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THE FOLLOWING YAHRZEITS ARE BEING OBSERVED THIS WEEK:**

DECEMBER / 2025 – TEVET 5786

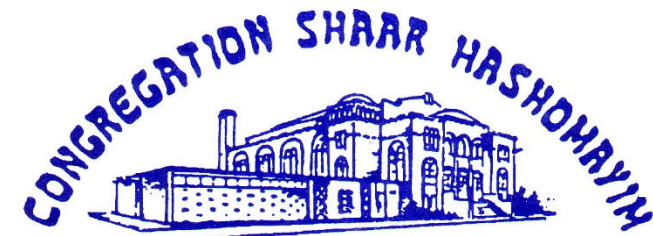
				BOARD/ROW
27	07	Rae Kopstein Lynne Cohen Sarah Reitmann Oscar Salem Mania Jarcaig Edith Oretsky Abraham Raizin Louis Leon Nathan Rotman Mary Perlmutter Bella Kotzer Blanche Feuer	Ronya bas Asher Anshel Lima bas Henoch Moshe Sora bas Ya'akov Asher ben Tzvi Miriam Bluma bas R'Yosef	9-3 3-4 8-2
			Avron ben Zisel Yehuda ben Shmuel Nachma ben Moishe Miryam bas Avraham Bayla bas Bella bas Shlomo	1-6 4-1 7-2
28	08	Eric Golumb Tilly Silverman Fanny Levine Nathan Morris Laurie Fanny Cohen Norman Lesansky Samuel Fisher Lorraine Brandes Max Kander	Yitzchok ben Yisrael Naftoli ben Moshe Shmuel ben Avraham Leah Bas Pesach Menachum Mendel ben Moishe	
29	09	Harry Sheinfeld Rebecca Rubin Rose Mechanic Sybil Doginsky William Brandes Cecille Sarah Vexler	Tzvi Hirsh ben Isor Raizel bas Balkin Tziril Beila bas Eliezer Zev Ben Binyamin Chia Sara bas Michoel	3-5 9-1
30	10	Morris Goldstein Isadore Preston Fannie Schwartz Lena Wachter Leiba Judas Belizovski Rae Shapiro Herman Freed Jerry Whiteman	Michael ben Avraham Yitzchak ben Nachum Hacoen Vichna bas Yerucham Fishel Hacoen Leah bas Naftali Aryeh Leiba Judas Yehudis bas Aharon Rachel bas Mordechai Chaim Yisroel ben Chaim Yisroel Gershon ben Shlomo Halevi	1-6 6-4 2-1
31	11	Sender Steinhart Harry Slobasky Alex Solway Bertha Schwartz	Sender b'reb Moishe Halevi Hershel Tzvi David ben Yizchok Aleyohu ben Benzion Debrusah bas Natan	2-4

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01	12	Simon Auerbach Leah Miller Max Kander Harry Tencer Samuel Richardson William Muroff	Laya bas Menachem Mendel Menachem Mendel ben Moshe Zev Halevi Aaron ben Shmuel Yeshayhu ben Zev Ze'ev Wolf ben Yosef	1-8
02	13	Fannie Richardson Alexander Perlmutter Sarah Kushner Ruchama Kopstein Shmuel Moshe Cohen Jacob Rotenberg Nesha Joffe Morris Kamin Abram (Al) Golinker	Faiga Pearl bas Zalman Mordechai Alexander ben Moshe David Sarah bas Baruch Shmuel Moshe ben Zalman Hacoen Yacov ben Manachem Mendel Moishe Ben Issur Avram ben Michail	1-8 1-4 8-1 10-3

MAY THEIR NAMES AND MEMORIES REMAIN FOR A BLESSING AS THE MOURNERS RECITE THE KADDISH ON PAGE 482

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2025

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Parshas Vayigash

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TORAH PORTION:

Vayigash

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(And he approached)

With the discovery of the goblet in Benjamin's sack, the brothers are confused. Judah alone steps forward and eloquently but firmly petitions Joseph for Benjamin's release, offering himself instead. As a result of this act of total selflessness, Joseph finally has irrefutable proof that his brothers are different people from the ones who cast him into the pit, and so he now reveals to them that he is none other than their brother. The brothers shrink from him in shame, but Joseph consoles them, telling them that everything has been part of G-d's plan. He sends them back to their father Jacob with a message to come and reside in the land of Goshen. At first, Jacob cannot accept the news, but when he recognizes hidden signs in the message which positively identify the sender as his son Joseph, his spirit is revived. Jacob together with all his family and possessions sets out for Goshen. G-d communicates with Jacob in a vision at night. He tells him not to fear going down to Egypt and its negative spiritual consequences, because it is there that G-d will establish the Children of Israel as a great nation even though they will be dwelling in a land steeped in immorality and corruption. The Torah lists Jacob's offspring and hints to the birth of **Yocheved**, who will be the mother of Moshe Rabbeinu. Seventy souls in total descend into Egypt, where Joseph is reunited with his father after 22 years of separation. He embraces his father and weeps, overflowing with joy. Joseph secures the settlement of his family in Goshen. Joseph takes his father Jacob and five of the least threatening of his brothers to be presented to Pharaoh, and Jacob blesses Pharaoh. Joseph instructs that, in return for grain, all the people of Egypt must give everything to Pharaoh, including themselves as his slaves. Joseph then redistributes the population, except for the Egyptian priests who are directly supported by a stipend from Pharaoh. The Children of Israel become settled, and their numbers multiply greatly.

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WEEKLY SERVICES

DAY	DATE	MORNING & EVENING	
FRIDAY	DEC 26		Candles 4:48 pm
SATURDAY	DEC 27	9:00 A.M.	Rosh Chodesh / Havdalah 5:53 pm
SUNDAY	DEC 28	8:30 A.M.	Morning Minyan + breakfast to follow

IF YOU NEED A MORNING MINYAN AT THE SHAAR...

I HEARD YOU WERE
LOOKING FOR A
MINION.



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 email: shaar@mnsi.net

GOOD HEALTH WISHES: A SPEEDY RECOVERY



REFUAH SHLAIMAH: to David Lazarus and 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 Stephen Cheifetz (Barbara), Alan Cheifetz (Barrie) and Heather Sherman (Matthew) and Shirley Horwitz, on the passing of beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and sister, Sadie Bella 'Selma' Cheifetz (AH). The funeral service was held on Tuesday, December 23rd, 2025 at Congregation Beth El. Rabbi Gordon Fuller officiated. Interment followed at the Shaar Hashomayim Cemetery.

Cemetery.

Shiva Morning Prayers for Selma Cheifetz (AH), will be held in the Shaar Chapel on the following dates and times:

Thursday, December 25th at 8:30 am ← please note revised time

Friday, December 26th at 8:30 am ← please note revised time

Sunday, December 28th at 8:30 am

Monday, December 29th at 7:15 am

Shiva Evening Prayers for Selma Cheifetz (AH), will be held at the residence of Stephen & Barbara Cheifetz, 3465 Huntington Ave., Windsor, ON. N9E 3M9, on the following dates and times:

Wednesday, December 24th at 7:00 pm

Thursday, December 25th at 7:00 pm

Sunday, December 28th at 7:00 pm

May Her memory forever be a blessing.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES



Happy Birthday Wishes to Dr. Sheldon Lewis, Jack Blaine and Moshe Yitzchak Galperin on Monday, December 29th, Mary Lazarus on Wednesday, December 31st and Vera Rosenbaum and Menachem Mendel Galperin on Thursday, January 1st.

KIDDUSH



The Congregation is invited to the Charles Zalev Social Hall for Kiddush following the service. The Kiddush this Shabbat is sponsored by Nona Tcherkezova, in memory of beloved parents, Elena and Peter Tcherkezov (AH).

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

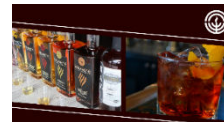
SUNDAY MORNING MINYAN & BREAKFAST



There will be a Sunday Morning Minyan this Sunday, December 28th at 8:30 am. Breakfast will follow the service.

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

DISTILLERY TOUR & TASTING



Warm up with us on **Thursday, January 22nd, 2026** from **6:30pm-8:30pm**, as we head to **Wolfhead Distillery**, a local favourite known for its small-batch spirits and welcoming atmosphere. This guided experience takes you behind the scenes to see how their signature whiskies, vodkas and liqueurs are crafted – from grain to glass – followed by a curated tasting of their most popular creations. It's the perfect mid-winter escape: a chance to discover local craftsmanship, enjoy great company and raise a glass. \$25. To learn more and register, please visit: <https://jewishwindsor.org/event/wolfhead-distillery-tour-tasting/>

JEWISH HERITAGE NIGHT WITH THE DETROIT PISTONS



Join us for **Jewish Heritage Night** with the **Detroit Pistons** on **Sunday, February 1st, 2026**. Bus leaves at 4:30 pm. Tickets: \$85/per person. Ticket includes bus ride from the WJCC and back, ticket to the game and Pistons jersey in Hebrew. Thank you to the Polsky & Mechanic Families for sponsoring this program. To learn more and register, please visit: <https://jewishwindsor.org/event/detroit-pistons-game/>

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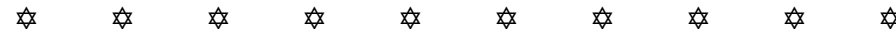


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OFFICE CLOSURE



Please note, the Shaar Office is **CLOSED** at **12pm** this **Wednesday, December 31st** and **CLOSED** this **Thursday, January 1st**.



Joke...

A Jewish woman and her grandson were walking on a beach when a huge wave crashed on shore and took the boy out to sea. The woman looked to the heavens and began to pray "Oh lord, he is my only grandchild and a good boy and he goes to Hebrew school and wants to become a Rabbi. Please save his life and return him to me."

Within seconds another huge wave crashed on shore and lo and behold the boy was miraculously standing in front of his Grandmother.

The woman once again looked up and said "He had a hat!"