



THE FRIEDMANN & BERG FAMILIES
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2008 Village Shul Membership Application

THE VILLAGE SHUL MISSION STATEMENT:

“The mission of The Village Shul is to create a community where each individual can experience Jewish living to enhance personal growth, where membership is outwardly focused in effecting positive change in the Toronto Jewish Community.”

Application Date: _____		Date Accepted: _____	
Applying for:		Current Annual Dues:	Operating Fund:
• General Membership	_____ \$2195		\$3,000 over 3 years or \$3,500 over 5 years
• Young Professionals	_____ \$795		\$ _____ over 3 years or \$ _____ over 5 years
• Associate Membership*	_____		
Please note that in addition to the membership dues there is currently a Security Levy of \$250.00 payable over and above the dues (\$100 for Young Adults).			
*Only open to former members in good standing who are currently members of another Shul.			
HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION:			
Name/Title of Applicant: _____		Name/Title of Spouse (if applicable): _____	
Home Address: _____		Home Address: _____	
Business Address: _____		Business Address: _____	
Employer: _____		Employer: _____	
Home Phone: _____		Home Phone: _____	
Business Phone: _____		Business Phone: _____	
Cell Phone: _____		Cell Phone: _____	
Fax No.: _____		Fax No.: _____	
Home Email Address: _____		Home Email Address: _____	
Business Email Address: _____		Business Email Address: _____	
Occupation: _____		Occupation: _____	
Date of Birth (Secular and Hebrew)		Date of Birth (Secular and Hebrew)	
I am a () Cohen () Levi () Yisrael			
Given Hebrew Name(s)		Given Hebrew Name(s)	

Please check applicable boxes: <input type="radio"/> Married Date: _____ <input type="radio"/> Single <input type="radio"/> Widowed <input type="radio"/> Divorced	Please check applicable boxes: <input type="radio"/> Married Date: _____ <input type="radio"/> Single <input type="radio"/> Widowed <input type="radio"/> Divorced
If either you, or any of your parents or grandparents were not born Jewish, then please indicate: Person: _____ Converted: [] Yes [] No Year converted _____ Rabbi who performed the conversion _____ Synagogue _____ City _____	If either you, or any of your parents or grandparents were not born Jewish, then please indicate: Person: _____ Converted: [] Yes [] No Year converted _____ Rabbi who performed the conversion _____ Synagogue _____ City _____
Father's Hebrew Name(s)	Father's Hebrew Name(s)
Mother's Hebrew Name(s)	Mother's Hebrew Name(s)

Children (Please note if adopted)			
English Name(s)	Hebrew Name(s)	Date of Birth	School & Grade
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			

Yahrzeits			
<i>Please inscribe the following Yahrzeit dates in your records and notify us annually in advance</i>			
Full Hebrew Name	Full English Name	Relationship	English Date of Death (Incl. year & time of day)

What kind of activities would interest you at The Village Shul?

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-School Program <input type="checkbox"/> Hebrew School for Children <input type="checkbox"/> Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class <input type="checkbox"/> Shabbat Services <input type="checkbox"/> High Holiday Services <input type="checkbox"/> Social Get-togethers Holiday and Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Holiday Programs/Seminars <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Jewish Education <input type="checkbox"/> Jewish Library <input type="checkbox"/> Women's/Men's Seminars <input type="checkbox"/> Trips to Israel <input type="checkbox"/> Weekend Shabbaton Seminars
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Other _____

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What kind of skills and experience do you and/or your spouse have? Please check the appropriate boxes

- () I can read from the Torah with: o no assistance o some assistance
- () I can lead a Prayer Service with: o no assistance o some assistance
- () I/we can read Hebrew with: o no assistance o some assistance
- () I/we have: o some o significant artistic skills (arts and crafts, drama etc.)
- () I/we have: o some o significant computer skills (Web-site design/Database assembly)
- () I/we have: o some o significant fund raising-experience

() Other Skills/Experience _____

In order to serve you better, please complete the following:

- What type of volunteer work have you done in the past, and for which organizations? _____

- Would you be interested in hosting or being invited to a home study group? _____

- Would you be interested in getting involved in or forming any one or more of the following Village Shul member Committees?
 - Membership _____
 - Chesed/Hospitality _____
 - High Holidays _____
 - Library _____
 - Holiday/Festivals _____
 - Pre-School _____
 - Major Events _____
 - Golf _____
 - Fundraising _____
 - Jewish Family Institute _____
 - Website _____

Details of the Shul's current Committees and their functions are available on request from the Shul office. **NTD: and in the Shul lobby.**

How did you learn about the Village Shul (e.g. family/friend/Aish HaTorah/other)

VILLAGE SHUL DIRECTORY: I/We hereby ___ agree OR ___ do not agree to have my/our name, contact information and occupation(s) printed in the Village Shul Directory should the Shul, from time to time, decide to print such a directory.

PRIVACY POLICY: THE PERSONAL INFORMATION YOU HAVE PROVIDED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO THE SHUL'S PRIVACY POLICY, A SUMMARY OF WHICH IS ENCLOSED (AND THE FULL COPY OF WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SHUL OFFICE).

BY EXECUTING AND RETURNING THIS APPLICATION TO THE VILLAGE SHUL, WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I/WE HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE VILLAGE SHUL'S PRIVACY POLICY AND I/WE AGREE THAT THE VILLAGE SHUL CAN COLLECT, USE, RETAIN AND DISCLOSE THE PERSONAL INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS' PRIVACY POLICY. THE VILLAGE SHUL'S PRIVACY POLICY AND MY/OUR CONSENT, APPLY TO ALL THE PERSONAL INFORMATION PROVIDED BY ME/US WHICH IS CURRENTLY IN THE VILLAGE SHUL'S POSSESSION AND MAY SUBSEQUENTLY BE PROVIDED BY ME/US, UNLESS I/WE SUBSEQUENTLY REVOKE MY/OUR CONSENT IN WRITING.

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION: *Please accept my/our application for membership in The Village Shul. I/We agree that, if approved for membership, I/we will abide by the Constitution, by-laws, policies, rules and regulations now or hereafter in force at The Village Shul.*

RABBI APPROVAL: *I/we acknowledge that approval of Membership is subject to confirmation after an interview with the Shul Rabbi.*

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Spouse

MEETING WITH RABBI: *The Village Shul gratefully acknowledges your interest in becoming a member of our community and appreciates the time you have taken to complete this Application for membership. Following our review of the Application you will be contacted to set-up an appointment to meet with the Synagogue Rabbi to discuss your Application and any questions you may have.*

FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY: *No-one will be denied membership due solely to financial difficulties. Please contact the President or Rabbi to make special arrangements. All communications with be dealt with in a sensitive and confidential manner.*

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS: *Membership in the Village Shul offers many benefits some of which are listed in the enclosed Membership Benefits Statement.*



2006 MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS:

As **THE VILLAGE SHUL** has continued to grow in a dynamic, active way, so too have the services and benefits available to each member. Membership benefits include:

Tax Break

Your membership dues may be tax-receiptable.

Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, Marriage Ceremonies, Funerals

The Rabbi of the Shul is there to consult with members on these important and memorable Lifecycle events.

Pastoral Counselling, Personalized Growth or Coaching

Whether it is to seek spiritual, emotional or practical advice, the Rabbi gives priority to Shul members.

Bris and Baby Naming

Members have access to the Main Sanctuary for Brisings and Baby Namings.

High Holiday Tickets

All Shul members receive tickets for themselves and immediate family members included in the payment of their dues.

Cemetery Plots

All Shul members will have access to cemetery plots within the Aish HaTorah section of Pardes Shalom Cemetery at member rates.

Class and Program Discounts

Discounted program and class fees.

Youth Programming

A vigorous youth program has been organized which will be open to members' children.

Members Programming

On occasion there may be special events designed for members such as Shabbat Chanukah Dinner, Pre-Pesach Shabbat Dinner, or a Succah Party.

Shabbat Meals

The Chesed/Hospitality Committee will send Shabbat meals to those members and their families after having a baby, recovering from an illness or Shiva.

Warm Caring Community

Some things cannot be expressed in dollar figures, and knowing that you are part of a community that cares and actively concerns itself with each member is invaluable.

Visitation Committee

The Chesed/Hospitality Committee will arrange to visit hospitalized and ill members as part of a caring community.

Shul Library

A well-stocked library of books, audiotapes and videos is being coordinated for the entire community, of which members will have **free** access during operating hours.

Yahrzeit Reminders

Members receive mailed reminders noting the day and date prior to the yahrzeit of a loved one.

Priority Room Booking

Only Members receive priority room bookings in advance of 6 months prior to their event.

Toronto's Best Shabbos Kiddush

A Kiddush where Cholent, Potatonik and scrumptious deserts for both adults and children is the norm, and where the occasional "l'chaim" can be heard on a regular basis!

All these benefits together provide a terrific value for your membership fee. Please feel free to direct any questions regarding the above to the Shul office.