



# CONGREGATION BETH EL OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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OUR 41<sup>ST</sup> YEAR NO. 14

FEBRUARY 28, 1992

## Help Beth El While You Shop!!!!!!

Shopping Certificate profits help pay congregation bills. **DO YOU PARTICIPATE??** For further information please contact Claire Marwick at (301) 657-2328 or Petrina Chavis at (301) 469-0518.

Be Present at the Premiere

### “EVER SINCE BABYLON”

A New Oratorio for Soloist and Orchestra  
Honoring the Jewish Spirit  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 1992**  
at 7:30 P.M.

## Great Time with a Mime

Don't miss a real treat! Starring Mark Jaster, actor, musician, dancer, and mime, who has served as Marcel Marceau's teaching assistant, in *Piccolo's Trunk* at Congregation Beth El, 8215 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, on March 8th at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$4.00 per person at the door. Proceeds to benefit Beth El Nursery School. For further information, call Paula Siegel at (301) 983-3359.

Refuah Shlayma to Stanley Klimen

## English Tutors Needed

Make a difference! Newly arrived Soviet immigrant needs English tutor. No experience necessary. Call Deborah Ross at (301) 229-4131 for information if you can volunteer a few hours a week.

### 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

If you know of a fellow congregant who is ill and/or in the hospital, please notify the synagogue office.

## Shabbat Schedule

- Friday, February 28, at 6:30 p.m.  
Nursery School Family Shabbat Dinner at 7:15 p.m.
- Saturday, February 29 at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
Shabbat Shekalim  
Nitzanim Shabbaton at 12 noon
- Friday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, March 7, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
Alan Spiegel Bar Mitzvah  
Havurah Minyan at 9:30 a.m.
- Friday, March 13, at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, March 14, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
Shabbat Zachor  
Daniel Ballon Bar Mitzvah  
Gan Shabbat at 10:45 a.m.

## Soviet Jewry News

Two new families who have recently arrived in this area are looking for friendship and introduction to Jewish and synagogue life. Boris and Lauris B., 37 and 35, and their three children arrived December 12th, from Moscow. Vladimir and Tamara T., 43 and 42, and their twenty-year-old daughter arrived from Moscow on November 26th. Thus far, a large number of Beth El families have adopted a newcomer family, making Beth El a leader in this area. We call on others to experience the thrill of adopting these newcomers.

Automobiles in working order are still needed for newcomers. If you have a used car which you would like to donate to a newcomer family (and receive an income tax deduction), please call Warren Greenberg at (301) 942-2518.

## SIGN UP NOW!

Saul Bendit Adult Institute  
Spring Term '92

Evening Program - 15 Courses  
Five Wednesdays - March 25th to April 22nd  
One Thursday - April 30

Daytime Program - Six Courses  
Six Tuesdays - March 24th to April 28th

## SISTERHOOD NEWS

### CALENDAR:

- Mar. 1 - JEWISH FAMILY LIVING WORKSHOP (9:30 & 11:30 a.m.)
- Mar. 1 - SISTERHOOD BOARD MEETING (9:30 a.m.)
- Mar. 4 - BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON AREA TORAH FUND LUNCHEON (11:30 a.m.)
- Mar. 8 - B'NAI ISRAEL/BETH EL SISTERHOOD JOINT MEETING (10:30 a.m.)
- Mar. 8 - BOOK REVIEW GROUP (1:00 p.m.)
- Mar. 15 - CANTORIAL RECITAL / VIENNESE SWEET TABLE (3:00 p.m.)
- Mar. 29 - SPECIAL GIFTS TORAH FUND RECEPTION
- April 5 - JEWISH FAMILY LIVING WORKSHOP
- April 5 - TORAH FUND COCKTAIL PARTY (4:00 - 6:00 p.m.)
- April 5 - CURRENT EVENTS GROUP
- May 3 - PLANT SALE (Note change in date)
- May 8 - SISTERHOOD SHABBAT DINNER AND SERVICE

### Joint Sisterhood Meeting March 8th

Everyone is invited to attend the joint meeting of B'nai Israel and Beth El Sisterhoods on Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m., March 8th. This carries on a tradition begun several years ago. Frankly, since the number of B'nai Israel members who come usually outnumber by far the Beth El people who attend, we are anxious to have as many members as possible come to this meeting. Since this will be a sit-down brunch, we would appreciate having your reservations as soon as possible by calling either Sylvia Abraham at (301) 530-1845 or Gabriela Bechick at (301) 229-1785. Note: there is no charge, but we need to know how many people we need to prepare for.

We are fortunate to have as speaker, Sheila Kaufman, of Project Pride. Ms. Kaufman will talk about Jewish drug abuse — a topic which extends to all age groups, whether the drug of choice is nicotine, alcohol, cocaine, or other hard drugs. Even more relevant is abuse of prescription drugs, a form of abuse which is all too prevalent among the elder population, often unsuspected by the senior citizens or their families, or even their doctors, since each one may be unaware of drugs prescribed by another physician.

### Patronize Our Beth El Gift Shop!!!

Think ahead for your Purim and Passover needs, as well as Bar/Bat Mitzvah gifts, weddings and other occasions.

**REMINDER: NOW IS THE TIME TO SEND IN YOUR CHECK FOR CANTORIAL CONCERT TICKETS FOR MARCH 15TH. THERE IS LIMITED SEATING.**

### Passover - Topic of Next Jewish Family Living Workshop

The Jewish Family Living Workshops will continue on March 1st at both 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. corresponding with the early and late sessions of Religious and Sunday school. Structured to help parents instill Jewish values in their children, this popular

series will help to arrange your seder to appeal to children. The first seder this year is on April 17th, so this is well timed to help parents. Anyone interested, including grandparents and other relatives, is cordially invited to attend this workshop, which will be conducted by Julie Maltzman.

### It's Not Too Late To Make Your Torah Fund Pledge!!!

Contact Torah Fund Chairman Doris Povich at (301) 320-5440 to make your Torah Fund pledge, which entitles you to attend three events:

1. The Washington-Baltimore Torah Fund Luncheon on Wednesday, March 4th at 11:30 a.m., to be held at B'nai Shalom, 18401 Burtfield Road, Olney, Maryland. There is a \$10.00 plate charge for the luncheon.

2. Special Gifts Reception for those who contribute at least \$136.00, to be held March 29th. Contact Doris for details. This level of contribution also entitles you to a lovely pin designed for benefactors, as well as two tickets to the next event.

3. Torah Fund Cocktail Party, to be held on April 5th from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., at the home of Roz Sporn. Those contributing less than the Benefactor level are entitled to come to the party, and may also bring a guest for a charge of \$12.50.

All funds contributed are sent directly to the Women's League for Conservative Judaism and are used to support the various programs of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

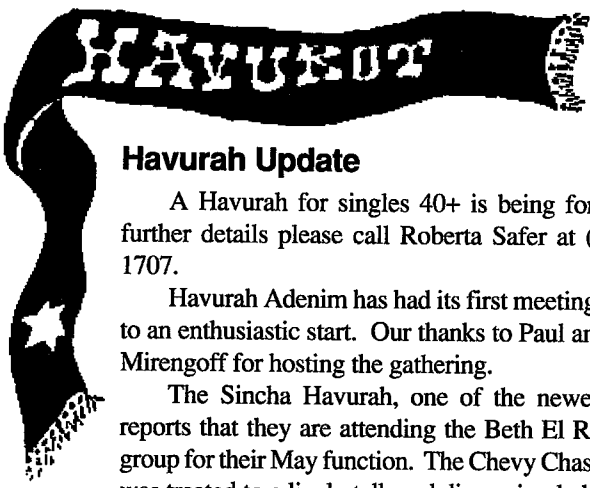
### Book Discussion Group to Meet Next on March 8th

*Solomon Gursky Was Here* by Mordchai Richler, an amusing, if strange, novel about Jews in Canada, will be discussed on March 8th at 1:00 p.m. A word about timing: since the interest groups were formed long after the Beth El calendar was set, we are setting the time for these meetings after the "main event" of the day, i.e., a Sisterhood or Men's Club or other well attended meeting. Since there is a Sisterhood meeting that day, the book group will meet that date at 1:00 p.m. For exact location see the bulletin board in the Rotunda.

### Plant Sale Date Moved to May 3rd

Sonja Schultz, chairman of the Plant Sale, has just announced that it was necessary to change the date to May 3rd because of several conflicts on the originally announced day. This event is held in the Beth El parking lot from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We expect to have all the popular items for sale — bedding plants, flowers, vegetables and hanging baskets. Watch future *Scrolls* for lists from which to make your orders.

Volunteers are needed for that date in at least one-hour shifts, starting at 7:30 a.m., a minimum of twenty people to help unload the truck, set aside pre-ordered merchandise for pick-up, handle new sales, and to serve as cashiers. Call Sonja at (301) 530-1620 and let her know if you can help.



**Havurah Update**

A Havurah for singles 40+ is being formed - for further details please call Roberta Safer at (301) 571-1707.

Havurah Adenim has had its first meeting and is off to an enthusiastic start. Our thanks to Paul and Yvonne Mirengoff for hosting the gathering.

The Sincha Havurah, one of the newer havurot, reports that they are attending the Beth El Retreat as a group for their May function. The Chevy Chase Havurah was treated to a lively talk and discussion led by Cantor Lubin on the controversy surrounding the performance of Wagner in Israel.

Questions about our current havurot? Call Roberta Safer at (301) 571-7107 or Audrey Corson at (301) 229-5855.

**Shabbat Havurah**

On Saturday, March 7th, Ms. Elyse Sharpe, Job Development Specialist of the Jewish Social Service Agency, will speak on the topic, "Finding Jobs for Russian Newcomers in a Recession." Everyone is invited to attend immediately after the kiddush - in the Chapel. This Havurah may be of interest to newcomer families who may have recently joined Beth El, but because of Shabbat, this meeting will not be a job fair of any kind.

On Saturday, April 4th, Ambassador Marin Gerskovic, a recent Jewish emigre from Yugoslavia, will speak at the Shabbat Havurah on the topic "Yugoslavia: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow."

**Tuning In With Cantor Lubin**

Musical memories are a potent force in all cultures and ethnic traditions and the memories of our musical past are particularly rich and colorful spanning over several millennia and across every corner of the world.

The vicissitudinous nature of our history coupled with the central and significant role that music has always played in the religious and social fabric of our people are the key to the wealth and rich variety of the musical repertory of the Jews. Composers and musicians outside of the Jewish fold have been fascinated by our musical traditions, so much so, that a number of them have actually incorporated some thematic materials into their works. Among them are: Benedetto Marcello, Max Bruch, Maurice Ravel, Serge Prokofieff and Dmitri Shostakovich.

The rich tapestry of our musical tradition contains many threads and colors. Some of these threads of melody were carried from our ancient homeland to Rome and Germany. Some newer strands were woven later in our history. The folk and their song moved eastward and enriched their repertory with Russian and Roumanian tunes and even a new thread of orientalism which had come by way of Byzantium. This amalgam of tunes is generally labeled as Ashkenazic (German) or East European. This, albeit rich, musical tradition represents only one half of the total repertoire of Jewish song. The Sephardic community, once in Sepharad (Spain), suffered its own dispersion and expulsion which during this year, we commemorate its 500th anniversary. Following the expulsion in 1492 this great Sephardic tradition made its way to the New World, to the Netherlands, and England in the West, and to the East, across North Africa, into the Balkans, Greece and Turkey, and on to Syria, Iraq and Iran and into Egypt. Other Jews, at an even earlier stage in our history, made their way directly from our homeland, "the land of milk and honey," into a deeper part of the Orient down to Yemen and up into the mountains of Afghanistan, Bokhara and some as far as Cochin, India and even China.

With the ingathering of our exiles during the earlier decades of this century and climaxing in 1948 with the re-establishment of Israel, and even during the most recent miraculous exodus from Russia and Ethiopia, Jews have come full circle and returned to their homeland where Jews from the East meet Jews from the West and every place in between, in a renaissance of political, social, religious, cultural and musical revival and creativity. This is indeed a most exciting and promising period in Jewish history.

(Elsewhere in our *Scroll* you will note a program sponsored by our Sisterhood: "East Meets West - A Panorama of Jewish Music" on Sunday, March 15, 1992 at 3:00 p.m. I hope you will plan to attend.)

**Upcoming Community Events**

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society is planning a Super Cities Walk on Sunday, April 5, 1992. For further information please call (202) 296-5363 to volunteer to walk or help in any way you can.

The Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington has set dates for the community wide Yom HaShoah, on Wednesday, April 29th, 8:00 p.m., at Congregation B'nai Israel and Yom HaAtzmaut, on Wednesday, May 6th, 7:30 p.m., at Washington Hebrew Congregation.

**BETH EL SCROLL**  
 Congregation Beth El of Montgomery County  
 8215 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, Maryland 20814

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## Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations

### **Beth El Forest**

The Sisterhood has made a contribution in memory of Benjamin Kay, brother of Joe Kay; Dr. and Mrs. Isaac Roubein, for good health of Dr. Murray Hammerman; Audrey and Colin Winston, in memory of Audrey's father, Fred Bender; Rondberg family, in memory of Miles Katzenstein; Dorothy and Henry Freedman, in memory of Harry Markowitz; Dorothy E. Beverly and Elsie Hurcules, in memory of Max Cohen.

### **Cantor's Fund**

David and Harriet Brooks, in memory of Hazzan Abraham Lubin's father; Marilyn and Gary Wind, in honor of the engagement of Hazzan and Sandy Lubin's daughter, Stephanie.

### **Chevre Kadisha Fund**

Julia and Howard Copperman, in memory of Mamie Copperman.

### **Disabled Access Fund**

Roz Sporn, in memory of Julie Shapiro, mother of Evelyn Treinish.

### **Fine Arts Fund**

Ellen Eule, in memory of her father, Abraham Luks; Connie Krupin, in honor of her family's first year anniversary of membership at Beth El.

### **General Endowment Fund**

Roz Sporn, in memory of Benjamin Kay, brother of George Joseph Kay; David and Harriet Brooks, in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Hans and Helen Hirsch; Martin Dembo, in memory of Max Cohen.

### **General Fund**

Marilyn and Gary Wind, in memory of Max Cohen; Henry and Dorothy Freedman, in memory of Harris Freedman; Marilyn and Gary Wind, in honor of the speedy recovery of Charlotte Simos and Judy Levin.

### **Estelle Kimball Nursery School**

Jon Kimball, in honor of Harriet Bartstein's Birthday.

### **Library Fund**

Rockey M. Lang, in memory of her sister, Reve S. Shapiro.

### **Mazon**

Susan J. Levin, in honor of Rabbi Rudolph.

### **Morning Minyan Fund**

Elsie and Joe Woolman, in memory of Max Cohen; David and Harriet Brooks, in memory of Max Cohen.

### **Music Fund**

Hazzan and Mrs. Abraham Lubin, in memory of Samuel Haber.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard N. Berger have made the following contributions: in memory of Julia Shapiro, mother of Evelyn Treinish; in memory of Max Cohen; and for the speedy recovery of Harry Lerner.

### **Rabbi's Fund**

Norma and Calvin Golumbic, in memory of Isadore Richman, father of Norma Golumbic; Dr. and Mrs. Isaac Roubein, for a speedy recovery of Magi Nightingale; Sandra and Jonathan Simon, in memory of Marshall Joseph Wien; Ann and Bruce Barcome in memory of Gale Barcome; Neil Levy, in honor of his Aliyah.

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

Toby and Bernie Moss, in honor of Claire Marwick's Bat Mitzvah.

### **Saul Bendit Adult Institute Fund**

Josephine C. Stein, in memory of her husband, Samuel D. Stein.

### **Social Action Fund**

Irene Hauser, get well wishes to the following: David Levin; Harry and Claire Lerner; and Charlotte Simos; also Happy 50th Anniversary to Hans and Helen Hirsch; Mindell H. Wien, in memory of Marshall Joseph Wien.

### **Sybil Suls Youth Activities Fund**

Marcia and Don Weinroth, in honor of the recovery of Carol Damksy.

### **Vatikkim**

Werner and Bernice Blumenthal, in honor of Irving and Doris Zimmerman's 50th Wedding Anniversary; Milton and Faye Doberman, in honor of Lillian Maller's 80th Birthday; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lerner, in honor of Irving and Doris Zimmerman's Wedding Anniversary.



## EAST meets WEST

A PANORAMA OF JEWISH MUSIC



*A musicale of folk and art music of  
Sephardic and Ashkenazic traditions.*

Featuring  
**Cantor Abraham Lubin**

P'nina Plotkin Boik, piano - Bruce Casteel, classical guitar - Annie Debreceeny, flute

*Sponsored by the Beth El Sisterhood*

Sunday, March 15, 1992  
3:00 p.m.

Congregation Beth El of  
Montgomery County  
8215 Old Georgetown Road  
Bethesda, Maryland 20814  
(301) 652-2606

Sponsors:	\$25 per person (reserved seats, name will appear in program)
General Admission:	advance \$12.50 per person at the door \$15 per person

*A Viennese table will follow the performance. Profits will go to the Israel Scholarship Fund.*

### Vatikkim Luncheon

We will resume our monthly Vatikkim luncheons on Thursday, March 19, 1992. Our first program this year, entitled "Lerner and Lowe Remembered", will feature a national portrait gallery presentations of songs by Lerner and Lowe. So come and join us for trip back in time to the music of "My Fair Lady" and of other Lerner and Lowe Musicals from the 50's and 60's.

Lunch is at 12 noon at a cost of \$5.00 for members and \$6.00 for non-members. The program is at 1:00 p.m. Please fill out the following reservation form to pay in advance. Checks should be made payable to Beth El Vatikkim and sent to: Bea Goldman at 3214 Henderson Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20902, phone (301) 942-9434 or Lillian Kessler at 11809 Rosalinda Drive, Potomac, MD 20854, phone (301) 299-6201.

**RESERVATION FORM VATIKKIM LUNCHEON**  
**Thursday, March 19, 1992**

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ places for me at the Vatikkim luncheon. Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please have your response reach us by March 17, 1992.

**Note: This is the only form that will appear.**

### Nitzanim News

Our next Shabbat morning service for children under six and their families is on March 21st at our usual time and place: 10:30 a.m. in the All Purpose Room. Hope to see you there. Also remember there is a Gan Shabbat service for children in Grades K-3 on March 14th at 10:45 a.m. in the same room.

Thanks to Rhonda Friedman and Ken Eckmann for sponsoring the February Kiddush after services. They honored Ariel's third birthday. Kay Klass and Mark Levitt co-sponsored the Kiddush in honor of Elliot's fifth birthday. Mazel tov to both families.

The Tu B'Shevat Seder was wonderful. About 70 people attended and blessed and sampled fruits. There were terrific arts and crafts for the children who also planted seeds and trees. All had a great time. Thanks to Rabbi Rudolph for leading the services and to Gail Fribush, Leah Bresch, Leora Hoffman and Miriam Cohen for arranging a lovely time for all.

After our Shabbaton on February 29th, the next Nitzanim event to look forward to is the Havdallah Dinner on March 28th at 6:00 p.m. Watch the *Scroll* for more information and reservation forms!

### Shabbat Study Group

There is a Shabbat Study Group, held on the fourth Saturday of every month at 12:30 p.m., in the All Purpose Room. Led by Linda Kuzmack, the group is studying Perke Avot - Ethics of our Fathers.

### 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.

#### March 2 - March 5

Frances Leibowitz  
 Joseph and Sarah Leiter  
 Myron and Lenore Lenkin  
 Warren and Leslie Leonard  
 Sara Lepman  
 Allen and Barbara Lerman  
 Harry and Clare Lerner  
 Herbert and Dianne Lerner  
 Sylvia Lesselroth  
 Allen and Frances Lesser  
 Howard Lesser and  
 Hanna Gutmann  
 Charlotte Levenson  
 David and Molly Levin  
 Edgar and Naomi Levin  
 Isobel Levin

#### March 9 - March 12

Lawrence and Judith Lessin  
 Reuven and Dora Leopold  
 Jonathan and Judith Levin  
 Joseph and Ellen Levin  
 Theodore and Rose Levin  
 Boris and Leona Levine  
 David and Jacquelyn Levine  
 Donald and Gloria Le Vine  
 Howard and Janet Levine  
 Ira and Susan Levine  
 Isobel Levine  
 Kenneth Levine and Diana  
 Huffman  
 Robert and Andrea Levine  
 Shirley Levine  
 Steven and Linda Levine

### Congregation Shabbat Dinner

Make your reservations now for the Shabbat Congregation Dinner on Friday, March 20th, following Shabbat services. Members of the congregation, their families, and the community are invited to attend.

Reservations are needed by March 15, 1992. There will be no refunds. Please fill out the form below and send in your check to the office marked, "Attention: Shabbat Dinner".

**RESERVATION FORM**

**Shabbat Congregation Service and Dinner**  
**Friday, March 20, 1992**

Adult Members @ \$10 each.	Total \$ _____
Non-member Adults @ \$13 each.	Total \$ _____
Children (6-12) Members @ \$7 each.	Total \$ _____
Children (under 6) @ \$4 each.	Total \$ _____
Grand Total \$ _____	

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to sit with \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to sit at a Vatikkim reserved table (yes or no) \_\_\_\_\_

**RSVP by Tuesday, March 15, 1992**  
 (All rates include a 3% Mazon donation)

## Youth Activities . . . Galore!

**Bonim - (Grades K-2) and Machar (Grades 3-5)** - Our Bonim and Machar members will be visiting residents at **The Hebrew Home of Greater Washington** on **Sunday, March 29th**. We will spend the afternoon sharing crafts, games, and refreshments with our elderly friends. Details will be sent out soon - be sure to save the date. Parent helpers are needed.

**Kadima (Grades 6-8)** - Kadima volunteers are needed to staff the **Annual Purim Carnival** on **Sunday, March 22nd** at 11:00 a.m. Contact **Stacey Morrison, Advisor** at (301) 530-9328 to offer to lend us a hand.

The **Seaboard Region Spring Kadima Kallah** will be held **March 27-29** at Adas Israel Congregation in Washington, D.C. The theme is **Israel: The Dream and Reality**. We have filled our Beth El quota for attendees and are accepting names for the wait-list only.

**USY (Grades 9-12) - Sunday, March 1st is Regional Israel Day**. It will be held at Shaare Tefila Congregation in White Oak from 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. Experience Israel at the cheapest rate going - \$6.00 per person! Be there -don't let our plane leave without you.

Dance the night away for T.O. (Tikun Olam) at Nevey Shalom's 12 hour **Dance-A-Thon All Nighter** on **Saturday night, March 7 - Sunday, March 8th** (9:00 p.m. - 9:00 a.m.) There is a \$10.00 admission fee for the Dance-A-Thon and overnight, and a \$5.00 admission fee with the submission of a 12 hour pledge sheet. You must bring your signed consent form with you in order to participate. Picture-grams will be sold to raise additional Tikun Olam funds. Can you dance for 12 consecutive hours? Come to Bowie and find out!

The **Seaboard Region Basketball League** continues with games on Wednesday evenings, **March 4th** and **March 11th**. We've got a great Beth El team this year - turn out to cheer them on to victory!

USY volunteers are needed to serve as ushers at the **East Meets West Concert** on **Sunday, March 15th at 3:00 p.m.** Each usher will receive a complimentary admission to the performance, which is being sponsored by the Beth El Sisterhood. A Viennese dessert table will follow the performance of folk and art music of the Sephardic and Ashkenazic traditions. Contact me at the youth office if you are interested in volunteering to assist at this lovely affair.

Our Beth El USY chapter is delighted to be hosting the **Regional Heschel and Chalutzim Kinnus** here on the weekend of **April 3rd - 5th**. The **Heschel Honor Society** is a very special core of USYers who are committed to their Judaism, and **Hechalutzim** members have demonstrated their strong devotion to Israel. We will need volunteers from among our USY families and our congregation to **host the 40-60 guests** we are expecting. Homes within walking distance of Beth El are especially important as many participants do not travel on Shabbat. Please mark the date on your calendar and watch for further details about the weekend. Let me hear from you if you can help in any way.

Our Youth Department is selling **Elite Passover Candy** through **March 6th**. Students in the Religious School in Grades K-10 and members of our four youth groups will be glad to take

your order. By purchasing Elite Confections you will not only be enjoying this delicious Kosher for Pesach candy, but you will be helping Israel too. Elite Limited takes an active part in the resettlement of Russian and Ethiopian immigrants through its hiring and training programs. In addition, a percentage of every sale will be donated to UJA Federation and earmarked for Operation Exodus. Our Beth El USY group will also benefit as proceeds will be applied toward our Tikun Olam Fund. Help Israel's economy and help raise Tzedakah funds by supporting our **Elite Pesach Candy Sale**. Order forms are available in the main office. **Let us count on you!!**

*Shalom U' lihiraot,*  
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

March 22 - Purim Carnival

March 29 - Annual Visit to the Hebrew Home

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

Advisor: Audrey Pessin (301) 277-9514

March 22 - Purim Carnival

March 29 - Annual Visit to the Hebrew Home

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

Advisor: Stacey Morrison (301) 530-9328

March 22 - Kadima to staff Purim Carnival

March 27-29 - Spring Kadima Kallah Weekend

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

Advisor: Burman Berger (301) 424-1269

March 1 - Regional Israel Day

March 4, 11 - Basketball League at BJE Building

March 6 - 7 - Spring Regional General Board Retreat

March 7 - 8 - Dance-a-thon at Nevey Shalom in Bowie

March 15 - Volunteers needed to usher at East meets

West Concert at 3:00 p.m.

April 3 - 5 - Heschel and Hechalutzim Kinnus at Beth El

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

**Next Youth Committee Meeting** - Thursday, March 19th at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

New members are always welcome!

### KARATE, ANYONE?

We are planning to form a **Karate Klub** for **boys and girls, ages 10 and up**. The Klub would meet for 6-8 weeks on Sunday afternoons at Beth El. There would be a nominal charge for participation.

Please contact **Edie Caroff, Youth Director**, at (301) 652-2608 to let us know that you are interested in joining the group. More information to follow soon.

## Men's Club News

On Sunday, March 1st, Dave Levine will speak on "Investing in Israel". Come and hear how you can make direct investments in the Israeli economy.

On Sunday, March 8th, Dave Brooks will speak on "1991 Income Tax". He will discuss tax planning to April 15th and beyond, and changes effective for the subject tax year.

On March 15th, Mark Weinberg will speak on "More on Estate Planning".

On March 22nd, the Men's Club will sponsor its annual Purim Carnival for the children and members of Beth El.

## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

### From the Principal's Desk

The eighth grade class closed out its Fall/Winter semester study of Comparative Religion with a series of lessons on Christianity. The class learned some of the fundamentals of Christian belief, Jewish views on Jesus and were visited by religious leaders from neighboring Methodist and Catholic churches. The students had an especially lively session with Father O'Donnell of Our Lady of Lourdes with their questions on many subjects including abortion, the Holy Trinity, and Original Sin.

In the Winter/Spring semester the class will be learning about Relationships, Aging, Hunger and Homelessness, and religious cults and what Judaism has to say about these contemporary themes and a more light experience with the "mama loshen" - Yiddish.

One focus of the fifth grade class has been the study of Israel: The Land and the State. On Sunday, January 12 the classes were visited by a local expert on Biblical archaeology, Mr. Abraham Neustadter. Mr. Neustadter showed the class slides of archaeological digs including that of the ancient City of David in Jerusalem. He also passed around ancient jug handles and other pottery shards and fielded questions. Archaeology is often called Israel's national sport. It is a pursuit that plays an important role in strengthening the case for Israel's historic ties to that land; not that we need to be convinced.

The children are already given an exceptional learning experience with Mrs. Rib and Ms. Leventhal. Visiting speakers broaden the children's educational experience and expose them to opportunities they may have never considered. I hope that someday all of these children will have the chance to participate in an archaeological dig in the Holy Land.

I would like to thank the many parents for their support of the Sisterhood/Religious School sponsored Parent Education series "How to Raise a Jewish Child." We had a remarkable turnout for the first workshop "How to Raise a Jewish Child in a Non-Jewish Society" and another fine turnout for the second program "Shabbat 101: A Primer on Home Shabbat Observance." The next workshop will be a Pesach "How to" led by Julie Maltzman on Sunday, March 1 at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

## Bone Marrow Donors Urgently Sought

We have a life and death situation involving a member of the Jewish Community. Bill Gold, 35, of Arlington, the father of two-year old twin boys, has leukemia and faces certain death if we do not find a person whose bone marrow matches his.

Luckily, a bone marrow transplant is no longer an exotic or unusual treatment. But finding a suitable donor is difficult. Members of Bill's family already have been tested, without success, and the likelihood of finding a match outside one's family is about 1 in 20,000. Bill's best chance for a match now lies with someone of an ethnic background similar to his — *Eastern European Jewish descent*.

A testing session is planned for Monday, March 9, from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the SKYLINE HEALTH CLUB, 5115 LEESBURG PIKE, FALLS CHURCH, VA (located behind Skyline Mall); call for directions (703) 820-4100. THE INITIAL TESTING TAKES TEN MINUTES OF YOUR TIME, 2 TABLESPOONS OF YOUR BLOOD AND A HEART OF GOLD. Anyone tested can have their name included in the National Donor Registry as a potential donor for one of the 19,000 people presently searching for the perfect match and a second chance at life.

Additional test dates and locations are in the planning stages. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS to work on one of our committees as well as DONATIONS OF CERTAIN SERVICES AND SUPPLIES.

Although it is the donor who ultimately makes the marrow transplant "miracle" happen, it is the compassionate contributors who make it all possible (each test costs the Gold family \$75.00). We ask you to help.

COME TO SKYLINE ON MARCH 9TH. CALL TO VOLUNTEER: (703) 525-5413. SEND YOUR TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION TO: THE BILL GOLD DRIVE FOR LIFE, P.O. BOX 4771, FALLS CHURCH, VA 22044.

## Bethesda Cares Looking for Volunteers

Do you have some spare hours that you would like to donate? Bethesda Cares is an inter-denominational group of which Beth El is a member. Below is a list of the opportunities for volunteers which gives a good idea of its activities. Call Sue Snyder at (301) 530-5807 if you are interested or have any questions.

Lunch Volunteers	Office Staff
Dinner Coordinator	Write Grant Proposals
Bookkeeping Services	Federal Reports Angel
Lunch Coordinator	Volunteer Coordinator
Saturday Morning Showers	Housing Committee
Clothing Closet	

Why not join the following volunteers from Beth El: Harriet Brooks, Naomi Cohen, Renee Cooper, Judy Danish, Sylvia Dier, Nancy Feldman, Gloria and Beryl Frank, Ed Golfer, Trudy and Murray Haber, Diana Huffman, Claire Lerner, Ellen Sweetwood, Lee Swerdlow, and Marge Weiss.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 <b>9</b> am - Men's Club Minyan, Bkfst-APR</p> <p>9:30 &amp; 11:30am - Parent's Wkshp-BR</p> <p>11 am - Max Cohen Memorial Service</p> <p>11:15 am - Exten. of Hebrew - Rm 205</p> <p>1pm - Boy Scouts Adult Layman's Inst. Reunion Dinner</p>	<p>2 <b>4</b> 7 pm - Cub Scouts</p> <p>7 pm - AZA - YL</p>	<p>3 <b>4</b> Scroll #16 Deadline</p>	<p>4 <b>11</b>:30 am - Sisterhood Torah Fund Luncheon - SH</p> <p>7 pm - Boy Scouts</p>	<p>5 9 am - Beginning Hebrew - Rm 209</p> <p>12 Noon - Vatikim Study Session - SH</p>	<p>6 <b>6</b>:30 pm - Service, Fourth Grade Siyum</p> <p>Candles at 5:46 pm</p> <p>7:15 pm - Shabbat Dinner - Gr. 3-5</p>	<p>7 <b>7</b>:30 &amp; 9:15 am - Services</p> <p>Alan Spiegel B/M</p> <p>9:30 am - Havurah Minyan - APR</p>
<p>8 <b>9</b> am - Men's Club Minyan, Bkfst-APR</p> <p>10 am - Joint Sisterhood Meeting w/B'nai Israel - SH</p> <p>11-Cantor Mtg.-BR</p> <p>11:15 am - Exten. of Hebrew - Rm 205</p> <p>1 pm - Boy Scout</p> <p>1 pm - Sisterhood Book Review - BR</p> <p>Nursery School</p> <p>Spring Concert - SH</p>	<p>9 <b>4</b> 7 pm - Cub Scouts</p> <p>7 pm - AZA - YL</p>	<p>10 <b>7</b>:45 pm - Nursery School Board - BR</p> <p>8 pm - Executive Board Meeting - Library</p>	<p>11 <b>4</b> 7 pm - Boy Scouts Parents Meeting</p>	<p>12 9 am - Beginning Hebrew - Rm 209</p> <p>12 Noon - Vatikim Study Session - SH</p> <p>7 pm - Alliance for Mentally Ill - APR</p>	<p>13 <b>6</b>:30 pm - Service</p> <p>Candles at 5:54 pm</p> <p>Berger Dinner-APR</p>	<p>14 <b>7</b>:30 &amp; 9:15 am - Services</p> <p>Shabbat Zachor</p> <p>Daniel Ballon B/M</p> <p>10:45 am - Gan Shabbat</p> <p>8:30 pm - Reflections Dance</p>
<p>15 <b>9</b> am - Men's Club Minyan, Bkfst-APR</p> <p>10 am-Bar Mitzvah Family Mtg.-Chapel</p> <p>11:15 am - Exten. of Hebrew - Rm 205</p> <p>Sisterhood Yiddish Cantorial Recital -</p> <p>3 pm - Boy Scouts</p>	<p>16 <b>4</b> 7 pm - Cub Scouts</p> <p>7 pm - AZA - YL</p>	<p>17 <b>4</b> Scroll #17 Deadline</p> <p>8 pm - School Comm. - BR</p>	<p>18 <b>4</b> Fast of Esther</p> <p>7 pm - Boy Scouts</p> <p>7:30 pm - Megillah Reading</p>	<p>19 <b>4</b> PURIM</p> <p>9 am - Beginning Hebrew - Rm 209</p> <p>12 Noon - Vatikim Luncheon - SH</p> <p>7:30 pm - B'nai Brith Meeting - APR</p> <p>8 pm - Youth Comm. - BR</p>	<p>20 <b>6</b>:30 pm - Service</p> <p>Candles at 6:01 pm</p> <p>7:15 pm - Congregation Shabbat Dinner (Please Note Date Change)</p>	<p>21 <b>7</b>:30 &amp; 9:15 am - Services</p> <p>Alexander Eule B/M</p> <p>10:30 am - Nitzanin Services</p> <p>11:00 am - Kiddush</p> <p>Shirazi Party</p>

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

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

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