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Shabbat Schedule

- Friday, July 28th, at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, July 29th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.
- Friday, August 4th, at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, August 5th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.
Erica Kaye Bat Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.
Shabbat Havurah at 12:45 p.m. in the Chapel
- Tisha B'Av Service at 9:00 p.m. in the Chapel
- Friday, August 11th, at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, August 12th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.
Daniel Goldman Bar Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.
Nitzanim at 10:30 a.m. in the APR
- Friday, August 18th, at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, August 19th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.
Jennifer Dorfman Bat Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.
Gan Shabbat at 10:30 a.m. in the APR
- Friday, August 25th, at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, August 26th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.
Jessica Binder Bat Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.
- Friday, September 1st, at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, September 2nd, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.
Sara McDonald Bat Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.
Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.
Shabbat Havurah at 12:45 p.m. in the Chapel

From the President

The new administration at Beth El has gotten off to an active start. On June 25th, we held our first Board of Directors meeting in the form of an extended "retreat." (See **Board Talk** in this issue for details.) There was terrific enthusiasm and energy at that meeting and I hope this will be the year that you get more involved in the synagogue. The committee chairs need your input, your work and most importantly, your active involvement in their activities. All of the wonderful activities that occur at Beth El do not happen magically—they take hard work and we need more hands! Contact one of this year's committee chairs or auxiliary heads to volunteer your efforts. You will be giving and getting at the same time.

Committee/Auxiliary

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Membership
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Saul Bendit Institute
School
Social Action

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Sisterhood
Nitzanim
Nursery School
Vatikim

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Enjoy what is left of the summer.

B'Shalom
Suzanne Bronheim

Mark Your Calendar!

The 1996 Beth El Retreat will take place April 19th - 21st.

We will be returning to Coolfont Resort
in Berkley Springs, W. VA

Details will follow later in the year. Any questions?
Call Alan or Elizabeth Simon at (301) 571-1981.

All in the Family

Mazal Tov to Dr. Morton Davis who recently presented a paper in Brussels, Belgium relating visual memory to visual function at the European Invitational Symposium on vision.

The following note was received from Judy Goldman:

Dear Beth El and Sisterhood friends (and extended family),

I want to express my heartfelt appreciation to everyone who attended this year's Torah Fund cocktail party, as well as to all those people who have extended best wishes and have helped in other ways with Torah Fund's most important work. I feel truly honored to have been this year's recipient of the Torah Fund Award and look forward to continued involvement in as many facets of Beth El activity as possible. Thank you! Thank you!

Membership Information

Lyle and Kim Lieberman have moved to 52 Pleasant Street, Andover, MA 01810, (508) 794-8005. Paul and Cyna Cohen have moved to 10950 Martingale Court, Potomac, MD 20854.

The following phone number is a correction of the one printed in the 1995 Membership Directory: Paula Masri — 301-869-4411.

Baruch Dayan Emet

Congregation Beth El offers its sincere condolences to Caryl Holiber on the death of her mother, Rose Sokolower.

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SUMMER WEDDING?

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CALL KAY KLASS AT 301-365-5365

The Evening Minyan

The following people are asked to help us with our daily Evening Minyan for the next five 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.

July 31 - August 3

Beverly Ross
Dennis and Deborah Ross
Steven and Lori Ross
Henry and Sheila Roth
Aleen Rothschild-Seidel
Isaac and Blanche Roubein
Irene Routhenstein
Isadore Routhenstein
Robert and Brenda Ruben
David Rubin
Israel Rubin
Kenneth and Susan Rubin
Ronald and Nancy Rubin
Harvey and Karen Rumeld
Samuel and Rose Saady
Daniel and Ruth Sachs
Howard and Patricia Sachs
Arnold and Roberta Safer
Peter Matteson and Karen Safer

August 7 - August 10

William and Helene Safire
Robert Samet and Janice Raffel
Lawrence Sank
Jorge and Sharona Sapoznikow
Harry Saroff
Elias and Andrea Savada
Gordon and Lilita Schatz
Edmund and Gerda Schechter
Harold and Elissa Scheinberg
Ellen Scheininger
Alan Scher and Toby Silverman
Edmund and Charlene Scherr
Jacques and Fortunee Schettewi
Mark and Kimberlee Schifrin
Barry and Elinor Schimel
Jane Schimel
Peter Schissler
Benjamin and Joyce Schlesinger
James and Brenda Schmand

August 14 - August 17

Herman and Minna Schneider
Howard and Shira Schneider
Kate Schneider
Andrew Schoenholtz and Janice Liebowitz
Lewis Schragar and Frances Marshall
Tom and Sarine Schrank
Jonathan and Carla Schraub
Jay and Wendy Schuler
Brian and Cookie Schuman
David and Sonja Schultz
Michael and Faith Schwartz
Stanley and Carole Schwartz
Ira and Deborah Schwarz
David and Juliann Schwinger
Morris and Janice Sedaka
Daniel and Freda Segal
Donald and Sharon Segal
Gladys Segal
Jack and Lila Segal

August 21 - August 24

George and Carol Sege
Elliott and Leslie Seiden
Stuart and Marjorie Seides
David and Rochelle Seitzman
Joseph and Judith Semo
Ted and Kay Senator
Mark and Sabina Shalom
Michael Shalom
Erwin and Elaine Shalowitz
Jonathan and Naomi Shalowitz
Barry and Carolyn Shanoff
Harry Shapira
Edward and Roslyn Shapiro
Howard and Eve Shapiro
Hyman and Barbara Shapiro
Melvyn and Rosalie Shapiro
Sarah Shapiro
Vadim and Alla Shapiro
Leonard and Sylvia Sheeskin
Alan and Vivi Sheff

August 28 - August 31

Sholom and Adele Shefferman
Victor and Isobel Sheifer
Andrew and Judy Sherman
Darryl Sherman and Sara Greenbaum
Douglas and Carol Sherman
Esther Sherman
Gerald and Lola Sherman
Leon and Frances Sherman
Harvey and Susan Sherzer
Menachem and Deborah Shoham
Charles and Merle Shoneman
Irwin Shuman
Edwin and Arlene Shykind
Hugh and Ruth Sichel
Marc Sichel and Melanie Daub
Lawrence and Hilda Sidman
David and Bonnie Sidransky
David and Susan Siegel
Robert and Paula Siegel
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Marc and Edith Sievers

Tuning in with Cantor Lubin

"It is a cold and drizzly day here in Boston. I am listening to Yiddish folk music recorded by Sidor Belarsky, with whose songs I was raised" With these words begins a recent column in the weekly Jewish newspaper The Forward, written by Leonard Fein.

I pondered on this for a while and realized how so many of our generation and certainly of our children's generation are missing such a rich and colorful part of our cultural heritage. A heritage that is becoming so unfamiliar to us. The Yiddish song is not just a genre of our Jewish musical heritage that is nostalgic and, therefore, some would argue to be irrelevant in our lives. The Yiddish folksong is, in addition to its pure musical aesthetics, replete with lessons in Jewish values, Jewish history, Jewish tradition, spiritual and religious content and a clear window looking into the lives of our parents, grandparents, great grandparents and ancestors who lived in that part of the world we commonly designate as Eastern Europe.

How many of us own a cassette tape or a CD of Yiddish folksongs? How many of us ever listen to a Yiddish song at home or elsewhere? Of course I can extend these questions to other genres and categories of Jewish music and general Jewish culture. This is perhaps the real point of my musings. What do we do to expose ourselves and our children to the entire realm of what would be thought of as Jewish culture today? What makes one a truly cultured Jew? I would welcome your comments and reactions to these queries and perhaps we can begin to explore ways of reviving some aspects of our cultural heritage so that we continue to enrich ourselves and the next generation with the wealth of our rich treasures that await our interest and begs to penetrate our hearts and souls.

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Come Be a Part of History!

The 49th Convention of the Cantors Assembly will be held in Jerusalem July 21 - August 4, 1996, in conjunction with the celebration of Jerusalem's 3000 years.

Hazzan Lubin, who will preside over this convention is inviting members of the congregation to join him and Sandy in a pilgrimage to Israel during this historic event.

For more details, please call Hazzan Lubin at (301) 652-2606, ext. 317.

Social Action

Summer Social Action Needs

Bethesda Cares, serving Montgomery County's homeless population, has asked if we can provide the following:

- 1) Spanish-speaking volunteers to help translate once a month at Bethesda Cares' lunch programs, Monday through Friday, 12:30 - 2:30 p.m., and at their medical van, Thursdays 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
- 2) Meal (or partial meal) providers. Call Binda Douglas, (301)681-1185.
- 3) Men's slacks, jeans and men's shoes. Clothing donations can be dropped off at the clothing center located in the basement of St. John's Episcopal Church, at the intersection of Bradley and Wisconsin. Park in the lot by Pier 1, and look for a steep set of outside stairs. Open Monday and Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to noon; tax receipts are available.
- 4) Toiletries for Bethesda Cares' shower program and drop-in center — especially toothpaste and disposable razors. These can be dropped off at Beth El in the wicker basket outside the Board Room.

Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Contributions (As of June 26, 1995)

Bendit Adult Institute Fund

In Memory Of: Dr. Abraham W. Danish by Judy Danish; Anna Gelman, Helen Rib's mother by Rhoda K. Schutz; Harriet Goldstein by Rhoda K. Schutz.

Beth El Forest

Irwin and Rita Kopin. In Honor Of: Niece, Alexis Canter's 8th grade graduation by Jerrold and Sally Ganzfried; Nephew, Charles E. Loeffler's confirmation by Jerrold and Sally Ganzfried; Lora Levitt's graduation from Columbia by Hazzan Abraham and Sandy Lubin; Dan and Marilyn Kweller's 50th anniversary by Hazzan Abraham and Sandy Lubin; For the afikomen by Irwin and Rita Kopin. In Memory Of: Walter Bell, father of Susan Sherzer, by Benson and Natalie Adams; Fannie Markowitz by Henry E. Freedman; Irving Rosenberg, Miriam Michelson's brother, by Arlyn and Harvey Becker; David Blumenfeld by Mrs. Anna Hammer and David and Ilene Jacobowitz; Anna Gelman by Lila and Herbert Harvey; Frieda G. Eisenstein by Frances G. Eisenstein; Anna Gelman by Vatikim of Beth El; Beloved Wife Dubby Freedman by Henry Freedman; Judith Torney-Purta's Mother by Mary Levinsohn.

Building Fund

In Honor Of: Refuah shlema to Howard Copperman by Toby and Bernie Moss.

Cantor's Fund

In Honor Of: Hazzan Lubin's presidency of Cantor's Assembly by Martha and Ed Strauss; Special birthday of Ilya Weisz by Doris and Albert Povich; Hazzan Lubin's Presidency of the Cantors Assembly by Dr. and Mrs. Arnold A. Lear; Benjamin Steward's Bar Mitzvah on 6/3/95 by Evelyne and Boyd Steward. In Memory Of: Sophia Haber by Rabbi Jonathan and Julie Maltzman, Suzanne Krill and Burton Robin and Al and Evelyn Fox.

Chevra Kadisha Fund

In Memory Of: Beloved father, Benjamin Keperwas, by Mrs. Rose K. Rod; Anna Gelman, Helen Rib's mother, by Paul and Marcia Merlin; Rose Nussenblatt by Robert Nussenblatt; Salomon Wassertzug by Marta and Bernardo Wassertzug.

College Fund

In Memory Of: George Lowenstein by Esther and Steve Kravitz; Herbert Sklaroff by Claire Marwick; Pauline Kessler, Ellen Eule's grandmother, by Mollie Raffes.

Conservative Judaism in Israel

In Memory Of: Sarah Katz by Roy H. Millenson; Anna Gelman, mother of Helen Rib, by Judith and Jonathan Levin; Charlotte K. Millenson by Roy Millenson.

Disabled Access Fund

In Memory Of: Beloved father, Louis Jack Kaminsky, by Robert and Carole Kaminsky; Joseph Leibowitz by Hannah and Tim Lipman.

Fine Arts Fund

In Memory Of: Frances Gorman Bornstein, Diane Kay's mother, by Dolly and Marvin Band; Walter Bell, father of Susan Sherzer, by Dolly and Marvin Band; Ed Rosenblatt, father of Sandra Dorfman, by Dolly and Marvin Band; Thelma Kramer by Melva S. Tofsky; Harry Gerber by Sam and Frances Glovinsky; Nettie Sherman by Irving and Melva Tofsky; Beloved father, Harry Gerber, by Esther G. Kohn.

General Fund

Martin S. Dembo. In Honor Of: Pearl Hayman's 75th birthday by Irwin and Susan Barstein; Speedy recovery of Selma Hurwitz by Irwin and Rita Kapi. In Memory Of: Dr. Alvin Schragger by Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Neustein; Our parents by Warren and Judith Greenberg; Sam Mininberg by Ann Barley.

Israel Experience Teen Fund

Norton and Sandra Elson; Mark and Blanche Wine; Brent Berger; Cary Feldman; Leonard and Gabriela Bechick; Phyllis G. Margolius; Joseph Weisz. In Honor Of: Jenny Semel's very special birthday by Charlotte and Bernard Resnick; Melvin Shoche's Birthday by Eleanor and Sam Frishman; Joseph Weisz's special birthday by Claire Marwick. In Memory Of: Zavel Sandler by George and Esther Liss.

Kimball Nursery School Fund

In Honor Of: Birth of son Andrew Ross by Steven and Lori Ross; Pearl Hayman's 75th Birthday by Jody, Jeffrey and Howie Dietch.

Library Fund

In Honor Of: Bat Mitzvah of Emily Berger by Judith and Jonathan Levin; Jennie Semel's special birthday by Annette and Jack Moshman. In Memory Of: Ellis Danish by The Danish Family; Meyer Kailo by Gail Kailo; Father of Bernard Moss by Irwin and Rita Kopin.

Mazon

Men's Club of Beth El; Sheri Brown; Martin S. Dembo. In Honor Of: My Aliyah on Shabbat by Franz B. Wolf; Louise Brenner by Susan Levine, Bob Janney & Family; Milton and Faye Doberman's anniversary by Etta Watson Zukerman; Marilyn and Dan Kweller's 50th anniversary by Marilyn D. and Daniel Kweller; Suzanne Bronheim's Beth El Presidency by Ellen, Norman and Alex Eule; Benjamin Steward's Bar Mitzvah on 6/3/95 by Evelyne and Boyd Steward; 50th Anniversary of Irving and Helen Baron by Max and Edna Krents; 50th Anniversary of Dan and Marilyn Kweller by Max and Edna Krents; Jonathan Grossman's 80th Birthday by Max and Edna Krents; 50th Anniversary of Dan and Marilyn Kweller by Clare Lerner. In Memory Of: Rachel Schettewi Cohen by Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Schettewi; Charles Chernin by Jerry and Fay Chernin; Gary Bernstecker's grandfather by Dr. and Mrs. Arnold A. Lear; Frances Bornstein by Irving and Doris Zimmerman.

Mintz Landscaping Fund

In Honor Of: Speedy Recovery of Robert Grossman by Esther Sherman.

Morning Minyan Fund

In Honor Of: Quick recovery of Howard Copperman by Herbert Wiser; Quick recovery of Irving Zimmerman by Herbert Wiser; Speedy recovery of Howard Copperman by Cary and Nancy Feldman; Speedy recovery of Esther Rubin by Cary and Nancy Feldman. In Memory Of: Melanie Susan Landau by Dr. and Mrs. Emanuel Landau; Thelma Levinson by Herb Levinson; Dora Wolf, mother-in-law of Karl Freiberg, by Karl Freiberg; Frances Bornstein, mother of Diane Kay, by Claire Marwick; Frances Gorman Bornstein by Corinne and Alan Swoff; Blanche Moskowitz by Corinne and Alan Swoff; Celia Swoff by Corinne and Alan Swoff; Anna Gelman, Helen Rib's mother, by Shirley and Seymour Gross; Frances Gorman Bornstein, Diane Kay's mother, by Shirley and Seymour Gross.

Music Fund

In Honor Of: Marissa Levy's graduation from Pyle by The Ganeks. In Memory Of: Minna Shaftan, mother of Florence Gang, by Florence Gang; Manuel Rispler by Minna Schneider.

Nitzanim Fund

In Honor Of: Shoshana Maya Sherman's Third Birthday by Sara and Daryl Sherman.

Prayerbook Fund

In Honor Of: Leni Miriam Gruss Hirsch by Daniel Hirsch and Brenda Gruss; Bernard Moss receiving ICN Virology Prize by David and Ilene Jacobowitz. In Memory Of: Theodore Heilborn by Harold and Vera Fassberg; Frances Gorman Bornstein mother of Diane Kay by Elaine and George Perlman; Jack I. Fleisher by Ronald S. Fleisher; Prof. David Shapiro by Yael Greenberg; Anna Gelman by Lenore and Melvin Richter; Alvin Schragger by Cary and Nancy Feldman; Helen S. Hirsch by Daniel Hirsch; Irving Landau, Brother of Marilyn Kweller, by Marilyn and Dan Kweller; Robert Band by Bernard Band; Samuel Rauch by Ruth Ann Heckman; Jacob Feldman by Dennis and Shirley Feldman; William Guy Hoffman by Ira E. Hoffman; Minnie Nepo by Irwin Nepo; Israel C. Bloom by Bob and Carole Kaminsky; Gertrude L. Kaminsky by Bob and Carole Kaminsky; Minna Feldman by Cary and Nancy Feldman.

Rabbi's Fund

In Honor Of: Benjamin Steward's Bar Mitzvah on 6/3/95 by Evelyne and Boyd Steward; 50th Anniversary of Dan and Marilyn Kweller by Joseph George and Ruth Kay; Speedy recovery of Mark Shalom by Clare Lerner; Becky Feldman's wedding by Roger and Gail Feldman. In Memory Of: Benjamin Goldberg by Flora Feld Goldberg; Phyllis Seigal by ricia and Howard Sachs; Samuel Rubinow by Joseph George and Ruth Kay; Ida Serlick by Max and Edna Krents.

Resnik Memorial Lecture Endowment Fund

In Memory Of: Anne Couck Baert by Dr. Harvey Resnik and Children.

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Sisterhood News

Mark Your Calendar!

Please save Sunday, September 10th for the Opening Brunch and Sisterhood Meeting of the 1995 - 1996 year. This is always an exciting event, so plan to join us to greet old friends and make new ones. Details of the event will follow soon.

Another September event to mark on your calendar now is the World War II Commemoration Program to be held the following Sunday, September 17th. Sisterhood is pleased to be a co-sponsor of this important event honoring all Beth El members who served in the armed forces of the United States and its allies during that time.

Sisterhood Board Is Busy Planning an Exciting Year for You

President Paula Siegel officiated at the joint Board Meeting at which last year's Board chairpersons handed over their portfolios to the new committee heads. Discussions of various programs, courses, dinners, projects and other activities show promises of an exciting year ahead. All those present appreciated Paula's gracious hospitality, in turn promising to work on their plans for the year ahead and bring more details to the next Board Meeting scheduled for August 27th at 10:00 a.m.

Spectacular Torah Fund Party Concludes Successful Campaign

The 1995 Torah Fund Campaign to support the Jewish Theological Seminary, which trains Conservative rabbis, cantors and teachers, concluded for Beth El Sisterhood with a lovely cocktail party on June 25th. The setting, graciously offered by Lawrence and Linda Mann, was truly magnificent; picture a living room large enough to hold the 75 guests without crowding for appetizers and the delicious supper prepared by Dorothy Beverly. Thanks to the Manns, all the people who made contributions, and to Doris Povich, Torah Fund Chairman, Janet Goldhill and Leslie Carter Silver and all those who worked to make this event a success.

Through the Torah Fund, Conservative Sisterhoods all over the U.S. and other parts of the globe help to further the Seminary program, scholarships, library, buildings and furnishings, and the most recent program, the beautification of the inner courtyard of the Seminary. In his talk, Rabbi Maltzman reminded us of his personal memory of the old residence hall; he and Julie proudly invited his parents to their first apartment, only to be crushed when his mother remarked, "What a dump!" Enough mothers decided to refurbish the building as the Mathilda Schechter Residence Hall so that today's rabbinical students and parents no longer have to cope with that kind of problem.

Judy Goldman received the Torah Fund Award for this year in the presence of all four of her children. In citing Judy's contributions to Beth El and to Sisterhood for many years, Marilyn Wind spoke of her willingness to help in many capacities, never holding back whatever was feasible to do while working under difficult personal circumstances as a single parent, assuming from her own parents' example that it was just part of one's responsibility as a Jew. In thanking Sisterhood for bestowing this award, Judy expressed her satisfaction with what

she and her family gained from being received as full participating members. This was a month full of graduations for her family, including that of her eldest son from law school.

Washington Jewish Week Subscriptions Through Beth El Sisterhood

When it is time to renew your subscription to Washington Jewish Week or if you are planning to start a new subscription, please contact Cheryl Rod, (301) 299-8362. Beth El Sisterhood benefits from each new subscription and renewal.

Shopping Certificates Update

The shopping certificate program runs throughout the year and people do need to eat in the summer, too. Please continue to support Beth El's program by purchasing certificates for Giant, Safeway, Magruder's, Snider's, Shalom's, Katz's, Fresh Fields and/or Shoppers Food Warehouse through the synagogue office, at Vatikim meetings, through the mail or by contacting Cheryl Rod at (301) 299-8362. Many thanks to all those who do their certificate shopping at Beth El!



(Donations, continued from page 4)

School Enrichment Fund

In Honor Of: 50th Anniversary of Dan and Marilyn Kweller by Cindy, Marie and Darrin Watkins. In Memory Of: Maury Kohn by Margi and Mark Dramer; Anna Gelman, Helen Rib's mother, by Harold and Vera Fassberg and the Wind Family.

Sisterhood Hospitality Fund

In Honor Of: Judy Goldman's Torah Fund honor by Toby and Bernie Moss; Isobel Levine's engagement by Doris and Albert Povich.

Sisterhood Remembrance Fund

In Memory Of: Frances Gorman Bornstein, Diane Kay's mother, by Frances and Howard Lesser; Herman Goodman by Susan Greenberg.

Sisterhood Torah Fund

In Honor Of: Judy Goldman receiving the Torah Fund Award by Deborah Leibowitz. In Memory Of: Lewis Sargent by Rosalie Sporn.

Social Action Fund

In Honor Of: Ari Lipman's Bronfman Youth Fellowship by Ann and Bruce Barcome; Ellen and Norman Eule's 25th anniversary by Ann and Bruce Barcome. In Memory Of: Anna Gelman, mother of Helen Rib, by Evelyn Karson.

Suls Youth Activities Fund

Sarah Sandler. In Honor Of: The Birth of Leni Miriam Gruss Hirsch by The Wind Family. In Memory Of: Sophia Haber, mother of Sandy Lubin, by Alan and Dunya Hecht; Frances Bornstein by Iris Kivitz; Ann Mininberg by Dr. and Mrs. Harvey N. Mininberg.

Torah Scroll Fund

In Honor Of: The kindness shown me on my 95th birthday by Franz B. Wolf. In Memory Of: Luise Blumenthal by Werner and Bernice Blumenthal; Chava Zeger by Werner and Bernice Blumenthal; Baruch Leib Zeger by Werner and Bernice Blumenthal; Sarah Weinstein and Nathan Weinstein by Ina and Joe Young.

Vatikim

In Memory Of: Anna Gelman, mother of Helen Rib, by Samuel S. Nash, Claire Marwick, Al and Evelyn Fox, Clare Lerner and Mr. and Mrs. Max Osias; Anna Gelman's participation in Vatikim by Roger and Carol Macklis; Lewis Sargent by Irwin and Rita Kopin; Abe Golumbic by Calvin and Norma Golumbic.

Wolf "Israel Quest" Fund

In Memory Of: Mother-in-law, Henrietta Greenberg, by Leo Kopit.

SUKKAH BUILDING KIT OR DO-IT-YOURSELF INSTRUCTIONS ORDER EARLY THIS YEAR!

Sukkot begins this year on **Sunday night, October 8th**. For the eighth year Congregation Beth El is offering an easy-to-assemble, moderately priced Sukkah kit to enhance your enjoyment of the holiday.

The complete kit will produce a free-standing 8'x 8'x 8' square frame Sukkah made of #2 spruce. All necessary holes are pre-drilled and hardware (bolts, wing nuts, corner braces) and directions for assembly are included. Tools required are pliers, wrench, or nutdriver. You will need to provide your own siding (such as sheets, shades, or plastic), roofing branches, and decorations.

Pictures of the assembled Sukkah can be seen on the synagogue bulletin board near the office and in the Nursery School Hall. The Sukkah put up by the Nursery School is from a Beth El kit.

The cost of each complete kit is \$95 (which covers the cost of materials and a contribution to the synagogue). A limited number of kits are made during the summer and will be sold to the first people from whom we receive payment. MAIL IN YOUR ORDER SOON TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT SINCE WE ARE EXPECTING THE KITS TO SELL OUT AGAIN THIS YEAR.

Call Jerry Danoff at (301) 365-1180 for further information. Kits can be picked up at the home of Pat and Jerry Danoff, 6740 Greentree Road, Bethesda, by arrangement in September. (Be prepared to carry home several pieces of 8' lumber).

For Do-It-Yourselfers:

An instruction packet including directions for purchasing the materials and completely making the Sukkah yourself is also available. We have plenty of copies and will mail them anywhere you wish.

The do-it-yourself instructions cost \$6 and include an exact shopping list of lumber and hardware needed, plus directions for how to cut the wood, drill the holes, and assemble the Sukkah.

Please complete the order form below and send it with your check made payable to "Congregation Beth El" to Pat Danoff, 6740 Greentree Road, Bethesda, Maryland 20817. Please write Sukkah kit or Sukkah instructions on the check.

Sukkah Order Form

I would like to order _____ complete Sukkah kits at \$95 each. (Instructions included.) Kits can be picked up in September.

I would like to order _____ do-it-yourself Sukkah instructions at \$6 each. Packets will be mailed upon receipt of your order.

A check for \$ _____ is enclosed.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

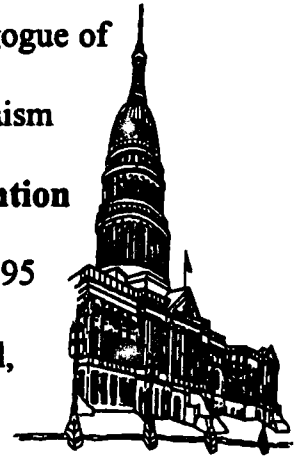
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Convention Department
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or fax 212-353-9439



Vatikkim Luncheon

At our Vatikkim luncheon planned for August 17, 1995, Michael Strum will present a program on Ethiopian Jewry. Mr. Strum represents the North American Conference of Ethiopian Jewry.

Lunch is at 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 reservation form below, and make your checks payable to Beth El Vatikkim. Please mail the form and check to: Bea Goldman, 3214 Henderson Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20902, (301) 942-9434, or Lillian Kessler, 5450 Whitley Park Terrace, Bethesda, MD 20814 (301) 530-5650.

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

Reservation Form

Vatikkim Luncheon on Thursday, August 17, 1995

Please reserve _____ places for me at the Vatikkim luncheon.

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

**Please have your response reach us by August 15th.
No reservations will be accepted after this date.**

Nitzanim

Nitzanim Shabbat Services will be held on August 12th, but will not be held on August 26th, at 10:30 a.m. in the All Purpose Room. A special service for children ages six and under and their parents, Nitzanim Shabbat Services feature a Torah parade, stories, lots of songs and a snack. We hope you will join us!

Debra and Jonathan Morgenstern sponsored the Nitzanim kiddush on July 22nd in honor of their son Michael's sixth birthday.

Keruv

Dear Keruv Readers: In honor of summertime and reading pleasures, we'd like to share with you Rabbi Maltzman's list of books he recommends, "Building Your Home Jewish Library." It is divided into several categories, from the classical texts to modern fiction. We will reprint Rabbi Maltzman's list here and in the next issue of the Beth El Scroll.

Building Your Home Jewish Library

By Rabbi Jonathan Z. Maltzman

Classical Texts:

The JPS Torah Commentary (Five Volumes).

The Prophets. Jewish Publication Society, 1978.

The Writings. Jewish Publication Society, 1982.

The Torah: A Modern Commentary. Plaut, UAHC, 1981.

Legends of the Bible. Louis Ginzberg, Jewish Publication Society, 1956.

The Talmud: The Steinsaltz Edition. Random House, 1989 (Multiple Volumes).

Prayer Books:

(The books below represent, in order, Reform, Conservative, Orthodox and Reconstructionist Judaism)

Gates of Prayer: The New Union Prayerbook. Chaim Stern, ed. Central Conference of American Rabbis, 1975.

Siddur Sim Shalom. Rabbinical Assembly of American, 1985.

The Daily Prayerbook: Ha-siddur Ha-shalem. Philip Birnbaum, ed. Hebrew Publishing Co., 1964.

Kol Haneshamah. The Reconstructionist Press, 1989.

Jewish Thoughts and Theology:

Basic Judaism. Milton Steinberg, Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1949; 1965.

The Essential Talmud. Adin teinsaltz. Basic Books, 1976; Bantam Books, 1977.

Voices of Wisdom. Francine Klagsbrun, Ed. Pantheon, 1980.

Back to the Sources. Barry Holtz. Summit Books, 1984.

Nine Questions People Ask About Judaism. Prager & Telushkin. Simon & Schuster, 1981.

Sacred Fragments. Neil Gillman. JPS, 1990.

History:

Great Ages & Ideas of the Jewish People. Leo W. Schwarz, ed. Modern Library, 1956.

History of Israel: From the Rise of Zionism to Our Time. Howard Sachar. Knopf, 1979.

Night. Elie Wiesel. Avon Books, 1972.

The War Against the Jews 1933-1945. Lucy S. Dawidowicz. Holt, Rinehart & Winston, 1975; Bantam, 1976.

Profiles in American Judaism. Marc Raphael. Harper & Row, 1985.

World of Our Fathers. Irving Howe, Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1976; Touchstone, 1977; Bantam 1980.

A History of the Jews. Paul Johnson. Harper & Row, 1987.

A History of the Jewish Experience. Leo Trepp. Behrman House, 1983.

Conservative Judaism: The New Century. Gillman. Behrman House, 1993.

Life-Cycle, Prayer & Observance:

The Jewish Way in Death & Dying. Maurice Lamm. Jonathan David, 1969.

The Jewish Way in Love & Marriage. Maurice Lamm. Harper & Row, 1980.

From Generation to Generation: How to Trace Your Jewish Genealogy and Personal History. Arthur Kurzwel. William Morrow Co., 1980.

The Jewish Catalogs:

The First Jewish Catalog: A Do-It-Yourself Kit. Richard Siegel, Michael Strassfeld, Sharon Strassfeld, 1973.

The Second Jewish Catalog: Sources and Resources. Sharon Strassfeld and Michael Strassfeld, 1980.

The Third Jewish Catalog: Creating Community. Sharon Strassfeld and Michael Strassfeld, 1980.

To Be A Jew: A Guide to Jewish Observance in Contemporary Life. Hayim Halevy Donin. Basic Books, 1972.

The Sabbath. Dresner. Burning Bush Press, 1970.

To Pray as a Jew: A Guide to the Prayer Book and the Synagogue Service. Hayim Halevy Donin, Basic Books, 1980.

Jewish Dietary Laws. Siegel and Dresner. Rabbinical Assembly, 1982.

To Raise a Jewish Child: A Guide for Parents. Hayim Halevy Donin. Basic Books, 1977.

The Complete Book of Jewish Observance. Trepp, Behrman House, 1980.

Embracing Judaism. Simcha Kling, Rabbinical Assembly, 1987.

Keruv wants your questions and comments! 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: "Dear Keruv" in care of the synagogue office.

Keruv ("outreach") was formed to address the issues of intermarriage at Beth El. For information about Keruv and its discussion groups and other activities, call Susan Levine at (301) 530-2919. Keruv's Shabbat discussions and other activities will resume in the fall.

We always welcome new ideas and people. Join us!

Thanks to Religious School Room Parents

Thank you to the parents listed below, who served as room parents for the Religious School this past year. They acted as liaisons between teachers, the school and parents, were called on to make many phone calls to relay information, organized parent socials in the beginning of the year, etc. Their time and efforts are very much appreciated.

Kindergarten: Andrea Levine, Jane Gang, Hilary Raizon and Manette Sznol.

First Grade: Abbie Eckland, Sherry Kurtz, Hattie Goodman, Cathy Goldsmith, Paula Einhorn and Evelyn Karson.

Second Grade: Faith Schwartz, Nancy Rose, Diane Garfield, Helene Goldstein, Janyse Weisz, Terri Annis and Gail Fribush.

Third Grade: Sharon Parver, Gail Jutkowitz and Candace Kaller.

Fourth Grade: Gary Jacobs, Patty Baron, Joan Simon, Denise Unterman, Sherry Kurtz, Frandee Woolf and Linda Newman-Goetzl.

Fifth Grade: Betty McDonald, Paola Samiakovlija Balosny and Emily Goldman.

Sixth Grade: Jack Edlow, Janice Liebowitz, Abbie Eckland, Leslie Dellon and Barbara Mandel.

Seventh Grade: Cathy Binder, Vivian Bass, Sheila Feinberg and Sabina Lozovsky.

Eighth Grade: Linda Perle, Gail Ross and Debbie Ross.

Ninth Grade: Marsha Rehns and Marla Allard.

Tenth Grade: Nancy Feldman.

Special Needs: Susan Kattan.

Foundation for Jewish Studies 1995 Fall Scholar in Residence Semester

Dr. Stefan C. Reif, Cairo Genizah scholar from the University of Cambridge, England, will serve as the September Scholar-in-Residence sponsored by The Foundation for Jewish Studies. Dr. Reif's appearances in the community include a series of classes at the Jewish Community Center in Rockville, a Selichot lecture at Adas Israel Congregation in Washington and a Shabbaton at Keshet Israel in Georgetown. He will lecture at the Smithsonian Institution and lead The Foundation's Labor Day Weekend Study Retreat in Luray, Virginia. Dr. Reif will lecture at Beth El on Tuesday, September 19th at 8:15 p.m. Dr. Reif will be joined by Dr. Marc Saperstein, and the topic of their lecture will be "Islamic-Jewish Relations: The Medieval Background."

Dr. Reif has supervised the conservation, research and publication of the Cairo Genizah, discovered by Dr. Solomon Schechter in 1896. The Genizah consists of more than 140,000 manuscript fragments found in the storeroom of the Ben Ezra Synagogue in Cairo, Egypt.

For more information and a free brochure, call The Foundation, (301) 770-4787.

Commemoration of the End of World War II Service and Program Set for September 17, 1995

On September 17th a service and program commemorating the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II by honoring those who served their country and memorializing those who gave their lives, will be held at Beth El. The service and program are under the joint sponsorship of the Men's Club, Sisterhood and Vatikim.

The service will be conducted from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m., and the program from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., followed by a brunch. The program will include an address on the impact of World War II on our lives and will honor the Beth El men and women who served in the armed forces of our country and allies. A necrology will be read. Further details will appear in the next issue of the Beth El Scroll.

For the names of all Beth El members, living and deceased, who served in the armed forces of their respective countries between September 1, 1939 and September 2, 1945 to be listed in the program, they must reach the synagogue office by August 27, 1995.

Photographs of those who served and artifacts (no guns or knives) will be on display during the program. Please send such items to "Beth El World War II Program", attn.: Bernie Resnick, no later than September 10, 1995. Clearly mark the items with your name and address so they can be returned to you after the program.

If you have any questions, please call Bernard Resnick at (301) 231-7363.

Attention Day School Families!

If you would like to participate in the service on the second day of Sukkot, please contact Audrey Corson at (301) 229-5855.



Attention all Congregation Beth El College Students!

Please update your college address with the synagogue office. Joining the Beth El college list means mail and packages throughout the year. Fill in the form below and return Attn.: Rachel Handloff, Youth Director, Congregation Beth El, 8215 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Student's Name _____

Year of Graduation _____

College _____

Street Address and/or Box Number _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail Address _____

Note: Even if you were on our list last year, please send this form in.