

Congregation Beth El

“A Reform Congregation with a warm approach to tradition”

Celebrating 60 years 1960-2020



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30 Shevat - 27 Adar I

שבט - אדר א' תשפ"ב



Congregational Happenings February 2022

Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett will be with us February 4 to 6 and March 4 to 6



She will lead Friday Shabbat Service, Friday, February 4 at 7:00 pm

joined by Tracey Atin and Michael Ricketts

Live and on Zoom

Topic: Shabbat Service

Time: 7:00 pm Friday Feb. 4



Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89989942300?pwd=OGxzMkp2WW1DM2tGSGhUL3BucWErUT09>

Meeting ID: 899 8994 2300

Passcode: 470532

Hello, February

Tanakh/Torah Study at 9:00 am Saturday, February 5

Temple Beth El is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Torah Study

Time: Feb 5, 2022 09:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82000668455?pwd=MzRYTIZwUDdkSXkwUW5pMGt1aVVVQT09>

Meeting ID: 820 0066 8455

Passcode: 503305



Celebrate Shabbat February 2022 30 Shevat - 27 Adar I



Join us for Shabbat Evening Services and Torah Study

Shabbat Celebration

held by ZOOM ONLY every Friday night at 7:00 pm unless other noted

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89989942300?pwd=OGxzMkp2WW1DM2tGSghUL3BucWErUT09>

Meeting ID: 899 8994 2300
Passcode: 470532



All Shabbat Service and Tanakh Study dates subject to change. Details will be sent by e-Blast and e-mail as information becomes available. Please check the e-Blast for February.

Candle Lighting Times

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| February 4 | 5:32 pm |
| February 11 | 5:41 pm |
| February 18 | 5:50 pm |
| February 25 | 5:59 pm |

Shabbat Services

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| Friday, February 4 |
| Led by Ashley Barrett |
| with |
| Tracey Atin & Michael Ricketts |
| Zoom & on the Beth El bima |
| 7:00 pm |
| Friday, February 11 |
| Zoom only-lay led |
| Friday, February 18 |
| Zoom only-lay led |
| Friday, February 25 |
| Zoom only-lay led |

Tanakh Study

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| Saturday, February 5 |
| T'rumah תְּרוּמָה |
| Shabbat Service |
| Charlie Klein, son of Lesley |
| Rubin and Asaf Klein |
| will be called to the Torah |
| as a Bar Mitzvah |
| Saturday, February 12 |
| T'tzaveh תְּצַוֶּה |
| Saturday, February 19 |
| Ki Tisa כִּי תִשָּׂא |
| Saturday, February 26 |
| Vayak'heil וַיַּקְהֵל |



And God blessed the seventh day and called it holy.

Genesis 2:3

The Rabbi's Corner

By Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett



January ended on an unsettling note for the Jews across the world. For those of you who haven't followed all of the details of the situation in Colleyville, Texas, a quick google search will get you up to speed. The headline is that on Shabbat an individual entered a synagogue and ended up holding four hostages most of the day.

Since then, I have been in quite a funk. I'm still processing the many troubling aspects of that day. I'm disturbed by the many layers of antisemitism in this story. I'm angry that the holiness of Shabbat was ruined for that community. I'm sad thinking about how a community's spiritual home was violated, and I pray community members are able to feel safe there in the future. I'm uneasy thinking about the rise in antisemitism across the world.

At the same time, I'm so grateful. I shed tears when the news came in that the situation was over. I was so thankful that families were reunited and able to sleep that night. Thankful for the dedication of law enforcement and first responders. I'm proud of the way Jewish communities across the world have come together at this moment.

The road towards healing is long, and I know everyone is processing in different ways. I want to encourage each of you to hold on to the Jewish community even tighter during this time. I'm here if you need to talk or process. To carry us through the next few weeks I want to end with a piece of the text for *Birkat HaGomel* – the prayer one says after having overcome a life-threatening moment.

***Baruch Atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech ha-
alam, sheg'malanu kol tuv.
Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of
the universe,
who has allowed this day to be a day of
gratitude for life.***

Notes from the Friendship Circle

February in Canada. Cold. Snow. I am still smiling, still optimistic. Just this week I started seeing seeds and the starter kits for vegetables. As of this writing, lockdown restrictions will be easing!

We are hopeful that the Omicron variant has peaked. Let this, please g-d be the start to an end of this. End might not be the right term; the start to living with this, as we certainly can't continue living in fear. Our lives must go on. Looking forward to a renaissance, this summer.

That being said, your Friendship Circle goes in to a bit of winter hibernation in January and February. Of course we are all still here, engaged and planning. Ready to step in where needed. We have re-committed to community outreach. Deciding at our recent meeting that we will acknowledge in an appropriate way, simcha's such as the birth of a new baby. People re-locating here, or returning to the community, regardless of their affiliation, or non affiliation. We are such a small community and recognize the "greater good", of all wonderful news! A reason to celebrate collectively.

If you haven't joined a Zoom Shabbat service recently, I encourage you to do so. The Lay leaders work so hard at making it meaningful. It is also such a treat when "Rabbi to be" Ashley Barrett, leads the service, and when our very own and gifted, Tracey Atin joins us! Read your bulletin and e-blasts for schedules and how to connect.

Signing off...talk to you next month. Stay safe and warm.



Congregational Happenings February 2022



Adult Jewish Learning

Would you be interested in attending any of the following courses?

Hebrew Crash course based on the prayers

Jewish History Crash Course

Basic Judaism Crash Course

We have been given an opportunity to run any of the above, but we need to find out if there is sufficient interest. Please notify the office bethelwindsor@cogeco.net or 519-969-2422



Adult Programming

Please join us when Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett

will help as we exchange programming ideas

Saturday, February, 5

4:30 pm

Temple Beth El is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Temple Beth El's Programming Pow Wow

Time: Feb 5, 2022 04:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87940138828?pwd=Z2YwT3R1N3ROSt5NVdxTVgydXJpQT09>

Meeting ID: 879 4013 8828

Passcode: 536000

Mitzvah Opportunities

Getting involved in your congregation is a reward in itself.

If you have some time, let us know if you would be interested in any of the following:

1. Very occasionally extra people are requested to be at the cemetery to form a minyan for a funeral. Individuals would be required to be on a list to be contacted if and when there is a need.

2. Adult Education

There are some opportunities opening for us to join with others or plan our own adult education programs. If you have any subjects, speakers, thoughts or ideas to share, please let us know.

3. The Friendship Circle

The Friendship Circle takes on projects throughout the year to reach out to our congregation members. Whether you are interested in joining the group or just helping with a particular event - please let us know.

4. Lead a Service

Consider leading a service with another congregant. Ashley Barrett has done a great training video to help add more people to our lay leader list. Please contact the office for more information.



Congregational Happenings February 2022

Mazel Tov



To Kate Dutka and Richie Kamen on the birth of their son Solomon Alexander.



To Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett on her engagement to Jon Keilholz.

To Lesley Rubin and Asaf Klein on the occasion of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Charlie.



To Barrie and Maureen Rubin on the occasion of the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Charlie Klein.

Time to Regather Again

We are pleased to invite all Beth El members who are fully vaccinated against Covid-19 to join us for in-person services. We also welcome children under 12 and those who are not medically eligible to receive a vaccine at this time.

Social distancing protocols and mask mandates will be in effect. Online pre-registration is required or by contacting the Beth El office. Further details will be provided in upcoming e-blasts. If you are not fully vaccinated or are feeling unwell, we kindly ask that you enjoy services from the comfort of your home via Zoom. Zoom links will be provided.

At this time, we are reserving in-person services to Beth El members. If you know someone who is not a current member of Beth El and would like to attend services in-person, please have them contact the Beth El office by email bethelwindsor@cogeco.net or phone 519-969-2422.

Congregation Beth El is partnering with Temple Kol Ami to bring the following films to show during Black History Month.

AFRICAN EXODUS

Trailer: <https://youtu.be/GpB0gCspVq0>

SHARED LEGACIES: The African-American Jewish Civil Rights Alliance

Trailer: https://youtu.be/FcEu_1jDHil

THEY AIN'T READY FOR ME

Trailer: <https://vimeo.com/375533951>

JOACHIM PRINZ: I SHALL NOT BE SILENT

Trailer: <http://youtu.be/8Hw8N2XF6Hk>

As we go to print we have not got the details of the showings, so watch for more information on upcoming eblasts or contact the office bethelwindsor@cogeco.net or 519-969-2422

**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH
2022**

Congregational Happenings February 2022



Our deepest thanks to the following:

Audrey Bondy, Harvey Kessler, Dr. Reuben Schnayer and Dr. Stuart Selby for generously sharing their time leading services.



Board of Directors
Meeting
7:00 pm
February 15
by Zoom

BAR MITZVAH

Saturday Morning.

February 5

10:30 am

A Shabbat Service as

Charlie Klein,

Son of Lesley Rubin
and Asaf Klein

Is called to the Torah
as a

Bar Mitzvah



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Our Anniversary Tree will soon be installed in the social hall. Leaves are available for purchase and can be inscribed for many occasions – celebrating family simchas, to remember a loved one or adding a permanent dedication to this milestone in our congregation's history



Office Closures in February

February 14 to 18
Open 10 to 12 only on
February 15, 16 and 18

February 21 -Family Day
February 28 Closed - Vacation

Happy
Family Day!

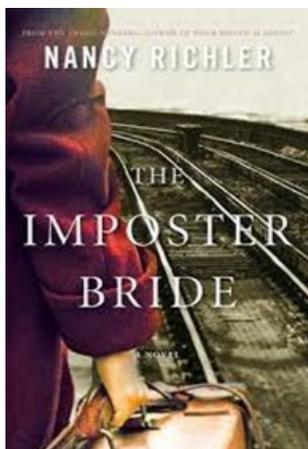


Jewish Book Club

Sponsored by Congregation Beth El



The Imposter Bride by Nancy Richler



Wondering yesterday (Jan 14th) how to write a first line about this book, I opened *The New York Times* to find an article that caught my eye: “Mommy Is Going Away For A While” by Critic-at-Large Amanda Hess. She writes about the many recent books and movies about women who leave their children, and I realized that more than a decade ago, Nancy Richler had anticipated this current theme, and that our next choice for the Beth El Book Club is completely timely. In her essay, Hess writes “There are so many ways to do motherhood wrong, or so a mother is told.... But the one thing she cannot do – the thing that is so taboo it rivals actually murdering her offspring – is leave.” And that is the heart of *The Imposter Bride*.

I am going to steal yet more from *The New York Times* and quote from Nancy Kline’s astute 2013 review of the book:

Nancy Richler’s moving third novel, “The Imposter Bride,” which opens in 1946 at a wedding in Montreal’s Jewish community. The bride, Lily Azerov, is a refugee from Poland, via Palestine. She brings with her an uncut diamond, a journal written in Yiddish and the grief of a brutally erased world...But if her sorrow is genuine, her other possessions, including the name Lily, belong to a stranger; they aren’t hers. And the world she marries into is populated by strangers too. Her husband, Nathan, is one of them, doubly so: it was his brother whom she travelled half the world to marry, sight unseen, before he took one look at her and fled from the engagement. As she herself would all too soon flee from Nathan and their infant daughter, Ruth...

Beautifully written, “The Imposter Bride” is alternately told in the third person, through Lily’s and other family members’ eyes, and the first person, through Ruth’s... Ruth’s story then becomes an intermittent quest to find out why her mother left, and who and where the strange and broken woman is who sends her stones as gifts, unsigned, accompanied only by an index card that names the lake beside which each was found. Silent, lovely and impenetrable, the stones express both Lily’s absence and her presence. They recall the stones Jews leave on the graves of loved ones.

Written by a Canadian Jewish author and set in the milieu of Jewish Montreal, it is the engaging next book for our readers. It is a mystery as well as a family story, so give yourself this month to read it. I’ll write more about the author and the book on next month’s page.



The Book Club will meet on Zoom on March 2nd at 7:00 PM

Religious School News

"And you Shall Teach Them Diligently To Your Children"

bahm v'dee-bar-ta l'va-ne-cha v'shi-nan-tahm
וְשִׁנַּנְתֶּם לְבָנֵיכֶם, וְדַבַּרְתֶּם בָּם,

Happy New Year to all. We hope everyone has a great 2022 and had a safe break. Students were so excited to come back to Religious School virtually but are even more excited to go back to the Temple to continue class in person. We would like to thank everyone for their cooperation during this time and for logging in every Sunday morning!



Keep watching the bulletin for any updates, important dates and fun activities that we will be doing this year.



Many thanks to Breakaway Gaming for allowing us to work bingos to raise funds for the Beth El Religious School expenses

Mishpacha-Our Congregational Family Mazel Tov and Best Wishes



מזל טוב



To those celebrating anniversaries in February

To those celebrating birthdays in February

7 Cecilia and Dr. Michael McLaughlin

- 1 Joel Katz
- 8 Aviva Schnayer
- 15 Seth Katz
- 18 Morgan Miller
- 22 Jim Cohen
- 22 David Shanbaum
- 25 Stephen Ellis
- 27 Emelia Brynn Polsky



Good Health Wishes -
Refu'ah Sheleimah
A complete healing to:



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| Dorothy Buckhalter | Hannah Levin | Nina Zlotnik | Tony Lee |
| Valerie Horner | Mildred Silver | Morton Kaplan | Cindy Jeris |
| Jackie Farrell | Rona Paquette | Rabbi Jeffrey Ableser | Avigail Sarah Bat Devorah |
| Louise Ziff | Miriam Schnayer | Tamara Fishman | Marilyn Guss |
| Rita Karp | Avraham Labe | Martin Gene | Jennifer Karmona |
| Richard McGuinty | Marla Rivard | Lindsay Martin | John Farrell |
| Trudy Oistacher | Kathy Selby | George Hensz | Bonnie Levine |
| Sally Goldhar | Stu Selby | Noah Levy | |

מִי שְׁבֵרַךְ אֲבוֹתֵינוּ
מִקּוֹר הַבְּרָכָה לְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ.

May the Source of Strength,
Who blessed the ones before us,
Help us find the courage
to make our lives a blessing,
And let us say: Amen.

Thank you to all our members who contribute to our many funds. A gift of \$18 to the Temple is a very meaningful way to congratulate a friend or family member on happy occasions or to express get wells or condolences. Please remember Beth El with your donations. All donations are eligible for a tax receipt. If you wish to have your birthday or a family member's birthday or your anniversary listed in the bulletin, please contact the Beth El office at 519-969-2422.. To ensure that you receive your bulletin, please call us if you have a change of address or if you wish to receive your bulletin by e-mail.

Yahrzeits

February 2022



May their memories always be for a blessing

זייל Zichronam L'vracha - We remember

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| 1 | Rhona Lazar | 6 | Sylvia Garber | 18 | Sara Rotman |
| 1 | Saul Burak | 6 | Esther Barat | 18 | Irwin Silver |
| 1 | Galina Sionov | 6 | Jack Arber | 19 | Lillian Anderson |
| 1 | Aron Fink | 6 | Charles Cohen | 19 | Sam F. Cohen |
| 1 | Rose Chelsky | 7 | Sam Warsh | 20 | Kate (Kay) Haron |
| 2 | Robert Fenwick | 7 | Irwin Rogers | 20 | Seymour Brodsky |
| 2 | Sylvia Coppel | 7 | Maurice Berg | 20 | Louis Lutvak |
| 2 | Samuel Mock | 7 | Bessie Lederman | 20 | Jack Novominsky |
| 2 | John Kalbol | 8 | Ann Greene | 21 | Barrie (Robert) Weingarden |
| 2 | William Glazer | 9 | Nathan Brown | 23 | Jack Shuster |
| 2 | Morris Egber | 9 | Dvorah Schlossberg | 23 | Freda Tabachnick |
| 2 | Roseanne Agree | 9 | William Kaiman | 24 | Dorothy Weingarden |
| 2 | Isaac Blechman | 10 | Rose Appel | 24 | Abner Weingarden |
| 2 | Cecil Hoffman | 10 | Robert Tucker | 24 | George Agree |
| 2 | Wolfie Blacher | 10 | Samuel Taub | 24 | Shirley Shanbon |
| 2 | Mikhail Fedyuk | 11 | Syrel Greene | 26 | Ethel Hoffman |
| 3 | Rhona Weinberg Nudds | 12 | Sylvia Finestone | 26 | Dorothy Krever |
| 3 | Annabelle Hochberg | 12 | Sol Steinbruck | 26 | Gail Rosenblum |
| 3 | Yacov Lobatch | 12 | Eva Kutchai | 26 | Roseanne Agree |
| 4 | Charles Shumer | 13 | Joseph Lutvak | 27 | Joanne Brodsky |
| 4 | Pearl Redburd | 13 | Robert Brown | 27 | Jane Freed |
| 4 | Reisa Perlman | 13 | Morley Bodnoff | 27 | Joseph M. Cohen |
| 5 | Joanne Morrison | 14 | Allen Kaplan | 27 | Emerson Cole |
| 5 | Sally Farkus | 15 | Dorothy Atin | 28 | Jenny Bass |
| 5 | Mona Horlick | 15 | Jeanette Lutvak | 28 | Harry Rosenthal |
| | | 17 | | 28 | Ben Kline |
| | | 18 | | 28 | Rae Hankin Shklov |
| | | | | 28 | Robert Krever |

Our Congregation mourns and condolences are extended to:

Carolyn Barat and Family and David Barat on the loss of their beloved mother, mother-in-law and grandmother, Nancy Barat.

Jeremy Berger and their family on the loss of their beloved mother, grandmother and great grandmother, Magda Berger.



המקום ינחם אתכם
בתוך שאר אבלי
ציון וירושלים

Contributions

February 2022



Thank you to those who have given generously to Congregation Beth El this month. Gifts are a wonderful way to celebrate a birthday, an anniversary, the arrival of a child, or to remember the life of someone who has passed away. Your donations to these Temple funds are greatly appreciated.

The Nancy, Arthur & Brian Barat Memorial Fund – Formerly the Arthur & Brian Barat Memorial Fund

In honour of Kyle Wipp by: Stu Selby.

In memory of Nancy Barat beloved mother, mother-in-law & grandmother (Carolyn Desch & family and/or David Barat), by: Ellen Mossny; Norma Fink & Salomon Smeer; Jerry Alexis; Nancy Kaufman; Fred & Marcey Katzman; Lanny Joffe & Stephen Kurtz; Harriett Whiteman; Brenda & Philip Cohen; Shelley, Joel, Ezra & Seth Greene; Art & Madie Weingarde; Ruth & Jeff Berger; Sara & Al Kellerman, Cheryl Kellerman Silverstein, Jay Kellerman & family; Jerry & Frances Goldberg; Paula Taub; Audrey & Daniel Bondy; Barbara & Bernie Lyons; Jackie Putterman; Dr. Stuart Selby; Janet Rosenbaum; Elaine & Carl Cohen; Michael & Beth Kupsov; Betty & Burton Pazner; Reuben & Aviva Schnayer; Nels Katzman; Sandi & Michael Malowitz; Nita, Allan, Annie & Ari Cohen; Mary Ann Hamelin; Shelah & Albert Saltzman.

In appreciation to Allan Cohen by: Lisa Brown.

Bimah Fund

In memory of Bob Cherniak, beloved brother & brother-in-law of Ellen & Herb Brudner by: Nels Katzman.

Building Maintenance Fund

In memory of Leonard Braitman, beloved husband of Charlotte Braitman by: Audrey Bondy.

Honouring Richie Kamen & Kate Dutka on the birth of their son Solomon by: Audrey & Dan Bondy.

Aron Fink Endowment Fund

In memory of Leonard Braitman, beloved husband of Charlotte Braitman by: Norma Fink & Salomon Smeer.

Jane & Sam Freed Memorial Fund

In memory of Leonard Braitman, beloved husband of Charlotte Braitman by: Jerry Alexis.

In memory of Allen Simon, beloved husband of Cynthia Simon by: Jerry Alexis.

Friendship Circle Fund

Honouring Nels Katzman by: Stu Selby.

Honouring Mendy Dalfen by: Stu Selby.

In memory of Patrick Leathorn, beloved husband of Rosemary Selby by: Stu Selby.

In memory of Joseph Smeer, beloved brother & brother-in-law of Salomon Smeer & Norma Fink by: Brenda & Philip Cohen.

In memory of Irving Gruneir, beloved father of Dr. Richard Gruneir by: Brenda & Philip Cohen.

To Stu Selby by: Baila & Mitchell Dietrich.

Maurice & Esther Goldstein Endowment Fund

Honouring Rosemary Selby by: Stu Selby.

Larry Kaiman Memorial Fund

In memory of Nancy Barat, beloved mother of Carolyn Desch & David Barat by: Enid & Fred Schatz & Steven.

In memory of Nancy Barat, beloved mother of David Barat by: Steven Kupsov, Julie Kupsov.

Aaron & Fran Katzman Endowment Fund

In memory of beloved grandmother Ida Katzman by: Myra Katz-Brachfeld & sons.

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Rabbi Dr. Jonathan V. Plaut Memorial Fund

In memory of beloved brother Erwin Kovinsky by: Anna Levin.

Religious School Fund

In memory of Leonard Braitman, beloved husband of Charlotte Braitman by: Donna & David Abraham.

In memory of John, beloved husband of Dr. Colleen McMullin by: Aviva & Reuben Schnayer & family.

In memory of Joseph Smeer, beloved brother of Salomon Smeer by: Rochelle & Bill Tepperman.

In memory of Nancy Barat, beloved mother of Carolyn Desch & David Barat by: Rochelle & Bill Tepperman.

Honouring Richie Kamen & Kate Dutka on the birth of their son Solomon by: Stuart Selby.

Cantor Sidney Resnick Memorial Music Fund

In memory of Arthur Rashbaum, beloved father of Victoria Rashbaum Horowitz by: Stu Selby.

In memory of Magda Berger by: Ellen Mossny.

Social Action Committee Fund

Honouring Sylvia Wipp by: Stu Selby.

Harold Taub Scholastic Memorial Fund

Honouring Sam & Mary Zaltz on their 50th wedding anniversary by: Paula Taub.

In memory of Joseph Smeer, beloved brother & brother-in-law of Salomon Smeer & Norma Fink by: Paula Taub.

In memory of Ahuva Malamet, beloved mother of Ruth Hart by: Paula Taub.

weekly TORAH



"It is a tree of life to all who grasp it, and whoever holds on to it is happy; its ways are ways of pleasantness, and all its paths are peace."
(Proverbs 3:17-18)

T'rumah תְּרוּמָה Gifts Exodus 25:1-27:19 February 5, 2022

God asks the Children of Israel to donate gifts (t'rumah) for the building of the Tabernacle so that God may "dwell among them." (25:1-9)

Instructions for the construction of the Ark, table, and menorah are provided. (25:10-40)

Detailed directions are given on how to build the Tabernacle. (26:1-27:19)



T'tzaveh תְּצַוֶּה [You] Shall Further Instruct Exodus 27:20-30:10 February 12, 2022

The children of Israel are commanded to bring pure olive oil for the ner tamid "a constantly burning light," above the sanctuary. (27:20-21)

Aaron and his sons, Nadab, Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar, are chosen to serve as priests. (28:1)

God instructs Moses to make special clothes for the priests. (28:2-43)

Aaron and his sons are ordained in a seven-day ceremony (29:1-29:46)

Aaron is commanded to burn incense on an acacia altar every morning and evening. (30:1-10)

Ki Tisa כִּי תִסָּא When You Take a Census Exodus 30:11-34:25 February 19, 2022

Moses takes a census of the Israelites and collects a half-shekel from each person (30:11-16)

God tells Moses to construct a water basin and to prepare anointing oil and incense for the ordination of the priests. Bezalel and Oholiab, skilled artisans, are assigned to make objects for the priests and the Tabernacle. (30:17-31:11)

The Israelites are instructed to keep Shabbat as a sign of their covenant with God. God gives Moses the two tablets of the Pact. (31:12-18)

The Israelites ask Aaron to build them a Golden Calf. Moses implores God not to destroy the people and then breaks the two tablets of the Pact on which the Ten Commandments are written when he sees the idol. God punishes the Israelites by means of a plague. (32:1-35)

Moses goes up the mountain with a blank set of tablets for another 40 days so that God will again inscribe the Ten Commandments. Other laws, including the edict to observe the Pilgrimage Festivals, are also revealed. (34:1-28)

Moses comes down from the mountain with a radiant face. (34:29-35)



Vayak'heil וַיַּקְהֵל [Moses] Assembled Exodus 35:1-38:20 February 26, 2022

Moses teaches the rules of Shabbat. (35:1-3)

Moses asks the Israelites for a donation of gifts and those who are skilled help build the Mishkan [Tabernacle] under the direction of Bezalel and Oholiab. (35:4-38:20)

Events and Announcements For Your Information

RABBINIC SERVICES- Congregation Beth El is pleased to be working with Rabbi Debra Dressler of Temple Israel, London; Rabbi Emeritus Jeffrey Ableser and Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett for the 5782 year. Please call the office at 519-969-2422 if you wish to contact any of the above.

SIMCHAS- Please notify the office by the 15th of each month, if you wish to have a special event in your life (simchas, life-cycle events, etc.) published in your bulletin.

STONE DEDICATIONS & UNVEILINGS- A Rabbi will be available to perform Unveilings and Stone Dedications. Please contact the Beth El office to make arrangements. We kindly request that you advise the office of any Unveiling dates to be announced in the Beth El bulletin (please advise us if you wish the unveiling to be private and unpublished). The office will contact the Cemetery Caretaker to make the necessary preparations at the Cemetery before the unveiling.

SPECIAL NOTICE- When scheduling a simcha, a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Wedding, or Kiddush, please schedule your date first with the Rabbi, and then, after talking with the Rabbi, please confirm arrangements with the Beth El office. When holding such events please advise the office of catering details, deliveries, set-up of tables, number of guests expected, etc. so that we may avoid any misunderstandings and your event will be a pleasant one for all. Thank you for your consideration.

SUPPORTING CONGREGATION BETH EL- A donation to Beth El is a wonderful way to congratulate friends and family on simchas, as well as a thoughtful and meaningful way to extend condolences. A contribution card will be mailed to the recipient (minimum donation \$18). You can phone the office at 969-2422 or the office can take your requests for donations on-line (or any other request, such as names to be included on our Mi Sheberach list, yahrzeits to be read, reservations for events) through our email address: bethelwindsor@cogeco.net.

NOTICE- We would like to recognize the achievements of all our members, from our youngest children to our seniors. Whatever your achievement, we would like to send a hearty mazal tov to you in the Bulletin so everyone will know of your efforts! If you have a simcha, please call and provide us with details! Thank you for your cooperation.

BAR/BAT MITZVAH- Please call the office for further details.

CANNABIS POLICY- As our Members will be aware, the recreational use of Cannabis has been legalized by the Provincial Government as of October 17th, 2018. The Board of Directors considered the impact of this new legislation at their Board Meeting convened October 16th, 2018. At that time, the Board agreed that not only would the recreational use of Cannabis on Beth El property not be in keeping with the family values that Beth El aspires to, but the recreational use of Cannabis in public places is still prohibited, despite the new legislation. The Board accordingly unanimously agreed to prohibit the use of Cannabis on Beth El property, at all times. The Board asks that Members and their guests respect this decision and adhere to it fully.

CEMETERY NOTICE

The Beth El Cemetery is open:

April - November M-F 8:00 am – 6:00 pm
SUN 9:00am – 4:00 pm
December - March M-F 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
SUN 9:00 am – 6:00 pm



Closed Shabbat and Jewish Holidays.

The gate is kept shut, with the chain and lock wrapped around to keep it closed – although the lock may not actually be locked. This is to prevent vandalism in our cemetery. If you have a problem getting in, there is a sign posted on the Shaar Cemetery fence with a phone number that may be called.

LET US KNOW WHO IS IN THE HOSPITAL

Due to privacy laws; we are only advised if someone is ill or in the hospital if family or friends call and let us know. If a member is struggling and needs a visit or other help, please call the office at 519-969-2422, or after hours or an emergency contact Sarah at 519-991-3471.

There are members of our community who will visit the sick, but we need access to the information.

Bikkur Cholim or “Visiting the sick, is a very important Jewish value. In addition to the calls and visits to your ill family and friends, you can help to perform this mitzvah too.

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WJCC Reopening Policy

As part of our reopening, and with the support of our Board, we will be adhering to all provincial health regulations, including indoor mask-wearing. Above and beyond provincial regulations, we announce the following new requirement:

- In an effort to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19 and its variants, as of November 1st, 2021, proof of double-vaccination will be required to be shown at the front desk for any member, visitor, or guest (ages 12+) to access the WJCC premises.
- Proof of double-vaccination is the receipt or other documentation (app-based, digital photo, or hard copy) indicating the date of your second vaccine dose. An individual is considered fully vaccinated 14 days from that date. Proof of your vaccination can be downloaded from the Ontario Ministry of Health.

Please enter the building using the front door on Ouellette Avenue, where at the front desk you will be asked to write down your name, time of entry and contact number.

If you have previously shown your proof of vaccination at the front desk, you will be verified as fully vaccinated in our system and will not be required to show proof of vaccination in the future. If you need assistance entering the building or cannot enter through the front door, please call the WJCC at 519-973-1772.

If you need to make a payment, but are unable or unwilling to enter the building, please call the WJCC at 519-973-1772, and a staff member will meet you outside. For any further questions, please contact Michelle Turnbull at michelle@jewishwindsor.org.

Discovering Climate Solutions

JNF'S ANNUAL TU BI'SHEVAT CAMPAIGN

The Climate Solutions Prize, an initiative powered by JNF, will galvanize universities, scientists, engineers, and research institutions to develop the best solutions to address climate change. We will develop a multimillion-dollar fund and invest \$1 million per year in the most promising ideas from across Israel.

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The 19th Ruth and Bernard Friedman Windsor Jewish Film Festival



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Enjoy the films and
Become a 2022 sponsor!
Dates and details to be announced

Federation Budget & Finance Committee Looking for Additional Members

The Windsor Jewish Federation consists of four sub-agencies: Windsor Jewish Community Centre, I.L. Peretz House Senior Citizen Corporation, Windsor Jewish Communal Projects, and United Jewish Appeal. It is the job of the Budget & Finance Committee to review the quarterly financial statements and year-end audited statements of the Federation, prior to their presentation to the Board for its approval. The Budget & Finance Committee also makes recommendations to the Board with respect to budgeting and financial planning.

Candidates should have some financial background with an understanding of financial statements and budgeting. The committee usually meets 3-5 times a year either, in-person or virtually.

If you are interested in joining the Budget & Finance Committee, please contact Executive Director Dan Brotman at dan@jewishwindsor.org or its current chair, Mark Morrison at markmorrison5185@gmail.com.

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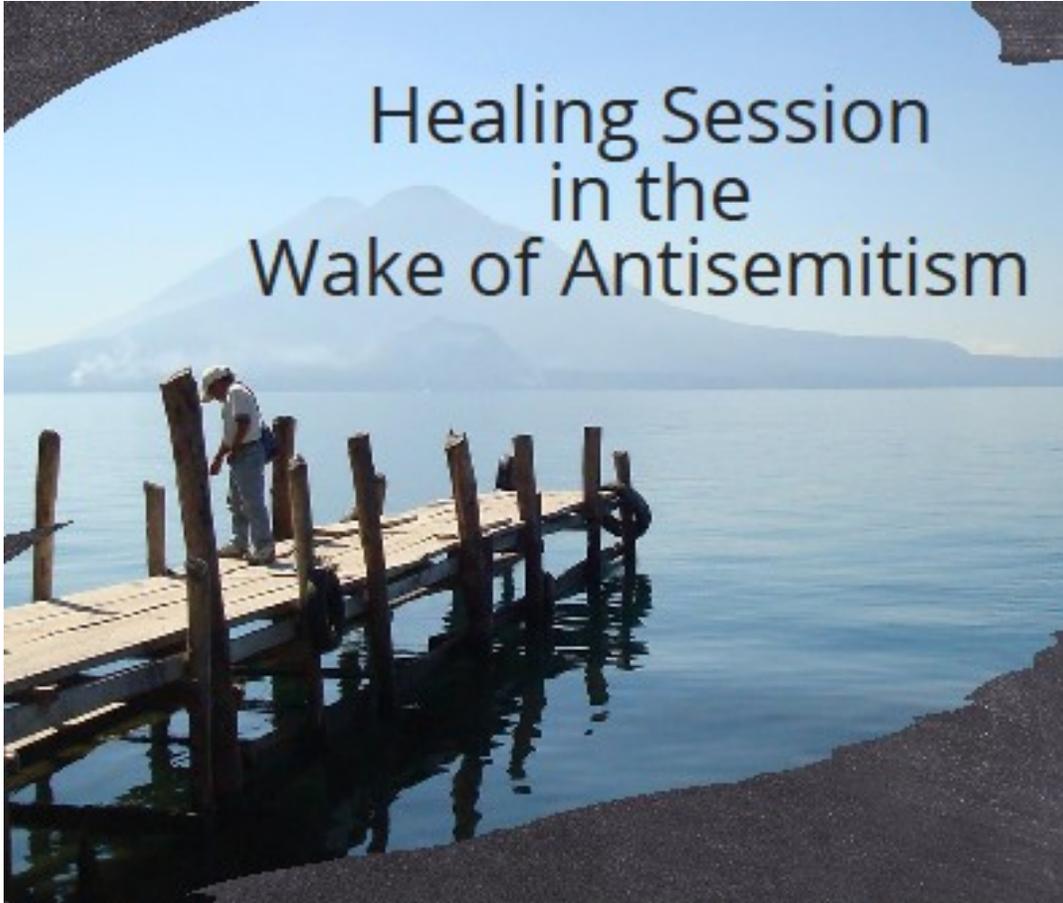
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Healing Session in the Wake of Antisemitism



February 9th, 7-8:30 pm EST

RUACH INVITES YOU TO A **FREE** SUPPORT
GROUP TO PROCESS YOUR REACTIONS TO
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Please contact [RUACH](#) by February 6th for a brief
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Tree of Life

Inscribe your family "Simchas" on our synagogue's Tree of Life. An inscription is a permanent dedication to the happy meaningful events that touch our lives. Leaf inscriptions are \$150.00 and stone inscriptions are \$1000.00 Please call the Beth El office to order

Golden Book

The Golden Book in the Beth El lobby may be inscribed for Simchas for any occasion for a donation of \$36.00.

Memorial Plaques

To honour your loved ones who have passed away, a memorial plaque shows a genuine sign of religious feeling. It bears the individual's name with the Hebrew and secular dates of death. A contribution of \$450.00 to the Temple secures this memorial inscription. Please call the Beth El office 519-969-2422 to order.

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