



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

March 2024

Purim is right around the corner and there's lots happening. We have a Hamantashen Bake on Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> and a Megillah Reading the evening of Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, followed by Chabad of Windsor's Family Megillah Reading and Purim in Morocco on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at the WJCC Gym.

Next, Passover is coming quick; the big surprise. We now have a Social Committee and they are planning their first event, WOW. It's going to include the children, a Shabbat and FOOD. I won't steal their thunder, but stuff is happening at the SHAAR.

SAVE the DATE: The Man's Lunch #7 is planned for Thursday September 26<sup>th</sup>, so mark your calendar and start telling your friends.

Thank you,

Bill



Bill Mechanic  
President  
Congregation Shaar Hashomayim

## MEETINGS

meeting



THE NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA ZOOM ON:

**TUESDAY,  
April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**at 6:30 pm via Zoom**

## OFFICE CLOSED



The Shaar Office will be **CLOSED** on **Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024** for Good Friday.



# YOM HASHOAH 2024

Guest Speaker

**IRENE MILLER**

Holocaust survivor and author

**SUNDAY, MAY 5TH, 7PM**



NEW LOCATION

**Congregation Beth El**

2525 Mark Ave N9E 2W2

**CEMETERY SERVICE, 2PM**

**Shaar Hashomayim Cemetery**  
2650 Pillette Rd.

### Committee Representation:

Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue, Congregation Beth El, Chabad of Windsor, Windsor Jewish Federation, Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board, All Saints Anglican Church, Assumption University, & the Greater Windsor Community.



# PURIM IN MOROCCO

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024**  
**5:00 PM- MEGILLAH READING | 5:30PM DINNER**  
 Windsor JCC, Gym  
 1641 Ouellette Avenue, Windsor

- ▶ Shining, Shimmering & Splendid Majestic Feast
- ▶ Queen Esther's Megillah Reading
- ▶ Hamantashen
- ▶ Masquerade & Prizes
- ▶ Entertainment
- ▶ Crafts for the Kids

**FUN FOR ALL AGES**  
**Advanced Reservations:**  
 \$25 adult /child FREE (2-12)  
**ROYAL SPONSORS: \$180/\$360/\$540**

To register  
[Windsorchabad.com](http://Windsorchabad.com)

### EVENTS / HOLIDAYS

▪ Kids Hamantash Bake at the Shaar	Sun Mar 17, 2024 at 4:00 pm
▪ Megillah Reading at the Shaar	Sat Mar 23, 2024 at 8:45 pm
▪ Purim Annual Community Party at the WJCC Gym	Sun Mar 24, 2024 at 5:00 pm
▪ First Seder	Mon Apr 22, 2024
▪ 1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Passover	Tues Apr 23, 2024
▪ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Day of Passover	Wed Apr 24, 2024
▪ 7 <sup>th</sup> Day of Passover	Mon Apr 29, 2024
▪ 8 <sup>th</sup> Day of Passover (Yizkor)	Tues Apr 30, 2024
▪ Yom HaShoah Program at Congregation Beth El	Sun May 5, 2024 at 7:00 pm
▪ Mother's Day	Sun May 12, 2024
▪ Yom HaZikaron	Mon May 13, 2024
▪ Yom Ha'atzmaut	Tues May 14, 2024
▪ Victoria Day	Mon May 20, 2024
▪ Community Lag BaOmer BBQ Picnic -WJCC Parkette	Sun May 26, 2024 at 4:00 pm
▪ Yom Yerushalayim	Wed June 5, 2024
▪ Shavuot	Wed June 12, 2024
▪ Yizkor Shavuot	Thurs June 13, 2024
▪ Father's Day	Sun June 16, 2024

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES



Cantor David Neumark	Friday	March	1
Bryan Howard	Tuesday	March	5
Barbara Cheifetz	Wednesday	March	6
Ruth Waltman	Monday	March	11
Al Teshuba	Saturday	March	23
Donna Abraham	Saturday	April	6
Dr. Herbert Miller	Saturday	April	6
David Lazarus	Sunday	April	14
Adrienne Blumberg	Sunday	April	14
Micah Mechanic	Monday	April	15
Jessica Adler	Friday	April	19
Max Zalev	Monday	April	22
Jonathan Bruneau	Tuesday	April	23
Shirley Horwitz	Thursday	April	25

### PRAYER FOR THE SICK



During the Torah reading, prayers are offered for those seeking recovery from illness (*misheberach*). The congregants tell the *Gabbai* the sick person's name and mother's name, preferably in Hebrew, i.e., Rivka bat Sara.

An interesting item to note: Prayers for the sick reference the sick person's mother's name and prayers for someone who is receiving an *aliyah* reference the person's name. According to Jewish law, a father's name is like a surname, used only for the purpose of identification. A mother, however, is associated with life and the soul. To request a prayer, please visit: <http://www.shaarwindsor.org/request-a-prayer>

If you or anyone you know requires a Misheberach, please call the Shaar Office at 519-256-3123 before 12:00 pm on Friday and let us know the Hebrew name and mother's Hebrew name.

### CONDOLENCES

Condolences to Tal Levy and family on the passing of beloved wife and mother, **Marlene Gold (AH)**. The funeral service was held on Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Rachel Kaplan Chapel. Interment followed at the Congregation Beth El Cemetery. Rabbi Jeffrey Ableser and Hazzan Devorah Fick officiated.

Condolences to Hyman Klein and family on the passing of beloved wife, stepmother and grandmother, **Renita (Romisher) Klein (AH)**. The graveside funeral service was held on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Congregation Beth El Cemetery. Rabbi Sholom Galperin officiated.

Condolences to Carole Gumprich and Terry Peretz and families on the passing of beloved husband and brother, **Allen Sheldon Gumprich (AH)**. The funeral service was held on Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at Or Shalom Synagogue, London, ON., followed by interment at Or Shalom Cemetery.

May their memories be for a blessing.

**PRE-PLAN YOUR FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS  
- FOR PEACE OF MIND -**

Addressing one's mortality can be sobering. Pre-planning provides a way to move beyond anxiety, towards clear, thoughtful decision making. It makes sense for families to have a plan in place.

Call the **Windsor Jewish Funeral Services** phone number at **519-564-6788** and one of our Funeral Directors can answer all of your questions, such as:

- What type of service, location
- Picking your plot location
- Who you want as pall bearers
- Who you would like to deliver the eulogy
- Halachic Guidelines
- Prices
- Special requests

Your wishes will be recorded, saved and kept confidential.

Pre-planning a funeral is one of the most important things you will do and feel good once it's done.

Make the call today.

**THE CEMETERY GATES ARE OPEN:**

**APRIL - NOVEMBER** M-F 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
SUN 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**DECEMBER - MARCH** BY APPOINTMENT ONLY  
PLEASE CALL THE NUMBERS BELOW

**CLOSED ON SATURDAY AND JEWISH HOLIDAYS**

**NO PETS ALLOWED**

**THE WINDSOR JEWISH COMMUNITY FUNERAL SERVICES  
PHONE NUMBER IS**

**519-566-8039 or 519-564-6788**

**UNVEILINGS & FUNERALS**

Dear Community Members:

We kindly request you to advise the Shaar office of any Funeral and Unveiling date. The Shaar office will attempt to announce the unveiling in advance if so desired. If an unveiling is private, please inform the Shaar office in order that we may advise the Shaar Cemetery caretaker to make the necessary preparations at the cemetery. Phone: 519-256-3123 • Fax: 519-256-3124 • E-mail: shaar@mnsi.net

**FUNERAL SERVICE PHONE #**

The phone number for the Windsor Jewish Community Funeral Services is  
**519-564-6788**

**MORNING MINYAN AT THE SHAAAR**

To request a morning minyan for the observance of yahrzeit, or for the mourners' Kaddish to be said in memory of a loved one, please contact the Shaar office at 519-256-3123 or [shaar@mnsi.net](mailto:shaar@mnsi.net)

**Tax Planning-Planned Giving  
Plan now to save taxes later.**

Let's consider David, who owns \$100,000.00 of bank stock which he bought decades ago at \$40,000.00. He also had \$250,000.00 remaining in his RRIF. Without any planning, his tax bill for the year of death would be approximately \$15,000 of capital gains tax on the bank stock and up to \$134,000 of tax on the RRIF, depending on his other income in the year of death.

If David decides to leave the \$100,000 bank stock to a charity in his will, he will save the \$15,000 in capital gains tax upon death, and get a donation receipt for \$100,000 which can save him approximately \$50,000 in tax when applied against the tax owing on the RRIF.

The Charity gets \$100,000.00 and the estate has saved \$65,000.00 in tax. As with any tax-planned giving, be sure to consult with your tax advisor and lawyer to ensure these strategies make sense in the context of your entire estate plan.

**CHABAD OF WINDSOR**  
**FAMILY**  
**HAMANTASH**  
**BAKE**

**SUNDAY • MARCH 17TH**  
**4:00PM**

**AT THE SHAAAR HASHOMAYIM SYNAGOGUE**  
**115 GILES, BLVD. EAST**  
**WINDSOR**

**MIX, ROLL, FILL, SHAPE AND BAKE YOUR VERY OWN HAMANTASHEN & LEARN ALL ABOUT THE STORY OF PURIM!**  
**ENJOY A PIZZA DINNER.**

**\$10 PER BAKER**  
**\$25 MAX PER FAMILY PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED**  
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## BINGOS



Congregation Shaar Hashomayim is a proud member of the Paradise Charitable Gaming Centre Association.

Bingos are held at Paradise Bingo, 2340 Dougall Avenue. If you or any of your friends are bingo players, please be sure to use this venue as your preferred location.

**Thank you**, to the following Bingo Volunteers who have worked the Bingos during the month of **February 2024**:

- Nir Frenkel
- Tamir Frenkel
- Heather Rudover

If you would like to volunteer for a couple hours, please call the Shaar office at 519-256-3123 or email [shaar@mnsi.net](mailto:shaar@mnsi.net)

## LIFE & LEGACY PROGRAM



How will you assure Jewish tomorrow's, Windsor? By leaving a legacy today.

Contact your Shaar team for more information at 519-256-3123 or email [shaar@mnsi.net](mailto:shaar@mnsi.net) with your name and phone number and the Shaar team will get in touch with you.

## KIDDUSH SPONSORS



A Kiddush was held on Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

In memory of beloved father, **Adam Friedland (AH)**. Sponsored by The Blumberg and Warsh Families.



Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
In memory of beloved parents, **Lillian and Adam Friedland (AH)**. Sponsored by The Blumberg and Warsh Families.



Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024  
**Recognizing the efforts of all the bingo workers.** Sponsored by the Congregation Shaar Hashomayim Board of Directors.



Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
In honour of **Donna Abraham's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday**. Sponsored by Mark, Kelly-Lynn, Sarina, Maxwell and Lilah Abraham. Please RSVP to the Shaar Office at 519-256-3123 or email [shaar@mnsi.net](mailto:shaar@mnsi.net)



Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (2<sup>nd</sup> Day of Passover)  
In memory of Jerry's mother, **Ruth Goldberg (AH)** and Frances' father, **Percy Oretsky (AH)**. Sponsored by Frances & Jerry Goldberg.

## SUNDAY MORNING MINYAN BREAKFAST



A Breakfast was held on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

In memory of beloved husband and brother, **Allen Gumprich (AH)**. Sponsored by Carole Gumprich and Terry Peretz.

## CONDOLENCE CARDS



"MAY G-D COMFORT YOU AMONG OTHER MOURNERS OF ZION AND JERUSALEM"

**To: The Family of Adria Aronovitz (AH)**

In memory of beloved wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, **Adria Aronovitz (AH)**

By: Brenda Kovinsky & Family (The Kovinsky Family Fund)

**To: Susan & Robert Solomon**

In memory of beloved mother and mother-in-law, **Esther Lott (AH)**.

By: Stephen & Marsha Kamen

**To: Ann & Jack Blaine & Family**

In memory of beloved sister and sister-in-law, **Mary-Lou Clarke**.

By: Dave & Donna Abraham & Family



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<p><b>FEBRUARY</b> S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29</p>	<p><b>APRIL</b> S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30</p>				<p><b>1</b> 21 adar I </p> <p>Candles 6:05 pm</p>	<p><b>2</b> 22 adar I </p> <p>Service 9:00 am</p> <p>Havdalah 7:06 pm</p> <p><i>Ki Tisa</i></p>
<p><b>3</b> 23 adar I</p> <p>Service 8:30 am</p> <p>Hebrew School</p>	<p><b>4</b> 24 adar I</p>	<p><b>5</b> 25 adar I</p>	<p><b>6</b> 26 adar I</p>	<p><b>7</b> 27 adar I</p>	<p><b>8</b> 28 adar I </p> <p>Candles 6:13 pm</p>	<p><b>9</b> 29 adar I </p> <p>Service 9:00 am</p> <p>Havdalah 7:14 pm</p> <p><i>Vayakhel</i> <b>SHABBAT SHEKALIM</b></p>
<p><b>10</b> 30 adar I</p> <p><u>Daylight Saving Time Starts -</u> Turn clocks forward 1 hour</p> <p>Service 8:30 am</p> <p>No School - March Break</p> <p><b>ROSH CHODESH</b></p>	<p><b>11</b> 1 adar II</p> <p><b>ROSH CHODESH</b></p>	<p><b>12</b> 2 adar II</p>	<p><b>13</b> 3 adar II</p>	<p><b>14</b> 4 adar II</p>	<p><b>15</b> 5 adar II </p> <p>Candles 6:28 pm or 7:21 pm</p>	<p><b>16</b> 6 adar II </p> <p>Service 9:00 am</p> <p>Havdalah 8:22 pm</p> <p><i>Pekude</i></p>
<p><b>17</b> 7 adar II</p> <p>Service 8:30 am</p> <p>Hebrew School</p> <p>Kids Hamantaschen</p> <p>Bake 4:00 pm - Shaar</p>	<p><b>18</b> 8 adar II</p>	<p><b>19</b> 9 adar II</p>	<p><b>20</b> 10 adar II</p>	<p><b>21</b> 11 adar II</p> <p><b>FAST OF ESTHER</b></p>	<p><b>22</b> 12 adar II </p> <p>Candles 6:34 pm or 7:29 pm</p>	<p><b>23</b> 13 adar II </p> <p>Service 9:00 am</p> <p>Havdalah 8:30 pm</p> <p>Megillah Reading 8:45 pm-Shaar</p> <p><i>Vayikra</i> <b>SHABBAT ZACHOR</b> <b>MEGILLAH READING</b></p>
<p><b>24</b> 14 adar II</p> <p>Service 8:30 am</p> <p>Hebrew School</p> <p>Purim Annual Community Party 5 pm</p> <p>WJCC Gym</p> <p><b>PURIM</b></p>	<p><b>25</b> 15 adar II</p>	<p><b>26</b> 16 adar II</p>	<p><b>27</b> 17 adar II</p>	<p><b>28</b> 18 adar II</p>	<p><b>29</b> 19 adar II </p> <p><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b></p> <p>Candles 6:40 pm or 7:37 pm</p> <p><b>GOOD FRIDAY</b></p>	<p><b>30</b> 20 adar II </p> <p>Service 9:00 am</p> <p>Havdalah 8:39 pm</p> <p><i>Tzav</i> <b>SHABBAT PARAH</b></p>
<p><b>31</b> 21 adar II</p> <p>Service 8:30 am</p> <p>Hebrew School</p> <p><b>EASTER</b></p>	<p><b>SHUSHAN PURIM</b></p>					

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 22 adar II	2 23 adar II	3 24 adar II	4 25 adar II	5 26 adar II	6 27 adar II
					Candles 6:46 pm or 7:45 pm	Service 9:00 am Havdalah 8:47 pm <i>Shemini</i> <b>SHABBAT HACHODESH</b>
7 28 adar II Service 8:30 am  Hebrew School	8 29 adar II	9 1 nisan	10 2 nisan	11 3 nisan	12 4 nisan	13 5 nisan
		<b>ROSH CHODESH</b>			Candles 6:52 pm or 7:53 pm	Service 9:00 am Havdalah 8:56 pm <i>Tazria</i>
14 6 nisan Service 8:30 am  Hebrew School	15 7 nisan	16 8 nisan	17 9 nisan	18 10 nisan	19 11 nisan	20 12 nisan
		Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 pm			Candles 6:58 pm or 8:01 pm	Service 9:00 am Havdalah 9:04 pm <i>Metzora</i> <b>SHABBAT HAGADOL</b>
21 13 nisan Service 8:30 am  No School	22 14 nisan	23 15 nisan	24 16 nisan	25 17 nisan	26 18 nisan	27 19 nisan
<b>SEARCH FOR CHAMETZ</b>	Eat Chametz until 11:12 am Candles 8:04 pm <b>FIRST SEDER</b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> Service 9:00 am Candles 9:08 pm <b>PASSOVER</b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> Service 9:00 am Havdalah 9:10 pm <b>PASSOVER</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE DAY</b> <b>PASSOVER</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE DAY</b> <b>PASSOVER</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE DAY</b> <b>PASSOVER</b>
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