



Summer 2019 • Sivan-Av 5779



CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

Monday July 1st

Office Closed

9:00am Services

Tuesday July 2nd

BTZ Casino - Casino Calgary

Wednesday July 3rd

BTZ Casino - Casino Calgary

Friday July 5th

Candle Lighting: 9:34pm

TORAH: KORAH

Shabbat July 6th

9:00am Shabbat Service

Shabbat Ends: 11:03pm

Friday July 12th

Candle Lighting: 9:29pm

TORAH: HUKKAT

Shabbat July 13th

9:00am Shabbat Service

Shabbat Ends: 10:56pm

Friday July 19th

Candle Lighting: 9:22pm

TORAH: BALAK

Shabbat July 20th

9:00am Shabbat Service

Shabbat Ends: 10:46pm

Friday July 26th

Candle Lighting: 9:13pm

TORAH: PINEHAS

Shabbat July 27th

9:00am Shabbat Service

Shabbat Ends: 10:34pm

Monday July 29th

B'nai Mitzvah

Joseph and Keira Seidman (*in Jerusalem*)

Friday August 2nd

Candle Lighting: 9:03pm

TORAH: MATTOT and MASEY

Shabbat August 3rd

9:00am Shabbat Service

Shabbat Ends: 10:22pm

Monday August 5th

Office Closed

9:00am Services

Thursday August 8th

6:00pm NML BBQ

Friday August 9th

Candle Lighting: 8:50pm

TORAH: DEVARIM

Shabbat August 10th

9:00am Shabbat Service

9:30pm Megillat Eicha Reading

Fast begins at 9:07pm

Shabbat Ends: 10:07pm

Sunday August 11th

Fast ends at 9:47pm

Friday August 16th

Candle Lighting: 8:37pm

TORAH: VAETHANNAN

Shabbat August 17th

9:00am Shabbat Service

Shabbat Ends: 9:52pm

Friday August 23rd

Candle Lighting: 8:23pm

TORAH: EKEV

Shabbat August 24th

9:00am Shabbat Service

Shabbat Ends: 9:36pm

Friday August 30th

Candle Lighting: 8:08pm

TORAH: REEH

Shabbat August 31st

9:00am Shabbat Service

9:00am Bar Mitzvah

Jack Lister

Shabbat Ends: 9:19pm



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Rabbinic Reflections

Balance and Moderation!

Jewish life is a constant dance along the spectrum of joy and sorrow. Whenever the pendulum swings to one end, it quickly moves back toward the other in the quest for balance and harmony. Extremes of any kind are fraught with danger and Judaism seeks in its theology outlook and religious practice to moderate the harm that either extreme joy or sorrow can inflict on individuals and the community.

For example, during the past two months, from Passover to Shavuot, we observed the sefirah, the 49 day period of “semi-mourning” that reflected both the anxiety about the outcome of the Biblical harvest and the uncertainty of the Israelites’ fate as they journeyed toward Mt. Sinai. In the midst of this period, there is Lag B’Omer (and, in our time Yom Ha’atzmaut - Israel Independence Day) to break the solemnity with a moment of celebration. So, too, we break a glass under the wedding chuppah to moderate our joy with a remembrance of the destruction of the ancient Temple and the subsequent suffering of the Jewish People.

And, as we look to the summer months with the anticipation of great fun and relaxation, we also moderate our desire to overindulge in play and recreation with the observance of Tisha B’Av (which begins on August 10th and continues on August 11th), the day of fasting and mourning for the destruction of the ancient Temple in Jerusalem. Just when we are most at ease and relaxed, and our inhibitions are lowered, does the Jewish calendar jolt us with the remembrance of a hostile world that is filled with prejudice and hatred.

There is considerable wisdom in this approach to living. While most people naively pursue the philosophy of “pursue pleasure and avoid pain,” Judaism understands this as folly and instead guides us toward appreciating the good and joyous in life by tempering it with a realization that challenge and difficulty can also be beneficial and redemptive. Judaism is that much needed lifeline that pulls us back from the brink of despair as it also tugs at us when we try to escape from our problems through the many luxuries and temptations that we encounter.

So, once again, I wish you a wonderful summer that is relaxing but not mindless, fun but safe, pleasurable as well as healthy, and one that is refreshing in the present and inspiring for the future!

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey*Leo & Goldie Sheftel Rabbinical Chair***Life Cycle Events
Milestone Birthday**

Mazel Tov to: Evelyn Sheftel-Shapiro on the occasion of her 80th birthday on July 27, 2019!

Brit Milah

Mazel Tov to: Parents Asaph Ksienki and Melanie Faust, siblings Michael and Arielle and grandparents Freddie and Debbie Faust and Nate and Hadassah Ksienki on the Brit Milah of Solomon Zev Ksienki on June 21, 2019.

B’nai Mitzvah

Mazel Tov to: Parents Mitchell and Ruth Spivak, sisters Noa and Ariana and grandparents Myer and Sabina Spivak and Marcelo Epstein and Naomi Tellerman on the occasion of Solomon's Bar Mitzvah on June 1, 2019.

Mazel Tov to: Parents Deborah and Adam Silver, sister Hannah, grandparents Ruth and Alan Respler and Judy and Norman Silver, and great grandparents Faye and Abe Eckhaus on the occasion of Lilah and Benjamin's B'nai Mitzvah on June 15, 2019.

Mazel Tov to: Parents Marc and Angie Weil, sister Alex, brother Zachary and grandparents Paula and Eric Weil and Yossie Rabinovitch on the occasion of Oliver's Bar Mitzvah on June 22, 2019.

Wedding

Mazel Tov to: Tatyana Rabinovitch and Michael Bokhaut on the occasion of their wedding on June 30, 2019. Proud parents are Roman and Allice Rabinovitch, Barry Bokhaut and Barbara Greenberg, Frayda Raber and Charles Wiseman and grandparents Bassia Chvartsbord and Faye Raber.

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.

Inclusion at Beth Tzedec

Beth Tzedec Congregation is dedicated to maximizing the joyous participation of all, including people with disabilities. If you or loved ones require accommodations to participate in any of our services or programs please let us know by contacting Executive Director Max Lipsman at 403-255-8688, Ext. 1 or mlipsman@bethtzedec.ca.



Cantor's Notes



The Cantor is not just a purveyor of music and catchy tunes. He is ultimately a facilitator, always striving to make the lives of those he touches easier by providing them with the tools they need so that they can connect more deeply to our rituals and traditions.

The need for ritual is a basic human instinct, as real, as urgent, and as raw as our need for food, shelter and love, and it is every bit as crucial to our survival. By participating in rituals, whether Jewish or otherwise, we are reminded that we are part of a larger reality, and that our world is not a seemingly random mess of energies and directions. Rituals allow us to do things with intention, and not just in the animal way, ravenously, without knowing what we're doing. Therefore, whenever we engage in ritual life, we bring more fully to mind the implications of the life that we are engaged in, and attempt to connect that life more abundantly to its Divine source.

Today there are many people from all backgrounds who feel somewhat estranged from the religious structures in which they were raised. The traditionally instituted ritual forms and liturgies that we have inherited no longer serve all of the complex contemporary circumstances of our modern lives. They do not always satisfy our longing for meaning, our craving for spiritual communion, nor our yearning for numinous truth. Nor do they necessarily speak to our deepest felt needs. The absence of significant ceremony in our lives has left us feeling disconnected, confused, alone and bereft. Insulated and isolated in extremely intense times, we dangle, stranded in an enormously complex universe without a spiritual safety net to save us.

As a Cantor, I keenly feel the damage that the lack of engagement with our religious ritual life is causing. I therefore ask you, my congregants, how can we update it to express our modern experience? How can we keep it fresh? What do you think needs to be kept and what really needs to be jettisoned in this day and age? What would make our Jewish rituals sing more fully to more people? What would make them compelling enough so that more of us would see them as integral to our daily life experience?

As I enter my fifth year as your Hazzan, this is what I'm going to be thinking about, and I encourage all of you to do the same. It is a conversation we need to commence as we strive to ensure that our community, in all its diversity and beauty, remains just as relevant for those who will inherit it after us. Throughout our history, we have always been at the forefront of innovation and

reinvention. Let's make sure, therefore, that our ongoing rituals always speak to today while linking us to the solid foundation of our heritage.

A summer of rest and rejuvenation to all,

Cantor Russell Jayne

Norman & Beulah Martin Cantorial Chair



Stewart Bondar and family are proud to donate the new Bema chairs in honour of Sam and Muriel Bondar. They were fortunate to celebrate many simchas at Beth Tzedec and we are proud to be a small part of other families joyous occasions.



Are you able to read music and sing on key in a choir setting? If so, Cantor Russ and Elliott Steinberg would like you to consider becoming a part of our Kol Nidre vocal ensemble.

We will be singing this year during the Kol Nidre service on October 8th, and we need your talent and energy to help us make this service even more beautiful and meaningful.

Please consider sharing your musical energy with the congregation.

For more information please contact Cantor Russ at 403-255-8688 ext. 4 or Elliott Steinberg at 403-701-4882.



If you would like to read Torah, Haftarah or lead services please contact
Cantor Russ at cantorruss@bethtzedec.ca
or 403-255-8688 Ext 4.



Through the President's Lens

A Message from David Inhaber

The Beth Tzedec AGM has come and gone and I'm now entering a second term as your President. Before the installation of the new Board, I had already started to have discussions with new and continuing board members about the ideas they are bringing to the table concerning the future of Beth Tzedec.

This year's AGM was a significant milestone for me. It was a reaffirmation that I have the support of the Board of Directors. These next two years will be years in which we ask tough questions. For example: Are we ready for the next generation? What does Beth Tzedec look like in 10 and even 20 years from today? How are we educating parents and children on the importance of Jewish culture and identity? Do we have the right tools and resources to get us where we want to be?

Personally, I want to do more to embrace core values of religious and Jewish identity: more pastoral care, especially for those that need it most; review of our curriculum for Shul School, B'nai Mitzvah and Keruv classes; more in-reach to members of the Beth Tzedec family and outreach to the greater Jewish community; programs that emphasize Jewish holidays and observances; exploration of Jewish tradition and Jewish law.

During the Good and Welfare portion of our recent AGM, I wanted to ask our congregants one simple question. However, I felt the ensuing discussion would take up more time than we had that evening.

Perhaps this message is the perfect medium to ask you this all-important question, allowing you some time to contemplate your response and share it with me at inhaberdavid@yahoo.ca. Here is my question: What do you feel is the greatest challenge facing Beth Tzedec and what is your strategy to address it?

Please take the time to share your ideas with me. I look forward to hearing from you and hope it will be the beginning of an ongoing discussion of our mutual hopes and dreams for Beth Tzedec.

On another topic, Calgary Jewish Federation Shem Tov awards were awarded the day after our Annual General Meeting, honouring individuals for their leadership on so many fronts throughout Jewish Calgary. Beth Tzedec's nominee this year was Markham Silver.

Markham has served for many years as Beth Tzedec's legal counsel and as a dedicated board and executive member. He has either led or played key roles on various search committees. A long-serving and treasured member of the Ritual Committee, Markham takes great joy in his active participation on multiple fronts, often leading prayer services, leining Torah and Haftarah and blowing the Shofar during High Holiday services. Markham's generosity and dedication know no bounds. On behalf of everyone at Beth Tzedec, I wish him a refuah shleimah. Everyone on the Shul leadership team looks forward to working with him on behalf of our congregation for many years to come.

I am pleased to tell you that it was a good night for our congregation, as many others in the Beth Tzedec family were recognized for their dedication to our Jewish community. (For a list of Beth Tzedec congregants who received Calgary Jewish Federation Shem Tov awards, please see the next page in this *Shofar* issue.)

Mazel Tov to all the Shem Tov recipients and best wishes to everyone in the Beth Tzedec family for a happy and healthy summer. Don't forget . . . Beth Tzedec remains open daily. Join us for services. We can promise you stimulating Divrei Torah, robust conversation and great air conditioning!

David Inhaber
President

Shem Tov Awards

Mazel tov to Markham Silver, Beth Tzedec's 2019 recipient of Calgary Jewish Federation's *Shem Tov Award*. Markham was recognized for his outstanding commitment to Jewish Calgary including his devotion to the Beth Tzedec Congregation.



Yasher Koach to the many other Beth Tzedec Congregants who were recognized with Shem Tov Awards at the Calgary Jewish Federation Annual General Meeting on Thursday, June 20, including:

Ariella Benjamin (Jewish National Fund)

Kristen Joffe (Jewish Family Service)

Eric Kettner (Calgary Jewish Academy)

Stuart Libin (Jewish Community Foundation of Calgary)

Linda Gutman (Na'Amat, School Supplies for Kids)

Aviva Lifschitz (Na'Amat, School Supplies for Kids)

Robyn Oppenheim (Na'Amat, School Supplies for Kids)

Karen Phillips (Na'Amat, School Supplies for Kids)

Stephanie Sacks (Na'Amat, School Supplies for Kids)

Melanie Trossman (Na'Amat, School Supplies for Kids)

Heather Wax (Na'Amat, School Supplies for Kids)

Lori Wolf (Na'Amat, School Supplies for Kids)

We are very proud of the fact that many of our Beth Tzedec congregants play such a major role in strengthening the community at large. Yasher koach to all!





A Look Back and a Look Forward

The year is not quite over and there are some tight races for the prizes that will be up for grabs. Of course, we always say that the real prize is knowing that you have helped your fellow congregants.

Year four has been a challenging one for the NML. After a great year last season, we struggled more to achieve our daily minyanim. We often had nine people and could not find the last person who would be the tenth. While still

better than it was before the NML started, it was very frustrating for those who showed up and disappointing for those who came to say Kaddish. We are going to look at making some changes to the structure of the teams and we are investigating whether we can use an app such as Minyan Maker to help ensure that we have at least 10 members present each time.

Currently, we have almost 150 players on the rosters. We have lost a few members, but we have also gained a few. We are always on the look out for new players and welcome anyone who would like to join. The commitment of once a month is not onerous and we understand that there are times when attendance is not possible. As I look at the sign in sheets, I notice that there are some people listed as members of teams, yet they don't seem to have attended at all thus far for season four. Using this data, rosters will be cleaned up for the coming year.

We have a growing list of people who are on more than one team and we certainly appreciate their dedication to the NML. If you could find time to spare to join an additional team, we would be happy to find the perfect spot for you. We also have several people who show up whenever they can to help bolster our numbers. Some are on teams and others are people we refer to as our Platinum Minyannaires. We are grateful to these people for their support.

As a way of showing our appreciation to our National Minyan League players as well as our Platinum Minyannaires, we once again invite all of them to our third annual National Minyan League BBQ to be held on August 8th. Last year's BBQ was another raging success despite the weather. The food was delicious, and people seemed to have a really great time. Kudos to our chefs!!

At this point, I would like to thank everyone who helps make the NML such a success from the players, the captains, the people leading the services, Bert, the Platinum Minyannaires, the staff, the clergy, and the rest of the management team. You are all making such a big impact on the everyday lives of Beth Tzedec congregants.

Susan Inhaber

NML Commissioner



By Naomi Lakritz

The recent use and misuse of the word “genocide” should be a topic of major concern for the Jewish people, just as it should for the Rwandans, Ukrainians, Bosnian Muslims and Armenians, to name just a few ethnicities who know first-hand what that word really means.

Unfortunately, the full import of genocide has been downgraded recently as though it were merely a bond rating subject to a mercurial dip in the market. The Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women’s Inquiry has misused the word. So has the king of *mea culpa*, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, although he personally has not trundled anyone off to a concentration camp or lined people up against a wall and shot them.

As Peter Stockland, publisher of Convivium magazine and a senior writer with the Cardus Institute said in a recent article titled *Shouting Down Democracy*: “Our country suddenly finds itself in a kind of Mad Hatter’s debate over whether we are authentically guilty of ‘genocide’ toward Indigenous people generally; missing and murdered Indigenous women specifically.”

Canada is guilty of no such thing, although *Globe and Mail* columnist Margaret Wente seems to think it’s a new day and therefore it’s time for a new meaning for the word. Wente quotes former Liberal justice minister Irwin Cotler as saying, “If we say everything is a genocide, then nothing is a genocide.” Cotler and Romeo Dallaire, who was a witness to the 1994 Rwanda genocide, are old, she suggests, and this is a new day with fresh, youthful minds looking at things from a new perspective.

A new day? With the global rise in white supremacism, antisemitism and far-right populist politicians, it’s beginning to look a lot like the old days.

Canada’s Indigenous women are not the victims of genocide. They are the victims of individual, unrelated acts of crime committed by disparate persons who are not part of any state-sanctioned conspiracy against Indigenous women. Some 20 years ago, during just one of many studies carried out on the issue, the RCMP reached the same conclusion that previous studies had reached: The majority of the perpetrators of this violence are Indigenous men.

These missing and murdered women are absolutely victims of the tragic social ills that plague their communities and of men who are equally

plagued by those ills. But they are not victims of genocide. Over the past 50 years, dozens of women, most of whom were Indigenous, have disappeared on the so-called Highway of Tears, the 720-kilometre stretch of Highway 16 that runs between Prince Rupert and Prince George, B.C. They are the victims of a killer (or killers) who unfortunately has not been caught. But the killer is a single psychopath and not a member of a state-orchestrated conspiracy to murder these women, which is what true genocide would be.

Hyperbole has a numbing effect, as Cotler eloquently pointed out. To say that the cases of missing and murdered Indigenous women do not constitute genocide in no way trivializes the magnitude of their tragedy. To call the situation genocide, however, is unjust to the memory of those souls who perished in Nazi-occupied Europe, in Rwanda, in Bosnia, in Ukraine under Stalin, in the Ottoman Empire in 1915, and in other such places.

“We are not Rwanda. This is not the Holodomor. It is not the Holocaust. It is not even British imperial policy in Ireland in 1847. Why, then, say we stand among those accused and found culpable in all of the above?” Stockland asks.

Why, indeed? Hyperbole serves no useful purpose.

Naomi Lakritz is a Calgary journalist and a member of Beth Tzedec’s congregation.

From time to time, Beth Tzedec provides space for guest articles and editorials. Whenever they appear, they reflect the views and opinions of the writer and not necessarily those of Beth Tzedec leadership.



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Joseph David Seidman

July 29, 2019 · 26 Tammuz, 5779



Together with his twin sister Keira, Joseph David Seidman will be called to the Torah overlooking the old city of Jerusalem as a Bar Mitzvah on July 29, 2019.

Son of Leonard Seidman and Kimberly Rothenberg and the younger brother of Alexandra and Mikayla, Joseph is a dynamic student at John Ware Junior High where he is known by all grades for his enthusiasm, his sense of humour, his contagious smile and his eclectic sock collection.

A competitive soccer player, Joey (as he is known to his friends and team mates) is a gentleman, on and off the field, who is a committed team player and a hard worker. When he's not playing soccer, Joey enjoys teaching himself to play piano from web based tutorials, an accomplishment that amazes everyone who hears him play.

Following in the footsteps of his older sisters, Joey enjoys attending NCSY and BBYO youth programs with his twin sister and close friends. Joey also loves spending his summers at Camp BB Riback where he gets to reconnect with old friends and forge new relationships.

While the preparation for one's B'nai Mitzvah is typically a personal journey, Joseph has had the pleasure of sharing the experience with his twin sister, one that has brought them closer together and also provided them with the opportunity to discover another perspective of their shared Torah portion.



Keira Quinn Seidman

July 29, 2019 · 26 Tammuz, 5779

Under a setting sun and together with her twin brother Joseph, Keira will become a Bat Mitzvah at a twilight Torah service at the Goldman Promenade in Jerusalem surrounded by family and friends.

The youngest daughter of Leonard Seidman and Kimberly Rothenberg and the younger sister of Alexandra, Mikayla and Joseph, Keira is an outgoing student at John Ware Junior High where her success as a member of the Track, Badminton and Volleyball teams is second only to her accomplishments in the classroom.

In addition to her varsity commitments as a member of the John Ware Longhorns, Keira is an avid Tae Kwon Do student. It has taken her only 18 months to reach her red belt and she is expected to test for her black belt before the end of the year. Keira attributes her success in the dojo to her great focus and commitment, personal traits that she demonstrates in all aspects of her life, including but not limited to, her entrepreneurial and artistic endeavours.

Keira has a strong neshama which is evident when she welcomes in the Sabbath, participates in Jewish programming at NCSY, BBYO, Beth Tzedec, and most recently, in the study of her Torah portion with her brother Joseph and Cantor Jayne.



Beth Tzedec Congregation is proud to be a part of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation's LIFE & LEGACY Program, coordinated locally by Calgary Jewish Federation and the Jewish Community Foundation of Calgary. We are working in partnership with organizations throughout the Calgary Jewish community to raise endowment funds through after-lifetime gifts.

Todah rabah to the following individuals and families who have generously committed to after-lifetime gifts that will support our Synagogue in perpetuity:

Maxine and Milt Fischbein

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Elaine and Stuart Myron

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Joey Tappenden

Susan and David Inhaber

Diana Kalef and Elliott Steinberg

Lily and Bill Lister

Beth and Rob Ordman

Kimberly Rothenberg and Leonard Seidman

Deborah and Adam Silver

You can be remembered forever with a gift in your will, trust, retirement account or life insurance policy and we are excited to show you how!

Beth Tzedec plays a crucial role in sustaining and building Jewish life in Calgary. By making your legacy gift today, you will make an indelible impact on the future of our Shul, our community and our people.

If you have already designated Beth Tzedec as a beneficiary, or you would like to plan your legacy gift, please contact Beth Tzedec President David Inhaber at inhaberdavid@yahoo.ca or Executive Director Max Lipsman at mlipsman@bethtzedec.ca.

Thanks for your vision and generosity!





National Minyan League BBQ

Thursday, August 8th

*Save
the Date*

This event is open to all current members of the NML and their immediate families, Platinum Minyannaires and their immediate families as well as prospective members who would like to join and their families.

Services start at 6:00pm with a delicious BBQ to follow. RSVP to info@bethzedec.ca or 403-255-8688.



Summer Unveiling

The family of the late **Myer Cohen** has requested the announcement of the unveiling of the headstone.

Myer Cohen

Sunday, July 14

12:00pm

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@bethzedec.ca.



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Tisha B'av - Megillat Eicha Reading

August 10th – August 11th

Tisha B'av, the fast of the Ninth of Av, is observed each year as a day of mourning and commemoration by Jews worldwide. It marks tragedies throughout history that have befallen the Jewish people including the destruction of the First and Second Temples in Jerusalem which occurred on this date on the Jewish calendar.

Please join us Saturday night, August 10th at 9:30pm for our special observance of Tisha B'av as we recite the Megillah of Eicha (Lamentations). We will follow the tradition by sitting, as though in mourning, on the ground or on benches without cushions while the Megillah is read in a darkened room. Please remember to bring a flashlight.

Sunday, August 11th is a fast day with prayer services at Beth Tzedec at 9:00am and 6:00pm. Please note that during the August 11th Mincha service at 6:00pm we don tefillin and read the special prayer "Nachem" for the only time during the year in anticipation of the redemption of the Jewish people.

Fast begins: Saturday, August 10th - 9:07pm

Fast ends: Sunday, August 11th - 9:47pm



Shul School: A unique approach to Jewish education

Sundays - 10:00am - NOON

Beginning Sunday, September 8, 2019

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 or to enroll, contact the Beth Tzedec office at 403-255-8688 or info@bethzedec.ca. Please find a registration form on our website [here](#).

B'nai Mitzvah Program

Tuesdays - 4:00-5:30pm

Beginning Tuesday, September 10, 2019

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 2019 and more!

For more information or to enroll, contact the Beth Tzedec office at 403-255-8688 or info@bethzedec.ca. Please find a registration form on our website [here](#).

Shake, Shake, Shake!

Lulav and Etrog



Bring an important mitzvah of Sukkot into your home by purchasing your own Lulav and Etrog!

Order by Friday, September 27th

\$75.00 (members) or \$85.00 (non-members)

(Includes Etrog, Lulav, Hadas/Myrtle, and Arava/Willow)

Contact 403-255-8688 or info@bethzedec.ca to place your order.

Renew Your Commitment

Beth Tzedec continues to provide an amazing array of religious, educational and cultural programs led by our dedicated Rabbi, Cantor and Executive Director, staff and qualified volunteers.

Your financial support ensures programs and services all year round as well as reserved seats for the High Holidays. In order to secure your High Holiday seats, please renew your commitment prior to August 15, 2019.

For payment options and assistance please contact Executive Director Max Lipsman at 403-255-8688 ext. 1. Requests for financial assistance are handled with discretion and evaluated on an individual basis based on financial need.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact the Beth Tzedec office at 403-255-8688 or info@bethzedec.ca.

Yizkor Booklet

If you wish to have family members memorialized in the 2018-2019 Yizkor Memorial Booklet please send your card in by August 15, 2019.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact the Beth Tzedec office at 403-255-8688 or info@bethzedec.ca.

**Are you celebrating
a simcha?
Let Beth Tzedec play a part!**



For more information or to book your simcha call the shul office at 403-255-8688. Send email inquiries to info@bethzedec.ca.



To Make a Donation

If you would like to make a donation celebrating or honouring a life cycle event, please call the office at 403-255-8688 ext. 0 or visit us in the shul office and we will be happy to help you.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

PJ Goes to Camp BB!

Sunday, July 14th - 10:00am - 4:00pm

Camp BB Riback Pine Lake Alberta*

Bring the family and experience a fun filled day at Camp BB Pine Lake with the staff and campers. Camp lunch and snacks provided. There is no charge but registration is required by Tuesday July 9th. To register and for more information: Email: Kathie:kwainer@jewishcalgary.org or Email: Dani:daniu@edjfcd.org
* Meet at Camp! Maps and more details will be provided with registration confirmation.

Little Synagogue at Heritage Park

How a Torah Scroll is Written

Sunday, July 21st - 1:00pm

A talk with Rabbi Menachem Matusof.

(Included with paid admission to Heritage Park)

The Science of Happiness

Presented by CANADIAN FRIENDS OF THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM

Sunday, July 21st - 7:30pm

The Calgary Public Library, 800 3 Street SE

We all want to be happy - but being happy is rarely what we tend to think it is. In this lecture, Professor Yovell discusses the best current scientific insights on the path to happiness. He will give us updated tools to help us achieve happiness, explain if happiness is encoded in our genes and if there is a way to change it. Co-sponsored by Jewish Family Service Calgary. Free Admission. RSVP required at calgary@cfhu.org or call 403-297-0605.

The Montefiore Institute Celebrates 10 Years at Heritage Park

Monday, August 5th - 11:00am

Railway Orientation Centre at Heritage Park

A presentation with Irena Karshenbaum.

(Enjoy this free presentation as part of Historic Calgary Week 2019)

5th Annual Pitch for Israel

Sunday, August 25th

Glenmore Athletic Park

The 5th Annual Pitch for Israel is getting battered up for a great co-ed softball tournament again this year. Registration and information now open at <https://jnf.givinggateway.ca/campaign/pitch2019>. Put together a family team, organization team, friends team or colleagues team. Everyone is welcome for this fun - fundraiser for Israel! Let's Live - Love - Pitch together! For questions, please contact the JNF office at 403-255-0295.

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