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# Congregation Beth El

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## Congregation 2nd Night Community Pesach Seder

April 16, 2022 6:00 pm

Hybrid with Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett in Windsor  
and Rabbi Debra Dressler in London (ZOOM)

Please RSVP no later than Tuesday, April 12

Dinner of chicken soup, gefilte fish, roast chicken,  
side dishes and dessert

\$25.00 per adult, advance registration only \* child meals on request



## Friday, April 29

Sermon in Song in honour of

Yom HaShoah

Live from the sanctuary and on Zoom

With Tracey Atin singing a program of Yiddish Songs

Led by Rabbi Jeff Ableser, Temple Beth El Flint

Rabbi Debra Dressler, Temple Israel London

and Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett

7:30 pm

With Tracey Atin and Michael Ricketts





# Celebrate Shabbat

## April 2022

### 29 Adar II - 29 Nisan



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=OGxzMkp2WW1DM2tGS6hUL3BucWErUT09>



Meeting ID: 899 8994 2300 Passcode: 470532

We are starting to hold some services in person as well as on ZOOM.

Please read your weekly eblast for the latest information.

#### Candle Lighting Times

April 1	7:39 pm
April 8	7:47 pm
April 15	7:55 pm
April 22	8:03 pm
April 29	8:11 pm

#### Shabbat Services

Friday, April 1

*Lay-led by Zoom only*

Friday, April 8

*Lay-led by Zoom only*

Friday, April 15

**NO SERVICE FIRST NIGHT PASSOVER**

Friday, April 22

*Combined Yizkor & Shabbat Service*

*Lay-led with*

*Tracey Atin & Michael Ricketts*

*In person and on ZOOM*

Friday, April 29

7:30 pm

*Rabbi Emeritus Jeffrey Ableser, Rabbi  
Debra Dressler & Ashley Barrett*

*with Tracey Atin performing a*

*Yiddish Sermon in Song*

*In Person and on ZOOM*

#### Tanakh Study

Saturday, April 2

Tazria **תזריע**

Saturday, April 9

M'tzora **מצרע**

Saturday, April 16

First Day of Passover

**יום ראשון של פסח**

Saturday, April 23

Acharei Mot I

**I אחרי מות I**

Saturday, April 30

Acharei Mot II

**II אחרי מות II**

You are invited to join Rabbi Debra Dressler and Temple Israel London on Saturday mornings at 10:00 am

April 2, 9, 23 and 30 by ZOOM

Study April 16 TENTATIVE



And God blessed the seventh day and called it holy.

Genesis 2:3

# The Rabbi's Corner

## By Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett



I love the excitement of spring. Something about the sunshine and the crisp air makes me feel a deep sense of anticipation for what's next. Passover is always entwined with spring and feelings of joy.

Later this month Jews around the world will gather together around a table and tell the story of our Exodus from Egypt. We are instructed by our sages to clean all the chametz from our homes. Some take this

literally to mean they must throw out (or donate) all of their unwanted chametz, while others simply leave it sitting in a cupboard during the festival. As we prepare for Passover this year how are each of us dealing with the chametz in our lives? How are we casting out the physical and metaphorical unwanted things as we move into the coming month and the coming season? How can we find joy and newness in this process of removing unnecessary things from our lives?

I leave you to reflect on these questions. Below are the words of Alden Solovy, Reform Liturgist, his words offer a prayer for spring.

For Spring by Alden Solovy

Shimmering, radiant air

Alive with new warmth.

Sunshine waking the earth,

Calling the grasses to grow,

Bulbs to prepare flowers.

Winds clear the last remnants of seasons past,

Old leaves and dry branches

Making way for new life.

And the rain joins the sun to feed the land.

Bless this day, G-d of seasons.

Bless the Spring with energy and hope.

Be present with us as we celebrate the glory of creation

Planting the land and our lives with Your gifts,

These gardens of holiness and love.

G-d of time and space,

May this season be a blessing and a teacher.

Make me like the sunshine, a source of light.

Make me like the earth, a source of bounty, ready to give.

Bless my days with service and my nights with peace.

Make me like a garden,

A source of beauty and purpose,

Sustenance and splendor.

## Notes from the Friendship Circle

Pesach, Passover, whatever you call it, It's almost here. It is one of our holidays that reminds me of so many things. The special favourite dishes, getting married and buying my first Passover groceries. Making a first sponge cake that fell apart. It still does. This year we will be thinking about the Jews in Ukraine. So many displaced. Doors have opened, and I am sure where possible many will observe a Seder. We are strong, we are one. Our hearts will be with them. We will add a prayer for them. We will shed tears. We will pray for Shalom.

Yes, it's happening ! A second Seder is back ! It's been too long. It sounds fantastic. It's being lead by our Rabbi to be, Ashley Barrett. I can say this with great certainty, that it will be meaningful and relevant. Please attend if you can. We need to fill our social hall with the sounds of laughter, family and tradition. Plus as many verses of Dayenu that we know ! We need our family back, it's time. Please RSVP to Sarah as instructed.

Once again we will be collecting food for a food bank as our Passover Mitzvah. Please bring your items to Beth El on Sunday, April 10th. Check this bulletin for the time. In return you will be given a box of matzah. I'm thinking that the matzah you are given for doing a mitzvah, will make the best fried matzah of the holiday. See you on the tenth.

We may have an exciting program to talk about In the next bulletin. Something that will be ongoing for several months, that is just pure fun and adventure. There hasn't been much of that, these past few years.

Our Friendship Circle, is always open to new members and projects that fit with community and caring.

Happy Pesach !

See you at the Seder, Saturday April 16th.



# Congregational Happenings

## April 2022

### Welcome Back to the Sanctuary

In keeping with the provincial guidelines, the Board of Directors has approved resuming in-person activities, including Shabbat services in our building.

Our first in-person gathering will be our Community Second Seder on Saturday, April 16th at 6:00 pm. It will be a hybrid seder with our Rabbinic Intern Ashley Barrett who will be leading with Rabbi Debra Dressler by ZOOM and joined with London.

The decision to wear a mask in the building will now be left up to the individual. We ask that you be aware that some people are still a little nervous about transmission and be considerate of maintaining some social distancing. We are blessed with lots of room to spread out in!

On April 22 and April 29 services will also be led from our sanctuary and all are welcome to attend in person. If you are feeling unwell, or have had a possible exposure, please stay home and enjoy the services by ZOOM.

### 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.

### Mazel Tov



Mazel Tov to those who celebrated special birthdays in March:

Judy Ableser 65

Barbara Lewis 75

Ronald Polsky 80



# Congregational Happenings

## April 2022



Shabbat Services March 25, 2022  
Led by Lawrence Pazner and Charles Rosen  
Accompanied by Tracey Atin and Bob Godden  
Additional readings-Jackie Putterman  
D'vor Torah-Karen Rosen  
Candle Lighting-Jori Rosenberg, Kylie & Marley Pazner



# Congregational Happenings

## April 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



Our deepest thanks to the following:

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



Board of Directors  
Meeting  
7:00 pm  
April 12

# PRAY FOR PEACE



## Office Closures in April

Friday April 15

Friday April 22



# ReformJudaism.org

## Jewish Life in Your Life

### Pesach

The Jewish spring festival celebrating freedom and family as we remember the Exodus from Egypt more than 3,000 years ago

April 15-22, 2022

#### PASSOVER'S ORIGINS

Passover (Pesach in Hebrew) is a major Jewish spring festival celebrating freedom and family as we remember the Exodus from Egypt more than 3,000 years ago. The main observances of this holiday center around a special home service called the seder, which includes a festive meal, the prohibition on eating chametz, and the eating of matzah.

On the 15th day of Nisan in the Hebrew calendar, Jews gather with family and friends in the evening to read from a book called the Haggadah, meaning "telling," which contains the order of prayers, rituals, readings, and songs for the Passover seder. The Haggadah helps us retell the events of the Exodus, so that each generation may learn and remember this story that is so central to Jewish life and history.

Passover is celebrated for either seven or eight days, depending on family and communal custom. In Israel and for most Reform Jews around the world, Passover is seven days, but for many other Jews, it is eight days.

The holiday of Passover (Pesach in Hebrew) is perhaps one of the most central to Jewish life and history. More widely observed than any other holiday, Passover celebrates the biblical account of the Israelites' redemption and escape from 400 years of Egyptian slavery. Holiday rituals include a dramatic retelling of the Exodus story and many unique food traditions. We come together with friends and family to celebrate the great lessons of the story: the blessing of freedom and the reminder that since we were once slaves and were freed, it is our responsibility to work for freedom for all people, everywhere.

The word "Passover" is derived from the Hebrew word pasach, which means "passed over," referring to the 10th plague that killed the Egyptian firstborn, but miraculously "passed over" the houses of the Israelites (more on that below).

#### HISTORY OF THE CELEBRATION

The Torah commands us to observe Passover for seven days. Many Jews in North America and in Israel follow this injunction, but some outside Israel celebrate for eight days. The additional day was added to Passover and other holidays around 700-600 B.C.E. to guard against a possible error because elaborate networks of mountaintop bonfires were used to signal holidays' beginnings. Although today's dependable calendar allows us to know when holidays start and end, the eight-day celebration remains ingrained in law and practice for some Jews outside Israel.

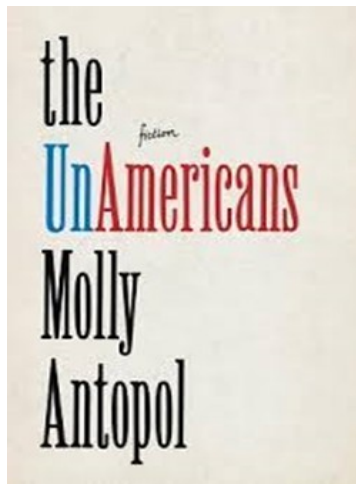
Celebrated in various ways throughout history, Passover incorporates remnants of ancient spring harvest festivals. When the Temple existed, the holiday was one of three major festivals that required pilgrimages to Jerusalem to bring sacrifices. After the destruction of the Second Temple, Passover became a more communal, home-centered holiday, with the Haggadah and the seder as we know them mostly finalized around 500-600 C.E.

# Jewish Book Club

## Sponsored by Congregation Beth El



### *The Un-Americans* by Molly Antopol



In a change from the novels and analytical books we have been reading in the recent past, our next book is a collection of eight stories spanning the entire Ashkenazi Jewish universe from New York to Belarus to Israel to Los Angeles. This is the source of the collection's title: "the characters are "un-Americans" because they are immigrants or have been accused of un-American activity or simply don't feel American." Although the stories are all about Jewish families, they also have universality. As Antopol defines it, to be "un-American" means to lack a sense of belonging and being rooted in America; the immigrant experience is being neither here nor there. Because of the depth of her character development, many of stories possess the richness of novel. Every reader will find all, or certainly most of the stories a thoroughly enjoyable experience.

In the first story, "The Old World," the narrator Howard Siegel, who owns dry cleaning stores in New York City and whose wife has left him, falls instantly for the tragically widowed Ukrainian Svetlana Gumbar, but their honeymoon in Ukraine is a disaster as they recognize the cultural abyss of their experiences. When the story was written a decade ago, who would have imagined that Ukraine would be news item number one? As we contemplate the more than a million refugees fleeing Ukraine today, this story gives us a new insight into what it must mean. In the final story, "Retrospective", the death of Eva Kaplan, a wealthy, much-celebrated art collector in Jerusalem, stirs up deep conflicts for her daughter and grandchildren. When she dies, this beloved philanthropist leaves nothing for her family in Boston, instead creating a charitable foundation in her own name. This withholding of money is painful for her daughter, Fran, who recalls how neglectful Eva was as a mother: "Always flying out to Europe, or lunching with some refugee scholar. Always - always - letting everyone know just how generous she was." Today, with news items about the "generosity" of Jewish oligarchs, pharmaceutical exploiters and Ponzi schemers, we can read it with new meaning. The six stories in between deal with a grandmother's tale of her escape from a Nazi ghetto through the sewers and her life as a partisan, a young journalist not meeting her family's career expectations, a victim of the McCarthy witch hunt and his son, young brothers on an Israeli moshav after the injury of the dominant brother, and a floundering academic who had been a hero of the Czech anti-communist resistance. A wonderful mixture.



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



# Religious School "And you Shall Teach Them Diligently To Your Children" News

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

The Religious School had a lot of fun in March. We celebrated the holiday of Purim by baking hamantaschen all together, as well as making and decorating our own noisemakers!



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 April

## To those celebrating birthdays in April

- 1 Paula Taub
- 3 Lanny Joffe
- 4 Ronald Silver
- 5 Lorna Shulman
- 9 Brian Kessler
- 12 Sarah Shklov
- 16 Courtney Rubin
- 19 Fred Katzman
- 20 Joanne Polsky
- 21 Sandi Malowitz
- 22 Dr. Reuben Schnayer
- 23 Rosalie Dalfen
- 25 Ronna Warsh
- 26 Ellana Blacher
- 27 Betty Pazner
- 27 Rachel Katzman
- 28 Jordana Plotnick

- 12 Sheldon & Bethe Jarcaig
- 14 Alex & Lyudmila Sionov



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



- |                    |                 |                       |                           |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 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             | Burton Pazner             |

**מי שְׁבַרְךָ 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

## April 2022



May their memories always be for a blessing

זייל Zichronam L'vracha - We remember

2	Dr. David Greene	16	Lev Gorelik	21	Edythe Swartz
2	Marlene Burk	16	Anita Malowitz	21	Leonard Lyons
3	Percy Katz	17	Naomi Kline	22	Manuel Burk
4	Esther Weingarden	17	Judith Greer	22	Sharon Kaplan
4	Deborah Gold	17	Jacqueline Eisenberg	23	Florence Margolin
5	Lillian Perlman-Mann	17	Morris Rotman	23	Aaron Stern
5	Tillie Cohen	17	Lillian Silver	24	Rose Horwich
5	Rose Lubar	17	Goldie Kurtz	24	Rabbi Dr. Jonathan V. Plaut
6	Saul Miller	18	Abraham Bush	25	Girard Marcotte
7	Zelda Stotland	18	David Alexander	27	Rebecca Goldstein
9	Paul Weingarden	18	Stephen Shanbon	27	William Morris
10	Tema (Thelma) Gombar	18	Bertha Applebaum	27	Ben Rochlin
10	Gregory Reimer	19	Fred Kilborn	28	Harold Gold
10	Evelyn Hoffman	19	William Payman	28	Charles Krassov
13	Abraham (Al) Katzman	20	Morley Kessler	28	Herb Pasikov
13	Beatrice (Bessie) Indig	20	Louis Flagman	28	Joseph Levine
14	Rita Muroff	20	Layne Katzman	29	Anne Schultz
15	Maurice Goldstein	20	Evelyn Hoffman	29	Sarah Cohen
15	Baba Michla Glassman	20	Ann Shklov	30	Frances Burstyn
15	Ruth Lando	21	Sarah Flagman	30	Michael Lesansky
				30	Larry Greene
				30	Charles Moglov

יתגדל ויתקדש שמה רבא. אמן בעלמא די ברא ברעותה ויסליח  
 מלכותה, ויעטח פורקנה ויקרב משיחה. אמן בחייבון ובימיבון  
 ובחיי דכל בית ישראל, בעגלא ובסון קריב ואמרו אמן: והא שמה  
 רבא מברך לעלם ולעלמי עלמאי. ותברך, וישתבח, ויתפאר, ויתרום,  
 ויתנשא, ויתהדר, ויתעלה, ויתהלל, שמה דקודשא בריך הוא. אמן לעלא  
 מן כל ברכתא ושרתא. תשבתתא ונחמתא. ראמירן בעלמא, ואמרו אמן:  
 על ישראל ועל רבנו. ועל תלמידיהון ועל בלי תלמידיהון. ועל  
 כל סאן דעסקין באוריתא. דיבאתרא קדין ורי בכל אהר נאתר.  
 והא להון ולבון שלמא רבא תנא נתקדא ונדחטין ותייראריבין  
 ומונארויחא ופרקנא מן קדם אבוהון דבשמיא ואמרו אמן:  
 והא שלמא רבא מן שמיא וחיים מביים עלינו ועל כל ישראל ואמרו  
 אמן:  
 עשה שלום (בשמיא השלום) במרומוי הוא עשה שלום עלינו ועל כל  
 ישראל ואמרו אמן:

Yizkor for Pesach

Friday April 22

Incorporated with

Shabbat Service



# Contributions

## April 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.

### Religious School Fund

Honouring Richard Kamen & Katie Dutka on the birth of their son Solomon by: Reuben & Aviva Schnayer.

Honouring Sam & Aberdeen Katzman on the birth of their son Abraham by: Reuben & Aviva Schnayer.

In memory of beloved sister Gail Rosenblum by: Fran Weinstein.



# 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)

**Tazria**

**תזריע**

Bearing Seed

Leviticus 12:1-13:59

April 2, 2022

God describes the rituals of purification for a woman after childbirth. (12:1-8)

God sets forth the methods for diagnosing and treating a variety of skin diseases, including tzara-at (a leprous affection), as well as those for purifying clothing. (13:1-59)



**M'tzora**

**מצרע**

A Leper

Leviticus 14:1-15:33

April 9, 2022

Priestly rituals to cure tzaraat (a skin condition) when it afflicts humans are described. (14:1-32)

Rituals to rid dwelling places of tzaraat are presented. (14:33-57)

The parashah denotes male impurities resulting from a penile discharge or seminal emission. (15:1-18)

The parashah concludes with accounts of female impurities caused by a discharge of blood. (15:19-33)



**Yom Rishon shel Pesach**

**יום ראשון של פסח**

First day of Passover

Exodus 12:37-42, 13:3-10

April 16, 2022

We read that a "mixed multitude" of people fled Egypt with the Israelites. With no time to wait, they took the cakes from their oven before they had time to rise. By God's mighty hand, our ancestors fled the house of bondage and were brought to "a land flowing with milk and honey." As a reminder of God's redemption, we are instructed to eat only unleavened bread during Passover. Furthermore, the text tells us to explain to our children, "It is because of what God did for me when I went free from Egypt." The Hebrew word for explain, v'higgadta, has the same root as Haggadah, the book from which we read on Passover. In doing so, each year we fulfill the sacred obligation to tell this story to our children. It is this story, more than any other that is central to Judaism. God redeemed us from slavery and we therefore know the heart of the stranger.



**Acharei Mot I**

**אחרי מות I**

After the Death [of the Two Sons of Aaron]

Leviticus 16:1-17:16

April 23, 2022

The duties that the head kohein must perform on Yom Kippur are delineated and the ceremony of the scapegoat is outlined. (16:1-28)

Moses instructs Aaron about the Yom Kippur laws for fasting and atonement. (16:29-34)

Warnings are issued against the offering of sacrifices outside the Sanctuary and the consumption of blood. (17:1-16)



**Acharei Mot II**

**אחרי מות II**

After the Death [of the Two Sons of Aaron]

Leviticus 18:1-30

April 30, 2022

Moses condemns the sexual practices of some neighboring peoples. Certain forms of sexual relations are prohibited. (18:1-30)



# 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.

# Community Events

## April 2022



# תְּבוּרָה

Save the date, attend the event and support your community



**Windsor**  
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## The 19th Ruth and Bernard Friedman Windsor Jewish Film Festival



The Windsor JCC is now open following provincial guidelines. Please go to [www.jewishwindsor.org](http://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!**

Enjoy the films and  
become a 2022 sponsor!

April 25-28, 2022

Odeon Theaters

Devonshire Mall

Call the WJCC 519-973-1772



## 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](mailto:dan@jewishwindsor.org) or its current chair, Mark Morrison at [markmorrison5185@gmail.com](mailto:markmorrison5185@gmail.com).

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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.

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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 \$350.00 to the Temple secures this memorial inscription. Please call the Beth El office 519-969-2422 to order.

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