



CONGREGATION  
BETH EL OF  
MONTGOMERY  
COUNTY

## Off the Bimah

For Julie and me, the year 1998 is proving to be a momentous and awesome one. From the warmth and gratitude of a Tenth Anniversary Tribute, to the emotion and joy of our son Zachary's Bar Mitzvah, to the eager anticipation of a six month sabbatical (beginning in August), we have much to be thankful for. And all of this is highlighted by a congregational mission to Israel, followed by an extended stay in Jerusalem, and the opportunity to study and re-charge myself in New York at the Seminary, in preparation for my return to congregational duties next February.

In my absence, Rabbi Rudolph assumes my duties and responsibilities. Along with Hazzan Lubin, the congregation is in superb hands. During the High Holidays our clergy staff will be augmented by the presence of Rabbi Andrew Sacks and Rabbi Reuben Levine, two outstanding and experienced professionals. The activities and programs  
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## New Youth Director Selected

With the resignation of Rachel Handloff, our Youth Director of six years, a search committee was formed with Alan Golden, Chairman of the Youth Committee, as Chairman of the Youth Director Search Committee. After a nationwide search and interviewing three candidates in person, the Search Committee selected Rachel Sternberg to be our new Youth Director.

Rachel, a graduate of Ohio State University and George Washington University joins Beth El after several years as a youth advisor at Ohr Kodesh Congregation in Chevy Chase. Rachel told the committee that "the knowledge and experience gained as youth advisor will enable me to implement creative and exciting Jewish programming for the Beth El youth and will help me in establishing a rapport with them so that they will enjoy congregating at the synagogue and attending the youth programs."

Rachel Sternberg will begin working at Beth El on July 1, 1998. Please be sure to stop by her office, which is off the hallway to the Chapel, and say "hello". Her phone number is (301) 652-2606, ext.308.

As we approach the end of the fiscal year, we are preparing to close the 1998 books and prepare the congregant accounts for fiscal year 1999. To facilitate this, we would appreciate payment of all outstanding obligations by June 30th. Thank you.

## Shabbat Schedule

Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.  
Korach, Numbers: 16:1 - 18:32  
Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 a.m.  
Rachel Dorfman Bat Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.  
Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.  
Chukat, Numbers: 19:1 - 22:1  
Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 a.m.  
Brett Stark Bar Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.  
Worship and Study Minyan at 10:00 a.m. in the APR  
Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.  
Balak, Numbers: 22:2 - 25:9  
Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
Nitzanim at 10:30 a.m. in the APR  
Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.  
Pinchas, Numbers: 25:10 - 30:1  
Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 a.m.  
Orly Friedman Bat Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.  
Gan Shabbat at 10:00 a.m. in the MR  
Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.  
Mattot-Mase, Numbers: 30:2 - 36:13  
Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
Nitzanim at 10:30 a.m. in the APR  
Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.  
Devarim, Deuteronomy: 1:1 - 3:22  
Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7:30 and 9:15 a.m.  
Worship and Study Minyan at 10:00 a.m. in the APR  
Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, at 8:45 p.m.  
Tisha B'Av Service in the Chapel

## High Holiday Packets

Check your mailboxes for our High Holiday packet after the second week of July. Please return your registration form as soon as possible so that the staff can have sufficient time to process it.

All registration forms are due by August 15, 1998.

Please be sure, when filling out the registration form, to indicate the location you desire and the total number of tickets needed. The form should be accompanied by a check for at least one-quarter of the total dues, building fund and school tuition (if applicable) due, plus the entire amount of membership in any auxiliaries or youth groups and any past due amount from 1997-98.

The tickets will be mailed two weeks prior to Rosh Hashanah.

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will not miss a beat. We want to thank you, our congregational family, for giving us the opportunity to share our milestones and for encouraging our continued growth and well-being. We wish you all a healthy and refreshing summer in anticipation of a sweet and pleasant New Year.

Rabbi Jonathan Z. Maltzman

[A Note from Rabbi Maltzman: Since the printing of the last Off the Bimah column, two developments have taken place. First, Daniel Cohen has received assistance from the Masorti movement and has made progress in his claim for Israeli citizenship, and second, Prime Minister Netanyahu graciously visited a Conservative synagogue in New York City during his recent visit.]

**Membership Information**

Julian and Iris Tishkoff have moved to 1104 Prospect Hill Place, Rockville, MD 20850, (301) 424-8469.

**Evening Minyan**

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

**June 28 - July 2**

Jerome and Sophie Teplitz

Terry and Susan Teplitz

Milton and Renee Thaler

William Theodore and Judith Fradkin

Andrew and Sharon Tievsky

George and Priscilla Tievsky

Marvin and Arleen Tievsky

Julian and Iris Tishkoff

Irving and Melva Tofsky

Christopher and Meritt Tollefson

Ronald and Evelyn Treinish

Howard and Rhea Troffkin

Bruce and Susan Turnbull

Daniel and Rachel Ullman

Harold and Denise Unterman

Jack and Stephanie Ventura

Alan and Ruth Vinitzky

Shirley Levine Wasserman

Irene Vogel

Melvin Wachs

**July 5 - July 9**

Abraham and Louise Wagman

Michael Wald

Ruth Wald

Thomas Warrick and Rochelle Stern

Adam Warshavsky

Alan Wasserman and Penny Dash

Bernard and Marta Wassertzug

Laurie Webber

Rita Weil

Mark and Joanne Weinberg

Paul and Carolyn Weinberg

Sophia Weinberger

Edwin and Carolyn Weiner

Mervyn and Shirley Weiner

Brent Weingardt and Danielle Srou

Benjamin and Lillian Weinmann

Donald and Marcia Weinroth

Dora Weinstein

Frank and Harriet Weinstein

Herbert and Judith Weintraub

**July 12 - July 16**

David Weisbach and Joan Neal

Stuart and Elizabeth Weisberg

Howard and Susan Weiss

Irvin and Rita Weiss

Marjory Weiss

Allan and Jocelyn Weissman

Bernard and Janyse Weisz

Joseph and Edith Weisz

Simon and Gertrude Weker

Jerome and Rita Wenger

Barbara Werner

Jack and Ethel Werner

Michael Werner and Monica Adler

Jerome and Ina Wernick

Rita Wexler

Yuli and Martha Wexler

Mary Wichman

Barton Widom and Deborah Reiser

Harriet Wilkins

Mark and Janet Willin

**July 19 - July 23**

Elliot and Esther Wilner

Lewis and Susan Winarsky

Gary and Marilyn Wind

Mark and Blanche Wine

Mildred Wine

Colin and Audrey Winston

Ida Winston

David and Ellen Winter

Herbert and Estelle Wisner

Steven and Elaine Wishnow

Paul and Jo Wodiska

Douglas and Annette Wolf

Franz Wolf

Sy and Faye Wolf

John and Marion Wolff

Steven and Frandee Woolf

Joseph and Elsie Woolman

Sandra Woronow

Jack and Susan Yanovski

Norman Yastrov and Hattie Goodman

**July 26 - July 30**

Joseph and Ina Young

Marvin Yudkovitz and Fancine Lanar

Robert and Rhoda Zahler

Herbert Zalis

Marla Zalis

Linda Zall

Steven and Lesley Zane

Harold and Judith Zassenhaus

Marion Zatz

Doris Zimmerman

Hyman Zimmerman

Jeremy and Sharon Zissman

Harry and Beverly Zitelman

Meyer and Rene Zitter

Etta Zukerman

Michael and Joyce Abbell

Kassel and Joan Abelson

Alexander and Sylvia Abraham

David and Estelle Abraham

Burt and Georgette Abramowitz

## Book of Dedications

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 June 27th, July 4th, July 11th, July 18th, July 25th and August 1st. Although the list below have only the names of people who make dedications, the book will also list specific dedications and names of honorees.

Korach, June 27th: Neil I. Levy; Gail Ross and Roy Niedermayer; and Joel, Leslie, Morley and Leah Silver.

Chukkat, July 4th: Benson D. Adams; Milton and Faye Doberman; and Iris and Julian Tishkoff.

Balak, July 11th: Ron, Gale, Sarah and Lauren Dutcher; Barry and Beverly Goldsmith; Hazzan Abraham and Sandy Lubin; Harry, Emily, Sarah, Dora and Daniel Malech; and Elsie and Joseph Woolman.

Pinchas, July 18th: Beth El Sisterhood; Benson D. Adams; Alex Baldinger; Eugene Fidell and Linda Greenhouse and Hannah Fidell; George and Jackie Goldstone; Carole and David Metzger; and Joel and Joan Simon.

Mattot-Mase, July 25th: Claire Marwick and Robert and Rhonda Zahler.

Devarim, August 1st: Benson D. Adams and Rachele and Mitchell Solkowitz.

## Tuning In with Hazzan Lubin

### Cyberspace and "CyberTrope"

From time immemorial the skill of chanting the Torah in public during the worship service was acquired orally from the Ba'al Keriah (expert Torah reader) by the student. The whole system of the Trope (Cantillations) as well as the vowels of the biblical text was an oral discipline and was not transcribed in written form until the early part of the tenth century. The Masoretes, who were grammarians and scribes, were the guardians and experts of the scribal and textual traditions of the Torah. They preserved and developed the system until, in the tenth century in Tiberias, they transcribed it in a classic work known as "Sefer Dikdukey Ha-teamim" (Book of Grammar and Cantillations).

Thus the graphic symbols of the Trope and the vowels were now, for the first time in history, visible as to their graphic shape. The musical tradition of these symbols continued to be taught orally, and not until the first decade of the sixteenth century do we have the earliest examples of written musical transcriptions, in western musical notation, of the Trope. Ironically, these earliest examples were transcribed in Germany by non-Jewish, humanist scholars of the Bible.

In the nineteenth century we already have numerous examples of the musical notation transcribed by Hazzanim and composers.

With the advent of the recording industry, the young Bar Mitzvah student was able to use a new tool to help him learn and memorize the melodic motifs of the Cantillation. This was followed by the later use of the reel and cassette tapes.

We have now arrived at the threshold of the twenty-first century, the computer and the CD-ROM age. With the new technology, the CD-ROM is the latest innovation as a tool in learning the system of the Ta'amey Hamikra, the Cantillations or the Trope. In order to avail ourselves of this new technology, I have invited a company to customize a CD-ROM for our own use here at Beth El. I am excited to inform all future B'nai Mitzvah and all adult students of the Trope that the CD-ROM is finally ready. Our own customized CD-ROM follows the system of our Manual for Cantillations of Torah and Haftarah, complete with sample Torah and Haftarah readings. The usefulness of this CD-ROM is that you can view and hear as many times as you wish any of the single Cantillations and phrases. All the Torah and Haftarah blessings can be viewed and listened to. Sample Torah and Haftarah sections can also be seen and heard. There is also a feature to test yourself for your learning progress.

The CD-ROM is now available for purchase at a cost of \$69.95 a copy. To place your order, please call me or my secretary, Selma Kriss (301-652-2606, ext. 302). (To operate this CD-ROM you will require Windows 3.1 or Windows 95.)

## All in the Family

Mazal Tov to Joel and Betsy Popkin on the birth of their granddaughter, Leah Elizabeth Popkin, on May 15, 1998. Leah is the daughter of Neil and Kimberly Popkin.

The following note was received from Rita and Bernie Jacobi:

*Bernie and I want to thank all our Beth El friends for their cards, calls and good wishes. Also want to thank those wonderful doctors and all who came to his aid when he collapsed on the Bimah. Bernie is progressing very slowly, with a few setbacks, but we hope with G-d's help we will be back in our usual seats before long.*

*God Bless,  
Rita and Bernie*

## Beth El Tikkun

We now have available copies of the Tikkun of Beth El's own new Torah which is regularly used in the Sanctuary. Torah readers may now acquire their own copy so that they can visualize exactly how it looks in the new Torah scroll. The Tikkun was prepared by Hazzan Lubin, complete with index and pagination. Copies are available in the synagogue office at \$20.00 each. There is also a reference copy available in our library.

### *Beth El's Own Torah and Haftarah Trope CD-ROM Now Available*

A customized CD-ROM based on Hazzan Lubin's Manual for Torah and Haftarah Cantillations and Blessings publication and cassette is now available at a cost of \$69.95.

To place an order, please call Hazzan Lubin or Selma Kriss at (301) 652-2606, ext. 302.

For more information, call Hazzan Lubin.



**SUKKAH BUILDING KIT  
OR DO-IT-YOURSELF INSTRUCTIONS  
ORDER EARLY THIS YEAR!**

Sukkot begins this year on **Sunday night, October 4th**. For the eleventh year, Congregation Beth El is offering an easy-to-assemble, moderately priced Sukkah kit to enhance your enjoyment of the holiday.

The complete kit will produce a free-standing 8' x 8' x 8' square frame Sukkah made of #2 spruce. All necessary holes are pre-drilled and hardware (bolts, wing nuts, corner braces) and directions for assembly are included. Tools required are pliers, wrench or nutdriver. You will need to provide your own siding (such as sheets, shades or plastic), roofing, branches and decorations. A 4' x 8' extension kit is available to enlarge the sukkah to 8' x 12'.

Pictures of the assembled Sukkah can be seen on the synagogue bulletin board near the office and in the Nursery School hall. The Sukkah put up by the Nursery School is from a Beth El kit.

**THE COST OF EACH COMPLETE KIT IS \$95** (which covers the cost of materials and a contribution to the synagogue). A limited number of kits are made during the summer and will be sold to the first people from whom we receive payment. **MAIL IN YOUR ORDER SOON TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT SINCE WE ARE EXPECTING THE KITS TO SELL OUT AGAIN THIS YEAR.**

Call Jerry Danoff at (301) 365-1180 for further information. Kits can be picked up at the home of Pat and Jerry Danoff, 6740 Greentree Road, Bethesda, by arrangement in September. (Be prepared to carry home several pieces of 8' lumber.)

**For Do-It-Yourselfers:**

An instruction packet including directions for purchasing the materials and completely making the Sukkah yourself is also available. We have plenty of copies and will mail them anywhere you wish.

**THE DO-IT-YOURSELF INSTRUCTIONS COST \$6** and include an exact shopping list of lumber and hardware needed, plus directions for how to cut the wood, drill the holes and assemble the Sukkah.

Please complete the order form below and send it with your check made payable to "Congregation Beth El" to Pat Danoff, 6740 Greentree Road, Bethesda, MD 20817. Please write Sukkah kit or Sukkah instructions on the check.

**Sukkah Order Form**

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ complete Sukkah kits at \$95 each. (Instructions included.) Kits can be picked up in September.

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ do-it-yourself Sukkah instructions at \$6 each. Packets will be mailed upon receipt of your order.

A check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Nursery News**

Beth El Nursey School year 1997-1998 has come to a close and we say goodbye to the following children who will be off to Kindergarten in the fall:

Caroline Aronson  
 Sophia Berardi  
 Noah Berman  
 Greg Berson  
 Jody Berson  
 Joshua Boxerman  
 Ethan Clement  
 Gabriel Davidson  
 Paul Davidson  
 Nathaniel Eckland  
 Alexandra Farber  
 Kira Finkel  
 Alexandra Fishman  
 Jordan Friend  
 Ronni Getz  
 Jessica Goldstone  
 Noah Guthman  
 Sarah Hainbach  
 Reuben Jacobson  
 Samuel Judson  
 Jonathan Kaufman  
 Nicholas Kaufman

Erik Koritzinsky  
 Evan Kurland  
 Melanie Landsman  
 Joshua Lederman  
 Caleb Levine  
 Alex Levy  
 Amy Lipman  
 Jason Marks  
 Rachel Milner  
 Juliet Mullins  
 Michael Nemirovsk  
 Michelle Nowitz  
 Aaron Plave  
 Adam Polis  
 Michelle Shevin-Coetzee  
 Andrew Siegel  
 Rebecca Siegel  
 Hailey Siller  
 Staci Sith  
 Daniel Spencer  
 Jacob Trauberman  
 Jordan Weisz

We wish them many happy school years ahead and hope that they have fond memories of Beth El Nursey School.

Thank you to all our friends who saved Giant receipts for us this year. We have ordered a new computer scanner, 3 CD/tape players, playground balls and bag, and hula hoops.

**Attention Day School Families**

Please save the second day of Sukkot (Tuesday, October 6th) when all area day school students will lead services at Beth El. All ages are welcome. Please let us know whether your children would like to participate. Identify names, ages and Torah reading ability by calling Helene Weisz at (202) 966-7376 by June 15th. More information will follow in the fall.

**Healing Service**

The next Healing Service will be held on Tuesday, June 30th at 8:15 p.m. Rabbi Maltzman will lead the service. For more information about the service, please call Ben Bronheim at (301) 320-3220.

**Baruch Dayan Emet**

Congregation Beth El offers its sincere condolences to Susan Feibus on the death of her mother, Harriet Meyer Douglas; to Carla Schraub on the death of her father, Frank Weissman; to Gale Dutcher on the death of her stepmother, Sonnie Freedman; and to former congregant Naomi Cohen on the death of her father, Hillel Silverstein.

**Social Action Donations Needed**

At the risk of sounding like a perturbing PBS commercial, or an annoying telephone call during dinner, the Social Action Committee is in need of financial contributions from loyal congregants, like you. We have produced many wonderful programs this year, bringing smiles, warming hearts, and filling up emptiness around our community. Our first annual Mitzvah Day and support of the Community-Based Shelter were highly successful programs, but required more resources than our budget allowed. Your financial contributions to the Social Action Fund really do help those in need. Likewise, your donations of non-perishable food items in the basket near the Board Room really are delivered to hungry families in our community. Please consider making a contribution to the Social Action Fund when remembering a loved one or marking a milestone.

**Help Wanted**

Beth El Nursey School needs a nurturing teacher's aide to be part of our creative learning environment, beginning in September, 1998. Monday - Friday, 8:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., with optional afternoon hours. Call Ellen Darr, Director, at (301) 652-2606, ext. 311

**Vatikkim Luncheon**

Mr. Hyman Bookbinder, well-known activist, author and embodiment of the Jewish ideals of social justice and civil rights, will address the Vatikkim on July 16th. As Washington Representative Emeritus, Mr. Bookbinder continues to advise the American Jewish Committee, which he has served since 1967. His autobiography, *Off the Wall*, was published in 1991. Be sure to join us for Mr. Bookbinder's informative talk.

Lunch is at noon and the program is at 1:00 p.m. Cost for members is \$5.00 and for non-members, \$6.00. 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 on Thursday, July 16, 1998**

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ places for me at the Vatikkim luncheon.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please have your response reach us by July 14, 1998. No reservations will be accepted after this date.**

## Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Contributions (as of May 19, 1998)

### *Bendit Adult Institute Fund*

In Honor Of: Recovery of Evelyn Fox by Sophia B. Weinberger.

### *Beth El Forest*

In Honor Of: Marion Wolff by Joseph A. and Elsie Woolman; Mrs. Pauline Cohen's Birthday by Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Kuskin; Clare Lerner by Joseph A. and Elsie Woolman; Marcia Possick by Joseph A. and Elsie Woolman; Rose Rod by Joseph A. and Elsie Woolman. In Memory Of: Al Berger by Linda and Ace Lipson; My beloved wife, Dorothy Markowitz Freedman, by Henry E. Freedman; Lillian Sobel by Dr. Mark Sobel.

### *Cantor's Fund*

In Honor Of: Cantor Lubin's new grandchild by Sophia B. Weinberger; Bat Mitzvah of Dana Tievsky by Sharon and Andrew Tievsky.

### *College Fund*

In Honor Of: The Bar Mitzvah of Zachary Maltzman by Carole Wellner and Elliot and Esther Wilner; Graduation of Esther Wilner by The Lerman Family.

### *Disabled Access Fund*

In Memory Of: Max J. Goldberg by George A. Goldberg.

### *General Fund*

In Honor Of: Men's Club Kavod Awardee, Dr. Harvey Resnik, by Bryan and Diane Soronson; Roy Niedermayer receiving the Kavod Award by Sharon and Andrew Tievsky; Emily Dorfman's Bat Mitzvah by Jerome and Josephine Simonds. In Memory Of: Pearle Friedkin by Martin S. Dembo; In Memory Of: Alma Dessel, Rick Dessel's mother, by Orbital.

### *Israel Experience Teen Fund*

In Honor Of: David Wind's graduation by Toby and Bernie Moss; Ariel Sokol's graduation by Toby and Bernie Moss.

### *Kimball Nursery School Fund*

In Honor Of: Wendy Sherman's Confirmation by Druckman Family. In Memory Of: My Roseblossom and Sherman P. Kimball by Louis Kimball.

### *Masorti*

In Memory Of: Mother, Ida Serlick, by Edna Krents.

### *Mazon*

In Honor Of: Zachary Maltzman's Bar Mitzvah by Susan and Howard Weiss; Ariel Sokol's graduation from Amherst College by The Eule Family. In Memory Of: My beloved mother, Ernestine W. Krueger, by Annette K. Goldberg; Aaron Kaufman by Mr. and Mrs. Seth Goldberg and Family.

### *Mintz Landscaping Fund*

In Honor Of: Zachary Maltzman's Bar Mitzvah by Brian and Janet Schulman.

### *Morning Minyan Fund*

In Honor Of: Anniversary of the Morning Minyan by Dr. and Mrs. Emanuel Landau; The recovery of Bernard Jacobi by Herbert and Estelle Wiser. In Memory Of: Brother, Stanley Levin, by Julian Levin; Elizabeth S. Goldberg by Dr. and Mrs. Emanuel Landau; Abraham Swoff by Alan Swoff.

### *Nitzanim Fund*

In Memory Of: Mrs. Dorfman by The Fishman Family.

### *Perspectives Fund*

In Honor Of: Roy Niedermayer receiving Kavod Award by Gary and Rachelle Bernstecker.

### *Prayerbook Fund*

In Memory Of: Katie Koblenz's father by The Gruss-Hirsch Family; Elisse Walter's mother by The Gruss-Hirsch Family.

### *Rabbi's Fund*

Harry Lipkind. In Honor Of: Zachary Maltzman's Bar Mitzvah by Mr. and Mrs. Seth Goldberg and Family; Bat Mitzvah of Dana Tievsky by Sharon and Andrew Tievsky; Gabriel Shalom's Confirmation by Druckman Family; Wedding and Aufruf of Stacey Leventhal and Oscar Gayer by Jo and Paul Wodiska; Rebecca Bronheim's graduation from Georgetown University by The Eule Family; In Memory Of: Mollie Taubenblatt by S. A. Taubenblatt; David Goldberg by Paul and Jo Wodiska; Imre Mieselbach by Kathy and Augustin Litvak.

### *School Enrichment Fund*

In Memory Of: Pearle Friedkin by Martin S. Dembo.

### *Social Action Fund*

In Honor Of: Gail Ross receiving a Sisterhood Award by Rhonda Kleiner Lowell. In Memory Of: Steve Kravitz's grandfather, Nathan W. Helman, by Rhonda Kleiner Lowell and Family.

### *Torah Scroll Fund*

In Honor Of: My tutor, Tutti Sokol, by Dana Tievsky.

### *Vatikkim*

In Honor Of: Complete recovery of Bernard Jacobi by Joseph A. and Elsie Woolman.

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

In Memory Of: Arthur Gang by Murray and Anne Foss.

### *World Jewry*

In Honor Of: Kavod Awardee Roy Millenson by Claire Marwick; Kavod Awardee Roy Niedermayer by Claire Marwick; Kavod Awardee Dr. Harvey Resnik by Claire Marwick.

## Nitzanim

Nitzanim Shabbat Services are held on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month at 10:30 a.m. in the All Purpose Room. A special service for children ages six and under and their parents, Nitzanim Shabbat Services feature a Torah parade, stories, lots of songs and a snack. We hope you will join us!

The Nitzanim kiddush will be sponsored on Saturday, July 11th by Don and Michelle Hainbach in honor of the second birthday of their son, Sam Hainbach.

## Keruv

Keruv wants your questions and comments! Feel free to ask about almost anything, and we will try to answer you in the Beth El Scroll or privately. Address: "Dear Keruv," in care of the synagogue office.

Keruv ("outreach") addresses the issues of intermarriage 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).

## Men's Club News

If you've never been to a Men's Club meeting, consider yourself invited! Our Sunday morning breakfasts at 9:30 will continue throughout the summer with occasional breakfast programs. Check the weekly Shabbat Announcements or the Men's Club poster in the Rotunda. For membership information, please contact Bernie Rod at (301) 299-8362.

## Do an Easy Mitzvah!

For those of us with easy transportation, getting to Beth El is not a problem. For some members, however, getting to Shabbat or holiday services, meetings, minyans or other scheduled activities is difficult. If you can offer a ride on an occasional or regular basis to another member, please let us know by calling the new Ride Line at the synagogue office, (301) 652-2606, ext. 351. Once we receive messages from enough drivers, we will begin accepting requests on the same extension. If you have any questions, please call Brent Berger, (301) 770-1356.

### Worship and Study Minyan

The Beth El Worship and Study Minyan will meet on Saturday, July 4th in the All Purpose Room from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Brenda Gruss will lead the discussion on the weekly Torah portion. The service, conducted entirely by members of the congregation, combines evocative Torah study with ample singing and "ruach." Children of all ages are welcome, although the service is oriented towards adults. Contact Dan Hirsch, (301) 654-7289, Sid Getz, (301) 530-2215, or Mark Levitt, (301) 365-5365, for more information.

### Learners' Service

Our Learners' Service will not meet during the summer months, but will resume on Saturday, October 17th 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 talit, 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. Contact Rabbi Rudolph, (301) 652-2606, ext. 318, for more information.

### Raffle Postponed

The date for the raffle drawing for the Selma Hurwitz print to benefit the renovation of the Kostroma synagogue has been postponed until Selichot. Now we can get our checks in - and receive our raffle tickets - without rushing. If you haven't an inch of space left on your walls to accommodate even so fine a piece as Selma Hurwitz's very special artwork, but wish to participate in the project, a contribution to the World Jewry Fund would be welcome.

### Gan Shabbat

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

### 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.

### Caregivers Network

Are you a caregiver for a family member, friend, child or adult, at home or long distance, who is ill or disabled? You know well the spiritual and emotional satisfaction as well as the constraints. Please do not isolate yourself. Share in network, discussion and problem solving. For more information, call Ann Birk at (301) 365-4447.

## Join the Beth El Long Distance Savings Program

Over 60 Beth El families and businesses have already joined. They are saving on their long distance phone bills and Beth El gets a sizeable commission on every call. You can sign up with AT&T, Sprint, MCI or WorldCom and save between 10 and 45% over your current long distance plan! There are no access numbers - you make calls just like you do now. You can get calling cards and 800 numbers at reduced rates too. And there is absolutely no difference in quality or reliability. It's easy! Just fill out the form below and send it to the synagogue. If you have questions or need more details, call us at Beth El: (301) 652-2606, extension 348.

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 MCI (12¢/minute, no fee)  
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**Mail to: Beth El Long Distance Savings Program,  
 Congregation Beth El, 8215 Old Georgetown  
 Road, Bethesda, MD 20814**

## June 26, 1998 - July 30, 1998

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>26</b> 6:30pm Friday Evening Service 8:17pm Candles	<b>27</b> 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Rachel Dorfman B/M 10:30am Nitzanim - APR
<b>28</b> 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Men's Club - SH 9:30am Sisterhood Book Club - BR 1:15-5:00pm Youth Dept. Activities - APR	<b>29</b> 7:00pm Cub Scouts - APR	<b>30</b> 6:30pm Aerobics - SH 8:15pm Healing Service - APR	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH	<b>3</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Independence Day (observed)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Offices Closed</div> 9:00am Morning Minyan 6:30pm Friday Evening Service 8:17pm Candles	<b>4</b> 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Brett Stark B/ M 10:00am Worship and Study Minyan - APR 9:00pm Stark B/M Party - SH, Gallery
<b>5</b> 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Men's Club - SH	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 6:30pm Aerobics - SH	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH	<b>10</b> 6:30pm Friday Evening Service 8:15pm Candles	<b>11</b> 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 10:30am Nitzanim - APR
<b>12</b> <i>Fast of 17th of Tammuz</i> 9:00am Minyan - Chapel	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 6:30pm Aerobics - SH	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH	<b>17</b> 6:30pm Friday Evening Service 8:12pm Candles	<b>18</b> 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 9:15am Orly Friedman B/M 10:00am Gan Shabbat - MR 12:00pm USY Shabbat - BR
<b>19</b> 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:30am Men's Club - SH	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 6:30pm Aerobics - SH	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH	<b>24</b> 6:30pm Friday Evening Service	<b>25</b> 7:30am & 9:15 a.m. Shabbat Services 10:30am Nitzanim - APR
<b>26</b> 9:00am Minyan - Chapel 9:00am-1:00pm Blood Drive - SH 9:30am Men's Club - BR	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 6:30pm Aerobics - SH	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 12:00pm Vatikim - SH 6:30pm Aerobics - SH	<b>31</b> Last Day of BENS Camp 6:30pm Friday Evening Service 8:00pm Candles	

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

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