ALBERTA JEWISH PIPELINE

Friday Oct. 16, 2026
Cheshvan 5, 5787

Candle Lighting:
Edmonton: 6:17 PM Friday
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FREE WEEKLY EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Parasha Noach ...



"NOAH" in a Nutshell ...



The Parshah is named "Noach" (Noah) after the protagonist of its major event: The Great Flood. It is found in Genesis 6:9.

G- d instructs Noah—the only righteous man in a world consumed by violence and corruption—to build a large wooden teivah ("ark"), coated within and without with pitch. A great deluge, says G- d, will wipe out all life from the face of the earth; but the ark will float upon the water, sheltering Noah and his family, and two members (male and female) of each animal species (and 7 of the "pure" species).

Rain falls for 40 days and nights, and the waters churn for 150 days more before calming and beginning to recede. The ark settles on Mount Ararat, and Noah dispatches a raven, and then a series of doves, "to see if the waters were abated from the face of the earth." When the ground dries completely—exactly one solar year (365 days) after the onset of the Flood—G- d commands Noah to exit the *teivah* and repopulate the earth.

Noah builds an altar and offers sacrifices to G- d. G- d swears never again to destroy all of mankind because of their deeds, and sets the rainbow as a testimony of His new covenant with man. G- d also commands Noah regarding the sacredness of life: murder is deemed a capital offense, and while man is permitted to eat the meat of animals, he is forbidden to eat flesh or blood taken from a living animal.

Noah plants a vineyard and becomes drunk on its produce. Two of Noah's sons, Shem and Japheth, are blessed for covering up their father's nakedness, while his third son, Ham, is punished for taking advantage of his debasement.

The descendants of Noah remain a single people, with a single language and culture, for ten generations. Then they defy their Creator by building a great tower to symbolize their own invincibility; G- d confuses their language so that "one does not comprehend the tongue of the other," causing them to abandon their project and disperse across the face of the earth, splitting into seventy nations.

The Parshah of Noach concludes with a chronology of the ten generations from Noah to Abram (later Abraham), and the latter's journey from his birthplace of Ur Casdim to Charan, on the way to the land of Canaan.

Learn: Noach in Depth
Browse: Noach Parshah Columnists
Prep: Devar Torah Q&A for Noach
Read: Haftarah in a Nutshell
Play: Noach Parshah Quiz

TORAH GEMS

Small and Large Letters

There are about 100 abnormal letters in the Masoretic text of the Bible—many of them in the Pentateuch—which were always copied by the scribes, and appear also in the printed editions. Among these letters are: the bisected Vav, the inverted Nun (in nine passages), and the Suspended Letters. The principal division of these abnormal letters is into Small and Large letters. The following are several interesting examples: - The letters of the first word of Genesis, "Bereshit" (In the beginning), must be spaced ("stretched") according to the Masorah, only the "bet" is large).- -The word "va-yishkhaṭ" (And he slew; Lev. viii. 23) must be spaced, as it is the beginning of the middle verse of the Pentateuch. - The last word in the Pentateuch, "Yisrael," must be spaced and the "lamed" made higher than in any other place where this letter occurs.

See more details here, and list of all occurrences: https://jewishencyclopedia.com/articles/13809-small-and-large-letters

YIDDISH CORNER ...

Trees in Yiddish:

Sosne = Pine

Demb = Oak

Bereze = Birch

Verbe = Willow

Palme = Palm

Tsederboyn = Cedar

Topolye = Poplar

Yodle = Fir

Osine = Aspen

Olkhe = Alder

Yalovets = Juniper

[From "In Praise of Yiddish" but Maurice Samuel]

Noach Parshah Quiz



Noach Parshah Quiz - Family Parshah - Parshah

JEWISH STUDIES WEEK in Edmonton ...

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA
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EDMONTON JEWISH COMMUNITY

Please Join Us for Our Annual No Stone Left Alone Ceremony

Please join us as we remember together.
No Stone Left Alone.

Sunday, November 8th | 10:00 a.m.

Jewish Cemetery – 7622–101 Avenue (Old Cemetery)

Please join us for a very special No Stone Left Alone Remembrance Ceremony, together with the 69th Girl Guides, as we come together to honour and remember the veterans who are laid to rest in our Jewish Cemetery.
The Girl Guides will lead the program, beginning with a Land Acknowledgment, followed by O Canada and a recitation of "In Flanders Fields." Two young participants will place a wreath at the cenotaph, and a letter written by a veteran will be read aloud.
Following the ceremony, participants, families and community members will divide into small groups to place a poppy on each veteran's grave, ensuring that no stone is left alone.
The young participants will also have an opportunity to share what the ceremony means to them — creating a beautiful moment of reflection and connection to the words:
"We Will Remember."
We will also be joined by members of the military, whose presence adds special meaning to this important morning.
We have a girl Guide Leader who will play Last Post on her trumpet.

We invite everyone in our community to come out, participate and help us honour those who served and sacrificed for our freedom.

Home - Edmonton Jewish Cemeteries

Inspiring Jewish stories ...

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Sandy and Rosalie Goldstein at their daughter Risa's wedding in Israel, June 2026. Credit: Mark Tso/Mark4Wedding

Never too late to make aliyah: American 'oleh' turns 105

Sandy Goldstein moved to Israel at 102 with his wife, Rosalie. As he approaches his birthday, his advice is simple: "Do not wait.

Never too late to make aliyah: American 'oleh'

One in five Israelis 'still struggling to function' since Oct. 7 – new study

Study finds women have higher levels of severe impairment in daily functioning due to their mental health, with 32% of women, 18 to 35, reporting significant distress



A man and a woman draped in an Israeli flag watch the release by the Hamas terror group of hostages Ofer Calderon and Yarden Bibas in the Gaza Strip, on a screen at Hostages Square in Tel Aviv, on February 1, 2025. (Photo by Jack GUEZ / AFP)

https://www.timesofisrael.com/



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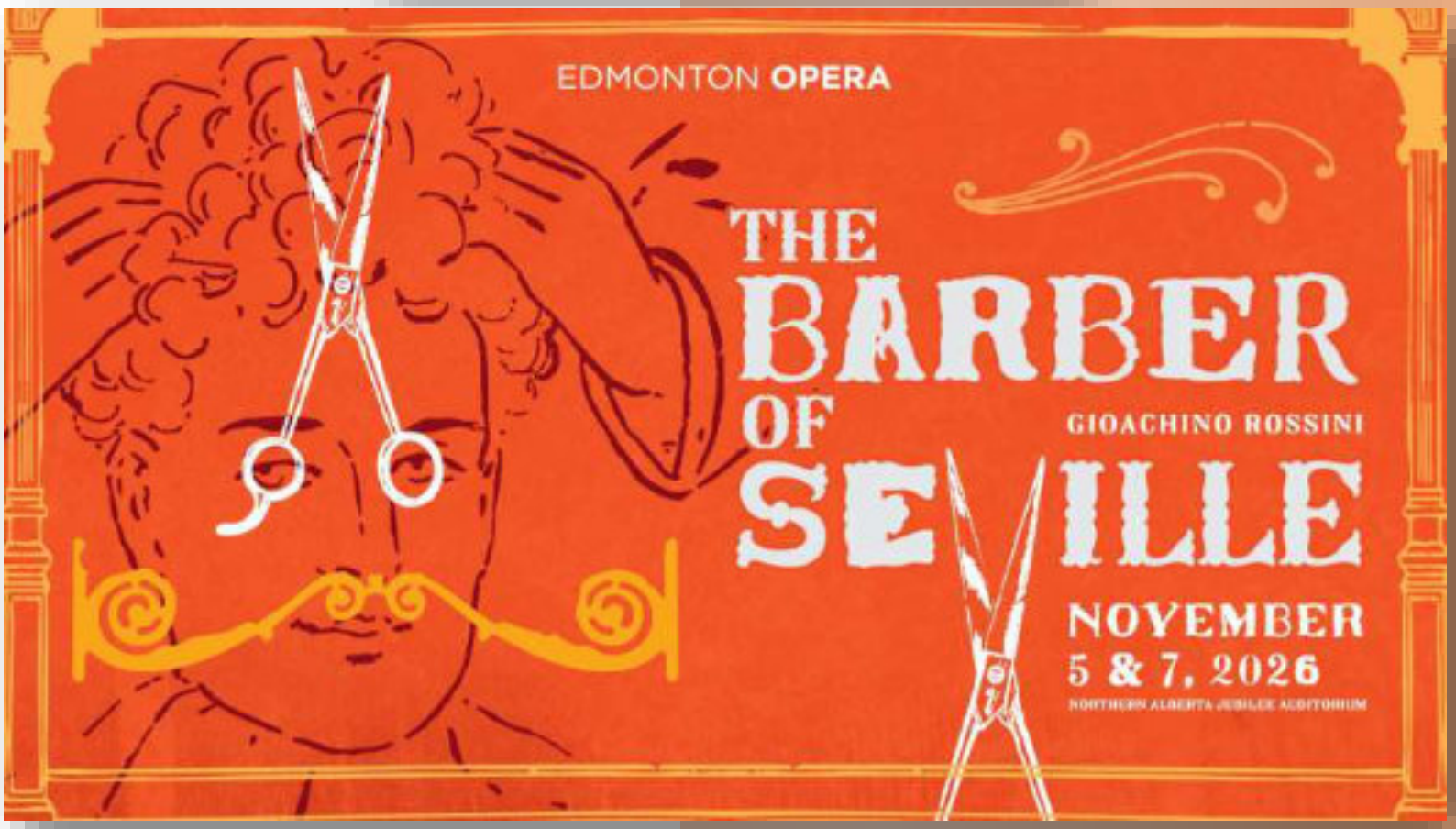
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Mainstage

The Barber of Seville

Composer: Gioachino Rossini (1792-1868)

Librettist: Cesare Sterbini (1784-1831)

The Barber of Seville is opera at its most joyful; a fast-moving comedy where wit, music, and cleverness always stay one step ahead.

Nov 5, 2026 - 7:30 PM

Nov 7, 2026 - 7:30 PM

Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium

Barber of Seville — Edmonton Opera

Recipe of the Week ...

jamie geller



In a world consumed by chaos, Hashem starts over and selects Noah as His agent for renewal. Rebuilding the world with a sacred vow never again to destroy Creation, Hashem seals His covenant with a rainbow—an everlasting tribute to a promise kept.

A Very Colorful Shabbat Menu » Jamie Geller

NCJWC held a inspiring event ...

THE POWER OF SMALL CONVERSATIONS

National Council of Jewish Women of Canada - Edmonton Section's Post

National Council of Jewish Women of Canada - Edmonton Section
14h ·

Thanks to all those who attended the launch of the Power of Small Conversations launch in Edmonton. Great discussions about antisemitism and how people have been affected. A special thanks to our articulate storyteller, Ashley, and to our moderators who facilitated the discussions.
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Kelly Clarkson Sings in Hebrew and Gives Us Goosebumps

The famous pop star collaborated with Israeli singer Maya Buskila in 2020.

Kelly Clarkson Sings in Hebrew and Gives Us

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What to do with “Toxic” people ...



The rearview mirrors of many cars carry the warning: "Objects in the mirror are closer than they appear."

What does this have to do with anxiety and depression?

What Do I Do With the Toxic People in My Life? -

Discrimination claims rejected ...

The Canadian Jewish News



Canadian Jewish military members take legal action after dozens of discrimination claims rejected

'The fact that we are just rejected once again from this lawsuit about discrimination is at the height of irony.'

https://thecjn.ca/



Buy a Ticket - Bnai Brith Calgary

Forward
JEWISH. INDEPENDENT. NONPROFIT.

Nigeria has more than 100 synagogues — but no local rabbis. This summer camp wants to change that.

At Camp Sarah in Abuja, children who spend the school year as the only Jew in their classroom are learning how to build a Jewish future in Nigeria.



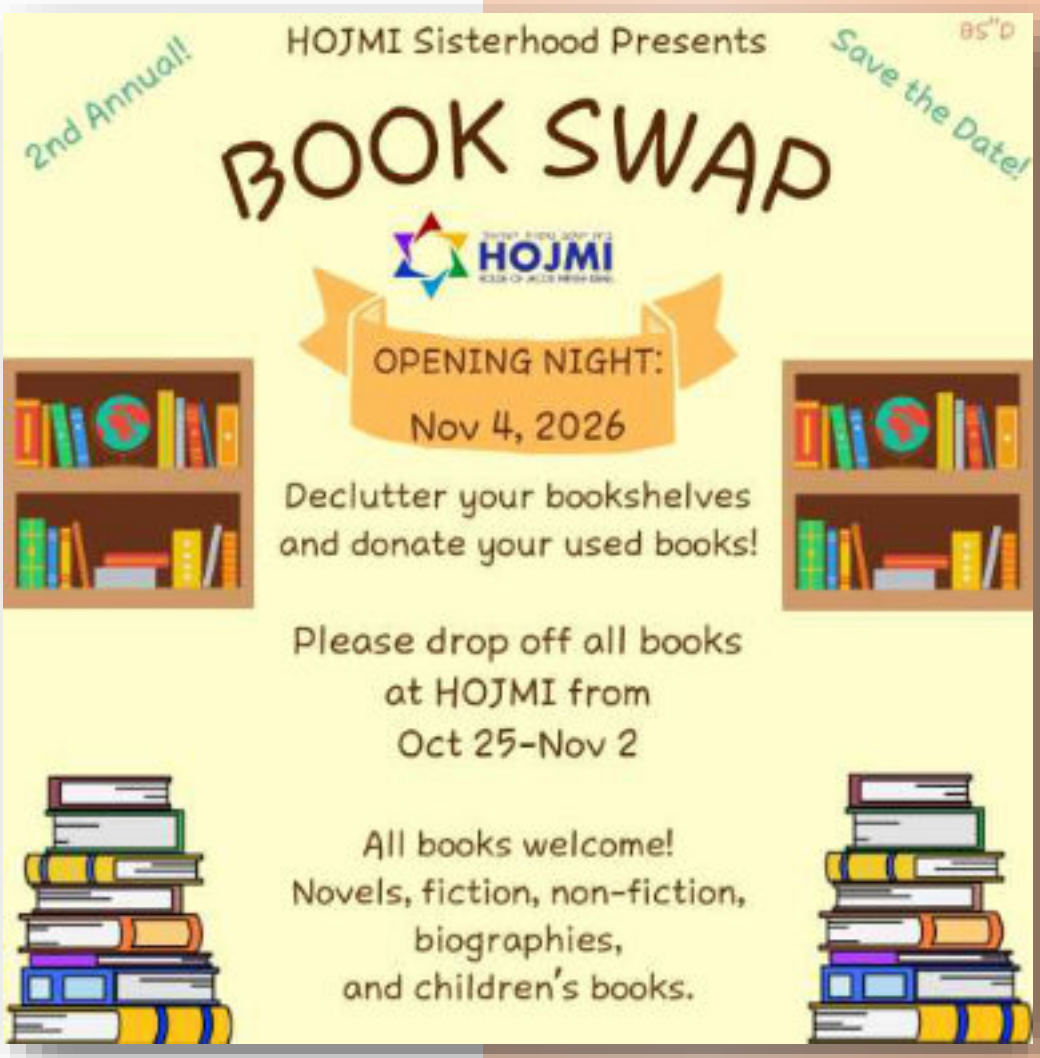
Campers participating in services at Camp Sarah. *Photo by Anya Herzberg*

https://forward.com/news/



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