



CONGREGATION
BETH EL OF
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Time for Torah II

Watch your mailbox for your personal invitation to a Time for Torah Home Gathering. We want to continue to capture the wonderful feelings of the Torah Writing Project's home Torah study sessions as we make them a permanent part of our educational efforts. Members will be hosting twenty-five home gatherings this winter and early spring. Any questions? Call Laurie Friedman, (301) 320-3960, or Mona Gabry, (301) 231-6915.

Send Us Your Photos and Memorabilia

As many of you have no doubt heard, we will be celebrating Rabbi Maltzman's tenth anniversary at Beth El next March. A special tribute event is being planned for Saturday, March 28, 1998. That evening we will present Rabbi Maltzman with a dedication book full of photographs from his decade of service to Beth El. If you have any old candid or official photographs of Jonathan, Julie, Rebecca or Zachary Maltzman (Bar or Bat Mitzvah shots, retreat pictures, trips to Israel, etc.), please send them to Congregation Beth El, 8215 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814, attn.: Judy Platt. Your photographs will be returned to you after the book is assembled, and if we use the material, you will be given full photo credit.

"Mitzvah Mall" Donations

Thank you to all the generous souls who made donations to the "Mitzvah Mall." A total of \$1,300 was raised for distribution among the six organizations: Bethesda Cares, Capital Area Food Bank, Mazon, Magen David Adom, UNICEF and Whitman-Walker Clinic. Many people gave "Mitzvah Mall" donations in place of Hanukkah gifts to teachers, co-workers and grandparents. Keep us in mind for next year!

Membership Information

Jerome Ostrov and Roberta Baruch have moved to 11300 Cushman Road, North Bethesda, MD 20852, (301) 571-7339. Merritt and Chris Tollefson have moved to 8200 Hampden Lane, Bethesda, MD 20817, (301) 951-9495. Abbe Lowell has moved to 11315 S. Glen Road, Potomac, MD 20854-1849.

Yiddish Culture Festival '98

The biennial Yiddish Culture Festival will be held on Sunday, March 22nd from 1:00 - 9:30 p.m. at Congregation Beth El. The theme of the 1998 Festival, "The Golden Age of Yiddish in America," will focus on the great Eastern European immigration to America in the late 19th and early 20th centuries and its impact upon American and Jewish culture and society.

Over a period of approximately 40 years, some two million impoverished Jews - true huddled masses - made their way to America, the Golden Medine, the Golden Land. They found poverty and hard work but, also, the freedom and opportunity they had never known in the old world. Here, they created vibrant forms of cultural expression, groundbreaking social and political movements, and unique lifestyles - all of which irrevocably enriched and colored American society.

The Yiddish Culture Festival brings to Washington an extraordinary group of scholars, writers and performers who will share their knowledge and artistry with the audience in keynote and workshop sessions, followed by dinner and a gala evening concert.

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Shabbat Schedule

Friday, February 13th, at 6:30 p.m.

Yitro: Exodus: 18:1 - 20:23

Saturday, February 14th, at 7:30 a.m.

Elana Hoffman Bat Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.

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

Friday, February 20th, at 6:30 p.m.

Grade 2-3 Shabbat Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Mishpatim: Exodus: 21:1 - 24:18

Saturday, February 21st, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.

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

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.

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

USY Shabbat at 12:00 p.m. in the BR

Friday, February 27th, at 6:30 p.m.
BENS Shabbat Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Terumah: Exodus: 25:1 - 27:19

Saturday, February 28th, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.

Sisterhood Shabbat and JTS Shabbat at 9:15 a.m.

Jr. Congregation at 10:00 a.m.

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

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All in the Family

On Saturday, January 10th, Professor Joseph Kostiner spoke to the Tuckerman Havurah on the people involved in the politics of the peace process in Israel. Professor Kostiner spoke through the auspices of the American Friends of Tel Aviv University. He is on sabbatical this year from his position as Senior Research Fellow at the Moshe Dayan Center for Middle East and African Studies at Tel Aviv University, and is the Goldman Visiting Israeli Professor in the Department of Government at Georgetown University. If you are interested in having Professor Kostiner speak to your Havurah, contact Frieda Tarrab at the American Friends of Tel Aviv University, (301) 984-3443, or Beth El member Flora Singer at (301) 983-1218. Congregation Beth El wishes a speedy recovery to Harold Fassberg and Jeremy Bronheim.

Book of Dedications

The Book of Dedications, which will record all dedications in the new Sefer Torah according to the weekly Parsha in which the dedicated portion appears, is being planned. Congregants who would like to help create the book are invited to call the Torah line at (301) 652-2606, ext. 347. When completed, the Book of Dedications will be displayed outside the Sanctuary, and its pages will be turned weekly. Until the book is ready, we will publish in the Beth El Scroll the names of congregants whose dedications occur in the weekly portions covered by that particular issue of the newsletter. We encourage congregants to make a special effort to attend the Shabbat morning service when the Parsha of their dedication is read. The names that follow are for the Sabbaths of February 14th, February 21st and February 28th. Although the lists below have only the names of people who make dedications, the book will also list specific dedications and names of honorees. Sheets with the details of dedications will be distributed every Shabbat morning.

Yithro, February 14th: Bruce and Ann Barcome; Leonard and Gabriela Bebchick; Alan and Debra Birnkranz; The Clayman-Miller Family; Ellen Elow-Mintz and Daniel Mintz; Burton and Diane Epstein; Ellen, Norman and Alexander Eule; Cary, Nancy, Michael, Steven and Jaclyn Feldman; Ann and Tom Friedman; Barbara Stern Gold; Children and Grandchildren of Sanford and Esther Kay; Robert, Evyan; Hilary and Ross Koenig; Jay, Connie, Alison and Stephen Krupin; Ellen, Joseph, Sara and Rachel Levin; Mark Levitt and Kay Klass; Neil Levy; Herbert Magid; Jerilyn Margulies; Elaine and George Perlman; Bernard and Cheryl Rod; Carla and Jonathan Schraub; Elaine and Erwin Shalowitz; Leonard and Sylvia Sheeskin; Elise Walter and Ronald Stern; Marilyn Wind and Martha Dunne; and Audrey and Colin Winston.

Mishpatim, February 21st: Eli and Ben Berman; Douglas M. Bregman; Lauren R. Bregman; Kathy Litvak; Harriet and Michael Paul; Evelyn S. Steward; and the Wassertzug Family.
Terumah, February 28th: Matthew, Carl and Aaron Slater and Faith Roessel; and Alan and Corinne Swoff.

Dedications in the new Sefer Torah are welcome at any time. For information, call the Torah Project at (301) 652-2606, ext. 347.

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.

February 15- February 19

Charles Lehrhaupt and Frances Eisenstein
 Deborah Leibowitz
 Frances Leibowitz
 Ira Leibowitz and Joann Stern
 Joseph Leiter
 Myron and Lenore Lenkin

Martin and Linda Leon
 Warren and Leslie Leonard
 Reuven and Dora Leopold
 Allen and Barbara Lerman
 Herbert and Dianne Lerner
 Sylvia Lesselroth
 Frances Lesser

Howard Lesser and Hanna Gutmann
 Lawrence and Judith Lessin
 Charlotte Levenson
 Carl Leventhal
 Daniel and Mirella Levinas
 Boris and Leona Levine
 David and Jacquelyn Levine

February 22 - February 26

Curtis and Wendy Levinson
 Herbert and Anita Levinson
 Jules and Priscilla Levinson
 Seth and Laurel Levita
 Edward Leviton and Sondra Solomon
 Mark Levitt and Kay Klass
 David and Sabine Levy

Jonathan Levy and Patricia Forsythe
 Joseph and Lois Levy
 Martin and Naomi Levy
 Marshall and Sandra Levy
 Neil Levy and Linda Perle
 Stephen Levy and Lois Zuckerman
 Warren and Rina Levy
 Steven and Nancy Lewis

Theodore and Anita Lieb
 Marc and Annette Lieber
 Michael Lieberman and Randi Abramson
 Herman Liebling
 Burt and Linda Liebowitz

Men's Club News

Interested in joining the Men's Club? The Men's Club offers an opportunity for fellowship, education and fulfillment through participation in our breakfast programs, fund-raising and other sponsored activities. Please contact David Schultz, (301) 530-1620.

The Men's Club presents a variety of exceptional speakers and topics at its weekly Sunday morning breakfast programs. All congregants are invited to attend, with the talk at 10:00 a.m., following the 9:30 breakfast. The following talks are scheduled:

- February 15th:** Hannah Lesser, Correspondent
"A Reporter Looks at Capitol Hill"
February 22nd: "It's Academic" contest (Tentative)

World Jewry News

In March of 1996, about 400 Beth El congregants signed a petition, circulated by the International Council of Jewish Women (ICJW), urging the chief Rabbis of Israel to find a solution, within the framework of Halacha, to the problem of men denying their wives Getts.

Following are excerpts from a press release issued by the ICJW from Jerusalem:

"Thirty-five thousand signatures from thirty countries, worldwide, were presented to Chief Rabbi Bakshi-Doron at his headquarters in Jerusalem on Tuesday, November 11, 1997. The ICJW petition urged the Chief Rabbinate to implement speedy halachic measures to remove impediments to Jewish divorce and remarriage."

"The ICJW delegation presenting the signatures urged Chief Rabbi Bakshi-Doron to initiate an international conference of Rabbis and lay leaders in order to find solutions to the problems of Agunot. The Chief Rabbi responded by promising to have the conference by May, 1998. He also complimented the ICJW for its initiative in launching the Gett Petition and claimed that publicity and education worldwide would help raise public awareness and rabbinic attention to this serious problem."

Thanks to those of you who cooperated two years ago. I will continue to keep you informed.

Judith Spector

Genealogy Club Meeting

The next meeting of Beth El's Genealogy Club will be held on February 22, 1998 at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel. We'll be discussing local sources of free information and databases that are currently available on the Internet. Bring any questions that have stumped you, and we'll problem-solve! For further information, call Nancy Lewis, (301) 654-0121.

Baruch Dayan Emet

Congregation Beth El offers its sincere condolences to Alan Kravitz and Steven Kravitz on the death of their grandfather, Nathan W. Helman; to Paul Merlin on the death of his mother, Helen Merlin; to Priscilla Tievsky on the death of her sister, Dorothy Fischgrund; and to Jane Gang on the death of her father, John Torley.

Keruv

Dear Keruv: How come I can go with my non-Jewish friends to activities (dances, bowling) sponsored by their Church youth groups, but I cannot invite them to mine? I want to be with my friends and don't want to do USY activities if I can't be with them.

Dear Congregant: USY is more than just a synagogue-sponsored youth group providing an opportunity for young people to socialize in a safe environment. Its parent body is the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and one of its goals is to build Jewish leaders for the future. Religion and education are important components of USY, in addition to providing opportunities for socializing with other Jews. It is the time for young people to participate as part of their Jewish community - whether it's dancing, skiing, or social action. By limiting inter-faith socializing, USY also tries to discourage the possibility of interdating, which is not an issue for most churches. There are many other opportunities for you to be with your non-Jewish friends, including other youth groups and clubs in the area.

Keruv Calendar: Watch this space for information about upcoming events including a Shabbat dinner.

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 and conversion 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 Joan Claxton at (301) 320-9283 (JSClaxton@aol.com).

Three Ways to Celebrate Israel's 50th Anniversary

1. Your 50th wedding anniversary
2. Your 50th birthday
3. 50th anniversary of your Bar/Bat Mitzvah

The State of Israel is on the threshold of celebrating its 50th Year of Independence. Jews throughout the world will be celebrating this Jubilee occasion by investing in State of Israel Bonds in support of the Jewish homeland. For you, it would be a double celebration!

Three reasons:

1. Soon the loan guarantees that the United States government has provided are coming to an end. The only "friends" Israel can count on are "you and I." We are called upon to fill the gap by raising millions more through Israel Bonds in support of Israel's needs.

2. An investment in Israel Bonds is not only good for Israel, but it is an opportunity for purchases to achieve financial benefits for you, your children and/or your grandchildren. Israel Bonds offer numerous securities with attractive interest rates to fit a variety of financial needs.

3. Celebrate your 50th year with Israel Bonds. You who are celebrating your 50th wedding anniversaries (married in the year of Israel's freedom); as well as those who became Bar or Bat Mitzvah in 1948, to celebrate those life-cycle events and be honored at such a Jubilee celebration in support of Israel's freedom and economic strength.

Now take the next step. Call Eli Gamliel at the Israel Bond office, (301) 654-6575, and he'll help you celebrate the occasions with a new State of Israel Bond.

Sisterhood News

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- February 28 Sisterhood and JTS Shabbat
Chairperson: Nancy Spivack,
(301) 983-8370
If you created a tallit at the Sisterhood
Tallit Workshop, please wear it to Shabbat
services.
- March 8 Women's Health Seminar
Chairpersons: Ruth Sickel, (301) 469-8607,
and Michele Herman, (301) 718-8710
Passover Pastries Fundraiser
Chairperson: Marcia Kalman
- March 24 Rosh Hodesh Bonus
Mollie Berch will lead a discussion on
"Miriam in the Pasover Tradition"
- March 29 Women's Passover Seder
Co-Chairperson: Deborah Rosenbloom,
(301) 897-8006
- April 18 Torah Fund Reception
- May 3 - 4 Women's League for Conservative
Judaism Spring Conference at Beth El
Chairperson: Toby Moss, (301) 530-0861

Volunteers are needed to help with the following jobs related to the events listed above: publicity, planning menus, ordering, cooking, and/or serving food, decorations, advance and at-the-door registration, participating in Shabbat service, proctor at workshops, logistical support or hosting the Torah Fund Reception at your home. Please call to volunteer and help make these events happen.

Yours,
Joan Simon

Transportation to Rabbi Maltzman's Gala

If you are in need of transportation to Rabbi Maltzman's gala on Saturday, March 28th or you can provide transportation for other congregants, please call Cheryl Rod at (301) 299-8362.

Learners' Service

Our Learners' Service will not meet during February and March because Rabbi Rudolph will be leading the Sanctuary service on those dates. The next scheduled meeting will be Saturday, April 18th, in the All Purpose Room from 10:00 a.m. to noon. We then join the congregation for kiddush. The service, conducted by Rabbi Rudolph, is designed for the novice worshipper. It moves slowly. It is very hands-on in orientation, from how to put on the tallit, to knowing when to bow, to practicing how to have an aliyah. There is also a focus each time on a different major portion of the service. Questions and discussions are very much encouraged. No registration or advance sign-up required. The group will also meet on the third Saturday of May and June. Contact Rabbi Rudolph, (301) 652-2606, ext. 318, for more information.

**Beth El Sisterhood
Women's Health Seminar**

*Sunday, March 8, 1998
12:00 - 4:00 p.m.*

Join us to learn the latest research findings on a variety of health topics and to have a fun, active afternoon.

Keynote Speaker: Sara Lyn Mark, MD
*Senior Medical Officer
Office of Women's Health
U.S. Public Health Service*

Topic:
**Current Issues in Women's Health:
What's New and What It Means to You**

*Other activities include: healthy food tasting,
basic health screening, exercise sessions, free literature,
door prizes and much more.*


*All members and guests (women and men) are welcome,
and no reservations are needed.*


*For information, call Ruth Sickel at (301) 469-8607
or Michele Herman at (301) 718-8710.*

**DELIGHT !
A SHABBAT FAIR**

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 22, 1998
1:30-4:00
AT CONGREGATION BETH EL

**Learn to bake challah, sing
zemirot, and make Shabbat crafts.
Join some of the synagogue's
"First Families" as they bring you
their personal Shabbat practices.
You will walk away fully able to
conduct a traditional Friday night
home service.**





This program is brought to you as a combined effort of Family Education and the Youth Department. We encourage participation by all ages. "Delight - A Shabbat Fair" will prepare everyone for participation in "Shabbat Shalom at Home" - the Beth El community effort to enhance Shabbat observance on March 6th.

R.S.V.P. TO SARAH ROARK BY PHONE AT
301 - 652 - 2606 x320
OR BY MAIL TO THE SYNAGOGUE OFFICE.

FAMILY NAME _____

NUMBER OF ADULTS _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN _____

CHILDREN'S AGES _____

1998 Yiddish Culture Festival Program

1:30 - 2:00 p.m. Registration

2:00 - 2:50 p.m. Welcome: Israel Rotkin, Chairman

Keynote: Dr. Kenneth Libo, "From Tumbler to Top Banana: The Influence of Yiddish Humor on American Culture"

Concurrent Workshop Sessions (in English, except where noted)

3:00 - 3:50 p.m. Session I

- Dr. Hasia Diner: Lifestyles: Foodways in the Immigrant Community
- Henry Sapoznik: Yiddish Radio: The Stations that Spoke Your Language
- Dr. Max Ticktin: An American Yiddish Poet: Malka Heifitz Tussman
- Itche Goldberg: Yiddish Life in "Shuln" (schools), Camps and Summer Colonies (in Yiddish)
- Nahma Sandrow: Stars of the Yiddish Theater in America

4:00 - 4:50 p.m. Session II

- Nahma Sandrow: Stars of the Yiddish Theater in America
- Rosaline Schwartz: Landsmanshaftn: Immigrant Societies
- Dr. Kenneth Libo: Introduction to the Yiddish Press in America
- Dr. Max Ticktin: An American Yiddish Poet: Malka Heifitz Tussman (in Yiddish)
- Dr. Eugene Orenstein: Labor and Social Movements in the Immigrant Community

5:00 - 5:50 p.m. Session III

- Rosaline Schwartz: Landsmanshaftn: Immigrant Societies
- Dr. Kenneth Libo: Abraham Cahan and the Jewish Daily Forward
- Itche Goldberg: Yiddish Life in "Shuln" (schools), Camps and Summer Colonies
- Dr. Eugene Orenstein: Labor and Social Movements in the Immigrant Community (in Yiddish)* Henry Sapoznik: Yiddish Radio: The Stations that Spoke Your Language

6:00 - 7:15 p.m. Dinner

7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Gala Concert with The Old World Folk Band, and exciting 12-member ensemble from Pennsylvania devoted to preserving the sounds and spirit of Klezmer music, Yiddish theater songs and the indigenous folk music of Eastern Europe.

Registration Information

Registration for the Festival, including keynote, workshop sessions, kosher dinner and concert is \$45 per person for registrations received by March 6th and \$50 thereafter. Registration for keynote and afternoon workshops only is \$25 per person. Registration for dinner and concert only is \$30 per person. Registration for the concert only is \$18 per person. (See form right).

Speaker information:

Dr. Hasia Diner: Paul S. and Sylvia Steinberg Professor of American Jewish History, New York University; authority on Immigrant and Ethnic History; writer, currently writing a book on Memories of Hunger — Immigrant Foodways and Ethnic Identity.

Itche Goldberg: Educator, lecturer and authority on Yiddish education.

Dr. Kenneth Libo: Historian and co-author of World of Our Fathers, How We Lived and other books on the Jewish immigration experience; former curator of American Jewish History, the Museum of Jewish Heritage, New York.

Dr. Eugene Orenstein: McGill University, Montreal; activist in the advancement of Yiddish language and culture.

Nahma Sandrow: Noted lecturer, writer and author of Vagabond Stars, a definitive history of the Yiddish theater and its personalities.

Henry Sapoznik: Record producer; pioneering scholar and performer of Klezmer music; former director of Archives of Recorded Sounds, YIVO Institute for Jewish Research; co-founder and executive director of Living Traditions, a cultural organization dedicated to the preservation of Yiddish.

Rosaline Schwartz: Yiddish educator, translator and researcher; under a grant from the National Archives spearheaded YIVO's definitive project on the New York landsmanshaftn.

Dr. Max Ticktin: Noted educator and lecturer; assistant professor, Classics and Judaic Studies, George Washington University; chairman of Judaic Studies, George Washington University.

The Yiddish Culture Festival is co-sponsored by the Arts Council of Montgomery County, Congregation Beth El of Montgomery County, the District of Columbia Jewish Community Center, the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, Montgomery County Commission on the Humanities, Washington Jewish Week, The Workmen's Circle National Capital Area, and Yiddish of Greater Washington. It is also supported by funding from the United Jewish Endowment Fund.

THE YIDDISH CULTURE FESTIVAL OF GREATER WASHINGTON

Name(s) _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 State _____
 Daytime Phone # _____
 Please register _____ person(s) for _____

_____ Entire Festival (\$45 before March 6th; \$50 thereafter)
 _____ Keynote and afternoon workshops (\$25)
 _____ Dinner and concert (\$30)
 _____ Concert only (\$18)

All registrations must be accompanied by a check payable to **Yiddish Culture Festival**.

Please return this form to:
The Yiddish Culture Festival
 c/o Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington
 6125 Montrose Road, Rockville, MD 20852

Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Contributions

(as of January 12, 1998)

Bauer Confirmation Fund

In Memory Of: Ida Bauer by Dr. Heinz Bauer.

Bendit Adult Institute Fund

Joseph and Dorene Rosenthal. In Memory Of: Harris Smokler by Clare Lerner.

Beth El Forest

In Memory Of: Rivkah Scharfstein, mother of Tutti Sokol, by Gloria and Beryl Frank; Yacov ben Aaron Gurevitz by Rita Gendelman; Joseph Sobel by Mark Sobel; Benjamin Liebling by Herman Liebling; Fannie Stein by Norman and Ruth Stein.

Building Fund

In Memory Of: Yetta Jaffe and Eva Feldman by Jack and Bea Goldman.

Cantor's Fund

In Honor Of: Hazzan Lubin by Audrey and Albert Berger. In Memory Of: Frances Tribe, daughter of Charlotte Simos, by Ruth and Joseph Kay; Edward Fohrman by Elizabeth Simon.

Chevra Kadisha Fund

Joseph and Dorene Rosenthal. In Memory Of: Pauline Resnick by Mr. and Mrs. Bernard T. Resnick; Irving Ehrenthal by Thera E. Finbloom; Esther Weisz by Joseph I Weisz; Rivkah Scharfstein by Iris and Julian Tishkoff; Sophie Tunkle by Jonathan S. Silber; Elsie Strauss-Prepsler and Jacob Shalom by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Shalom.

College Fund

In Memory Of: Mother of Tutti Sokol by Varda and Richard Nowitz and Esther and Elliot Wilner; In Memory Of: Sadie Leibowitz by Hannah and Tim Lipman; Toni Caryn Bloom by Irwin Nepo; Samuel Bonus by Iris and Julian Tishkoff.

Dedications To Embracing the Torah Project

In Honor Of: The birth of grandson Zachary Adam by Isaac and Blanche Roubein; Gustav Ganzfried by Sally and Jerry Ganzfried; Rabbi's presentation to our section by National Council for Jewish Women.

Disabled Access Fund

In Memory Of: Jason Horn, dear husband, by Josephine Horn; Betty Appleberg by Dr. and Mrs. Louis Potash; Anna Schiffman Kramer by Carolyn Shapiro.

Fine Arts Fund

In Memory Of: Carol Hoffman's mother by Dr. Stephen and Susan Levinson.

General Fund

Joseph and Dorene Rosenthal. In Honor Of: Daniel Simon's Bar Mitzvah by Gary and Rachelle Bemstecker; Rachel Koblenz's Bat Mitzvah by Gary and Rachelle Bemstecker; Michael Siegel's Bar Mitzvah by Gary and Rachelle Bemstecker; Dr. Marvin Band's 65th Birthday by Libby and Irv Klavan; Rabbi Maltzman by Jonathan S. Silber; A speedy recovery of Alvin Brauerman by Julian Edwin Levin. In Memory Of: Jacob Kopin by Irwin and Rita Kopin; Rivkah Scharfstein, mother of Tutti Sokol, by Myra and Gordon Gondos; Blanche Brown, Leonard and Gabriela Bebbick and Linda and Ace Lipson; David Davidson by Helen Shell and Suzanne James; Sadie Klau by Ruth Sachs; Sigmund Clayman by Carol Miller and Robert Clayman; Rose and Harry Wallerstein by Gloria and Lee Derkay.

Israel Experience Teen Fund

In Honor Of: Michael Scheinberg and Kyra Schuster's engagement by Toby and Bernie Moss. In Memory Of: Rivkah Scharfstein by Jack and Stephanie Ventura.

Kimball Nursery School Fund

In Honor Of: The birth of Samuel Mark by Debbie and Sam Olchyk.

Masorti

Gary and Rachelle Bemstecker. In Honor Of: A speedy recovery for Howard Copperman by Etta Kline. In Memory Of: Melvin Wine by Mark and Blanche Wine; Rivkah Scharfstein, mother of Tutti Sokol, by Marilyn and Daniel Kweller; Ruth Kahn, sister of Harriet Brooks, by Ruth and Joseph Kay.

Mazon

In Honor Of: Speedy recovery of Howard Copperman by Al and Evelyn Fox; The complete recovery of Lee Harvey by Jack and Bea Goldman. In Memory Of: Ethel Potash by Dr. and Mrs. Louis Potash; Tutti Sokol's beloved mother by Al and Evelyn Fox; Harold Cohen by Finbloom Family; Esther Bonus by Iris and Julian Tishkoff.

Mintz Landscaping Fund

In Honor Of: A speedy recovery to Hien Thanh by Gloria and Beryl Frank.

Morning Minyan Fund

Joseph and Dorene Rosenthal; Nathan Miller. In Honor Of: Recovery of Howard Copperman by Roy H. Millenson. In Memory Of: Betty Haber by Murray A. Haber; Louis B. Swoff by Alan Swoff; Joseph Greenberg by Jeanne and Asher Ende; Jacob J. Lehrman by Alan Swoff; Fred Rehns by Marsha Rehns and Walter Arnheim; Morris Solomon by Dr. and Mrs. Abner Byer; Sarah Simon Golub by Deborah G. Leibowitz; Norton Nepo by Irwin Nepo; Rivkah Scharfstein by Bernice and Werner Blumenthal.

Music Fund

In Honor Of: Hazzan Lubin introducing me to Torah Cantillation by Judy Sherman. In Memory Of: Alvin Platshon and Sadie Platshon by Shirlene W. Platshon; Abraham Waghelstein by Shirlene W. Platshon; Frances Tribe, daughter of Charlotte Simos, by Gloria and Beryl Frank.

Nizanim Fund

Joseph and Dorene Rosenthal. In Honor Of: Emma and Talia Rodwin by Rhoda and Milton Nichaman; Mike Druckman achieving partnership by Ted and Anita Lieb.

Perspectives Fund

In Honor Of: A speedy recovery to Howard Copperman by Gloria and Beryl Frank, Herbert and Estelle Wiser and Harold and Vera Fassberg. In Memory Of: Samuel Wiser by Herbert and Estelle Wiser.

Prayerbook Fund

In Honor Of: Helen Rib's 29 years of service by Melvin and Lenore Richter. In Memory Of: Samuel DeBois by Elaine and George Perlman; Meyer Morris Landau by Dr. and Mrs. Emanuel Landau; Marguerite Bousso by Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Schettewi; Semeon Nusinovich by Gregory and Yelena Nusinovich; Zev Ben Yitzhak by Rita Gendelman and Jim Altman; Sadie Perlman by Elaine and George Perlman; Joseph Sunshine by Dennis and Shirley Feldman; Marcello Moses Samakovlija by Paola Samakovlija-Bolasny.

Rabbi's Fund

In Honor Of: Hilary and Nate Allard's graduation by Lenor and Eph Lieberman; Our granddaughter by Henry and Sheila Roth; Rabbi William D. Rudolph by Nancy Graber and Alan Spivak; Michael Druckman becoming a law partner by Richard and Joan Druckman; 36 years of our family's membership by Irwin and Rita Kopin; Rabbi William D. Rudolph by Jack and Gail Rosen. In Memory Of: Stella Cernea by Michael and Ruth Cernea; Jack I. Bender by Sondra and Howard Bender; Esther Repinsky, Abraham Yellowitz and Stephen Yellowitz by Edward and Beatrice Goller; Tillie Broder by Jerome and Hessa Broder; Elaine Platsky by Selig and Sondra Taubenblatt; Melvin Wine by Bruce Wine; Rose Lipkind by the members of the 1996 B'nai Mitzvah Class; Sylvia Fairberg by Mrs. Walter K. Kahn; Emanuel Robinson by Dorothy Alberstadt; Fanny Rose Gold by Harvey and Dale Gold.

School Enrichment Fund

In Honor Of: Rabbi William D. Rudolph by Irwin and Rita Kopin; Helen Rib's 29 years of teaching at Beth El by Marilyn and Gary Wind.

Sisterhood Remembrance Fund

In Memory Of: Harriet Brooks' sister by Irwin and Rita Kopin.

Social Action Fund

In Honor Of: Wishing a speedy recovery to Gail Fribush by Gloria and Beryl Frank. In Memory Of: Anne L. Margulies by David H. Margulies; Ruth Kahn, sister of Harriet Brooks, by Gloria and Beryl Frank; Mary Belferman by Gloria and Beryl Frank.

Suls Youth Activities Fund

In Memory Of: Lillian Perlman by Marilyn and Gary Wind; Irvin Goldstein by Sherry and Dennis Askwith.

Vatikkim

In Honor Of: Wishing a speedy recovery to Lee Harvey by Gloria and Beryl Frank. In Memory Of: Benjamin Cohen by Ken and Beth Berman.

Wolf "Israel Quest" Fund

In Memory Of: Beloved mother, Sophie Kopit by Leo Kopit.

World Jewry

Alfred Rosenthal. In Honor Of: Claire Marwick's work in Russia by Carol Sege; Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Katz by Roy H. Millenson; To wish good health to Howard Copperman by Claire Marwick. In Memory Of: Mary Rubin by Claire Marwick; Beloved mother, Reba Sklaroff, by Claire Marwick; Nina Ginsburg, dear second mother, by Claire Marwick.

From the Desk of the Youth Director....

The Youth Group Calendar

Bonim (Kindergarten - 2nd Graders) Advisor: Heather Handloff
 Bonim Hotline: (301) 652-2606, ext. 342
 Sunday, February 22nd Shabbat Fair
 See information below.

Machar (3rd - 5th Graders) Advisor: Shana Flatt
 Machar Hotline: (301) 652-2606, ext. 341
 Sunday, February 22nd Shabbat Fair (See information below.)

Kadima (6th - 8th Graders) Advisor: Adam Gluck
 Kadima Hotline: (301) 652-2606, ext. 340
 Sunday, February 15th Annual Ski Trip to Whitetail
 Reservations are required.
 Call Adam for more information.

Sunday, February 22nd Shabbat Fair
 (See information below.)

USY (9th - 12th Graders)
 Advisors: Rachel Handloff and Lisa Itkin
 USY Hotline: (301) 652-2606, ext. 308
 Sunday, February 15th Ski Trip Reservations are required.
 Call Rachel for more information.

Sunday, February 22nd Shabbat Fair
 (See information below.)

The Shabbat Fair

Join us on Sunday, February 22nd and experience Shabbat on Sunday. Learn all about the Shabbat rituals, participate in an arts and crafts activity to make your own Shabbat Judaica, make your own challah, learn a few Shabbat zmirot (songs), and celebrate an experiential Shabbat. This program is being co-sponsored by the Family Education and Youth Departments. Families are encouraged to attend together. For more information, call Rachel Handloff in the synagogue office, (301) 652-2606, ext. 308.

The Beth El College Corner

For the second year in a row, the College Outreach Committee is looking to Beth El congregants to offer summer job opportunities to our college students. Forms are available in the synagogue office for congregants to provide job descriptions and contact people. This information is compiled and mailed to students on our college list in March. We encourage your participation in this program. If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Handloff, Youth Director, in the Beth El office at (301) 652-2606, ext. 308.

Rummage Sale

Just in time for your spring cleaning! Sunday, March 29, 1998 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Congregation Beth El

Was your New Year's resolution to get organized? Are your closets cluttered and ready to overflow? Have your children outgrown a mountain of toys, clothes and baby paraphernalia? Thinking of having a yard sale? Rent a table at the Beth El Nursery School's annual rummage sale!! We provide the location and take care of the advertising. To rent a table or for more information, call the BENS office at (301) 652-2606, ext. 311.

Scenes of Summer at Beth El Nursery School Camp

- Splashing in a water game
- Romping on the playground
- Singing together
- Smiling at new friends

Beth El Camp offers a supportive environment for children ages 3 - 5.

Two three-week sessions will be held:
 June 23 - July 10 and July 14 - July 31.

Put your child in the scene of an exciting summer at Beth El.
 For information, call (301) 652-2606, ext. 312.

Remember the Summers When You Were Small?

If you are 14 years old or entering high school in September, become a Junior Counselor at Beth El Nursery School Camp, and help children ages 3 - 5 experience the fun and discovery that summer can bring.

The camp offers a supportive environment and activities including water play, games, field trips and arts and crafts.

Two camp sessions will run from June 23rd to July 31st, Tuesdays through Fridays, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., with additional set-up and clean-up days for staff. Salary range depends on related work experience.

To learn more about Junior Counselor positions, call (301) 652-2606, ext. 312.

Shabbat Shalom at Home

The Shabbat Shalom at Home Kit is on its way to the homes of all Beth El congregants. From menus to motzei, from soup to songs, the kit contains all you need to be part of the Beth El-wide Shabbat evening observance, Friday, March 6th. Whether you've never celebrated Shabbat before or you never missed celebrating, you'll find encouragement and excitement in the kit's contents. Included in the kit is a reply card with which you can: pledge to celebrate Shabbat on March 6th, invite another Beth El family to your celebration or ask to be invited to a congregant's home, and enter the Shabbat raffle. Watch for your kit in the mail, and return your Shabbat Shalom at Home Pledge Card to the Beth El office right away. For more information, call Sarah Roark, (301) 652-2606, ext. 320.

Chesed Committee

If you can give a few minutes of your time to call a Beth El member who may be sick or homebound, please volunteer for the Chesed Committee by calling Rhonda Kleiner Lowell at (301) 294-8858.

February 1998

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

						13	14
						5:23pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service	7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Elana Hoffman B/M 10:30am Nitzanim - APR 7:30pm Hoffman Bat Mitzvah Party
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
Religious School Closed 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Men's Club - SH 9:30am Sisterhood Book Club - BR 9:45am Spirituality and Healing Task Force - APR 2:30pm Pinewood Derby - APR	Offices and Schools Closed 7:30am Morning Minyan	5:15-6:15pm Vaad HaStudentim - BR 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 6:30pm Conversion Class - APR-A 7:30pm Youth Comm. Mtg. - BR	5:15-6:15pm Vaad HaStudentim - BR 6:45pm Hebrew Class - Room 201 7:00pm Boy Scouts - MR	12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:25-7:15pm Rel. Sch. Staff Mtg. - BR 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 7:30pm Family Ed. Adv. Comm. Mtg. - BR	USY Interchapter Snow Date 5:31pm Candles 6:30pm Friday Evening Service 7:00pm Gr. 2 - 3 Shabbat Dinner - SH	USY Interchapter Snow Date 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Jesse Keilson B/M 10:00am Jr. Congregation 10:00am Gan Shabbat - MR 12:00pm USY Shabbat - BR	
22	23	24	25	26			
USY Interchapter Snow Date 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Adult B/M Class - BR 9:30am Men's Club - SH 10:00am Genealogy Club - Chapel 1:15-5:00pm Youth Dept. Activities - APR	10:30am Sabra Hadassah Mtg. - SH 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR 8:00pm Seaboard Branch Women's League Class - BR	BENS Closed 9:00am-1:30pm PACT Conference - SH 5:45-6:15pm Rel. Sch. Mincha/Maariv Service - Sanct. 6:30pm Conversion Class - APR-A 8:15pm Congregation Mtg. - SH	5:45-6:15pm Rel. Sch. Mincha/Maariv Service - Sanct. 6:45pm Hebrew Class - Room 201 7:00pm Boy Scouts - MR	12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH			

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