



## CONGREGATION BETH EL OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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### Shabbat Schedule

Friday, January 12th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 13th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
Rebecca Maltzman Bat Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.

Friday, January 19th, at 6:30 p.m.  
Day School Shabbat Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 20th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
Nina Klemow Bat Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.  
Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.  
Gan Shabbat at 10:00 a.m. in the APR

Friday, January 26th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 27th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
Anie Teitel Bat Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.  
Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.  
Nitzanim at 10:30 a.m. in the APR

### IRS Charitable Contribution Rules

The 1993 tax law requires you to have a "contemporaneous" receipt for all charitable contributions of \$250.00 or more after December 31, 1993. If you make a contribution of \$75.00 or more for which you also receive something of value in return, you are also required to have a receipt showing the non-deductible value of what you received.

In order to reduce your paperwork, and ours, we take advantage of the provision of the law which allows the use of an annual statement which will satisfy your "contemporaneous" receipt requirement. In order to insure that all payments made by you during 1995 are reflected on that statement, our statement will include all payments received in the Beth El office through **January 8, 1996**. Contribution statements will be mailed by January 22, 1996.

### Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee solicits suggestions for persons to be considered for nomination as a Board Trustee for a three year term or as a Congregation Officer. Four Trustee vacancies will be filled in May. If any member is interested in being considered for nomination, or if a member wishes to suggest another for consideration, please advise the Nominating Committee in writing, addressed to the Chairman, Leonard N. Bebchick. The Committee will next meet on January 30th.

### Golda Meir Award Presented to Toby Moss; Torah Fund Award to be Presented to Dunya Hecht

The Awards Committee of Beth El Sisterhood is pleased to announce this year's recipients of our highest honors for leadership and service to Sisterhood and the congregation. Since the Golda Meir Award was presented at Sisterhood Shabbat on January 6th, Toby Moss will be featured in this article. The Torah Fund Award will be bestowed on Dunya Hecht at the April 28th Torah Fund Cocktail Party.

The first classes organized to teach the women of Beth El to read Torah were formed by Toby Moss the very day after the congregation voted to allow women to receive aliyot. A Torah reader for the past 20 years, Toby has taught both men and women to read basic Hebrew, T'fillot and Torah. She was the first member of the congregation to suggest that the Megillot Ruth, Shir haShirim and Kohellet be included in our Yom Tov services and, for many years, chanted these portions on the Festivals.

Toby was instrumental in convincing other members of the Ritual Committee and the synagogue to allow girls to celebrate their Bat Mitzvah ceremonies on Shabbat mornings. She also supported the idea of reading the prescribed Haftarat instead of selecting a favorite from collected works which had been available to those girls who still preferred the Friday evening service. Toby has also been active in other areas of the synagogue. She served for seven years as Membership Chairperson during a period of unprecedented synagogue growth. In addition to serving on numerous committees, she has chaired the Adult Education Committee, Youth Committee, the former Ushering Committee and the Music Committee. In fact, Toby arranged 14 musical evenings for Beth El. Last year she began assuming responsibility for creating a rotation of ushers for Shabbat morning services. Toby also has developed a system of recording the names of those who receive aliyot on Shabbat mornings to ensure that as many different people as possible are offered Torah honors. Currently, Toby is a trustee of Beth El.

A native of Brooklyn and graduate of Brooklyn College, Toby also has a Masters Degree in Education and has taught in New York, Massachusetts, and Maryland. For nine years she was a 5th grade secular studies teacher at the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School. At present, she teaches for Montgomery County.

Toby and Bernie Moss were married 35 years ago while he was in medical school. After completing his training at Children's Hospital in Boston, Bernie earned a PhD at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He came to the National Institutes of Health 30 years ago to do research in virology for what was supposed to have been a two year period. The Mosses have three grown children: Rob, Jennifer and David.

## All in the Family

Mazal Tov to Elliott and Phyllis Dickler on the birth of their granddaughter, Melanie Rose Ackerman, on October 11, 1995. Melanie is the daughter of Jim and Anne Ackerman. Mazal Tov also to Anne Ackerman on passing the Maryland Bar Exam.

## We Need Your Help

The scrip program is an important fundraising activity of the synagogue. We have been selling scrip for five years and the sales have leveled off. We would like your suggestions how to further improve our scrip program to increase our sales, thereby increasing the services the synagogue can provide. How can we make this program more convenient and available so that more congregants will want to participate? Please call our scrip chairperson, Judy Matz, on our synagogue voice mail system, (301) 652-2606, ext. 348, with your suggestions and input. If you would like to be added to our "standing" orders, please call Kathy Hooley, our bookkeeper, at (301) 652-2606, ext. 304, and she will be happy to take your order and send out your certificates.

## 50+ Singles

Dr. Elaine Shalowitz will speak on Jewish mysticism at the January 18th meeting of Beth El's 50+ Singles. Dr. Shalowitz, a Beth El member, has lectured on this topic at the Saul Bendit Adult Institute and elsewhere and is an acknowledged authority on the subject. Her presentation will be preceded and followed by a "social hour" beginning at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call Roy Millenson at (301) 229-4237.

## Nitzanim

Nitzanim Shabbat Services are held on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month 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!

Sharon and Jeremy Zissman will be sponsoring the Nitzanim Kiddush on January 27th in honor of their daughter Melissa's fifth birthday.

### **Baruch Dayan Emet**

Congregation Beth El offers its sincere condolences to Miriam Kely on the death of her mother, Lillian Friedman.

## Mercaz

Mercaz helps promote religious pluralism in Israel and support of Conservative/Masorti programs all over the world. Please become a member. For more information, pick up a brochure in the lucite holder outside the synagogue office.

## Membership Information

Kenneth Ingber has moved to 3101 New Mexico Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016. Herman Liebling has moved to 5225 Pooks Hill Road, Apt. 721 North, Bethesda, MD 20814. (301) 564-1042.



## BETH EL'S MEN'S CLUB CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO



### **"PERSPECTIVES IN DIALOGUE - 1996"**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 7TH**  
**DR. STEVEN ROSENBERG**  
**CHIEF OF SURGERY,**  
**NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE**  
**"PROGRESS IN CANCER RESEARCH"**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 14TH**  
**THE HONORABLE SAMUEL BERGER**  
**ASST. TO THE PRESIDENT**  
**FOR NATIONAL SECURITY**  
**"THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION**  
**AND U.S. FOREIGN POLICY"**

**MORNING SERVICE AT 9:00 A.M.**  
**BREAKFAST AT 9:30 A.M.**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH**  
**PROFESSOR ISAAC KRAMNICK**  
**OF CORNELL UNIVERSITY**  
**"THE CHRISTIAN RIGHT"**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH**  
**HIS EXCELLENCY, ITAMAR**  
**RABINOVICH ISRAELI**  
**AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES**  
**"THE PEACE PROCESS"**

**DISCUSSION BY SPEAKER FOLLOWED BY**  
**DIALOGUE WITH THE CONGREGATION**  
**FROM 10:00 TO 11:00 A.M.**

**THE CONGREGATION AND THE COMMUNITY ARE INVITED**

## The Evening Minyan

The following people are asked to help us with our daily Evening Minyan for the next two weeks. On Monday through Thursday, 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.

### January 15 - January 18

Lary and Ellen Fink  
Bernice Finkelstein  
Robert First  
Irene Fischer  
Ira and Sheryl Fishman  
Michael and Irene Fishman  
Samuel and Tamar Fishman  
Sherman and Carol Fivozinsky  
Ronald and Rosalyn Fleisher  
Lawrence Flugler and Linda Fassberg  
David Fogel and Ilana Bar-Levav  
Donald Forest  
Herbert and Marilyn Forrest  
Samuel Forstein and Faye Ehrenstamm  
Murray and Anne Foss  
Albert and Evelyn Fox  
Russell Fox and Andrea Shandell  
Arthur Frank and Mary Kay Dawson  
Beryl and Gloria Frank  
Steven Frank

### January 22 - January 25

Steven and Regina Frank  
Stanley and Sarah Frankel  
Henry Freedman  
Stanley Freeman  
Karl Freiberg  
Helen Friedkin  
Jerry and Laurie Friedman  
Barry and Barbara Friedman  
Bernard Friedman  
Gerald and Sandra Friedman  
Marc and Daniela Friedman  
Moshe and Sarah Friedman  
Philip and Beverly Friedman  
Thomas and Ann Friedman  
Peter and Debra Friedmann  
Gary Friend and Tara Sonenshine  
Samuel and Eleanor Frishman  
Gary and Sylvia Fuchsman  
Craig and Judy Futterman

## Keruv Calendar

**Shabbat Discussions:** Keruv welcomes everyone to our next Shabbat discussions, held after the morning services on January 20th and March 16th. Our topic in January is "B'nai Mitzvah in Interfaith Families." In March we will discuss "How Interfaith Issues Affect Our Children." In our discussions, we talk about the day's topic as well as about choosing Judaism, how to meet challenges with children, spouses and grandchildren, and how to integrate non-Jewish family members in Jewish life.

**Tu B'Shevat Seder:** You are invited to the very first Keruv Tu B'Shevat Seder on February 4th. It's a dairy potluck. For information, please call Susan Levine, (301) 530-2919.

Keruv wants your questions and comments! Feel free to ask about almost anything and we will give you an answer in the Beth El Scroll. Address to "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.

## EMAIL To Beth El Arthur N. Popper, Secretary

Members of Congregation Beth El who use EMAIL can now send and receive messages to other congregants using Beth El's own LISTSERV. A LISTSERV is a central computer system that receives messages sent to it via EMAIL from a congregant and then sends it out to all other members who are registered with the LISTSERV. Our LISTSERV, called BETHELMC, is on a computer at the Jewish Theological Seminary. We would like to encourage all members who use EMAIL, and all members of their families who have separate EMAIL accounts, to join BETHELMC. Our intent is to use BETHELMC as one other way to communicate rapidly with members. We also hope that BETHELMC will serve as a place where we can have discussions, hear about events at Beth El, and keep in touch with members who might be all over the world.

To join BETHELMC you need to first log into your own EMAIL system. Then send a message using the following format:

In the TO line: `LISTSERV@J TSA.EDU`

Subject line: put nothing (for CompuServe users put one space)

cc line: put nothing

in the message: `SUB BETHELMC yourfirstname yourlastname`

Make sure nothing else is in the message. Since the LISTSERV is limited to BETH EL members and their families, each person's membership in the list is checked against our membership rolls. This may take a day or two. We apologize if there is any delay, but we don't want outsiders having access to our membership lists.

If you have any questions, please call Art Popper (460-5599) or send an EMAIL to `POPPER@ZOO L.UMD.EDU`

## BETH EL SCROLL

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## Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Contributions (As of December 11, 1995)

### **Bauer Confirmation Fund**

In Memory Of: Lilly Berkes by Heinz Bauer; Elisabeth Bauer by Heinz Bauer.

### **Bendit Adult Institute Fund**

The Bendit Foundation. In Honor Of: Fortune Schettewi's birthday by Carol and George Sege.

### **Beth El Forest**

In Honor Of: 96th birthday of Minnie Salus by Jack and Ethel Werner; Toni Schettewi's special birthday by Sandra and Barry Handloff and Sylvia and Leonard Sheeskin; Freeda Mann's special birthday by Sylvia and Leonard Sheeskin. In Memory Of: Dr. Irving Horn by Spencer and Barbara Hornstein; Max Posin by Trudy and Simon Weker; Jeanette Meyers by Colleagues of Martin Meyers at FDA.

### **Building Fund**

In Honor Of: Rabbi Rudolph and the Saturday Morning Minyan by Lucy D. Ozarin.

### **Cantor's Fund**

In Honor Of: 40th anniversary of Shirley and Seymour Gross by Hal and Elissa Scheinberg and Simon and Trudy Weker; Hazzan Lubin's birthday by Marilyn and Gary Wind; Hazzan Lubin by Joe and Ina Young; Adeen Postar's special birthday by Jeffrey and Lynne Ganek.

### **Chevre Kadisha Fund**

In Memory Of: Miriam Kely's mother by Darryl Sherman; Belle C. Tucker by Trudy and Simon Weker; Max Weker by Trudy and Simon Weker; Lillian Friedman by Terri Wetle; Henrietta Bruckheim by Arthur Bruckheim; Florence Horwitz by David Horwitz.

### **College Fund**

In Honor Of: Happy Chanukah with love by Howie and Susan Feibus; Ben and Suzanne Bronheim's 25th anniversary by West Bethesda Havurah. In Memory Of: Miriam Kely's mother by Jose and Tutti Sokol; Lenny Lefkowitz's mother by Jose and Tutti Sokol.

### **Conservative Judaism in Israel**

In Honor Of: Jason Horn at his special birthday by Lila and Herbert Harvey and Simon and Trudy Weker.

### **Disabled Access Fund**

In Honor Of: 75th birthday of Jason Horn by Alina and Lester Rindler.

In Memory Of: Mendel Goldberg by Harriet Weinstein.

### **Fine Arts Fund**

In Memory Of: Beloved nephew, Howard Kohn, by Frances and Sam Glovinsky; Beloved brother, Sigmund Gerber, by Esther G. Kohn; Beloved nephew, Howard Joel Kohn, by Gertrude Gerber; Irving Falk by Gertrude Gerber.

### **General Endowment Fund**

In Honor Of: Max Krents' 75th birthday by Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Frank.

### **General Fund**

Jean Golding; Fella Eule. In Memory Of: Merritt Koenig by Donald and Joyce Caplan; Renee Horwitz by Rita and Irwin Kopin; Sarah Wigdor by William Gerber; Ruth Rehns by Carolyn Margolis; Sara and Harry Baker by William Baker.

### **Israel Experience Teen Fund**

In Memory Of: Beloved sister, Audrey Githa Goldberg, by Sabina Shalom; Ethel Sinclair and Geraldine Baldinger by Priscilla Tievsky.

### **Kimball Nursery School Fund**

In Honor Of: Happy Chanukah with love by Howie and Susan Feibus; Happy Hanukah wishes to Sherman Kimball by Jon and Jane Kimball.

### **Library Fund**

In Honor Of: Jason Horn's 75th birthday by Etta Kline. In Memory Of: Abraham Shefferman by Adele and Sholom Shefferman; Leo Rice, dear father of Mrs. Jane Schimel, by Jane Schimel.

### **Mazon**

In Honor Of: Rebecca Maltzman's Bat Mitzvah by Dorothea and Arnold Lear and the Beth El Sisterhood; Clare Lerner's new grandson by Hal and Elissa Scheinberg; Leonard Sheeskin's aliyah by Sylvia and Leonard Sheeskin; 25

years dear friends Suzanne and Ben by Ellen and Norman Eule; Harold Gold's 85th birthday by Michael and Judy Platt. In Memory Of: Jacob Sheeskin by Leonard Sheeskin; Ericka Kaplan by Rosalie Sporn; Paula Brown by Mrs. Josephine Horn; Sonia Brodsky by Michael and Judy Platt; Louis Janus and his son, Philip Janus, by Zelda Janus.

### **Men's Club Perspectives in Dialogue Fund**

In Memory Of: Brother, Dr. Samuel Z. Freedman, by Henry E. Freedman; Julia Shapiro and Betty Treinish by Evelyn and Ronnie Treinish; Bob Koenig's father by Sam and Ellie Frishman.

### **Morning Minyan Fund**

William Gerber. In Honor Of: Birth of Rabbi & Mrs. Scolnic's grandson by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rib; My aliyah by Julian Levin; Speedy recovery of Jack Goldberg by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rib. In Memory Of: Miriam Kely's mother by Herbert and Nancy Rosenthal; Beloved father, Louis Swoff, by Alan Swoff; Max Richter by Melvin and Lenore R. Richter; Merritt Koenig by Shirley and Seymour Gross; Mr. Irving Levine by Julian Levin; Jacob J. Lehman by Alan Swoff; Jean Niederman by Etta Kline; Joseph Greenberg, brother of Jeanne Ende, by Jeanne and Asher Ende.

### **Music Fund**

In Memory Of: Lillian Cohen, loving mother and grandmother, by Barbara Spitzer.

### **Nitzanim Fund**

In Honor Of: George and Carol Sege's new grandson by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rib.

### **Prayerbook Fund**

In Honor Of: Jason Horn's 75th birthday by Lillian Kessler. In Memory Of: Sadie Palten Klau by Eleanor Klau and Ruth Sachs; Judith Sunshine by Dennis and Shirley Feldman; My beloved mother, Carola Shapiro, by Yael Greenberg; Irving S. Falk by Jackie Cogen; Bernard Feingold, father of Lenore Richter, by Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Richter; May Feldman by Dennis and Shirley Feldman.

### **Rabbi's Fund**

In Honor Of: Rebecca Maltzman's Bat Mitzvah by Robert and Susan Benke, Gertrude Gerber, Frances and Sam Glovinsky and Michele Herman; 90th birthday of Ethyl Bayroff by Tricia and Howard Sachs; Birth of Oliver Daniel Henry by Tricia and Howard Sachs. In Memory Of: Jack Moss by Toby and Bernie Moss; Dr. Marvin Nattel by Hal and Elissa Scheinberg; Joe Young's mother by Linda Kuzmack; Golda Leah Possick by Marcia Possick; Rabbi Arthur H. Neulander by Hadassah Thursz; My father, Fritz Bachenheimer, by Ruth Brand; Louis Pernick by Irwin and Carol Pernick; Frieda Schissler by Peter Schissler.

### **School Enrichment Fund**

In Honor Of: Phyllis and Steve Solomon's special birthdays by Sherri and Sheldon Laps. In Memory Of: Jacob Kopin by Rita and Irwin Kopin.

### **Sisterhood Silver Fund**

In Honor Of: Toni Schettewi's birthday by Herman and Minna Schneider.

### **Sisterhood Torah Fund**

In Memory Of: Rena Young by Hal and Elissa Scheinberg.

### **Social Action Fund**

Havurah for Living. In Honor Of: Happy Hanukah with love by Howie and Susan Feibus. In Memory Of: Florence Horwitz by Trudy and Simon Weker; Louis Schneider by Dr. and Mrs. Howard Levine; Sigmund Clayman by Robert Clayman and Carol Miller; Ruth Rehns by Mona Signer and Robert McCann; Benjamin Levine by Shirley Levine Wasserman.

### **Suls Youth Activities Fund**

In Honor Of: Happy Hanukah with love by Howie and Susan Feibus; Sandra Woronow's Aliyah and her grandchildren by Sandra Woronow.

### **Wolf "Israel Quest" Fund**

In Honor Of: Bat Mitzvah of Rebecca Maltzman by Mr. and Mrs. Sy Wolf; Emily Rachel Gillman, new granddaughter, by Samuel and Rita Gillman.

### **Young Equality Fund**

In Memory Of: Rena Young, mother of Joe Young, by Judith and Jonathan Levin and Family.

## Sisterhood News

### President's Message

Happy New Year! It's going to be a great year for Sisterhood. There's a lot of excitement in the air!

We had a very successful art show in December, due to the excellent endeavors of many of our Sisterhood women and their friends. Thanks to everyone who had a part in the planning and work of the show. If you missed Saturday night, talk to someone who was there. Everyone had a good time! And you may have another chance to attend next year! Special thanks to Sara Greenbaum who organized and coordinated much of the show, Janet Goldhill who organized all of our volunteers who worked at the show, Laurie Webber who planned and oversaw the extensive publicity, Gail Ross who organized and coordinated the baking committee, Jackie Levine and Harriet Filler who called our sponsors, Cathy Binder who designed our program, Connie Krupin and Ruthanne Grundfast who planned decorations, Jon Binder for transporting the artists' hanging screens between Beth Tikva and Beth El, Troop 1800 of the Boy Scouts and their parents for their great assistance with set-up, Steve Kravitz for providing assistance and guidance with scheduling, organization of the show, details and practicalities, Miriam Davidson and Kathy Hooley for their assistance in the office, Terri Annis for obtaining the Espresso Bar, Carol Brody for playing piano on Sunday morning, Seth Levine for helping with set-up and parking, Susan Siegel and Cheryl Rod for assisting us with financial matters, and to all of you who were cashiers and assistants!

I would like to recognize our Art Show Committee: Sara Greenbaum, Gail Ross, Janet Goldhill, Cathy Binder, Laurie Webber, Paula Siegel, Joan Simon, Terri Annis, Debra Friedmann, Connie Krupin, Evelyn Bitterbaum,

Lynn Goldin, Joan Claxton, Ellen Elow-Mintz, Dale Gold, Jackie Levine, Harriet Filler, Ruthanne Grundfast and Susan Siegel for their creativity and cooperative spirit.

I would also like to recognize our Baking Committee: Joan Simon, Gail Ross, Emily Goldman, Debra Friedmann, Lynn Katz, Joan Claxton, Terri Annis, Toni Schettewi, Julia Copperman, Evelyn Bitterbaum, Vivian Beyda, Merle Shoneman, Dunya Hecht and Ellen Elow-Mintz for baking and preparing the delicious desserts.

Thanks again to the following sponsors: Gary and Marilyn Wind, Harvey and Dale Gold, Joan Simon, Charlotte Simos, Suzanne and Ben Bronheim, Susan and David Siegel, Amy and Eugene Goott, Paula and Bob Siegel, Petrina Chavis, Julia and Howard Copperman, Debra Friedmann, Sara Greenbaum and Darryl Sherman, Lynn Goldin and Henry Birnkrant, Brenda and Doug Bregman, Betty and Dick Drachman, Esther Wilner, Claire Marwick, Ellen and Dan Mintz, Jill and Ed Gerstenfeld, Janet and Steve Goldhill, Gail Ross and Roy Niedermayer, Selma Siegel, Evelyn Bitterbaum, Rick Chavis, Harriet Filler, Barbara and Barry Friedman, Norma Golumbic, Marcia and Robert Kalman, Jacquelyn Levine, Toby Moss, Sylvia Sheeskin, Tutti Sokol and Trudy and Simon Weker.

As you can see, many Beth El members were involved in this project. This was the most exciting aspect of the event to us! Thank you to all who participated and to all who attended this event!

I'm looking forward to seeing you at the Rosh Hodesh Tu B'Shevat Seder on January 22nd.

Shalom,  
Paula Siegel

### Sisterhood Shabbat

One of the highlights of the Sisterhood Shabbat service, organized by Nancy Graber and conducted entirely by Sisterhood members and officers, was the speaker, Naomi H. Rosenblatt, psychotherapist, author, lecturer and teacher of adult Bible classes. Among her weekly classes is a Seminar on Capitol Hill for U.S. Senators. Her round-table discussions in Washington and New York have attracted prestigious journalists, Wall Street executives, attorneys and scholars, as well as serious and casual students of the Bible from all walks of life. Her topic for the Resnik Memorial Fund Lecture was "Women Who Dare: How the Matriarchs and Heroes of the Hebrew Bible Serve as Strong Role Models for Today's Women."

Mrs. Rosenblatt was born and raised in Haifa, Israel, emigrated to the U.S., and settled in New York, where she married an attorney. They moved to Washington a number of years ago, and had three children, followed by three grandchildren. Mrs. Rosenblatt also received a Masters degree in Social Work from Catholic University and has a practice in psychotherapy.

### Foundation for Jewish Studies Programs

Join the Presidents Day Weekend Study Retreat Sunday - Monday, February 18th - 19th, 1996. Scholar-in-Residence Dr. Arthur Green of Brandeis University will speak on the topic "After the Kabbalah: Jewish Mystics in Search of Language." The retreat will be held at The Hilltop House in Harpers Ferry.

Newcomers are welcome to the session beginning January 4th of the Downtown Lunch and Learn Bible Study Group which will focus on "Four Neglected Biblical Heroines." The group will be lead by Rabbi Benjamin Mintz and will meet at the B'nai B'rith building, 1640 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W. from 12:15 - 1:30 p.m. Bring a Bible and a brown bag lunch. Drinks will be provided. Registration fee is \$10.00. February classes will be lead by Rabbi Joshua O. Haberman.

For a free brochure or more information on these programs, please call The Foundation for Jewish Studies, (301) 770-4787.

Advance registration is required before February 5th for Dr. Green's lecture at the Embassy of Israel on Thursday, February 15th on "A Hasidic Master Reads the Bible: The Sefat Emet as a Radical Interpreter." This lecture is free of charge and open to the public.

### Nursery News

Dear Beth El Families,

Estelle Kimball, as many of you know, was a much loved B.E.N.S. aide for ten years whose untimely death in 1990 was a loss to us all. In her honor, an annual lecture has been created. This is the 6th year of this very enriching Beth EL tradition, the Estelle Kimball Memorial Lecture.

### Think Pink - Save Giant Register Receipts

The Nursery School is trying to get a new computer for the school office, and in addition, we may be able to get some audio-visual equipment. Please put your pink Giant Register Receipts in the envelopes on the downstairs or upstairs bulletin boards. Remember we are only saving Giant Receipts; the program runs from September 17, 1995 through March 2, 1996.

### Entertainment '96 Books

These are available in the School Office, Synagogue Office and the Judaica Shop. They are \$35.00 each. Make your checks payable to Beth El Nursery School. If you would like to look at one to see what it has to offer, see the sample copy in the Synagogue Office. They also make wonderful gifts. MD/Washington, D.C. books are in stock; we can get books for Northern VA and/or Baltimore.

## Estelle Kimball Memorial Lecture

Featuring

**IRENE SHERE**

(Director of The Early Childhood Consultation Center)

Please join us to hear this speaker and participate in this informative workshop on "I'm So Mad!"

Dealing with Anger - Your Child's and Your Own

Congregation Beth El  
Thursday, February 22, 1996  
at 8 p.m.

For more information and reservations, call (301) 652-2606, ext. 311.

### Beth El Nursery School's 2nd Annual Jewish Year Calendar - 1996-1997

In August, 1996, all Beth El congregants will once again be receiving a courtesy copy of Beth El Nursery School's Jewish Year Calendar. We hope you are enjoying the inaugural calendar already sent to you. We now invite you to participate in the 1996-1997 calendar by placing a business/patron ad or by announcing birthdays, anniversaries, B'nai Mitzvah and yahrzeits.

The 1996-1997 calendar will feature a new advertising format.

A single personal announcement is just \$5.00, and \$3.00 if you purchase five or more. Business/patron ads are priced as follows: Business card size ad -- \$36; double business card size ad -- \$50; 1/4 page ad --\$75; 3/4 page ad -- \$150; full page ad -- \$200. All ads must be placed by March 1, 1996.

For personal announcements: send your announcement to Julie Murray, 7743 Heatherton Lane, Potomac, MD 20854 along with a check made out to B.E.N.S.

For business/patron ads: call Judy Sherman at (301) 564-0174.

#### BETH EL NURSERY SCHOOL'S 2ND ANNUAL JEWISH YEAR CALENDAR PERSONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 1996-1997 (5757) CALENDAR

	Name	Month	Day	Amount
<b>Birthday Listings</b>	1.			
	2.			
<b>Anniversaries</b>	1.			
	2.			
<b>Bar/Bat Mitzvah</b>	1.			
	2.			
<b>Yahrzeits</b>	1.			
	2.			

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal announcements are \$5.00 each, or \$3.00 each if five or more are placed. Place order form and check payable to B.E.N.S. in the envelope located on the B.E.N.S. Bulletin Board on the lower level, or mail to Julie Murray at 7743 Heatherton Lane, Potomac, MD 20854.

## From the Desk of the Youth Director

### The Youth Group Calendar

**BONIM (Grades K, 1, 2)** Advisor: Heather Handloff  
 Sunday, January 28th Gymnastics, Tumbling, & Fun  
 Join Heather and people from the Little Gym in Rockville in the Beth El All Purpose Room for an afternoon of games, tumbling, and fun. The program will begin at 1:45 p.m. Children in late session religious school can meet in the Board Room with bag dairy lunches at 1:15 p.m. An advisor will bring them to the APR when the program begins. Cost for the program is \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members. RSVP's are required. Call Heather at (301) 652-2606, ext. 342.

**MACHAR (Grades 3, 4, 5)** Advisor: Ariel Glassman  
 Sunday, January 21st SuperStar Studios  
 Join Ariel and Machar at SuperStar Studios in Bethesda for an afternoon of music videos and milk shakes. RSVP's are required. Please call Ariel if you have any questions at (301) 652-2606, ext. 341.

**KADIMA (Grades 6, 7, 8)** Advisor: Adam Gluck  
 Sunday, January 7th Kadima Ice Skating  
 Join Adam at the Cabin John Ice Arena for an afternoon of skating. Meet there at 2:45 p.m. Pick up is at 4:45 p.m. The cost is \$10 (cash only); bring it with you to the rink. RSVP's are required. Call Adam at (301) 652-2606, ext. 340.

Sunday, January 21st Kadima Metro Mystery Scavenger Hunt  
 This activity has been rescheduled during the Spring.

Saturday, January 27th Bullets Game  
 Join Beth El and Har Shalom Kadima for this trip to see the Bullets play Vancouver at the USAir Arena. The bus will leave Beth El at 6:45 p.m and return at 10:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. Includes game ticket, transportation and snacks. Seats are limited; first come, first served. RSVP's are required. Call Adam at (301) 652-2606, ext. 340.

**U.S.Y.** Advisor: Rachel B. Handloff  
 (Grades 9, 10, 11, 12)  
 Saturday, January 6th USY Formal  
 USYers are cordially invited to attend the Eighth Annual USY Formal at Congregation Olam Tikvah in Fairfax, Virginia. The dance will begin at 8:30 p.m. and end at 11:30 p.m. Tickets are \$13 per person and \$14 at the door. For more information, call Rachel at (301) 652-2606, ext. 308.

Sunday, January 7th USY Shmooze  
 Hang out with USY and learn all about the upcoming USY Interchapter. We will also have an arts and crafts project and snacks. The cost is \$5.00. Please meet at Beth El at 1:30 p.m. If you have any questions, call Tammy Wilner, USY President, at (301) 320-2478.

Saturday, January 20th Ice Skating  
 Join Har Shalom and Beth El USY for an evening on the town at the Reston Ice Arena at the Reston Town Center. For more information, call Rachel Handloff at (301) 652-2606, ext. 308.

Sunday, January 21st UJA Super Sunday  
 Join hundreds of local teenagers at the JCC in Rockville for

the annual UJA Federation Fundraiser. The program will run from 1:45 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the JCC. You can earn community service credit. If you have any questions, please call Rachel in the synagogue office, (301) 652-2606, ext. 308.

### USY Bagel Sales

USY sells bagels every Sunday morning in the Rotunda from 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. All proceeds benefit the USY Tikkun Olam Fund. Please help support USY and buy bagels.

### Save the Date!

February 9th - 11th, Beth El USYers have been invited to Atz Chaim for an amazing Interchapter. The bus will leave the Rockville area late Friday afternoon and return on Sunday. Spend Shabbat with USYers from all over Seaboard Region. We will be talking all about the Interchapter at our January 7th USY shmooze. For information and an application, call Rachel in the synagogue office.

February 18th will be the annual Beth El/Har Shalom Ski Trip to Whitetail. This trip is open to 6th - 12th graders who are Beth El members. A variety of packages will be offered including a special "learn to ski" package for first time skiers. This trip is very popular; please be sure to register early. If you have any questions, call Rachel in the synagogue office.

### Chesed Committee

There will be a meeting of the Chesed Committee on Thursday, January 18th from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Board Room. This meeting is for all people who expressed an interest in serving on the committee either last year or this year. Any questions? Call Rhonda Lowell at (301) 294-8858 or Gail Ross at (301) 229-7005.

### Bethesda Cares Needs Cold Weather Supplies

With the coming of cold weather, Bethesda Cares is always grateful for donations of warm clothing: hats, gloves, scarves, sweaters and coats (men's items, please), blankets, long underwear and tote bags with shoulder straps. If you can donate or set up a drive in your community, please call Julie Maltzman at (301) 907-9244.

### **Mark Your Calendar!!**

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

We will be returning to Coolfront Resort  
 in Berkeley Springs, W. VA

Details will follow later in the year.

Any questions?

Call Alan or Elizabeth Simon at (301) 571-1981.

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SUNDAY      MONDAY      TUESDAY      WEDNESDAY      THURSDAY      FRIDAY      SATURDAY

						<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
						4:49pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service	<b>No Religious School</b> 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Rebecca Maltzman B/M
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	
<b>No Religious School</b> 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Men's Club - SH 9:30am Sisterhood Board Mtg. - BR 10:00am Perspectives in Dialogue - Sanctuary 11:00am Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class - Chapel 1:30pm Black-Jewish Dialogue - BR 1:30-5:00pm Youth Group Activities - APR 6:30pm Men's Club Magic Show - SH	<b>M.L. King, Jr. Birthday</b> <b>Offices and Schools Closed</b>	11:00am Klemow Picture-Taking - Sanctuary 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:00-9:30pm Conversation Class - MR 7:30pm Social Action Comm. Mtg. - APR 8:15pm Religious School Comm. Mtg. - BR	7:00pm Boy Scouts - APR 7:30pm Hebrew Class - Room 208	12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:30pm Religious School Sub-Comm. Mtg. - MR 7:30pm Chesed Comm. Mtg. - BR 7:30pm 50+ Singles Mtg. - APR	4:56pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service 7:00pm Day School Shabbat Dinner - SH 7:00pm Feinberg-Klemow Family Shabbat Dinner - APR	7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Nina Klemow B/M 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:00am Gan Shabbat - APR 6:00-8:00pm Fam. Educ. Havdallah Happening (Gr. 2) - SH	
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>			
9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Men's Club - SH 9:30am Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Coffee - BR 10:00am Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class - Chapel	12:00pm Sabra Hadassah - SH 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR 7:00pm Cranio-Facial Group Mtg. - Room 209 7:30pm Rosh Hodesh - Gail Ross' Home	6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:00-9:30pm Conversion Class - MR 7:30pm Board Mtg. - BR	7:00pm Boy Scouts - APR 7:30pm Hebrew Class - Room 208	12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:30pm Kennedy Lodge Mtg. - APR			

Minyanim: 7:30 a.m. & 8:00 p.m.

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