NEWS FROM THE HILL

OCT 23/24 2026
12/13 CHESHVAN 5787

PARSHAS LECH LECHA

FRIDAY EREV SHABBOS

Friday, October 23:

Candle Lighting
6:03 pm

Mincha/Kabalas Shabbos
6:03 pm

Shabbos, October 24:

Parsha Class in honour of the IDF
8:30 am

Shacharis
9:00 am

Rabbi Eli's Sermon
11:00 am

Rabbi Jackson's Class
11:20 am

The Aaron Dan Memorial Class on Sefer Yehoshua
5:10 pm

Mincha
5:51 pm

Havdalah
7:03 pm

HANNAH ZILBERT'S RIDDLE:

Q: WHY COULDN'T THE GOLFER PUT HER SHOES ON?

From the Desk of Rabbi Elie Karfunkel

This week we meet Avram. He travels through the Land of Israel, pitching his tent again and again, and each time the Torah says: וַיִּבֶן שָׁם מִזְבֵּחַ לַה' וַיִּקְרָא בְּשֵׁם ה', "he built an altar to Hashem and called out in Hashem's name" (Bereishis 12:8, 13:4).

Why does the Torah keep emphasizing this? Look at what came right before this. The generation of the Tower of Babel said, "Let us build a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, וְנַעֲשֶׂה לָּנוּ שֵׁם, and let us make a name for ourselves" (11:4).

Babel wanted to make a name for itself. Avram wanted to make a name for God.

So we each have to ask: why am I doing what I'm doing? In Chariots of Fire, the runner Eric Liddell explains that God made him fast, and when he runs, he feels God's pleasure. Our talents are gifts from Above, so how can we take the credit? Whatever we accomplish is for Hashem's Glory.

When you walk down the street and offer a kindness, you are pitching Avram's tent. The more visibly Jewish we are, the more we serve as Hashem's ambassadors. Avram represented God wherever he stopped. For us, that might be a parking lot, or a traffic jam on Allen Road.

Bat Mitzvah

Mazel Tov to Kaia Shnaider on becoming a Bat Mitzvah, and Mazel Tov to proud parents, Dana Valin & Jeremy Shnaider!



This week's Kiddush is sponsored by

Jeremy Shnaider and Dana Valin in honour of Kaia becoming a Bat Mitzvah



Rabbi Elie with Nili Krisher Frenkel who was visiting Toronto from Israel for her grandson’s Bar Mitzvah. Both of Nili's parents were born in Jaslo and sailed to safety in 1933 to Israel





102-year-old Jack Boeki, a Holocaust survivor, liberator, and spy, in conversation with his daughter at the FHJC.

Upcoming Youth Events AT THE FHJC



Hi FHJC families!

We're super excited for the year ahead. We have some great events planned, mark your calendars!

SAVE THE DATES!

- October 25 - Bar/Bat Mitzvah BBQ
- October 31 - Youth Super-Shabbos
- November 7 - Teen Pizza Party
- November 28 - Havdallah PJ Party
- December 6 - Chanukah Party

And don't forget, we have awesome programming every Shabbat from 10:00-11:45am! Games, contests, sports, raffles, incredible prizes, and more! We can't wait to see you all at the Forest Hill Jewish Centre.

- Mia & Daniel

BAR & BAT MITZVAH BBQ

CALLING FOREST HILL FAMILIES CELEBRATING BAR/BAT MITZVAHS IN 2026/2027

Parents, siblings, and Bar/Bat mitzvah kids, we can't wait to see you at our kickoff event of the year! Great opportunity to shmooze with friends also celebrating this year, and to meet Rabbi Elie and Rifky to hear about what the FHJC can offer you and your family during your preparations!

SUNDAY OCTOBER 25TH 7:00PM

FHJC - 360 SPADINA RD.

WHILE THERE IS NO FEE, WE KINDLY ASK YOU TO REGISTER AT fhjc.ca/BBmitzvahQ

NEW DATE!

SAVE THE DATE! NOVEMBER 7

YOUTH SUPER SHABBOS

FAMILY SERVICE

ENHANCED PROGRAMMING FOR KIDS AND TEENS

AWESOME RAFFLE PRIZES

YOUTH LUNCHEON

Bar/Bat Mitzvah *Shabbat Dinner*

Friday, November 27th

4:25 PM CANDLE LIGHTING
FOLLOWED BY SERVICES

5:45PM DINNER

KIDS $30 / ADULTS $50
BAR & BAR MITZVAH STUDENTS COME FREE

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE. RSVP BY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO RSVP
WWW.FHJC.CA/BMSHABBOSDINNER

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A SHABBATON WITH

DANIEL M. ROSENBERG

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OCTOBER 30-31, 2026

7:00 PM SHABBAT DINNER

How Jews and Israel Lost the Narrative and How We Win It Back

registration pricing below.

11:00 AM SHABBOS MORNING ADDRESS

Hollywood to *HOLYwood*

(no charge)

FILM & TELEVISION CREDITS

Producer of Inside Man, starring Denzel Washington
Senior roles overseeing Maid in Manhattan, starring Jennifer Lopez, and Mona Lisa Smile, starring Julia Roberts.

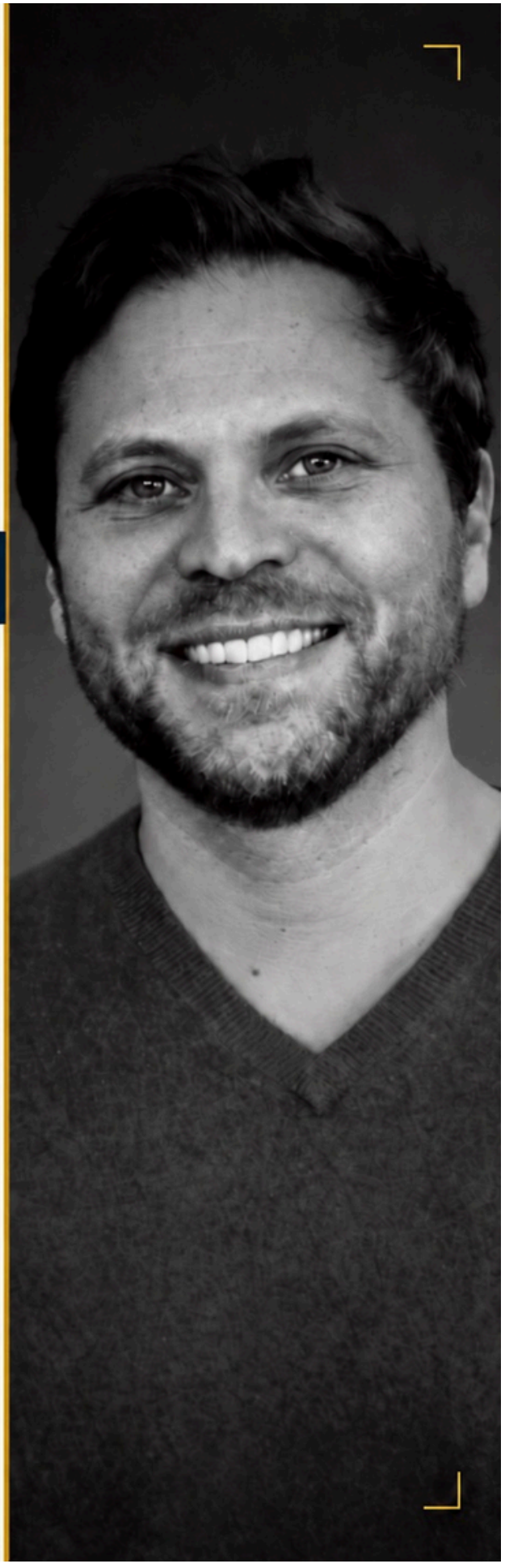
Friday night dinner couvert

- **Members:** before October 26, $70, after $80
- **Non-members:** before October 26, $80, after $90
- **18 and under, $50**

Sponsorships available. Please contact **rabbielie@fhjc.ca** or **rabbi.mordechai@fhjc.ca.**

Dinner RSVP at

fhjc.ca/rosenberg



ADULT CLASS SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 23-29, 2026

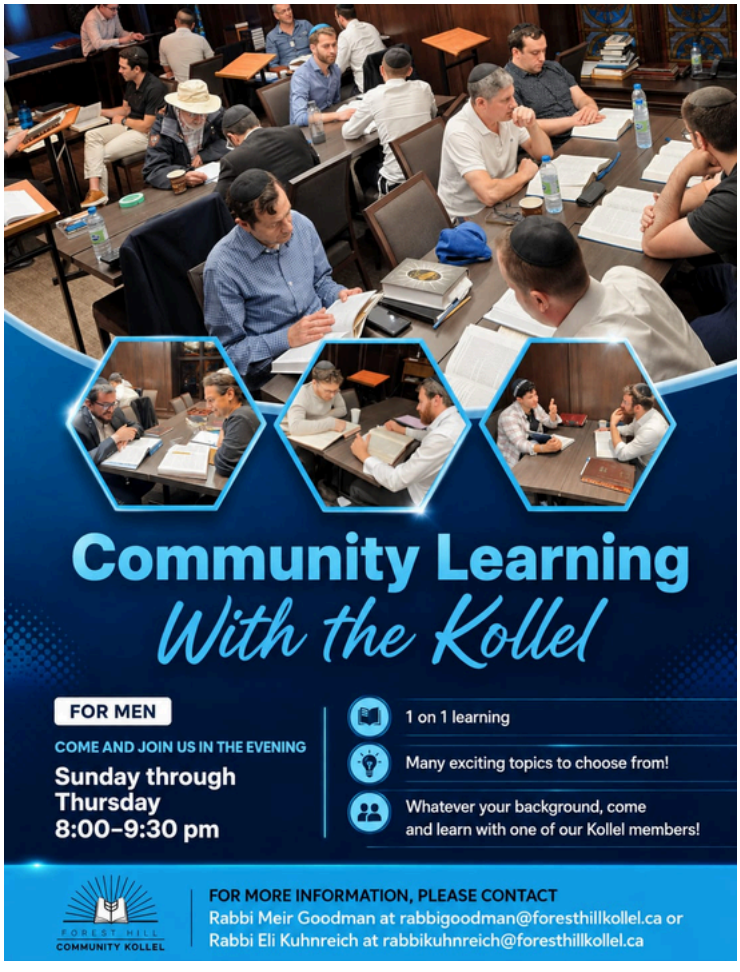
Daily 10/23-29	***Daf Yomi Class*** Sunday at 7:00 AM	6:00 AM
Saturday 10/24	***Parshas Class***	8:30 AM
	Shabbos Day Sermon	11:00 AM
	Musaf Class	11:20 AM
	Pre-Mincha Shabbos Class	5:25 PM
Tuesday 10/27	***Derech Hashem*** Rabbi Goodman	2:00 PM
Thursday 10/29	***Women's Parsha Class*** Rabbi Elie	11:00 AM
	Thursday Night With The Kollel	8:00 PM
	Beer and Cholent	9:00 PM

YOUTH CLASS SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 23-29, 2026

Sunday 10/25	***Youth BBQ***	7:00 PM
Tuesday 10/27	***Kids Class***	4:50 PM
	Bat Mitzvah Program	6:15-7:30 PM
	Live2Give Girls	7:30-8:45 PM
Wednesday 10/28	***Kids Class***	4:00 PM
	Bar Mitzvah Program	5:10-6:10 PM
	Bat Mitzvah Program	6:15-7:30 PM*
Thursday 10/29	***Kids Class***	4:00 PM
	Bar Mitzvah Program	5:00-6:00 PM
	Bat Mitzvah Program	6:00-7:15 PM

*Wednesday end time is approximate.





Weekday Shacharis (October 25-30)

Sunday
8:00 am

Monday / Thursday
6:50 am

Tuesday/Wednesday
Friday
7:00 am

Weekday
Mincha/Ma'ariv
6:00 pm
text 416-910-2083 for details/confirmation

Kollel

Mincha 2:45 PM
Ma'ariv 9:30 PM

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Freda Barenholtz — 12 Cheshvan — 10/23
Mother of Marsha Gallinger
Manning Baker — 12 Cheshvan — 10/23
Father of Michael Baker
Leah Krug — 13 Cheshvan — 10/24
Step-mother of Seymour Krug
Step-grandmother of Warren & Ryan Krug
Rachel Mamann — 13 Cheshvan — 10/24
Sister of Rachel Mamann
Fleurette Jankelow — 15 Cheshvan — 10/26
Mother of Kim Krug & grandmother of Warren & Ryan Krug
Guia Shuldiner — 15 Cheshvan — 10/26
Mother of Sam Shuldiner
Margaret Ungar — 15 Cheshvan — 10/26
Mother of Vardina Kaiman
Jack Levy — 15 Cheshvan — 10/26
Father of Norma Inch
Filip Waksberg — 15 Cheshvan — 10/26
Father of Heather Freeman
Harry Morris — 17 Cheshvan — 10/28
Father of Barry Chaim
Paul Abraham Halpert — 17 Cheshvan — 10/28
Father of Sherry Cohen
William David Chananie — 18 Cheshvan — 10/29
Father of Rochelle Zabitsky
Nossen ben Zion — 18 Cheshvan — 10/29
Father of Carolyn Velkes
Samuel Frenkiel — 18 Cheshvan — 10/29
Father of Steve Frenkiel



Zachary Cosman	10/23
Esther Goodman	10/23
Danielle Peters	10/23
Eric Brass	10/25
Alan Friedman	10/25
Norma Inch	10/25
Jonathan Lieber	10/25
Tamara Stieber	10/25
Ariella Odette Azouri	10/26
Barbara Paikin	10/26
Deborah Wise	10/26
Kim Krug	10/27
Dana Valin	10/27
Sherri Baker	10/28
Lorraine Denneboom	10/28
Daniel Prupas	10/28
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Gilles Auerbach	10/29
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IT'S BACK!
JOIN RABBI ELIE'S WOMEN'S PARSHA CLASS EVERY THURSDAY AT 11 AM.



HANNAH'S RIDDLE ANSWER:
A: Because she had a hole in one!



Please be certain to contact the office with your simcha and mazel tov information