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PAST PRESIDENTS COUNCIL HOLDS INAUGURAL MEETING

By Raphael Kahn, Immediate Past President

BETH EL'S BLESSINGS

By Ailene Sher, Director of Development

Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah have just passed. Another Jewish New Year has begun. For me, the day after Simchat Torah starts another year of working at Beth El and being part of the Beth El family. When did it all begin? In 1995 having just arrived from New Zealand, I took an 18 month position at Beth El. I felt it was time for a change and I wasn't sure whether I wanted to return to the field of Jewish Education. Eighteen months was more than enough time to cement my plans. Beth El members and staff were very warm and welcoming.

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On September 13th, Beth El had a meeting attended by Past Presidents for the goal of bringing as many of our past leaders together to discuss what is currently happening at Beth El. The purpose of the council is to establish a forum where our past leaders would be able to remain up to date and be able to share their input and experience with our current lay leaders. This group of individuals is made up of men and women with a diverse spectrum of current and past careers spanning the legal profession, business leaders, educators, medicine, and accounting. Of our seventeen living Past Presidents – twelve were able to attend. Attending were Ira Askin, Charles Yumkas, Robert Smelkinson, Sidney Friedman, Louis Glick, Elliot Merenbloom, David Yumkas, Alan Dorenfeld, John Abosch, Beverly Penn, Rich Hollander, and myself. Also in attendance was our current President, Steve Silverman. Mildred Miller, Albert Katz, Margot Gillison, Dr. Robert Keehn, and Michael Steinhardt were unable to attend. Our first meeting was very productive and beneficial. We are looking forward to our next meeting which is scheduled for March 2012. I commend everyone who attended and those who could not, I thank all of them for everything they have done for Beth El in the past and thank them in anticipation of what they will continue to do for us in the future. Speaking personally, it is a privilege to be able to join their ranks.



Standing Left to Right: Raphael Kahn, Richard Hollander, Charles Yumkas, John Abosch, Alan Dorenfeld, Robert Smelkinson, Sidney Friedman
Seated Left to Right: Beverly Penn, David Yumkas, Ira Askin, Louis Glick, Elliot Merenbloom

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO:

Dr. Sheldon Bloom on the loss of his beloved mother, Mollie Bloom;
 Mr. Robert Deckelbaum on the loss of his beloved mother, Edythe Deckelbaum;
 Mr. Asher Elkayam on the loss of his beloved brother, Jacques Elkayam;
 The family of the late William Holzman;
 Mrs. Miriam Levy on the loss of her beloved husband, Stephen P. Levy;
 The family of the late Isadore Miller;
 Mrs. Sandra Miller and Mr. Jeffrey Miller on the loss of their beloved son and brother, Richard Lee Miller;
 Rabbi Dana Saroken on the loss of her beloved grandmother, Myrtle Several.

A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Ray Fisher
 Carolyn Hubberman
 Sam Jacobson
 Elsie Koenigsberg
 Barbara Mendelsohn
 Larry Pinsky

OUR HEARTIEST MAZEL TOV TO:

Mr. James and Dr. Lisa Abrams on the *Bar Mitzvah* of their son, Bennett Abrams;
 Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Adler on the marriage of their son, Daniel to Meghan Olesnevich; grandmother is Mrs. Sylvia Weinberg;
 Mr. and Mrs. Myron Asher on the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer to Sephy Baunan; grandmother is Mrs. Betty Zlotowitz;
 Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Berman on the *Bar Mitzvah* of their son, Alec "Ryan" Berman; grandparent is Mr. Victor Cohen;
 Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Buckner on the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter, Kate Buckner;
 Mr. David and Rabbi Faith Cantor on the birth of their daughter, Keren Yael Cantor;
 Mr. and Mrs. Irv Cohen on the birth of their grandsons, Max Joel Cohen and Adam Nathan Bensinger;
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fellerman on the birth of their grandson, Judah Gould Fellerman;
 Mr. Alexander Gavilow on the *Bar Mitzvah* of his son, Jacob Parker Gavilow;
 Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Green on the marriage of their daughter, Susan to Gregory Skipper;
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jacobs on the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter, Jennifer Emily Jacobs;
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jacobs on the engagement of their son, Chris to Kat Cameron; grandfather is Mr. Theodore DeBois;
 Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kahn on the *Bar Mitzvah* of their son, Max Kahn; grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raphael Kahn and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Berkowitz;
 Mr. and Mrs. David Levine on the marriage of their daughter, Cheryl to Steven Cooperstein; grandmother is Betty Zlotowitz;
 Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Perloff on the birth of their grandson, Benjamin Mordechai Rogovin;
 Mrs. Ellie Spind on the marriage of her son, Stuart to Robin Dansicker.

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES:

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Shapiro on their 65th
 Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Needel on their 45th
 Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Fruman on their 40th
 Mr. and Mrs. Donald Silverstein on their 40th
 Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cooper on their 35th
 Dr. and Mrs. Hirsch Seidman on their 35th
 Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Fishbein on their 30th
 Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mazer on their 30th
 Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gordon on their 25th
 Mr. and Mrs. Lee Davidson on their 20th
 Dr. and Mrs. Mark Fraiman on their 20th
 Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gray on their 20th
 Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Katz on their 15th
 Mr. and Mrs. Lanny Schuster on their 15th



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BAR & BAT MITZVAH



BAR MITZVAH
Max Dylan Kahn, son of Lynne and Howard Kahn will be called to the Torah as a *Bar Mitzvah* November 19, 2011.



BAT MITZVAH
Kate Elissa Buckner, daughter of Laura and Jeffrey Buckner will be called to the Torah as a *Bat Mitzvah* during *Havdallah* services on November 19, 2011.



BAR MITZVAH
Bennett Charles Abrams, son of Lisa and Mickey Abrams will be called to the Torah as a *Bar Mitzvah* November 26, 2011.



BAR MITZVAH
Roi Gincel, son of Dr. Dan and Ayelet Gincel will be called to the Torah as a *Bar Mitzvah* December 3, 2011.

BAR MITZVAH
Brent Daniel Hazman, son of Cindy and Jonathan Hazman will be called to the Torah as a *Bar Mitzvah* December 3, 2011.

SCHEDULE OF DAILY SERVICES

Morning		Evening	
Monday –		Monday –	
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Thursday	7:30 p.m.
<i>Rosh Chodesh</i>	7:45 a.m.	Friday	6:00 p.m.
<i>Shabbat</i>	10:00 a.m.	Saturday	sundown*
Sunday &		Sunday	5:30 p.m.
Legal Holidays	9:15 a.m.		

*Check website or call 410-580-2727

IN MEMORIAM

**EDYTHE DECKELBAUM
 WILLIAM HOLZMAN
 STEPHEN P. LEVY
 ISADORE H. MILLER**

We mourn the passing of our members and extend sincere condolences to their families.

Beth El is compiling a list of our members who would like to receive email notifications of congregational obituaries. If you wish to be added to this list, please email **Sandi Block** at sandi@bethelbalto.com.

BETH EL HOTLINE NUMBERS

Service Schedules: 410-580-2727
Weather Hotline: 410-580-2720
Congregation Closings & Program Changes: 410-580-5080
Early Childhood Education Closings & Program Changes: 410-580-5081
Religious School Closings & Program Changes: 410-580-5082

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

MORNING SERVICE	8:00 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE	6:00 p.m.
CANDLE LIGHTING	5:42 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Parsha of the Week – LECH LECHA

MORNING SERVICE	10:00 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE	6:15 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

MORNING SERVICE	8:00 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE	6:00 p.m.
CANDLE LIGHTING	4:35 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Parsha of the Week – VAYERA

MORNING SERVICE	10:00 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE	5:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

MORNING SERVICE	8:00 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE	6:00 p.m.
CANDLE LIGHTING	4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Parsha of the Week – CHAYE SARAH

MORNING SERVICE	10:00 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE	5:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24 – THANKSGIVING DAY

Office Closed

MORNING SERVICE	9:15 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE	5:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

MORNING SERVICE	8:00 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE	6:00 p.m.
CANDLE LIGHTING	4:26 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Parsha of the Week – TOLDOT

MORNING SERVICE	10:00 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE	4:45 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

MORNING SERVICE	8:00 p.m.
EVENING SERVICE	6:00 p.m.
CANDLE LIGHTING	4:24 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

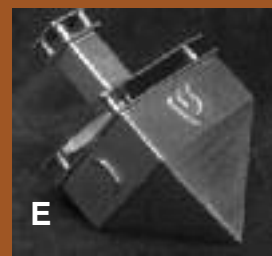
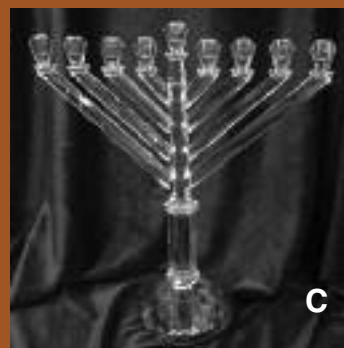
Parsha of the Week – VAYETZE

MORNING SERVICE	10:00 p.m.
EVENING SERVICE	4:45 p.m.

Shop at the Judaica Shop!

The Judaica Shop has an extensive selection of gifts for all of your upcoming events. Gifts for all ages and available in all price ranges!

Please support the Shop by buying *Chanukah* gifts, *Bar and Bat Mitzvah* gifts, and wedding gifts. We offer free gift wrap - let us take the stress out of your shopping!



- A. Silver plate candle sticks with optional woven inserts.
- B. Gary Rosenthal glass and metal candlesticks.
- C. Large crystal Chanukah menorah.
- D. Sterling silver kiddush cup.
- E. Joy Stember metal dreidel, with stand.

STORE HOURS

Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
 Friday, 11:00a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

We are available other times by appointment. Please call the Beth El Office 410-484-0411 or Barbara Green at 410-486-4080.



Beth El Baby

Adam Nathan Steinberg

Born:
 January 30, 2011

Parents:
 Carla and Michael Steinberg

Grandparents:
 Lois Steinberg and
 Joel and Elyse Mashbaum

Please email jpeg images – along with the name of the infant and family members and the infant's birth date – to sandi@bethelbalto.com.

SHABBAT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Religious Services Committee is looking for volunteers to work as ushers for *Shabbat* and holiday services. You would only have to commit to about once a month. We are also looking for people to be greeters on *Shabbat* mornings when there is a *B'nai Mitzvah*.

Training will be provided. If you are interested please contact either Lee Snyder at 410-486-5591 or email lee.snyder@trgc.com or Morris Saks at 410-484-8482 or email msaks@gsg-cpa.com.



Ailene Sher

When I was asked to stay a bit longer, I didn't hesitate. Over time I became the Associate Administrator and four years ago, our beloved Rabbi Mark Loeb of blessed memory suggested I apply for the position of Director of Development. While Rabbi Loeb is no longer with us, we think reverently about him on a daily

basis. His words to me were, "It's not about the money, the money will come. It's all about the relationships." So here I am, Ailene Sher, your Director of Development. In this difficult economy I constantly hear, "You have such a tough job, we feel so sorry for you. It must be so hard..."

To the contrary, I feel very blessed. I am blessed to be working with such devoted clergy, staff and forty-one wonderful volunteers. My two co-chairs, Arnold Fruman and Robert Slatkin have faithfully chaired the Annual Appeal for the past eight years. Erv Sekulov not only chairs Planned Giving, but serves as an advisor and is an incredibly hard working volunteer for the Annual Appeal. What more could I ask for?

Our President, Steve Silverman, presented the facts in an inspiring High Holiday Annual Appeal address. The synagogue needs help and it needs it right now. We are who we are because of the love our members have for their clergy and the Beth El family. Our facility always looks beautifully maintained because that is the standard that is set by our Executive Director, Gil Kleiner and our building manager, Michael Ray. But, don't ask them to show you all the maintenance and repair work that remains to be done. A long and expensive wish list exists. We replaced the roof last year and a few weeks ago a new motor was replaced in the air-conditioning unit after a frightful smoky *Shabbat* morning in the Rubin Sanctuary.

We are constantly working on new programs to engage families, at all levels and trying to encourage our members to become more active and involved in their synagogue.

In truth this requires funds. I want to thank all of our members who have already made their Annual Appeal gifts and a special thanks to those of you who were kind enough to increase your gifts. When a volunteer (who is an unpaid congregational peer) phones for your pledge, please be considerate enough to respond in a positive fashion. They are doing this for our synagogue, our family.

Our goal this year is \$500,000. If you haven't done so yet please make your gift before the end of the year. Your synagogue is counting on your support.

If you are a new member or if you have never met me, please come by my office to say hello. I would welcome the opportunity to meet you.

SPONSOR A SHABBAT KIDDUSH

Sponsoring a Beth El *Shabbat Kiddush* is the perfect way to celebrate a birthday, an upcoming wedding or any other *simcha*. Sponsors names are mentioned from the bimah when the rabbi does the weekly announcements.

Contact **Diane Cole**, Event Coordinator, at 410-484-0411 or diane@bethelbalto.com and she will help you plan your special *Kiddush*.

SENIORS

Our next scheduled dinner meeting is **Sunday, December 11** at 6:30 p.m. in the Offit Auditorium. Our entertainment for the evening will be the refreshingly popular singer, Nancy Abramson, also known as "Nancy Sings." Nancy will entertain us with Big Band, Broadway, Classic Rock, Country, Disco, Jazz Oldies and Classic Standards. Reservations and payments are due by Wednesday, November 30. Cost is \$20 for members and \$23 for guests. Please list on a separate sheet of paper those members with whom you would like to sit and your preference, if any, for a diet dessert. For further information call Ed Berkowitz at 410-296-8424.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

All people over 50 are welcome to join our group. Dues are only \$15 per person. For more information, contact **Ed Berkowitz at 410-296-8424, Betty Zlotowitz at 410-484-9840, Jerry Fineblum at 410-653-2631, Shirley Lipman at 410-415-5588 or Pauline Auslander at 410-764-8011.**

TORAH MAINTENANCE FUND



A project of the Beth El Seniors is to support the maintenance and repair of our synagogue's Torahs and *Megillot*. Contributing to a process that pays for caring for these sacred scrolls and preserving them for future generations is a *mitzvah*.

Torah Maintenance Fund cards are available at the Beth El Office or call **Dorothy Fineblum at 410-653-2631**. Our all-purpose cards are still six for \$10 or \$2 each.

The card features a drawing by world famous artist Ira Moskowitz. Born in 1912 as the son and grandson of rabbis, he has infused his work with the customs and traditions of our religion.

BETH EL SENIORS' DINNER

By Peter G. Engelman

On Sunday, September 11, 2011, the Beth El Seniors hosted a dinner meeting for the members of Chizuk Amuno's Club Hatikvah and Beth Israel's Club Hazak. This historic combined dinner meeting was held in Beth El's Offit Auditorium where 284 attendees enjoyed a scrumptious dinner, entertainment and fellowship. Ricky Pen, famed Israeli born multi-lingual singer and musician gave a performance of a lifetime to the fully packed house. It is anticipated that this gathering of senior social groups will set a precedent for similar get-togethers at future dates. Beth El Seniors continues to recruit additional members to its diversified group. Call **Ed Berkowitz at 410-296-8424** for additional information.



Combined Attendance of 284 people.



Left to right, Ruth Anne Kaufman, Eudice Lowenthal, Gloria Freedman, Ed Berkowitz



Entertainer, Ricky Pen



Left to right: Gil Davis, Ed Berkowitz



Doris Sugar, Club Hazak



America and Israel are Better Together and So Are We.

**Join Rabbi Dana Saroken and Fellow Members
of Beth El Congregation in Washington, D.C., this March.**

AIPAC POLICY CONFERENCE

**March 4 – 6, 2012
Washington, D.C.**

The AIPAC Policy Conference offers pro-Israel citizen activists the opportunity to lobby their members of Congress on Capitol Hill about issues affecting the United States and Israel. Participants hear from heads of state and choose from dozens of workshops about the most pressing issues of the day.

REGISTER BY DECEMBER 2, 2011 FOR \$399 PER PERSON.
AFTER DECEMBER 2 THE REGISTRATION IS \$499 PER PERSON.
Registration forms are available on the AIPAC website at www.aipac.org/pc
or the Beth El website at www.bethelbalto.com or in the main Beth El office.

For more information about the Beth El delegation or the conference, contact
AIPAC Area Director **Tara Brown** at (410) 223-4190 or tbrown@aipac.org.

IT IS RAEELY TRUE

Can a dip in the Dead Sea help cure diabetes?

A short dip in the Dead Sea facilitates a drop in blood glucose levels and could improve the medical conditions of diabetics, according to an initial study conducted by researchers from Ben-Gurion University.



For the Birds –

With five hundred million birds migrating through Israel's skies twice a year, nature lovers have begun to take note of Israel's unique potential as an ornithology superpower, to which ornithologists flock as frequently as the birds.

Tee Time –

The prestigious Caesarea Israel Golf Club, established in the 1960s by the Baron de Rothschild Family, is the only international golf club in Israel. The Caesarea golf course was refurbished in 2009 with a new design by legendary golf course designer Pete Dye.

Paper Recycling Available at Beth El

Brought to you by Beth El's Environmental Committee



Paper recycling bins are located in our back parking lot. This drop off location is open to anyone in the community. All paper products may be deposited except for food containers and cardboard. We earn money for Beth El through this program so the more you bring, the more we will earn.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS LOOKING TO JOIN A SYNAGOGUE?

Whether he/she is new to town or a native Baltimorean, and whether they are a family, a couple or single, Beth El has something to offer each and every one.

Please invite them to events they might find of interest, and please contact **Debbie Caplan** in the Outreach Office at 410-484-0411 or debbie@bethelbalto.com so she can invite them to Beth El.



M&M SHABBAT

M&M is a spirited Friday night service for kids from newborns to six year olds. Join Rabbi Saroken and Cantor King the first Friday night of the month for a short half hour service from 5:15 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. in the Gorn Chapel. We'll bring in *Shabbat* together through music, prayer and movement. Feel free to bring your own musical instruments. Siblings of all ages are welcome! Each M&M's *Shabbat* service is followed by an informal oneg with grape juice for kid-dush, *challah* for *motzei*, sweet treats and of course, a great community. Bring your children, grandchildren or special friends as everyone is welcome!

M&M Shabbat
"Save the Dates!"
November 4; December 2
2012: January 6; February 3;
March 2; May 4; June 1

THE BERMAN-LIPAVSKY RELIGIOUS SCHOOL HAS ARRIVED IN HOWARD COUNTY!

This wonderful, energetic group of 17 students, ranging from kindergarten to 5th Grade is our Howard County *Chavurah*. The group meets in one of the student's homes each Thursday from 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. with Ellen Marks and Erica Allen. The children also meet at Beth El each Sunday with Noah Aronin from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

The *Chavurah* also includes the parents; *Shabbat* dinners are planned and there is discussion for other parent/family events. This outreach services families in Ellicott City, Woodstock, Columbia, Fulton, West Friendship, Sykesville, and Eldersburg. It is our goal to reach out to families everywhere to make a strong Beth El connection in the community.

Our first meetings centered around the fall High Holidays. After the chagim, our planned curriculum has taken us to the topic of Building a Jewish Home. We discuss, sing, create, and learn about the many aspects of being Jewish and infusing it into our lives. The children also have Hebrew language instruction, Hebrew reading, music, and prayer curriculum in addition to more Jewish based topics. The Howard County *Chavurah* will also experience *Shabbat* services as a group. If you are interested in joining please call **Ellen Marks** at 410-484-0411 or email ellenm@bethelbalto.com.

ENROLL NOW!

PRESCHOOL, MOMMY & ME, & PRE-K

- ☛ Flexible Schedule Options for Children 2 - 5
- ☛ Part-time, full-time and extended day options available
- ☛ The children enjoy our music program and physical education "Active Kids" gym classes, Hebrew language classes, Torah Stories, pre-*Shabbat* celebrations, arts and crafts, science, cooking, beginning reading and number skills, outside play on our playground and field, Kosher snacks, children's active games, library, field trips, and much more.
- ☛ Fall and spring MOMMY AND ME classes for 18-24 month olds and their parent, grandparent, or caregiver.

Please call Preschool at 410-602-2245.



Rabbi Saroken and Rabbi Cantor will lead a family centered Kabbalat Shabbat on the third Friday night of each month followed by dinner!

After sharing *Shabbat* dinner with family and friends adults will schmooze, while the children participate in various Club M activities! (See schedule below)

Once a month, M&M's PLUS will meet on *Shabbat* mornings with Rabbi Cantor and Morah Becky Gordon. This will be followed by our monthly "Club M" gaga tournament in the youth lounge!

M&M's PLUS prepares school aged children to participate in both the Friday night and *Shabbat* morning services.

M&M PLUS schedule

Shabbat Mornings:	Friday Evenings:
November 12	November 18
December 10	December 16
January 21	January 20
February 11	February 17
March 10	March 18
April 21	April 20



Listed below are the Club M activities for each Friday following M&M's PLUS Kabbalat Shabbat.

November 18: Human Foosball

December 16: Twist Like A Dreidle Twister!

January 20: Paper Bag Dramatics

February 17: Tag You Are It!

March 16: Magic Comes Alive!

April 20: Circle Games



If you RSVP for 4 out of the 6 dinners before November 1, the cost for each dinner will be \$25 per family. If you plan to RSVP for dinners individually, the cost for each dinner is \$35 per family. We need all RSVP's one week in advance. Please address checks to M&M's PLUS. ATTN: Fran Davis.



Save the Date

Help in soup kitchens and homeless shelters | Visit the elderly

2011 Community Mitzvah Day

December 25, 2011

Assemble winter care packages | Deliver Meals



www.jvcbaltimore.org



Individually we do so much. Imagine what we can accomplish together.

— Louise Supnick, Chair and Avn Elkin, Co-Chair

A BIG THANK YOU!

The Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future (CLF) Baltimore Food and Faith Project Grant awarded a grant for \$750.00 to the Pauline Mash School for Early Childhood Education for our garden. Thanks to **Merle Intner** for preparing and submitting the grant request.

WHAT'S NEW IN INFANT & TODDLER CARE AT BETH EL ?

- ☼ Part Time Infant/Toddler care options now available with quarterly contracts
- ☼ Full Time and Part Time spots available for children
- ☼ Now enrolling for Two Year Old Classroom, opening in January.

Contact **Dee Curtin**, Program Coordinator, for more information or to schedule a tour to see the Infant & Toddler wing at Beth El, **410-580-2723** or **dee@bethelbalto.com**.



This was taken on the first day of Hebrew School in our Federal Hill location. Leo is proud of his map of Israel made out of icing and candy!



Nico was very careful to get his map of Israel correct. He is one of 22 students in our Federal Hill Hebrew School in

Your Neighborhood Location. We began with only 7 students just three years ago.

This is Ben and his mom. Ben is one of four Benjamin's and an Isaac that we have at our Roland Park location. Ben takes advantage of our walking service from Roland Park Elementary to the Roland Park Country School with a stop at Gilman on the way.



Safety is very important to the staff at Beth El. Pictured here is Jill Book reviewing her CPR.

The Roland Park Hebrew School in Your Neighborhood opened this year with 12 students ranging from ages three to seven. Here are some of the girls in the class from left to right: Sophia, Mason, Bella, Grace, and Maya.



SPRING 2012 CULTURAL TRIPS

Mark your calendar for these two fabulous trips:

*Philadelphia Museum – Magic Gardens,
Philadelphia, PA*

Thursday, April 19 (8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.)



Philadelphia Museum of Art
www.philamuseum.org

This trip offers a day of unique and diversified experiences. Our first stop will be the Philadelphia Museum of Art to view the special exhibit *Van Gogh Up Close*. Vincent Van Gogh was an artist of exceptional intensity not only in his use of color and exuberant application of paint but also in his personal life.

Drawn powerfully to nature, his works, particularly those created in the years just before he took his own life, engage the viewer with the strength of his emotions. This exhibition focuses on the tumultuous feverish artistic experimentations that began when Van Gogh left Antwerp for Paris in 1886 and continued until his death in Auvers in 1890.

After lunch on your own at the Museum, our group will take a short ride to Philadelphia's Magic Gardens. We will have a docent led tour of mosaicist Isaiah Zagar's remarkable Magic Gardens. The Gardens include a fully mosaic indoor gallery and a massive outdoor labyrinthine mosaic sculpture. Zagar began working on the Gardens in 1994 and for the last 17 years has dedicated his work to beautifying the South Street neighborhood of his city.



Cost \$77 per person

Registration for Beth El and Sisterhood members will be Monday, December 5 at 10:00 a.m. in the Shapiro Auditorium. If you have any questions, contact Marlene Siegel at 410-484-1844 or Judy Frankle at 410-486-2672.

*Belmont Estate & Kenmore House,
Fredericksburg, VA*

Thursday, May 17 (7:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.)



On this lovely spring day, we will travel to historic Fredericksburg, VA. In the morning, our group will visit Belmont, the home and studio of American impressionist artist Gari Milcher. The 18th century house contains an outstanding collection of European and American antiques; English, Chinese, French, and Bavarian china; Oriental and

Savonnerie rugs; and paintings by Frans Snyder, Bertha Morisot and many others. The stone studio displays the works from Melcher's prolific career and the formal gardens contain large period rose collections and walking paths.

Leaving Belmont, we drive to the Kenmore Inn, constructed in 1793, for lunch in its charming dining room. Following lunch, we will tour the historic Kenmore House, the elegant plantation home of George Washington's sister Betty and her husband Colonel Fielding Lewis. This mansion is known for its ornate plasterwork ceilings and the Aesop's fable theme in the dining room. To conclude our visit, you will have free time to explore charming Old Town Fredericksburg and its shops.



Cost: \$88 per person

Registration for Beth El and Sisterhood members will be Monday, December 5 at 10:00 a.m. in the Shapiro Auditorium.

If you have any questions, contact **Marlene Siegel** at **410-484-1844** or **Judy Frankle** at **410-486-2672**.



CONTRIBUTIONS

ENDOWMENTS

Donations through October 3, 2011.

THE ADLER-LEV SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The birth of grandson Carter Lev to Judy and Dr. Richard Schlosserg, by Sonia and Ed Obstler.

THE RABBI JACOB & MIRIAM AGUS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Herman Lipschutz by Shirley and Harvey Weisman. Mark Weisman by Shirley and Harvey Weisman.

THE BETH EL ART FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The marriage of the son of Susan and Leslie Gladstone by Sonia and Ed Obstler.

THE DAVID BAER YOUTH FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Celia Baer by Alexander Baer, Linda Baer and John Rudesill.

THE STANLEY L. BECKER MISHPACHAH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Elaine Snyder by Susan and Ron Maytin.

THE MARILYN AND GARY BERMAN FAMILY PRE-SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The birth of a daughter Keren Yael to Rabbi Faith and Mr. David Cantor by Saralyn and Dr. Sheldon Glass.

THE SANDRA & MALCOLM BERMAN FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Richard Lee Miller by Sandy and Malcolm Berman. Jack Rubin by Sandra and Malcolm Berman.

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IN HONOR OF:

The birth of grandson Benjamin Mordechai Rogovin to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Perloff, by Glenda and Nate Chernoff.

THE LOUIS AND ESTHER DOPKIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Helen Moskowitz by Michael Dopkin.

IN HONOR OF:

The 70th wedding anniversary of Lucille and Nathan Goldberg by Michael Dopkin.

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Jane Krosin by Mrs. Hilda Dopkin.

THE SYLVAN DORENFELD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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IN MEMORY OF:

Alan Fruman by Sonya and Jerry Goodman. Stephen Levy by Sonya and Jerry Goodman. Richard Miller by Sonya and Jerry Goodman.

IN HONOR OF:

The Bar Mitzvah of Max Penn by Sonya and Jerry Goodman.

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Mr. Bud Moore by Sonya and Jerry Goodman. Mrs. Fran Richman by Sonya and Jerry Goodman.

THE GREEN FAMILY RELIGIOUS SERVICES FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Sydney Cohen by Barbara and Benjy Green.

IN HONOR OF:

The marriage of Susan Green, daughter of Barbara and Benjy Green, by Joan and Jerry Cohn, Bette and Herbert Dahne, Irene Snyder (Green).

The marriage of Jessica Kleiner, daughter of Carol and Gil Kleiner to Dustin Rabine, by Barbara and Benjy Green.

THE DR. JEROME KOEPEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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Jacques (Jack) Rubin by Mrs. Marlene Koepfel. Dr. Benjamin Wolfer by Sharon and Marshall Paul.

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IN MEMORY OF:

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SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

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THE M. HENRY AND ELIZABETH KUNTZ MEMORIAL FUND

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IN HONOR OF:

The 50th wedding anniversary of Nadine and David Hazman by Mrs. Hulane Zolet.

The 10th wedding anniversary of Rabbi Dana Saroken and Mr. Rafi Rone by Mrs. Hulane Zolet.

The wedding anniversary of Becky and Rabbi Steven Schwartz by Mrs. Hulane Zolet.

The Bar Mitzvah of Max Penn, grandson of Ms. Adrienne Greenspun and Beverly and Sam Penn by Mrs. Hulane Zolet.

The marriage of Jessica Kleiner, daughter of Carol and Gil Kleiner, to Dustin Rabine, by Mrs. Hulane Zolet.

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

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The kindnesses and help of Dr. Ed Mishner on numerous occasions by Maria and Eddie Lichter.

THE JOSEPH LIPAVSKY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The graduation from Law School of David, grandson of Rita and Larry Silverman, by Bunny and Mike Roseman.

THE H. ALLAN LIPSITZ ENDOWED ADULT EDUCATION FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The 70th wedding anniversary of Lucille and Nathan Goldberg by Bunny and Mike Roseman.

The 40th wedding anniversary of Hinda and Dr. Stuart Dankner by Bunny and Mike Roseman.

The Bar Mitzvah of Max Penn, grandson of Ms. Adrienne Greenspun, by Ms. Dora Smith.

The Bar Mitzvah of Max Penn, grandson of Ms. Adrienne Greenspun and Beverly and Sam Penn, by Mrs. Gail Lipsitz.

The birth of a baby girl to Rabbi Faith Cantor and Mr. David Cantor by Ms. Dora Smith.

The special birthday of Ms. Adrienne Greenspun by Ms. Gail Lipsitz.

The graduation of Julia Denick, granddaughter of Ruth and Ted Denick, by Bunny and Mike Roseman.

The marriage of Jessica Kleiner to Dustin Rabine by Ms. Dora Smith.

The retirement of Mrs. Susan Allen by Bunny and Mike Roseman.

THE RABBI MARK G. LOEB JUDAIC STUDIES COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The Bar Mitzvah of Max Penn, grandson of Beverly and Sam Penn, by Eunice and Sidney Friedman.

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Marvin Schein by Eunice and Sidney Friedman.

THE RABBI MARK G. LOEB MEMORIAL FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Jacques Rubin by Judy and Lee Rosenberg.

THE NATHAN AND PAULINE MASH PRE-SCHOOL FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Jessica Klein by Debby and Art Gerson.

THE MAX MENDELSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

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SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

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IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

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THE DAISY MILLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Lily Arenson by Mr. Gilbert H. Miller.

THE MITZVAH FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Jack Rubin by Rina and Howard Janet, Ruth and Richard Shalek.

IN HONOR OF:

The 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Alpert, by Cheryl and Jonathan Aaron.

Sadie Maeve Zerivitz, new granddaughter of Linda and Fred Silber, by Sherry and Dr. Steven Berlin.

The marriage of Jessica Kleiner, daughter of Carol and Gil Kleiner, to Dustin Rabine, by Ellen and Barry Budish, Ms. Karen Chasen, & Susan and Hal Hackerman.

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Ruth Lichtenauer by Faye and Marc Sherman. Walter Lichtenauer by Faye and Marc Sherman.

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IN APPRECIATION FOR:

The courtesies extended and all the support given by Rabbi Dana Saroken, by Mrs. Melinda Greenberg.

THE MORNING MINYAN FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

The beloved mother of Mrs. Royce Hendler, by Dale and Ray Kahn.

Stephen Levy by Judy and Dr. Michael Baylin, Marilyn and Steve Blum, Dale and Ray Kahn.

IN HONOR OF:

Max Penn, grandson of Ms. Adrienne Greenspun and Beverly & Sam Penn, upon his Bar Mitzvah by Dale and Ray Kahn.

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Philip J. Silberman by Ms. Susan Sugarman.

THE ISAAC AND FANNIE PEVER HEBREW EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The 10th wedding anniversary of Rabbi Dana Saroken and Mr. Rafi Rone by Gloria and Dick Gordon and Family.

THE PRAYER BOOK FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

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THE RABBI STEVEN SCHWARTZ TRIBUTE FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Richard Miller by Nancy and Dr. Marc Gertner.

IN HONOR OF:

The marriage of Jessica Kleiner, daughter of Carol and Gil Kleiner, to Dustin Rabine, by Ms. Hedy From and Mr. Michael Rubenstein.

IN APPRECIATION FOR:

The courtesies extended by Rabbi Steven Schwartz and for all his support, by Mrs. Melinda Greenberg.

THE RICKY SIEGEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Richard Lee Miller by Mrs. Marilyn Siegel. Anna Reichmister by Mrs. Marilyn Siegel.

Jacques Rubin by Mrs. Marilyn Siegel.

IN HONOR OF:

The 50th wedding anniversary of Nadine and David Hazman by Mrs. Marilyn Siegel.

THE MELVIN AND ANITA STEINBERG COLLEGE OUTREACH PROGRAM FUND

IN HONOR OF

The marriage of Susan Green, daughter of Barbara and Benjy Green, to Greg Skipper by Anita and Mickey Steinberg.

THE STEINHARDT-BALACHOW FAMILY YOUTH FUND

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Mrs. Barbara Steinhart by Susan and Hal Hackerman.

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SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

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THE YAHRZEIT FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

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Melvin Asher by Carol and Marshall Asher.

Marvin Brand by Jacqueline and Alan Wilder.

Larry Frankle by Mrs. Judy Frankle, Children and Grandchildren.

Yetta Gelblum by Sonia and Ed Obstler.

Stanley Hackerman by Mrs. Irene Pasarew.

Bernard Hurwitz by Barbara and Marvin Hurwitz.

Ruth Ingber by Mr. Morton Weiner.

Herman Kimmelman by Jackie and Marvin Shuman.

Sol J. Klein by Rita and Sheldon Shemer.

Barbara Lee Pasarew by Mrs. Irene Pasarew.

Irene Scherr by Mr. Jerry Herling.

Ervin Wilder by Jacqueline and Alan Wilder.

THE YOUTH EDUCATION FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Richard Miller by Lorinda and Allan Belzberg, Beverly

and Sheldon Forchheimer, Denise and Keith Franz.
 Trudy Preiss by Debbie and Richard Edlow.
 Anna Reichmister by Cindy and Jon Hazman, Phyllis and Fred London.
 Doris Rosen by Syndy and Dr. Jeffrey Gaber.
 Jacques (Jack) Rubin by Lorraine and Dr. Howard Bronstein, Phyllis and Fred London, Adele and Jerry Sidle.
 Amy Segal by Lorinda and Allan Belzberg, Ellen and Barry Budish.
 Edith Siegel by Cheryl, Andy, Evan and Brooke Chernoff.

IN HONOR OF:

The birth of a baby girl to Rabbi Faith and Mr. David Cantor by Susan and Hal Hackerman, Dale and Ray Kahn.
 The birth of baby grandson Benjamin to Arlene and Jerry Perloff, by Lois Adelberg and Mackie Kimmet.
 The 80th birthday of Ms. Faye Adler by Syndy and Dr. Jeffrey Gaber.

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Dr. Hal Mendelson by Abby and Steve Lazinsky.

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Peter I. Levine by Marsha and Mark Levine.

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

IN MEMORY OF:

Sydney Cohen by Goldie and Joel Berg to The Youth Education Fund.
 Sydney Cohen by Nancy and Dr. Marc Gertner to The Rabbi Steven Schwartz Tribute Fund.
 Sydney Cohen by Al Saval to The Mitzvah Fund.
 Sydney Cohen by Susie and Steve Weintraub, Lee and Alfred Whiteman to The Prayer Book Fund.
 Ruth Cooper by Susan and Elliot Weinstein to The Elliot & Susan Weinstein Scholarship Fund.
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 Alan Fruman by Maria, Eddie, Noah and Ben Lichter to The Harry Lichter Chesed Fund.
 Jacob Goldenberg by Barbara and Benji Green to The Green Family Religious Services Fund.
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 Rick Kovens by Karen and Alan Berkowitz to The Harry Lichter Chesed Fund.
 Stephen Levy by The Gordon Paper Company, Inc. to The Youth Education Fund.
 Ruth Lipski by Barbara and Benji Green to The Green Family Religious Services Fund.
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 Sandra Mendelson by Deborah Coleman and David Gould to The Ray S. and Netty P. Gould Scholarship Fund.
 Richard Lee Miller by Mrs. Fanny Funk, Ben, Stephanie, Mollie and Ethan Gordon, Ms. Beverly Rosenthal, Mrs. Ellie Spind, to The Prayer Book Fund.
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 Richard Miller by Natalie and John Spector to The Rabbi Mark G. Loeb Judaic Studies College Scholarship Fund.
 Richard Newman by Barbara and Benji Green to The Green Family Religious Services Fund.
 Trudy Preiss by Eileen and Harry Brafmann to The Prayer Book Fund.
 Anna Reichmister by Mrs. Ann Kurlander to The Youth Education Fund.
 Anna Reichmister by Mr. Albert Saval to The Mitzvah Fund.
 Jack Rubin by Eileen and Robert Caplan to The Prayer Book Fund.
 Jacques (Jack) Rubin by Nancy and Dr. Marc Gertner to The Rabbi Steven Schwartz Tribute Fund.
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 Harold Weiss by Eunice and Sidney Friedman to The Max Mendelsohn Scholarship Fund.

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The 70th wedding anniversary of Lucille and Nathan Goldberg by Sharon and David Green to The Prayer Book Fund.
 The 70th wedding anniversary of Lucille and Nathan Goldberg by Mrs. Beatrice Hackerman to The Morning Minyan Fund.
 The 60th wedding anniversary of Barbara and Sy Sussman by Dr. and Mrs. Myron Miller to The Jean and Joseph Sussman Scholarship Fund.
 The 55th wedding anniversary of Natalie and Dr. William Feinblum by The Feinblum's.
 The 50th wedding anniversary of Nadine and David Hazman by Sheila and Gilbert Kramer to The Prayer Book Fund.
 The 50th wedding anniversary of Janet and Jay Salkin by Maria Cohen and Ellen and Stephen Cohen to The Mitzvah Fund.
 The 45th wedding anniversary of Yvonne and Rene Daniel by Jane Krosin and Ray Katzen to The Prayer Book Fund.
 The Bar Mitzvah of Max Penn, grandson of Ms. Adrienne Greenspun and Beverly and Sam Penn, by Denise and Keith Franz to The Youth Education Fund.
 The birth of great-granddaughter Temima Leah Friedman to Rita Aronson Lehr and Richard Lehr to The Adult Choir Fund.
 The birth of great-granddaughter Lia Jane Hackerman to Mrs. Lillian Hackerman to The Mitzvah Fund.
 The birth of granddaughter Lia Jane Hackerman to Sharon and Carl Hackerman to The Mitzvah Fund.
 The special birthday of Mrs. Fanny Funk by Gertrude and Israel Freedman, Mrs. Helen Goldberg, and Mrs. Lenora Talles to The Youth Education Fund.

The birthday of Mr. Rudy Cohen by Barbara and Michael Steinhardt to The Steinhardt-Balachow Family Youth Fund.
 The 60th birthday of Dr. Ed Mishner by Susie and Steve Weintraub to The Prayer Book Fund.
 The new home of Natalie and Dr. William Feinblum by The Feinblum's.
 The new home of Judy and Dr. Melvin Kopelnick by Tootsie and Mark Eisenberg.
 The marriage of Susan Green, daughter of Barbara and Benji Green, to Greg Skipper, by Denise and Keith Franz to The Youth Education Fund.
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 Stanley L. Becker by Mrs. Carole Becker to The Stanley L. Becker Mishpachah Scholarship Fund.
 William Belkowitz by Mr. Stanley Scherr to The Prayer Book Fund.
 Gene Berger by Ms. Josie Newhouse and Family to The H. Allan Lipsitz Endowed Adult Education Fund.
 Helene Berger by Ms. Josie Newhouse and Family to The H. Allan Lipsitz Endowed Adult Education Fund.
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 Ruth A. Cohen by Dr. Irvin Cohen to The Yahrzeit Fund.
 Edith Fine by Eunice and Sidney Friedman to The Yahrzeit Fund.
 Adele Fishkind by Mindy and Ronnie Fishkind to The Yahrzeit Fund.
 Jacob Freedenberg by Ms. Rosalie Paul to The Yahrzeit Fund.
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 Stanley Hackerman by Mrs. Lillian Hackerman to The Yahrzeit Fund.
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 Jay Lessans by Mrs. Gilda Lessans to The Yahrzeit Fund.
 Marc David Levy by Mrs. Betty Ruf to The Yahrzeit Fund.
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 Alvin Pasarew by Mrs. Henrietta Pasarew to The Yahrzeit Fund.
 David Pottash by Norma and Dr. Edward Orman to The Yahrzeit Fund.
 Hinda Pottash by Norma and Dr. Edward Orman to The Yahrzeit Fund.
 Florence Weinberg by Mr. Jay Salkin to The Yahrzeit Fund.
 Edith Wolfson by Ms. Bernice Wolfson to The Yahrzeit Fund.

IN APPRECIATION FOR:

The kindness and generosity of Mr. Herb Berkow by Ms. Martha Siegel to The Mitzvah Fund.
 The kindness of Mrs. Saralynn Elkin by Ms. Melissa Klawans to The Harry Lichter Chesed Fund.
 The kindnesses of The Social Action Committee including Robert Slatkin, Paul and Jerry and Rabbi Saroken for her caring, by Miriam and Norman Garfield.
 Rabbi Steven Schwartz officiating at the wedding of Cheryl and Steven Cooperstein by Linda and David Levine to The Al Zlotowitz Chapel Maintenance Fund.

IN GRATITUDE FOR:

The courtesies extended to Judith and Robert Cohan by Rabbi Steven Schwartz, during their bereavement period after the loss of their beloved son Alan, to The H. Allan Lipsitz Endowed Adult Education Fund.
 Her speedy recovery by Mrs. Jane Krosin to The Prayer Book Fund.

HONORS AND MEMORIALS

The 55th wedding anniversary of Joy and Norman Shillman, June 3, 2011, with love by their Children, In-Laws and Grandchildren, an Havdallah Set.

SHREDDING AT BETH EL – Donations for a Worthy Cause

The Social Action Committee and its Environmental Sub-Committee has been very fortunate to have an active group of committee members who volunteer several times a year to “man” our shredding events. The shredding days have been very successful and seem to fill a need in the community. This past shredding day we filled a larger truck with double the weight of the two previous ones. As a result, we are pleased to let the congregation know that after expenses from our last two shredding events, we have been able to donate over \$2,000 to Rabbi Schwartz’s discretionary fund.

If you called a shredding company individually, you would pay at least 5 times the amount of the donation here. Most importantly, by recycling the shredded paper, the environment benefits.

Environmental Savings from Beth El’s Last 3 Shredding days –

	10/10/10	5/18/11	9/11/11
Tons shredded:	3.00	3.13	6.86
Trees saved:	51	53	117

So, save your paper for our next shredding day in the Spring (exact date to be determined) and spread the word to your friends and neighbors – for a reasonable donation to a worthy cause, we will take care of disposing of your important papers.

And don’t forget to dispose of your non-important papers, magazines, etc. for recycling at the two bins in our back parking lot any time of the year (no cardboard allowed).



Attention Snow Birds – Make Sure We Have Your Winter Address!



As the weather gets colder, many of our congregants head south for the winter. It is important that our office receives your winter address, as well as the projected dates you will be away, because the post office will NOT automatically forward *The Voice* and other Beth El mailings. Please contact **Sandi Block** at **410-484-0411** or **sandi@bethelbalto.com** with this information before you leave Baltimore and bring back some warmth and sunshine when you return!



AGUS LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 6:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (when classes are held)
Tuesday	9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
Thursday	2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

If these times are not convenient for you, contact **Marlene Siegel** at **410-484-1844** to make an appointment.

If you wish to donate books to the Agus Library, please contact Marlene Siegel at 410-484-1844. **Because of the limited space, please do not bring books to Beth El until you have spoken to Marlene Siegel.**

SCHUSTER LIBRARY HOURS

Sundays:

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Tuesdays & Wednesdays:

4:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

**FLASH ... YOU WON'T MISS IT
AFTER ALL**

Paid up members are invited to brunch on **Sunday, December 18** at 11:00 a.m. to hear our rescheduled speaker Antero Pietiela, author of *Not in My Neighborhood: How Bigotry Shaped a Great American City*. Brunch will be served at 11:00 a.m. in the Offit Auditorium with Mr. Pietiela's presentation immediately following. Take advantage of this rescheduling to read this highly recommended book, available in the Beth El Library.

Members may bring a guest at a charge of \$12 per person. **NOTE: RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR EVERYONE. Reservations must be made by Thursday, December 8.** They can be made by emailing or calling **Linda Mondell** at **LHMondell@gmail.com** or **410 486-1542** or **Judy Schwartz** at **jmaysch@comcast.net** or **410-653-9253**.

BIBLIO

On **Wednesday, November 16** Carolyn Schochet, Chairman of Jewish Family Living and Life in Israel Committee and Past President will review *The Invisible Wall*, by Harry Bernstein. The Invisible Wall is a memoir of Harry Bernstein's growing up poor in England at a time when Christians and Jews did not interact.

On **Wednesday, December 21** there will be an open discussion of the books recommended by members.

A special thank you goes to **Annafaye Joffe, Adrienne Trost, Millie Keller, Shirley Snyder** and **Martha Glasner** for their memorable presentation of the *Red Letter Diary*.

We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 12:00 p.m. in the Kolker Room. Bring your own kosher, brown bag lunch. Beverages and desserts will be provided. Everyone is welcome.

For additional information, please phone **Rita Silverman** at **410-484-1731** or **Barbara Berkowitz** at **410-296-8424**.

SISTERHOOD MEMBERSHIP

Here's What's Going On

Sisterhood would like to invite you to attend a Beth El Sisterhood event. We have a lot to offer including General/Luncheon Meetings, Biblio Group, Book Reviews with our Rabbis, cultural trips and more. Please do not forget to visit our Judaica Shop. There are a wide variety of lovely gifts for all occasions.

The following women have decided to join us. We welcome our new members: **Lois Balsler, Cari Becker, Marsha Bookoff, Marcia Boonshaft, Helen Bronstein, Marlene Brull, Harriet Cohen, Judy Dworkin, Jaclyn Fleishman, Irene Frieman, Norma Furman, Shirley Goodman, Joanna Goodwin, Gloria Greenspun, Amy Harris, Ellen Himelfarb, Bertha (Bert) James, Debby Kraft, Ann Mishner, Sheryl Rief, Karen Seaman, Carolyn Silverman** and **Annette Sussman**.

**PAID UP MEMBERSHIP BRUNCH
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18
11:00 a.m. in the OFFIT AUDITORIUM**

Name of paid up member _____

Phone _____

Best Telephone # To Be Reached _____

Email _____

Name of guest _____

Please RSVP before Thursday, December 8 and return to:

Beth El Sisterhood
c/o Linda Mondell or Judy Schwartz
8101 Park Heights Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21208

For more information, please call **Susan Hackerman**, Past President and Membership liaison at **410-486-2523**.

**JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY –
TORAH FUND**

This year Torah Fund has gotten off to a great start. We are up to 20 benefactors.

The benefactors have received their beautiful pins. Cards are in stock and ready for purchase for your special occasions. For \$18 you will receive 6 cards, individually they cost \$4. All donations are greatly appreciated as they help to support the education of our future clergy.

Please contact **Jane Krosin** at **410-484-4218** or **Hilda Dopkin** at **410-486-4453** for cards and for more information on becoming a Torah Fund Benefactor.



**SISTERHOOD NOVEMBER
MEETING /LUNCHEON**

On **Monday, November 7** at 11:30 a.m. Sisterhood's speaker will be **Howard Reznick, LCSW-C** who is Senior Manager for Prevention Education at Jewish Community Services. A sought after speaker,

he brings wit and real life experiences to his presentations on emotional health and human relationships. He will be speaking about *Strategies to Deal with Difficult People*. We all have people in our lives that are challenging. This presentation will help you create effective strategies to derive what you need from a relationship.

**ANOTHER DON'T MISS SISTERHOOD
LUNCHEON MEETING AND SPEAKER**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 5 AT 11:30 A.M.
IN THE OFFIT AUDITORIUM**

Susan Adler Davis reads from her new book, *Sadie May: Pioneer of Early 20th Century Collecting*.

Sadie May chronicles the life and travels of Baltimore born Sadie Adler May and her sister, Blanche Adler, both generous benefactors of the Baltimore Museum of Art and other museums in the United States. While living in Paris during the late 1920s, through the beginning of World War II, Sadie helped Marc Chagall escape the Nazi occupation. While acquiring and sending art to U.S. museums during her travels, she was the first to bring Pablo Picasso to America. Ms. May created one of the first children's museums in the U.S. and built an art study center located in the Baltimore Museum of Art.

Our presenter, Baltimorean Ms. Adler is an art historian and teacher as well as the great-niece of Sadie May.

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED - MAKE A RESERVATION by contacting either **Linda Mondell** at **410-486-1542** or email her at **LHMondell@gmail.com** or **Judy Schwartz** at **410-653-9253** or email her at **jmaysch@comcast.net**.

Reservations must be received by Monday, November 28. Walk-ins will be \$17.00.

**MONDAY, December 5 SISTERHOOD MEETING
Offit Auditorium at 11:30 a.m.
General Meeting/Luncheon**

Name _____

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Cell Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Please complete the coupon and send with a check for \$15.00 to:

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MARYLAND FEDERATION OF JEWISH WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

On **Thursday, November 10** there is a Federation meeting at Oheb Shalom, 7310 Park Heights Avenue from 9:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

The topic is **"How to Create a WOW Fundraising Event on a Shoestring Budget."** The speaker is Annette Saxon, Baltimore Hebrew Congregation's Director of Development.

The Social Action Projects are winter hats and gloves for the homeless shelter, paper towels, plastic forks, knives and plates for the Patz-Hackerman House. Please bring your donations to the meeting. Light breakfast sponsored by the Miriam Lodge and Temple Oheb Shalom Sisterhood will be served. Dietary laws will be observed.

RSVP to **Harriet Weiner** at **410-653-3171**.

BOOK REVIEWS BY OUR RABBIS

Sisterhood will present two petite luncheons each followed by a book review. The first review will be held on **Wednesday, January 25, 2012** in the Meyers Auditorium at 12:00 p.m. Rabbi Dana Saroken will review the much talked about **Hush**, by Eishes Charyil. Following the petite luncheon on **Wednesday, March 21, 2012**, Rabbi Steven Schwartz will review the book **In the Garden of Beasts**, by Erik Larson.

Be sure to mark your calendar so you do not miss hearing our Rabbis' insightful and interesting reviews of these two outstanding books.

Have a water efficient H₂Ooliday!

Preparing for and cleaning up after holiday meals and parties can use much more water than ordinary everyday use. Running your tap continuously while preparing food or washing dishes wastes water and can use more than two gallons of water every minute your tap is running. That's a lot when you're cooking a big meal for extended family members and friends! Find ways to reduce your water and energy use, for example:

- **Scrape dirty dishes clean**, instead of using water to rinse them before you put them in the dishwasher.
- **If you don't use a dishwasher**, fill the sink with a few gallons of soapy wash water, clean your dishes, and put them aside. Then rinse them all together afterward.

Either of these simple practices could save 10 gallons of water. If every American household reduced their water use by 10 gallons on just Thanksgiving Day, it would save more than 1 billion gallons of water, as well as save any energy or materials used to pump or treat tap water.

Source: <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/hi-winter.htm#saveenergy>

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Iranium:

John R. Bolton, Ethan Bronner, Richard Perle, Nazie Eftekhari and Alex Traiman

Monday, November 7

**Iranium, the film will be shown at 6:15 p.m.
Program starts at 7:30 p.m.**

Join a panel of influential and provocative names to discuss the threat of a nuclear Iran, featuring clips from the critically acclaimed documentary *Iranium*. The documentary is a stinging indictment of the current Iranian regime and highlights the revolutionary efforts within Iran to topple the government.

John R. Bolton is a former US Ambassador to the United Nations. Richard Perle is a resident fellow at the American Enterprise Institute and served as chairman of the Defense Policy Board during the Bush administration. Alex Traiman is the director of *Iranium* and a professional journalist covering breaking events and analysis in the Middle East. Richard Green is the executive director of the Clarion Fund, the nonprofit organization that produced and distributed *Iranium* as well as other documentary films on threats to international security. Nazie Eftekhari is the director of the Iran Democratic Union. Ethan Bronner is the Jerusalem bureau chief for *The New York Times*.

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Ethan Bronner



Nazie Eftekhari



Richard Perle

**Finding a Lost tribe of Israel:
The Bnei Menashe of India
Michael Freund, moderator**

Monday, November 28, 8:15 p.m.



Michael Freund

Hear members of the *Bnei Menashe* community, along with Shavei Israel founder, Michael Freund tell the remarkable story of how this lost tribe is finally coming home. The *Bnei Menashe* (Hebrew for "sons of Manasseh") of northeast India trace their roots to the ancient Israelite tribe of Menashe, one of the Ten Lost Tribes exiled by the Assyrian empire more than twenty-seven centuries ago. Despite being cut off from the rest of the Jewish people for generations, they clung to their identity. Michael Freund is the founder and chairman of Shavei Israel, a Jerusalem-based organization that reaches out and assists "lost Jews" seeking to strengthen their connection with Israel and the Jewish people.

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Olivia, a student at our Roland Park Hebrew School, couldn't make it to the Beth El Sukkah, so the next best thing was to make one she could eat at home!



Moreh Rich Dinitz's Vav Class

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