

HAPPENING AT TEMPLE EMANU-EL ONLY

MAKE SANDWICHES FOR THE VE'AHAVTA MOBILE JEWISH RESPONSE VAN

Due to space availability, this activity is open to 20 participants.

Time : 9:30 - 10:30 AM

Donations of the following items would be appreciated: Sandwich bread, mayonnaise, tuna, cheese slices, cream cheese, pre-packaged snack items, sandwich bags or money to purchase these items.

Please go online to www.bayviewcorridor.org to register OR to make any donations needed for this activity.



ECO-FRIENDLY CAR WASH!

Have your car cleaned in an environmentally friendly way by our youth volunteers from 9:30 AM -12:30 PM.

\$5 per car. Proceeds to invisiblechildren.com

Youth Volunteers Wanted

Please register at www.bayviewcorridor.org

MITZVAH DAY DISCOVERY WALK

Come join us on a Discovery Walk to learn more about Vynar Creek and how it flows to the East Don and eventually Lake Ontario. Learn how we can become better stewards of our precious resource water. Please bring gloves to clean up garbage along the way (plastic bags will be provided).



This walk will be led by Helen Mills. Helen is an expert on indigenous plants and is the founder of www.lostrivers.org

Meet in the Temple Emanu-El Parking lot at 10:45 AM.

Walk begins rain or shine at 11:00 AM. The walk lasts about 1 1/2 hrs., from TE parking lot following Vynar Creek to East Don River at Lesmill and 401.

Families Welcome!

Please register at www.bayviewcorridor.org

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BAYVIEW CORRIDOR OF SYNAGOGUES

contact@bayviewcorridor.org

Beit Rayim Beth Tikvah Kehillat Shaarei Torah Shaar Shalom Temple Har Zion Temple Emanu-El

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BAYVIEW CORRIDOR

Mitzvah Day, 2011
Sunday, May 15*

4th
great
year!

We can't believe it's been a year since our last Mitzvah Day. Once again, it's time for us to come together and to unite in a day of Social Action and Tikkun Olam. This year we offer you a North location at Shaar Shalom, and a South location at Temple Emanu-El.

For your convenience we are offering a North and South Location where you can volunteer or drop off your donations.

You can empty your closets and help others. You can learn about our environment and help to clean it up. There are projects that we are supporting in the GTA, Ontario's Far North, Israel and Africa.

Please read through this booklet and see what interests you. Be sure to note all of the wish list items featured in the middle pages as you prepare for Passover and Spring Cleaning. Mark your calendar and get ready to roll up your sleeves to help others and keep your non needed items out of our landfills. We hope that some of you will want to stay and help at our drop off sites, if you do, be sure to register at: www.bayviewcorridor.org. We are looking forward to seeing you on May 15!

**Please note that there are multiple dates to ride the Ve'ahavta Mobile Jewish Response Van (page 3)*

We welcome
Or Hadash Synagogue
(Newmarket)
as a new partner in
Tikkun Olam.

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HAPPENING AT SHAAR SHALOM ONLY

MITZVAH DAY ART PROJECT

We will be decorating recycled materials to make beautiful pieces of Judaica. They will then be distributed to our partner organizations as a sign of friendship.

Participant Ages: 4-12 Years old

Time: 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Location: Social Hall on the lower level.

Please contact Max Marmer at:

youth@shaarshalom.ca or phone the synagogue office at (905) 889-4975 Ext. 62



BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR THE LAST MOVIE IN THIS YEAR'S BAYVIEW CORRIDOR ECO-FILM FESTIVAL SERIES



Sunday, May 15th, 2011
7:30 PM

Shaar Shalom Synagogue
2 Simonston Boulevard

Film: "TAPPED"

Free admission

Is access to clean drinking water a basic human right, or a commodity that should be bought and sold like any other article of commerce? Stephanie Soechtig's award winning feature documentary is an unflinching examination of the big business of bottled water.

From the producers of **Who Killed the Electric Car** and **I.O.U.S.A.**, this timely documentary is a behind-the-scenes look into the unregulated and unseen world of an industry that aims to privatize and sell back the one resource that ought never to become a commodity: our water.

From the plastic production to the ocean in which so many of these bottles end up, this inspiring documentary trails the path of the bottled water industry and the communities which were the unwitting chips on the table. A powerful portrait of the lives affected by the bottled water industry, this revelatory film features those caught at the intersection of big business and the public's right to water.

HAPPENING AT KEHILLAT SHAAREI TORAH

KNIT HATS FOR IDF SOLDIERS

Address: 2640 Bayview Avenue
(South of the 401, corner of Fifeshire and Bayview)

TIME: 10AM - 12:30 PM

Hats will be sent to troops in Israel.

Bring size 4 to size 51/2

needles if you have them.

Wool and pattern supplied.

Register by calling

Please register at www.bayviewcorridor.org



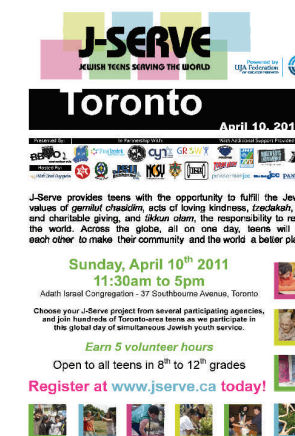
This year on April 10, 2011 we did something new!

We were very excited to partner with BBYO on their J-Serve project. The Bayview Corridor of Synagogues, in partnership with Ontario Nature, designed a program for the day where J-Serve teens were able to take part in an afternoon of environmental workshops, led by youth leaders from across the province. The workshop

was very interactive, with teens learning about how to plan an eco-event in their communities. There was also a short film called "The Story of Stuff". Everyone can view this movie and learn at lot.

Visit:

<http://storyofstuff.org>
and
www.ontarionature.org



Special points of interest:

- Join us on a Nature walk and learn about Vynar Creek and our river systems
- Use your green thumbs and help feed the hungry
- Find out more about our international partners
- Get your car clean at our Eco-Car wash!

Meet our two newest partners:

 **SPRING CLEANING?**



S.T.E.L.L.A.A. was founded in 2007 by five volunteers who have a passion for global citizenship and want to have an impact on literacy, education, the environment, and poverty in Africa.

STELLAA is a Canadian non-profit organization and is completely non-denominational.

S.T.E.L.L.A.A. acts as a non-governmental non-profit organization. They work in public schools, and with local governments to ensure their projects have the greatest impact through participation, but are not involved in the politics of these governments.

Books needed most are hardcover textbooks, primary through college level, children's storybooks and novels.
REQUESTED books include:
 Fiction & Non-fiction children through adult reading books that are hardcover or quality soft-cover.

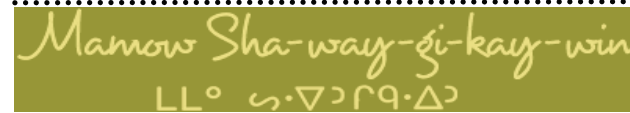
- Hardcover textbooks, primary through college
- Post-secondary textbooks, hardcover or soft cover.
- Reference books e.g. encyclopedias and dictionaries 1990 or newer.
- Medical, nursing, and law textbooks & journals
- National Geographic and academic journals from the past 10 years.
- School supplies-paper, pencils, pens, etc.

Books must be in good physical condition-new or gently used. Age-15 years old or newer for textbooks and changing subjects, i.e. Encyclopedias, biological sciences, atlases, etc.

Please **AVOID** any of the following:

- No books on a particular religion for evangelizing.
- No cookbooks or home decorating books
- No wedding planning books.
- No books that are too ethnocentric in their point of view.
- No books that are written in foreign languages (other than English)
- No magazines, except for National Geographic & academic journals

DROP OFF at North or South Location on Mitzvah Day



North-South Partnership for Children

- Skates
- Broomball and baseball equipment.
- Floor hockey sticks
- Hockey sticks, pucks, pads, and nets
- Funding to outfit hockey teams for 9-12-year old children
- Wood-carving equipment, arts and crafts supplies
- Canoes, paddles and Coast Guard-approved lifejackets (personal floatation devices)
- Tents and camping gear, tarps, air mattresses
- Camping tools: hammer, saw, hatchet, outdoor cooking equipment
- Woodworking tools (power tools and hand tools)
- Small motor tools and equipment
- Computers, Licensed Software and printers that work in communities with basic electrical services and dial-up connections.

DROP OFF at North or South Location on Mitzvah Day



“Altogether caring for one another and giving without expectation”

They say it takes a village to raise a child but what's required to raise that child out of Third World conditions of poverty? We believe it takes a partnership. North-South Partnership for Children is a dynamic collaboration between philanthropic organizations, universities, and private citizens in Southern Ontario and thirty remote First Nations communities in northwestern Ontario. The objective is to find out what's needed – in housing, in skills building, in recreational activity, in friendship – to open pathways of hope for the young people.

Find out more at northsouthpartnership.com

ASSEMBLE KINDER KITS FOR DISTRIBUTION BY VE'AHAVTA

As an organization, Ve'ahavta is embarking on a campaign that will provide education kits that contain the supplies necessary for a single child's academic year. These kits will relieve one of the family's financial obstacles to providing their children with the education needed to battle poverty.

One location only: 200 Bridgeland Ave., Unit D
 Toronto, Ontario M6A 1Z4

Two Shifts: 10 AM - 1 PM & 1 - 4 PM ~ 20 people per shift

Register with Tessa at:
volunteerinfo@veahavta.org
 or 416-964-7698 x216



HERE'S WHO NEEDS WHAT!

Ve'ahavta Mobile Jewish Response Van

Wish List: Toothbrushes, toothpaste, soaps, shampoo, new men's underwear, socks, small bottles of water, energy bars, pre-wrapped snacks. (food items should be marked kosher)

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Caring for Israel's disabled, together

www.aleh.org

ALEH is Israel's largest network of residential facilities for children and young adults with

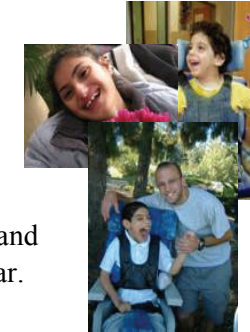
severe physical and cognitive disabilities.

They provide 650 residents with high-level medical and rehabilitative care in four cutting-edge facilities. ALEH is their home and their family – 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. ALEH is a registered charity in Canada.

Call 416-449-6350 x28

Wish List: Clean, gently loved, Purim Costumes of all sizes

DROP OFF at North or South Location on Mitzvah Day



The SHORESH/Kavanah Garden is in need of materials to help our garden grow!

Please bring any of the following items on Mitzvah Day:
 Recycling bins, large curbside garbage bins, large garden pots, old hockey sticks (for trellising), untreated lumber, bricks & patio stones, pitchforks, push lawn mower, craft materials, good condition colour printer, good condition small photocopier, chalkboard, large cork board, cordless power drill,



Come spend the afternoon from 12:30 - 3 PM helping Kavanah Garden get ready for the 2011 growing season.

This family friendly, hands-on program will teach us about organic gardening and inspire us to connect Jewish values with environmental responsibility.

This event is open to 30 people.
 Please register at www.bayviewcorridor.org

All ages welcome. Children under 15 must be accompanied by a parent.

Location: Wolf and Joseph Lebovic Campus, Ilan Ramon Drive, Vaughan

This event will go on rain or shine so dress for the weather!

Over 80% of the food grown at the Kavanah Garden is donated to tzedakah through our community partners Ve'ahavta and the North York Harvest Food

For donation pick-up or for more info visit www.shoresh.ca or call 416-805-8382.

To donate online go to www.shoresh.ca/donate.

RIDE THE VE'AHAVTA MOBILE JEWISH RESPONSE VAN

The Mobile Jewish Response to the Homeless (MJRH) is dedicated to the advocacy and empowerment of the homeless and under housed community throughout the GTA. Our mission is to sustain the lives of all with compassion, kindness and all else which encompasses the philosophy of Tikkun Olam (Repairing the World).

Sunday, May 15 ~ 9AM - 3PM
 May 16, 18, 22 ~ 6 PM - 12 AM
3 people per shift.

Register with Tessa at:
volunteerinfo@veahavta.org
 or 416-964-7698 x216

