

# Scroll

## What Can 10 Shoemakers Do that Nine Rabbis Can't ?????

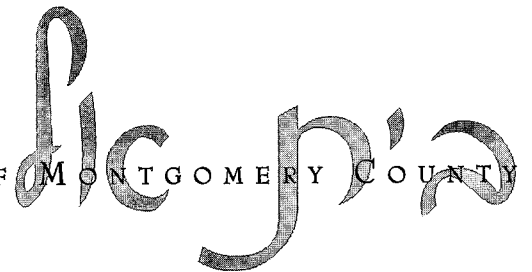
There is an expression taken from the Yiddish that goes as follows: "Nine rabbis *cannot* make a *minyán*, but ten shoemakers can."

What we should all learn from this is that *each* of us is important and can make the crucial difference in effecting positive actions and programs in our congregation and our community. It's not only the wisest, the wealthiest, the most experienced, or he/she with the best connections that create a *kehillah* (a caring community). Working *together*, each and every one of us, we can make miracles happen.

When it comes to the Capital Campaign, remember your *Response/Ability*:

- Call (301) 652-2606, extension 313 to either set a time to talk about the plans for the expansion and renovation and your family's participation, or, if you are ready to make your gift, call and inform us of what you wish to do.
- Listen to your heart. Make a difference. Make it happen.

CONGREGATION BETH EL OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY



## Publications Committee Looking for Members

The newly authorized Publications and Communications Committee, chaired by Helen Popper, is looking for members who are interested in working on major publications for Beth El. At present, people are needed to help with two major projects.

The first is a new Membership Directory. In addition to a membership list, the directory will include a lot of information about Beth El and its activities for the coming year. Publication is scheduled for around Thanksgiving.

The second is to redesign and revitalize the Scroll. In addition to changing the look, we want to add new features and articles to make the Scroll more interesting.

We need people who are 1) creative or have a good eye, especially in regard to layout, and / or 2) willing to solicit and/or write articles. Computer skills, especially in desktop publishing, are useful but not necessary. If you are interested, please call Helen Popper at (301) 460-5599.

## High Holiday Service Schedule

Friday, September 10  
Erev Rosh Hashanah  
6:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 11  
1<sup>st</sup> Day Rosh Hashanah  
8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 12  
2<sup>nd</sup> Day Rosh Hashanah  
8:30 a.m.

Sunday, September 19  
Kol Nidre  
6:45 p.m.

Monday, September 20  
Yom Kippur  
9 a.m. Morning Service  
10 a.m. Torah Service  
11:30 a.m. Musaf/Sermon/  
Yizkor  
3 p.m. High Holiday Seminar  
4:30 p.m. Mincha  
5:45 p.m. Neilah  
7:39 p.m. Conclusion of Fast/  
Shofar

## Shabbat Schedule

**Friday, September 10**  
Erev Rosh Hashanah  
6:30 p.m.

**Saturday, September 11**  
1st Day Rosh Hashanah  
Genesis: 21:1 - 34  
Numbers: 29:1 - 6  
8:30 a.m.

**Friday, September 17**  
6:30 p.m.

**Saturday, September 18**  
7:30 & 9:15 a.m.  
Shabbat Shuvah  
Day School Shabbat  
Haazinu, Deuteronomy:  
32:1 - 32:52  
Jr. Congregation at 10 a.m.  
Gan Shabbat at 10 a.m.  
in the MR  
Shitufim Minyan at 11 a.m.  
in Room 209

**Friday, September 24**  
Erev Sukkot  
6:30 p.m.

**Saturday, September 25**  
1st Day Sukkot  
7:30 & 9:15 a.m.  
Exodus: 12:21 - 51  
Numbers: 28:12-16  
Deborah Theodore Bat  
Mitzvah at 9:15 a.m.  
Jr. Congregation at 10 a.m.  
Nitzanim at 10:30 a.m.  
in the APR  
Festival Service at 6:30 p.m.

## All in the Family

Mazal Tov to **Joe and Ina Young** on the birth of their grandson, Natan Chayim Fandel, on June 3, 1999. Natan is the son of Michal and Andrew Fandel. Natan is also the grandson of the late Leila Rosen Young.

Mazal Tov to Religious School teacher, **Suzin Glickman**, and her husband, **Joshua Bobeck**, on the birth of their son, Benjamin Moses Bobeck, on June 7, 1999.

Mazal Tov to **Martin and Naomi Levy** on the birth of their grandson, Noah Katz Levy, on August 16, 1999. Noah is the son of Jonathan Levy and Carole Katz.

Mazal Tov to **Bernie and Marta Wassertzug** on the marriage of their son, Uri Wassertzug, and Elizabeth Field of Lexington, MA on August 28, 1999.

Mazal Tov to **Mervyn and Shirley Weiner** on the engagement of their son, Dr. Lewis R. Weiner, to Vanessa C. Lever. A spring, 2000 wedding is planned. Lewis is an internist and instructor in clinical medicine in Providence, RI, and Vanessa is a Manager of Internet Services in Boston, MA.

Mazal Tov to **Murray and Marilyn Hammerman** on the engagement of their son, Robert Hammerman, to Janey Kipnis of Phoenix, Arizona. A spring, 2000 wedding is planned.

Congregation Beth El wishes a speedy recovery to **Paula Kleine**.

## Evening Minyan

The following people are asked to help us with our daily Evening Minyan for the next two weeks. On Sunday through Thursday, the Minyan begins at 8 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.

### *September 12 - September 16*

Beth Eisenberg  
David and Merry Eisenstadt  
David and Barbara Eisenstein  
Harry and Rhonda Eisenstein  
Richard and Julie Elion  
Norton and Sandy Elson  
Patrick and Lori Elwood  
Harold and Bernice Elwyn  
Eugene and Eleanor Elzufon  
Asher and Jeanne Ende  
Hans Engler and Susan Wexler  
Eric and Jessica Enig  
Burton and Diane Epstein  
Jack Epstein and Ava Kaufman  
Steven Epstein and Ada Rose Bitterbaum  
Norman and Ellen Eule  
Lisa Fahlstrom  
William and Elaine Fairweather  
David and Eve Farber  
Vera Fassberg

### *September 19 - September 23*

Howard and Susan Feibus  
Jonathan Feibus  
Kenneth and Carolyn Feigenbaum  
David and Sheila Feinberg  
Kenneth and Diane Feinberg  
Flora Feld  
Ronald and Eleanor Feldbaum  
Cary and Nancy Feldman  
Elliot and Lily Feldman  
Roger and Gail Feldman  
Shirley Feldman  
Robert Fersh and Sharon Markus  
Joni Field  
Eric and Rochelle Fig  
Harriet Filler  
Thera Finbloom  
Leesa Fine  
Larry and Ellen Fink  
Michael and Deborah Fink  
Toren Finkel and Beth Rosner

## Congregation Beth El Millennium Mission to Israel

July 2 - July 16, 2000

Rabbi Jonathan and Julie Maltzman  
will personally escort the tour.

Details to follow. For more information,  
call Rabbi Maltzman's office, (301) 652-2606, ext. 319.

### Board News

The Board meeting on July 27 focused on the Capital Campaign. The Campaign Cabinet and its various committees were also invited to the meeting to hear the presentation by Jay Brown, of Levin/Brown & Associates. Mr. Brown reviewed the process for the renovation and reconstruction of Beth El and presented the latest plan for consideration. The new building would create an additional 26,000 square feet of space and allow Beth El to meet the programming needs determined through surveys of its constituency groups. Following further review by those attending the meeting, a more detailed plan will be presented in the late summer and early fall to the Congregation. The next Board meeting is scheduled for September 14.  
Brent Berger, Secretary

### Two from Beth El Ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary

Jacob Blumenthal, son of Werner and Bernice Blumenthal, and Avigayl Young, daughter of Joe and Ina Young and also of the late Leila Rosen Young, were ordained as rabbis at the 105<sup>th</sup> Commencement of the Jewish Theological Seminary. They each also received the degree of Master of Arts. Rabbi Blumenthal has accepted the pulpit of Congregation Shaare Torah in North Potomac, where he served as student rabbi. Rabbi Young has moved to the Albany, NY area to assume the pulpit of Congregation Beth Shalom of Clifton Park, NY. As a student, Rabbi Young served for the past three years as spiritual leader of Congregation Shaare Tikvah in Temple Hills, MD.



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# SAUL BENDIT ADULT INSTITUTE

## FALL 1999

### Six Wednesday Evenings, October 13, 20, and 27 and November 3, 10, and 17

**7:30 to 8:20 p.m.**

The Rabbi's Table ..... Rabbi Jonathan Maltzman  
 Why Do We Do What We Do (Part II)? ..... Rabbi William Rudolph  
 The Art and Heart of Jewish Music ..... Hazzan Abraham Lubin  
 Jewish Best Sellers of 1998-99 ..... Rabbi Samuel Scolnic  
 Comparing Religious Traditions: What People Seek ..... Rabbi Sanford Shudnow, Kalden Lodeo,  
 Sister Marie Stelmach, Reverend Ron Foster, Dr. Ariel Glucklich, Imam Yahya Hendi  
 Hebrew Prayerbook Reading Beyond the Basics ..... Cheryl Kreiser

**8:20 to 8:40 p.m. - Coffee Break**

**8:40 to 9:30 p.m.**

Building a Jewish Future: A Dialogue on Jewish Continuity ..... Rabbi William Rudolph,  
 Lisa Shapero Merkin, David Bernstein, Dr. Robert Hyfler, Rabbi Barry Freundel,  
 Rabbi Fred Dobb, Rabbi Mindy Portnoy, Dr. Shulamith Elster, David Shneyer  
 Spiritual Journeys in the Course of Life ..... Dr. Saul Rogolsky  
 A Panoramic View of Sephardic Tradition ..... Rabbi Hayyim Kassoria and guests  
 Folk Sayings in Yiddish (Mamalushin) for Modern Times ..... Estelle Abraham  
 Zionism Through Its Great Leaders ..... Dr. Colin Winston  
 Slavery, Judaism, and the Civil War ..... Hazzan Cal Chizever and Julian Spirer

**7:30 to 9:30 p.m.**

The Basics of Conversational Hebrew ..... Yuval Gazit

### Six Tuesday Mornings, October 12, 19, and 26 and November 2, 9, and 16

**8:10 to 9:00 a.m.**

A Taste of Talmud ..... Rabbi Samuel Scolnic

**9:00 to 9:55 a.m.**

Reading Hebrew with Ease ..... Betsy Roth

**10:00 to 10:50 a.m.**

The Rabbi's Table ..... Rabbi Jonathan Maltzman  
 Jonah the Reluctant Prophet ..... Rabbi William Rudolph  
 Jewish Best Sellers of 1998-99 ..... Rabbi Samuel Scolnic

**10:50 to 11:10 a.m. - Coffee Break**

**11:10 to Noon**

Why Do We Do What We Do (Part II)? ..... Rabbi William Rudolph  
 The Art and Heart of the Jewish Musical Heritage ..... Hazzan Abraham Lubin

#### BROCHURES ARE NOW AVAILABLE

**Note: The evening minyan will start at 8:20 p.m. (rather than 8:00 p.m.) on evenings when Institute classes are scheduled.**

Congregation Beth El of Montgomery County, 8215 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814-1451

Please enroll me in the following A.M.  P.M.  course(s):

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ made payable to Beth El.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

One 1-hour course (Talmud - no fee).....\$25 per person  
 Two or more 1-hour courses (morning and/or evening).....\$20 per person per course  
 Prayerbook Hebrew course (12 1-hour sessions).....\$40 per person  
 Conversational Hebrew course (6 2-hour sessions).....\$40 per person

## Supporting Beth El's Future!

We all talk of the importance of Jewish continuity. The following families have finalized their financial commitment to Beth El's Capital Campaign to assure a vital and vibrant synagogue that will meet our spiritual, educational and social needs as we move into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Many others have had meetings with us and are determining the most advantageous ways to make their gifts. Congregation Beth El gratefully acknowledges and appreciates the generosity and support of those families that have become donors to the campaign. They are:

Benson and Natalie Adams  
Jeffrey and Terri Annis  
Stanley and Judith Baldinger  
Heinz Bauer  
Leonard and Gabriela Bebchick  
Howard and Sondra Bender  
and Family  
Brent Berger and  
Carolyn Chabrow Berger  
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Kenneth Levine and Diana Huffman  
Mark Levitt and Kay Klass  
Theodore and Anita Lieb  
Ace and Linda Lipson  
Augustin and Kathy Litvak  
Sheldon and Margery London  
Hazzan Abraham and Sandy Lubin  
Rabbi Jonathan and Julie Maltzman  
Steve and Barbara Mandel  
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Chris and Meritt Tollefson  
Jack and Stephanie Ventura  
Dora Weinstein  
Mervyn and Shirley Weiner  
Howard and Susan Weiss  
Elliot and Esther Wilner  
Gary and Marilyn Wind  
John and Marion Wolff  
Jack and Susan Yanovski  
and three families who requested  
that their names be withheld.

We hope to involve each and every family in the project to build a stronger home for our congregation. If you care about the future of Beth El, the time to participate is now. Call Andrea Glazer at (301) 652-2606, ext. 313 to set up an appointment to discuss your participation.

**Congregation Beth El Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Contributions (As of August 13, 1999)**

**Bauer Confirmation Fund**

In Memory Of: Alfred Bauer, father, by Heinz Bauer.

**Bendit Adult Institute Fund**

In Memory Of: Pauline K. Levin, sister, by Herman Kleine.

**Beth El Forest**

In Memory Of: Diana Platt Frenkel, daughter of Judy and Michael Platt, by River Road Chavurah; Rabbi Simon Silberzan by Frances Edlitz; Herbert Frankel, father of Elissa Scheinberg, by Paula and Herman Kleine; Bea Appelstein by Dr. Mark Sobel; Milton Doberman by James and Muriel Lyman.

**Building Fund**

In Memory Of: Mary Rappaport by Shirley Sherman.

**Cantor's Fund**

In Honor Of: The birth of Sophia Hannah Feldman, granddaughter of Hazzan Abraham and Sandy Lubin, by Judy and Bert Spector.

**Chevra Kadisha Fund**

In Memory Of: Melvin Schutz by Dr. Mark E. Schutz; Dr. Hyman Zimmerman by Judith and Jonathan Levin; Tessie Kweller, mother of Daniel Kweller by Marilyn and Daniel Kweller; Dr. Hyman Zimmerman, a former teacher and respected physician by Ilana Bar-Levav, MD, David Fogel, M.D., and Family; A woman of valor, Sylvia Freeman, by Sabina and Mark Shalom.

**College Fund**

In Honor Of: Refuah Shelamah to Doug Bregman's mother by Ellen and Benjamin Bornstein.

**Disabled Access Fund**

In Memory Of: Esther Leah Horn by Josephine E. Horn.

**Fine Arts Fund**

In Memory Of: Beloved father-in-law, Louis Kohn, by Esther G. Kohn; Eleanor Pasternack by Paula and Herman Kleine.

**General Fund**

Harry and Beverly Zitelman. In Honor Of: Dr. Bernardo Kotelanski by Charles and Yvonne Merrill. In Memory Of: Paul Shapiro by Faye F. Amster; Magda Miselbach by Katalina and Augustin Litvak; Dennis Feldman by Karen and Bob Yoches; Jennie Roseman by Howard Roseman; In loving memory of Dennis Feldman by Le Roy A. Aarons; Libby Shapiro Feinman by Bernard and Annabelle Band; Louis Amster by Faye F. Amster.

**Groner Ramah Scholarship Fund**

In Memory Of: Shirlee Weinberg, beloved mother of Mark Weinberg, by Erwin and Leena Groner.

**Kimball Nursery School Fund**

In Memory Of: Our mother, Lenor Lieberman, by Marla Allard; Samuel Levine by Philip and Barbara Levine; Annabelle Hoffman by Lee H. Hoffman and Leslie S. Whipkey; Daniel Ferguson, great-grandfather of Bornstein children, by Ellen and Benjamin Bornstein.

**Library Fund**

In Memory Of: Beloved mother of Adeen Postar, Lee Fefferman, by Kim and Lyle Lieberman; Dennis Feldman on the Shloshim of his death by Lenore and Murray Greiman; Julian Drachman by Richard Drachman.

**Masorti**

In Honor Of: Birth of Alexander Shayle Handen by Roy Millenson.

**Mazon**

In Honor Of: Joshua Stanton's Bar Mitzvah, thank you to Rabbi Maltzman by The Zaslow/Stanton Family; Joshua Stanton's Bar Mitzvah, thank you to Betsy Roth by The Zaslow/Stanton Family; Joshua Stanton's Bar Mitzvah, thank you to Hazzan Lubin by The Zaslow/Stanton Family; Joshua Stanton's Bar Mitzvah, thank you to Rabbi Rudolph by The Zaslow/Stanton Family; Dr. Alan Kravitz by Ed and Arlene Shykind; Jacob Goldsmith's Confirmation by Elaine Pines; In Memory Of: Yetta Chasen, mother of Peggy Levinson, by Bernice and Sidney Euzent; Irene F. Walsh, my sister, by Henry E. Freedman; Philip Janus by Zelda L. Janus.

**Mintz Landscaping Fund**

Chevy Chase Havurah. In Memory Of: Joseph Ross by Rhoda Mancher; Bessie Burman, beloved mother and grandmother, by Lillian Kessler; Pearl Shalowitz, mother of Erwin Shalowitz, by Erwin and Elaine Shalowitz.

**Morning Minyan Fund**

In Honor Of: Ed Golfer by Judy Cantor Goldman; George Perlman by Dale Gold; Ed Golfer's recovery by Sarah C. Kalser. In Memory Of: Dennis Feldman by Bea and Bernie Berger; Shirlee Weinberg, mother of Mark Weinberg, by Shirley and Seymour Gross; Dr. Hyman Zimmerman by Henry E. Freedman; Anna Chinn, beloved mother, by Sarah C. Kalser; Father-in-law of Fran Rubin, father of Robert Rubin by Sarah C. Kalser; Harry Greenberg, beloved father of Jeanne Ende, by Jeanne and Asher Ende; Esne Rifka Silverstein by Davetta Landau; Hy Zimmerman by Deborah G. Leibowitz; Freida Esther Hochberg, mother of Marilyn Hammerman, by Dr. and Mrs. Murray Hammerman; My aunt, Ethel Glaser, by Suzanne R. Glaser; Yetta Chasen by Gerald Brody; Yetta Chasen, beloved mother of Peggy Levinson, by Julian E. Levin; Ruth Merber by Marilyn and Barrett Ripin.

**Nitzanim Fund**

In Memory Of: Julius Spiegel by Bruce Spiegel.

**Perspectives Fund**

In Honor Of: Seth Levita receiving Men's Club Kavod Award by Doris and Albert Povich. In Memory Of: Milton Doberman by Martin Dembo.

**Prayerbook Fund**

In Memory Of: Nathan Ozarin by Lucy Ozarin; Milton Doberman by Lucy Ozarin; Yetta Chasen by Roslyn and Herbert Caplan; My beloved grandmother, Leah Tuchman, by Ilana Bar-Levav, M.D.; Roberta Karson, mother of Evelyn Karson, grandmother of

Rebecca and Joshua Kaplan by Evelyn Karson; Hyman Zimmerman by Priscilla and George Tievsky.

**Rabbi's Fund**

In Honor Of: Babynaming of our granddaughter, Rebecca E. Schuman, by Hynda and David Schuman; Our Aliyah by Beatrice Newell and Stanley Segal; Rabbi Bill Rudolph by Andrea Druckman; The Friedman Family on their move into their new home by The Morgenstern Family; Rabbi William D. Rudolph by Craig D. Yokum. In Memory Of: Joseph Almyk Lieberman by Richard Lieberman and Helene Weisz; Nathan Richman by David and Marjorie Richman; Myer Band by Dr. and Mrs. Marvin A. Band; Sylvia Brender Brandman by Howard Shapiro and Sylvia Brandman; Morris Miller by Jay and Lillian Miller; Joseph Chotkin, my dad, by Rhea Troffkin; Morris Gerber by Paula and Herman Kleine; Manuel Gottesman by Joseph Gottesman; Samuel Datz by Dora D. Weinstein; Yetta Chasen by Irving Chasen; Dr. Ilana Bar-Levav's father by Debra Morgenstern and Family.

**School Enrichment Fund**

In Honor Of: Beth El's wonderful teachers by Judy Cantor Goldman. In Memory Of: Leigh Fefferman, mother of Adeen Postar, by Ruth and Russell Kincaid.

**Sisterhood Remembrance Fund**

In Memory Of: Isadore Kessler by Lillian Kessler.

**Sisterhood Torah Fund**

In Honor Of: Hazzan Abraham and Sandy Lubin on the arrival of their granddaughter, Sophia Hannah, by Anne S. Ball; Jacob Blumenthal's ordination by Jose and Tutti Sokol.

**Social Action Fund**

In Memory Of: Gordon Berman by Amy and Darryl Jackson; Murray Kalik, father, by Dorothea K. Lear.

**Suls Youth Activities Fund**

In Honor Of: Hazzan Lubin by Eva Baron; Bernardo Kotelanski - "Blessings for good health" by Eva Baron; Rebecca Wind's double Masters from Columbia by Seymour and Ethel Lishnoff. In Memory Of: Herbert Frankel, father of Elissa Scheinberg, by Marilyn and Gary Wind.

**Vatikkim**

In Honor Of: Marcia Possick by Calvin and Norma Golumbic. In Memory Of: Rachel Woolman, my mother, by Joseph A. Woolman; Joseph Ash by Bernie and Anita Ash.

**Barbara Wolf "Israel Quest" Fund**

In Memory Of: Ada Kay by Lola and Gerald Sherman.

**World Jewry**

In Honor Of: Claire Marwick's volunteer work at the Hebrew Home of Greater Washington by Eva Baron; The engagement of David and Meredith by Judy and Bert Spector; Significant birthday of Mrs. Shyrlee Belle Hurwitz by Roy Millenson; In Memory Of: Jeffrey Kahan by Roy Millenson.

## Keruv

Join Keruv on the second day of Rosh Hashanah, Sunday, September 12, at the home of Betty and Jim McDonald, 5405 Huntington Parkway, Bethesda, for a pot luck dairy luncheon. Please RSVP to Betty McDonald, (301) 656-0742, or Terri Annis, (301) 656-5219.

Keruv welcomes your questions, comments and concerns about intermarriage, conversion and living in an interfaith family. These types of questions often arise during life cycle events. We have all types of families and have experience that may be able to help you deal with your particular situation. Call Terri Annis or leave a message in 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 Terri Annis at (301) 656-5219.

## Beth El Worship and Study Minyan

The Worship and Study Minyan will meet on Saturday, October 2 in the All Purpose Room from 10 a.m. to noon. 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.

## Annual High Holiday Food Drive

Welcome the New Year with an act of tzedakah – a bag filled with groceries for Montgomery County's neediest citizens. As you depart Rosh Hashanah services on Saturday, September 11, you will receive an empty shopping bag. Please return your bag filled with non-perishable food items on Kol Nidre evening. Trucks from Manna Food Center, Montgomery County's non-profit food bank, will be at Beth El and at Walt Whitman High School from 6:15 until 7 p.m. on Sunday evening, September 19, to collect your bags.

Manna provides meals to 75 - 100 families every day, in addition to supplying county shelters year-round. If each family fills a bag, Beth El can donate several tons of food to help our less fortunate neighbors.

## Beth El Listserv

Congregation Beth El has its own LISTSERV— an email-based bulletin board for discussions of items of interest to Beth El members and for synagogue-related announcements. If you are an email user and not already a member of our listserv, please send a note to Arthur Popper at AP17@umail.umd.edu, and he will put you on the listserv. Members can only join through Art since this is a means to keep the listserv limited to only our membership.

## Attention all Congregation Beth El College Students!

Please update your college address with the synagogue office. Joining the Beth El college list means mail and packages throughout the year. Fill in the form below and return Attn.Youth Director, Congregation Beth El, 8215 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Student's Name _____	Year of Graduation _____
College _____	
Street Address and/or Box Number _____	
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
E-Mail Address _____	
<b>Note: Even if you were on our list last year, please send this form in.</b>	

# Save the Date! Flu Shot Clinic

Adventist Healthcare and Beth El Sisterhood will be offering a Flu Shot Clinic at Beth El on Sunday, October 24 9:00 a.m. to noon

Watch the next Scroll for more information, or call Pat Danoff, (301) 365-1180.

## Sisterhood News

Joan Claxton and Jackie Levine, Sisterhood Catering Vice Presidents, who do a wonderful job every Shabbat, are looking for a few good women to help on a regularly scheduled (your convenience, but reliable) basis on Saturday mornings. Join the fun bunch, learn some catering and kitchen ideas, and have a good time with other Shabbat morning kitchen regulars. Call Joan at (301) 320-9283, or Jackie at (301) 299-9507, for more information or to sign up.

Don't forget about the Book Discussion Group meeting on Tuesday, September 14 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 209. This month's selection is The Inn at Lake Devine by Elinor Lipman. We will return to our usual Sunday meeting day on October 10, when we will discuss The Puttermessa Papers by Cynthia Ozick. Both books are available through the Montgomery County library system. Everyone interested is invited to attend. For more information, please

call Andrea Golden at (301) 294-2375, or Annette Moshman at (301) 229-4040.

The Sisterhood Board Meeting will be on Tuesday, September 21 at 7:30 p.m. at Beth El.

Women's League for Conservative Judaism Capital Conference will be held October 11 - 13. For more information, call Paula Horowitz at (301) 365-7930/ If you are planning to be a new subscriber or just renewing your subscription to the Washington Jewish Week, please call Leslie Dellon to find out how Sisterhood can benefit from your subscription, at no additional cost to you. Please call (301) 530-4645.

Don't forget - Sisterhood is just a phone call away. Messages left on the Sisterhood hotline will be answered as quickly as possible. The hotline number is (301) 652-2606, ext. 333.

Start the New Year on the right foot by joining Sisterhood. Happy holidays, and we are looking forward to seeing new members and greeting old friends at the next Sisterhood activity.

Congregation Beth El Sisterhood invites you to its

## Sisterhood Membership Dinner

Thursday, October 14, 1999 at 6:30 p.m.  
Congregation Beth El Social Hall

Featuring entertainment by members of

### "The Fabrangen Fiddlers"

**RSVP by October 8**

Send Scroll reservation form to Beth El or contact Marilyn Wind (301) 530-6726  
E-mail <"Gwind" @CapAccess.org>  
or Toby Moss (301) 530-0861  
E-mail <"tobyberniemoss@ worldnet.att.net">

Dues: \$25 (Includes this dinner)  
Guests: \$18  
Payment accepted in advance or at the door

**Reservations for Sisterhood Membership Dinner**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Member? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
# of Guests \_\_\_\_\_



## Vacancy

The Beth El Religious School Committee seeks one or two additional members. If you are enthusiastic about Jewish education, please call Jonathan Levy at (301) 656-7093.

## 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!

## Ambassador Richard Solomon and Rabbi William Rudolph to Speak at High Holiday Seminars

Every year we offer High Holiday seminars on Yom Kippur in the afternoon prior to closing services. This year we are privileged to have as our speaker at Beth El Ambassador Richard Solomon, President of the United States Institute of Peace. Dr. Solomon served as Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs under President Bush. He was U.S. ambassador to the Philippines during 1992-93. For the past six years Ambassador Solomon has been president of the Institute of Peace, a nonpartisan federal institution created by Congress to promote the peaceful resolution of international conflicts. Dr. Solomon will speak on "Peace Making in the 21st Century."

Rabbi William Rudolph will teach at the Walt Whitman location on the theme, "Spirituality and Prayer: Are Synagogue Services the Place for a Spiritual Experience?"

## October Shabbaton

And now for something completely different: Tread an exhilarating path to spirituality at the Beth El Shabbaton on October 15 and 16. Leading Friday and Saturday services will be Rabbi Levi Weiman-Kelman, founder of Kehilat Kol Hanishamah in Jerusalem. A vibrant non-Orthodox community, Kehilat Kol Hanishamah has become "a unique attraction in Jerusalem and maybe all of Israel," reports Rabbi William Rudolph from his recent trip. "There were several hundred tourists like us on Friday night. Every Friday night of the tourist season is like that because of the synagogue's reputation for beautiful singing and spirituality," he adds. Shabbat morning at Kehilat Kol Hanishamah is a unique experience in Torah and learning, too.

"The excitement of worshipping with Rabbi Levi Weiman-Kelman is beyond description," Rabbi Jonathan Maltzman declares. Now you don't have to travel to Jerusalem to revitalize your religious enthusiasm with Rabbi Weiman-Kelman. Experience his unique approach to Shabbat worship at Shabbat evening and morning services at Beth El on October 15 and 16. This program is sponsored by the Family Education Advisory Committee. For more information, call Sarah Roark, (301) 652-2606, ext. 320, or Rabbi Rudolph, (301) 652-2606, ext. 318.

## A New Feature in the Scroll

On Saturday, October 8, the annual cycle of reading the 50 parshot ("parsha" = one portion of the Torah; "parshot" is the plural) of Torah will begin at the beginning with the story of creation. We will use Parshat Bereshit to kick off a new feature in the Scroll, "Set the Table with Torah." As requested by many congregants, this will be a brief starting off point which we hope you will employ at your Shabbat dinner tables to discuss some aspect of the week's Torah portion. The segment will be written by rotating members of the professional staff who may all bring to light different aspects of Torah from their varied and unique perspectives. There are many books which provide more in-depth coverage of the parshot, and weekly discussion guides can also be found on the web at [www.jewishfamily.com](http://www.jewishfamily.com), [www.uahc.org](http://www.uahc.org), and [www.jtsa.edu](http://www.jtsa.edu).

## **Beth El Cemetery Section at Judean Gardens**

Cemetery sites are currently being sold at Judean Gardens in Olney, Maryland. Beth El's first section is almost full. Please contact Carole Wellner at (301) 652-2606, ext. 316 to receive our brochure.

## **Religious School News**

The Religious School has applied for a Jewish Federation Initiative in Congregational Education grant to create a Parent Education program corresponding with the hours of Sunday morning Religious School classes. Proposed courses parallel the Religious School curriculum, Tefillah Hebrew, Jewish Holidays, Tanach, Israel Studies and Jewish History. Actual course offerings will depend on enrollment. Federation has promised an announcement of grant awards by early October.

This marks the third of a series of Federation direct grants to synagogues. The first effort, five years ago, encouraged the congregation to develop what has become a multiple award winning, Family Education Department. Last year's more modest grant allowed us to start the Shitufim Minyan, our bi-weekly Junior Congregation service for 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> graders.

## **Children's High Holy Day Services**

Parents are highly encouraged to consider the Children's High Holiday services (10:30-12:00) as an opportunity for family participation. These services provide a meaningful synagogue experience for our Kindergarten-sixth graders. A parent or other relative would further enhance the experience. At minimum, we request parents tell their children that they will be checking in on them (and do it!) and make sure children know where their parents will be sitting in the main service. Parents can help their children enter a more spiritual mood by discussing themes related to the holidays: righting wrongs between ourselves and acquaintances, considering the events of the past year and hopes for the upcoming one, and thoughts about how we can all become better people. Ashamnu, a Yom Kippur prayer, lists alphabetically the things we have done wrong in the past year. Take a similar approach and list things we will do better in the coming year. Assignments done on time; Behave better; Cooperate...

## **New Bereavement Committee in Formation**

Beth El, through its Inreach Committee, is embarking upon a new program to assist members in the difficult hours immediately following the loss of a loved one. Many decisions have to be made that are not easy decisions, the feelings of grief and loss can be great, and the phone is ringing constantly. Our Bereavement Committee will be prepared to send a trained volunteer immediately to the home of the deceased. In conjunction with our clergy, the volunteer will help family members make undertaker and cemetery arrangements, plan the funeral, place the obituary and obtain death certificates, and prepare the home for the shivah. This program will nicely augment the contributions of our clergy and our Chevra Kadisha at times of loss.

We will be training a cadre of 10-15 volunteers who will form this new Bereavement Committee.

Trainees need to be people with good organizational skills who can function in what may be an emotional environment. They need also to be available at short notice and able to spend a good part of a day, a few times a year, with a mourning family. Not everyone fits this "job description," but we anticipate a successful response. Training will take place after the holidays, and the program will be launched by late fall.

If interested, please contact Susan Levine at (301) 530-2919.