



CONGREGATION
BETH EL OF
MONTGOMERY
COUNTY

Off the Bimah

An anthropologist from Samoa would have a field day with the rituals of American summer camp experience. How strange that children are sent away for weeks to be with their peer groups rather than with their family units. There are tearful send offs followed by great rejoicing on the part of both generations. As odd as those dynamics seem, I write to underscore the importance of a camp experience in the physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual growth of our children, while the value of a Jewish camping experience cannot be rated highly enough. The spirit the campers bring home with them makes a tangible difference in attitudes and helps the children to lead and guide their parents to a more dynamic level of observance. If your child has not yet had a Jewish camping experience, consider the vital role it will play in their development as Jewish human beings. And while you enjoy the silence, you will also run to the mailbox each day to receive the next report, however cryptic it might be ("I need..." or "Send me...") Send it to them gladly...and enjoy the silence...while it lasts.

Rabbi Jonathan Z. Maltzman

Electronic Communication for Beth El Members

Beth El continues in the electronic age with a very active, and lovely, page on the World Wide Web and an equally active LISTSERV for communication among members. The address for our Web page is : <http://uscj.org/seabd/bethesbe/>

Our WWW page includes many items of interest including the Beth El Scroll up to a week before it arrives in your mailbox, messages from our leadership, the Religious School booklet and links to other Jewish web pages. The page is maintained by our webmaster, Gary Rosenfeld. We would particularly like to add links to home pages of members and members' children who might be away at college. Send suggestions for material to include on our page, or links to other pages, to Gary (Accsys@cais.casi.com) or to Art Popper (Popper@zool.umd.edu).

We also have a Beth El LISTSERV which provides rapid communication and an interesting discussion group to members who use E-mail. If you are not already a part of our LISTSERV, we encourage you to join. To do so, send your full E-mail address and name to Art Popper (Popper@zool.umd.edu), and he will add you to the list. This LISTSERV is limited, however, to Beth El members and their families.

Sukkot in April

Do you enjoy working on your house? Are you handy with basic tools and home improvement tasks? How about looking for a fun and meaningful way to fulfill the obligation of "Tikun Olam," repairing the world, with your fellow congregants? If so, consider being a volunteer for Beth El's team for the Sukkot in April Program.

Congregation Beth El, along with six other local synagogues, has for the past several years participated in the Sukkot in April/Christmas in April program in Washington, D.C. Through this program, on Sunday, April 27th, Beth El volunteers will work on a pre-selected house in the District to paint, plaster, clean and make simple repairs on the home of an elderly couple with limited financial resources who have lived in their house for over thirty years.

Volunteers do not need specific skills, just dedication and some time on Sunday, April 27th, although talented home repair men and woman can make a special contribution. Students in grades 10 through 12 are welcome and will receive community service hours. The DC JCC will be offering two one-day classes for participants to learn basic home repair skills for the Sukkot in April program.

Sukkot in April is sponsored by the Beth El Social Action Committee. Bert King is the Coordinator. A meeting for interested volunteers will take place on Thursday, April 10th at 7:45 p.m. in the Beth El Social Hall. Please call Bert King at (301) 652-7350 for more details and to volunteer.

Shabbat Schedule

Friday, March 28th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 29th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.

Jesse Hochheiser Bar Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, April 4th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 5th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.

Ian Weisz Bar 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

Friday, April 11th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 12th, at 7:30 a.m.

Saturday, April 12th, at 9:15 a.m.

Pamela Corbett Bat Mitzvah

Allison Lipsit Bat Mitzvah

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.

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

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Notes from the Board of Directors

In the President's Report at the February 18, 1997 Board Meeting, President Bronheim reported on the following:

- Membership - There are currently 984 member units, which does not represent a catastrophic decline in membership, but does have an impact on the budget.
- Preparations are underway to have Board members available in the synagogue office on Sundays.
- A committee chaired by Cary Feldman has been appointed to review the constitution.
- A membership open house is planned for the afternoon of June 1st. Rachelle Bernstecker is seeking volunteers for the event, as well as names of potential members.
- The stars above the Ark are down and the bowing of the glass doors has already improved considerably.

Bert Spector presented the Ways and Means Committee Report describing a long-distance telephone program for Beth El members which would be a major fundraising effort for the synagogue similar to that of the Giant Certificate Program. Beth El would sell the services of several long distance resellers to members and receive continuous income through commissions on all long distance charges during member enrollment in the program (approximately 10% of total charges). Rates would be comparable or lower to direct service, and members would have access to the major carriers. United Synagogue has sponsored a similar program with success. The Board approved a motion to give the Ways and Means Committee authority to move forward with this proposal.

Arthur Popper of the Inreach Committee presented a preliminary report on the Committee's efforts, which will be formally presented at the next meeting. His committee has been working closely with the Older Members Task Force chaired by Brent Berger. Both groups are considering some form of member survey. The Older Members Task Force has determined that no synagogues in the area have programs specifically targeted to older members. The Task Force will be targeting its initial efforts to about 250 member units who are either over 70 years of age or long-time members who may be slightly younger.

The Social Action Committee is in the process of planning a synagogue-wide Mitzvah Day in the fall of 1997. A planning meeting is scheduled for March 6. Planning for Beth El's participation in the Community-Based Shelter located in Rockville (a new permanent home) will take place on March 27. Beth El is responsible for preparing and serving meals the week of May 4.

In a follow-up to an earlier Board discussion, additional information was presented on AIM, a new interfaith community action group in Montgomery County, and Beth El's possible support of this organization. While the goals of the organization were deemed important and laudable, the Board decided that Beth El does not have the resources to commit to support this organization (between \$1,000 to 10,000, depending on dues) and will not formally participate in the group.

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. When Saul Bendit Institute classes are in session, the Wednesday Evening Minyan is at 8:20 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.

March 30 - April 3

Steven and Nancy Lewis
Theodore and Anita Lieb
Marc and Annette Lieber
Michael Lieberman and
Randi Abramson
Richard Lieberman and
Helene Weisz
Samuel and Miriam
Lieberman
Herman Liebling
Burt and Linda Liebowitz
Enid Light
Harry and Karen Lipkind
Robert Lipman and Nancy
Rose

Timothy and Hannah
Lipman
Edward and Estie Lipsit
Ace and Linda Lipson
Robert and Marjorie
Litman
Agustin and Kathy Litvak
Sandy and Daniella Livnat
Jules and Carolyn Lodish
Robert and Julia Loeb
Andrew and Linda
Loewinger

Sheldon and Margery
London
Abbe Lowell
Rhonda Lowell
David and Sabina Lozovsky
Robert and Carol Lusk
James and Muriel Lyman
Bernard and Frances
Maggin
Herbert and Evelyn Magid
Harry and Emily Malech
Jerome Malin
Lillian Maller

April 6 - April 10

Julia Maloney
Rhoda Mancher
Steven and Barbara
Mandel
Daniel and Elaine Mann
Keith and Cynthia Mann
Lawrence and Linda Mann
Harry and Laura
Mannheimer
Lawrence and Marlene
Marcus
Robert and Elizabeth
Margolis

Baruch Dayan Emet

Congregation Beth El offers its sincere condolences to Ed Scherr on the death of his mother, Lillian Scherr.

Embracing the Torah Update

Special Time for Torah

Our home Torah study sessions called Time for Torah have been moving and meaningful experiences for all who have hosted or attended them, a way to meet other members of Beth El and to learn some of the intricacies of our most sacred religious possession. Those who have been unable to attend a Time for Torah in a congregant's home or who would like to attend another session can join a Time for Torah session at Beth El on Sunday, April 6th at 11:15 a.m. There will be a screening of our unique video, "The Writing of a Sefer Torah," a discussion of the Torah by a guest speaker, an explanation of how to dedicate a portion of the new Torah, with assistance provided by members of our Scholars Committee, and refreshments. The session will conclude at approximately 12:45 p.m.



Children's Dedications

Children younger than the age of Mitzvot (12 years old or younger) will be able to participate in Embracing the Torah in a special way. Every Beth El child is invited to dedicate a letter in the new Sefer Torah at a dollar cost equal to his or her age in years. We encourage children to dedicate the letter with some of their own savings, to make the fulfillment of the 613th Mitzvah truly theirs. In order for children to be allocated time with the scribe as he completes the writing of the Sefer Torah on Sunday, May 18, 1997, dedications of letters should be received by April 15th.

Letter Dedication

Child's name (please print): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Age in years (12 years or younger): _____

Hebrew Letter Selected for Dedication: _____

Enclosed is a check payable to Congregation Beth El for \$ _____.

Please send this form to "Embracing the Torah,"
c/o the synagogue office by April 15, 1997.

Children will be called to join the scribe in groups. Children whose families are also making a dedication will have the choice of joining the scribe with their families or with a group of children.

The most recent dedications of a portion of the new Torah have been made by: Susan J. Becker; Renee Marlin-Bennett and Chuck, Andrew and Ethan Bennett; Julia and Howard Copperman; Abbie and Bill Eckland; Mark and Joanne Jacobson; the children and grandchildren of Dr. and Mrs. Sanford Kay; Lillian Kessler; Vladimir and Jolie Lechtman; Steven and Nancy Lewis; Linda Luisi; Jacob and Diana Pankowski; Bernard and Charlotte Resnick; Dr. and Mrs. Isadore Rod; and Kim, Mark, David, Aaron and Daniel Schifrin.

Sisterhood News

Ellen Elow-Mintz Is This Year's Golda Meir Award Recipient

Sisterhood is pleased to announce Ellen Elow-Mintz as the recipient of the Golda Meir Award for leadership. The award presentation will take place during the Shabbat morning service on April 26, 1997. The award was established to recognize women who have been outstanding leaders for many years in Sisterhood, the Beth El congregation and the Jewish community.

While growing up in New Rochelle, New York, Ellen was lucky to have parents who were excellent role models. They were very active in their Temple Beth El and served in various offices there. Ellen followed their example by being a serious student and observer of Judaism and by holding offices in the youth groups, including USY. Ellen attended Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois and was active in Hillel there. Following graduation, she pursued a Masters degree in Public Policy at the University of Michigan, where she became acquainted with the Director of Hillel, Rabbi William Rudolph!

After graduation, Ellen moved to Washington, D.C. to work. She met her future husband, Daniel Mintz, and they married in February, 1981. Dan's family were founding members of Congregation Beth El. While affiliated with another congregation, Ellen and Dan were attracted to Beth El after attending the Saul Bendit classes in 1983. After meeting a number of other young marrieds at Beth El, Ellen and Dan became active in organizing a group of similar young couples which began meetings for Shabbat dinners, Sukkah decorations, Hannukah parties, Pesach and Tu B'Shevat seders and Havdallah services. This led to the founding of Nitzanim in 1986, which has served in similar ways to integrate young couples and their young children into Beth El synagogue life. Now, the children from the original group that was organized by Ellen and Dan, like their children, Miriam and Tamar, are being received as B'nai Mitzvah.

Ellen has served on the Beth El Board of Directors as Nitzanim President, Recording Secretary and Financial Secretary and Sisterhood President. In addition to working in the Budget Office of the City of Rockville until 1990, Ellen is currently working for the Jewish Community Center as the camp administrator. As a Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School parent, Ellen has volunteered in many areas and has helped to set up some programs there. We are proud to have Ellen as one of our Sisterhood members!

Schedule of Events

April 7, 1997 7:30 P.M.

Women's Rosh Hodesh Mikveh Tour at Adas Israel
? and R.S.V.P. to Marcia Merlin (365-3747).

April 13, 1997 6:00 P.M.- 9:00 P.M. All Purpose Room
WOMEN'S PASSOVER SEDER

? and R.S.V.P. by April 7th to Joan Simon (469-8911) Couvert: \$12

May 10, 1997

Beth El Sisterhood Torah Fund Reception, honoring our Torah Fund Award recipient, Cheryl Rod. Details to follow.
? call Doris Povich (320-5440)

May 18-19, 1997

Women's League 52nd Annual Spring Conference
Topic: TO REMAIN A JEW IN OUR TIME: THE THREAT,
THE CRISIS, THE RESPONSE, Shaare Tefila, Silver Spring
? call Paula Siegel (365-0166)

June 8-9, 1997

Beth El Sisterhood JEWISH NEW YORK TRIP WITH RABBI
MALTZMAN. Look for further details.
? Call Gail Ross (229-7005)

Special Pesach Information

Memo From The Rabbi

The following Pesach guidelines have been made available through the Conservative Movement. It is an incomplete list but helpful nonetheless. Please feel free to call on me with any individual questions and be sure to fill out the form to sell your chametz. I will conduct the "Mechirat Chametz" on Monday, April 21, 1997, after the Siyyum. Have a wonderful holiday with family, friends, and congregation.

Siyyum For The First Born

The Annual Siyyum for the First Born Child will be held on Monday, April 21st at 7:15 a.m. The Morning Minyan will include a brief study session with the Rabbi and a special breakfast honoring our first born children will follow.

Our thanks to Faye and Sy Wolf, who are sponsoring the Siyyum in memory of Barbara Wolf, Sarah and Abraham Krupsaw, Abraham and Dora Wolf, Dan Rosen and Molly and Irving Weinstein.

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Pesach Yizkor Book Listing

Our Pesach Yizkor Book will be available on Tuesday, April 29, 1997.

Please complete and mail the form below without delay. Please PRINT or TYPE the form to avoid errors.

I/We are enclosing a contribution to Congregation Beth El of \$ _____

Please check one:

_____ I/We would like to use the same listing(s) from the 1996 Yom Kippur Yizkor Book.

_____ I/We did not have a listing in the 1996 Yom Kippur Yizkor Book. Please include the names listed below in the Pesach Yizkor Book.

_____ I/We had a listing in the 1996 Yom Kippur Yizkor Book and would like to have that listing plus the following names:

IN MEMORY OF:

REMEMBERED BY:

NAME _____
PHONE _____

Please return this form by Friday, April 11, 1997.

CONGREGATION SEDER

The Congregation Seder will be held on Tuesday evening, April 22nd, at 7:15 p.m. in the Social Hall I/We would like to make the following reservations:

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Adults @ \$26 | Total \$ _____ |
| Non-member Adults @ \$32 | Total \$ _____ |
| Children 7-12 @ \$15 | Total \$ _____ |
| Children 2-6 @ \$8 | Total \$ _____ |
| Children under 2 | No Charge |
| | Grand Total \$ _____ |

Name _____

Phone No. _____

Address _____

I/We would like to be seated with:

_____ Yes! I would like to be seated at a 50+ Singles table.

_____ Yes! I would like to be seated at a Vatikkim table.

Price includes contribution to Mazon

Reservations must be accompanied by a check and sent to:
Beth El, Attn: Seder

Reservations are limited and due by Sunday, April 13, 1997
or the first 250 people, whichever comes first.

No Refunds or Phone Reservations!!

Selling of the Chametz

During the week of Passover, it is forbidden, according to Jewish tradition, to eat chametz or even to own the chametz that has been put away in your home. Therefore, we annually observe the custom of Mechirat Chametz, selling the chametz to someone who is not bound by Jewish law. If you would like to have Rabbi Maltzman sell your chametz, please mail in the following form by April 20, 1997 or drop it off in the Rabbi's office.

Selling of the Chametz

I, _____,
hereby authorize Rabbi Jonathan Z. Maltzman to sell my chametz before Passover, April 21, 1997, according to Jewish law.

Signature _____

Address _____

_____ I enclose a donation for "Maot Chittim," feeding the hungry. Please make checks payable to Congregation Beth El.

Special Pesach Information

Pesach (Passover) Guidelines

Permissible or Not? Chametz or Kosher?

This year Pesach falls on Monday evening, April 21st through Tuesday, April 29th. It is "late" because this is a leap year. The following guidelines are designed to help you in your celebration.

A Pesach home atmosphere is created each year by the traditional practice of thoroughly cleansing the home in all its parts and by the removal of all Chametz or leaven in preparation for the welcoming of Pesach; also through the meticulous avoidance of the use of Chametz or leaven throughout the Pesach days, both at home and when away.

The term Chametz or leaven is applied not only to foods, the use of which is to be avoided during Pesach, but also to the dishes and utensils in which foods are prepared or served during the year and which may not be used during Pesach except as herein indicated.

Foods During Pesach

1. Forbidden for Use

The following foods are forbidden for use during Pesach: Leavened bread, cakes, biscuits and crackers, cereals, coffee substances derived from cereals, wheat, barley, oats, rice, dried peas and dried beans, and all liquids which contain ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol. Most processed food fall under this category.

2. Permitted Foods

A. Requiring No "Kosher L'Pesach" Label

The following foods are permitted in unopened packages or containers: Natural coffee, sugar, tea, salt, pepper, onion and garlic powder, dates, dried fruits, nuts, eggs, meat, fish, honey, milk, vegetables (except peas and beans, string beans being permitted). They require no "Kosher L'Pesach" label. Such things as aluminum foil, plastic wrap, detergents and metal polishes also require no supervision.

B. Frozen Fruits and Vegetables

Fruits and those vegetables normally permitted for Pesach use are permitted also in their frozen state.

C. If Certified for Pesach Use by Rabbinical Authority

Matzot, matzo flour, Pesach noodles, candies, cakes, beverages, canned and processed foods, milk, butter, jams, cheese, jellies, relishes, dried fruits, salad oils, vegetable gelatin, shortenings, vinegar, wines and liquors are permitted if they are certified by competent rabbinical authority as fit for Pesach use. Labels and tags marked "Kosher L'Pesach" are of no value unless they bear rabbinical signature.

Dishes and Utensils

1. Only dishes and utensils specially reserved for Pesach should be used with the following exceptions:

- A. Silverware, knives, forks, and spoons made wholly of metal, if used during the year, may be used on Pesach if thoroughly scoured and immersed in boiling water. All table glassware is permitted after thoroughly scouring. Fine translucent chinaware, if not

used for a year, is permitted.

- B. Metal pots and pans used for cooking purposes only (but not for baking), if made wholly of metal, though used during the year, may be used on Pesach if first thoroughly scoured and immersed in boiling water.

- C. Utensils used for baking during the year cannot be used during Pesach.

2. Earthenware, enamelware, and porcelain utensils used during the year may not be used on Pesach.

3. The stove is prepared for Pesach by thorough scrubbing and cleaning of all parts and turning on full flame in the bake oven and all the grates.

4. A dishwashing machine may be used for Pesach after thorough scouring with boiling water and running it through a cycle while empty. Some authorities say you must use new trays.

5. Microwave ovens are made kosher for Pesach by a thorough scrubbing and placing a container of water in the oven and turning on the power until the oven is filled with thick steam.

6. Sinks should be scoured and boiling water should be poured over them. Some authorities call for a sink liner if the sink is made of porcelain or enamel.

Volunteers Needed to Host Russian and Iranian Jewish Newcomers for Passover Seders

The Community Resettlement Program (CRP) of UJA Federation of Greater Washington needs families and individuals to host newly-arrived Russian and Iranian Jewish families or individuals for the first and/or second Passover seder(s) on Monday, April 21st and Tuesday, April 22nd. Due to the steady stream of newcomers able to emigrate to our area, the need for volunteers continues.

To extend a Passover invitation or for more information, please call Geri Elias at (301) 230-7341.

Vatikkim Program on April 17th

Since the kitchen is being prepared for Passover, there will not be a catered luncheon on Thursday, April 17th. However, we will have a program. Mr. Julian Feldman, former Executive Director of the Jewish Historical Society and of the Lillian and Albert Small Jewish Museum, will present videos of "A Capital Community" and the Mom and Pop Stores that we knew so well. Take time out from your Passover preparations to join us for this very special program! Please remember to bring your own dairy bag lunch.

Watch for the the April 25th issue of the Beth El Scroll for the resumption of the regular Vatikkim luncheons on the third Thursday of the month. The next one will be on May 15th.

Membership Information

Ruth Rondberg has moved to 5901 Montrose Road, Apt. 306S, Rockville, MD 20852, (301) 770-3931.

Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Contributions (as of February 24, 1997)

Beth El Forest

In Honor Of: Ben Taub's special birthday by Mel and Ruth Lee Greenberg; Zing Jung's new grandchild by Lucy Ozarin. In Memory Of: Morris Eisenstein by Frances Eisenstein; Harry Markowitz by Henry E. Freedman.

Chevra Kadisha Fund

In Memory Of: G. Jean Goodman by Suzanne Glaser; Nathan Pelcovits by Roy H. Millenson.

Conservative Judaism in Israel

In Honor Of: Birth of grandson of Werner and Bernice Blumenthal by Hal and Elissa Scheinberg. In Memory Of: Minnie Haber, Gladys Haber and Ida Goldberg by Murray A. Haber.

Disabled Access Fund

In Honor Of: Shulamith Weisman's retirement by Mr. and Mrs. Jason Horn.

General Fund

In Honor Of: Rabbi Maltzman by Anonymous. In Memory Of: Sylvia Gerber by William Gerber; Anita Lieb's mother, Martha Spivak, by Ellen and Jonathan Blatt.

Groner Ramah Scholarship Fund

In Honor Of: Refuah Shlema to Jack Binstock by Erwin Groner.

Library Fund

In Memory Of: Harry Berman by Ken Berman; Marilyn D. Kweller's mother, Lottie Landau, by Marilyn D. and Daniel Kweller. Harry E. Weiss by Karen Satin and Michael Weiss.

Lipnick Israel College Scholarship Endowment Fund

In Memory Of: Rabbi Jerome Lipnick and Dr. Jacob Leff by Rabbi Kassel Abelson and Joan Lipnick Abelson.

Mazon

In Memory Of: Father, J. Arnold Pines, by Elaine Pines; Michael Novick, father of Peter Novick, by Hal and Elissa Scheinberg.

Morning Minyan Fund

Edward Goffer. In Honor Of: Speedy recovery of Elizabeth Goldman by Lillian Kessler; Edward Goffer receiving Blue Yarmulke Award by Gloria and Beryl Frank. In Memory Of: Louis M. Katz by Roy H. Millenson.

Music Fund

In Memory Of: Beloved mother, Rose Feingold, by Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Richter.

Prayerbook Fund

In Memory Of: Peter Novick's father, Michael Novick, by Elaine and George Perlman; Julius Weisberg by Stuart and Beth Weisberg.

Rabb's Fund

In Memory Of: Julius Risin by Paula and Sid Horowitz; Edward Arch by Dolly and Marvin Band; Maurice William Greenstein by Judy Futterman; Irma Stanton by Hattie Ulan and Mark Milner.

Sisterhood Hospitality Fund

In Honor Of: A Refuah Shelaimah for Joan Simon by Toby and Bernie Moss.

Sisterhood Remembrance Fund

In Memory Of: Albert Rubin by The Robinson Family; Henry G. Schuler Sr. by The Robinson Family.

Social Action Fund

In Honor Of: Speedy recovery of Joan Simon by Julia and Howard Copperman. In Memory Of: Alison Levy Caffin by Linda Orenstein.

Suls Youth Activities Fund

In Memory Of: Shaindel and Abraham Hoffman, Harry Seigel and David N. Gordon by Clara and Daniel Gordon.

Torah Scroll Fund

In Honor Of: Yocheved Karlin's Master Teaching Award by Hal and Elissa

Scheinberg; Susan Siegel's and Marcia Rehns' extraordinary video by Toby and Bernie Moss.

Wolf "Israel Quest" Fund

In Memory Of: Jean Sherman by Lola and Gerald Sherman.

Young Equality Fund

In Honor Of: 25th anniversary of Tutti and Jose Sokol by Toby and Bernie Moss. In Memory Of: Leila Rosen Young, Harry I. Young and Antoinette Young by Ina and Joe Young.

Beth El Nursery School's Spring Concert

featuring

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From the Desk of the Youth Director.....

THE YOUTH GROUPS

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|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 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 | |
| U.S.Y. (Grades 9, 10, 11, 12) | (301) 652-2606, ext. 343 |
| Advisor: Lisa Itkin | |

Men's Club News

Kavod Award Recipients Announced

The Men's Club is pleased to announce this year's recipients of its Kavod Awards:

Kenneth Feinberg -
for service to the community at large;
Rabbi William Rudolph -
for service to the Jewish community;
and *H. Ronald Treinish* -
for service to Congregation Beth El.

The recipients will be honored at the Kavod Awards breakfast on Sunday, May 11th. Reservation forms will be printed in future editions of the Beth El Scroll and will also be available in the information rack outside the synagogue office. Please mark your calendars now so that you can join us for this special tribute to these outstanding members of the Beth El family.

Yom HaShoah Events

Yom HaShoah is on May 4th, and the Men's Club will be selling memorial candles for several Sundays before in the Rotunda. Please stop by and pick up your candle in support of this very important day. As part of its recognition of this day, the Men's Club will be showing the award-winning 1985 film, "The Angry Harvest," in the evening. The film is about a Polish Catholic farmer who hides a Jewish woman during the Nazi occupation and the relationship that develops between them. Because of the mature nature of this film, the movie is for adults only. Further details will be given in the next issue of the Beth El Scroll.

Also on May 4th, Ben Wattenberg will give the final talk in the "Perspectives in Dialogue" series. The title of his talk will be "Perspectives on Jewish Demographics." Please join us for the buffet breakfast at 9:30 a.m., followed by the program at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Breakfast Speaker Program

The Sunday morning breakfast speaker programs will feature Professor Milton Jacobs speaking on "A Study of Emotions in Genesis" on March 30th, and Avrom Ashery speaking on "Generation to Generation: Will the Jewish Family/Community Culture Survive?" on April 6th. The talks begin at 10:00 a.m. following the breakfast at 9:30. All congregants are cordially invited to attend.

All in the Family

Mazal Tov to Rich and Rachel Handloff on the birth of Hannah Michéle Handloff on March 1, 1997.

The First Annual Beth El Walk-A-Thon

to Benefit Yachad
the Jewish low income housing project
Sunday April 13, 1997
Registration begins at 3:30.
Walk from 4:00 to 6:00 PM

Questions? Contact
Sarah Roark
652-2608x320

Looking for the Perfect Wine for the Pesach Seder?
Searching for the Shabbat Wine to complement your Dinner?

The Men's Club Presents:
An Evening of Wine Tasting and Appreciation
April 6, 1997 at 7:00 PM
Social Hall, Congregation Beth El

Conducted by:
Mr. Bob Luskin, Noted Wine Specialist/Wine Judge
Co-owner, Bell Wine and Spirit

Featuring Kosher wines of the following varietals:
Riesling, Chardonnay, Merlot, and Gewurtztraminer, etc.
Join Us for a Fun, Entertaining, and Enlightening Experience.

Please reserve _____ seats for "An Evening of Wine Tasting and Appreciation."

I have enclosed a check for \$_____ (\$6 per person).

Please mail by April 1st to:

Men's Club Treasurer
Congregation Beth El
8215 Old Georgetown Road
Bethesda, MD 20814

March 28, 1997 - April 10, 1997

Welcome to Congregation Beth El

SUNDAY

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| | | | | | | 28 6:08pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service | 29 No Religious School 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Jesse Hochheiser B/M 10:00am Jr. Congregation |
| 30 No Religious School 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Men's Club - SH | 31 BENS and Rel. Sch. Closed - Spring Break 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR | 1 10:00am Saul Bendit Adult Institute 6:30pm Aerobics - SH | 2 6:45-9:15pm Hebrew Class - Room 201 7:00pm Boy Scouts - MR 7:30pm Saul Bendit Adult Institute | 3 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 8:15pm Caregivers' Support Group - BR | 4 6:15pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service | 5 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Ian Weisz B/M 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:00am Worship and Study Minyan - APR | |
| 6 No Religious School Daylight Savings 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:00am-1:00pm Blood Drive - SH 9:30am Men's Club - APR 9:30am Sisterhood Bd. Mtg. - BR 10:00am New Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class Mtg. - Chapel 2:00-5:00pm Seaboard Region Education Workshop - APR 7:30pm Men's Club Wine Lecture and Tasting - SH | 7 BENS and Rel. Sch. Resume 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR | 8 10:00am Saul Bendit Adult Institute 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:30pm Exec. Comm. Mtg. - BR 7:45pm BENS Bd. Mtg. - APR | 9 6:45-9:15pm Hebrew Class - Room 201 7:00pm Boy Scouts - MR 7:30pm Saul Bendit Adult Institute | 10 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:00pm AMI Mtg. - APR 7:45pm Sukkot in April Mtg. - SH 8:15pm Rel. Sch. Comm. Mtg. - BR | | | |

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

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