



# CONGREGATION BETH EL OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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JANUARY 31, 1992

## Off The Bimah

Letty Cottin Pogrebin has written a remarkably personal account of her struggle to integrate a traditional Jewish upbringing with a deeply felt feminist life. Her book, *Deborah, Golda and Me*, derives its title, of course, from the two Jewish forbearers: the prophetess Deborah—the only female military commander in the Bible and former Israeli Prime Minister, Golda Meir, who Ms. Pogrebin considers a political genius but not necessarily a feminist. The “Me” represents the author’s synthesis of her experience as a woman and as a Jew.

The book begins by recapturing some poignant memories in the author’s Jewish childhood. She vividly recalls her feeling of ostracism by the sign posted on a synagogue door in Queens, New York: “Talmud study for everyone—men only.” She expresses her frustration with Orthodox traditions that relegate women to subordinate ritual status, especially their inability to be counted in a Minyan or to say Kaddish. The description of her disillusionment with her father after her mother’s death is especially painful to read.

Rather than choosing between traditional and feminist convictions, the author gives a lesson in how to section both. This kind of challenge is particularly vital to Conservative Judaism, which strives for a working synthesis of ancient and modern religious perspectives and which has lost ground in the last ten years to the Reform movement as it has moved closer to tradition. This book is not for “women only”, it is for anyone and everyone with an interest in the Jewish future.

*Rabbi Jonathan Maltzman*

### RESERVE THE DATES

#### Saul Bendit Adult Institute Spring Term '92

##### Evening Program - 15 Courses

Five Wednesdays - March 25 to April 22

One Thursday - April 30

##### Daytime Program - Six Courses

Six Tuesdays - March 24 to April 28

## All In The Family

Mazel Tov to Eli and Gayle Blumenthal on the birth of their daughter, Rachel Leah, the proud grandparents are Bernice and Werner Blumenthal. Mazel Tov to Bernard and Frances Maggin on the birth of their granddaughter, Lara Elise Maggin, daughter of Wayne and Suzanne Maggin.

### Shabbat Schedule

- Friday, January 31, at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, February 1, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
UJA Shabbat  
Havurah Minyan, 9:30
- Friday, February 7, at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, February 8, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
Youth Shabbat  
10:45 a.m. - Gan Shabbat
- Friday, February 14, at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, February 15, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
Nitzanim Services

### UJA Shabbat

UJA Shabbat will be held on February 1, 1992. Art Paikowsky, Campaign Director, UJA Federation, and a member of Beth El, will be the guest speaker at the Shabbat morning Services.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

*“EVER SINCE BABYLON”*

PREMIERE CONCERT PERFORMANCE

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 1992

### Use Merchandise Certificates When You Shop!!!!!!

Be sure to pick up certificates to use when you shop at Giant Food, Magruders, Katz’s, Shalom Market, or Shopper’s Food Warehouse. It’s too late when you are on the cashier’s line. It costs you no more and Beth El collects 5% of what you normally pay for groceries, drug store and even liquor at these stores. Purchase the certificates at the Beth El office, Sisterhood Gift Shop, at many meetings and via the mail order system.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The 41st Annual Dinner Dance

May 30, 1992

*Great Food, Great Music, A Great Time!!*

For Information Call: Carla Schraub at (301) 469-0156

## SISTERHOOD NEWS

### CALENDAR:

- Feb. 2 - JEWISH FAMILY WORKSHOP, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.
- Feb. 2 - BOOK REVIEW GROUP
- Feb. 23 - JOINT MEN'S CLUB - SISTERHOOD MEETING
- Feb. 23 - CURRENT EVENTS GROUP
- Mar. 1 - JEWISH FAMILY LIVING WORKSHOP
- Mar. 4 - BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON TORAH FUND LUNCHEON
- Mar. 8 - JOINT B'NAI ISRAEL - BETH EL SISTERHOOD MEETING
- Mar. 15 - YIDDISH SEPHARDIC RECITAL / VIENNESE SWEET TABLE
- Mar. - BOOK REVIEW GROUP
- April 5 - JEWISH FAMILY LIVING WORKSHOP
- April 5 - TORAH FUND COCKTAIL PARTY
- April 26 - PLANT SALE

### Beth El Sisterhood To Hostess Two Joint Meetings

Sunday morning, February 23rd, Sisterhood will join the Men's Club meeting: there is a minyan at 9:00 a.m., followed by a seated breakfast in the Social Hall at 9:30. (Please call Sylvia Abraham at (301) 530-1845 or Gabriella Bechick at (301) 229-1785 to ensure seating and food.) Our immediate past president, Elizabeth Bauer, who has been functioning as our program chairman this year, is pleased to announce that Cantor David Schneyer of the Kehilat Chadasha Congregation, an independent Jewish community in Bethesda, and Director of Ma'alat, a new school for training cantors, will present a program on the "Emergence of the New Jewish Liturgical Folk Music." The program starts at 10:00 a.m.

On March 8th, members of the B'nai Israel Sisterhood will come to Beth El to join our meeting at 10:30 a.m., when brunch will be served. Please call Sylvia or Gabriella (see above paragraph for phone numbers) for reservations. Since a large number of B'nai Israel ladies are usually in attendance, we urge everyone to come to greet and meet them. The speaker will be Sheila Kaufman, spokesman of Project Pride, whose topic will be "Jews, Alcohol and Drugs," including abuse of prescription drugs.

### Shabbat 101 — Next Jewish Family Living Workshop on February 2nd

We are very pleased that about 100 parents came to the first workshop and seemed to enjoy the sessions. Again at 9:30 and at 11:30 a.m., two one-hour sessions will be held during each class period of the Sunday school on February 2nd. Billed as a practical "how to" primer on celebrating Shabbat, this program will help you understand and put into practice significant ways to celebrate our weekly holiday that preserved Judaism.

### Torah Fund Events in Triplicate!!

Your participation is invited in the preservation of Conservative Judaism through Torah Fund! Indeed, this is the objective of the Torah Fund of the National Women's League for Conserva-

tive Judaism, of which Beth El Sisterhood is an affiliate. Our support of the Jewish Theological Seminary which educates rabbis, cantors and educators for Conservative congregations, as well as many educational projects, is essential. Whether you buy one of the beautiful greeting cards for \$2.00 each, use a pushke, contribute chai, double chai, or become a benefactor, you will be doing your part. Actually, a contribution of \$28.00 is the minimum to attend two of the three events. Benefactors who donate \$136.00 are eligible to go to all three.

First, on March 4th there will be a lunch and speaker at the Baltimore-Washington Seaboard Torah Fund Luncheon at B'nai Shalom in Olney. Those who give a minimum pledge of \$28.00 to Torah Fund, plus plate money can make your reservations by calling our Torah Fund Chairman, Doris Povich, (301) 320-5440. Second, there will be a Special Gift reception for people who contribute \$136.00 or more, to be held on Sunday afternoon, March 29th. Doris will take your pledge and reservation for this affair as well. As a bonus you will receive a handsome and unusual pin or pendent designed by Jerusalem artist Michael Katz and two tickets to our own Beth El Fund affair.

The Torah Fund Cocktail Party will be held on Sunday, April 5 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the lovely home of Rosalie Sporn. During this delighted afternoon you'll meet all your friends, socialize, enjoy food and drinks, and honor of the person accorded the Torah Fund Award. Sandy Levy will be chairman and Doris Povich will send out invitations to everyone and take reservations. Remember that the same pledges described above will entitle you to attend this affair. The \$28.00 donation entitles you to one ticket, plus the opportunity to buy another to bring your guest at an additional sum for plate money. All funds donated are sent directly to the National Torah Fund Committee to help the students and programs of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

### Interest Groups Continue to Meet

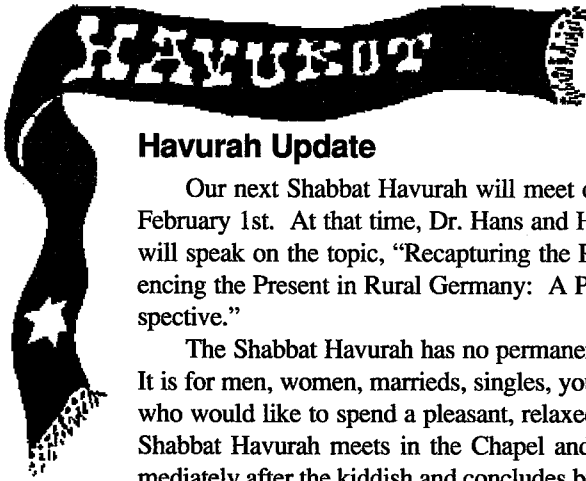
The first Current Events Discussion followed the Open Board Meeting on January 12th. A second meeting will take place in about six weeks. The Book Review Group will hold its first review on Sunday, February 2nd; book under discussion is *Deborah, Golda and Me* by Letty Cottin Pogrebin.

### Stationery and Paper Goods

Call Marilyn Hammerman at (301) 881-0011 for all your personalized invitations, stationery and paper goods for your Bar/Bat Mitzvah, wedding or other parties. You'll save money and all profits go to Sisterhood. It's also a very convenient way to shop.

### Celebrate Special Events by Sponsoring Sisterhood Brunch

Sisterhood welcomes donors who will contribute *chai* or \$18.00 to share a *simcha* with their friends and other members by sponsoring the food served during the brunch at Sisterhood meetings. Send your check to Beth El, Attention: Sisterhood Treasurer, Julia Copperman, along with the name and/or event and



**Havurah Update**

Our next Shabbat Havurah will meet on Saturday, February 1st. At that time, Dr. Hans and Helen Hirsch will speak on the topic, "Recapturing the Past; Experiencing the Present in Rural Germany: A Personal Perspective."

The Shabbat Havurah has no permanent members. It is for men, women, marrieds, singles, young and old, who would like to spend a pleasant, relaxed hour. The Shabbat Havurah meets in the Chapel and begins immediately after the kiddish and concludes by 1:30 p.m.

**All Havurah Annual Israeli Dinner  
And Dance  
With Rocky Korr**

Who: All Havurot members, their families and friends  
 When: Sunday, February 9, 1992 at 5:30 p.m.  
 Where: Beth El Social Hall  
 Cost: \$8.00 per adult, \$4.00 per child (2-12 years)

**Reservations:**

1. Send check payable to Beth El to the synagogue office, Attention: Annual Havurah Dance.
2. Call your Havurah leader.

Attention all Havurah leaders – contact your group now and let us know how many tables to reserve for you. Call Roberta Safer, 301-571-1707.

**Vatikkim Shabbat Service**

Members of Vatikkim will conduct Shabbat services on February 22, 1992. You are cordially invited to share this occasion with us.

**Baby Grand Piano Needed**

The Congregation is in great need of a baby grand piano in good working order. Please call Cantor Lubin if you are able to make such an acquisition possible at (301) 652-2606.

**From The Mail Box**

Harry and Clare Lerner send heartfelt thanks to all Beth El friends for their prayers, cards, donations, and offers of help since Harry's surgery. This has to be a collective thank you because the volume of mail make individual notes impossible. We feel so fortunate to be a part of the Beth El family and trust that all friends will have a happy and *healthy* 1992.

**The Evening Minyan**

The following people are asked to help us with our daily evening Minyan for the next two weeks. We invite the post Bar/Bat Mitzvah children of these families to attend the Minyan with their parents. It is only through the help and participation of all our members that we can maintain our daily evening Minyan. The Minyan begins at 8:00 p.m. and concludes at 8:15 p.m. During the week of your assignment, please attend as many evenings as possible. We are anxious that those who are saying Kaddish have a Minyan that they can attend at Beth El.

**February 3 - February 6**

Murray and Iris Kivitz  
 Michael Klaus  
 Irving and Katie Klein  
 Ronald and Mariette Klein  
 Herman and Paula Kleine  
 Gary and Karlane Klimen  
 Stanley Klimen  
 Ira and Etta Kline  
 Sidney and Jean Kline  
 David and Hedva Kobes  
 Andrew and Katherine Koblenz  
 Edward and Helena Koenig  
 Daniel Koch and Leah Brasch  
 Robert and Evyan Koenig  
 Mark Levitt and Kay Klass

**February 10 - February 13**

Leah Kupersmith  
 Jay and Connie Krupin  
 Malvin and Linda Krinn  
 Marvin and Amy Krislov  
 Maurice and Charlotte Krensky  
 Ira and Gilliam Krefting  
 Robert and Loretta Kramer  
 Mark and Marjorie Kramer  
 Diana Kramer  
 Emily Kraft  
 Marvin and Barbara Kotz  
 Bernardo and Rosa Kotelanski  
 Irwin and Rita Kopin  
 Naomi Kolko  
 Jeffrey and Sandi Komarow



**Israeli Dance Class**

Israeli Dance Class forming for 5 and 6 years olds. Classes will meet Thursdays 3:30-4:30 p.m. Please call Susan Greenberg at (301) 986-4966.

**BETH EL SCROLL**

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 Rabbi Emeritus ..... Samuel Scolnic  
 Hazzan ..... Abraham Lubin  
 Executive Director ..... Steven J. Kravitz  
 Education Director ..... Louis Nagel  
 Nursery School Director ..... Ellen Darr  
 Youth Director ..... Edie Caroff  
 President ..... Erwin Groner  
 First Vice President ..... Leonard Bebchick  
 Second Vice President ..... Max Bernhardt  
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## Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations

### **Beth El Forest**

Sisterhood has purchased trees in the Beth El Forest in memory of: Anna Peter, mother of Molly Peter; Moses Lubin, father of Cantor Lubin; and Leah Sayles, sister of Frances Edlitz. Henry and Dorothy Freedman, in memory of Henry's mother, Jennie Freedman; Gloria and Don LeVine, in memory of Leon Address; Helen and Lenny Rib, for the privilege of attending Hans and Helen Hirsch's anniversary service; Mr. and Mrs. Simon Weker, in memory of Louis Cooperstein, cousin of Trudy Weker; Irvin and Ethel Hamburger, in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Doris and Irving Zimmerman; Gloria and Beryl Frank, in honor of Claire Marwick's Bat Mitzvah; The Getz's, in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Boden's son, Barry's, engagement; Evy, Mel, Gregg, and Ilana Getz, in honor of the birth of Rachel Leah, granddaughter of Bernice and Werner Blumenthal; The Getz's, in honor of Drs. Robert and Brenda Gerwin's son, David's, engagement to Lisa Gersten.

### **Building Fund**

Dr. and Mrs. Irwin Kopin have made the following donations: in memory of Jacob and Eva Kopin; in memory of Cantor Lubin's father, Moses Lubin; and in honor of Gloria and Beryl Frank's 50th Wedding Anniversary.

### **Cantor's Fund**

Trudy and Murray Haber, for a speedy recovery of Mrs. Charlotte Simos; Evelyn and Ronnie Treinish, in honor of the Cantor; Ellen R. Murphy, in memory of Cantor Lubin's father, Moses Lubin and in honor of Claire Marwick's Bat Mitzvah; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Richter, in honor of the Hirsch family; Lynn Goldin and Henry Birnkrant, in memory of the Cantor's father, Moses Lubin; Janice Raffel Samet, for Cantor Lubin for all his help in her Bat Mitzvah; Mr. and Mrs. Simon Weker, in memory of Cantor Lubin's father, Moses Lubin; Petrina, Richard and Alissa Chavis, in memory of Moses Lubin, father of Cantor Lubin; Gloria and Beryl Frank, in honor of Cantor and Sandy Lubin's daughter, Sharyn's, engagement.

### **Chevre Kadisha Fund**

Evelyn and Ronnie Treinish, in memory of Evelyn's mother, Julia Shapiro; Lynn, Nathan, Jessica and Jonathan Treinish, in memory of Evelyn Treinish's mother, Julia Shapiro.

### **Jack and Miriam Crowell Religious School Scholarship Fund**

Miriam Crowell, in memory of Anna Paskow.

### **Disabled Access Fund**

Jack and Bea Goldman, in honor of Pearl Cohen's Special Birthday.

### **Fine Arts Fund**

Shirlene Platshon, in memory of Shelly Alterman's beloved mother; Shirlene Platshon, in memory of Alvin Platshon, Sadie Platshon, and Abraham Waghelstein.

### **General Endowment Fund**

Elsie and Joe Woolman, in honor of Doris and Irving Zimmerman's 50th Wedding Anniversary; Trudy and Murray Haber, in memory of Israel Isaac Haber; Jonathan Grossman, in memory of Rita Grossman; Barbara and Sy Wolf, for a speedy recovery for Harry Lerner and in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Hirsch; Florence and Arthur Gang, in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Doris and Irving Zimmerman; Gloria and Beryl Frank, in honor of Murray Haber's services to Beth El; Gloria and Beryl Frank, in honor of Rabbi and Judith Scolnic's grandchildren, Sarah Alizah and Jessica Meryl; Gloria and Beryl Frank, in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Doris and Irving Zimmerman; Gloria and Beryl Frank, in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Helen and Hans Hirsch; Gloria and Beryl Frank, in honor of a speedy recovery of Harry Lerner; Mr. and Mrs. Simon Weker, in memory of Hannah Ross, mother of Rhoda Mancher, in memory of the mother of Evelyn Treinish, in memory of Max Weker, father of Simon Weker, and in memory of Belle C. Tucker, mother of Trudy Weker; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph George Kay, in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Hans Hirsch's 50th Wedding Anniversary and in memory of Benjamin Kay, brother of Joseph George Kay.

### **General Fund**

Anita and Sanford Berns, in honor of their 40th Wedding Anniversary; Anita and Sandy Berns, in honor of a speedy recovery of Misa Bana Jesse Berns; Milton and Faye Doberman, in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Helen and Hans Hirsch; Faye and Milton Doberman, in honor of Claire Marwick's Bat Mitzvah; Fred Adler, in memory of Claire Bernstein Adler; Nancy Wallace, in honor of Hans and Helen Hirsch's 50th Wedding Anniversary; Gloria and Don LeVine, in memory of mother, Miriam Lerner; Lynn Goldin and Henry Birnkrant, in honor of the engagement of David Gerwin and Lisa Gersten; Al and Evelyn Fox, in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversaries of Irving and Doris Zimmerman and Hans and Helen Hirsch; Janice Raffel Samet, for Rabbi Rudolph for his encouragement in her Bat Mitzvah; Dr. and Mrs. Robert Adelstein.

### **Estelle Kimball Nursery School**

Dick and Betty Drachman, in honor of the birth of grandson, Aron, to Sandy and Dick Pollen.

### **Library Fund**

Sophie and Jerry Teplitz, in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Helen and Hans Hirsch; Marilyn and Daniel Kweller, in honor of the 58th Anniversary of Helen and Leo Fidler; Beatrice Katzen, to wish a speedy recovery to Max Cohen; Judith and Jonathan Levin, in memory of Harry Levin.

### **Mazon**

Claire Marwick, in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Hans Hirsch; Toby and Bernie Moss, in honor of the speedy recovery of Charlotte Simos.

### **Morning Minyan Fund**

Ruth Byer, in memory of her father, Morris Solomon; Henry Freedman; Shirlene Platshon, for a speedy recovery of Mr. Max Cohen; Gloria and Beryl Frank, in honor of Isadore Routhenstein's 90th Birthday.

### **Music Fund**

Gloria and Beryl Frank, in honor of Seymour Gross' recovery; and in honor of Charlotte Simos' speedy recovery.

### **Esther S. and Louis A. Pinck Israel Pilgrimage Fund**

The following donations have been made by Evelyn and Ronnie Treinish: in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Claire Marwick; for the speedy recovery of Ivan Goldberg; for the speedy recovery of Max Cohen; in honor of the 50th Anniversary of Doris and Irving Zimmerman; and in honor of the 50th Anniversary of Helen and Hans Hirsch.

### **Prayerbook Fund**

Karl Freiberg, in memory of Julianne Freiberg.

### **Rabbi's Fund**

Kenneth and Carol Kempner, in honor of Daniel's Bar Mitzvah; Mendel Goldberg, in honor of his grandson, Howard Weinstein's Bar Mitzvah; Bette Nussbaum, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Zimmerman, in memory of Julia Shapiro, mother of Evelyn Treinish, and in honor of the recent Bat Mitzvah of Claire Marwick; Janice Raffel, for Rabbi Maltzman for his help in her Bat Mitzvah; Edgar H. Levin, in memory of Benjamin L. Levin; Bette B. Nussbaum, in memory of her father, Chaim Baldinger; Milton and Faye Doberman, for the complete recovery of Max Cohen; Milton and Faye Doberman, in honor of the speedy recovery of Abe and Lil Maller; Milton and Faye Doberman, in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Doris and Irving Zimmerman.

### **Leila Rosen Young Equality Fund**

Rena L. Young.

### **Sanctuary Scroll Fund**

Bernard and Rita Jacobi, in honor of the 50th Anniversaries of Doris and Irv Zimmerman and Helen and Hans Hirsch and for the speedy recovery of Max Cohen.

### **School Enrichment Fund**

Dan and Brenda Hirsch, for the Special Needs Program.

### **Sisterhood Hospitality Fund**

Elsie and Joe Woolman; Pearl C. Franck, in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Claire Marwick; Betty and Max Milner, in honor of Claire Marwick's Bat Mitzvah; Allan and Rockey Lang, in honor of the recent Bat Mitzvah of Claire Marwick.

### **Sisterhood Remembrance Fund**

Bernard and Rita Jacobi, in honor of the special Bat Mitzvah of Claire Marwick and in honor of Max and Edna Krents' Anniversary; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph George Kay, in memory of Zelig Gordon, father of Claire Dubinsky.

### **Sisterhood Silver Project**

Calvin and Norma Golubic, in memory of their daughter, Isabel Golubic Davison; Norma and Calvin Golubic, in honor of Clare Marwick; Elsie and Joe Woolman, in honor of Claire Marwick's Bat Mitzvah; Claire and Roy Becker, in memory of Sarah R. Teitler.

### **Social Action Fund**

Betty and Jay Schwartz, in memory of Jennie and Robert Schwartz; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Schettewi, in memory of Marguerite Schettewi Bouso.

### **Sybil Suls Youth Activities**

Doris and Irving Zimmerman, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Howard Weinstein; Iris, Julian and Anne Tishkoff, in memory of Esther Bonus; Clara S. Gordon, on occasion of Yahrzeits for: Sybil H. Suls, Abraham Hoffman, Minnie Gordon and Harry Siegel.

### **Vatikim**

Reba Hirsch, in honor of the 50th Anniversary of Helen and Hans Hirsch; Marcia and Saul Possick, for the speedy recovery of Max Cohen; Marcia and Saul Possick, in honor of Hans and Helen Hirsch's 50th Wedding Anniversary; Marcia and Saul Possick, in honor of Doris and Irving Zimmerman's 50th Wedding Anniversary; Judith Newman, in honor of the recovery of Clare and Harry Lerner; Ruth Shartsis, to Clare and Harry Lerner - Get Well Soon; Marcia and Saul Possick, in honor of Harry Lerner's speedy and complete recovery.

SAVE THIS DATE!!!



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	<b>MARCH</b>			

Sunday, March 15th

3:00 p.m.

**EAST meets WEST:**  
A PANORAMA OF JEWISH MUSIC

A MUSICAL OF FOLK  
AND ART MUSIC OF  
SEPHARDIC AND  
ASHKENAZIC TRADITIONS

featuring

**Cantor Abraham Lubin**

WATCH YOUR MAILBOX  
FOR FURTHER DETAILS!

In a previous issue of the *Scroll*, the title of the book by Susan and Martin Tolchin was incorrectly listed. The correct title is *BUYING INTO AMERICA*.

**Collegiate Koach Kallah Weekend**

**February 6-9, 1992**

at George Washington University  
Washington, D.C.

Theme:

**Facing the Challenge: The Conservative Jew on Campus**

**Koach**, the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism's College Outreach Program is sponsoring its 2nd annual **Kallah** to bring together Jewish students from across North America for a weekend of study, dialogue, and sharing.

Highlights include a reception and briefing at the Israeli embassy, meetings with legislators, study sessions with renowned staff and local entertainment. The cost is **\$150** per participant, and **generous** scholarships are available.

For more information and an application form contact **Edie Caroff, Youth Director** at 301/652-2608 **immediately**.

**Nitzanim News**

Our next Shabbat morning service for children under six and their families will be on February 15th at 10:30 a.m. in the All Purpose Room. All families are invited. For children Grades K-3, Gan Shabbat services will be on February 8th at 10:54 a.m. Todah Rabah to Gordon and Liliانا Schatz for sponsoring the January Kiddish for Ben's 2nd birthday.

Join us for our next event, the Nitzanim Family Shabbaton. This event will be on February 29th from 12/Noon - 2:00 p.m. It is a special Shabbat experience for families with children under six. A dairy lunch will be served, followed by entertainment for the children (songs & Israeli dance), and a discussion for parents with the Rabbi. Reservations are necessary, so fill out the form below before February 24th!

**NITZANIM FAMILY SHABBAT**  
Saturday, February 29th  
**12/Noon - 2:00 p.m.**

Cost: \$4/Adult, \$2/Child, Max \$12/Family  
Make checks payable to Congregation Beth El and note for "Nitzanim Shabbaton" on check.

Parents attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Children attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Reservations and Check to:  
Jeanette Kuvim Oren, 13 Great Pines Court, Rockville,  
MD 20850 [Reservations due by February 24th]

**Men's Club News**

On February 2nd, the final speaker in the Perspectives in Dialogue series will be presented. Dr. Melvin Goodman will speak on "The Collapse of the Soviet Union: Implications for the U.S." Dr. Goodman was formerly with the Central Intelligence Agency and the State Department and is now a professor with the National War College.

On February 9th, there is no speaker as the Men's Club Board of Directors meet on that Sunday morning.

On February 16th, Rabbi Maltzman will speak on the new Jewish Population Study.

On February 23rd, there will be a Joint Men's Club - Sisterhood brunch and program.

The month of March will include Dave Levine on "Investing in Israel"; Dave Brooks on "1991 Income Tax"; Mark Weinberg on "More on Estate Planning"; and the Purim Carnival on March 22nd.

## Youth Activities . . . . Galore!!

**Bonim (Grades K-2)** - Saturday morning, **February 8th** is the date of our **Annual Youth Shabbat**. Bonim members will lead the concluding portions of the Shabbat service. Be sure to join us!

On **Sunday, February 9th** we will meet at **Plastercraft** (170 Rollins Avenue in Rockville) at 1:30 p.m. for a creative new adventure. Each participant will be able to pick out a piece of Plastercraft from a huge selection of figurines and plaques and finish it in time to take home at 3:00 p.m.. Refreshments will be served. The cost is \$5.00 per Bonim member.

**Machar (Grades 3-5)** - Join us on Saturday morning, **February 8th** for our **Annual Youth Shabbat**. Machar members will conduct the concluding portions of the service.

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, February 16th** when Machar heads for the **Wheel-a-While Roller Rink** on East Gude Drive in Rockville. Meet us there at 1:00 p.m. for an afternoon of roller skating with your Beth El friends. Parent helpers are a **must** for this activity - please volunteer to spend the day with us.

**Kadima (Grades 6-8)** - Be there on Saturday night, **February 1st** for a **Kadima Regional Dance and Costume Party** to be held from 7:30-10:30 p.m. at B'nai Israel Congregation in Rockville. The cost is \$5.00 per person. Do bring extra money for the **Yad B'Yad, Kadima's Tzedakah Fund**.

Saturday, **February 8th** is the date of our **Annual Youth Shabbat**. Contact **Stacey Morrison, Kadima Advisor** at 301/530-9328, if you would like to participate in the leading of the service.

Join us on **Sunday, February 9th** as Beth El Kadima joins Har Shalom Kadima on a party bus to the Capital Centre as the **Washington Capitals** challenge San Jose. Meet at Har Shalom at 12:15 p.m. and bring a dairy lunch. We will provide drinks, chips, snacks for the return trip, your game ticket and transportation. All fans will receive a Mike Ridley Jersey as well. The event cost is \$15.00 per member and space is limited. Let us hear from you soon!

Friday **February, 14th** is the registration deadline for the **Seaboard Region Spring Kadima Kallah** to be held March 27-29 at Adas Israel Congregation in Washington, D.C. The theme is **Israel: The Dream and Reality**, and the cost is \$51.00 per member with a 30% reimbursement available for our active Kadima members. Applications will be accepted on a first come first served basis - file yours **today!**

**USY (Grades 9-12)** - Watch your mailbox for details about our **Annual USY Ski Trip** with Beth Tikva USY planned for **Sunday, February 2nd**.

The **Seaboard Region Basketball League** begins on Wednesday evening, **February 5th** and runs every Wednesday night for 8 weeks from 6:30-10:00 p.m., thru March 25th (no game on March 19th - Purim). We must have your medical and liability release form on file in order for you to participate in the league.

Contact **Ariel Fishman**, USY Religious Vice President at 301/320-3626 to volunteer to lead a portion of the service at our **Annual Youth Shabbat** on Saturday morning, February 8th. A special kiddush will follow services.

Mark your calendars for the weekend of **February 14th - 16th** when we are invited to participate in a **Regional Interchapter**

**Weekend** to be held at Beth Tikva Congregation in Rockville. We will join fellow USYers from Adas Israel, Ohr Kodesh, Nevey Shalom and Beth El, Richmond for a ruach-filled weekend. The cost is \$42.00 per member, with a 30% reimbursement available for our active Beth El USYers. Don't miss out - **be there!**

*Shalom U' lihitraot,*  
Edie Caroff, Youth Director

### Youth Activities Calendar of Events

For information about all events, contact **Edie Caroff, Youth Director** at 301/652-2608. For reservations, contact your child's Advisor. Please join us!

#### **Bonim (Grades K, 1, 2)**

Advisor: Michelle Stravitz (301/654-7908)  
February 8th - Youth Shabbat  
February 9th - Plastercraft Program

#### **Machar (Grades 3, 4, 5)**

Advisor: Audrey Pessin (301/277-9514)  
February 8th - Youth Shabbat  
February 16th - Wheel-A-While Roller Rink

#### **Kadima (Grades 6, 7, 8)**

Advisor: Stacey Morrison (301/530-9328)  
February 1st - Regional Dance and Costume Party  
February 8th - Youth Shabbat  
February 9th - Washington Capitals vs. San Jose Hockey Game  
February 14th - Registration Deadline for Spring Kadima Kallah

#### **USY (Grades 9, 10, 11, 12)**

Advisor: Burman Berger (301/424-1269)  
February 2nd - Ski Trip with Beth Tikva USY  
February 5 & 12 - Seaboard Region Basketball League  
February 8th - Youth Shabbat  
February 9th - Volunteer at Shepherd's Table Shelter  
February 14-16 - Regional Interchapter Weekend

**Youth Chairman** - Norman Graber (301/983-8370)

**Next Youth Committee Meeting** - Thursday,  
February 20th at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

*New members are always welcome!*

## Jewish Foundation for Group Homes

Jewish Foundation for Group Homes is a Jewish independent living residential program for adults with Mental Retardation and Chronic Mental Illness. They are currently seeking volunteers interested in extending friendship to an individual or small group. No previous experience is required. To find out more about volunteer opportunities please contact Julia Mack, Director of Volunteer Programs, (301) 984-3839.

### Tikun Olam Holiday Gift Basket Fundraiser

Our USYers will be sponsoring a Purim fundraiser to raise money for the **Tikun Olam Tzedakah Fund**. We are offering Kosher, gourmet **Mishloach Manot** baskets for **\$18** (standard), **\$24** (premium), and **\$28** (deluxe). The baskets will include tempting treats from around the world. Every gift includes a personalized card with holiday wishes, and each basket is packed for safe shipment anywhere in the country. To surprise your family, friends, and business associates with a gift they are sure to remember, just complete the form below and return it to **Edie Caroff, Youth Director** by the deadline date of **February 13th**. Make checks payable to **Beth El USY**. Any questions? Contact **Edie** at 301/652-2608. Thank you.

#### PURIM GIFT BASKET ORDER FORM OUR ORGANIZATION EARNS MONEY ON EACH BASKET SOLD!

**STEP 1** - Choose from these baskets:

- STANDARD:** Hamentashen, sparkling cider, fancy dried fruit, (\$18)  
imported chocolates, popcorn-on-the-cob and Israeli halva
- PREMIUM:** Hamentashen, sparkling cider, fancy dried fruit, (\$24)  
imported chocolates, gourmet candies and deluxe nut mix
- DELUXE:** Hamentashen, sparkling cider, fancy dried fruit, (\$28)  
gourmet candies, Israeli chocolate almonds and Belgian Truffle Brownie Mix

**STEP 2** - Tell us who you are:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

**STEP 3** - Tell us who to send gift baskets to. *Please list additional orders on a separate sheet of paper:*

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_  
 State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

How would you like the Purim card signed?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Type of basket::  Standard  Premium  Deluxe

### The Foundation For Jewish Studies

February: Presidents Weekend Retreat, Sunday February 16th - Monday, February 17th at the BWI Airport Marriott. "Jews and Judaism As Seen By Modern Israeli Writers and Poets," with Professor Ezra Spicehandler, Distinguished Professor of Hebrew Literature, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. For more information call The Foundation (301) 770-4787. 1992 Bible Heritage Series, Monday February 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the Adas Israel Congregation, 2850 Quebec Street, NW. "Art As Commentary: A Look At Biblical Giants (with slides)" with Professor Catherine A. Kapikian, Director, Center for the Arts and Religion, Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, DC.

March: 1992 Bible Heritage Series, Monday, March 16 at 7:30 p.m. at Adas Israel Congregation, 2850 Quebec Street, NW. "Maimonides as Bible Interpreter", with Michael Blaustein, Professor, St. John's College, Annapolis, MD.

### Affordable Housing Conference

An important Affordable Housing Conference is being held at the Jewish Community Center in Rockville all day February 11th. Organized by the JCC, Community Ministry, Victory Housing of the Archdiocese of Washington, the Coalition for the Homeless and the Housing Opportunities Commission and co-sponsored by more than 60 community organizations and businesses, the conference will explore, discuss and look for solutions to the numerous and complex issues surrounding affordable housing. Reservations are \$10 (Checks to Community Ministry, c/o HOC, 10400 Detrick Avenue, Kensington, MD 20895). Capacity is limited so reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis.

## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

### From the Principal's Desk

#### Essay Contest

Congratulations to all the children who submitted compositions to the Religious School Essay Contest. There were many fine essays and choosing the best from among the many submissions was a challenge for the judges panel. The first place entry in the 4th grade and under category was William Casey, a third grader in Louise Brenner's class. Honorable mention recognition went to Samuel Ganzfried (3rd grade, Brenner) and Jeremy Sidman (4th, Lillian Lipson). The first place entry in the 5th grade-10th grade category was written by Emily Lodish, a 5th grader in Helen Rib's class. Honorable mention recognition went to Jeremy Bronheim (7th, Julie Maltzman) and Deborah Kobes (7th, Sarah Leventhal). The theme of the contest was "Freedom of Religion: A Right Worth Fighting For." I would like to thank the Suzanne Bronheim and Family for sponsoring the essay contest, our wonderful teachers for motivating their students to write and judges Julie Maltzman and Debra Friedmann.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2 ♦ 9 am - Men's Club Minyan, Breakfast                      ♦ 9:30 &amp; 11:30 am - Parent's Mkshp-BR                      ♦ 11:15 am - Exten. of Hebrew - Rm 205                      ♦ 1 pm - Nursery Winter Concert - SH                      ♦ 1:30 pm - Sisterhood Book Review - BR</p>	<p>3 ♦ 7 pm - Cub Scouts                      7 pm - AZA - YL</p>	<p>4 ♦ Scroll #14 Deadline                      ♦ 7:30 pm - Saul Bendit Adult Education Comm.-BR</p>	<p>5 ♦ 7 pm - Boy Scouts                      7:15 pm - Advance Hebrew - Rm 202                      USY Basketball League</p>	<p>6 9 am - Beginning Hebrew - Rm 209                      ♦ 12 Noon - Vatikkim Study Session - SH</p>	<p>7 ♦ 6:30 pm - Service                      Candles at 5:15 pm</p>	<p>1 ♦ 7:30 &amp; 9:15 am - Services                      Havaruh Shabbot Kadima Dance (Away)                      UJA Shabbat                      8:30 pm-Reflections Dance</p>
<p>9 ♦ 8:30 am - Blood-mobile - APR                      ♦ 9 am - Men's Club Minyan, Breakfast                      UJA Super-Sunday                      ♦ 10 am - Men's Club Persp. in Dialogue (PID) Sanctuary, SH                      ♦ 10 am - Sisterhood Board Meeting - BR                      ♦ 11:15 am - Exten. of Hebrew - Rm 205                      ♦ 1:30 pm-Bonim-APR                      ♦ 5:30 pm - Havaruh Israeli Dance - SH</p>	<p>10 ♦ 10 am - Haddassah-BR                      ♦ 7 pm - Cub Scouts                      7 pm - AZA - YL</p>	<p>11 ♦ 7:30 pm - Saul Bendit Adult Education Comm. - Library                      ♦ 7:45 pm - Nursery School Board - BR                      ♦ 8 pm - Executive Board Meeting - Office</p>	<p>12 ♦ 7 pm - Boy Scouts                      7:15 pm - Advance Hebrew - Rm 202                      USY Basketball League</p>	<p>13 9 am - Beginning Hebrew - Rm 209                      ♦ 12 Noon - Vatikkim Study Session - SH                      7 pm - Alliance for Mentally Ill - APR</p>	<p>14 ♦ 6:30 pm - Service                      Candles at 5:23 pm                      USY Interchapter (Away) January 14 - January 16</p>	<p>15 ♦ No School - President's Day Weekend                      ♦ 7:30 &amp; 9:15 am - Services                      ♦ 10:30 am - Nitzanin Services</p>

MORNING MINYAN: 7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday

EVENING MINYAN: 8:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday

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