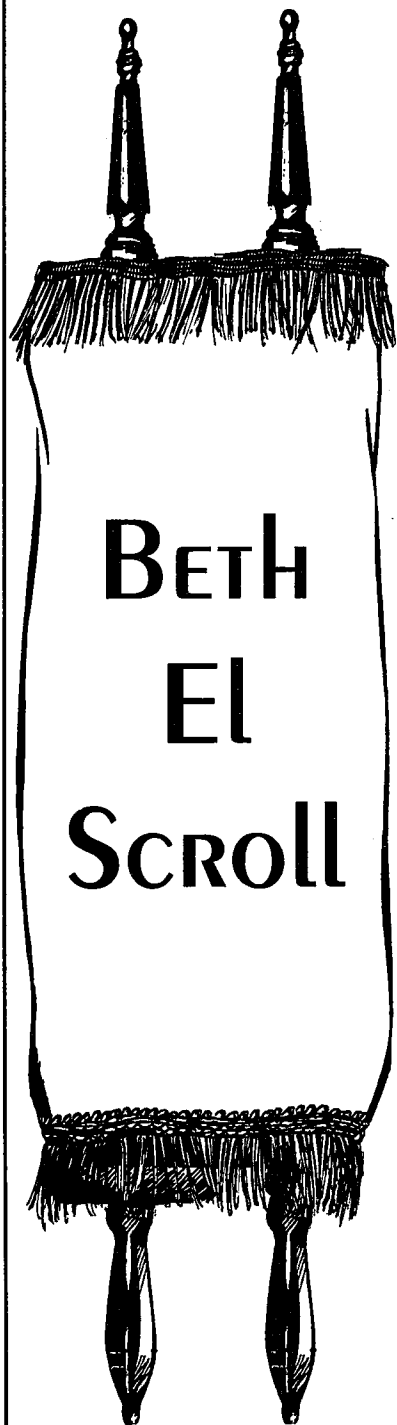


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All in the Family

Mazal Tov to Werner and Bernice Blumenthal on the birth of their grandson, Jory Simon Harris-Blumenthal, on December 4, 1996. Jory is the son of Jacob and Marci Harris Blumenthal.

Mazal Tov to Kenneth and Nina Kellner on the birth of their daughter, Elana Caroline Kellner, on December 8, 1996.

Mazal Tov to Mark Pollak and Janet Meyers on the birth of their daughter, Adina Danielle Pollak, on December 24, 1996.

Mazal Tov to Benjamin and Lillian Weinmann on the birth of their granddaughter, Hannah Sarah Weinmann-Wilcove, on December 24, 1996. Hannah is the daughter of Susan and Michael Weinmann-Wilcove.

Mazal Tov to Julian Spirer who was recently honored, at a 95th anniversary celebration of the Barney Neighborhood House, for his past service as President of the social service organization, the oldest settlement house in the District of Columbia. Julian also was recently recognized by the American Jewish Congress at the conclusion of his four-year service as Chair of the organization's National Governing Council.

Congregation Beth El wishes a speedy recovery to Joseph Woolman.

United Way Campaign Pays Off

Did you know that you can designate Beth El in your United Way contributions? Beth El is agency number 11605. Todah Rabah to all those who gave to the campaign and whose contributions came to Beth El.

REMINDER!

*The Beth El Nursery School,
the Religious School, the school
office and the synagogue office
will be closed on Monday,
January 20, 1997.*

*Morning Minyan is at 7:30 a.m.
and Evening Minyan is at 8:00 p.m.*



*Shabbat Shirah
will be celebrated on
Saturday
January 25, 1997
at 9:15 a.m.*

*Hazzan Abraham Lubin
will present
A Sermon in Song
(literally)*

*A Program in Honor of
Jewish Music Month*

Shabbat Schedule

Friday, January 17th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 18th, at 7:30
and 9:15 a.m.

Jessica McDonald Bat Mitzvah
at 9:15 a.m.

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.
Learners' Minyan at 10:00 a.m.
in the APR

Gan Shabbat at 10:00 a.m.
in the MR

USY Shabbat at 10:00 a.m.
in the BR

Friday, January 24th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 25th, at 7:30
and 9:15 a.m.

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.
Nitzanim at 10:30 a.m. in the APR

Friday, January 31st, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 1st, at 7:30
and 9:15 a.m.

Sharon Goott Bat Mitzvah at
9:15 a.m.

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.
Worship and Study Minyan at
10:00 a.m. in the APR

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The Evening Minyan

The following people are asked to help us with our daily Evening Minyan for the next two weeks. Please note that there is also a Minyan at 8:00 p.m. on Sundays. On Sunday 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 19 - January 23

Jeffrey and Cindy Green
 Jerrold and Karen Greenberg
 Leonard and Linda Greenberg
 Robert and Jean Greenberg
 Warren and Judith Greenberg
 Yael Greenberg
 Harold and Evelyn Greene
 Maurice and Barbara Greenman
 Naomi Greenwood
 Joseph and Aline Greif
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 Alan and Barri Gross
 Seymour and Shirley Gross
 Leo Grossman
 Kenneth and Ruthanne Grundfast
 Donald Gutman and Ivy Fields
 Murrey Haber
 Don and Michelle Hainbach

January 26 - January 30

Robert Halperin and Candace Kaller
 Mervyn and Eileen Hamburg
 Joseph and Mildred Hamer
 Murray and Marilyn Hammerman
 Michael Handelman and Mary Malhiot
 Bruce and Susan Hanley
 Barry and Sandra Harris
 Mason and Robin Harris
 Bennett and Marlene Harte
 Stanley and Lois Hartman
 Herbert and Lila Harvey
 Julius and Irene Hauser
 Danielle Hazan
 Alan and Dunya Hecht
 Mindy Hecker
 Bernard and RuthAnn Heckman
 Jerome and Cyma Heffter
 Anne Heilman
 Thomas Helf
 James and Debbie Heller

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!

The Nitzanim kiddush on January 25th is being co-sponsored by Jeremy and Sharon Zissman in honor of the sixth birthday of their daughter, Melissa Zissman, and by Howard and Susan Weiss in honor of the first birthday of their daughter, Rebecca Rose Weiss.

Caregivers Support Group

Are you a caregiver for a family member, friend, child or adult, at home or long distance, who is ill or disabled? You know well the deep spiritual and emotional satisfaction as well as the constraints. Please do not isolate yourself. Share in small group discussion and problem solving. First Thursday of each month at Beth El, 8:15 p.m. in the Board Room. For more information, call Ann Birk at (301) 365-4447.

Looking for cemetery plots?

Beth El has several plots for sale at King David Memorial Gardens in Falls Church, Virginia. Please call Steven Kravitz, our Executive Director, for further details.

Gan Shabbat

Gan Shabbat, a service designed for 7 - 10 year old children, meets the third Saturday of each month in the Meeting Room at 10:00 a.m. We are looking for new members for this simplified service led by Les Ziskind. Bible stories and snacks are also a part of each service. Come join us!

Membership Information

David and Sheila Feinberg have moved to 5115 Hampden Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814, (301) 657-4460.

Baruch Dayan Emet

Congregation Beth El offers its sincere condolences to Jacqueline Silber on the death of her mother, Sophie Tunkle; to Gabriela Bebchick on the death of her mother, Erika Meyerhoff; to Sharon Bobb on the death of her mother, Minnie Bobb; to Louis Nagel on the death of his grandmother, Anna Millstein Plenn; to Arthur Gang on the death of his brother, Robert Gang; and to Annamarie Sokoly on the death of her mother, Edith Orban.

From the desk of the Youth Director.....

THE YOUTH GROUPS

BONIM (Grades K, 1, 2)
(301) 652-2606, ext. 342
Advisor: Heather Handloff

MACHAR (Grades 3, 4, 5)
(301) 652-2606, ext. 341
Advisor: Ariel Glassman

KADIMA (Grades 6, 7, 8)
(301) 652-2606, ext. 340
Advisor: Adam Gluck

On Sunday, January 26, 1997 from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m., the Youth Department is co-sponsoring an event for all Beth El youth called the Family Torah Fair. The fair will include sessions on how the Torah is made, Hebrew calligraphy, navigating the Torah, creating a Yad, a Torah treasure hunt, the Bereshit Bowl, music, and Torah snacks. This event is for families. RSVP's are required. For more information, call Rachel Handloff, Youth Director, in the synagogue office, (301) 652-2606, ext. 308.

U.S.Y. (Grades 9, 10, 11, 12)
(301) 652-2606, ext. 308
Advisors: Rachel Handloff and Lisa Itkin
Saturday, January 18th USY Shabbat Shmooze

Join USYers for Shabbat services, lunch and a shmooze. RSVP to Ben Bregman at (301) 652-0027.

Saturday, January 18th Saturday Night Scavenger Hunt

Our destination is a secret. Reservations are required. For an application, please call Rachel in the synagogue office.

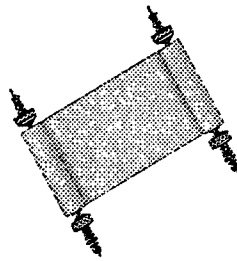
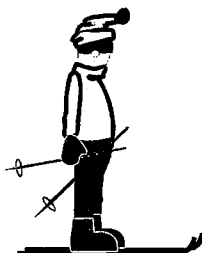
Bagel Sales are Here!!

USYers will continue to sell bagels on Sunday mornings when Religious School is in session in the Rotunda from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Bagels are 50 cents each or \$5/dozen. Money raised from bagel sales goes to the USY Tikkun Olam Fund. We appreciate your support.

Kadima - USY Ski Trip *Sunday, February 16, 1997*

6th - 12th graders
Reservations required.

Call Rachel Handloff,
(301) 652-2606, ext. 308 for details.



Family Torah Fair

Sunday, January 26, 1997
(Snow date: February 2)
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Beth El families - parents and children (K - 12th graders)- are invited to this special event of the "Embracing the Torah" project. The fair will include:

How a Torah is Made
"Embracing the Torah" video
Hebrew Calligraphy
Navigating the Torah
Creating a Yad
Torah Treasure Hunt
Bereshit Bowl
Music
Torah Snacks

If you are able to join us, please complete the RSVP card and return it to the Beth El office no later than Tuesday, January 21. For more information, please call Rachel Handloff at the synagogue office at 652-2606 ext. 308.

See the whole Torah rolled out!

Beth El Family Night at Imagine That!

Sunday, February 2, 1997
4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Reduced admission for Congregation Members
and BENS Families

\$7.00/child; adults/free

For more information, call the BENS office
at (301) 652-2606, ext. 311.

Embracing the Torah Update

The very first dedications of the new Torah were two families who independently chose to dedicate the fifth commandment, "Honor thy father and thy mother," to remember the wedding anniversary of their parents. Another couple chose a verse from their parents' Aufruf for the same reason. Many grandparents have shown their pride in their grandchildren by dedicating their names. Several families have made dedications in honor of relatives



"because no gift we could buy would be more appropriate." The following people have made dedications since the previous issue of the Beth El Scroll: Marcello and Marilda Averbug; Rosalyn D. Bass; Stuart and Ellen Berman; Evelyn Bitterbaum; Mitchell and Cindy Caplan; the Clayman/Miller Family; Richard and Elizabeth Drachman; Andrea, Michael, Nate and Hilary Druckman; Dennis and Shirley Feldman; Eugene Fidell, Linda Greenhouse and Hannah Fidell; Dr. and Mrs. S. Fivozinsky; Don Forest; Gerald and Sandra Friedman; Mona and Jerry Gabry; Sally and Jerrold Ganzfried; Hy Garfinkel; H. Bernard and Carol Glazer; Howard Goldblatt; Jack and Bea Goldman; Sue and Bruce Hanley; Dr. and Mrs. Barry R. Harris; Herbert and Lila Harvey; Jason Horn; Alissa and Eric Horvitz; Mark and Joanne Jacobson; Naomi and Larry Kirsch; Jeffrey and Phyllis Lavine; Deborah Golub Leibowitz; David and Jacquelyn Levine; Marc and Annette Lieber; Steve and Barbara Mandel; Toby and Bernie Moss; Robert and Beatrice Newell; Steven, Beth, Joshua and Amy Rosenthal; Deborah, Dennis, Gabe, Rachel and Ilana Ross; Steven and Lori Ross; Rose and Sam Saady; Hal, Elissa, Rob, Naomi and Mike Scheinberg; Eve and Howard Shapiro; Ruth Shartsis; Joel and Leslie Silver; Jack and Flora Singer; Alan Tanenbaum; Mr. and Mrs. Jack S. Ventura; Elisse Walter and Ronald Stern; Ethel and Jack Werner; and Sharon and Jeremy Zissman.

Several questions have come to the Torah Project telephone line, (301) 652-2606, ext. 347. Here are the answers to them:

- I've already made a dedication (alternately, I don't plan to make a dedication), why should I attend the Time for Torah session I've been invited to?

Time for Torah is an innovative undertaking for Beth El. It's a chance for all congregants to study Torah in small, congenial groups and to meet a diverse group of other congregants. As our congregation grows, we realize the need to institute ways to bring us all closer together. Time for Torah is one such way. While dedications will be explained during the gatherings, at no time will anyone be made to feel obliged to contribute to the Torah Writing Project.

- I'd like to dedicate my father's Maftir, but I don't know what it is. Can we figure it out from the date of his Bar Mitzvah?

Yes, just indicate on the dedication form that you want a member of the Scholars' Committee to contact you. We have calendars and a Concordance to help us find just about any reference you might want.

- Do you have to be a member of Beth El to make a dedication?

Not at all. We invite anyone who would like to fulfill the 613th Mitzvah to participate in the project by making a dedication. All who make a dedication will have time with our scribe during the Siyyum on May 18, 1997.

- If I make a dedication in honor of my grandparents, who receives an acknowledgment?

You both do. Whenever a dedication is made, we send an acknowledgment to the person making the dedication and also to the people honored or to the family of the people memorialized.

Beth El Nursery School Camp applications will be available February 15th. for children who will be 3 years old by June 1st. Please call (301) 652-2606, ext. 312 for information.

Camp hours are 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays.

Session I is June 24th - July 11th;
Session II is July 15th - August 1st.

Save the Date!

On Purim, Sunday, March 23rd, as part of Beth El's commitment of enhancing our congregation's knowledge and understanding of Torah, Hazzan Lubin will host a special cantorial concert entitled "Torah Through Music." Joining Hazzan Lubin in our Sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. will be some of the finest cantors of our time performing traditional as well as contemporary musical selections. This will be a rich and inspiring evening in which we celebrate music as a marvelous window onto Torah and Jewish life.

If you are interested in working on the concert committee, please contact Tara Sonenshine at (301) 907-8248.

Information about purchasing tickets for the concert will be posted in the synagogue.

Men's Club News

Klezmer Night — It Was Fun!

"We had so much fun!" "I've got to get back to Israeli dancing." "Wasn't it great?" These were some of the comments heard that night and the next days and weeks after the December 7th Men's Club Klezmer Dinner and Dance. Everyone had fun, ate a lot, danced and sang.



We want to thank the following people whose hard work helped make this such a wonderful evening: Ron Treinish, Chairperson extraordinaire; Sandy and Diane Kay, Alex and Bea Rosenberg, Gil and Min Rosenberg, Ed and Bea Golfer, Howard and Julia Copperman, Dale Gold, Michael Kay, Ellie Frishman, Dave Levine, Gabriel Levine, Sonja Schultz, Herb Wiser, Julian Levin, Evelyn Treinish, Lillian Kessler and Doris Povich.



Thank you also to the following individuals for making generous financial contributions as sponsors: Howard and Julia Copperman, Cary and Nancy Feldman, Sam and Ellie Frishman,

Bob and Evyan Koenig, Dave and Jackie Levine, George and Elaine Perlman, Dave and Sonja Schultz, Alan and Corinne Swoff, Ronnie and Evelyn Treinish, Gary and Marilyn Wind, Lillian Kessler, Martin Dembo, Henry Freedman, Roy Millenson, Gil and Min Rosenberg and Bernard and Janyse Weisz.

Perspectives in Dialogue Series

The Perspectives in Dialogue series continues with William Safire, The New York Times columnist and noted author, speaking on "Perspectives on Post Election Washington" on January 19th. Ben Wattenberg of the American Enterprise Institute was scheduled to speak on "Perspectives on Jewish Demographics" on January 26th, but due to a conflict in his schedule, his talk has been postponed until later in the spring. The program on January 19th will begin at 10:00 a.m., following a buffet breakfast at 9:30, so be sure to mark your calendars in order not to miss what is certain to be an interesting and stimulating presentation.

Sunday Morning Speakers

Watch for notices in the Shabbat Announcements as well as the posters in the Rotunda for the speakers and topics for the Men's Club Sunday morning breakfast speaker programs. Although we try to list the speakers and topics in the Beth El Scroll, because of the long lead time required for publication, there may be times when last minute changes have to be made. February 2nd is UJA Super Sunday, so there is no speaker scheduled for that week. However, there will be a Men's Club Board meeting which is open to anyone interested in attending.

Magic Show and Spaghetti Dinner

Don't forget the Magic Show and Spaghetti Dinner on January 19th! The reservation form appears below.

THE MEN'S CLUB OF CONGREGATION BETH EL

PRESENTS

THE ANNUAL MAGIC SHOW & SPAGHETTI DINNER

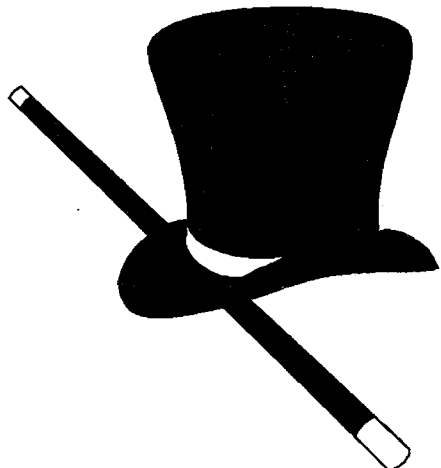
SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 1997 AT 6:30 P.M.

Reservations: Adults: \$5.00 Children: \$4.00

Please Mail Reservations to:

Men's Club, Congregation Beth El, 8125 Old Georgetown Road
Bethesda, MD 20814, Attn: Herbert Wiser

Please make reservations by January 17, 1997.



MAGIC SHOW
SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 1997 @ 6:30 P.M.

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR: _____

_____	ADULTS @ \$5.00	_____
_____	CHILDREN @ \$4.00	_____
_____	TOTAL	_____

Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Contributions (as of December 16, 1996)

Bauer Confirmation Fund

In Memory Of: Ida Bauer by Heinz Bauer.

Bendit Adult Institute Fund

In Honor Of: Helen Rib by Cheryl R. Kreiser; My Aliyah by Karen Askarinam; Yocheved Karlin's Master Teaching Award by Claire Marwick.

Beth El Forest

In Honor Of: Julius Gillman by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel R. Gillman; Louis and Margot Sanders 50th wedding anniversary by Lucy D. Ozarin. In Memory Of: Erika Meyerhoff by Judith Newman; Al Fried by Sharon and Jeremy Zissman; Jack Pressman by Sandra Pressman; Fanny Boston by Sandra Pressman; Fannie Stein by Norman I. and Ruth Stein.

Building Fund

In Honor Of: Rabbi Rudolph and the early Saturday congregation by Lucy Ozarin. In Memory Of: Betty Haber by Murray A. Haber.

Cantor's Fund

In Honor Of: Rockey Lang's special birthday by Claire Marwick.

Chevre Kadisha Fund

In Memory Of: Bessie S. Ellenbogen by Audrey Berger; Morris Rispler by Herman and Minna Schneider; Charles Merlin by Paul and Marcia Merlin; Bertha Pochter by Iris, Julian and Anne Tishkoff; Pauline Resnick by Bernard T. Resnick; Ethel Potash by Dr. and Mrs. Louis Potash; Samuel Wisner and Jane Schoenholtz by Herbert and Estelle Wisner.

College Fund

In Memory Of: Bertha Pochter by Herman and Minna Schneider.

Disabled Access Fund

In Memory Of: Betty Appleberg by Dr. and Mrs. Louis Potash; Harris Smokler by Claire Lerner.

General Endowment Fund

In Memory Of: Edward B. Fohrman by Elizabeth Simon.

General Fund

In Honor Of: Mati Dinar by Barbara S. Gold. In Memory Of: Mae Licht by Barbara S. Gold; Abraham Shefferman by Adele and Sholom Shefferman; Rose K. Wallerstein by Gloria Derkay.

Groner Ramah Scholarship Fund

In Memory Of: Dr. Charlotte Yudell by Rachel and Rich Handloff.

Israel Experience Teen Fund

In Memory Of: Stanley Lieber by Annette and Marc Lieber and Family.

Jack and Miriam Crowell Religious School Scholarship Endowment Fund

In Memory Of: Anna M. Paskow by Miriam T. Crowell.

Kimball Nursery School Fund

In Honor Of: Dorene and Joseph Rosenthal's daughter, Emily, by Claire Marwick. In Memory Of: Benn Friedman by Barbara Friedman.

Library Fund

In Honor Of: Yael Greenberg by Celia Goldman Kirsch. In Memory Of: Celia and Max Sherman by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Doroff; Isabel Golumbic Davison and Ida Rosen by Calvin and Norma Golumbic.

Mazon

In Memory Of: Beatrice Meister Pink by Suzanne Gladstone; Esther Matsas by Nancy Puffett; Alex Kweller by Marilyn D. and Daniel Kweller; Nat Levine by Jerry and Fay Chernin; Fred Rehns by Marsha Rehns and Walter Arnheim.

Morning Minyan Fund

Samuel Tranen. In Memory Of: Louis Rosoff by Janice Raffel; Molly G. Ury by Michael Ury; Benjamin H. Edenbaum by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Edenbaum; Jacob Lehrman and Louis Swoff by Alan Swoff; Benjamin Levine by Shirley Levine Wasserman; Jack Goldberg by Sharon and Andrew Tievsky and Family; Meyer Morris Landau by Dr. & Mrs. Emanuel Landau.

Music Fund

In Memory Of: Fred Rosenstock by Bernice Rosenstock.

Nitzanim Fund

Sharon Zissman. In Memory Of: Stanley Lieber by Toby and Bernie Moss.

Prayerbook Fund

In Honor Of: Rockey and Allan Lang's 60th wedding anniversary by Paul and Sara Dick. In Memory Of: Margaret L. Kahn by Bernice Rosenstock; Larry J. Kahn by Bernice Rosenstock.

Rabbi's Fund

In Memory Of: Emil Halfen by Karl Freiberg; Sadie Palten Klau by Eleanor Klau; Harry Friedell by Rosalyn Fleisher; Louis Pernick by Irwin Pernick; Larry Wolfman by Howard Goldblatt; Benjamin L. Levin by Edgar H. Levin.

Sisterhood Kathy Wilkins Memorial Braille Fund

In Memory Of: Sarah R. Teitler by Elaine and Roy Becker.

Social Action Fund

In Memory Of: Harry Scheer by Iris J. Kivitz.

Suls Youth Activities Fund

In Memory Of: Lillian Perlman by Gary and Marilyn Wind; Gabriela Bechick's mother by Gary and Marilyn Wind.

Torah Scroll Fund

In Honor Of: Aaron Gabriel Bobeck by The Tievsky Family; Arrival of Esther and Steven Kravitz's sons by Sharon and Andrew Tievsky and Family. In Memory Of: Richard Brownstone by Ina and Jerry Wernick and Sons; Paul Blatt by Sharon & Andrew Tievsky and Family; Bertha Pochter by Sharon and Andrew Tievsky and Family.

Vatikkim

In Honor Of: A speedy recovery to Joseph Woolman by Harry and Miriam Kuskin and Herman and Dorothy Rebhan.

The Foundation for Jewish Studies Programs

The Foundation for Jewish Studies will sponsor a Presidents Day Weekend Study Retreat Sunday - Monday, February 16 - 17 at the scenic Hilltop House in Harpers Ferry with Dr. Byron L. Sherwin, Professor of Jewish Philosophy and Mysticism at Spertus Institute of Jewish Studies, Chicago. He will serve as Scholar-in-Residence and lead four study sessions on the subject "Six Perspectives on the Meaning of Life in Classical Jewish Sources." Reservations are required before January 31, 1997.

Rabbi Lyle Fishman of Ohr Kodesh Congregation will teach a five session course, "Amos: Social Justice vs. Established Religion," as part of the Lunch and Learn Downtown Bible Study Group beginning Thursday, February 6th. The group meets at the B'nai B'rith building, 1640 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W. from 12:15 - 1:30 p.m. There is a \$15 registration fee. Please bring your brown bag lunch and a Bible. Beverages are provided. No previous Bible study required.

For more information and a free brochure on these and other Foundation programs, please call (301) 770-4787.

Keruv

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 privately. Address: "Dear Keruv," in care of the synagogue office.

Keruv ("outreach") addresses the issues of intermarriage at Beth El. We hold drop-in Shabbat discussions, talk to Havurot, and have family-based holiday parties. For more information about Keruv and its activities, call Susan Levine at (301) 530-2919.

Keruv Calendar

Tu B'Shevat Seder: Keruv will host its first Tu B'Shevat Seder on Sunday afternoon, January 19th, from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m., at Joan and Rick Claxton's home (7513 Holiday Terrace in Bethesda). Please join us and learn how to celebrate Tu B'Shevat! RSVP to Joan Claxton at (301) 320-9283.

Shabbat Discussion: Keruv will hold its next drop-in Shabbat discussion after Shabbat services on February 15th. This is open to all who would like to talk about how intermarriage affects their families or to try to find answers to questions they have. This date coincides with the Learners' Shabbat. Look for us in the Chapel.

Sisterhood Shabbat

We hope you enjoyed Sisterhood participation in the Shabbat services on January 3rd and 4th. We are very proud that so many of our members are able to chant from the Torah and Haftarah portions, as well as to lead in prayers and song throughout the services. All this, plus a tasty dinner and luncheon! Thanks to all who participated, especially to Nancy Graber, who organized the whole occasion.

New Learners' Service


On the third Shabbat morning each month, Rabbi Rudolph will be conducting a service for novice worshippers from 10:00 a.m. to noon, followed by kiddush with the congregation. There will be lots of teaching, explanations and discussions, and the service will move much more slowly. Open to members and guests, this service is patterned after the dozens of Beginners' Services that have been established in synagogues since the late 1980's. It will allow those with little synagogue experience to learn about and grow comfortable with the traditional service.

Beth El 50+ Singles Meeting to Feature Talk on Jews of India

The Thursday, January 16th meeting of the Beth El 50+ Singles will feature a talk on the Jews of India by Stephen Dachi, a retired foreign service officer with experience in India who now teaches at Georgetown University. The presentation by Mr. Dachi will begin at 8:00 p.m., preceded by refreshments and socializing at 7:30 p.m. A social period will also follow the program. The meeting will be held in the All Purpose Room at Beth El.

Simcha Havurah Seeking New Members

Simcha Havurah is looking for new members. We are a group of empty-nesters who have a great, and always informative, time together. Please call Sandy Becker at (301) 299-2415 if you are interested.





Sing and Rejoice!

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<p style="font-weight: bold;">Dessert Reception Following Concert</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold;">Saturday • February 8, 1997</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">8:00 p.m.</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">Agudas Achim Congregation</p> <p>2908 Valley Drive Alexandria, Virginia</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold;">RSVP by January 31, 1997</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">Admission:</p> <p>\$18/person in advance \$20 after January 31st</p>
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I'd Like To Attend The Cantorial Concert!

Please make _____ reservations at \$18 for *Sing & Rejoice! A Community Celebration of Jewish Music* which will take place at Agudas Achim Congregation on Saturday evening, February 8, 1997. My/our check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed.

Send this form & payment to: Lois Jacobs, *Sing & Rejoice! Cantorial Concert*, c/o Congregation Beth Emeth, 12523 Lawyers Rd., Herndon, VA 20171.

Make checks payable to the
"Jewish Theological Seminary."

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (day): _____ Phone (eve.): _____

Synagogue: _____

January 1997

Welcome to Congregation Beth El

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

19 No Religious School 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Men's Club - SH 10:00am Perspectives in Dialogue - Sanctuary 11:00am Torah Cantillation Class - BR 6:30pm Men's Club Magic Show - SH	20 <div style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 2px; border: 1px solid black; text-align: center;">Offices and Schools Closed</div> <div style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 2px; border: 1px solid black; text-align: center;">Martin Luther King, Jr.</div> 7:30am Minyan	21 4:15-6:15pm Tu B'Shvat Seder (Gr. 3 - 7) - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:30pm Board Mtg. - BR	22 4:15-6:15pm Tu B'Shvat Seder (Gr. 3 - 7) - SH 6:45-9:15pm Hebrew Class - Room 201 7:00pm Boy Scouts - MR	23 <i>Tu B'Shevot</i> 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 8:15pm Rel. Sch. Comm. Mtg. - BR 8:15pm Nominating Committee Mtg. - APR	24 5:00pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service	25 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:30am Nitzanim - APR
26 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am-1:15pm R. S. To B'Shvat Seder (Gr. K-2) - APR 9:50am Men's Club - SH 9:30am Adult D'vari Mitzvah Ed. Class - BR 9:30am Torah Cantillation Class - Chapel 10:00am Perspectives in Dialogue - Sanctuary 1:00-5:00pm Youth Dept. Activities - BR 1:30-3:30pm Family Ed. - Youth Dept. Torah Project - SH 2:00pm Pinewood Derby - APR	27 10:30am Sabra Hadassah - SH 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR	28 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 6:30pm Wash. Inst. for Israel Health Policy Research - BR	29 6:45-9:15pm Hebrew Class - Room 201 7:00pm Boy Scouts - MR	30 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH	31 5:08pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service 7:00pm Gooft Family Shabbat Dinner - APR	

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

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