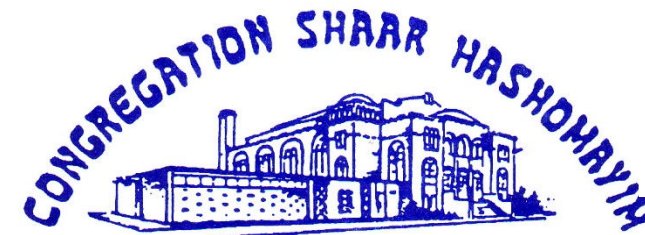


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THE FOLLOWING YAHRZEITS ARE BEING OBSERVED THIS WEEK:**

MARCH / 2024 – ADAR II / 5784		BOARD/ROW	
23	13		
24	14	Phillip Muroff	Pinchas ben Menachem Mendle (Adar II) 8-2
25	15		
26	16	Jan Sztajnberg	Yonah ben Meir Abah (Adar II)
		Harry Kander	Hershl ben Menachem Mendel (Adar II)
27	17	Hershel Salem	(Adar II)
28	18	Albert Gordner	Yitzchak bn Shlomo (Adar II) 7-2
29	19		

**MAY THEIR NAMES AND MEMORIES REMAIN FOR A BLESSING AS THE
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SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024	13 ADAR II 5784
Vayikra – Shabbat Zachor	
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**TORAH PORTION: Vayikra PAGE 410
(And G-d Called)**

The Book of Vayikra (Leviticus), (The third book of the Torah) also known as Torat Kohanim – the Laws of the Priests, deals largely with the korbanot (offerings) brought in the Mishkan (Tent of Meeting). The first group of offerings is called korban olah, a burnt offering. The animal is brought to the Mishkan's entrance. For cattle, the one bringing the offering sets his hands on the animal. Afterwards it is slaughtered and the kohen sprinkles its blood on the altar. The animal is skinned and cut into pieces. The pieces are arranged, washed and burned on the altar. A similar process is described involving burnt offerings of other animals and birds. The various meal offerings are described. Part of the meal offering is burned on the altar, and the remaining part eaten by the kohanim. Mixing leaven or honey into the offerings is prohibited. The peace offering, part of which is burnt on the altar and part is eaten, can be either from cattle, sheep or goats. The Torah prohibits eating blood or chelev (certain fats in animals). The offerings that atone for inadvertent sins committed by the Kohen Gadol, by the entire community - by the prince and by the average citizen, are detailed. Laws of the guilt-offering, which atones for certain verbal transgressions and for transgressing laws of ritual purity, are listed. The meal offering for those who cannot afford the normal guilt offering, the offering to atone for misusing sanctified property, laws of the "questionable guilt" offering, and offerings for dishonesty are detailed.

Shabbat Zachor / זכור שבת
Shabbat Zachor ("Sabbath [of] remembrance זכור שבת) is the Shabbat immediately preceding Purim. Deuteronomy 25:17-19, describing the attack by Amalek, is recounted. There is a tradition from the Talmud that Haman, the antagonist of the Purim story, was descended from Amalek. The portion that is read includes a commandment to remember the attack by Amalek, and therefore at this public reading both men and women make a special effort to hear the reading. The special Zachor haftorah (I Samuel 15:2-34) discusses G-d's command to King Saul to destroy the people of Amalek.

WEEKLY SERVICES

DAY	DATE	MORNING & EVENING	
FRIDAY	MAR 22		Candles 6:34 pm or 7:29 pm
SATURDAY	MAR 23	9:00 A.M. 8:45 P.M.	Havdalah 8:30 pm / Megillah Reading 8:45 pm
SUNDAY	MAR 24	8:00 A.M.	Purim / Breakfast to follow morning minyan

GOOD HEALTH WISHES: A SPEEDY RECOVERY



REFUAH SHLAIMAH: to all those who are not well at this time.

Please notify the office of any congregant and/or family member who is ill or hospitalized. Your call will ensure that our clergy can follow up with calls and special prayers.

CONDOLENCES



Condolences to Suzanne and Hilly Guttman and family on the passing of beloved father, father-in-law and grandfather, Irving Shuter (AH). The funeral service was held on Friday, March 22nd, 2024 at the Rachel Kaplan Chapel. Interment followed at the Shaar Hashomayim Cemetery. Rabbi Sholom Galperin officiated. May his memory be for a blessing.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES



Happy Birthday Wishes to Al Teshuba on Saturday, March 23rd.

LOOKING FOR SHOMERS (MEN & WOMEN)



According to Jewish tradition, the deceased should not be left unattended. A shomer (watch person), stays with the deceased from the time of death until the funeral and burial. Shomers work in shifts with other shomers. Usually, we can accommodate what times you can work. Shomers are compensated for their time. Shomers are not involved with preparing the body for burial. Please consider this mitzvah. Call the Shaar Office at 519-256-3123 or email shaar@mnsi.net and our funeral director will call you back with a further explanation.

MEGILLAH READING



Join us for an evening service and **Megillah Reading** in the **Shaar Sanctuary**, followed by Hamantashen and refreshments in the Social Hall **THIS Saturday, March 23rd, 2024 at 8:45 pm**. All are welcome. Free of charge.

MATZAH FUND



Please send your Matzah Fund donation as soon as possible, so that the needy families can receive their packages before the Pesach Seder on Monday, April 22nd, 2024. Please make your cheque payable to **Congregation Shaar Hashomayim** and in the **memo section, please write Matzah Fund**. Your contribution is income tax deductible. E-transfer donations are also accepted, by sending to shaar@mnsi.net

Purim is a Jewish holiday that commemorates the saving of the Jewish people from Haman, who was planning to kill all the Jews. This took place in the ancient Persian Empire. The story is recorded in the Biblical Book of Esther. According to the Book of Esther, Haman, royal vizier to King Achashverosh, planned to kill all the Jews in the empire, but his plans were foiled by Mordecai and his cousin and adopted daughter Esther, who had risen to become Queen of Persia. The day of deliverance became a day of feasting and rejoicing.

Based on the conclusions of the Scroll of Esther (Esther 9:22): "[...] that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, and of sending portions one to another, and gifts to the poor," Purim is celebrated among Jews by:

- Exchanging reciprocal gifts of food and drink known as mishloach manot
- Donating charity to the poor known as mattanot la-evyonim [7]
- Eating a celebratory meal known as a se'udat Purim
- Public recitation ("reading of the megillah") of the Scroll of Esther
- Reciting additions, known as Al HaNissim, to the daily prayers and the grace after meals

Other customs include drinking wine or any other alcoholic beverage, wearing of masks and costumes and public celebration.

KIDDUSH



The Congregation is invited to the Charles Zalev Social Hall for Kiddush following the service. The Kiddush this Shabbat is sponsored by the Congregation Shaar Hashomayim Board of Directors, recognizing the efforts of all the bingo workers.



On Saturday, April 6th, 2024, the Kiddush is sponsored by Mark, Kelly-Lynn, Sarina, Maxwell and Lilah Abraham, in honour of Donna Abraham's 70th Birthday. Please RSVP to the Shaar Office at 519-256-3123 or email shaar@mnsi.net

To sponsor a Kiddush, please call the Shaar Office at 519-256-3123 or email shaar@mnsi.net

SUNDAY MORNING MINYAN & BREAKFAST



There will be a Sunday Morning Minyan this Sunday at 8:00 am. Breakfast will follow the service and is sponsored by Suzanne and Hilly Guttman, in memory of beloved father, father-in-law and grandfather, Irving Shuter (AH).

To sponsor a Sunday Breakfast, please call the Shaar Office at 519-256-3123 or email shaar@mnsi.net

JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF TORONTO



Please consider joining the Jewish Genealogical Society of Toronto. We offer programs available by Zoom on a monthly basis, resources and mentoring to individuals who wish to explore their roots. Membership is only \$40 a year and is tax deductible. For information, contact Windsor member and JGS Toronto secretary, Ken Golish, kgolish@jgstoronto.ca or check out our website, www.jgstoronto.ca



Joke...

Moshe looked very unhappy and pitifully sad. When the Rabbi asked him what was wrong, Moish responded "Rabbi, I'm 35 years old and I want to get married. Every time I bring a girl home, my mother doesn't like her. What can I do?"

The Rabbi thought for a while and said "find a girl the looks like your mother, talks like your mother, acts like your mother, and dresses like your mother...maybe then your mother will like her."

Moshe thought that was a good idea. He returned to the Rabbi a few weeks later and still was pitifully sad. When the Rabbi asked what was wrong, Moshe replied "I found a girl that looks like my mother. Dresses like my mother. Even sounds like my mother". The Rabbi asked "So what's the problem?" Moshe replied "My father didn't like her!!!!"