



CONGREGATION BETH EL OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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Shabbat Schedule

Friday, December 4th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 5th, at 7:30 a.m. and 9:15 a.m.
Sisterhood Shabbat
Havurah Minyan, at 9:00 a.m. in the APR
Junior Congregation, at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, December 11th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 12th, at 7:30 a.m. and 9:15 a.m.
Junior Congregation, at 10:00 a.m.
Nitzanim, at 10:30 a.m. in the APR

Friday, December 18th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 19th, at 7:30 a.m. and 9:15 a.m.
Daniella Nowitz Bat Mitzvah, at 9:15 a.m.
Junior Congregation, at 10:00 a.m.
Gan Shabbat, at 10:45 a.m. in the Board Room
Erev Hanukkah - First Candle at night

Bloodmobile

The next Blood Drive will be held on December 6th from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Come and give the gift of life and have breakfast with others that are doing the same. There is usually a blood shortage around the holidays, so your donation is very much needed. Our donors from the last drive broke a record on blood donations.

PLEASE HELP GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE!!!!

Seaboard Region Biennial Convention Friday December 11th - Sunday, December 13th

Theme: Dor L'Dor from Generation to Generation.

Rabbi William H. Lebeau, Vice Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America - Torah Institute, will be this year's Scholar in Residence. Marilyn Wind will be installed as President of the region.

The Convention will be held at Congregation Beth El. For further information and reservations, please call United Synagogue at (301) 230-0801, or pick up a pamphlet from the information racks next to the main office.

Off The Bimah

At the request of a member of our Social Action Committee, I prepared the following "Letter To The Editor" which appeared in a recent issue of the Montgomery County Journal. I hope it helps to shed light on this gut-wrenching issue of abortion. At the same time, I am proud of our congregation for hosting a meeting on the Choice referendum in the November election, perhaps the only synagogue in the area to do so.

As a Conservative Rabbi, I feel compelled to respond to the letter entitled "Judaism Has Always Been Anti-Abortion," printed in the August 24, 1992 edition of your paper.

Like the writer, I too maintain that Judaism believes in life, and in its sacredness. Judaism believes that the fetus in the mother's womb is at least potential life. It may not yet be a living person, but it is surely on the way to becoming one. And so, abortion can never be a casual or callous thing. It is not the same as the removal of an appendix.

However, the writer presented a far too simplistic and uninformed approach to a very complex issue. The fact is, Jewish tradition is also pro-choice. If the health or the life or the *sanity* of the mother is in danger, the mother must come first, because the mother is a person; the fetus is not yet a person. Judaism is pro-choice because it maintains that the great emotional decisions of life should be made in the conscience and in the tradition, and not by the state.

There is a wonderful Yiddish expression, "Don't be God's Cossacks," which means, "Don't appoint yourself God's agent," and don't be so sure you are right, and that you know exactly what God wants to the extent that you persecute and prosecute others who disagree with you. Judaism is pro-life and pro-choice. It also stands with those who are seeking some reasonable way to mediate between the legitimate sentiments of each side.

Rabbi Jonathan Z. Maltzman

Join Rabbi Jonathan Maltzman on a Beth El Mission to Israel, June 27 - July 11, 1993. Watch for further details. Highlights will include the opening ceremonies of the 1993 Maccabiah Games. For further information, contact the Rabbi.

Attention: Snowbirds!

When you leave to spend the winter months in the southern climes of Florida, it would be appreciated if you would call or notify the synagogue of your approximate date of departure and return. Have a wonderful winter!

All In The Family

Mazal Tov to Ellie and Sam Frishman on the August 26th birth of their grandson, Mitchell Abram, and to parents Renee and Wayne Hochberg. Mazal Tov to Abbie and William Eckland on the birth of their son, Nathaniel Scott, on October 9th. Mazal Tov to Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Tanenbaum on the birth of twin grandchildren, Carly and Zackary, children of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Tanenbaum, brother and sister of Jacob. Mazal Tov to Herbert and Evelyn Magid on the November 1st birth of their grandson, Elan Isaac, son of Michelle and Rami Loya, brother of Sarena and Jeremy.

We wish a speedy recovery to Max Krents.

Mazal Tov to Harriet Silverberg on winning the American Diabetes Association's Lifetime Achievement Award. Mrs. Silverberg has been working with the American Diabetes Association for over 30 years as a volunteer, Recording Secretary and President, as well as chaired many fundraisers, and is a past treasurer of Beth El's Sisterhood.

**Large Print Prayer Books, and
Hearing Enhancement Receivers
are available for your use
in our sanctuary.
Please see the ushers when you
arrive.**

Directory News

Sheldon and Margery London have moved to 5415 Audubon Road, Bethesda, MD 20814, (301) 718-1712. Benjamin Schlesinger has moved to 6801 Broxburn Drive, Bethesda, MD 20817.

Baruch Dayan Emet

Congregation Beth El offers its sincere condolences to Ruth Assal on the death of her mother, Sophie Thau Berner.

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

On Sunday, December 6th, the Men's Club we will have as its guest Jeffrey Weintraub, Washington Area Director of the American Jewish Committee. His topic will be "Dialogue and Constructive Relations between Jewish and Black Communities in Greater Washington." The minyan will be at 9:00 a.m., followed by breakfast at 9:30 and Mr. Weintraub's talk at 10:00 a.m. All are invited.

There will be no Men's Club meeting on Sunday, December 13th.

Looking ahead just a bit, on Sunday, December 20th and December 27th, the Men's Club minyan will begin at 8:50 instead of 9:00 a.m., to give us time to recite Hallel. Happy Chanukah!

The Men's Club would like to thank the following individuals who have sponsored breakfasts this year:

Asher Ende	Jerry Flanzer	Karl Freiberg
William Gerber	Harvey Gold	Jerry Herman
Marvin Kotz	Philip Margolius	

**IF YOU KNOW OF A FELLOW
CONGREGANT WHO IS ILL AND/OR
HOSPITALIZED OR HAS HAD A RE-
CENT LOSS, PLEASE NOTIFY ROZ,
IN THE SYNAGOGUE OFFICE, AS
SOON AS POSSIBLE AT
(301) 652-2606.**

Entertainment 1993 Books

Buy your Entertainment 1993 Books now! Books are available in the nursery school office. For information or book reservations, call (301) 652-1228. Books are \$35.00 each. For each book sold, \$7.00 goes to support the Beth El Nursery School.

The Havurah Minyan

Everyone is *welcome* to daven and discuss *Tofah* at the *Havurah Minyan*. We meet in the "all-purpose room" on the first Shabbat morning of each month (except during July and August) at 9:30 in the morning.

Ahavat Shir

A number of adult members of Beth El who enjoy singing music with a Jewish content have voiced an interest in forming a havurah to be known as Ahavat Shir (love of singing). They would meet once a month and they have approached Hazzan Lubin, who has agreed to lead and guide them. If you have an interest in singing (you don't have to be able to read music!), please call Naomi Cohen evenings at (301) 530-6547.

Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations
(Donations received as of November 6, 1992)

Bendit Adult Institute Fund

In Honor Of: The recovery of Herbert Harvey by Lil and Abe Maller; Bernice and Werner Blumenthal birth of grandchild and marriage of son Jacob by Lil and Abe Maller; Esther Grabill's birthday by Lil and Abe Maller.

Beth El Forest

In Memory Of: Gaston Soussan by Julia and Howard Copperman; Robin Amernick by Ruth and Alan Vinitzky; Jack Pondfield by Ruth and Alan Vinitzky; Henry Rabin by Dr. Mannie and Harriet Rabin. The Sisterhood has made contributions in memory of the following: Murray Daskal, husband of Roz Daskal; Morris Belkin, husband of Elizabeth Belkin.

Cantor's Fund

In Honor Of: Marriage of Sharyn Lubin and Marc Levitt by Helen and Lenny Rib; the marriage of Sharyn Lubin and Marc Levitt by Bernard and Rita Jacobi; the marriage of Sharyn Lubin and Marc Levitt by Toby and Bernie Moss; wedding of Sharyn Lubin and Marc Levitt by Gerald and Fay Chernin; the marriage of Sharyn Lubin to Marc Levitt by Miriam Crowell.

Chevra Kadisha Fund

In Honor Of: Dr. Robert Gerwin's caring and support by Roz, Jeff, Steve and Barry Daskal; Rabbi Scolnic's caring and support by Roz, Jeff, Steve and Barry Daskal; Steven J. Kravitz's caring and support by Roz, Jeff, Steve and Barry Daskal; Hazzan Lubin's caring and support by Roz, Jeff, Steve and Barry Daskal; Rabbi Rudolph's caring and support by Roz, Jeff, Steve and Barry Daskal; Rabbi Maltzman's caring and support by Roz, Jeff, Steve and Barry Daskal; David Levine's caring and support by Roz, Jeff, Steve, and Barry Daskal; Max Bernhardt's caring and support by Roz, Jeff, Steve and Barry Daskal; Dr. Sanford Kay's caring and support by Roz, Jeff, Steve and Barry Daskal; Steven Musher's caring and support by Roz, Jeff, Steve, and Barry Daskal; Alan Birnkran's caring and support by Roz, Jeff, Steve and Barry Daskal. In Memory Of: My dearly beloved hubby, Murray Daskal, by Roz Daskal; Murray Daskal, husband of Roz Daskal, by Judge and Mrs. Abraham H. Maller; Rebecca Hoffing, mother of Lillian H. Maller, by Judge and Mrs. Abraham H. Maller; Rose Kramer by Shirley Ratner; our dearly beloved dad, Murray Daskal, by Jeff, Steve, and Barry Daskal; beloved sister Sophie Nadler by Jeanne Ende.

General Endowment Fund

In Memory Of: Beloved father, Samuel Sklaroff, by Claire Marwick.

General Fund

In Honor Of: A complete recovery of sister, Freda Light, by Mrs. Jean G. Golding; 25th Wedding Anniversary of Dr. Jack and Connie Levine by Rockey and Allan Lang; Debbie Weinberg's Bat Mitzvah by David and Susan Siegel. In Memory Of: Brother, Abraham Nash, by Sam Nash; Neil Parker by Sue and Jim Quintiere.

Kimball Nursery School Fund

In Honor Of: First Annual Estelle Kimball Memorial Lecture sponsored by the Beth El Nursery School by Sherman P. Kimball; son, Brett's, first birthday by Jonathan and Debra Morgenstern. In Memory Of: Aneer Samuel by Louis C. Kimball; Jacob Kaplan by Donald A. Kaplan; Estelle Kimball by Dorothy and David Hecht.

Library Fund

In Memory Of: Henry Hopp by Lillian Kessler.

Mazon

In Honor Of: The speedy recovery of Bertha Pochter by Suzanne and Benjamin Bronheim; the marriage of Sharyn Lubin and Marc Levitt by Suzanne and Benjamin Bronheim; her Aliyah by Gerald and Fay Chernin. In Memory Of: Ellen Eule's stepfather, Ben Raffes, by Suzanne and Benjamin Bronheim.

Mintz Landscaping Fund

In Memory Of: Beloved mother, Tillie Wolper, by Lillian Kessler.

Morning Minyan Fund

In Honor Of: Daniel Kweller's happy 70th birthday by Roz Daskal; Danny Kweller's special birthday by Ethel and Jack Werner. In Memory Of: Beloved mother, Julia Ende, by Asher Ende; Rose Minker by Jack Minker; David Silverstein by Davetta Landau; Jean Niederman by Dr. Ira Kline; Rose Levinson and Irvin Levinson by Herbert and Anita Levinson.

Music Fund

In Memory Of: Renee Pressman by Elyse and Robert Levin; Renee Pressman by the Zeller Family; Maurice W. Cohn by Cyra and Jerome Heffter.

Nitzanum Fund

In Honor Of: Elana Lipman's fifth birthday by Nancy Rose and Robert Lipman.

Prayerbook Fund

In Memory Of: Ruth Holiber by Jerome Holiber; Hannah Cassouto by Abraham and Louise C. Wagman; Rose L. Rispler and Hyman Rispler by Dr. and Mrs. Herman Schneider; beloved mother, Minnie K. Segal, by Beatrice and Robert Newell.

Rabbi's Fund

In Honor Of: Yom Kippur honor by Jeffrey and Freida Paskow; his Aliyah by Sam Nash; receiving an honor by Beatrice and Robert Newell. In Memory Of: Murray Daskal, husband of Roz Daskal, by Claire and Bob Dubinsky; Jonathan Levin's mother, Bertha Levin, by Toby and Bernie Moss; Rose Kogan, mother of Ethel Werner, by Ethel and Jack Werner; Robert Case Fairberg by Mr. and Mrs. Walter K. Kahn; Murray Daskal by Miriam Crowell; David Tievsky by Marvin Tievsky; beloved mother, Faye L. Hertzberg, by Rosalie Shapiro.

School Enrichment Fund

In Memory Of: Sidney Ross by Gail Ross and Roy Niedermayer.

Sisterhood Remembrance Fund

In Memory Of: Murray Daskal by Bernard and Rita Jacobi.

Social Action Fund

In Honor Of: A speedy recovery of Sophia Weinberger by John and Marion Wolff; the engagement of Emily Hofmann by Bette Landish; his Aliyah by Heinz Just. In Memory Of: Harry Scheer by Iris Kivitz; Abraham S. Wolf by Karl Freiberg; Edith Greenberg, mother of Warren Greenberg, by Margaret Bogler; Murray Daskal by Margaret Bogler.

Sybil Suls Youth Activities Fund

In Honor Of: The recovery of Vivian Beyda by Marcia and Don Weinroth. In Memory Of: Beloved mother of Linda Fechter by Joan and Al Dobbin.

Torah Scroll Fund

In Memory Of: Max Wolper by Lillian Kessler.

Vatikkim

In Honor Of: The continued recovery of Herbert Harvey by Mr. and Mrs. Milton Doberman; Happy Birthday to Calvin Golumbic by Mr. and Mrs. Milton Doberman.

Young Equality Fund

In Honor Of: The recovery of Vivian Beyda by Susan and Bruce Herzig. In Memory Of: Rabbi Albert Platt and Dr. Joshua Bernhardt by Max and Judy Bernhardt; Edith Sklaroff by Claire Marwick.



Whoops! We left off the Jacobowitz's name in the donation made by Toby and Bernie Moss to the Kimball Nursery School -- the donation was made in honor of the granddaughter of the Jacobowitz's and not the Moss'! We apologize for the omission.

BETH EL SCROLL

Congregation Beth El of Montgomery County

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AFFILIATED WITH UNITED SYNAGOGUE OF
CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM

CHANUKAH PARTY FOR BETH EL CHILDREN 8 AND UNDER
Sunday, December 20th, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Nitzanim and Bonim
Religious or Day School Grades K-3
 Restricted to Members of Beth El
 Entertainment, Crafts, Food, Fun

\$1.00 per person, adults and children

Name: _____

PhoneNo.: _____

Children's names and ages:

No. of Adults: _____

Amount Enclosed\$ _____

**Deadline for receipt of reservations:
 December 15th**

The Evening Minyan

The following people are asked to help us with our daily evening minyan for the next two weeks. The Minyan begins at 8:00 p.m. and concludes at 8:15 p.m. During the week of your assignment, we would appreciate your attending as many evenings as possible, so that those who are saying Kaddish will have a minyan that they can attend at Beth El.

December 7 - December 10

- Martin Dembo
- Elliott and Phyllis Dickler
- Milton and Faye Doberman
- Alan Dorfman and Jane Ogburn Dorfman
- Jonathan and Cynthia Dorfman
- Stanley and Frances Doroff
- Richard and Elizabeth Drachman
- Craig Dreilinger and Amanda Ford
- Michael and Andrea Druckman
- Robert and Claire Dubinsky
- David Dunn and Tamara Dunitz
- Gale and Ronald Dutcher
- Lee and Donna Dymond
- Steven and Marilyn Ebbin
- William and Abbie Eckland

December 14 - December 17

- Kenneth Eckmann and Rhonda Friedman
- Robert and Sandra Edenbaum
- Edward and Frances Edlitz
- Jack Edlow
- Gerald and Deborah Ehrenstein
- David and Barbara Eisenstein
- Eric Eisen and Claire Shapiro
- William and Elsa Elkin
- Norton and Sandy Elson
- Patrick and Lori Elwood
- Harold and Bernice Elwyn
- Eugene and Eleanor Elzufon
- Asher and Jeanne Ende
- Burton and Diane Epstein
- Jack and Ava Epstein

Beth El's Heritage Abroad

On Thursday, December 3, 1992, at 8:30 p.m., the first meeting of the Beth El Chapter of the United States Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad will be held at the Bornstein residence, 9214 Chanute Drive, Bethesda, Maryland.

The United States Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad was established by the United States Congress and President Reagan, to negotiate bilateral agreements with the governments of European countries for the right to jointly declare designated cemeteries, monuments and buildings as national historic trusts. In an effort to preserve Jewish cultural and religious heritage in many parts of Eastern Europe and republics of the former Soviet Union, the Beth El chapter of the Commission seeks to gain recognition of many synagogues, Jewish cemeteries and properties in these regions as protected cultural sites. We seek to preserve and protect against the final destruction of Jewish heritage and roots in Europe. By ensuring the survival of historical Jewish landmarks and religious roots, we strive to strengthen the fabric of our own awareness as we raise world consciousness about our Jewish past.

Please join us. For further details, please call (301) 564-5623, between the hours of 8:00 - 10:00 p.m., daily except Shabbat.

Buy-A-Bus Brunch

Prominent Local Artists will provide a unique "Insider's Washington" revue in a program to benefit local transportation services to seniors.

This exclusive show will be held Sunday, December 6th at the Jewish Council for the Aging's annual Buy-a-Bus Brunch fundraiser. Prominent local artists and associate members of the Grid Iron Club, Maureen Ribble and Michael Ryan, will perform selected works that roast the ever-changing Washington political scene.

The brunch will begin at 11:00 a.m. at the Woodmont Country Club, 1201 Rockville Pike in Rockville. Proceeds from the event support non-sectarian transportation services for isolated and frail elders in the Washington Metropolitan Area. JCA's fleet of wheelchair-equipped buses travels more than 200,000 miles each year taking thousands of area seniors to shopping centers, nutrition programs, doctor's offices, adult day care and community centers.

"Community support at our annual Buy-a-Bus Brunch and throughout the year makes this important transportation service possible," said Sylvia Raphael, JCA's president. Additional support for the transportation program is provided through the United Jewish Appeal Federation, United Way of the National Capital Area and private foundations. Each new bus costs approximately \$50,000, according to Raphael. Proceeds from the annual brunch contribute to replacement costs for the 12-bus fleet while helping to ensure that the buses are safe and reliable for their elderly passengers.

The appearance by Ribble and Ryan at a community event provides a unique opportunity for Washington area residents to see selected material of the "Insider's Washington" revue, an irreverent depiction of the ever-changing Washington political scene. Attendance at the exclusive "inside" revue performances is traditionally by invitation only to a select list that includes the current "movers and shakers" in Washington as well as members of the electronic media and other distinguished guests.

Tickets for the brunch are \$150.00 each. JCA also welcomes patrons, sponsors and benefactors for the event. For reservations and information, call Robin Waters at (301) 881-8782 or JCA's Special Events Line at (301) 369-9300.

SISTERHOOD NEWS

Golda Meir Award and Lecture - December 5th

Susan Sherzer will be honored for her outstanding contributions to Sisterhood as the Golda Meir Award recipient at the Sisterhood Shabbat on December 5th. As a Sisterhood Past President and Chair of the Cantorial Search Committee, as well as in many other roles, she has devoted much time and hard work to the betterment of Sisterhood and Beth El.

The Golda Meir Lecture will be delivered by Beth El member and historian, **Dr. Linda Gordon Kuznack**, who will speak on "The Changing Role of Jewish Women."

Please join us in honoring Susan and hearing Linda. For more information about this important event, contact **Nancy Graber** at (301) 983-8370.

AIDS and the Jewish Community: Sisterhood Event with B'nai Israel and Har Shalom

Beth El Sisterhood has been invited to join B'nai Israel and Har Shalom in a discussion of "AIDS and the Jewish Community" to be held at B'nai Israel on Sunday, December 6, 1992. Brunch will be served at 10:30 a.m., and a panel discussion will follow at 11:45. The panel will include a rabbi, a physician, a social worker, an HIV positive victim, a family member of an AIDS sufferer, and a political activist. Reservations should be made with **Julie Maltzman**, by November 29th, at 5904 Chatsworth Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814 or call (301) 530-9199

Susan Levy Elected Sisterhood Treasurer

At the last Sisterhood Board meeting on November 8th, **Susan Levy** was unanimously elected treasurer. Sisterhood is grateful for the services of **Julia Copperman**, who has been acting treasurer and has offered to continue to be involved with Sisterhood. We welcome Susan and her willingness to serve in this important post.

Planning a Bar/Bat Mitzvah?

If you are planning a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, now is the time to order your invitations through **Marilyn Hammerman**, Sisterhood's volunteer stationery expert. From her home, Marilyn will help you select attractive invitations and other stationery items to serve your personal needs. All profits go to Sisterhood, and this is a pleasant way to make your celebration even more joyful. Marilyn will be happy to help you, she can be reached at (301) 881-0011.

Fun and Educational Hanukkah Gifts

Chanukah is December 20th. The first candle of Chanukah is Saturday evening, December 19th. **Lillian Kessler** has selected a variety of reasonably priced books, candles, and other Hanukkah related items for the Gift Shop. For your convenience, Lillian will have a table displaying these items set up opposite the Gift Shop on Sunday mornings. Fancy Hanukkah candles made from beeswax and such books as *My First Hebrew Prayer Book* and *The Happy Draydel* are among some of the gifts offered. Please stop and browse at the table while your children are in Sunday school! Don't wait until the candy is gone, shop now.

The book, *A Marriage Sabbatical*, by Sabina Shalom will be available in the Gift Shop.

Speakers Announced for Future Parent Education Workshops

Future Parent Education Workshops will be held on the following dates in two sessions: one running from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. and one from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. to coincide with Sunday school times.

Rabbi Bill Rudolph will discuss "Finding Your Way through the Siddur" on January 10th;

Suzanne Adelman, LCSW, will speak on "How To Talk with Your Children about Death" on February 7th; and

Rabbi Fridell of Keshet Israel will talk about "Tikkun Olam and Tzedaka: Developing a Family Ethic" on March 14th.

Members of Sisterhood, parents of religious school students, parents of preschool children and postgraduates, as well anyone who is a member of a family, are all urged to join in the discussion. Most sessions will take place in the Board Room.

Calendar of Upcoming Sisterhood Events

December 20th	Sisterhood Board Meeting
February 11th	Women's Health Discussion: Breast Cancer
February 20th	Sephardic Supper and Dance
March 14th	Sisterhood Concert
March 21st	Sisterhood Board Meeting
April 29th	First of Four Sessions on "Women and the Tallis" (discussion and workshops to make a tallis)
May 16th	Plant Sale

Nitzanim

There will be only one Nitzanim Shabbat service in December, to be held on December 12th at 10:30 a.m. in the All Purpose Room. In January we will resume our schedule of two Shabbat services per month.

Our Chanukah party is almost here. The party is a joint endeavor of the Nitzanim and the religious school grades K-3. All day school children are welcome as well. This year the party will be held on December 20th from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. There will be crafts, refreshments, and goodies for the children. Entertainment will be provided by storyteller **Katryn Lyons**. Parents of children under 6 should plan to stay with their children. Please send in the reservation form (below), along with your check made payable to Congregation Beth El, by December 15th. Send the form to the Beth El office, and mark the envelope "Nitzanim Chanukah Party." For further information, call **Evelyn Karson** at (301) 897-8175.

AIDS: A Jewish Problem, Our Communities Response. B'nai Israel, 6301 Montrose Road, Rockville, MD Sunday, December 12, 1992 at 11:45 a.m.

Vatikkim Luncheon

Please join us for a Hanukkah program presented by Cantor Abraham Lubin at our Thursday, December 17th Vatikkim Luncheon.

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.

Please note that we will not accept reservations later than two (2) days before the scheduled event to assure proper food planning.

**RESERVATION FORM
VATIKKIM LUNCHEON**

Thursday, December 17, 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 December 14, 1992.

Note: This is the only form that will appear.

Beth El Self Help

Members of Beth El have become increasingly concerned about the effects of the current recession on our own small community. There is a general desire to become the sort of community that can help itself in the best Jewish tradition. We feel that we have the resources to assist those members who may, because of lack of a job or due to an unexpected crisis, need help in coping with specific problems requiring medical or dental services, legal advice, financial aid, or locating new employment. We would like to try to help. Please give us the opportunity; contact: Brenda Gerwin at (301) 652-3297 or Erwin Groner at (301) 299-3114.

**Remember the Beth El Retreat
— March 26, 1993 —**

High Holiday Appeal

We wish to thank the following for their generous response to our High Holiday Appeal. It is still not too late to make your High Holiday donation.

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| Walter Arnheim and Marsha Rehms
Marvin and Florence Band
Heinz and Elizabeth Bauer
Leonard and Gabriela Bebachick
Arthur and Sandra Becker
Brent Berger
Joseph Berman and Marsha Gentner
Jay and Sharon Berzofsky
Esther Beyda
Henry Bimkrant and Lynn Goldin
Werner and Bernice Blumenthal
Douglas and Brenda Bregman
Jerome and Hessa Broder
Benjamin and Suzanne Bronheim
Sidney and Miriam Carter
Richard and Shelley Chasen
Richard and Petrina Chavis
Joseph Chotkin
Stephanie Cohen and Scott Golden
Craig Dreiling and Amanda Ford
David Dunn and Tamara Dunletz
Kenneth Eckman and Rhonda Friedman
Burton and Diane Epstein
Norman and Ellen Eule
Irving and Perla Falk
Roger and Gail Feldman
Ronald and Rosalyn Fleisher
Albert and Evelyn Fox
Beryl and Gloria Frank
Steven Frank
A. Jerry and Laurie Friedman
Philip and Beverly Friedman
Craig and Judy Futterman
Harry and Carol Glazer
Calvin and Norma Golumbic
Warren and Judith Greenberg
Erwin and Leena Groner
Kenneth and Ruthanne Grundfast
Murray and Trudy Haber
Murray and Marilyn Hammerman
Bernard and RuthAnn Heckman
Jerry and Linda Herman
Lee Hoffman
Elmira Hopp
Donald Kaplan and Evelyn Karson
Lillian Kessler
Bert and Susan King
Marvin Klass
Herman and Paula Kleine
Robert and Evyan Koenig
Beatrice Koret
Robert and Vera Kurlantzick | Harry and Miriam Kuskin
Alan and Rockey Lang
Seymour and Anne Lapporte
Arnold and Dorothea Lear
Edgar and Naomi Levin
Daniel Levinas
David and Jacquelyn Levine
Shirley Levine
Joseph and Lois Levy
Neil and Perte Levy
Warren and Rina Levy
Marc and Annette Lieber
Timothy and Hannah Lipman
Edward and Estie Lipsit
Sheldon and Margery London
Daniel and Elaine Mann
Sam and Evelyn Margolis
Tevis Margolis
Philip and Phyllis Margolius
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Gary and Julie Marx
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Eddie Ohlbaum and Karyn Scher
Harry and Babette Pitt
Michael and Judith Platt
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Saul and Marcia Possick
Georg and Elaine Perlman
David Raim and Leslie Shedlin
Bernard and Charlotte Resnick
Melvin and Lenore Richter
Herbert and Nancy Rosenthal
Douglas and Barbara Rosing
Benjamin Ross
Irene Routhenstein
Benjamin Ross and Ruth Ann Ruttenberg
Isaac and Blanche Roubein
Robert and Fran Rubin
Lewis and Eleanor Sargent
Gordon and Liliانا Schatz
Brian and Cookie Schulman
Elliott and Leslie Seiden
Joseph and Judith Semo
Leonard and Sylvia Sheeskin
Edwin and Arlene Shykind
David Siegel and Susan Brinn Siegel
Jonathan and Jacqueline Silber
Joel and Leslie Silver
Alan and Elizabeth Simon |
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 David and Sharon Spiegel
 Rosalie Sporn
 Ronald Stein and Elisse Walter
 Alan and Corinne Swoff
 Milton and Renee Thaler
 George and Priscilla Tievsky

Herman Trilling
 Michael and Joan Ury
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 Lawrence and Tirza Weiser
 Joseph and Edith Weisz
 Gary and Marilyn Wind
 Mark and Blanche Wine
 Steven and Elaine Wishnow
 John and Marion Wolff
 Joseph and Elsie Woolman
 Michael Zapor

ARE YOU HAVING A WEDDING, BAR MITZVAH OR PARTY AT BETH EL? If you are and would like someone to check coats for you, use USY. USYers would like to help you help us. We will check coats at your party and the money will go to our Tikun Olam fund. For more information see Rachel in the synagogue office or call (301) 652-2606.

USY is now accepting applications for this coming year's summer programs. USY on Wheels will depart on June 27th and conclude its cross-country trip on August 12th. Israel Pilgrimage has two separate departures to accommodate individual schedules: June 22 - August 2, 1993, and June 29 - August 9, 1993. Call Rachel Berlin for more information at (301) 652-2606.

From the Youth Director.....

Youth News

For information and reservations for youth programs please contact your child's advisor.

Group	Advisor	Phone Number
USY(9-12gr.)	Rachel Berlin	(301) 652-2606
Kadima (6-8gr.)	Stacey Morrison	(301) 530-9328
Machar (3-5gr.)	Ariel Kalish	(301) 229-3022
Bonim (K-2gr.)	Charni Selch	(301) 468-2127

Youth Calendar

USY

December

2, 9 - Volleyball (Call Rachel, (301) 652-2606, for a schedule of games.)

8, 6:15 p.m. - Tuesday: Take 30. Beginning in December USY has committed to meet once a month for dinner and a 30 minute discussion on an important issue that concerns them as students. USY will hold its monthly board meeting after the program.

13, 11:00 a.m. - Shelter Painting. Join USYers and help paint the Springroad Transitional Housing Shelter. RSVP to Rachel at (301) 652-2606.

KADIMA

December

11-13, Kadima Kallah

20, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Hanukkah Happening

MACHAR

December

20, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Hanukkah Happening in the All Purpose Room

BONIM

December

20, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Hanukkah Happening in the Youth Lounge

BAGELS BAGELS BAGELS

Beginning Sunday, December 13th, USY will be selling bagels from 10:45 - 11:30 am in the Rotunda, every Sunday morning to help raise money for Tikun Olam. Buy bagels and help support USY.

Fall/Winter Bible Heritage Series

The Fall/Winter Bible Heritage Series sponsored by The Foundation for Jewish Studies in cooperation with Congregation Beth El will be held in the Sanctuary.

Tuesday, December 15th and Tuesday, January 12th and will feature talented Bible scholars on the theme, Biblical Texts and Commentary.

From the Principal's Desk

When I write these articles I entertain the ideal notion that everyone with a child in the Religious School reads what I have to say. Not for the profound insights, or sage wisdom, but to find out what is going on in the school. Sometimes I address broad themes, such as the school wide tikun olam projects, and sometimes the focus is more narrow, the mid-week Hebrew classes or even just the excitement of one grade's program. I hope you find these articles informative. If you have children in the Religious School, please make a habit of at least skimming these articles and looking at the calendar especially checking for dates that there will **not** be religious school classes. Ours is an excellent school mostly because of the attention and support it gets from this congregational community. Your attention to these newsletter articles, to school mailings and flyers are key factors in the success of our school.

SECRETARY - I'm beginning to get the feeling that there was not a **chatima tova** on the position of Religious School secretary in the Book of Life. Since Yom Kippur the school has been without a secretary. I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused anyone and for the sometimes slow response to requests or even returning calls.

PARENT EDUCATION - The workshop previously scheduled for December 6th, then moved to December 13th has been canceled. The Synagogue is sponsoring a program on AIDS on the former date and will be hosting a United Synagogue regional event on the later date. Please join us on January 10th at 9:30 a.m. as Rabbi Rudolph will speak on "Finding Your Way Through the Siddur." This workshop will provide an opportunity to learn about the organization of the siddur, the elements of the various services and the development of the prayerbook. This workshop will only be offered during the early session class.

HANUKKAH PROGRAM (KINDERGARTEN-THIRD GRADERS) I hope you will join us for our annual Hanukkah Program which will take place on Sunday, December 20th, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. in the social hall. This year's program will feature storyteller Kathryn Lyons. The program is sponsored jointly by Nitzanim, the Youth Department and the Religious School. Following the storyteller program will be snacks of latkes and sufganiyot (doughnuts) and arts and crafts activities. There will be an admission fee of \$1.00 charged at the door.

December 1992

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 7:00pm Upper School Open House-BR 7:30pm Torah Talk - APR 8:30pm Israeli Folk Dancing-SH	2 7:00pm Boy Scouts - APR 7:30pm Intermediate Hebrew-Rm. 208	3 12:00pm Vatikim Study Session-SH 7:30pm USY - BR 7:30pm Bnai Mitzvot Mtg - Sanct.	4 12:15pm Yanovsky B-day Part-APR 4:26pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service	5 7:30am & 9:15 am Shabbat Services 9:00am Havurah Minyan-APR 10:00am Jr. Congregation 7:30pm Scheininger Party Sisterhood Shabbat
6 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:00am Bloodmobile - SH 9:30am Men's Club Brkfst/Program-APR 10:30am Sisterhood Brunch at B'nai Israel 11:00am Cantillation Class-Chapel	7 9:30am Hebrew Literacy - Rm 208 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR	8 6:15pm USY - APR 7:30pm USY-Library 7:45pm Nursery Bd. - APR 8:00pm Exec. Bd. - BR 8:30pm Israeli Folk Dancing-SH	9 7:00pm Boy Scouts - APR 7:30pm Intermediate Hebrew-Rm. 208	10 12:00pm Vatikim Study Session-SH 6:00pm UJAF - BR 7:00pm AMI-APR 8:30pm BCC B'nai Brith-Chapel	11 4:26pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service Scroll #9 Deadline Seaboard Reg. Conv.	12 7:30am & 9:15 am Shabbat Services 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:30am Nitzanim-APR 12:45pm Sedra of the Week-BR
13 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Men's Club Brkfst/Program-APR 11:00am Cantillation Class - BR Menorah Hookup Seaboard Reg. Conv.	14 9:30am Hebrew Literacy - Rm 208 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR	15 7:30pm Jewish Foundation Lecture-Sanct. 8:00pm School Bd. - APR 8:30pm Israeli Folk Dancing-SH	16 7:00pm Boy Scouts - APR 7:30pm Intermediate Hebrew-Rm. 208	17 12:00pm Vatikim Luncheon-SH 8:00pm Youth Comm. - BR	18 4:28pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service	19 7:30am & 9:15 am Shabbat Services 9:15am Daniella Nowitz B/M 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:45am Gan Shabbat 12:45pm Keruv Meeting-Chapel 7:30pm Nowitz Party Erev Hanukah - First Candle
20 9:00am Minyan, Men's Club Prgrm-APR 9:30am Sisterhood Mtg & Hanukah Party 11:00am Cantillation Class - BR 1:00pm Nitzanim Hanukah Party-SH 1:30pm 5th Grade Hanukah Party - BR 1:30pm Youth Hanukah Party - APR	21 9:30am Heb. Lit.-Rm 208 10:30am Sabra Hadassah 4:00pm Relig. Sch.-SH 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR Winter begins	22 4:00pm Relig. Sch. - SH 7:00pm Hanukah Party-APR; 7:30 Havurah Hanukah-BR 8:00pm Board Mtg-Chapel 8:30pm Folk Dancing-SH	23 10:30am Nursery Hanukah Party-SH 7:00pm Boy Scouts - APR 8:00pm USY - SH No Religious School Scroll #10 Deadline*	24 8:45am USY - Sanct. 12:00pm Vatikim-SH 1:00pm Office Closed Early Winter School Vacation	25 9:00am Minyan OFFICE CLOSED-USY/Eld 4:32pm Candles/Service 6:30pm-Sanct.	26 7:30am & 9:15 am Shabbat Services 9:00am USY-APR, USY-SH 12:00 pm 12:45pm Shabbat Study Group - BR No Nitzanim
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Morning Minyan: 7:30 a.m. Evening Minyan: 8:00 p.m.

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