalgary.org) or 403-389-6994.

### **PinterNosh - A Celebration of Jewish Food Photo Contest**

When is Jewish Food Month? All year round! That's why we want you to start the New Year showcasing the best Jewish dishes from all traditions you know how to prepare. Show us the delicious results, provide the recipe, and win mouth-watering prizes! For details about the contest visit [calgaryjcc.com](http://calgaryjcc.com).

Submission deadline: Friday September 1st

# SAVE THE DATE!

## **Sukkah Display Festival**

**Wednesday, October 4th - 6:00pm**

We will be displaying all five Sukkot designed by the U of C School of Environmental Design with a special premier showing of a documentary on the project along with an appreciation ceremony. Services to follow at 7:00pm.

## **Pizza in the Hut**

**Friday, October 6th - 6:00pm Erev Shabbat Family Service**

Join us for a fun-filled pizza dinner in the Sukkah (or Skylight Lounge in the event of inclement weather). \$5.00 per adult \$18.00 per family. RSVP at 403-255-8688 or info@bethzedec.ca.

## **Smoothies in the Sukkah with PJ Library®**

**Monday, October 9th - 10:30am**

Hear a great Sukkot story, sing holiday songs and enjoy arts and crafts plus delicious smoothies! No charge but please bring donations of canned food for the food bank and be prepared to roll up your sleeves and decorate!

## **Shemini Atzeret Services**

**Thursday, October 12th - 9:00am (includes Yizkor)**

This lesser known Biblical holiday is observed following Sukkot and focuses upon assembling the people for prayer, reflection, and remembering our loved ones.

## **Simchat Torah Celebration and Siddur Ceremony**

**Thursday, October 12th - 7:00pm**

Celebrate the reading of the concluding verses of the Torah with the seven Hakaftot (processions), take a "Torah Tour" with a fully unrolled scroll, and enjoy live music, dancing, and refreshments. Students in the B'nai Mitzvah Program will be presented with their own Siddurim.

