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Saturday, June 3, 2023

**FUCHSBERG
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**TORAH PORTION:
NASSO (OUTSIDE ISRAEL)
BEHA'ALOTCHA (ISRAEL)**



Parashat Nasso (Outside Israel) | Beha'alotcha (Israel)
June 3, 2023 | 10 Sivan 5783
Torah (Outside Israel): Numbers 4:21-7:89
Triennial: Numbers 4:21-5:10 Haftarah: Judges 13:2-25
Torah (Israel): Numbers 8:1-12:16 Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14-4:7

Parashat Nasso / פְּרִשַׁת נָשָׂא
[This week's Torah Sparks](#)

SHABBAT SERVICE

**Kiddush will be served in the Tomarin Room after the service.*

Saturday, June 3rd @ 9:30 am

**This Week's Torah Portion will be chanted by
Sonia Johnson**

**and the Haftarah will be chanted by
Bob Goldenberg**

[Pre-registration](#) is strongly encouraged to attend any
in-person services/events at CBI.

It assists with planning and contact tracing.

Kindly [pre-register](#) here no later than today,
Friday, June 2nd @ 5 pm.

If you are unable to pre-register but wish to attend,

you will be registered at the door.

STRETTINO



Congregation B'nai Israel and Strettino
take pleasure in announcing a Concert of Music
Sunday, June 4th @ 3 pm
CBI Auditorium
190 Church Street, St. Catharines

HELEN HAIRONG HUANG - Violin
SID SEGALOWITZ - Clarinet
ZACK ZIYI GUO - Viola
MARCELA LAGUNAS - Cello
LUIS MOLINA - Piano

**Program to include works by
Mozart, Beethoven, Bizet, Fauré, Mascagni, Elgar,
Khachaturian, Shostakovich and Piazzolla,
in an 80-minute programme, followed by a reception.**

Tickets at the door: Adults - \$15; Children - \$5

Do not miss this wonderful musical afternoon!

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INTERESTED IN SOME CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW PRACTICE?



Now that we are seemingly well beyond the fear of up close and personal interactions, it's time to think about some new ways to interact. There are more than a few people who have expressed an interest in some conversational Hebrew gatherings. I'm willing to get something organized if I know who is also interested and when getting together might be possible. Please contact me at howard@slepkov.ca and let's see what we can get going... Thanks!



The Jewish Theological Seminary
has posted its Summer 2023 Lecture Series:
"The Dynamics of Change"

Their [summer online lecture series](#) starts Monday, June 5, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. ET.

Change is an integral part of life and a central feature of the Jewish experience. Join JTS scholars for an in-depth exploration of significant changes—religious, political, and personal—throughout Jewish history and life. Together we'll consider questions such as: What inspires change? What circumstances are most conducive to change, and what (or who) drives it? How do we experience change and adapt to its impact? How can Jewish values and

...ives in how we experience change and adapt to its impact. How can Jewish values and ideas inspire us to change the world for the better?

Register now for the series →



**"PERHAPS THEY WILL LISTEN":
PROPHETS AND THE ART OF
PERSUASION**

MONDAY, JUNE 5

With Dr. Yael Landman

[Register now →](#)



GOD: UNCHANGING?

MONDAY, JUNE 12

With Dr. Alan Cooper

[Register now →](#)

[Click on the image above to register for series...](#)

CBI presented THE PENINSULA ORCHESTRA in our Auditorium this past Sunday where a Concert in Memory of Dr. Ivan Samson was held:



Please [click](#) on the image above to watch a compilation video of the event!

Last Sunday was a banner day for our congregation and its members. To begin with, we had another Yiddish class with Rav Bob and a showing of a very interesting but rather dated *The Jazz Singer* about the life of Al Jolson. We had 17 in attendance and enjoyed watching the movie on our new screen using our new laser video projector. It was like heaven compared to what we used to rely on. Then there was a practice of our new choir which added two new voices to its sound with the addition of new members Carl and Eileen. What excitement when Yiddish folks left and choir folks came in. Then in the late afternoon, our auditorium was once again the venue of choice for The Peninsula Orchestra under the baton of Maestro George Cleland. We had almost one hundred folks in the audience and another in front. The concert ended with a rousing performance of a concerto by Schubert. Our thanks go to all the organizers but especially our faithful building superintendent, Tim Disher, who worked tirelessly all day and into the evening.

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Well done everyone!

NIAGARA FALLS REVIEW

From The Niagara Falls Review, a two-part series on hate in our communities for which our congregational President Howard Slepkov was interviewed this year:



Howard Slepkov, president of the Congregation B'nai Israel in St. Catharines, says "Jews are no longer the only group that's targeted. The Asian community is targeted. The Black community is targeted. The Indigenous communities are targeted."

Julie Jocsak/Metroland

[Link to article or click on image above...](#)



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We extend a hearty Mazal Tov to
Lynne and Ed Silver
on their recent Wedding Anniversary!

Refuah Shlema



to the following:

**Doris Mann,
Francine Williams
& Esther Gitlin**

(Maya Chriqui's Mother)

and to all who are ill.

May the Lord bless, show kindness,
grant health and peace to everyone.



IMPORTANT!

As members/friends of CBI, you might not be aware that CBI receives funding through *Delta Bingo and Gaming* in St. Catharines.

Peter Runcan and his team volunteer their time at Delta Bingo and in return CBI receives crucial funding from them.

Peter is in need of volunteers to ensure that we continue to obtain maximum funding from them. If you can spare some time, please be in touch with Peter ([email](#) or phone: 905.328.2894) to express your interest...

Thank you!

A Note About Security

It is imperative that the large glass doors at the entry to the CBI building stay locked at all times. As most regular attendees to our facilities know, we have security guards hired for Shabbat Services and other programs. They are the ones who monitor who comes into the building along with our member-ushers. Once inside the building, please leave all responses to visitors approaching from outside to those charged with monitoring entrances.

That way, due care and vigilance can be assured.

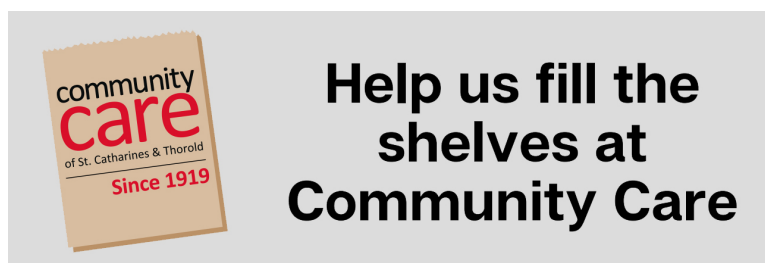
Thanks so much!



Our friends at Hamilton Jewish Family Services help a number of recipients in Niagara through their food bank.

We will update this section when the June content becomes available!

For more information, please check their [website](#)...



CBI still has blue barrels in the Tomarin Room for accepting non-perishable food donations for Community Care.



Their most needed food items are:

- Canned foods: meats, tuna, salmon, etc.
- Canned fruits and vegetables
- Juices (no sugar added)
- Healthy snacks (peanut-free)
- Peanut Butter

*** Participate in an act of Tikun Olam ***

*** Help those less fortunate ***

*** Perform a mitzvah ***

THANK-YOU!

for choosing to make a difference!

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Sunday, June 11th @ 10 am



Congregation B'nai Israel presents



A conversation with Yaron Deckel Jewish Agency Emissary for Canada

ISRAEL AT 75

SECURITY, SOCIETY, ECONOMY & POLITICS

SUNDAY, JUNE 11th @ 10 AM

Pre-registration will be available
closer to the date of the event.



For almost three and a half decades Yaron Deckel was considered as one of the most respected and well known journalists in Israel. From 2012-2017 Deckel served as the Editor in Chief and CEO of Galei Tzahal, a national public radio station. In 2015 he began hosting a weekly prime-time radio talk show on Politics. As political reporter and commentator for both radio and television, he has closely followed the ins-and-outs of Israeli politics, developing close relationships with all the decision makers in Israel and he has covered the last 12 Israel's election campaigns. From 2002-2007 Deckel served as Washington DC,

Bureau Chief for Israeli Public TV. He was the first Israeli journalist to interview President George W. Bush and he also interviewed Presidents Carter and Clinton. During his time in the US, he created a 5-part TV series "The Israelis", documenting the lives of Israelis living in the US and Canada and a 4-part documentary about the "Jewish Identity in North America". Deckel is the winner of several awards including the Sokolov Award, the most prestigious award for journalists in Israel. He also was the Bnei- Brith award for special coverage of the Jewish Community in the USA.

Please click on the poster above for more information on
[The Jewish Agency for Israel](#)

Tuesday June 13th @ 7:30 pm
Torah Study with Rabbi Moshe



Topic:

'The Israeli Government's Proposed Judicial Reforms:

A Threat To Democracy or Much-Needed Reform?

Saturday, June 24th
Shabbat Kiddush in honour of Harold Nash!



We are delighted to invite the Congregation to the

Shabbat Service and Simcha Lunch
on Saturday, June 24

honouring our own Harold Nash for his many decades of
leadership and dedication to CBI.

Rabbi Moshe will lead the service, the CBI choir will sing at both the service and
lunch, and there will be a special presentation!



Pre-registration for this June 24th event will be available starting on Tuesday, June 20th...

Sunday, June 25th @ 10 am

YIDDISH CLUB

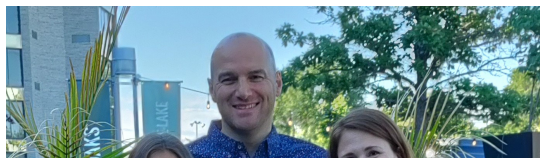
I ♥
Yiddish.

The Yiddish Club will meet again
at the end of June!

Program details to follow...

Saturday, July 8th @ 9:30 am

We will have the honour of celebrating
the Bat Mitzvah of Leiba Braggio!





*"Our granddaughter, Leiba Braggio
will be called up to the Torah at the Shabbat Service
on July 8, 2023 – officiated by Rabbi Moshe Meirovich.
Kiddush to follow."*

Please join grandparents Shamai and Nurit Caspi
along with parents Galya and Marco Braggio,
in celebrating Leiba's Bat Mitzvah!

Donations To CBI

Donations to CBI provide a convenient, meaningful and worthwhile manner in which to honour someone, offer condolences, offer a speedy recovery or mark a special occasion, etc.

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Library Fund
Chesed Fund
Kiddush Fund
Torah Fund
Security Fund
Simcha Lunch Fund
Tree Of Life Fund
Prayer Book Fund
Education Fund
General Fund

[Email](#) or call 905.685.6767 CBI during office hours (or leave a voicemail)
Donations can be made with a credit card, cheque or cash

An appropriate acknowledgement will be sent to the
recipient you wish to acknowledge upon receipt of your donation

eMessage sponsorships for 2023 are now available!

(August '23 and onwards are currently available)

Thank you to all our 2023 sponsors!

Memorial (Yahrzeit) Plaques for the Memorial Boards located
in the Sanctuary are \$200 each (partial tax receipt)

Tree of Life plaques are available
Leaves are \$180 each plus inscription fee

Tax receipts will be issued

Out of town donors may donate from our website: www.jewishstcatharines.com



accepted (preferred)
as well as cheque, Visa & Master Card



Congregation B'nai Israel is proud to participate in Charitable Gaming through Delta Bingo and Gaming St. Catharines.

Their ongoing financial support allows us to offer much needed programs and services.

When we come together, we make things possible for our community!

Thanks to Delta Bingo for their monthly donations to CBI!



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Should you require assistance to arrange a meeting,
Please contact Serge Chriqui, our office administrator, by [email](#) anytime or call 905.685.6767



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