



# CONGREGATION BETH EL OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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## Shabbat Schedule

Friday, September 2nd, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 3rd, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.

Adam Sheff Bar Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.

Havurah Minyan at 9:30 a.m. in the APR

Shabbat Havurah at 12:45 p.m. in the Chapel

Friday, September 9th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 10th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, September 16th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 17th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.

Eric Mates 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, September 23rd, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 24th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.

Jonathan Schlesinger Bar Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.

Nitzanim at 10:30 a.m. in the APR

## Off The Bimah

If the current peace negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians succeed, and now that a peace treaty with Jordan has become the next piece in the Mideast puzzle, one can imagine what a trip to Israel would include: Cairo and the pyramids of Giza, Jebel Musa (Mt. Sinai), a ferry across the Red Sea to Aqaba, Amman and Petra, and then entrance to Israel via the Allenby Bridge from Jordan. All that before Shabbat in Jerusalem!

I am told that tourism officials in all three countries believe that hundreds of thousands of new visitors will want to participate in tours that can feature, for example, Giza, Petra, and Jerusalem. I hope they are correct. How many times have I stood in Eilat, dreaming of someday walking among the fabled ruins of Petra?

It appears that within a few months, people will take regular tours to Egypt, Israel, and Jordan. And if the peace process proceeds, as I hope and pray that it will, who knows? A few years from now, we might be able to drive from Jerusalem to Damascus, and include in our itinerary the temples of Baalbek in Syria's Bekaa Valley and the magnificent frescoes from the third century Dura Synagogue in the Damascus Museum.

One year after the handshake on the White House lawn, we must still give peace a chance and pray to reap its harvest. In the meantime, it's not too early to plan on joining our next congregational mission to Israel -- and perhaps Egypt and Jordan -- in the summer of 1995.

Have a happy, healthy, and peaceful New Year.

Rabbi Jonathan Z. Maltzman

## High Holiday Bimah Flowers

If you would like to contribute toward the purchase of bimah flowers for the High Holidays, please send your check to the synagogue office, attn.: High Holiday Flower Fund.

## Playgroup Members Wanted

A Beth El members' playgroup that meets on Tuesday mornings is looking for more members. The children should have birthdates between February and June, 1993. Please call Janyse at (301) 564-3725 if you are interested in joining.

## Beth El Boy Scout Troop

Beth El welcomes the new Scoutmaster of its Boy Scout troop, Ron Outen.

## Ahavat Shir to Sing at Interfaith Thanksgiving Program

Welcome to all who love to sing. Beth El's Ahavat Shir, led by Hazzan Lubin, is looking for singers to participate in a musical performance as part of a joint Interfaith Thanksgiving Program with the Bethesda Methodist Church. The event will occur on Tuesday, November 22nd.

To all those High and Low voices who can commit to approximately 6 rehearsals, please call Sheila Smallberg Cohen at (301) 652-0237, Naomi Cohen at (301) 881-7010 or Selma Kriss at the synagogue office, (301) 652-2606.

Rehearsals will be held mostly on Sunday mornings. Dates will be announced soon.



## Keruv

Dear Keruv: My son is marrying a non-Jewish woman. Are there books for me to read on the subject of intermarriage? I don't want statistical and academic approaches. I want some information and guidelines which speak to me personally. Thank you. Congregant

Dear Congregant: Beth El's library has many books on the subject of intermarriage and the issues it presents to Judaism and to individual Jews, from many different perspectives. Some of the titles you may wish to look at include:

Intermarriage: A Guide for Jewish Parents, by Rabbi Robert A. Seigel with Debbie Herman Siegel (Call # 304 Se)

The Intermarriage Handbook, by Judy Petsonk and Jim Remson (304 Pet)

If I'm Jewish and You're Christian, What Are the Kids?, by Andrea King (304 Ki)

Jews and Non-Jews Falling in Love, by Rabbi Sanford Seltzer (304 Se)

Each of these books includes a bibliography which can give you further guidance. Keruv's March Shabbat discussion is "When Your Child Intermarries." We invite you to join us to share others' experiences with their children's intermarriages.

## Keruv's Calendar

### Special Events – Everyone Welcome!

**Rosh Hashanah:** Please join us for lunch at 12:30 p.m. (after the morning services) on the second day of Rosh Hashanah, September 7th, at the Schuchat-McDonald home across the street from Beth El. Call Betty Schuchat McDonald at (301) 656-0742 to let her know you're coming.

**Sukkot:** The Annis family is opening their sukkah to all who would like to share the fun of socializing and eating in the sukkah. Drop by 5219 Goddard Road on Sunday, September 25th between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Call Terri or Jeff Annis at (301) 656-5219 for directions.

**Hanukkah:** Everyone is invited to the annual Hanukkah Party at the Levine-Janney home on Saturday night, December 3rd at 6:30 p.m. Their address is 5835 Conway Road in Bethesda. We promise lots of latkes and dreidel games and Hanukkah fun.

## Shabbat Discussions

Keruv welcomes everyone to our Shabbat discussion group, held after the morning services on the dates listed below. In our discussions we talk about how we have met our own challenges with children, spouses and grandchildren, our questions about how to integrate our non-Jewish family members in Jewish life, and how we preserve our Jewish heritage. We may -- or may not -- limit ourselves to the following topics:

- October 15th: Converts' Stories
- November 19th: The December Dilemma
- January 21st: B'nai Mitzvah in Interfaith Families

Keruv wants to answer your questions! Feel free to ask about almost anything, and we will try to answer you in the Beth

El Scroll or, if you prefer, privately. Address your questions or comments to "Dear Keruv" in care of the synagogue office.

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## Shopping Certificate News



It was your effort and cooperation that made the shopping certificate program a great success last year (over \$800,000 in sales with 5% profit going to Beth El!) Let's continue to work together to make this year's effort equally successful.

Stock up on shopping certificates for all your holiday shopping. Certificates are available for Giant, Magruders, Safeway, Shoppers Food Warehouse, Snider's, Shalom, Katz's, and Fresh Fields. Join the many "standing order" families or purchase yours by mail, in the synagogue office, at Vatikkim meetings or in the Rotunda on Sunday mornings.

Since 5% of all sales goes directly to Beth El, this is an easy way to keep dues' increases to a minimum. For further information, please call Cheryl Rod at (301) 299-8362.

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## Message from the Executive Director

I am not one who likes to "toot his own horn". To the contrary, I usually am just happy to remain in the background. I have received many compliments within the past year and I would like to set the record straight. I cannot take full credit. I am only as good as the people around me. I am assisted by a wonderful support staff which is willing to learn and try new things. They listen, cooperate, and even improve on ideas that I have. For most of the congregation, these are the nameless faces behind the scenes who get things done and without whom I would not be a success. I would like to share with you who they are and what they do:

**Dorothy Beverly** - She is our kitchen manager, who oversees the Shabbat dinners, helps the Sisterhood with the catered luncheons, and provides food for meetings and various functions.

**Lisette Brooks** - Lisette is Rabbi Maltzman's secretary. She helps coordinate the weddings and bar/bat mitzvahs.

**Miriam Davidson** - Miriam is our publication department. She works on the Beth El Scroll, the Shabbat Announcements, the synagogue calendar, and mass mailings. Miriam also manages our rental business and makes sure that events planned within the building are coordinated properly.

**Elsie Hercules, Ellen Catlett, Margaret Smith** - These ladies come to give Dorothy a hand with big functions, as well as take care of the kitchen on Sundays and other times when there are rental functions.

**Kathy Hooley** - Kathy is our numbers "cruncher" who takes care of your financial accounts and your shopping certificate orders.

**Wesley Jennings, Karl Smart and Newton Smith** - These gentlemen are responsible for the set up of chairs and tables, as well as the cleanliness of the entire building.

**Selma Kriss** - Selma is the Hazzan Lubin's secretary. She also takes care of our yearzeits and our membership database. If you have a change of address or phone number, she's your lady!

**Marian Lane** - Marian is the Nursery School, Religious School and Youth Department secretary. She helps Louis, Ellen, and Rachel coordinate their programs.

**Esther Rubin** - Esther is the lady who wears lots of hats. She answers the phone and takes reservations for everything. She helps coordinate the Saul Bendit and the Shabbat dinners. She also handles all donations, sending an acknowledgement to both the donor and to third parties, and new member inquiries and mailings.

**Hien Thanh** - Hien is the caretaker of the building. He fixes, patches, replaces and repairs whatever is needed both inside and outside the building.

On behalf of the entire synagogue staff, I wish you and your family a Shanah Tovah U'Mitukah.

Steven J. Kravitz

## President's Message

As the season for rededication approaches, your leadership reaffirms its continuing commitment to

broaden and deepen the programs and services offered the membership. The other side of that coin is to induce and facilitate your greater participation in the activities of the Congregation. That is a task to which particular effort will be directed in the coming year under the able leadership of First Vice-President Suzanne Bronheim.

With plans now on track to revitalize and expand the Sisterhood under co-Presidents Janet Goldhill and Leslie Silver, the New Year will witness the take-offs of our Welcoming Committee to maintain contact with and mentor new members and our Mitzvah Committee to reach and comfort all members in time of difficulty or distress. The lifeblood of a vibrant and effective Beth El are its corps of volunteers. A targeted effort will be undertaken to attract more of you to devote your time and expertise to the planning and execution of our various projects and activities. You will find such participation to be both intellectually stimulating and emotionally rewarding. We appreciate that available time is scarce and valuable, and that interest can be whetted by involvement in specific projects with delimited tasks and not by meetings conducted for the sake of schmoozing.

The coming year should see the end of our renovation activities. Our last remaining unused space -- the old youth lounge in the basement -- will shortly be converted into an all purpose room and a badly needed overflow classroom as our Religious School enrollment passes 400 students. Art work will be commissioned to fill the two vacant Bimah walls, and modifications to the Bimah have been and will continue to be made.

Beth El was the first of over 45 area congregations to enroll in the Israel Quest program sponsored by the UJA Federation. Designed to provide every area teen with a substantive Israel Experience in a major effort to maintain Jewish continuity, Israel Quest parallels and provides community support for an activity which Beth El pioneered some twenty-five years ago. Under the awe-inspiring organizational skill and activity of Israel Experience chair Brenda Bregman, over 75% of our 7th and 8th graders have enrolled in Israel Quest which entails a commitment to completing Beth El's Hebrew High School program. The Board has committed the Congregation to providing a \$500 contribution to each student participating in Israel Quest or a comparable Israel Experience program. A special funding mechanism entailing multi-year pledges from a select group of supporters is envisioned.

Beth El is in good shape, functionally and financially. Executive Director Steve Kravitz and his dedicated staff work tirelessly to assure that our clergy receive the support they require, and that operations proceed smoothly with thousands of necessary details being effectively attended to. We run a tight ship and come in on budget, in large measure due to the time consuming efforts of our Treasurer, Susan Brinn Siegel, and our former Finance & Budget Committee Chair, Walter Arnheim.

We cannot live by dues alone, and Beth El continues to rely upon your vital additional support -- in buying shopping certificates, by participating in our fund raising events and in contributing to our various special funds. I am particularly grateful for the dedicated efforts of Carla Schraub which produced the successes of our last four annual fund raising events, and for the many hours devoted by Cheryl Rod and her colleagues in managing shopping certificate sales.

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## Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Contributions (As of August 1, 1994)

### **Bauer Confirmation Fund**

In Memory Of: Joseph Aronoff, brother of Sylvia Meltzer by Heinz Bauer; My father's Yahrzeit by Heinz Bauer; Jack Baron, father of Sharon Spiegel, by Dr. Heinz Bauer.

### **Bendit Adult Institute Fund**

In Honor Of: Sam Nash's 95th birthday by Dr. and Mrs. Harold E. Fassberg; Al Fox's special birthday by Elaine and Herman Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Benson Zweig and Ann and Bruce Barcome; The wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Saul Possick's granddaughter by Ed and Martha Strauss. In Memory Of: Morris L. and Ida F. Haimovicz by Joe and Mickey Hamer; Leon Imas by Lia Imas and Marta Wassertzug.

### **Beth El Forest**

In Honor Of: Bob Masters recovery from major surgery by Arlyn Becker. In Memory Of: Dr. Milton Wittman by Irving and Sylvia Luckom; Judge Abraham Maller by Irving and Sylvia Luckom; Trudy Haber by Irving and Sylvia Luckom; Helen Hirsch by Irving and Sylvia Luckom; Dorene Zalis, daughter of Esther Grabill, by Milton and Faye Doberman, Sylvia and Mark Rosenblatt and Marcia and Saul Possick; Dr. Abraham Danish by Sylvia and Mark Rosenblatt; Chil Mayer Sokol by Jose and Tutti Sokol; Irwin Bernstein by Barry and Beverly Goldsmith; Beth Schlenoff's grandmother Hannah, by Nancy, Mike, Allison and Bonnie Goldberg; Esther Horn by Jason Horn; Joseph Radcliffe by Mr. and Mrs. Jason Horn; Emma Klawans, beloved mother of Rita Gillman, by Sam and Rita Gillman; Irene Walsh by Henry E. Freedman.

### **Building Fund**

In Memory Of: Becky Cohen by Stanley and Selma Cohen.

### **Cantor's Fund**

In Honor Of: Hazzan Lubin on his election as Senior V.P. of the Cantor's Assembly by Sam Nash and Sharon and David Spiegel; Celebration of Sam Nash's 95th birthday by Reba Hirsh; Shmuel Dov Ben Golda by Frances H. Liebowitz; Hazzan Abraham Lubin by Saul and Marcia Possick. In Memory Of: Rachel Woolman by Judge and Mrs. Joseph A. Woolman; Ramon Semo by Joseph and Judith Semo.

### **Chevre Kadisha Fund**

In Memory Of: Dorothy Neiterman, Charlotte Resnick's mother, by Helen and Lenny Rib; Charles Frank, father of Steven Frank, by Helen and Lenny Rib; Ben Berman by Kenneth M. Berman; Herman DeWald by Michele Herman; Bessie M. Burman by Elizabeth and Harold Sweed; Harry Greenberg, father of Jeanne Ende, by Jeanne and Asher Ende.

### **College Fund**

In Memory Of: Elizabeth Lerman by Allen Lerman.

### **Conservative Judaism in Israel**

In Memory Of: Charles Frank, father of Steven Frank, by Murray A. Haber and Family; Dorothy Neiterman, mother of Charlotte Resnik, by Sam and Ellie Frishman and Murray A. Haber and Family; Mitchell Gaynes, brother of Martin Gaynes, by Sam and Ellie Frishman; Hannah Millenson by Roy H. Millenson; Isaac Mandel and Mary Zipper by Mr. and Mrs. Werner Blumenthal; Trudy Haber, wife of Murray Haber, by Henry E. Freedman; Lillian Brown by Murray A. Haber; Emanuel Novack by Linda, Ace, Elena and Zachary Lipson; Louis Rudman by Dr. Herman Liebling.

### **Disabled Access Fund**

In Memory Of: Evelyn and Monty Horovitz by Warren and Judith Greenberg; Edith and Morris Greenberg by Warren and Judith Greenberg; Morris, brother of Ruth Cooper, by Mr. and Mrs. Jason Horn; Brother, sister, and son of Rae Mensch by Josephine Horn; Evelyn Ripps by Jason and Josephine Horn; Martha Abramson by Jason and Josephine Horn.

### **Fine Arts Fund**

Sylvia and Mark Rosenblatt. In Honor Of: Bernard Jacobi by Marcia and Saul Possick. In Memory Of: Doris Pincus by Dolly and Marvin Band; Dorene Zalis by Dale and Harvey Gold, Jason and Josephine Horn, Mr. and Mrs. Max Osias, Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Band and Judith J. Newman; Annie Walters by Selma Hurwitz.

### **General Endowment Fund**

Isadore and Rose Rod. In Honor Of: Recovery of Ronald Treinish from surgery

by Honey and Marvin Perlberg; My Aliyah by Ida C. Winston; Marriage of David Rifkind and Andrea Hillman by Jerry and Sue Boden and Family; Hy Chozik's 80th birthday by Marilyn and "Dusty" Reines; Sam Nash's 95th birthday by Marilyn and Gary Wind. In Memory Of: Father of Judith Greenberg by Linda and Mike Goldstein. Charles Geiger by Melvin and Sandra Geiger; Monty Horovitz by Roberta Lisker; Morris Luskin by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Luskin & Family; Rose Levine and Samuel Lerner by Gloria and Don LeVine; Dorothy Freedman by Sylvia and Julius Greisman; Beatrice Goodman by Sidney Berman; Dorene Zalis by Stanley and Charlotte Levinson; Isaac A. Stone by William Gerber.

### **Groner Ramah Scholarship Fund**

In Memory Of: Beloved sister Fay Zizza Levy by Allan Lang; Bernard A. Weiss by Howard and Susan Weiss; Morris Miller by Mr. and Mrs. Jay Miller.

### **Kimball Nursery School Fund**

Beatrice and Abraham Katz. In Honor Of: Naming of our daughter, Elana Patrice Stein, by Donald Stein and Linda Katz. In Memory Of: Gilbert Joseph Spiegel by Barbara Friedman; Katharine Bresler by Dr. Herbert and Elaine Tanenbaum; Arnold Teitelbaum, father of Steve Teitelbaum, by Nancy Rose and Bob Lipman.

### **Library Fund**

In Honor Of: Ted Hammerman's graduation from Law School by Suzin Glickman; Our children Andrea and Michael Druckman chanting the Haftarah by Richard and Joan Druckman. In Memory Of: Julian M. Drachman by Richard and Elizabeth Drachman; Dorene Zalis by Calvin and Norma Golumbic; Robert L. Zimmerman by Dr. Hyman J. Zimmerman.

### **Mazon**

Elaine Pines. In Honor Of: Sam Nash's 95th birthday by Irving and Doris Zimmerman; The marriage of John Claude Harte, son of Marlene and Bennett Harte, to Bonnie Zetlin by Lillian Maller; The speedy recovery of Ronald Treinish by Marilyn D. and Daniel Kweller; The special birthday of Al Fox by Al and Shirley Pollin, Herman Perlman, Doug Trammell and Selma and Jerry Miller; My Aliyah by Fay Chernin. In Memory Of: Nathan Richman by David and Marjorie Richman; Irving Goldstein by Richard Goldstein; Dr. Norman N. Alberstadt by Dorothy Alberstadt; Marion B. Fogel by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Janus; Ben Zion Fleischer by Bert Just; Dorothy Neiterman, mother of Charlotte Resnick, by Marilyn D. and Daniel Kweller; Dear departed father, Murray Kalik, by Dorothea K. Lear; Alexander and Goldie Gordon by Annette and Jack Moshman; Jacob Appleberg by Dr. and Mrs. Louis Potash.

### **Mintz Landscaping Fund**

In Honor Of: A speedy recovery of Rennie Horwitz by Lillian Kessler. In Memory Of: Dorene Zalis by Julia and Howard Copperman; Clara Gang by Arthur and Florence Gang; Bessie Burman, mother of Bea Berger, by Lillian Kessler; Beloved mother, Pearl Shalowitz, by Erwin Shalowitz; Joseph Ross by Rhoda Mancher.

### **Morning Minyan Fund**

Julian Levin. In Honor Of: His Aliya by Julian E. Levin. In Memory Of: Murray Bellin by Julian Levin; Ada Levy by Dr. Hyman J. Zimmerman; Dorothy Neiterman, mother of Charlotte Resnick, by Evelyn and Ronnie Treinish; Charles Frank, father of Steven Frank, by Shirley and Seymour Gross; Beloved father, Morris Routhenstein, by Isadore Routhenstein; Charles Frank by Julian Levin; Celia Hoffman by Lee Hoffman and Leslie Whipkey; Benjamin M. Chasen by Anita and Herb Levinson.

### **Music Fund**

Elaine Pines. In Honor Of: Bernard Jacobi's aliyah by Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Jacobi; Rabbi William Rudolph by Marcia and Saul Possick. In Memory Of:

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### **Correction**

We deeply regret the omission of Harriet Wilkins' name from the list of 1993-94 Torah Fund Benefactors. Mrs. Wilkins has been a Patron and Benefactor of Torah Fund from the first Beth El fundraiser.

## Sisterhood News

### Memo from the Sisterhood Catering Committee

We are grateful to the many families past and future who so graciously celebrate various simchot by sponsoring the Shabbat morning Kiddush for all of us. We try hard to pay attention to details and to present the food as we would in our own homes. We ask that you partake of it as you would in your homes by keeping in mind the following:

Please deposit used napkins, cutlery, dishes and/or food on trays scattered around the room or in the trash, if appropriate, not back on the tables where food is still being served.

Finger foods such as vegetables are meant to be dipped once. Remember, only on Pesach do we dip twice.

Please help your children to the desserts. Judging how much they can eat at one time is difficult for most youngsters. They can always go back for seconds.

The Kiddush is a celebration of Shabbat, a time to socialize with friends and family. Come and enjoy.

### Sisterhood Judaica Shop -- New Leadership, New Look, New Name

For so many years, Lillian Kessler has literally been the Sisterhood Gift Shop. As of this summer, Lillian has decided to pass the baton on to other members of Sisterhood. We all want to thank her for her many hours of work and her single-handed efforts that brought pleasure to her customers and funds to Sisterhood. Sisterhood is utilizing this transition to give the Gift Shop a new name and a new look.

From now on, the Gift Shop will be known as the Sisterhood Judaica Shop. The new name reflects the purpose of this service that Sisterhood performs for the Congregation--to help Beth El's families enhance their observance of Judaism by making available beautiful, fun, and useful Judaic objects. No more need to schlep to Silver Spring or even New York to find Jewish items. The Judaica Shop will stock, or be able to order for you, wonderful tallitot, ritual objects, Jewish arts and crafts, books, games, and specialty gifts from suppliers and artists across the country. You will notice that we will be "under wraps" for a few weeks while we bring in new items for your Hanukkah shopping needs. Watch for a Clearance Sale starting September 11th to make way for new merchandise. Judaica Shop hours will be Sundays, from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm, and Mondays and Thursdays, from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.

A new committee of women with tremendous artistic, business and administrative talents will be taking up where Lillian left off. The group includes Connie Krupin, Kay Klass, Debbie Friedmann, and Suzanne Bronheim. They are already busy reorganizing, redesigning, and restocking the Judaica Shop. They are looking for volunteers to staff the shop throughout the year. If you enjoy helping others purchase lovely and useful Judaic items, we need your help. If you are interested, please call Kay Klass at (301) 365-5365.

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## Foundation for Jewish Studies Fall 1994 Scholars-in-Residence Program

Bible scholar Dr. Jacob Milgrom, Professor Emeritus, University of California, Berkeley, and chair of its Judaic Studies program, and his wife, Dr. Jo Milgrom, author of Hand-Made Midrash, with a Ph.D in Theology and the Arts, will serve as Fall 1994 Scholars-in-Residence in the Washington area from September through November. They will make more than fifty teaching appearances in the District, Maryland and Virginia during their three month stay in the community.

The opening community lecture by Professor Jacob Milgrom on **The Temple: The Biblical "Picture of Dorian Gray"** will be held at Temple Sinai, 3100 Military Road, N.W., on Thursday, September 8th at 8:00 p.m. A dessert reception will follow.

Workshops and mini courses which personalize Torah through hand-made midrash will be taught by Dr. Jo Milgrom at the Jewish Community Center in Rockville, Maryland, Temple Micah in the District, Ner Shalom Congregation in Woodbridge, Virginia and at Temple Beth Ami in Rockville.

Professor Jacob Milgrom's books include Commentary on the Book of Leviticus (Doubleday, 1991) and Commentary on the Book of Numbers (Jewish Publication Society, 1990), and he is currently working on the Dead Sea documents. His courses at the Jewish Community Center in Rockville, Adas Israel Congregation in the District and Temple Shalom in Chevy Chase will deal with the Book of Leviticus and with the **Universal Values and Problems: Magic and Monotheism, Sex and Wisdom, Crime and Punishment, as reflected in the Stories of Ancient Israel and Mesopotamia.**

For a free brochure and more information, please call The Foundation for Jewish Studies at (301) 770-4787.

## Nursery School News

### Gift Wrap, Gift Wrap, Get Your Gift Wrap Here!

Beth El Nursery School will be selling Hanukkah and all-occasion gift wrap starting September 12th. Since 50% of each purchase is profit for the school, you will want to get all your holiday paper here. Remember, Hanukkah starts November 27th! Order forms will be displayed on the nursery school bulletin board or you can call Terri Annis at (301) 656-5218 for more information.

### Borders Books Celebrates Beth El Days

For two days only, Sunday, October 16th and Monday, October 17th, Borders Books will offer a special opportunity for all Beth El congregants. **Fifteen percent** of every purchase by a Beth El congregant will be refunded to the Beth El Nursery School. In order to have your purchase properly credited, please mention your affiliation at the time of purchase. No scrip to buy, no receipts to turn in, just a simple "I'm a member of Beth El" will do. Remember, Hanukkah comes early this year, so start your holiday shopping with a trip to Borders, and remember to mention Beth El when you go! For more information, please call the school at (301) 652-1228.

## Beth El Singles (35 - 50) Calendar of Events

Future Beth El Singles Shabbat Dinners and Services will be held on October 28, 1994, January 27, 1995, March 24, 1995, May 12, 1995 and June 9, 1995. Please mark your calendar now and plan to be there.

There will be a discussion of election issues and candidates on Thursday, October 20, 1994.

## Attention Government Employees

Did you know that you can specify Congregation Beth El as a "Designated Agency" to receive contributions through the United Way of the National Capital Area Campaign? By designating Beth El, every paycheck will include a donation to Beth El. As we do not receive a breakdown of donors and amounts, this may not be used to pay any fees due to the congregation. We appreciate those who have done this in the past year and hope that more congregants will take advantage of this easy way to give to Beth El.

## Vatikkim Luncheon

There will be no Vatikkim luncheon in September due to the High Holidays. Our next luncheon, the annual paid-up luncheon, will be held on October 20, 1994. Please watch for the notice about the speaker and the reservation coupon for the October luncheon in the Beth El Scroll issue 44-2.

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(President's Message, continued from page 3)

I particularly appreciate the comments and suggestions received from so many of you as to how Beth El can better serve the needs of its members. While the time constraints of professional and communal activity prevent me from responding in writing to each of you, I have found every communication to be thought provoking and valuable. I encourage all of you to continue the flow of ideas, either to myself or fellow officers and to your Board members. Virtually every decision we reach is the result of collegial discussion and broad consensus, and your views are all given careful consideration. Minutes detailing the discussions and decisions of our monthly Board meetings can be picked up from the document holder outside the office or can be mailed upon request.

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**If you will it....**

Did you know that you can name Beth El in your will as a beneficiary of your estate?

We can give you the wording to have added to your will, so that you may make a contribution in your memory. The Beth El Support Foundation, our vehicle for the long-term financial needs of the congregation, is now looking for members who would be willing to contribute to the Support Foundation in this way. Our dream is to have an endowment program to help support the various needs of our congregation. Please call Mark Weinberg, 468-5500, for further details. You can help us reach our goal.

**...our dream can come true.**

*The Havurah Minyan*

Everyone is *welcome* to daven and discuss Torah 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.

**Membership Information**

Bernard and Anita Ash have moved to 3328 Christopher Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33417, (407) 684-5706.

**Nitzanim News**

To all families with children age six and under: Please join us for Nitzanim services for the High Holidays. Services will be held at Beth El in the All Purpose Room and at Whitman in the Cafeteria on the first day of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. We request that those families with last names beginning with A -M attend the earlier service and those with last names beginning with N - Z attend the later service.

Nitzanim Shabbat services are held on the second and fourth Shabbat of each month. This special service is filled with songs, prayer, a Torah parade and story and is enjoyed by both parents and children.

Thanks to Jonathan and Debra Morgenstern and to Henry Birnkrant and Lynn R. Goldin for co-sponsoring the Kiddush on July 23rd in honor of their children's birthdays. Michael Morgenstern celebrated his fifth birthday, and Aviva and Beth Birnkrant celebrated their seventh and fifth birthdays respectively.

Thanks to Irving and Linda Weinberg for sponsoring the Kiddush on August 13th in honor of their daughter Arielle's third birthday.

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**At your next life-cycle event,  
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a Jewish response to hunger.**

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**(Donations, continued from page 4)**

Renee Pressman by Sandra D. Pressman; Dorene Zalis by Lillian Kessler; Recha Heilborn by Dr. and Mrs. Harold E. Fassberg.

**Nitzanim Fund**

In Honor Of: The third birthday of Arielle Weinberg by Linda and Irving Weinberg; The birthdays of Beth and Aviva by Lynn Goldin and Henry Birnkrant; Michael Morgenstern's 5th birthday by Jonathan and Debra Morgenstern. In Memory Of: Abraham Turyn by Dr. Paula Turyn Einhorn.

**Pink Israel High School Scholarship Fund**

In Honor Of: Adam Danoff's Bar Mitzvah by The Dreilinger/Ford Family. In Memory Of: Abraham J. Beyda by Irving and Vivian Beyda; Henry Lang, brother of Allan Lang, by Claire Marwick; Dorothy Neiterman, mother of Charlotte Resnick, by Claire Marwick; Samuel Shapiro by Melvyn F. Shapiro.

**Prayerbook Fund**

In Honor Of: The speedy recovery of Dr. Bernard Band by Bea and Ed Golfer; The Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Leo Kweller, grandson of Marilyn and Dan Kweller, by Gloria and Beryl Frank. In Memory Of: Nathan Ozarin by Dr. Lucy Ozarin; Evelyn Orentlicher by Herman I. Orentlicher; John G. Sanderson by Roy H. Millenson; My dear brother, Morris Krigelman, by Reba Hirsh; Beloved husband, Milton Newman, by Judith J. Newman; Beloved husband, Isadore Kessler, by Lillian Kessler; Ida Dosik by Sondra D. Bender; Lottie Weker, mother of Simon Weker, by Trudy and Simon Weker; Rachel Zimmerman by Dr. Hyman J. Zimmerman; Dorene Zalis by Kate Schneider; Nissim Rahmim Harari by Irving and Vivian Beyda; Mamie Iskowitz and Nettie Klein by Jerry Ives.

**Rabbi's Fund**

Dolly and Marvin Band. In Honor Of: Birth of grandson, Jeremy Fisher Levine, by Dr. and Mrs. Howard Levine; A speedy recovery for Harriette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Segal, by Freda and Daniel Segal; Rabbi Maltzman and Rabbi Rudolph by Dave and Patty Winter. In Memory Of: Joanne Pernick and Mildred Pernick Schafer by Irwin Pernick; Benjamin Cohn and Rose Snyderman Cohn by Selma Siegel; Jack and Sarah Kotz by Marvin and Barbara Kotz; Henry W. Porten by Linda and Lenny Greenberg; Samuel Schertzer by Albert and Sylvia Small; Isidor Eule by Ellen and Norman Eule.

**Sisterhood Kathy Wilkins Memorial Braille Fund**

In Honor Of: Harriet Wilkins special birthday by Irving and Sylvia Luckom.

**Sisterhood Torah Fund**

In Memory Of: Rose Bernstein Golenzer by Barry and Beverly Goldsmith.

**Social Action Fund**

In Honor Of: The engagement of Mindy Band, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Marvin A. Band, by Shirley Levine; Friends, Margery and Sheldon London by Samuel S. Nash. In Memory Of: Charles Margulies by David H. Margulies; Phyllis Rosenfelt by Dr. Stephen and Susan Levinson; Monty Horovitz by Toby and Bernie Moss and Claire Marwick; Dorene Zalis by Reba Hirsh.

**Suls Youth Activities Fund**

In Honor Of: Sharon and David Spiegel's 25th anniversary by Eva Baron; Eric Spiegel's Torah reading by Eva Baron; Alan Spiegel's Torah reading by Eva Baron; Jess Spiegel reciting the 4 questions in Yiddish by Eva Baron. In Memory Of: Our parents, Bernard E. Feibus and Dr. Harold S. Douglas, by Howard and Susan D. Feibus; Jack Baron, father of Sharon Spiegel, by The Spiegel Family.

**Torah Scroll Fund**

In Honor Of: A speedy recovery of Ronald Treinish by Lillian Kessler. In Memory Of: Tessie Tanenbaum by Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Tanenbaum; Rebecca Berman by Kenneth M. Berman.

**Vatikkim**

In Honor Of: Elsie Woolman's birthday by Mr. and Mrs. Max Osias; Samuel Nash's 95th birthday by Judge and Mrs. Harry Kreskin, Calvin and Norma Golumbic, Ruth Shartsis, Gloria and Beryl Frank and Milton and Faye Doberman. In Memory Of: Judge Abraham Maller by Trudy and Simon Weker; Dorene Zalis by Mrs. Leon Shinberg; Maurice Matloff by Gertrude Matloff.

**Wolf "Israel Quest" Fund**

In Honor Of: The birthday of Sy Wolf by Douglas and Annette Wolf; Sy Wolf's birthday by Mildred Hecht. In Memory Of: Ada Kay by Lola and Gerald Sherman; Dorothy Schneider by Sy Wolf; Lucy and Mark Grabin by Douglas and Annette Wolf; Francine Sherman, daughter-in-law of Esther Sherman, by Trudy and Simon Weker; Dorene Zalis by Trudy and Simon Weker; Abraham Krupsaw by Sy Wolf.

## The Evening Minyan

The following people are asked to help us with our daily evening minyan for the next three 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.

### September 5 - September 8

Gary and Dawn Rosenfeld  
 Gilbert and Minerva Rosenberg  
 Herbert and Nancy Rosenthal  
 Steven and Alice Rosenberg  
 Douglas and Barbara Rosing  
 Benjamin Ross  
 Dennis and Deborah Ross  
 Steven and Lori Ross  
 Henry and Sheila Roth  
 Robert and Brenda Ruben  
 David Rubin  
 Israel Rubin  
 Kenneth and Susan Rubin  
 Ronald and Nancy Rubin  
 Robert and Fran Rubin  
 Roy Rubinfeld and Roxanne Littner  
 Harvey and Karen Rumeld  
 Samuel and Rose Saady  
 Daniel and Ruth Sachs  
 Howard and Patricia Sachs

Edmund and Charlene Scherr  
 Harold and Elissa Scheinberg  
 Barry and Elinor Schimel  
 Mark and Kimberlee Schifrin  
 Peter Schissler  
 Benjamin and Joyce Schlesinger  
 James and Brenda Schmand  
 Herman and Minna Schneider  
 Howard and Shira Schneider  
 Andrew Schoenholtz and Janice Liebowitz

### September 19 - September 22

Jonathan and Carla Schraub  
 Lewis Schragar and Frances Marshall  
 Tom and Sarine Schrank  
 Jay and Wendy Schuler  
 Brian and Cookie Schulman  
 David and Sonja Schultz  
 Michael and Faith Schwartz  
 Stanley and Carole Schwartz  
 Edward and Deanna Schwartzberg  
 Ira and Deborah Schwarz  
 David and Juliann Schwinger  
 Morris and Janice Sedaka  
 Daniel and Freda Segal  
 Jack and Lila Segal  
 George and Carol Sege  
 Elliott and Leslie Seiden  
 Stuart and Marjorie Seides  
 David and Rochelle Seitzman  
 Joseph and Judith Semo  
 Ted and Kay Senator

### September 12 - September 15

Arnold and Roberta Safer  
 Robert Samet and Janice Raffel  
 Lawrence Sank  
 Jorge and Sharon Sapoznikow  
 Lewis and Eleanor Sargent  
 Harry Saroff  
 Elias and Andrea Savada  
 Gordon and Liliana Schatz  
 Alan Scher and Toby Silverman  
 Edmund and Gerda Schechter

## Social Action News

### Hebrew Home Volunteers Needed

Beth El's unit at the Hebrew Home is looking for volunteers to spend a few hours a month with the residents. Join our volunteers who lead bingo games, do sing-alongs, or just visit with the residents. A volunteer-led weekly exercise class is a highlight of the week for many. Hours are flexible -- a weekly, monthly or one-time only commitment is welcome! Individuals or families may participate.

Also wanted: Beth El volunteer to serve as liaison with the Hebrew Home staff to help coordinate activities and communicate with the volunteers. For more information, please call Debbie Ross at (301) 229-4131.

## All in the Family

Mazal Tov to Herman Orentlicher on the engagement of his son David to Judith Failer of Flint, Michigan. Mazal Tov also to David on his appointment by the AMA to the recently established post of Counsel for Professional Standards and Ethics. Ms Failer teaches at Indiana University.

Mazal Tov to Edward Block on his appointment as Peace Corps Country Director for the Baltics. Edward and Cathy Block will be living in Riga, Latvia.

Mazal Tov to Stacey (Esther) Brooks on the birth of her granddaughter, Mira Natania Brooks-Netsky, on July 18, 1994. Mira is the daughter of Beth Brooks and Hankus Netsky.

Mazal Tov to Eran Gasko and Bonni Berger on the birth of their daughter, Tamar Mazal Gasko, on July 25, 1994.

Mazal Tov to David Levine and Cynthia Fisher on the birth of their son, Jeremy Fisher Levine, on June 26, 1994. Jeremy is the grandson of Howard and Jan Levine.

Mazal Tov to Joseph and Karen Kleine on the birth of their daughter, Sarah Rachel Kleine, on July 21, 1994. Sarah is the granddaughter of Herman and Paula Kleine.

Congregation Beth El wishes a speedy recovery to Ellen Sweetwood, Gary Bernstecker, Bernard Band, Florence (Rennie) Horwitz and Ronnie Treinish.

### Three Political Sundays Sponsored Jointly By Sisterhood and Men's Club

Sunday, September 18th  
 U.S. Rep. Henry Waxman,  
 Chairman, Subcomm.  
 on Health and Environment

Sunday, September 25th  
 Sen. Howard Denis,  
 Lt. Gov. Candidate

Sunday, October 2nd  
 Kathleen Kennedy Townsend,  
 Lt. Gov. Candidate

Come join us for "Three Political Sundays" involving the legislative status of health reform; how the administration of Helen Bentley and Howard Denis will benefit Maryland; and how the administration of Parris Glendening and Kathleen Kennedy Townsend will benefit Maryland.

Each Sunday at 9:30 a.m.



# RESERVE THE DATES SAUL BENDIT ADULT INSTITUTE FALL 1994

## Six Wednesday Evenings, October 5 to November 9

7:30 to 8:20 p.m.

Verse by Verse Through the Book of Genesis - Part 3  
The Siddur: Ancient Yet Current  
Judaism and Islam: What 1300 Years Tell Us  
Jewish Humor and Jewish Identity  
Angels, New Age, and Judaism?  
Little Known Jewish Communities Around the World

Rabbi Jonathan Maltzman  
Hazzan Abraham Lubin  
Rabbi Samuel Scolnic  
Rabbi William Rudolph  
Rabbi Karyn Kedar  
Joseph Hantman

8:20 to 8:40 p.m. - Coffee Break

8:40 to 9:30 p.m.

Perspectives on the Middle East  
Jewish Best Sellers, 1993-94.  
Who Wrote the Torah?  
The Poetry of the Psalms  
Contemporary Israeli Short Stories  
History of the Jews in the Talmudic Period

6 Guest Speakers  
Rabbi Samuel Scolnic  
Rabbi William Rudolph  
Rabbi Karyn Kedar  
Dr. Dorothy Friedman  
Dr. Martin Sicker

7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Hebrew Prayerbook Reading Beyond the Basics  
Advanced Hebrew Conversation

Helen Rib  
Marta Wassertzug

## Six Tuesday Mornings, October 4 to November 8

8:10 to 9:00 a.m.

A Taste of Talmud

Rabbi Samuel Scolnic

10:00 to 10:50 a.m.

Verse by Verse Through the Book of Genesis - Part 3  
Judaism and Islam: What 1300 Years Tell Us

Rabbi Jonathan Maltzman  
Rabbi Samuel Scolnic

10:50 to 11:10 a.m. - Coffee Break

11:10 to Noon

The Siddur: Ancient Yet Current  
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Little Known Jewish Communities Around the World - Part 2

Hazzan Abraham Lubin  
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Joseph Hantman

### WATCH FOR BROCHURES IN SEPTEMBER

Note: The evening minyan will start at 8:20 p.m. (rather than 8:00 p.m.) on evenings when Institute classes are scheduled.

Congregation Beth El of Montgomery County, 8215 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814

Please enroll me in the following  A.M.  P.M. course(s):

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ made payable to Beth El.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Morning: 1-hour course (6 classroom hours) (Talmud - no fee) .....	\$15.00
Evening: 1-hour course (6 classroom hours) .....	\$18.00
2-hour course (12 classroom hours) .....	\$36.00