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Shabbat Schedule

Friday, October 8th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 9th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.
Daniel Savada Bar Mitzvah, at 9:15 a.m.
Jr. Congregation, at 10:00 a.m.
Nitzanim Services, at 10:30 a.m. in the APR

Friday, October 15th, at 6:30 p.m.
Congregation Dinner, at 7:15 p.m.

Saturday, October 16th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.
Eitan Loewenstein Bar Mitzvah, at 9:15 a.m.
Jr. Congregation, at 10:00 a.m.
Gan Shabbat, at 10:45 a.m. in the APR

Friday, October 22nd, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 23rd, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.
Avinatan Shoham Bat Mitzvah, at 9:15 a.m.
Jr. Congregation, at 10:00 a.m.
Nitzanim Services, at 10:30 a.m. in the APR

All In The Family

Mazal Tov to Lillian Dorfman, on the birth of her grandson, William Michael, born on June 13, 1993, and to parents Joel and Lauri Dorfman. Mazal Tov to Josephine and Jason Horn on the birth of their grandson, David Eli, born on July 22, 1993 and to parents Aileen and Raymond Horn. Mazal Tov to Melvin and Lenore Richter on the birth of their granddaughter, Shaina Hayley Hammer, on August 27, 1993.

Mazal Tov to Irwin and Rita Kopin on the engagement of their daughter, Judy to Marty Hendlish. They plan a January wedding.

Todah Rabah to Tamar Fishman for her beautiful paper cuts which were in the Social Hall for the summer.

Nitzanim

Nitzanim holds services for families with children age 6 and under on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month, at 10:30 a.m. in the All Purpose Room. Please join us for this special service consisting of songs, a story and a Torah parade.

We wish to acknowledge the sizable contribution made by Marilyn Hammerman in the production of our new Torah covers. Marilyn's name was inadvertently left out of the Rededication program. We also thank Aaron Dreilinger who assisted in the design.

Seminary Scholars to Address Jewish-American Tensions

"Walking the Tightrope: Jewish Dilemmas in a Non-Jewish World" will be the theme of the Second Annual Montgomery County/Jewish Theological Seminary of America Institute to be held at Ohr Kodesh Congregation on Sunday morning, October 31, 1993. The Institute will feature faculty members of the Seminary who will conduct workshops and a panel discussion on issues ranging from Jewish and Christian relationship to reconciling Jewish and American values. Open to the public, the program will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., including a luncheon.

The cost will be \$10.00 per person for advance reservations and \$12.00 at the door, payable to the Jewish Theological Seminary. Program details and a reservation forms will be mailed shortly to congregants.

Folk Singers/Musicians Wanted!

Adult Singalong Havurah is forming now, we will meet one Sunday evening per month from 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. If you enjoy singing or like to play an instrument, this may be the group for you. Songs will range from Hebrew/Israeli/Yiddish to pop, rock n' roll, and folk songs of the '60's Interested in eclectic musical fun? Call Marian Fertik Richter at (301) 897-8007 or Sheila Smallberg Cohen at (301) 652-0237, now.

Save the Date!!!

Monday, October 25, 1993 at 8:00 p.m.

THE SECOND ANNUAL ESTELLE KIMBALL MEMORIAL LECTURE

Featured Speaker: Dr. Dorothy Rich, Founder and President of The Home and School Institute, Inc. and author of the best selling book, Mega Skills, in School and In Life: The Best Gift You Can Give Your Child.

Please plan to join us for an informative presentation and reception afterwards at which time Dr. Rich will be available to sign books. For information or questions, contact Kim Lieberman at (301) 530-8605.

In The Mail

TODAH RABAH To All Our Friends at Beth El:

We were overwhelmed by the outpouring of affection and good wishes of all our friends at Beth El. You have helped make the celebration of our 50th Wedding Anniversary a most memorable occasion. Thank you for all your generous contributions in our honor. We shall never be able to thank each of you individually, and we take this opportunity to thank you all collectively.

Trudy and Murray Haber

Don't Be Spurned



There Is Still
Time To Requite
Your Love For
Beautiful Music

Tickets are available for the
rescheduled

Love Songs Of The World
Sunday, October 31st at 3:00 p.m.

Don't miss this unique concert with
Hazzan Abraham Lubin
and Hazzan Jerome Barry

singing about the many faces
of love and romance.

Call Shirley Gross now for tickets at
301-564-5633

Beth El Nursery School Gift Wrap Sale

We will be taking orders for Hanukkah and general gift wrap starting October 4th until our bazaar October 24th. Samples will be on display in Ellen Darr's office October 4th - 22nd and at the bazaar. For more information, call Terri Annis at (301) 652-5219.

Beth El Nursery School News

The 1994 Entertainment Books are in! New sections, new format and ready to be used at the date of purchase! This is a school fundraiser: make checks payable to BENS for \$35.00. Available either in the school or the main office. School hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

YOU MAY STILL REGISTER FOR THE SAUL BENDIT ADULT INSTITUTE

FALL TERM 1993

Evening Program - 14 Course
Six Consecutive Wednesdays
October 13th to November 17th

Daytime Program - Five Courses
Six Consecutive Tuesdays
October 12th to November 16th

NOTE IMPORTANT CHANGES:
Evening Hours: 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
(formerly 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.)

Minyan on Institute Evenings: 8:20 p.m.
(formerly 7:40 p.m.)



Mark Your Calendars Now!

BETH EL NURSERY SCHOOL MINI BAZAAR

October 24, 1993 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Interested Vendors please call
Judy Sherman at (301) 564-0174



Vatikkim Luncheon in October 1993

We will resume our Vatikkim Luncheons on October 21, 1993, in the Social Hall. This will be our Annual Paid-Up Membership Luncheon.

For the program following the luncheon, Shmuel Boneh, Shaliach at the JCC, will speak on "Current Events in Israel and the Peace Talks."

Lunch is at 12 noon at no cost for paid-up members. For those who have not yet paid 1993/94 dues, the cost is \$5.00 and for non-members \$6.00. The program is at 1:00 p.m. Please fill out the following reservation form. For those who will pay, make your checks payable to Beth El Vatikkim and send them 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 PLANNING.

BETH EL SCROLL

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RESERVATION FORM VTIKKIM LUNCHEON

Thursday, October 21, 1993

Please reserve _____ places for me at Vatikkim Luncheon. Enclosed is a check for \$ _____

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please have your response reach us by October 19, 1993.

NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED THEREAFTER.
Note: This is the only form that will appear.

Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Donations (Donations received as of September 13, 1993)

Bauer Confirmation Fund

In Honor Of: My grandson's Bar Mitzvah by Heinz Bauer. In Memory Of: Beloved father of Phyllis Freirich by Heinz Bauer.

Beth El Forest

In Honor Of: Trudy Haber's brother, Saul Burg, on his special birthday by Trudy and Murray Haber; 50th wedding anniversary of Trudy and Murray Haber by Blanche and Isaac Roubein; the naming of Amy Tamar Lipman by Terri and Jeffrey Annis. In Memory Of: Beloved mother, Rebecca Rubinstein, by Marcia Possick; Chil Mayer Sokol by Jose and Tutti Sokol; David Levitsky by Simcha Havurah/Beth El by Meyer and Rene Zitter; Beloved wife, Eileen Gordon Rubin, by Israel Rubin; Mark Grabin, father of Annette Wolf, by Elaine Pines; Dr. Abram L. Sachar by Claire Marwick; Joseph Steinberg by Sandi and Jeff Komarow and Family; Bobby Zimmerman by Sarah and Ben Kaiser.

Cantor's Fund

In Honor Of: Cantor Abraham Lubin's thoughtfulness by Dorothea and Arnold Lear; Cantor Lubin by David H. Brown; the wedding of Cantor and Mrs. Abraham Lubin's son, Dr. Harlan Lubin, by Margaret Bogler; the 50th wedding anniversary of Murray and Trudy Haber by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Werner.

Chevre Kadisha Fund

In Honor Of: Cantor Abraham Lubin by Esther Sherman; Rabbi Samuel Scolnic by Esther Sherman. In Memory Of: Beloved husband, Maurice Matloff, by Gertrude Matloff; Mel Rosenbloom by Dr. and Mrs. Robert D. Gerwin; Allen Benson, brother of Faye Doberman, by Judge and Mrs. Abraham Maller.

Conservative Judaism in Israel

In Memory Of: Helen H. Millenson by Roy H. Millenson.

Disabled Access Fund

In Memory Of: Beloved husband, Lawrence Marwick, by Claire Marwick.

Fine Arts Fund

In Honor Of: The birth of grandson, Jamie Falk, by Esther G. Kohn. In Memory Of: Beloved father of Arlene Stern by Dolly and Marvin Band; Beloved mother, Rose Tofsky, by Melva and Irving Tofsky; Florence Levine by Dolly and Marvin Band.

General Endowment Fund

In Honor Of: Rabbi Scolnic's election to the Presidency of the National Association of Retired Conservative Rabbis by Gloria and Beryl Frank. In Memory Of: Rose Chotkin by Rhea and Howard Troffkin.

General Fund

Dr. and Mrs. Julius Piver. In Honor Of: Rabbi Scolnic naming of our granddaughter by Hilton and Nettie Levy; Bernice Blumenthal by Erna Seligman; Steve Kravitz for his dedication to Beth El by Gloria and Beryl Frank; birth of Shaina Hayley Hammen, granddaughter of Melvin and Lenore Richter, by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rib. In Memory Of: Hersh Lieb by Frank Weinstein; Rose Geiger and Adeline Trachtenberg by Sondra and Melvin Geiger; Mark Grabin, father of Annette Wolf, by Ann and Bruce Barcome; Robert Davis by Charlotte Krensky.

Kimball Nursery School Fund

In Memory Of: Selma Sherman by Darryl Sherman and Sara Greenbaum; Beloved grandfather, Sumner Moskovitz, by Andrea and Michael Druckman.

Library Fund

In Memory Of: Eleanor Mitnick Berzofsky by Jay and Sharon Berzofsky; Beloved husband, Louis Kaynard by Mina Kaynard.

Mazon

Nancy and Cary Feldman. In Honor Of: 50th wedding anniversary of Carolyn and Sig Shapiro by Toby and Bernie Moss; Rita and Bernard Jacob's 50th wedding anniversary by Gloria and Beryl Frank; 40th wedding anniversary of Mark and Sabina Shalom by Claire Marwick; 60th birthday of Leonard Podell by Werner and Bernice Blumenthal; Kitty Eisenberg by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rib; Marriage of Michal Young and Andrew Fandel by Ina and Joe Young. In Memory Of: Annabelle Hoffman by Lee H. Hoffman; Phillip Berman by Ken and Beth Berman.

Mintz Landscaping Fund

In Honor Of: Steven J. Kravitz by Jill Gerstenfield.

Morning Minyan Fund

In Memory Of: Murray Kalik, father of Dorothea Lear, by Michele D. Herman; Paul Shapiro by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shapiro; Florence Sohn and Henry Gross by Shirley and Seymour Gross; my Aliyah by Julian E. Levin; Mark Grabin, father of Annette Wolf, by Michele D. Herman.

Music Fund

In Memory Of: Jacob S. Heffter by Cyma and Jerome Heffter; Sara Richter by Lenore and Melvin Richter.

Nitzanim Fund

In Honor Of: David and Rachel Gang's birthdays by Jane Gang.

Pinck Israel High School Scholarship Fund

In Memory Of: Marty Wind by Marilyn and Gary Wind; Dr. Nathaniel R. Popkin by Joel Popkin.

Prayerbook Fund

In Honor Of: Judge Joseph Woolman's special birthday by Dr. and Mrs. Frank Feldman. In Memory Of: Dr. Maurice Matloff, our very dear friend, by Sylvia and Irving Luckom; Rose DeBois by Elaine and George Perlman; Nathaniel T. Cohan by Rita and Sol Barr.

Rabbi's Fund

In Honor Of: Trudy and Murray Haber's special anniversary by Marilyn and Gary Wind; the birthday of Rabbi Maltzman by Margaret Bogler. In Memory Of: Dr. Willard Applefeld by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shapiro.

Sanctuary Refurbishment Fund

In Honor Of: Amy Goot's birthday by Esther and Elliot Wilner; 20th wedding anniversary of Karen and Harry Lipkind by Charlotte and Bernard Resnick; 50th wedding anniversary of Trudy and Murray Haber by Charlotte and Bernard Resnick; Steve Kravitz for his dedication to Beth El by Toby and Bernie Moss.

Social Action Fund

In Honor Of: The 50th wedding anniversary of Trudy and Murray Haber by Gloria and Beryl Frank; 50th wedding anniversary of Rita and Bernie Jacobi by Toby and Bernie Moss. In Memory Of: Sonia R. deKahan by Dr. and Mrs. B. Kotelanski; Dr. Samuel Spector by Bertram Spector.

Suls Youth Activities Fund

In Honor Of: Birth of twins, Maxwell and Rochell Talisman, by Shirley Littman.

Torah Scroll Fund

In Honor Of: 50th wedding anniversary of Trudy and Murray Haber by Priscilla and George Tievsky; my Aliyah for High Holy Day by Lillian Kessler. In Memory Of: Henry M. Schwartz and Kate Wernick by Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Wernick; Leah Horwitz by Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Wernick.

Vatikkim

In Honor Of: 50th wedding anniversary of Bernard and Rita Jacobi by Claire Marwick. In Memory Of: Rose Fassberg by Dr. and Mrs. H. Fassberg; Sophie Richman, Norma Golumbic's mother, by Norma and Calvin Golumbic.

Wolf "Israel Quest" Fund

In Honor Of: 50th anniversary of Esther and Carl Gasperow by Doris D. Coplon. In Memory Of: Ada Kay by Lola and Gerald Sherman; Barbara Wolf by Anita and David Tuchman.

Donations

Our donation computer program only has the capacity for 40 character long in honor of or memory of descriptions. Any donations received with messages longer than 40 characters will be shortened. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping the donation description brief.

Baruch Dayan Emet

Congregation Beth El offers its sincere condolences Herman Orentlicher, on the death of his wife, Evelyn Orentlicher, and to Dorothea Lear, on the death of her father, Murray Kalik.

Sisterhood News

Sisterhood Calendar

- October 10th Sisterhood Meeting at 9:30 a.m.
See next Beth El Scroll for details
- October 19th Sisterhood Paid-Up Membership Dinner -
Social Hall
- October 31st Concert: Love Songs of the World
Contact Shirley Gross at (301) 564-5633.

Nursery School Bazaar

Sisterhood is happy to support the Nursery School in its upcoming Bazaar by showing the best of our wares. Both the Gift Shop and our Stationery table will have great gifts and items for your home. This is your chance for one-stop shopping with both Sisterhood and the Nursery School reaping the benefits. What could be better!!

Hold The Date - Hanukkah Dance

Hold the date for the Sisterhood Hanukkah Dance - December 11th.

Men's Club

The Men's Club is again in full operation and planning this year's activities. This year's programs promise to be especially informative, thought provoking, and entertaining. Specific activities are listed in the Shabbat Announcements, Beth El Calendar, and will be available throughout the year in the synagogue office and the Beth El Scroll. All congregants are welcome.

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. The evening minyan is at 8:20 p.m. on Wednesdays that the Saul Bendit Institute meets. 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.

October 11 - October 14

Neil and Sherri Stahl
David and Bernice Stearman
Donald Stein and Linda Katz
Howard and Hollis Stein
Josephine Stein
Norman and Ruth Stein
Edmund and Gladys Stelzer
Moises and Perla Steren
Martin and Diane Sterenbuch
Larry and Lya Stern
Ronald Stern and Elisse Walter
Eliot Sternfeld
Helen Stettner
Susan Stiles
Jacob and Anita Stillman

October 18 - October 21

Edwin and Martha Strauss
Martin and Kitty Strauss
Fred and Lorraine Sulmer
Suzanne Sutton
Harold and Elizabeth Sweed
Leonore Swerdlow
Alan and Corinne Sznol
Gary and Susan Tabach
Harold Talisman and Marianne
Freeman
Jonathan and Alisa Talisman
Herbert and Elaine Tanenbaum
Michael Taplits
Selig and Sondra Taubenblatt
Norman and Marilyn Taylor

Rosh Hodesh Group

The first Rosh Hodesh Group meeting will be for Rosh Hodesh Heshvan which begins on Thursday evening, October 14th. Please plan to join us for a discussion of Rosh Hodesh, the beginning of the new month, and why this day has gained significance for Jewish women. We will meet after the evening minyan, at 8:15 p.m. in the Chapel.

Reserve Now for Paid-Up Membership Dinner

Sisterhood's annual Paid-Up Membership Dinner will be held Tuesday evening, October 19, 1993 at 6:30 p.m. The Honorable Brian E. Frosh, Member of the House of Delegates (D-16th), will speak on current issues for Montgomery County and the State of Maryland.

Each year the Dinner recognizes the most important part of Sisterhood -- you, the members! Your membership shows your support for the many important activities and projects that are Sisterhood. The Paid-Up Membership Dinner is a chance for Beth El's women to celebrate their critical importance to Beth El and an opportunity at the same time to welcome new women members to Beth El into the Sisterhood.

So, if you have not paid your dues, the time is now! Membership for the year is \$25.00 and can be paid directly to Sisterhood or as part of your remittance to the congregation. If paying through Beth El, please indicate on your statement that you wish to have Sisterhood membership. All checks should be sent directly to Beth El.

Spouses (\$10.00) and non-Beth El guests (\$12.50) are welcome at the paid-up membership dinner on a space available basis. However, any Beth El women in attendance must be members of Sisterhood. If you have any questions about membership or the dinner, please call: Bonnie Sidransky (301-530-0281), Jackie Levine (301-299-9507), Manette Sznol (301-983-8060), or Leslie Silver (301-654-2369).

Reservation Form Sisterhood Paid-Up Membership Dinner October 19, 1993 6:30 P.M.

Please reserve _____ places for me at the Dinner
(Members free, spouses \$10.00, guests \$12.50 each).

My name _____

My guest's names _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Checks should be mailed to the synagogue and be made to "Beth El Sisterhood", please mark your envelope "Sisterhood Paid-Up Membership Dinner."

Beginner's Torah Cantillation Class for Adults with Hazzan Lubin

Hazzan Abraham Lubin will offer a six-week crash course in Torah reading for beginners, this fall. The class will begin on Sunday, October 17th at 10:00 a.m. and will meet for six consecutive Sunday mornings. Each session will last an hour and a half. The ability to read Hebrew is a prerequisite to attend the class.

If you are interested please call Selma, at the synagogue office, to register.

Dear Keruv

Dear Keruv: I am a convert to Judaism and my question is this: upon the death of one of my Christian family members, I know that I would derive great comfort from observing the Jewish rituals of mourning. Would a rabbi lead a minyan at my home, and say Kaddish, even if the deceased person was not Jewish? -- Congregant.

Dear Congregant: You may receive comfort from observing any Jewish mourning ritual upon the death of a Christian relative. Jewish mourning practices are intended for the comfort of the mourner; the Kaddish itself says nothing of death or the deceased, but instead affirms the mourner's faith in God and belief in the worthiness of life.

Specifically, a rabbi may lead a minyan in your home and you may choose to recite Kaddish.

Keruv ("outreach") was formed to address the issues of intermarriage at Beth El. Address your questions or comments to "Dear Keruv" in care of the synagogue office -- or join our discussion groups and other activities. For more information about Keruv call Betty Schuchat McDonald at (301) 656-0742.

Keruv Calendar:

- October 16th - discussion group after the Kiddush, topic: "Death and Mourning," led by Betty Drachman.
- November 20th - discussion group after the Kiddush, topic: "Concerns and Challenges of Jewish Teens," as seen by Beth El's Teens.

Save Your Giant Receipts!!

Did you know that there is a very simple but effective way to support the Beth El Nursery School? Save your GIANT FOOD "Apples for the Students" receipts beginning September 19th.

Every member of the Beth El family can help BENS earn credit for computer and playground equipment and other valuable educational aids. Last year BENS received a computer, a microscope and soccer balls with the congregation's support during the campaign. This year BENS is aiming for a hi-tech laser printer for the school office.

Everyone is urged to save GIANT receipts! Ask your friends and neighbors too! Mail your receipts to the BENS office or use the convenient envelope located on the BENS bulletin board. Every receipt you bring in will help us reach our goal.

Thank you.

Directory News

David and Helene Papilsky have moved to 206 Twisted Stalk Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20878.

Shopping Certificate News

Help support Congregation Beth El by purchasing shopping certificates. 5% of all profits go directly to the synagogue. This is an easy way to help keep dues increases to a minimum.

Shopping certificates are available for Giant, Safeway, Magruder's, Shoppers Food Warehouse, Snider's, Shalom, Katz's and Fresh Fields. Join the over 130 "standing order" families or purchase yours by mail, in the synagogue office, in the rotunda on Sunday morning, or the gift shop.

For further information, please call Cheryl Rod at (301) 299-8362.

Israel Quest: A Bright Future

Join the Quest for teen Jewish identity with Israel Quest: A Bright Future (IQ).

IQ is a multi-year, community-wide Jewish teen project that complements and expands existing programs, allows teens to make new friends, and give them the opportunity to experience a deepened connection to the Jewish community and Israel.

Teens can look forward to exciting activities and a thrilling Israel experience.

IQ members earn the right to receive up to \$1,000 from UJA Federation and a possible supplement from their sponsor organization for use toward an Israel experience in their sophomore or junior year of high school.

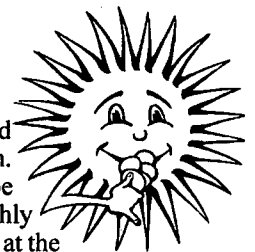
IQ is brought to you by UJA Federation and participating synagogues and youth groups. Details and registration information will be available soon. For more information contact Tami Kedar at (301) 230-7200 x 289.

Beth El, thanks to the generosity of Sy Wolf, is the first congregation to have an endowment fund specifically for providing support so teens can attend the program. Donations may be made to the Barbara Wolf Israel Quest Fund by completing a contribution envelope and mailing it to the synagogue office.

Youth News

From the Youth Director....

October is a month for going out and enjoying Washington's weather cool down. As a result, all of the youth groups will be going out of the synagogue for the monthly programs. Bonim are going to see a play at the Adventure Theatre, Machar is going to the circus, Kadima is going on a hayride, and USY is going to see Comedy Sportz. It is extremely important for everyone to RSVP to October programming on time so we are sure to have room for everyone. I hope to see many new members participating this month. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at the office, (301) 652-2606.



B'shalom,
Rachel Berlin

For information and reservations for youth programs please contact your child's advisor. If a flyer requests an RSVP, please do so, it is difficult to adequately prepare for programs with out the correct information.

Group	Advisor	Phone
USY (9-12gr.)	Rachel Berlin	(301)652-2606
Kadima (6-8gr.)	Michael Scheinberg	(301) 314-3385
Machar (3-5gr.)	Ariel Kalish	(301)229-3022
Bonim (K-2gr.)	Charni Selch	(301)468-2127

Youth Calendar

USY (9th - 12th graders)	
October	
13th, 20th	USY Basketball
16th	USY/Kadima Congregation
23rd	Comedy Sportz
Kadima (6th - 8th graders)	
October	
16th	Kadima/USY Congregation
23rd	Hayride
Machar (3rd - 5th graders)	
October	
10th	The Big Apple Circus
Bonim (K - 2nd graders)	
October	
17th	"Wind in the Willows" at the Glen Echo Adventure Theatre

USY Basketball League

Be a part of the Beth El Basketball League. Games are played Wednesdays, beginning October 13th at the Board of Jewish Education building on Hunters Lane. For information please call Rachel Berlin at (301) 652-2606.

Regional Conventions for Kadima and USY

Both Kadima and USY host regional conventions during the fall. USY's Fall Convention will be held this year on November 19-21 in Virginia Beach. Kadima's Fall Kallah will be held December 3-5 at Mishkan Torah. Applications for both are out this month and due this month. If you need one please see Rachel in the synagogue office.

From the USY Executive Board Secretary, Tammy Wilner

Encampment '93 During August 23-29 seven Beth El USYers spent an action packed, fun filled week in beautiful Camp Greenbriar, West Virginia. They enjoyed activities such as Macabiah (color war) and a social actions day. They also participated in interesting discussion groups on bio-medical ethics, and shared the tremendous ruach (spirit) that Seaboard Region is so famous for. Everyone who attended learned a great deal of new things and had a spectacular time.

For information on regional events, call the **Seaboard Speaker**. This new service is the official phone answering service of Seaboard Region USY. Leave your name and number, the most frequent callers are rewarded at the end of the year, (301) 230-0805.

Youth Group Newsletter

Have you participated in a youth program and really enjoyed yourself, if so write it down and let us know we will include it in the fall Youth Group Newsletter. Send us pictures, stories, or suggestions. Mail them to: Attn. Youth News, 8215 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814. We would love to hear from you.

From the Principal

This year has started off exceptionally smoothly. Our first days of classes got off on the right foot with students easily finding their way to well ordered rooms, stocked with books, and greeted by teachers ready to get down to the task at hand. Enrollment continues to rise dramatically with 348 students, 28 more than last year's peak with new registrations still coming in. There are now four third grade groupings (two early session and two late), we added a third sixth grade class, 20 out of 28 students returned for eighth grade and the Upper School (8th-10th grades) totals 40 students (up from 27 last year). This is all a tribute to the parents of this congregation and the teachers who have worked to develop the outstanding program we have. The mood is clearly upbeat with enthusiasm for new adventures.

A project that I expect to punctuate this school year will be Mitzvah Menchlikeit (Operation Menchlikeit). Throughout the course of the next nine months students will study and discuss Torah and Rabbinic wisdom on themes related to how we interact with one another. I have already visited a number of classes to talk about this project and the students were highly receptive. The term Menchlikeit is Yiddish and refers to the concept of how a person relates to others and to the world. I discussed with students how one would earn being considered a mensch. While initial responses seemed to be along the lines of what does Mr. Nagel want to hear, the next series demonstrated a keen awareness of the needs of others out beyond the circle we interact with on a regular basis. The goal of this project is to highlight our relationships with those within that circle. I leave you with a quote from the Midrash, "Every person has three names: One his (her) father and mother gave him, one others call him (her) and one he (she) earns for himself (herself)." (Ecclesiastes:Rabbah 7:1)

Interim Reports

Soon you will be receiving mid-term reports. These reports focus on behaviors that enhance or inhibit progress in school. Please go over these with your child and offer encouragement toward making this the best educational experience possible.

Early Dismissal

Children leaving class early for soccer, ballet or other pursuits are an interruption that effects a whole class. I do however recognize that these interruptions are inevitable. If you will be picking up your child early please send a note to the teacher and come to the classroom to pick up your child.

By the time you read this we will be about a month into the school year. Can you pass The Beth El Religious School Parents IQ Quiz?

- 1) Can you name your child's teacher(s)?
- 2) What are your child's core curriculum topics?
- 3) What can you name the next three school closed dates or two special school schedule dates that affect your child's class?
- 4) Can you state two facts that your child told you he/she learned in class
- 5) Can you state a fact that you told your child to add to his/her knowledge based on a lesson?

October 1993

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

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THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

					1 Office & Schools Closed SUKKOT 9:15am Services 6:30pm Friday Evening Service 6:31pm Candles	2 7:30am & 9:15 am Shabbat Services 9:15am Steven Friedman B/M 9:30am Havurah Minyan-APR 10:00am Jr. Congregation 12:45pm Shabbat Havurah - Chapel
3 Family Sukkot Visits 9:00am Minyan - Chpl 9:00am Parent Ed. - BR 9:30am Men's Club Brkfst/Mtg - APR 10:00am Melissa Sherman B/M 11:30am Couples+ Havurah - Sukkah 7:00pm Naamat - SH	4 6:00pm Aerobics 6:00pm Couples + Havurah - Sukkah 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR	5 5:30pm Aerobics 6:00pm Kadima/USY - Sukkot	6 Scroll #6 Deadline 12:00pm Office Closed Early/No School 6:30pm Erev Shemini Atzeret	7 Office & Schools Closed 9:15am - Yizkor recited 9:15am Shemini Atzeret 7:30pm Erev Simchat Torah Services	8 Office & Schools Closed 9:15am Simchat Torah 6:20pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service	9 7:30am & 9:15 am Shabbat Services 9:15am Daniel Savada B/M 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:30am Nitzanim Service - APR 10:00pm AWOGA Dance
10 Scroll #6 Deadline 9:00am Minyan/Men's Club Brkfst/Mtg 9:30am Strad Mtg-BR 10:30am Cant. Lubin-SH 1:00pm River Road Havurah - BR 3:00pm Brezner-Berlin Wedding - Sanct	11 6:00pm Aerobics 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR	12 10:00am Saul Bendit Inst 4:00pm Upper School Open House 5:30pm Aerobics 7:45pm Nursery Bd. - APR 8:00pm Exec. Bd. Mtg-BR	13 Saul Bendit Inst. 6:00pm Aerobics 7:00pm Boy Scouts - APR	14 12:00pm Vatikim Study Session-SH 5:30pm Aerobics 7:00pm AMI - APR 7:30pm Kennedy Lodge - BR 8:15pm Rosh Chodesh Group - Chapel	15 6:09pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service 7:15pm Congregation Dinner	16 7:30am & 9:15 am Shabbat Services 9:15am Eitan Loewenstein B/M 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:45am Gan Shabbat - APR 11:00am USY - BR 12:45pm Keruv - Chapel
17 9:00am Minyan - Chpl 9:30am Men's Club Brkfst/Mtg - APR 10:00am Adult Cantillation - BR 1:30pm Kalish/Scheinberg Wedding - Sanct/SH/Gal/BR/Chpl 4:00pm Dance Class - APR	18 10:00am Sabra Hadassah - BR 6:00pm Aerobics 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR	19 10:00am Saul Bendit Inst 5:30pm Aerobics 7:00pm Sisterhood Paid-Up Membership Dinner 8:00pm School Bd. - BR	20 Saul Bendit Inst. 6:00pm Aerobics 7:00pm Boy Scouts - APR	21 12:00pm Vatikim Luncheon-SH 5:30pm Aerobics 7:00pm Bethesda Cares - Sanct/BR/Lib/APR/SH	22 Scroll Deadline #7 6:00pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service	23 7:30am & 9:15 am Shabbat Services 9:15am Avinatan Shoham B/M 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:30am Nitzanim Service 10:00pm Rokel River Dance - SH

Morning Minyan: 7:30 a.m. Evening Minyan: 8:00 p.m

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