

CONGREGATION
BETH EL OF
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Off the Bimah

While organized religion in the State of Israel continues to stifle and suppress new forms of spiritual and liturgical creativity, the religious community in the United States is passionately searching for new outlets and expressions. In our own small way, we have contributed to that effort. In mid September, at the urging of our Ritual Committee, we instituted a small, yet fundamental change in the liturgy. Following the pattern set in the new Conservative Siddur, our Shabbat services now utilize the "egalitarian" Amidah, invoking in its opening paragraph the names not only of our Patriarchs, but of our Matriarchs as well. This is one further step in the process of egalitarianism that began in a pioneering spirit at Beth El in the late 1970's. With spirit and fervor (and a little getting used to) we can collectively praise God, "Shield of Abraham", and "Guardian of Sarah."

Rabbi Jonathan Z. Maltzman

Membership Information

Mark and Kimberlee Schifrin have moved to 8606 Beech Tree Road, Bethesda, MD 20817, (301) 365-0008. Nancy Graber has moved to 8621 Red Coat Lane, Potomac, MD 20854, (301) 983-8370.



Ahavat Shir to Sing at Interfaith Thanksgiving Program

Welcome to all who love to sing. Beth El's Ahavat Shir, led by Hazzan Lubin, is looking for singers to participate in a musical performance as part of a joint Interfaith Thanksgiving Program with the Bethesda Methodist Church. The event will occur on Tuesday, November 25th.

To all those High and Low voices who can commit to approximately 4 rehearsals, please call Sheila Smallberg Cohen at (301) 652-0237 or Selma Kriss at the synagogue office, (301) 652-2606, ext. 302.

Rehearsals will be held on Sunday mornings, October 26th (10:00 a.m.); November 2nd (10:00 a.m.); November 16th (10:00 a.m.); and November 23rd (10:00 a.m.)

Mazal Tov to Our Simchat Torah Honorees

Called to the Torah as Chatan Torah and Kallat Ha-Torah were Murray and Marilyn Hammerman. The Hammermans have recently endowed the Aron Kodesh in the Sanctuary. We are grateful for their vision and generosity.

Called to the Torah as Kallat B'raysheet was Suzanne Bronheim, recognizing her stellar service as congregational President.

Shabbat Schedule

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

Saturday, October 25th, at 7:30 a.m.

Saturday, October 25th, at 9:15 a.m.

Jed Klemow Bar Mitzvah

Joshua Nash Bar Mitzvah

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.

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

Saturday, October 25th, at 5:30 p.m.

Eve Lieberman Bat Mitzvah

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

Saturday, November 1st, at 7:30 a.m.

Saturday, November 1st, at 9:15 a.m.

Ashley German Bat Mitzvah

Benjamin Margulies Bar Mitzvah

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.

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

Friday, November 7th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 8th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.

Sarah Paloma Bolasny Bat Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.

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

Friday, November 14th, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 15th, at 7:30 a.m.

Saturday, November 15th, at 9:15 a.m.

Rachel Claxton Bat Mitzvah

Elizabeth Goldman Bat Mitzvah

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 12:00 p.m. in the BR

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Solomon Schechter Awards

We are proud and pleased to announce that Beth El has been acknowledged for excellence in its programming in three areas by the Solomon Schechter Awards Committee of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. The awards will be presented at the biennial convention in November.

Mazal Tov to Sarah Roark, our Family Education Director, whose program won a Gold Award in the category of Family Education.

Mazal Tov to Judy Newman and our Vatikim, whose programs won a Gold Award in the category of Seniors.

Mazal Tov to Susan Levine and our Keruv group, whose programs won a Silver Award in the category of Unique Programs.

These honors represent well deserved recognition of their tireless and selfless efforts to fulfill Beth El's commitment to meeting the varied needs of all members of our congregation. Special thanks to Suzanne Bronheim for coordinating our submission.

Mark Your Social Action Calendars

The Social Action Committee is pleased to announce Beth El's first synagogue-wide Mitzvah Day on Sunday, November 9, 1997. The list of Mitzvah Day activities includes SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE: sorting clothing, books, toiletries and toys for the needy; cooking for a shelter; volunteering at the Capital Area Food Bank; cleaning up Glen Echo Park and our own grounds at Beth El; entertaining our adopted family at the Hebrew Home; hiking with residents of Jewish Foundation for Group Homes...and more. Mitzvah Day is a wonderful opportunity for Beth El to unite as a community. We're hoping many families will find the time to join with fellow congregants to make Mitzvah Day a success. All participants will be invited to celebrate on Sunday evening at Beth El with an ice cream sundae party! Registration forms are available in the lucite holder outside the synagogue office. If you would like to participate in this event, please call Debbie Ross at (301) 229-4131 or Abbie Eckland at (301) 320-9433.

Geneology Club

The next meeting of Beth El's Geneology Club will be held Sunday, November 16th at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel. We'll be suggesting new research angles to pursue and welcome all interested family historians. Questions? Call Nancy Lewis, (301) 654-0121.

Evening Minyan

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

October 26 - October 30

Michael and Andrea
Druckman
Brian and Jane Druskin
Mary Dubrow
David Dunn and Tamara
Dunietz
Mitchell Dupler and Heidi
Lennar
Gale Dutcher
Lee and Donna Dymond
Steven and Marilyn Ebbin
William and Abbie
Eckland
Kenneth Eckmann and
Rhonda Friedman

Robert and Sandra
Edenbaum
Francis Edlitz
Jack and Sabrina Edlow
Eugene and Paula Einhorn
Beth Eisenberg
David and Merry
Eisenstadt
Mark and Marilyn
Eisenstadt
David and Barbara
Eisenstein
Harry and Rhonda
Eisenstein
Norton and Sandy Elson

November 2 - November 6

Patrick and Lori Elwood
Harold and Bernice Elwyn
Eugene and Eleanor
Elzufon
Asher and Jeanne Ende
Hans Engler and Susan
Wexler
Burton and Diane Epstein
Jack Epstein and Ava
Kaufman
Steven Epstein and Adah
Rose Bitterbaum
Norman and Ellen Eule
Chana Faigl
William and Elaine
Fairweather

David and Eve Farber
Harold and Vera Fassberg
Howard and Susan Feibus
Jonathan and Mary Feibus
Kenneth and Carolyn
Feigenbaum
David and Sheila Feinberg
Kenneth and Diane
Feinberg
Flora Feld
Ronald and Eleanor
Feldbaum

November 9 - November 13

Cary and Nancy Feldman
Dennis and Shirley
Feldman
Roger and Gail Feldman
Harvey and Marlene
Fenster
Robert Fersh and Sharon
Markus

Eugene Fidell and Linda
Greenhouse
Eric and Rochelle Fig
William and Harriet Filler
David and Thera Finbloom
Leesa Fine
Larry and Ellen Fink
Bernice Finkelstein

Robert First
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

Embracing the Torah Update by Marsha Rehns and Susan Brinn Siegel

We are awed by the response of Beth El members to the events of the Siyyum on September 21st, when we dedicated our new Sefer Torah. During the day, everyone who came to complete a letter with our scribe, Zerach Greenfield, felt the specialness of the Torah one letter closer to ritual use. In the evening, the Sanctuary radiated with joy as we walked the newly completed scroll around the room.

When we launched the Embracing the Torah project at Selichot one year ago, our goals were to teach Torah, unite the congregation, honor our Holocaust memorial Torah, and raise funds for the writing of the new scroll. We have achieved our hopes and exceeded our expectations. Our success has two sources: countless hours of work by dedicated volunteers and the receptivity of Beth El members to the events of the past year. Your enthusiasm fueled our own.

The last phase of the Torah project is the completion of the Book of Dedication. The book will record members' dedications according to the weekly reading in which they fall and will be on permanent display in the synagogue. It is not too late to be included if you want to make a dedication and symbolically fulfill the 613th mitzvah. Anyone who has made a dedication and has not received a certificate acknowledging the dedication or who has received a certificate with an error in it should call the Torah project at (301) 652-2606, ext. 347. This is our final opportunity to ensure that your dedication is recorded correctly in the Book of Dedication.

We would like to hear from congregants who photographed or videotaped the Siyyum so that we can make copies of their efforts.

More than 200 volunteers helped with Embracing the Torah. They have our respect and gratitude. We will thank them all in the Beth El Scroll in the next few issues. At the top of our list are: Susan Levine, for her thoughtful research in helping congregants find appropriate dedications; Art Popper, for his tireless record-keeping; Joan Simon and Gail Ross, for masterminding Time for Torah; Benson Adams and Mark Jacobson, for coordinating our fundraising efforts; Julie Maltzman, for spearheading the Torah Fair in January; Brenda Bregman, for planning and orchestrating the events of the Siyyum; Toby Moss, for painstaking scheduling of times with the scribe; Connie Krupin, for the wonderful decorations for the Siyyum; Amanda Ford, for making an exquisite cover for the new Torah; Annette Abrams and Barbara Mandel, for stimulating and arranging the art projects displayed in the Board Room on the day of the Siyyum; Marilyn Hammerman, for

lending her beautiful chuppah to the Siyyum procession; Seymour and Shirley Gross, for coordinating the evening's ushers; Julia Copperman, Fortunee Schettewi and Vivian Beyda, for baking delicious additions to the celebration; Gary Wind, for photographing the evening's events; and Tamar Fishman, for the papercut that adorned and inspired all our printed materials.

The Ahavat Shir choir sang magnificently at the Siyyum, and we will thank the participants individually in the next Beth El Scroll. The Time for Torah hosts, whom we will also thank individually, were vital to enabling the project to embrace us all.

We are grateful to our Rabbis and Hazzan for their unwavering support of the project, and especially to Rabbi Maltzman for leading the Siyyum ceremony, to Rabbi Rudolph for his leadership on Time for Torah, and to Hazzan Lubin for suggesting the project. Louis Nagel, Sarah Roark and Rachel Handloff made certain that the project embraced even our youngest congregants. In the office, Steven Kravitz always had the perfect answer to our questions, and Kathy Hooley, Miriam Davidson, Lisa Roskin and Selma Kriss helped wherever help was needed.

The following people have made recent dedications: David and Annette Abrams and Family; Ethyl Bayroff; Sanford and Anita Berns; Ralph and Vera Deckelbaum; Karen Dubin, Rob Litowitz, and Kids; Leesa Fields and Jonathan Band; Linda Flaxman and Jonathan Martel; Barbara, Mike and Stephen Friedman; Scott J. Glick; Alan and Dunya Hecht; Michele, Ruth and Simone Lieban Levine; Robert Levine; Carolyn and Jules Lodish and Children; Robert, Linda, Mason and Scott Posilkin; Sarah and David Roark; Bernard and Cheryl Rod; Gilbert and Minerva Rosenberg; Howard Sachs; Charlotte Simos; Bessie and Joseph Spierer; Debby and Roger Stark; Jacob and Anita Stillman; and Marilyn, Rebecca, and David Wind. In January; Brenda Bregman, for planning and orchestrating the events of the Siyyum; Toby Moss, for painstaking scheduling of times with the scribe; Connie Krupin, for the wonderful decorations for the Siyyum; Amanda Ford, for making an exquisite cover for the new Torah; Annette Abrams and Barbara Mandel, for stimulating and arranging the art projects displayed in the Board Room on the day of the Siyyum; Marilyn Hammerman, for lending her beautiful chuppah to the Siyyum procession; Seymour and Shirley Gross, for coordinating the evening's ushers; Julia Copperman, Fortunee Schettewi and Vivian Beyda, for baking delicious additions to the celebration; Gary Wind, for photographing the evening's events; and Tamar Fishman, for the papercut that adorned and inspired all our printed materials.



Welcome to New Members!

We are pleased to welcome to the congregation the following new members. A phone call welcoming them to Beth El is always appreciated, should you already know someone listed below:

Michael Cutler & Dale Rosenthal	301-656-8265	Jonathan Band & Leesa Fields	301-770-0837	Michael Sadof	301-493-5164
Chana Faigl	202-363-0348	Fred & Rita Kahn	301-654-7716	Joseph Pelzman	
Mollyann March & Gregory March	301-365-0260	David & Louise Lorr	301-946-2075	Steven Kaufman & Lori Shapiro	301-897-5442
Allan & Gilda Rotman	301-230-2928	Robert & Miriam Adelstein	301-897-9688	Christopher & Meritt Tollefson	202-628-1878
Marvin Griff & Audrey Elkinson Griff	301-299-0118	Theodore Meltzer	301-986-8640	Jacques Besnainou & Isabelle Besnainou	301-564-6671
Jerome & Rita Wenger	301-652-6706	Jeffrey Breall & Ellen Brown	301-652-4877	Marcia Cantor-Grable & Raul Grable	
Gerald Belson & Shelly Greenberg Belson	301-770-7252	Stephanie & John Hesse	301-625-2814		703-356-3324
Steven & Lesley Zane	301-424-8350	Michael Werner & Monica Adler	202-966-3212	Robyn Shields	301-564-6680
Robert D. Litowitz & Karen Dubin	301-493-6617	Ronald & Deborah Marcus	301-774-5393	Sheilah Fidellman Lynn & Michael Lynn	301-907-0847
Roger Stark & Debra Stark	301-571-9750	Natalie Arosemena	301-530-4781	Mark & Judith Stein	301-263-0660
Jerald Bernstein	301-652-6525	Robert & Jane Gelman	301-320-1180	Andrew Mitz & Carol Fried	301-897-5531
Mark & Janet Willen	301-587-2712	Adam & Amy Goldstein	301-913-0452	William Strum & Mandy Braun Strum	301-320-0052
Lewis Winarsky & Susan Winarsky	301-587-2264	Rita Weil	301-229-0578		
Renee Subrin	301-951-0264	Burt & Georgette Abramowitz	301-468-0442		
		Louis & Karen Aronson	301-530-5640		
		Jack & Esther Kranton	301-230-1805		

Sisterhood News

Dear Sisterhood

Have you noticed that more and more women at Beth El are wearing a talit? Some people are saying they wish we would require all women on the bimah to wear a talit. But some women are opposed to taking up this additional obligation. Even though they see their daughters willingly taking this obligation upon themselves, and indeed, encourage their daughters by making them talitot, they are unwilling to do the same. Should you wear a talit? If, when you see us wrapped in this new tradition, you have asked yourself this question, perhaps you would be interested in attending the first session of our Talit Workshop.

This is a program we started last year. This year we are expanding into two tracks – an advanced track for those of you who have already made one talit, and one for non-machine sewers with mentors at each session to help you. Judy Spector and Amanda Ford will again co-chair the workshops. We hope to encourage more women at Beth El to wear talitot as a visible sign that we accept our role as full and equal partners in our synagogue.

The first session will be Monday, November 24th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Board Room. This will be followed with a field trip to G Street Fabrics on Sunday, December 7th. We will meet at G Street Fabrics, 11854 Rockville Pike, at 11:00 a.m. We chose this date to allow us to take advantage of G Street's annual sale when everything is discounted. After this field trip, there will be six workshop sessions: Tuesdays, December 9th and 16th, January 13th, 20th, and 27th and February 10th. All sessions will be held from 7:45 to 9:30 p.m. The first session will cover many provocative subjects such as the religious significance of wearing a talit and the Conservative Movement view of women wearing talitot, as well as discussing the physical requirements of a talit. How wonderful it would be on Sisterhood Shabbat to see another "tapestry" in the Sanctuary as revealed in the warp and woof and patterns of our new talitot.

Then, in the March - April period, Merle Shoneman has agreed to chair a multi-session needlepoint workshop where you can create a magnificent talit bag. This session would begin with a field trip to the Needlepoint Attic to pick out a preprinted design and choose your own yarns. Beginners are welcome.

Also coming up in November is the first of our Rosh Hodesh sessions, and in conjunction with Mitzvah Day, we will be cooking for the homeless. If you are interested in finding out more about these programs, please call Pat Danoff, (301) 365-1180, or Estie Lipsit, (301) 229-6558.

Hope to see you all at the Square Dance.

Yours,

Joan

Sisterhood Events for November

- November 4: Rosh Hodesh Study Group
- November 9: Mitzvah Day Cooking Projects
- November 15: Sisterhood - Men's Club Square Dance
- November 24: Talit Orientation Session

Women's League Event

October 26 - 28: Capital Conference

Nursery News

Envirobag Recycling Reminder

We are very excited about the number of bags being deposited in our bin. The response to this new recycling program has been both enthusiastic and a bit overwhelming!

The bags must be rolled into bundles of twenty to prepare each bin for shipment. Rolling the bags can take time and if you prefer to just drop off your bags, our Envirobag committee will happily roll your bags for you – we want those bags to keep coming! If, however, you would like to help us further by rolling your bags into bundles prior to dropping them off, here are the directions for bundling:

1. Return clean, empty bags to original shape (tuck in side pleats).
2. Stack at least 20 together, handles facing the same direction, forcing the air out of each one.
3. Tightly roll bags toward the handles, getting out even more air.
4. Twist roll and tie at each end with another bag; do not use string, rubber bands, etc.
5. Finished rolls should be approximately 15 inches long and 2-3 inches thick.

Questions? Call Naomi Berman at (301) 654-1983. Remember: only clean, empty, double-handled plastic grocery bags, please. No newspaper sleeves, dry cleaning bags or other plastic.

Entertainment/Kids Coupon Books

These great coupon books are back and are available through the synagogue office, the school office and the Judaica Shop.

Support Apples for the Students

The Beth El Nursery School will once again be collecting Giant receipts. Please drop receipts into the labelled envelope on the Nursery School bulletin board.

Save March 20 - 22 for Beth El's 1998 Retreat

Beth El's annual weekend retreat will be held this year on March 20th through March 22nd at the charming Tidewater Inn in historic Easton, Maryland on the Eastern Shore. The retreat provides members, old and new, a chance to share a relaxed Shabbat with Rabbi Maltzman and Hazzan Lubin and fellow congregants. The retreat is family-friendly: children are welcome and babysitting is available.











We are fortunate to have Thomas L. Friedman as our Scholar-in-Residence this year. Tom, a Beth El member, is known to the community for his Pulitzer Prize winning book, *From Beirut to Jerusalem*, and for his twice-weekly column on foreign affairs for *The New York Times*. Tom will offer insights on the Middle East and on the global economy.

Details about costs and registration forms will appear in future issues of the Beth El Scroll. Meanwhile, mark your calendars for March 20 - 22!

Baruch Dayan Emet

Congregation Beth El offers its sincere condolences to Rhea Troffkin on the death of her father, Joseph Chotkin, and to Steven Levine on the death of his father, William Levine.

November 1997

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1 Parshat: Noach Rosh Chodesh 
2 Who in your family knows what the Ballou Declaration is? (Signed 11/2/17)	3 CAN YOU SAY NORIL, SOULI, EAST AND WEST IN HEBREW?	4 How many elected officials in your state are Jewish?	5 Find news articles in today's paper about Israel.	6 Talk to someone who moved to a new country. 	7 Light Shabbat candles with your family. 	8 Parshat: Lech Lecha
9 <i>5th grade to FOOD BANK</i>	10 Think of a Jewish value for each point of the star. 	11 Veterans Day in America Can you list Israel's wars since 1948?	12 Fill in the bubble. What was Lot's wife thinking when she looked back? 	13 Count yourself in! Join the MINYAN at a service.	14 During Shabbat dinner, discuss how Isaac might have felt?	15 
16 <i>3RD GRADE TORAH TALK</i>	17 Draw a picture of the Jewish symbol that is most important to your family.	18 How many Jewish film stars can your family think of?	19 What important world leader met with PM Begin on this day in Israel in 1977?	20  Bake challah with your family. Why are there 2 loaves?	21 Henrietta Szold was born on this day in 1860. Why is she famous?	22 בראשית חיי שנה
23 <i>KINDERGARTEN TORAH Q&A</i>	24 Jewish Book Month 	25 Learn to sign the Shema.	26 Name the Jewish holiday Thanksgiving is based on.	27 Happy Thanksgiving! Can you say this in Hebrew?	28 Write a family blessing for Shabbat. 	29 <i>Bring a Grandparent or Older Friend to Junior Congregation 10-11</i>
30 <i>Rosh Chodesh 'Aislev</i> <i>'It Hay is Rosh Chodesh a special women's holiday?</i>					© 1997 Kathy P. Chiron Lynn Golub-Rofman	

Keep an Eye out for this fun Family Education Calendar! Chock full of suggestions for adding Jewish flavor to every day. (Coming home in Religious School backpacks on the reverse side of the social action memo)

If you are not affiliated with the Religious School and you would like a copy of the calendar, please feel free to contact the Director of Family Education Sarah Roark at 301-652-2606 x320.

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

THE YOUTH GROUPS

BONIM (Grades K, 1, 2) (301) 652-2606, ext. 342
 Advisor: Heather Handloff
 Sunday, October 26th
 Glen Echo Adventure Theater and Carousel
 For more information, please contact Heather at the Youth Department Hotline.
 Join Heather and Beth El Bonim for an afternoon at Glen Echo. Ride the Carousel and see the play, The Legend of Sleepy Hollow. The cost is \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members. Cost includes ride, show and snacks. Reservations are required. Meet at B

MACHAR (Grades 3, 4, 5) (301) 652-2606, ext. 341
 Advisor: Shana Flatt
 Sunday, October 26th
 Glen Echo Adventure Theater and Carousel
 See Bonim information above. For more information, please contact Shana at the Youth Department Hotline.

KADIMA (Grades 6, 7, 8) (301) 652-2606, ext. 340
 Advisor: Adam Gluck
 Sunday, November 9th
 Kadima Walkathon
 Be a part of Beth El Mitzvah Day!
 Join Kadima for this social action program to benefit Community Ministries. See USY listing for more information.

U.S.Y. (Grades 9, 10, 11, 12) (301) 652-2606, ext. 343
 Advisor: Lisa Itkin
 Tuesday, November 4th
 Take 30
 Join the Youth Department and Religious School for this monthly educational seminar and dinner. Dinner is served at 6:15 p.m. in the Beth El Board Room and costs \$2 a person. The formal

program begins at 7:00 p.m. in the All Purpose Room.
Sunday, November 9th
 USY Walkathon
 Be a part of Beth El Mitzvah Day!
 Join Kadima and USY in a walkathon to benefit Community Ministries. Call Rachel Handloff for information and pledge sheets. (301) 652-2606, ext. 308.
Saturday, November 15th
 USY Shabbat Shmooze
 Please join USYers in attending Shabbat morning services. Meet in front of the Sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. We will finish services in the Beth El Board Room. A light kiddush lunch will follow. The program will end at 12:30 p.m.

USY Bagel Sales

Have resumed on Sundays from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. in the synagogue Rotunda. Bagels are \$.50 each or \$6 per dozen. All proceeds benefit the USY Tikkun Olam Fund.

USY Bagel Sales
 Sundays in the Rotunda

\$.50 Coupon

Get
\$.50 off
 your next dozen
 bagels.



Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Contributions (as of September 22, 1997)

Beth El Forest

In Honor Of: Miriam Mintz's Bat Mitzvah by Nora and Roger Stark.

Cantor's Fund

In Honor Of: Beth El Choir by David and Sonja Schultz.

Chevre Kadisha Fund

In Memory Of: Dora Dolnansky by Rosalyn D. Bass.

College Fund

In Memory Of: Sonia R. de Kahan by Bernardo and Rosa Kotelanski; Lillian Silver, mother of Joel Silver, by Dr. and Mrs. Kotelanski.

Conservative Judaism In Israel

In Memory Of: Jason Horn by Gloria and Beryl Frank.

Disabled Access Fund

In Memory Of: Louis Cohen by Susan A. Cohen.

Fine Arts Fund

In Honor Of: Tamar Fishman for beautifying the Sanctuary by Gloria and Beryl Frank. In Memory Of: Irvin Lieb by Theodore and Anita Lieb.

General Fund

In Honor Of: Kay Klass and Mark Levitt's new home by Andrea and Lou Marmon; The marriage of Brenda Povich to Jack Feldman by Doris and Albert Povich. In Memory Of: Jason Horn by Victory and Alberto Duchovny; Janet Goldhill's grandmother by Andrea and Lou Marmon; Ellen Sweetwood by Marvin and Shirley Vinitzky.

Israel Experience Teen Fund

In Memory Of: Jason Horn by Eleanor and Ronald Feldbaum; Ida Gordon by Eleanor and Ronald Feldbaum.

Kimball Nursery School Fund

In Honor Of: The birth of Isabella Zissman by Cary and Nancy Feldman.

Mazon

In Memory Of: Ceil Wolfson by Judy and Michael Platt.

Morning Minyan Fund

In Honor Of: The speedy recovery of Louis Pleeter by Saul and Elizabeth Pleeter. In Memory Of: My sister, Sarah Leavit by Henry Freedman.

Rabbi's Fund

In Honor Of: Dr. Gerald Landau's speedy recovery by Dolly and Marvin Band; Congregation Beth El by Sydney and Phyllis Green; Beth El Congregation by Bernardo and Rosa Kotelanski. In Memory Of: Magda Miselbach by Kathy and Gus Litvak; Lillian Silver by David Brewster and Brian Frosh, Gilbert Genn, Marilyn Goldwater and Nancy Kopp; Nathan Richman by David and Marjorie Richman; Frances Doroff by M.J. and Helene Zubkoff; Dr. Morton Shapiro's brother by Dolly and Marvin Band; Gussi Singer by Flora M. Singer; Magda Misselbach by Margaret Bogler and the Rondberg Family.

Social Action Fund

In Honor Of: Esther Rubin's dedicated service to Beth El by Gloria and Beryl Frank; The marriage of Alan and Sarah Powell by Deborah E. Reiser and Bart Widom. In Memory Of: Norma Fabian Jacobson by Jason Jacobson; Judge Irving A Levine by Shirley R. Levine.

Suls Youth Activities Fund

In Memory Of: Mary Gildenhorn by Myron and Lenore Lenkin.

Torah Scroll Fund

In Honor Of: Miriam Mintz Bat Mitzvah by Bernice and Werner Blumenthal.

Vatikkim

In Memory Of: Ellen Sweetwood by Gloria and Beryl Frank.

World Jewry

In Honor Of: Judy Newman's efforts for the Jews of Kostroma by Gloria and Beryl Frank; Claire Marwick's efforts for the Jews of Kostroma. by Gloria and Beryl Frank. In Memory Of: Ada Levy by Hyman J. Zimmerman.

Young Equality Fund

In Memory Of: Bertha Feldbaum by Eleanor and Ronald Feldbaum; Daniel Gordon by Eleanor and Ronald Feldbaum.

Tikkun Olam – Malbish Arumim (Clothing the Naked)

Start checking your closets for cold weather wear that would be put to good use by the city's needy. From October 26th to November 9th (Beth El Mitzvah Day), the Religious School and Social Action Committee will sponsor a winter clothing drive for the benefit of the Interfaith Clothing Center.

In preparation for this project, students will learn about the mitzvah of Malbish Arumim (Clothing the Naked) and act on these lessons by bringing in old clothes to contribute to this project. Clothes should be warm, clean and in good condition. Shoes, boots and coats for children and youth are especially needed. An exception: no white shirts. A collection box will be placed in the hallway outside the school office. On Mitzvah Day, Sunday, November 9th, volunteers will be needed to sort and deliver. If interested, please contact Diana Huffman, (301) 229-8089, or Leslie Dellon, (301) 530-4645.

All in the Family

Mazal Tov to Ted and Miriam Anders on the birth of their granddaughter, Jacqueline Sara Anders, on July 23, 1997. Jacqueline is the daughter of Steven and Elisa Anders.

Mazal Tov to Reuven and Dora Leopold on the marriage of their daughter, Brigitte, to Craig A. Frankel of Beverly Hills, CA, on June 29, 1997.

Mazal Tov to Herbert and Estelle Wiser who have completed their grove of 1000 trees to be planted in the Congregation Beth El Forest.

Vatikkim Luncheon

This year's annual Vatikkim paid-up membership luncheon will again be a free luncheon for all members and for retirees who would like to attend and join the Vatikkim. The luncheon will be on Thursday, November 20, 1997. Our guest speaker at this luncheon will be columnist Bob Levey of the Washington Post. His topic will be his choice.

Lunch is at noon and the program is at 1:00 p.m. There is no charge for this luncheon for retirees.. Please fill out the reservation form below and mail it to Bea Goldman, 3214 Henderson Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20902, (301) 942-9434, or Lillian Kessler, 5450 Whitley Park Terrace, Bethesda, MD 20814, (301) 530-5650.

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

Reservation Form Vatikkim Luncheon Thursday, November 20, 1997

Please reserve ___ places for me at the Vatikkim luncheon.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

**Please have your response reach us by November 18th.
No reservations will be accepted after this date.**

Men's Club News

The Men's Club is very pleased to report that it earned the following awards at the 1997 Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, Inc. Bi-Annual Convention held this past summer: 3rd place - Best Overall Activities (plaque); Honorable Mention - Recognizing Outstanding Programs and Service (certificate); Certificate of Achievement - Best Holiday Program; and Certificate of Achievement - Best Holocaust Remembrance (Yom HaShoah Candle Program). We extend a hearty well done to all those involved in the activities recognized by these awards.

Thanks to the efforts of our Program Chairman, David Goldman, the Men's Club will be presenting a number of exceptional speakers and topics in the upcoming weeks at the Sunday morning speaker programs. The following is the schedule of programs through the end of November:

- October 26: Claire Marwick, "Our Visit to Kostroma, Russia"
- November 2: Jim Demb, Masorti Foundation, "Conservative Judaism under Siege"
- November 9: The Hon. Betty Ann Krahnke, Montgomery County Council, "County Council Issues"
- November 16: Jack Ventura, "Judaism in Cuba"
- November 23: Prof. Arnold Schwartz, Department of Pathology, George Washington University Medical School, "Jewish Issues Concerning Autopsy"

Although we will try to adhere to the above schedule, please check the Shabbat Announcements, later editions of the Beth El Scroll and the posters in the Rotunda for any additions or changes to these programs. The programs will begin at 10:00 a.m. following the 9:30 breakfast. All congregants are invited to attend the breakfasts and speaker programs.

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! We

The Foundation for Jewish Studies Programs

Dr. Tzvi Marx will serve as Fall, 1997 Scholar-in-Residence, sponsored by The Foundation for Jewish Studies. Dr. Marx was most recently a scholar at the Folkertsma Institute in Amsterdam. He was formerly Director of Applied Education at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem and has been on the faculty of Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem. His lectures begin on Sunday, October 26th at 10:00 a.m. at Kehila Chadasha in Bethesda with "Relationship with Non-Jews, Women and the Handicapped," and at 8:15 p.m. at Congregation Olam Tikvah in Fairfax with "The Ideal of the Jewish Family and the Reality of Modern Family Life." Dr. Marx is scheduled to make more than twenty appearances in the greater Washington area including one on November 19th at the Smithsonian Institution discussing "Jewish Guidelines for Political Morality - The Use and Abuse of Power." Dr. Marx's Closing Community Lecture and Reception, "Jewish Views on Islam," will be on Tuesday, November 25th at 7:30 p.m. at Ohr Kodesh Congregation in Chevy Chase. The Foundation's 1997 Sheva R. and Marver H. Bernstein Master Teacher Award will also be presented.

The Thursday Lunch and Learn Downtown Bible Study Group which meets at the B'nai B'rith building, 1640 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, will continue with the second course in the series on October 30th, "Jewish Family Relationships: Parents and Children in the Book of Genesis," with Rabbi Joel Tessler of Beth Shalom Congregation. Advance registration is required, and there is a \$15 registration fee for this four-part course from October 30th to November 20th. Bring a Bible and a brown bag lunch. Beverages are provided. No previous Bible study required.

are also looking for volunteers to help with our programming. Please return the coupon below if you can help.

The Nitzanim kiddush on October 25th is sponsored by Steven and Linda Levine in honor of the second birthday of their daughter, Rena Levine.

RETURN TO SYNAGOGUE OFFICE, ATTN.: NITZANIM

Yes, we would be interested in attending a Shabbat service on the 5th Saturday of the following months and we would be willing to lead the service(s) indicated:

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| November 29, 1997 | __ Attend | __ Lead |
| January 31, 1998 | __ Attend | __ Lead |
| May 30, 1998 | __ Attend | __ Lead |

Yes, we would be happy to help plan or set-up the following Nitzanim events:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sukkah Celebration | <input type="checkbox"/> Havdallah Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, we would be interested in helping with the Nitzanim Newsletter. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tu B'Shvat Seder | <input type="checkbox"/> Trip to B'nai B'rith Klutznick Museum | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chanukah Party | | |

Please feel free to write in the space below any comments or suggestions you have on what you would like Nitzanim to be or do this coming year. Thanks! _____

Parents' names _____ Phone number _____
 Name(s) and age(s) of children _____

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					24 Shabbat Torah Offices and Schools Closed 9:15am Festival Service 5:57pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service 7:00pm Feinberg Family Shabbat Dinner - APR	25 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Joshua Nash B/M 9:15am Jed Kleznow B/M 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:30am Nitzanin - APR 5:30pm Eve Lieberman Mincha B/M - Sanctuary, SH, Gallery
26 Daylight Savings 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Men's Club - SH 10:00am Akavat Shir - Sanctuary 12:15pm Tentative Confirmation Class Parents' Mtg. - BR 1:30-5:00pm Youth Dept. Activities - APR	27 10:30am Sabra Hadasah - SH 7:00pm Cub Scouts - SH 7:30pm Edgewood-Glenwood Assn. Mtg. - APR	28 10:00am Saul Bendit Adult Institute 5:45-6:15pm Rel. Sch. Mincha/Maariv Service - Sanctuary 6:45pm Hebrew Class - Room 201 7:00pm Boy Scouts - MR 7:30pm Saul Bendit Adult Institute 8:20pm Evening Minyan	29 5:45-6:15pm Rel. Sch. Mincha/Maariv Service - Sanctuary 6:45pm Hebrew Class - Room 201 7:00pm Boy Scouts - MR 7:30pm Saul Bendit Adult Institute 8:20pm Evening Minyan	30 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:30pm Family Ed. Adv. Comm. Mtg. - BR	31 4:49pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service	1 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Benjamin Margulies B/M 9:15am Ashley German B/M 10:00am Worship and Study Minyan - APR 10:00am Jr. Congregation 7:30pm Margulies B/M Party - SH
2 Religious School Closed - Professional Day 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Men's Club - SH 9:30am-4:30pm Hebrew Marathon - Rooms 207 and 208, SH 10:00am Akavat Shir - Sanctuary 11:15am Mitzvah Day Comm. Mtg. - BR	3 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR	4 10:00am Saul Bendit Adult Institute 6:00pm Take 30 - BR 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:00-9:00pm R.S. Upper School Open House/Take 30 - APR 7:45pm Rosh Hodesh Study Group - BR	5 BENS Closed - Professional Day 6:45pm Hebrew Class - Room 201 7:00pm Boy Scouts - MR 7:30pm Saul Bendit Adult Institute 8:20pm Evening Minyan	6 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:30pm Sisterhood Membership Mtg. - APR 8:15pm Caregivers' Support Group - BR	7 4:41pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service	8 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Sarah Paloma Bolasny B/M 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:30am Nitzanin - APR 7:30pm Galston B/M Party - SH, Gallery
9 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:00am-1:00pm Mitzvah Day - BR 9:00am-3:00pm Mitzvah Day - SH 9:30am Men's Club - MR 10:00am Adult B/M Class - Chapel 1:30-5:00pm Youth Dept. Activities - APR 7:00-9:00pm Mitzvah Day - SH	10 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR	11 Veterans Day 10:00am Saul Bendit Adult Institute 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:30pm Exec. Comm. Mtg. - BR 7:45pm BENS Bd. Mtg. - APR	12 5:15-6:15pm Vaad HaStudentim - BR 6:45pm Hebrew Class - Room 201 7:00pm Boy Scouts - MR 7:30pm Saul Bendit Adult Institute 8:20pm Evening Minyan	13 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 3:00-5:00pm Claxton Picture-Taking - Sanctuary 5:15-6:15pm Vaad HaStudentim - BR 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:00pm AMI Mtg. - APR 8:15pm Rel. Sch. Comm. Mtg. - BR	14 4:35pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service	15 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Rachel Gordon B/M 9:15am Elizabeth Goldman B/M 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:00am Gan Shabbat - MR 12:00pm USY Shabbat - BR 8:00pm Men's Club-Sisterhood Square Dance - SH

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

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