

 **BETH TZEDEC**
SHOFAR

June 2018 ✧ Sivan-Tammuz 5778



CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

Friday June 1st

Candle Lighting: 9:24pm
TORAH: BEHA'ALOTEKHA

Shabbat June 2nd

9:00am Shabbat Service

Tuesday June 5th

4:00pm B'nai Mitzvah Classes

Wednesday June 6th

6:30pm BTZ Board Meeting
(Members Welcome)

Friday June 8th

Candle Lighting: 9:30pm
TORAH: SHELAH LEKHA

Shabbat June 9th

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

Sunday June 10th

10:00am Shul School

Tuesday June 12th

4:00pm B'nai Mitzvah Classes

Thursday June 14th

7:00pm Reflections on March

Friday June 15th

Candle Lighting: 9:35pm
TORAH: KORAH

Shabbat June 16th

9:00am Shabbat Service

Tuesday June 19th

7:00pm LAZC Concert

Wednesday June 20th

7:30pm BTZ AGM

Friday June 22nd

Candle Lighting: 9:37pm

Shabbat June 23rd

9:00am Shabbat Service

Wednesday June 27th

12:00pm Hazak 55+

Friday June 29th

Candle Lighting: 9:37pm
TORAH: BALAK

Shabbat June 30th

9:00am Shabbat Service



Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 4:30pm
Friday 8:30am - 3:30pm

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Please support our twice daily weekday prayer services.

Prayer Service Times

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

Evening services: Daily at 6:00pm

Beth Tzedec Congregation

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Rabbinic Reflections

An Evolving Philosophy of Education

Talmud Torah K'neged Kulam - The Study of Torah is the basic of them all.

B. Talmud, Shabbat 127a



As Cantor Russ and I begin to plan the educational programs for the coming 2018-2019 year at Beth Tzedec, I would like to offer a few thoughts about the underlying educational philosophy along with some

specific activities:

Central to the practice of Judaism is the act of learning. Through education one better understands the importance of performing mitzvot that are the primary means by which we come to forge a spiritual relationship with God. The commitment to learning therefore leads to a devotion to Jewish life itself as it also creates a person with the internal qualities of lovingkindness, compassion and justice. The Conservative Movement captures this notion in *Emet V'Emunah: Statement of Principles of Conservative Judaism* when it comments, "The second mark of the ideal Conservative Jew is that he or she is a **learning Jew.**"

Judaism has always recognized that there are many different approaches to successful teaching and learning. The Talmud (Pesachim 116a) insightfully advises that, "*The parent should teach each child on the level of the child's understanding.*" This insight reinforces the longstanding focus on the home and the synagogue as the primary learning centres for obtaining Jewish knowledge. When a cooperative relationship exists between the home and the synagogue, Jewish learning takes root and becomes integral to the child and family's way of life.

It is our intention to emphasize the model of "family education" as the most effective means of engaging parents and children in the task of Jewish learning. Educational opportunities will be developed for adults who seek to deepen their grasp of Judaism as well as for children who need to learn the fundamentals of Jewish belief and practice. Some of these programs will be intergenerational while others will be developed for specific ages with specific educational objectives. Cantor Russ and I will be offering an Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class for those who never formally became a Bar/Bat Mitzvah as well as for those who wish to affirm their commitment to Jewish learning. Experiential learning such as the Biblical Zoo trip, Kosher Food Adventures, and Jewish History of Calgary excursions will join parents and children in the learning process.

We look forward to enhancing the Minyan Katan, Tot Shabbat, Wicks & Flicks, and the B'nai Mitzvah Windows programs as additional informal learning experiences for parents and children. Discussion is currently underway about the formation of a city-wide post B'nai Mitzvah program for our teens that will focus on contemporary moral and ethical dilemmas and the Jewish values that are relevant to them.

The goal is to create a new and vibrant energy that reflects the innovative spirit of Judaism in the 21st Century. Gone are the days of the old Sunday School and Hebrew School classrooms and in is the model of a Shul School and B'nai Mitzvah program that reflects an inclusive and adaptive Jewish educational environment and infuses *kavanah* (soulfulness) and *mitzvot* into a dynamic combination of formal and informal intergenerational Jewish education.

I look forward to building the framework over the summer months for this program of Jewish learning that will strengthen Jewish identity and commitment within the family and the congregation. Your ideas and suggestions are welcome as part of the dynamic move forward toward achieving this goal in the coming year.

Have a wonderfully rejuvenating and restorative summer,

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey

Leo & Goldie Sheftel Rabbinical Chair



Project 146

ה' שומר את-גרים, יתום ואלמנה יעודד...

Adonai protects the stranger and supports the orphan and widow...

(Psalm 146)

Project 146 is our synagogue's program to actively encourage every household to perform one act of *tzedakah* and *gemilut hasadim* (loving-kindness) in 5778. The inaugural year is dedicated to Sam Switzer whose commitment to helping the needy is an inspiration to all. If you didn't receive your **Project 146** Tzedekah box in the mail, please find one in the synagogue lobby on the display table.

The funds collected will be used to further the social justice projects of Beth Tzedec.



Cantor's Notes



In every country and among every people, music attests to national character and national ideals. The rhythms, harmonies, melodies, and poetry of music relate to and help to define personal characteristics, social customs and rituals, national religion, as well as national and personal identity. Most of today's societies have had hundreds or thousands of years to develop a national music. The State of Israel has had only since 1948 to assert itself as a political, social, and cultural entity in a fast-moving world. In many ways, the history of Israeli music reflects the broad struggles of that young country.

The early history of music in Israel was determined by two major forces: the Zionist movement, whose participants encouraged the creation and dissemination of Israeli "folk" music; and the political struggle against Fascism, which led many European-born musicians to flee to the Holy Land.

Jewish immigrants to Palestine brought with them music of their various host countries. The leaders of the Zionist movement sought to inspire and unite these new *olim* (immigrants) with a common cultural identity. To that end, Zionist musicians composed hundreds of short and simple folk songs for dissemination among the immigrant communities and among Jews abroad. The songs' lyrics spoke of the experience of living in the Holy Land, from stories about the agricultural cycle to lullabies to stories of love. Their musical qualities combined the sounds of European music with hallmarks of the "exotic" such as minor modes, the Yemenite trill, and Arabic instruments. Many of these songs are still sung today throughout the Jewish community; among the most well-known is the love song "*Erev Shel Shoshanim*" ("Evening of Lilies").

The folk tradition dovetailed into a new form of national popular music represented, above all, by Naomi Shemer. From the 1960s to the 1980s, Shemer sang of the uniqueness of the land of Israel. Her song "*Yerushalayim Shel Zahav*" ("Jerusalem of Gold"), composed just before the Six Day War of 1967, spoke of Jews' longing for Jerusalem. After Jerusalem's unification, Shemer famously modified the lyrics to reflect Israel's accomplishments in the war.

Israel also has cultivated a rich tradition of classical European music. The Palestine Orchestra was founded in 1936 by Bronislaw Huberman, who anticipated the coming war against the Jewish people in Europe and took scores of other Jewish musicians from Europe with him to Palestine. The formation of the orchestra was a distinctly political move: Huberman stated that his goal was to produce a "materialization of the Zionist culture in the fatherland." After the creation of the State of Israel, the orchestra changed its name to the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.

Classically trained Jewish artists from Israel and abroad, Koussevitsky, Bernstein, Heifetz, Rubinstein, Arrau, and many others, were naturally drawn to participate in the

orchestra's activities from its inception. It is no coincidence that the Philharmonic's first recording project was of symphonies of Mahler, a Jewish composer. Together with music departments in Israel's various universities and institutions, such as the Jerusalem Music Center, the Israel Philharmonic continues to cultivate the country's interest in European classical music.

In addition, the Rimon School of Jazz and Contemporary Music, located in a suburb of Tel Aviv, serves as a hothouse for growing a new generation of musicians, creating a unique and contemporary Israeli sound. The school counts among its graduates the popular Achinoam Nini, an Israeli woman of Yemenite descent who spent her childhood in North America.

Today, the population of Israel is divided over its national identity. Some Israelis think that Israel should attempt to be a country like every other, with no distinct religious or cultural identity, while other Israelis think that there is something unique about Israel as the Jewish homeland and that it should not necessarily strive to be like other Western countries. If you look at some of the top Israeli singers today such as Omer Adam, Shaked Komemy, Nadav Guedj, or even Netta Barzilai whose song *Toy* won the 2018 Eurovision song contest, you will hear this struggle most keenly. Listen to Omer's *Tel Aviv* and then Guedj's *Golden Boy*. Is one more Israeli than the other? What about Barzilai's *Toy*? Except for one line in Hebrew and a Hebrew slang term, that song could have been submitted by any other European country. Is it an Israeli song or not?

Now to add to the tension expressed above, the musical styles of *Mizrachi* (Middle Eastern) Jews have long competed with Western sounds within the country. In recent years there have been many crossovers in which *Mizrachi*, and even Ethiopian, music have become part of the popular Israeli music scene. Politics, also, are intertwined with the Israeli popular music scene, with lyrics expressing all sides of the debate regarding the conflict with the Palestinians and the stresses of everyday life in a war-torn land.

Music in Israel is an integral part of its national identity, and this view of music as nation-building continues even to this day among Israeli musicians. "We are in the midst of creating a culture", says Nahum Heyman, one of Israel's leading music composers and music historians. He couldn't be more spot-on in her assessment.

So this year, I encourage you to turn your ears towards the rich, diverse, and all-encompassing music of Israel. Be a part of the musical life of our homeland, and experience how, from the ancient prayer chants of the Levites created some 3000 years ago, right up to this very day, Israel is recreating the music of our people anew each passing morning. In doing so, we imitate the God of our people who, in the words of our *Siddur* (prayerbook), "delights in the chorus of song", thereby, "giving life to all worlds."

Am Yisrael Chai, od Avinu Chai!!!

Cantor Russell Jayne

Norman & Beulah Martin Cantorial Chair



Through the President's Lens

A Message from David Inhaber

The Beth Tzedec AGM is scheduled for Wednesday, June 20th at 7:30pm. Who can forget last year's AGM? Just as we were set to start our meeting, the power went out. I thought we would need to reschedule as we all gathered outside the building talking about alternative dates. Ultimately we were delayed about 15 to 20 minutes before the power was restored and we were able to conduct important Shul business.

As the 2018 AGM is fast approaching, I'm thinking more and more about our past year and reflecting on our accomplishments as a synagogue and a community. We have had a good year.

We ran program after program. Our building was used for concerts led by Cantor Russ Jayne, our annual Film Festival, Shabbat B'nai Mitzvah, Bible Study, interfaith programs such as the Lil Faider Interfaith Scholar-in-Residence, Shul School, B'nai Mitzvah classes and all sorts of learning and development. Thanks to the continuing success of the National Minyan League and the dedication of our morning and afternoon/evening Minyanners, we continued our time-honoured tradition of twice-daily prayer services.

We had community leaders in our Shul; the mayor, area councillor(s), the Premier of Alberta, and the leader of the official opposition (UCP), members of parliament. We had sports celebrities, Hollywood celebrities and local media in our building. When organizations needed rental space we opened our doors for them. Again we have a lot to be proud of.

And we look forward to doing even more next year!

Behind the scenes, though just as important, were the monthly Board meetings and all the committee work that took place in our building over the past year.

In February we invited the Board to a planning session to envision and plan our way forward into 5779. We breathed new life into our Youth Committee and established a new Building Operations Committee.

Often I get asked what our governance model looks like at Beth Tzedec and I am reminded that very few congregants really have that high level picture of all the work that we do.

Our Board of Directors includes a president, four vice presidents, a treasurer, a secretary, our past president and 10 members at large. As I remind all members, these are all volunteer positions. Portfolios are assigned to our volunteers based on the needs of our synagogue and the skills and preferences of our various leaders.

- ◇ Vice-President Lorne Pearl is our Ritual Chair
- ◇ Vice-President Elliott Steinberg is our Membership Chair
- ◇ Vice-President, Len Seidman is our Scholarship Chair
- ◇ Vice President Josh Inhaber is our Finance Committee Chair

- ◇ Vice President & Treasurer Joshua Switzer is our VP Operations and our By-Laws Chair
- ◇ Secretary Jeff Dworkin takes our meeting minutes. In addition, many of you see him on the Bimah making weekly announcements when your president is travelling
- ◇ Past President Maxine Fischbein is our Personnel Chair, Nomination Chair and Casino Chair.

Our board members are very busy as well.

- ◇ Stuart Myron chairs our Fundraising Committee
- ◇ Howard Cohen chairs our Beth Tzedec Memorial Park Committee
- ◇ Debra Shnay chairs our Syrian Resettlement Committee
- ◇ Gregory Davis chairs our Strategic Planning Committee
- ◇ Eddy Lang chairs our Tzed Talk program
- ◇ Helmi Switzer chairs the Past Presidents Council
- ◇ Heather Lister, Deb Silver, Helmi Switzer, and Lorne Pearl co-chair the Youth and Education Committee
- ◇ Cheryl Shiell and all members of our Ritual Committee are here every Shabbat and throughout the High Holidays and Festivals handing out the honours and ensuring a smooth service.
- ◇ Markham Silver advises us on legal matters.

Other Committee chairs include:

- ◇ Susan Inhaber, National Minyan League
- ◇ Harvey Cyngiser, Film Festival Committee
- ◇ Donna Caplan, Hazak +55
- ◇ Bob Shiell, Greeting and Security.

I'm exhausted just listing everything our volunteers do so well!

It does take a village of volunteers to operate a synagogue. We are blessed to have all of these talented members and volunteers as we move toward 5779.

Our lay leaders and volunteers are supported by a tremendous group of people who work hard, usually in the background. Our exceptional executive director, Max Lipsman, and his dedicated staff ensure that the building is clean and safe, that our programs run on-time, that our volunteers are supported and that congregants and members of the community at large feel welcome and safe.

Rabbi Osadchey and Cantor Russ are here for us ensuring that our educational, ritual and pastoral needs are addressed and that our life cycle events are marked in warm and memorable ways.

Your commitment as a Beth Tzedec Congregant is what makes this all happen. YOU keep our lights on. YOU keep our doors open. YOUR participation breathes life into our Shul. Join us for our AGM and celebrate all that YOU have helped to create and sustain.

David Inhaber

President



Seeing Through Other Eyes

by Dr. Tinu Ruparell

This is my last *Shofar* article of my tenure as the Lil Fader Interfaith Scholar in residence and firstly let me say how much I have enjoyed my time in this program, and how much I have learned and appreciated about Judaism. I have repeatedly stated in public that this program is a model of interreligious engagement worthy of wide emulation. Extended conversations across multiple and varied contexts over time are essential for training the imagination so that we can begin to understand our world inflected by differently religious perspectives – which is a fancy way of saying that we need time and repetition to learn to see through other eyes.

Interreligious dialogue is really a technique of redescription. We learn, through conversations and *being with* folks from other religious traditions, to describe our worlds in different ways. In doing so we rearrange the furniture of our lives to enable different ways of living, thus learning to re-imagine the world: to see differently. This new seeing is, I think, almost equivalent to gaining a new sense (infra-red vision or being able to sense magnetic fields, for instance) and it is not too much, in my mind, to think of it as a kind of developing superpower. Seeing through other eyes is to develop the superpower of empathy and understanding.

Over the past nine months I hope that the conversations and events we have experienced together have allowed you to redescribe your worlds in terms of Hindu religious tradition: that you have been able to see and live Judaism in more Hindu ways (*Hindu-ish*, if you will) as much as I have been able to redescribe my own understanding of Hinduism more Jewishly. In what follows I want to describe how my understanding of Hinduism and of Judaism have begun to redescribe each other. I do so very tentatively and in the spirit of experimentation – so, as they say, your mileage may vary.

While both Judaism and Hinduism place a high value on the holiness and transcendence of the Divine, the Jewish model of personal covenant with God is instructive in creating a communal sense of journey with the Divine. Hinduism is so diverse that it tends towards individualism; the Jewish way of living through communal belonging born of a shared narrative (and many shared practices) is thus a valuable lesson and redescription. It is impossible to unite Hinduism into a singular body of belief and practice and attempts to do so have always resulted in confusion and strife. However, a balancing pull toward a sense of solidarity with other Hindus would be a valuable corrective for the tradition as a whole. A sense of shared origins, shared difficulties and shared futures

is a valuable way of understanding one's own tradition. Hindus struggle, at times, to educate themselves into the depths, richness and diversity of their own beliefs and practices and, without positing some essential form of Hinduism, a greater sense of solidarity with other Hindus may be valuable.

One area on which Hindus and Jews must, it appears, agree to disagree are their fundamental beliefs on the nature of time. Given the cyclical nature of time in Hinduism, the immediacy and finality of historical events is felt slightly less urgently by many Hindus. History is, to be sure, very important, and it is false to claim that Hindus believe the phenomenal (samsaric) realm to be illusory or less than real. However, when all historical events are contextualized in the continuing cycle of birth and rebirth, the significance of any one particular event can lose some of its impact. Here again I think that both Jews and Hindus can learn from each other. Time can be seen both as circular as well as importantly directed in a linear fashion. We must all balance the motivation gained from directing our lives toward an end or *telos*, and the realization that those ends are not always the last word on all events – that tomorrow is another day and other ends await. The wall of remembrance in the synagogue serves as an excellent example of this balance. Seeing the lights on that wall has been very striking and meaningful to me this year. That significant life events are all marked in such a public way is a beautiful reminder of the uniqueness and significance of individual, particular lives and events. Moreover the permanence of that wall is a powerful reminder of the next anniversary: that life goes on and that history ever drives us forward in newness and hope.

Finally, I have been struck by the shared importance of humor and irony in both traditions. This is revealed not merely in the vast repository of Jewish jokes – which is very important, and Hindus would do well to celebrate and make better known their own tradition of Hindu jokes – but at the deeper level of the fundamental, ludic nature of creation. I think we lose a great deal when we take theology *too* seriously. Really, we are so far out of our depths in trying to understand the Divine that our feeble attempts can only be seen as so much whistling in the dark. While our natures seem to compel us (*Bhagavad Gita 18:59*) to keep trying to make sense of the world and our place in it, the ironic foolishness of the endeavor ought to bring a smile to our lips and a lightness to our minds.

So let that be my final message: that the interreligious engagement begun five years ago at Beth Tzedec be continued, both formally and informally, in the spirit of lightness and revelry. Surely much significant learning and growth will take place, oftentimes in spite of us – we are like owls blinking at noon – but let us remember, and always seek, the delight of discovery when we learn to see through other eyes.

Dr. Tinu Ruparell

Lil Faider Scholar-in-Residence



The Value of Being a Minyannaire

Last month, we heard from several people explaining why they joined the National Minyan League and what being a member meant to them.

Here is one more submission from Maxine Fischbein, Captain of Teams 104 and 405, *President's Choice* and *Shabbat Menuchah*, sharing her thoughts on the topic:

“I chose to form two National Minyan League Teams because I so strongly believe that the daily minyan is one of those places where the rubber hits the road in Synagogue life and community building. For over a decade now, I have participated frequently in weekday prayer services and have found the daily minyanim to be a place where congregants support one another during times of grief and celebrate together during times of joy. Because the crowd is smaller than those at a typical Shabbat or Holiday service – and because many of those reciting Kaddish for loved ones attend services over a sustained period, it is a place where relationships are formed that might not, otherwise, have found fertile ground.

At daily minyan, I am often inspired by acts of kindness freely shared and reciprocated by our Minyanaires, congregants and guests from other congregations, or from out of town, who find solace and friendship at Beth Tzedec. National Minyan League, as envisioned by founder and first League Commissioner Harvey Silverstone, has provided a framework that has broadened the circle of participation in weekday prayer services and breathed new life into a time-honoured tradition. While so many other Shuls in North America find themselves unable to sustain twice-daily prayer services, Beth Tzedec is experiencing a happy uptick in grassroots participation. Rarely do we miss a prayer service because we couldn't make it to 10!

Many individuals who have come our way because of the need to recite Kaddish have paid that experience forward, attending services long after the conclusion of their own mourning periods so that others feel the same support and love they received during their own darkest hours. Some have joined NML and even formed teams of their own.

Yasher koach to Harvey Silverstone and to his successor, current NML Commissioner Susan Inhaber. They have brought a praiseworthy system of organization and an all-important atmosphere of fun and enjoyment to daily prayers at Beth Tzedec. Our congregation is the richer for it!"

To these words of thanks, I would like to again thank Cantor Russ for being so supportive in all aspects of this initiative. Without his assistance, this program would not run as smoothly as it has for the past three years.

If you would like to share your thoughts on being a member of the NML, please send me your submission via email. I will try to include it in some way.

If you have been inspired to join the NML please email me at inhaber@telusplanet.net and I will find the perfect team for you!

Susan Inhaber, *NML Commissioner*

2018 AGM

Annual General Meeting

**Wednesday June 20, 2018
7:30pm at Beth Tzedec Congregation**

Please join us as we celebrate Beth Tzedec highlights and share financial reports. Watch your inbox, your mailbox, *Shofar* and *Shalom Byte* for more information.

Solara Krygier

June 9, 2018 · 26 Sivan 5778



Solara Krygier is the daughter of Andrea and Tony Krygier. She will have the honour of going up on the bimah and celebrating her Bat Mitzvah on June 9th.

Solara is a grade seven student at Robert Warren Spanish Bilingual School. She is fluent in Spanish and English, with her mother's side of the family being from Argentina, and her father's side from right here in Calgary.

Solara's favourite subjects are English, Drama, and Science; she enjoys writing stories and learning about astronomy in particular.

Solara enjoys singing and playing the guitar, with many genres of music being her influences. Everything from classic rock, to heavy metal and grunge. Her musical idols are Corey Taylor from Slipknot/Stone Sour and Lzzy Hale from Halestorm. Solara also enjoys travel and all things Disney, Star Wars, and Harry Potter.

Solara's favourite activities are playing lacrosse and swimming. She is also very strong in the performing arts, and loves acting and singing.

Solara is a warm, loving person who is always trying to help others. She is looking forward to her special day, and being surrounded by friends and family from near and far.

We thank the Clergy, Staff, and Congregation of Beth Tzedec for helping prepare Solara for this milestone and sharing it with us.

We are all very proud of you Solara.

Mazel Tov!

June Unveilings

The families of the late **Clare Prasow** and **Marilyn Livergant** have requested the announcement of the unveiling of the headstones.

Clare Prasow

Sunday, June 3, 2018 10:00am Beth Tzedec Memorial Park

Marilyn Livergant

Sunday, June 10, 2018 11:30am Beth Tzedec Memorial Park

If you would like to advise the congregation of a future unveiling and have it included in our publications, please let us know by contacting the Shul office at 403-255-8688 or info@bethtzedec.ca.

Life Cycle Events

In Memoriam

Alec Fraiberg, father of Gail Fraiberg (Jacek Kochanski), Peter Fraiberg (Judy Rafuse), Howard Fraiberg (Jay Wilson) and brother of Lily Finkel.
The funeral was held on May 6, 2018.

Lloyd Ashkin, husband of Karen Ashkin, father of Bradley (Robyn) Ashkin, Allison (Matthew Martin) Ashkin and brother of Gillian (Sheldon) Glazer, Beverley Ashkin and David (Mandy) Ashkin. The funeral was held on May 9, 2018.

Tiby Presma, mother of Helen (Mark) Swartz and Frances (Will Wilson) Presma.
The funeral was held on May 13, 2018.

Karol Lang, husband of Zahava, father of Yosef (Hana) Lang, Ariella (Tassos) Dionisopoulos, Eddy (Nathalie) Lang, and Jennifer Lang.
The funeral was held in Montreal on May 16, 2018.

B'nai Mitzvah

Mazel tov to parents Becky and Brad Spier and grandparents Sondra and Joe Spier and Judy and Jerry Koshan on the occasion of Zoey's Bat Mitzvah on May 5, 2018.

Mazel tov to Parents Lisa and Earl Raber, brother Matthew and sister Megan, and grandparents Wendy and Sam Wilder, and Myma and Monte Raber on the occasion of Mika's Bat Mizvah on May 19, 2018.

Baby Naming/Brit Milah

Mazel tov to parents Bradley and Robin Ashkin and Allison and Matthew Martin and siblings Harper Ashkin and Achilles Martin on the baby naming of Maya Elise Ashkin, Atticus Hunter Martin and Arlee Zev Martin on April 8, 2018. Proud grandparents are Lloyd² and Karen Ashkin and Carmen Olsen.

Mazel tov to parents Amie and Colin Pattison and grandparents Cindy Cass, Kathleen and Gary Pattison and Gary Staniloff on the baby naming of Cameron Laurie Pattison on May 26, 2018.

Mazel Tov

Mazel tov to Lorie Abernethy on being appointed to the MERCAZ-Canada Board of Directors.

Mazal tov to Mikayla Seidman who has been invited to join the National Board of Directors for NCSY. She will serve with 12 other teens to foster Jewish youth programming throughout North America.

We joyously welcome into the People of Israel as Jews by Choice:

Amanda Baxter, Maxwell Reboh, Gheorghith Constantinescu, Tyus Bright, Jimena Rodriguez and Daniel Jones.

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@bethtzedec.ca.

Programs

Reflections on the 30th March of the Living with Cantor Russ and Guests Thursday, June 14th - 7:00pm

Please join us as Cantor Russ, Jackie Tucker and Hannah Silver share their experiences of traveling to Poland and Israel on the 30th annual March of the Living. This is sure to be a moving and emotional program. For more information please contact Cantor Russ at 403-255-8688 ext. 4 or cantorruss@bethzedec.ca.

Jewish Choral Music featuring the Los Angeles Zimriah Chorale Tuesday, June 19th - 7:30pm

Adults: \$30, Students/Seniors: \$25, Children (12 and under): Free
Please join us for a premiere choral event with the Los Angeles Zimriah Chorale and Calgary's own Renaissance Singers & Players and the Spiritus Chamber Choir. This concert will highlight works from diverse Jewish composers throughout history including Canada's own Srul Irving Glick. Don't miss this show stopping choral event! Sponsorship opportunities are available; please contact Cantor Russ at cantorruss@bethzedec.ca. Please call 403-255-8688 for tickets.

BTZ AGM

Wednesday, June 20th - 7:30pm

Please join us as we celebrate Beth Tzedec highlights and share financial reports.

HAZAK 55+ Presents

LETTERS OF A FINE ROMANCE. CIRCA 1896-1902

With Betty Sherwood

Wednesday, June 27 - 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Betty Sherwood's maternal grandparents, Eva Finkelstein and Mendel Abremovich were brought to Winnipeg as children in the 1880's. Eva stayed in Winnipeg, but Mendel studied and worked in various places in the United States. Their correspondence from 1896 to 1902 is a charming and humorous documentation of their lives and the times. Betty will share excerpts from their letters, and present additional material that she has collected, telling the story of their romance and lives. Lunch will be served at 12 noon, \$5 per person. RSVP to the Synagogue office at 403-255-8688 by Monday, June 25th. For more information, please contact Donna Caplan at 403-271-3066.

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MAZEL TOV

Delsie Dworkin, on the occasion of her birthday

By Harriet and Phil Libin

Avrona Gutman, on the occasion of her special birthday

By Marcia and Allan Bell

Murray Robins, on the occasion of the birth of his great granddaughter, Avery
 By Sheila and Ralph Gurevitch

Dr. Lenny Smith, on the occasion of celebrating 50 years in dental practice
 By Dean and Gail Staniloff

Bert Glow, on the occasion of his special birthday

By Harvey and Wynne Thal

SYMPATHY

Leonard Seidman and Kim

Rothenberg and Family, on the loss of his father Edward Allan Seidman

By Jackie, Glenn, Samantha and Michael Solomon

Karen Ashkin and Family, on the loss of her husband Lloyd Ashkin

By Ross and Liz Kaplan

Aaron and Sherry Berman and Family

Helen and Mark Swartz and Family,

on the loss of her mother Tiby Presma

By Sheila and Ralph Gurevitch

Harriett and Phil Libin

Jeff Eichler

Eddy and Natalie Lang and Family, on the loss of his father, her father-in-law and their grandfather

Karol Lang

By Milt and Maxine Fischbein

GET WELL

Gerry Dubisky

By Hope and Irwin Rajesky

Ron Switzer

By Milt and Maxine Fischbein

Arlein Chetner

By Evelyn Sheftel Shapiro

Mary Libin

By Evelyn Sheftel Shapiro

IN MEMORY OF

Cheryl Ackman

By Connie and George Nagler (of Beverly Hills CA)

YOUTH PROGRAMMING

MAZEL TOV

Rabbi Joshua, Chloe and Eliana

Corber, on the occasion of his recent appointment as Rabbi of Beit Rayim

By Harriet and Phil Libin

Toto Levitt

SYMPATHY

Leonard Seidman and Family, on the loss of his father, her father-in-law and their grandfather

Edward Allan Seidman

By Adam, Deborah, Hannah, Lilah and

Benji Silver

**CYNGISER FAMILY JEWISH FILM
 FESTIVAL FUND**

SYMPATHY

The Family of the Late Alec Fraiberg,

on the loss of their father, father-in-law and grandfather Alec Fraiberg

By Hilda and Lenny Smith and Family

TZEDAKAH FUND

GET WELL

Doreen Abugov

By Sheila and Ralph Gurevitch

**LEV SHALEM SABBATH &
 FESTIVAL BOOK FUND**

MAZEL TOV

Cheryl Cohen, on the occasion of her special birthday

By Lenny and Hilda Smith and Family

Sophie Feingold, on the occasion of her special birthday

By Sheila and Ralph Gurevitch

**RABBI'S TZEDAKAH FUND
SYMPATHY**

Eddy, Natalie, Rebecca, Benjamin, Naomie and Sarah-Michelle Lang, on the loss of his father
Karol Lang
By Len, Kim, Alex, Mickey, Joey and Keira Seidman

GET WELL

Judy Chetner
By Naomi Hashman

THANK YOU

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, with appreciation
By Helen and Mark Swartz

**CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND
THANK YOU**

Cantor Russell Jayne, with appreciation
By Ruth Levitt and Sandy and Bernie Corenblum
Helen and Mark Swartz

**LEO & GOLDIE SHEFTEL
RABBINIC CHAIR FUND
MAZEL TOV**

Bert Glow, on the occasion of his special birthday
By Sheila and Ralph Gurevitch
Dr. Leonard Smith, on the occasion of celebrating 50 years in dental practice
By Sheila and Ralph Gurevitch

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

Larry Martin, on the occasion of his special birthday
By Alan and Francine Shefman

YAHRZEIT FUND

Julius (Ziggy) Bleviss, beloved father
By Joey Bleviss
Rachel Smithens, beloved mother
By Renee, Elaine and Sheldon Smithens
Lucille Newman, beloved grandmother
By Darlene Switzer-Foster
Joseph Lipkind, beloved grandfather
By Joan Robins
Bernard Bercov, beloved uncle
By Joan and Naomi Robins
Annie Brown, beloved mother
By Sylvia and Irving Meyers
Celia and Fred Brovender, beloved mother and father
By Janet Brovender
Miream Brovender, beloved sister
By Janet Brovender
Adella Pearlman, beloved mother-in-law
By Frances Pearlman
Morris Plosker, beloved father and grandfather
By Aaron and Sherry Berman and Family
Lila Plosker, beloved mother and grandmother
By Aaron and Sherry Berman and Family
Paul Alan Steinberg, beloved son
By Rosslyn and Norman Steinberg
Dora and Zelig Slutker, beloved grandparents
By Rosslyn Steinberg
Chayah Sora and Oscar Sklove, beloved grandparents
By Rosslyn Steinberg
Ida Zivot, beloved mother-in-law
By Rose Zivot
Benjamin Katchen, beloved grandfather
By Joe Katchen
Jacob Bergman, beloved grandfather
By Phil Ullman
Sophie Bergman, beloved grandmother
By Phil Ullman
Esther Glinkiewicz, beloved mother-in-law

By Louise Glin
Murray Melanson, beloved husband
 By Gail Melanson
Joe Jacobson, beloved father
 By Myra Meyers
Harold Barsky, beloved father
 By Valerie Barsky
Jack Lister, beloved husband
 By Rose Lister
Alex Cohen, beloved grandfather
 By Cheryl Cohen
Gary Nathan Viner, beloved son
 By Fran Viner
Sophie Goldstein, beloved mother
 By Ken Goldstein
Chana Goldstein, beloved grandmother
 By Ken Goldstein
Allen and Robin Goldstein, beloved brother and sister-in-law
 By Ken Goldstein
Zelda Davidson, beloved mother
 By Joyce Forman
Lily Robins, beloved grandmother and mother-in-law
 By Naomi and Joan Robins
Minnie Bercov, beloved mother and grandmother
 By Joan and Naomi Robins
Jack Lister, beloved husband
 By Rose Lister
Jean Kwavnick, beloved mother
 By Nat and Harriette Alexander
Tula Alexander, beloved father
 By Nat and Harriette Alexander
Gertie Cohen, beloved aunt
 By Nat and Harriette Alexander
Helen (Ittkin) Freedman, beloved mother
 By Wylma and Irwin Freedman
Jack Freedman, beloved father
 By Wylma and Irwin Freedman
Molly Zeidman, beloved grandmother
 By Rose Zivot
Jack Fishman, beloved father
 By Sam Fishman

Jennie Bulshin, beloved grandmother
 By Jerry Dubisky
Doris McKay, beloved sister
 By Les Cosman

SPECIAL YAHRZEIT FUND

Bella Feldman, beloved mother
 By Betty Mayer
Adele Rajesky, beloved wife
 By Irwin Rajesky
Nancy Gardner, beloved sister
 By Irwin Rajesky
Moe Prince, beloved father
 By Saul Prince
David Pertman, beloved father
 By Asher and Wayne Pertman
Max Schwartz, beloved father
 By Jerry Schwartz
Dr. David Zivot, beloved husband and father
 By Rose Zivot and Mark Zivot

KIDDUSH YAHRZEIT FUND

Rose Glow, beloved grandmother
 By Bert Glow
Frank Silver, beloved father
 By Alan Silver

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