

Congregation Beth El

"A Reform Congregation with a warm approach to tradition" Celebrating 60 years 1960-2020



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שבט - אדר אי תשפ"ב

Congregational Happenings March 2022



Friday, March 4

7:00 pm

Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett

will lead Shabbat Services

with Tracey Atin and Michael Ricketts

Live from the Sanctuary and on ZOOM.

Happy Purim





Celebrate Shabbat March 2022 28 Adar I - 28 Adar II



Join us for Shabbat Evening Services and Torah Study Shabbat Celebration 7:00 pm Friday night unless otherwise noted. Held by ZOOM and possibly in person - decision will be made weekly and published in weekly eblast.

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 March.

Shabbat Services

Candle Lighting Times		
March 4	6:07 pm	
March 11	6:16 pm	
March 18	7:24 pm	
March 25	7:32 pm	



Friday, March 4 Led by Ashley Barrett with Tracey Atin & Michael Ricketts Zoom & on the Beth El Bima 7:00 pm Friday, March 11 Lay-led Friday, March 18 Shushan Purim

Lay-led

Friday, March 25

Lay-led



And God blessed the seventh day and called it holy. Genesis 2:3 <u>Tanakh Study</u>

Saturday, March 5

P'kudei פְּקוּדֵי Saturday, March 12 Vayikra עיקרָא Saturday, March 19 Tzav צו Saturday, March 26



The Rabbi's Corner By Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett





There is no message from Ashley this month. She apologizes and has been extremely busy finishing her Rabbinic thesis before her ordination. Her message will return in April.

ReformJudaism.org

Women's History Month: An Opportunity to Reflect, Show Gratitude, and Fight for Gender Equity



Women's History Month, an annual March observance, is an opportunity to highlight powerful women who fight against injustice and to reflect on the political, cultural, and socioeconomic achievements of women worldwide.

Visit the Reform Judaism.org website

for more information

So we now live in a city that has been the focus of, well the world, for a week! I have a person in my life from the U.S., Windsor and my originating from here, has suddenly become a hot topic! I am now a "person of interest".

So here we are, Freedom Convoy free, and staring at March, and Spring 2022. For us in the Jewish Community that means Purim! Starting Wednesday, we will be partnering with the Shaar, reaching out with Mishloach Manos baskets, to members of our community, with affiliations at either congregation, as well as people that are not affiliated. Thank you to Cheryl Gold for bringing us together on this.

I am also hearing some mention of a Passover Seder in the works. Pesach starts this year on Friday, April 15th, a second night Seder on the 16th, is in discussion!

A Seder, in literal terms means "order". As we all know, there is a specific ritual in regards to the service, foods eaten and purpose, retelling of the story of our exodus from Egypt.

This year, 2022 we hope will be our modern day exodus from the most critical part of the pandemic. With cautious optimism, our planning of a Seder – may celebrate/ signal a season of renewal, of joining together.

You will be hearing more about it soon.

So something fun? YES, please ! Just announced, the Fisher Theatre in Detroit (remember Detroit), has announced a series of spectacular plays coming this year, including Hamilton and Tony Award winning Jagged Little Pill, among others !

I can see lunch and a play happening in our community ! Let's plan.

Happy Purim!

Your Friendship Circle.



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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.



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.





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 <u>bethelwindsor@cogeco.net</u> or 519-969-2422



Congregational Happenings March 2022

Mazel Tov



Assumption University Marks 165th Anniversary February 10, 2022

Today, Assumption University celebrates 165 years of higher education in Windsor-Essex. On February 10, 1857, Assumption College opened its doors and welcomed its first cohort of students. Since that time, we have continued with our mission.

To mark this anniversary, Assumption University will celebrate a special liturgy via livestream at Our Lady of the Assumption Church on June 18, 2022 at 1:00 PM. The service will be presided over by the Most Reverend Ronald Peter Fabbro, CSB, Bishop of London and Chancellor of Assumption University.

At this service, three distinguished individuals will be recognized.

Ms. Patricia France, President of St. Clair College will receive a Doctor of Laws honoris causa for outstanding contributions to higher education in Windsor-Essex.

Dr. George McMahon Sr. will posthumously receive the 165th Anniversary Jubilee Medal in recognition of a half-a-century of unwavering support of and service to Assumption University. Mrs. Dorothy McMahon will accept the medal on behalf of her late husband.

Dr. Carl Cohen, Q.C. will receive the Fr. Eugene Carlisle LeBel, CSB Award for outstanding service rendered to Assumption University and the community.

The ceremony will be livestream with the link to be forwarded shortly.

Contact: John

Time to Regather Again

We are pleased to invite all Beth El members who are fully vaccinated against Covid-19 to join us for inperson 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 <u>bethelwindsor@cogeco.net</u> or phone 519-969-2422.

SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY APRIL 16, 2022



PASSOVER

2ND NIGHT SEDER

If Covid allows us

This year we are planning to have a second night Passover Seder

Led by Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett

More details will be available in weekly Eblast and April Bulletin



Congregational Happenings March 2022

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



Mazel Tov



To Sam & Aberdeen Katzman on the birth of their son Abraham.



To Ronna Warsh & Morrie Kleinplatz on the birth of their grandson Abraham.



Mazel Tov and thank you to Andrew Tepperman and Tepperman's Furniture for their donation of furniture and appliances to the Solcz Family Foundation Respite Home.



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 March 15 by Zoom

Office Closures in March

Thursday March 3

and will only be open

10:00 am to 12 noon on

Tuesday, March 1, Wednesday, March 2 and Friday, March 5th.

ReformJudaism.org Jewish Life in Your Life Purim

Purim is a joyous holiday that affirms and celebrates Jewish survival and continuity throughout history.

March-16-17, 2022

PURIM'S ORIGINS

With celebrations including costumes, skits and songs, noisemakers, and gifts of food, Purim is definitely full of fun! Purim is a joyous holiday that affirms and celebrates Jewish survival and continuity throughout history. The main communal celebration involves a public reading—usually in the synagogue—of the Book of Esther (M'gillat Esther), which tells the story of the holiday: Under the rule of King Ahashverosh, Haman, the king's adviser, plots to exterminate all of the Jews of Persia. His plan is foiled by Queen Esther and her cousin Mordechai, who ultimately save the Jews of Persia from destruction. The reading of the m'gillah typically is a rowdy affair, punctuated by booing and noise-making when Haman's name is read aloud.

Purim is an unusual holiday in many respects. First, Esther is the only biblical book in which God is not mentioned. Second, Purim, like Hanukkah, is viewed as a minor festival according to Jewish custom, but has been elevated to a major holiday as a result of the Jewish historical experience. Over the centuries, Haman has come to symbolize every anti-Semite in every land where Jews were oppressed. The significance of Purim lies not so much in how it began, but in what it has become: a thankful and joyous affirmation of Jewish survival.

THE STORY

The story of Purim is found in the Book of Esther, one of the books in the Ketuvim section of the Bible. It is set in the land of Persia (current day Iran) at the time when Ahashverosh (Ahasuerus) was king. King Ahashverosh held a banquet in the capital city of Shushan and ordered his queen, Vashti, to come and dance before his guests. She refused to appear and lost her royal position.

Acting on advice from his counselors, Ahashverosh had women from all over the kingdom brought to him, so he could choose a new queen. Esther, a young Jewish woman from Shushan, was chosen. However, following the advice of her cousin, Mordechai (who raised her after her parents died), Esther did not reveal her Jewish origins to the king.

Mordechai often sat near the gate of the king's palace. One day he overheard two men, Bigthan and Teresh, plotting to kill the king. Mordechai reported what he had heard to Esther. She then reported the information to the king. The matter was investigated and found to be true, and Bigthan and Teresh were put to death. Mordechai's deed was recorded in the king's diary.

Meanwhile, the king's evil adviser, Haman, paraded through the streets, demanding that all bow down to him. Because Jews do not bow to anyone but God, Mordechai refused to bow down to Haman. Upon learning that Mordechai was Jewish, Haman decided to kill all the Jews in the Persian empire. He plotted to kill them—convincing King Ahashverosh to go along with the plan—and cast purim ("lots," plural of pur), a kind of lottery, to determine the day on which he would carry out his evil deed: the 13th of Adar.

However, Mordechai alerted Esther to Haman's evil plot, and Esther, in turn, revealed her Jewish identity to the king, convincing him to save the Jews and foiling Haman's plot. The Jews were allowed to fight back against the king's soldiers, and triumphed after a fierce battle. Haman was hanged, Mordechai received his estates and the position of royal vizier (adviser), and the Jews of Persia celebrated their narrow escape on the 14th of Adar, the day after they were supposed to be annihilated.

Thus, the fate Haman had planned for the Jews became his own. The holiday of Purim celebrates the bravery of Esther and Mordechai and the deliverance of the Jewish people from Haman's decree of death.

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WHEN WE CELEBRATE

Although Purim is celebrated in most places on the 14th of Adar, in Jerusalem, it is celebrated on the 15th. M'gillat Esther explains, "on the thirteenth day of the twelfth month—that is the month of Adar—when the king's command and decree were to be executed, the very day on which the enemies of the Jews intended to have rule over them, the opposite happened, and the Jews prevailed over their adversaries." The Jews fought and won on the 13th of Adar and celebrated the following day. However, M'gillat Esther continues by explaining that the Jews did not defeat their enemies until the 14th of Adar in the walled city of Shushan. Therefore, cities that were enclosed during the time of Joshua do not celebrate until the 15th of Adar, which has been appropriately named Shushan Purim. Because of the significance of Jerusalem, Purim is celebrated there on Shushan Purim.



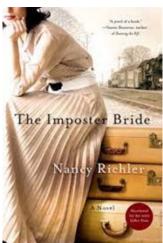
The Imposter Bride by Nancy Richler



If you haven't already read this month's selection, it may be too late to read it now but not too late to join us on zoom for discussion of this remarkable story. If you are looking for a new author to look into, Nancy Richler is definitely worth a look. And if you're wondering, yes, she is a cousin to Mordecai Richler but was a very different kind of person. Sadly, she died of cancer four years ago at age 60, but left behind three highly celebrated novels, the most recent of which, The Imposter Bride, is our current selection. Her earlier novels also made significant impacts upon the Canadian and international literary scenes. Richler's first book, Throwaway Angels, focuses on the women who went missing in Vancouver's Downtown East side. The tragedy of "Vancouver's missing women" is now well known, but it didn't become widely recognized as a serious problem until several years after Richler's book was published. Richler gave voice to a number of

otherwise underrepresented, if not outright silenced, individuals and social issues in Canada. Richler's second book, Your Mouth is Lovely, is a historical novel set in Russia between 1890 and 1912. It summons up the lost world of the Russian shtetls around the Pripet marshes in Ukraine, and shows how those communities were first changed and then annihilated by the events that led, ultimately, to the Russian Revolution. At the centre of Richler's tale is Miriam Lev, who ends up at nineteen in Siberia, having shot an officer of the Tsar at point-blank range. Miriam's tale is told here as a letter to her own daughter, whom she hasn't seen since she gave birth to her in prison.

Richler writes from family experience as well as serious academic study. She started her academic career with a BA in history from Brandeis University, followed by a MSW and later an MA in International Studies from the University of Denver. Her Social Work degree led to her work in Vancouver and her first novel and her studies in Russian history and her own family background to her second and third novels. She returned to Montreal to care for her aging parents, but was able to commute for a year as Writer-in-Residence at the University of Ottawa. Her obituary begins: "In matters of the spirit, Nancy Richler had two homes. Her deepest roots grew in the soil of Orthodox Judaism and the post-war Jewish community of Montreal where she grew up and where her mother and many family and friends continue to live. Her wider roots were spread in the West, in Vancouver where she lived with her partner Vicki Trerise for the past 30 years until her death at the age of 60 on January 18, 2018. Nancy was buried in Montreal." I look forward to reading her earlier novels in the future.



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

"And you Shall Teach Them Diligently To Your Children"

Religious School News

bahm v'dee-bar-ta ועש-ne-cha v'shi-nan-tahm וְשָׁנַּנְתָּם לְבָנָיךָ, וְדִבַּרְתָּ בָּם,



The last few weeks have been full of changes for the Religious School! We would like to welcome Gabriella Gadol as the new Administrator. Gabriella had previously worked as the teacher for the grade 2/3 class. Additionally, we would also like to welcome Kylie Pazner as the new teacher for the grade 5/6/7 class, and Marley Pazner, who will be teaching the grade 2/3 class. We wish Gabriella, Kylie, and Marley much success in their new roles, and we are all excited to continue to provide the children with a fun and enriching Jewish learning experience!





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 Toy and Best Wishes





To those celebrating birthdays in March

- 3 **Barbara** Lewis
- 4 Joan Shuter
- 4 Benjamin Tepperman
- 5 Dr. Sharon Horlick
- 9 Francine Botton
- 9 Barrie Rubin
- 11 Andrea Silverman
- 11 Maximus Davis
- 12 Melissa Polsky
- 16 Austin Teshuba
- 17 Marc S. Katzman
- 18 Judy Ableser
- 19 Lyudmila Sionov
- 22 Whitney Shanfield
- 23 Miriam Gifford
- 23 Charles Rosen
- 23 Adam Sionov
- 23 Al Teshuba
- 23 Audrey Bondy
- 24 Lisa Ann Katzman
- 27 Norma Fink
- 27 **Burton Pazner**
- 27 **Ronald Polsky**
- 28 James Atin-Godden
- Irina Davis 28



To those celebrating anniversaries in March

30 Lesley Rubin & Asaf Klein

Good Health Wishes -

Refu'ah Sheleimah

A complete healing to:



Valerie Horner **Jackie Farrell** Louise Ziff Rita Karp **Richard McGuinty Trudy Oistacher** Sally Goldhar

Dorothy Buckhalter Hannah Levin Mildred Silver Rona Paquette Miriam Schnayer Avraham Labe Marla Rivard Kathy Selby Stu Selby

Nina Zlotnik Morton Kaplan Rabbi leffrey Ableser Tamara Fishman Martin Gene Lindsay Martin George Hensz Noah Levy

Tony Lee Cindy Jeris Avigail Sarah Bat Devorah Marilyn Guss Jennifer Karmona John Farrell **Bonnie Levine Burton Pazner**

מִי שֶׁבֵּרַדְ אֵבוֹתֵנוּ מְקוֹר הַבְּרָכָה לָאִמוֹתֵנוּ.

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 March 2022



May their memories always be for a blessing

Zichronam L'vracha - We remember

1	Charlotte Appel	6
1	Dr. Jack Gorov	6
1	Geraldine Morton	7
1	Rachel Magder	7
2	Alice Brown Presser	7
2	William Silver	9
2	Mildred Shuster	12
2	William Sapperstein	12
3	Nathan Tepperman	13
3	Judy Eskin	14
3	Nan Rosenberg	
4	Jack Novominsky	15
4	Bessie Joffe	15
5	Marshall Lefcourt	15
5	Alex Gril	16

6	Eva Pollock
6	Elsie Ableser
7	Zelda Stotland
7	Joseph Lev
7	Elka Zhelner
9	Elaine Greenstein
12	Esther Giller
12	Rachel Mondschein
13	Esther Goran
14	Robert Brown
15	Alfred Brown
15	Freda Tabachnick
15	Isaac Indig

6 Elrick C. Shumer

16	Sara	Nicole	Cohen
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- 17 Rubin Shklov
- 18 Sam Winograd
- 19 Bruce Fortier
- 19 Gerald Verk
- 20 Aaron Shabsove
- 23 Johanne Holzel Bennett
- 23 Rachel Jacquart
- 24 Sam Freed
- 24 Louis Shanbon
- 26 Louis Tabachnick
- 26 Tema Goldberg
- 27 Arthur Weingarden
- 30 Beverly Alexis
- 31 Alexander Brown

יתנדל ויתקדש שמה רבא. אמן בעלמא די ברא ברעותה וימליה סלכותה, ויצמח פורקנה ויקרב משיתה, אמן בתיכון וביומיכון ובתיי דכל בית ישראל, בענלא ובזמן קריב ואמרי אמן: יהא שמה רבא מכרך לעלם ולעלמי עלמיא. יתברה, וישתבח, ויתפאר, ויתרומם, ויתנשא, ויתהדר, ויתעלה, ויתרגלל, שמה דקודשא בריך רגא. אמן לעילא מן כל ברכתא ושירתא, תשבתתא ונתסתא, ראמירן בעלמא, ואמרי אמן: על ישראל ועל רבנן, ועל תלמידיהון ועל כליתלמידי תלמידידון, ועל כל מאן דעסקין באוריתא. דיכאתרא קרין ורי ככל אתר ואתרי כל מאן דעסקין באוריתא. דיכאתרא קרין ורי ככל אתר ואתרי והא להון ולכון שלמי רבע תניה ויתסדא ותסדה ותייקאריכין יהא להון ולכון שלמי רבים אבורון דכשמים ותייקאריכין ומוונארויתא ופרקנא מן קדם אבורון דכשמית ואמרי אמן: אמן: ישראל ואמרו אמן: ישראל ואמרו אמן:



Shaar Hashomayim Cemetery.

Everyone welcome.

Contributions March 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.

Nancy, Arthur & Brian Barat Memorial Fund

In memory of beloved Nancy Barat, beloved mother of Carolyn Desch by: Jill & Mark Eisenberg & family; Lawrence Pazner; Karen & Charles Rosen; Harvey Kessler & Marcia Weinberg; Karen & Jeff Moness.

Building Maintenance Fund

In memory of Pasquale Minotti, beloved grandfather of Dr. John Cappucci by: Karen & Charles Rosen.

Friendship Circle Fund

Honouring Lesley Rubin & Asaf Klein on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Charlie by: Brenda & Philip Cohen. Honouring Maureen & Barrie Rubin on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Charlie by: Brenda & Philip Cohen.

Religious School Fund

In memory of Magda Berger by: The Lesansky Family.

Honouring Maureen & Barrie Rubin on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Charlie by: Bill & Rochelle Tepperman.

Honouring Asaf Klein & Lesley Rubin on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Charlie by: Bill & Rochelle Tepperman.

In memory of Masha, beloved niece of Josh Berkovitz by: Reuben & Aviva Schnayer.

In memory of Leonard Braitman, beloved husband of Charlotte Braitman by: Barrie & Maureen Rubin.

Honouring Dr. Bernie Lyons on his retirement by: Barrie & Maureen Rubin.

In memory of Bob Cherniak, beloved brother & brother-in-law of Ellen & Herb Brudner by: Barrie & Maureen Rubin.

Cantor Sidney Resnick Memorial Music Fund

Honouring Ashley Barrett on her engagement to Jon Keilholtz by: Lanny Joffe & Stephen Kurtz.

Harold Taub Scholastic Memorial Fund

In memory of beloved brother of Jacqui Rosenblum by: Paula Taub.



"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 it paths are peace." (Proverbs 3:17-18)

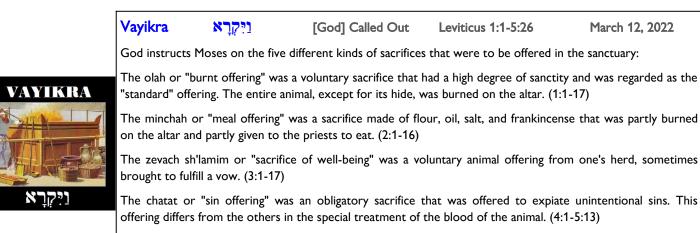
P'kudei בקודי [The] Records [of the Tabernacle] Exodus 38:21-40:38 March 5, 2022

A statistical summary of the materials used for the Tabernacle and an account of producing the priestly vestments are recorded. Moses blesses the Israelites for the work they did. (38:21-39:42)

Upon God's instruction, Moses sets up the Mishkan and the priests are anointed and consecrated. (40:1-33)

A description is given of a cloud that covers the Mishkan by day and a fire that burns by night, indicating God's Presence therein. (40:33-38)





The asham or "penalty offering" was an obligatory sacrifice of a ram that was required chiefly of one who had misappropriated property. (5:1-26)

March 19, 2022

Tzav 12 Command [Aaron and His Sons] Leviticus 6:1-8:36

The five sacrifices that the priests are to perform are described. (6:1-7:38)

Limitations on the consumption of meat are delineated. (7:17-27)

Details about the ordination of Aaron and his sons as priests and the preparation of the Tabernacle as a holy place are given. (8:1-36)





Sh'mini שְׁמִינְי The Eighth [Day] Leviticus 9:1-11:47 March 26, 2022

Aaron and his sons follow Moses' instructions and offer sacrifices so that God will forgive the people. (9:1-24)

Two of Aaron's sons, Nadab and Abihu, offer "alien fire" to God. God punishes these two priests by killing them immediately. (10:1-3)

God forbids Moses, Aaron, and his surviving sons from mourning but commands the rest of the people to do so. Priests are told not to drink alcohol before entering the sacred Tabernacle and are further instructed about making sacrifices. (10:4-20)

Laws are given to distinguish between pure and impure animals, birds, fish, and insects. (11:1-47)

Events and Announcements

For Your Information

<u>RABBINIC SERVICES</u>- 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.

<u>SPECIAL NOTICE</u>- 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.

<u>SUPPORTING CONGREGATION BETH EL</u>- 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.

<u>NOTICE</u>- 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.

Community Events March 2022



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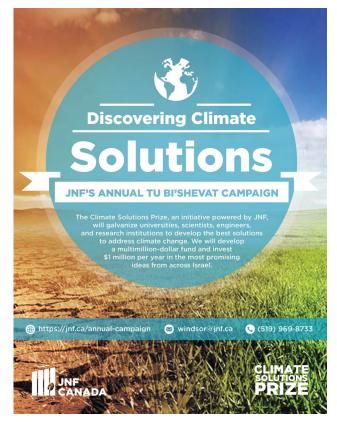
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WJCC Reopening Policy

In line with the province's three-step plan to gradually lift COVID-19 restrictions, the Windsor JCC's drop-in hours are changing as of Monday February 14th, 2022. The WJCC building will now be open to the public for drop-in visits from 9am-12pm on Mondays and Wednesdays. All WJCC staff will still be available by phone or e-mail throughout the week during regular business hours. Guests will be permitted to enter the building outside of these times if arranged in advance with a staff member or Jamie McCurdy. We will also be opening the building for in-person committee meetings and events. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Michelle Turnbull at michelle@jewishwindsor.org.



Community Events March 2022





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The 19th Ruth and Bernard Friedman Windsor Jewish Film Festival



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



The Windsor JCC is now open following provincial guidelines. Please go to www.jewishwindsor.org for programming information, hours of operation and the events calendar. Exciting new programs are under development and will be announced when ready. Welcome Back!

Federation Budget & Finance

Committee Looking for

Additional Members

The Windsor Jewish Federation consists of four subagencies: 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 c h a i r , M a r k M o r r i s o n a t markmorrison5185@gmail.com.



THE DETROIT JEWISH NEWS





Boston-born Dan Brotman just passed the one-year mark as executive director of the Windsor Jewish Federation and Community Center. Canada is Dan's third immigration, having lived most of his adult life in Israel and South Africa. Windsor's Jewish population of 1,200 has significantly diminished over the years, and one of Dan's main goals in his role is to leverage Canada's pro-immigration policies to attract new Jewish arrivals to the city.

In partnership with the Jewish Federations of Hamilton and London, Ontario, Dan is overseeing the launch of Welcome Home, a campaign to attract new Jewish families to these three communities in southern Ontario. He has also built a coalition of local partners that has been lobbying the federal government for Windsor to participate in a pilot immigration program targeting smaller Canadian cities.

Dan is active in both the Windsor and Detroit Jewish communities and represents Windsor on the Achdut Council for Young Adults. He is an active participant at Partners Detroit, The Well and Limmud Michigan, as well as a contributor to the Detroit Jewish News. He aims to better integrate the Windsor Jewish community with vibrant Jewish communities across the river. Under his leadership, the Windsor Federation and JCC has partnered on various events with Jewish organizations in Detroit and Ann Arbor.

Prior to relocating to Windsor, Dan owned a corporate education travel company in South Africa. He is an amateur travel writer and continues to visit some of the world's most unique and unusual destinations.



THIS IS ONE PARTY YOU DO NOT WANT TO MISS!!! OUR ANNUAL COMMUNITY PURIM PARTY. THE THEME FOR THIS YEAR: PURIM IN THE 60'S





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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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