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## OUR FAMILY ROOM

Beth El is excited to announce the opening of the Family Room, Room 4, located in the Preschool wing. In this room, formal and informal programs will be held for families with young children. Not only parents but also grandparents, caregivers and special friends are welcome to participate in all programs. Some of the activities that are scheduled for this year are: play groups, Music Together ©, Boker Tov Story Time, Talk Torah, Drop Off and Drop In with the Director, Infant Massage, Baby and Me Yoga, Bim Bam Shabbat and more. Check out all of the opportunities on the Family Room Schedule on page 13. Contact **Melissa Berman** at 410-602-2245 or [melissa@bethelbalto.com](mailto:melissa@bethelbalto.com) for more information.



Dee Curtin, Infant and Toddler Coordinator

## SIMCHAT TORAH HONOREES

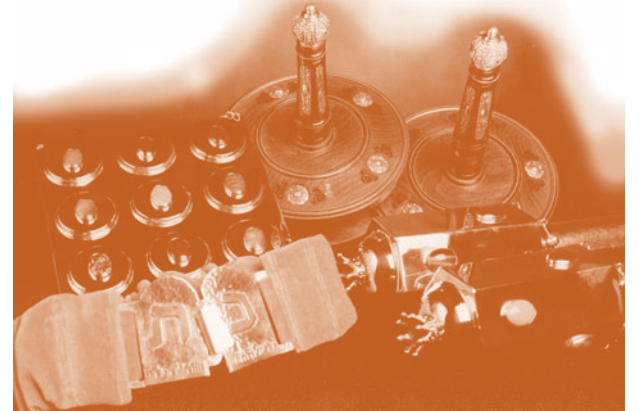
Simchat Torah marks both the beginning and ending of the reading of the Torah for the year. We read the last verses in the Torah, the end of Deuteronomy and in the next aliyah we read the very first verses at the beginning of the Torah, Chapter 1 of Genesis. Each year we honor two members, asking one to read the blessings for the end of the Torah (this person is called the Hatan Torah) and one to read the blessings for the beginning (this person is called the Hatan Bereishit). This year Cindy Hiller and Robert Slatkin have the honor of being called up for these **aliyot**.

Lifelong member Cindy Hiller has contributed and dedicated much of her time to Beth El. She often blows *shofar* for both adult and children services and plays the trumpet for a variety of shows and events. Cindy also teaches Torah and Haftorah to *bar* and *bat mitzvah* students as well as adults. She participates and attends services regularly by leading *minyans* and chanting *haftorah* and Torah. Cindy explains that many milestones throughout her life have been associated with Beth El including her own *bat mitzvah*, wedding, and all three of her sons' *b'nai mitzvahs*. Cindy feels a very deep connection to both the clergy and congregation and

could not be happier to receive this highly respected honor.

Robert Slatkin has served on a number of different committees and his hard work and devotion go unmatched. For the past nine years he has been the co-chair of Annual Appeal with Arnold Fruman. He is also the co-chair of the Social Action Committee with Betty Zlotowitz. Robert is on the environmental committee, co-chair of the Israel Bond Drive with Sonya Goodman, on the Israel Affairs Committee and a past board member.

*Mazel Tov* to both Cindy and Robert and we thank you for being so dedicated to making Beth El Congregation what it is today.



## INTRODUCING DEE CURTIN

Beth El would like to acknowledge Mrs. Dee Curtin as its Infant and Toddler Coordinator. She started the position this summer.

Dee could not be more cut out for the job. For the past nine years she worked as the head of a preschool in Anne Arundel County. The children ranged in ages from approximately eight weeks to five years old. She was responsible for up to 152 children, therefore her duties were often varied. Dee mentioned that her absolute favorite part of the job was overseeing the infants and toddlers. "I loved meeting the families and introducing them to the school's infant philosophy. Most importantly, I loved seeing and working with the infants and toddlers every day."

When she learned Beth El needed an infant and toddler coordinator she could not believe how perfect the opportunity sounded. She immediately contacted Ilene Vogelstein, the Interim Pre-School Director, to see what the position entailed.

"I firmly believe that the person in charge of the infants and toddlers in a preschool setting needs to be very hands-on and directly involved in the daily routines of the infant and toddler rooms. A partnership between the parents, teachers and children needs to be created and you have to know the children. The only way to

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do that is to be involved in their daily routines. I love that Beth El has a position dedicated solely to overseeing this age group," explained Dee.

Dee looks forward to continuing to get to know the families and children and introducing the R.I.E. philosophy to the program. R.I.E. stands for Resources for Infant Educators. It is a belief in the importance of creating a bond between caregiver and child, and respecting that an infant or toddler is an active participant in the relationship. R.I.E. was

founded by Magda Gerber. To learn more on the philosophy and what it entails visit [www.rie.org](http://www.rie.org).

Dee "...feels fortunate and blessed to have the opportunity to watch the magic of childhood every day. The teachers and I constantly marvel at a child's first attempts and then success in rolling over, learning to crawl, or saying a complete sentence. It never gets old!"

In Dee's free time she enjoys spending time with her family. She also loves to read and has been in a book club for over ten years. Cooking is another favorite past time. She really loves going to the Baltimore Farmer's Market on Sundays to buy locally-grown food where she has already run into a few Beth El families. With Dee's philosophies and dedication she is sure to be a great addition to the Infant/ Toddler Program!

**OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO:**

Mrs. Phyllis Bloom on the loss of her beloved sister, Elaine Diane Snyder;  
 Mrs. Geraldine Cohen and Dr. Gary Cohen on the loss of their beloved husband and father, Sydney Cohen;  
 Mr. William Holzman on the loss of his beloved wife, Faye Holzman;  
 The family of the late Henry Korat;  
 The family of the late Richard Kovens;  
 Mrs. Rebecca Leibowitz on the loss of her beloved father, Erwin Deitch;  
 Mrs. Stacy Levin on the loss of her beloved father, Dr. Benjamin Wolfer;  
 Mrs. Marilyn Mendelsohn on the loss of her beloved father, Harold L. Weiss;  
 Dr. Barry Preiss on the loss of his beloved mother, Trulene Preiss;  
 Mrs. Marlene Rubin and Mr. Steven Rubin and Ms. Cindi Rubin on the loss of their beloved husband and father, Jacques Rubin;  
 Mr. Michael Uhlfelder on the loss of his beloved step-father, Jerry Turley;  
 Mrs. Cindy Wasserman on the loss of her beloved mother, Beverlye Bereson;  
 Mrs. Rita Wolf on the loss of her beloved daughter, Barbara Diane (Bunnie) Gleiman.

**A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:**

Elsie Koenigsberg  
 Fran Richman

**OUR HEARTIEST MAZEL TOV TO:**

Dr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Brodie on the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter, Jayme Leigh Brodie; grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Ivan Rosengarden;  
 Drs. Yelena and Michael Frankel on the *Bat Mitzvah* of their daughter, Eva Frankel;  
 Ms. Marina Gavilow on the *Bar Mitzvah* of her son, Jacob Parker Gavilow;  
 Mr. and Mrs. Barry Gendason on the birth of their granddaughter, Sophia Grace Gendason;  
 Mr. and Mrs. Alan Goldberg on the *Bar Mitzvah* of their son, Ryan Goldberg;  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jacobs on the engagement of their son, Chris to Kat Cameron; grandfather is Mr. Theodore DeBois;  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Kleiner and Ms. Marci Kleiner on the marriage of their daughter, Jessica to Dustin Rabine;  
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Silber on the birth of their granddaughter, Sadie Maeve Zervitz.

**SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES:**

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rutko on their 65th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Bensky on their 60th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smelkinson on their 55th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Sollins on their 55th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wachter on their 50th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kellman on their 45th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kreiss on their 45th  
 Dr. and Dr. Stanley Schocket on their 45th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Wiesenberger on their 45th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Silber on their 40th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gary Levine on their 35th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Margolies on their 35th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rosenthal on their 35th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Forman on their 30th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Keith Franz on their 30th  
 Dr. and Mrs. Todd Dorman on their 20th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Levin on their 20th  
 Dr. and Mrs. Dan Gincel on their 15th  
 Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Mossing on their 15th

**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

**BAR & BAT MITZVAH**



BAR MITZVAH

**Ryan Daniel Goldberg**, son of Alan and Diane Goldberg will be called to the Torah as a *Bar Mitzvah* October 15, 2011.



BAT MITZVAH

**Jayme Leigh Brodie**, daughter of Jodi and Jeff Brodie will be called to the Torah as a *Bat Mitzvah* October 15, 2011.



BAR MITZVAH

**Jacob Parker Gavilow**, son of Marina Gavilow will be called to the Torah as a *Bar Mizvah* October 22, 2011.



BAT MITZVAH

**Eva Frankel**, daughter of Drs. Yelena and Michael Frankel will be called to the Torah as a *Bat Mitzvah* October 29, 2011.



BAT MITZVAH

**Jennifer Jacobs**, daughter of Elizabeth and Charles Jacobs will be called to the Torah as a *Bat Mitzvah* November 5, 2011.



BAR MITZVAH

**Alec "Ryan" Berman**, son of Barbara and Kenneth Berman will be called to the Torah as a *Bar Mitzvah* November 5, 2011

**IN MEMORIAM**

**BEVERLYE BERESON  
 SYDNEY COHEN  
 FAYE HOLZMAN  
 RICHARD M. KOVENS  
 JACQUES (JACK) RUBIN**

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](mailto: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

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1- SHABBAT SHUVAH

Parsha of the week – HA'AZINU

MORNING SERVICE 10:00 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE 6:45 p.m.

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 –

ANNUAL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE 10:30 a.m.

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7 – EREV YOM KUPPUR

MORNING SERVICE 8:00 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE – KOL NIDRE 6:30 p.m.  
CANDLE LIGHTING 6:20 p.m.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8 – YOM KIPPUR

MORNING SERVICE 9:30 a.m.  
YIZKOR 4:45 p.m.  
MINCHA SERVICE 5:15 p.m.  
MAARIV/HAVDALAH 7:20 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12 – EREV SUKKOT

MORNING SERVICE 8:00 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE 6:00 p.m.  
CANDLE LIGHTING 6:12 p.m.

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13 – SUKKOT – DAY 1

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

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14 – SUKKOT – DAY 2

MORNING SERVICE 9:00 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE 6:00 p.m.  
CANDLE LIGHTING 6:09 p.m.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 – HOL HaMOED SUKKOT

MORNING SERVICE 10:00 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE 6:30 p.m.

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16 – HOL HaMOED SUKKOT

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

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 17 – HOL HaMOED SUKKOT

MORNING SERVICE 7:45 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE 7:30 p.m.

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18 – HOL HaMOED SUKKOT

MORNING SERVICE 7:45 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE 7:30 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

#### HOSHANAH RABBAH & EREV SHEMINI ATZERET

MORNING SERVICE 7:45 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE 6:00 p.m.  
CANDLE LIGHTING 6:02 p.m.

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20 – SHEMINI ATZERET & EREV SIMCHAT TORAH

MORNING SERVICE (YIZKOR) 10:00 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE 6:00 p.m.

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21 – SIMCHAT TORAH

MORNING SERVICE 10:00 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE 6:00 p.m.  
CANDLE LIGHTING 6:00 p.m.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

#### Parsha of the Week – BERESHIT

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

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

MORNING SERVICE 7:45 a.m.  
EVENING SERVICE 6:00 p.m.  
CANDLE LIGHTING 5:50 p.m.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

#### Parsha of the Week - NOACH

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

## BETH EL BLOOD DRIVE

**Wednesday, November 2, starting at 8:30 a.m.**

It's almost that time of year again. The Beth El Blood Drive will be held right after the holidays on Wednesday, November 2. Do your first *mitzvah* of the New Year and "Give life!" We would really love to get 100 pints this time! With everyone's help we can do it!

A member of the committee will be contacting everyone who has given blood before. Anyone wishing to participate in giving blood can call **Jerry Goodman** at **410-602-8766** and leave a message or email **sgood18@verizon.net**. Let's all get together and show what Beth El can do. Let's give life!

Thank you!  
Jerry Goodman



### SPONSOR A SHABBAT KIDDUSH

**S**ponsoring 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*.

## KEEP IN TOUCH WITH BETH EL!

Now there are two easy ways to keep in touch with Beth El between issues of *The Voice*! In addition to signing up for *E-Voice*, the complete, online version of *The Voice*, you can also sign up for our bi-weekly family update and visit us online.

- Our website can be found at [www.bethelbalto.com](http://www.bethelbalto.com) and now has videos, pictures and a full calendar of events and services, dedicated pages for the schools and all the affiliates and committees and more!

- To sign up for the bi-weekly family update, which will keep you up to date on everything happening at Beth El, send your name and e-mail address to **Dora Smith** at [dora@bethelbalto.com](mailto:dora@bethelbalto.com).

- To receive *E-Voice* in your inbox each month up to one week before everyone else receives *The Voice* in the mail, send your request to **Dora Smith** at [dora@bethelbalto.com](mailto:dora@bethelbalto.com). You must indicate if you want to receive both *E-Voice* and *The Voice*.

- Now you can follow us on Facebook too.



## Young Families Dinner

Wednesday, October 12  
on Erev Sukkot

Program starts at 5:45 p.m.  
Dinner following in the *Sukkah* at 6:00 p.m.  
\$15/family

Stay for dessert and decorate your very  
own cupcake!  
Space is limited!

To RSVP contact **Melissa Berman** at  
410-602-2245 or [melissa@bethelbalto.com](mailto:melissa@bethelbalto.com).

## Book Burial

Sunday, October 30

This year, the families participating in our *Kitah Vav* (Seventh Grade) program, accompanied by Rabbi Saroken, will be making a trip to the Beth El Memorial Park to tour our cemetery, learn about Jewish customs surrounding burial and to perform the special *mitzvah* of burying our "sacred objects" and "sacred books" that are beyond repair.

We invite you to participate in this *mitzvah* by bringing in any old and unusable Bibles, prayer books or other ritual objects that contain God's name. Please drop off any religious materials for burial at the main office between *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*. **We will no longer be accepting books for burial after Wednesday, October 12.** Thank you for joining us in the fulfillment of this *mitzvah*.

## YOM KIPPUR: THE GATES OF PRAYER

By Rabbi Steven Schwartz

**R**abbi Loeb of blessed memory would often say that *Yom Kippur* was his favorite day of the year. He loved the crowds that would come to Beth El, he loved the chance to speak in front of a full sanctuary, but more than anything else he loved the simple spirit of the day. He believed that there was something intrinsically sacred at the heart of this long day of prayer and fasting and that the special quality of *Yom Kippur* was naturally felt by every Jew.

Even within the day of *Yom Kippur* there are moments that feel particularly holy. On a day filled with powerful images, perhaps the most striking image of all is the symbol of the Gates of Heaven, gradually closing as the afternoon of *Yom Kippur* settles into evening. The word '*ne'ilah*, used as the name of the concluding service that day, actually means 'closing.' The sense of urgency to release our final prayers becomes stronger and stronger as the darkness comes and the day draws to a conclusion. We will not have another chance like this until next year! The Gates are about to close!

In the synagogue the Gates of Prayer are represented by the Holy Ark containing the Torahs. This is why we keep the Ark open throughout the *Ne'ilah* service. The physical ark in our midst, with its open doors, reminds us of the spiritual gate of Heaven, the metaphysical place where the "words of our mouths and the mediations of our hearts" will be received by the Almighty. Every year at Beth El during the afternoon break on *Yom Kippur* day, as well as throughout the *Ne'ilah* service, the Holy Ark in the Rubin Sanctuary will be open for personal prayer and reflection. This gives our members the opportunity to be close to the most sacred space in our tradition during the most sacred time in our entire year. Many people who come to the Ark during these moments feel that it is one of the most meaningful and spiritual experiences that they have all year long. Join with us this year *Yom Kippur* afternoon as our community comes together for prayer, reflection, and song, as the Gates of Prayer gently close yet again.

## BETH EL Memorial Park

*The Beth El Memorial Park has served the needs of the Beth El Congregation and the entire Baltimore Jewish Community for more than two generations. A "Makom Kodesh" (a "holy place"), it is a beautifully maintained cemetery of more than 15 acres, located at 9700 Liberty Road, Randallstown, MD.*

*Many families choose to purchase lots well in advance of their time of need. This relieves families of an added burden during an emotionally stressful time. Individual or family plots may be purchased with convenient payment plans. Please contact Debbie Caplan at 410-484-0411 or [debbie@bethelbalto.com](mailto:debbie@bethelbalto.com) for more information.*

## Flower Arranging Class



Please join us on Thursday, November 3, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. when Dale Klietz, owner of J.J. Cummings Floral Company demonstrates the art of creating beautiful floral arrangements and helps us design our own centerpieces. Bring your own small glass containers.

Remember, Thanksgiving will be right around the corner!

\$30.00 Members

\$35.00 Non Members

Please RSVP by Thursday, October 27. Limited spots available.

For more information call Linda Nachimson at 410-252-6205

### Flower Arranging Class

Thursday, November 3, 7:00 p.m.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Total \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Beth El Congregation. Please leave all checks and registration forms with the receptionist at the front desk.

## 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.

## IT IS RAELY TRUE

### Preventing SIDS ...

Developed by two students at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (BGU), a new video and computer software system monitors a baby in order to prevent Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). In the event that the system detects an abnormal heartbeat, an alarm sounds to awaken the baby, change its breathing pattern and alert the parents.



### Which beach should I choose?

Israel is in advanced negotiations to become the newest member of Blue Flag, an international program of the Foundation for Environmental Education that inspects and rates beaches all over the world based on uniform criteria. Beauty is not necessarily a factor; cleanliness of the water and beach are the most important criteria as is handicapped accessibility.

### Let it shine!

Since 1974, Israel has reigned as the world's number-one exporter of polished diamonds, the country's second most important export after high-tech electronics.

# M&M's PLUS

Rabbi Saroken and Rabbi Cantor will lead a family centered Kabbalat Shabbat on the third Friday night of each month followed by dinner! This program will be for children 5 years old to b'nei mitzvahs and their families.

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 schedule

Friday Evenings:	Shabbat Mornings:
October 14 (Sukkot)	November 12
November 18	December 10
December 16	January 21
January 20	February 11
February 17	March 10
March 16	April 21
April 20	

# CLUB M

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

**October 14:** Candy Sukkah Making

**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



# M&M's PLUS Sukkot

Friday, October 14, 6:00 p.m.

We will celebrate Sukkot by davening outside under the preschool tent and have dinner in the Sukkah. Dinner will cost \$25/ family. Please turn your money or check into Fran Davis.

# M&M's PLUS special

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.

## M&M Shabbat

### "Save the Dates!"

November 4  
December 2  
January 6  
February 3  
March 2  
May 4  
June 1

## 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 call and invite them to Beth El.

## PROJECT W.A.V.E. RIDES AGAIN.!

By Dora Smith

On August 27 the American Legion Riders and members of the American Legion Post 116 rode to the Loch Raven Virginia Medical Center. During a two hour visit, the members distributed lap blankets, walker bags (a huge hit), afghans, blankets, scarfs, and hats to 100 patients. The group also presented the Activities Department with 180 large print word search books and pencils. This particular purchase was made possible through a raffle held earlier in the year.

In order to provide the above items to our vets, Project W.A.V.E. needs your continuous support.

Project W.A.V.E. lets the vets know they are not forgotten. When our members visit with the patients, we see their spirits lift. We are amazed how they open up to us and talk about their families and war experiences. The smiles and thanks we receive are heart felt. As a result, our participation in this project is one none of us will forget.

To contribute to Project W.A.V.E. or for more information contact **Dora Smith** at 410-484-0411 or email [dora@bethelbalto.com](mailto:dora@bethelbalto.com).

**Project W.A.V.E**  
Warming Ailing Veterans Everywhere



## WILL SACKS RECEIVES LOEB SCHOLARSHIP

Nineteen year old William Sacks has been granted the Rabbi Mark G. Loeb Judaic Studies College Scholarship! Some may remember applying for scholarships as being timely and difficult, but Will's experience was anything but! After graduating high school, Will decided to take a year off. He chose to do a program called, *Kivunim: New Directions*. This program allows high school graduates to continue their studies in Israel for a year rather than go to a four year college right away. Rabbi Schwartz had brought to Will's attention that the Rabbi Mark G. Loeb Judaic Studies College Scholarship would be available to him. Students who take college level Jewish study coursework are eligible to apply.

Will studied at the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies in Israel. He took Hebrew, Arabic, Perspectives on the Middle East, and Jewish Civilization and Society. During the course of his stay the program also consisted of taking international trips every four to six weeks. Will visited Morocco, Greece, Bulgaria, England, Spain, Turkey, Budapest, Prague, Berlin, and India.

Will's favorite places were Morocco and India. In India the synagogue that Will and his group traveled to was in a village a few hours south of Mumbai. Jews have been living in this particular area for 2,000 years. The area surrounding it was quite crowded, dirty, and had cows roaming. Right in the center of the village was a synagogue called Bet El. The group celebrated Lag B'Omer there. "It was very interesting to see how the Jews have in the past and continue to co-exist with neighbors and are constantly being influenced by them," explained Will. For instance, in India the group had to take their shoes off before entering the synagogue. The Jews were also influenced by Hinduism. They were making offerings of fruits and vegetables to Elijah.

This experience is one Will will never forget. He is now excited about attending New York University.



In Greece, Will visited the town, Kavala, from which his great grandmother emigrated after WWI to the US.



### AGUS LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 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

<b>Sundays:</b>	9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
<b>Tuesdays &amp; Wednesdays:</b>	4:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

### BETH EL'S MAGICAL ROOM

Did you know that there is a room filled with magic at Beth El? Once you enter it, every aspect of life is at your finger tips. You can absorb expert advice on family situations, read outstanding novels and short stories, explore history from ancient to present time, learn the philosophies of famous thinkers, obtain information on genealogy, the major religions of the world and the Jewish holidays; obtain wonderful recipes, travel around the world; view beautiful art and architecture, and learn about the lives of famous and not so famous people.

This magical room is the Agus Library. This room contains over 2,600 books, videos and DVDs that are waiting to be used by you. Three new books recently added to this wonderful collection are *Hush* by Eishes Chayil, *Not in My Neighborhood* by Antero Pietila and *The Inextinguishable Symphony* by Martin Goldsmith.

How easy is it to borrow from the library? After making your selection, write your name and phone number on the card found in the back of the book and give it to the librarian. You have three weeks to enjoy your selection. If your choice does not have a waiting list, you may renew for another three weeks.

You are invited to visit the Agus Library at the designated times or you may make an appointment for a time that is more convenient for you.

Don't miss this gem in our midst. Visit the Agus Library and be prepared to be surprised by what you discover in this magical room.

ADULT EDUCATION  
CONGREGATIONAL PROGRAMMING

UPCOMING CLASSES!

Monday Mornings:

**Title:** Our Prayers - Where They Came From/ What They Mean  
**9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**  
**Instructor:** Sandy Winters  
**Dates:** October 10, 17, 24, 31; November 7, 14, 28; December 5, 12, 19, 2012: January, 9, 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 27; March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 16, 23, 30  
**Room:** Agus Library  
*Description:* We will examine the origins of the synagogue service and the Siddur, which in one form or another is used in every synagogue. We will look at the wording of our prayers and how the Siddur has changed over the many years of our history.  
 For more information contact **Ellen Marks** at 410-484-0411 or [ellenm@bethelbalto.com](mailto:ellenm@bethelbalto.com).

Monday Evenings:

**Title:** Jewish Short Stories  
**7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**  
**Instructor:** Gail Lipsitz  
**Dates:** November 7; December 5; January 3 [Tuesday]; February 6; March 5; April 2  
**Room:** Agus Library  
*Description:* Enjoy reading selected short fiction by contemporary Jewish writers of note, and participate in lively group discussions led by Gail Lipsitz. A copy of each story will be provided one month in advance to allow for leisurely reading.  
**Costs:** Material fee: \$15 for Beth El members; \$20 for friends and guests.

Wednesday Mornings:

**Title:** Yours, Mine and Ours - A Jewish/Christian Conversation about Sacred Stories  
**9:30a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**  
**Instructor:** Dr. Rosann Catalano, Rabbi Schwartz & Rabbi Saroken  
**Dates:** Session I: October 26; November 2, 9, 16, 30; December 7, 14; January 4, 11, 18, 25; February 1  
 Session II: February 22, 29; March 7, 14, 21, 28; April 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16, 23  
**Room:** Agus Library  
*Description:* Jews and Christians share a significant biblical heritage that is often understood in radically different ways. Begun last year, this course continues the study of sacred texts and the variety of ways in which they both challenge and give meaning to our lives. Our study will be led by Rosann Catalano, Ph.D., Staff Scholar at the Institute for Christian & Jewish Studies, and a rotation of the Beth El rabbis.  
**NOTE:** While the format for this class will be similar to last year's, we will be studying texts.  
 Cost: Beth El Member      General Community  
 Session I      \$100      \$150  
 Both Sessions      \$150      \$200

Wednesday Evenings:

**A UNIQUE LEARNING EXPERIENCE WITH CHIZUK AMUNO**  
**Title:** From Golden Age to Expulsion: History, Society and Culture of Medieval Sephardic Jewry  
**7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.**  
**Instructor:** Professor Jonathan Ray  
**Dates:** October 26; November 2, 9, 16, 30; December 7, 14, 21; January 11  
**Location:** Chizuk Amuno  
*Description:* The history of the Jews of Spain represents one of the most varied and remarkable chapters in the history of the Jewish people. This course will provide an overview of the nature and development of Sephardic (Hispano-Jewish) history and culture between Late Antiquity and the expulsion of 1492. We will explore the major social, cultural and intellectual trends of Jewish civilization in the Iberian Peninsula through secondary readings and the analysis of medieval religious, legal, and literary texts. A central theme will be the analysis of the conflict and cooperation between the Sephardim and the two major religious systems of the medieval and early modern Mediterranean: Christianity and Islam.  
**Cost:** \$295



**Endowed by Robert and Florence Chertkof**

**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*

BALTIMORE  
**BOARD OF RABBIS**  
*Adult Institute*  
**at Beth El Congregation**

**Dates: October 18, 25; November 1, 8**

7:30 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.  
 Instructors: Baltimore area clergy and academics

*Description:* The oldest cross-congregational learning experience in the Baltimore Jewish community. There will be two sessions each evening. Choose from over 15 different courses taught by Baltimore area rabbis and academics.

## HANDS ACROSS THE SUKKAH

**Tuesday, October 11 from 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

All Beth El School families, Preschool - Religious School, are invited to join us for dinner and then a record breaking session of making sukkah decorations. Families will experience the ruach (joy and fun) of making a sukkah come to life. Wednesday families are invited to come on this Tuesday as they do not have Religious School due to Erev Sukkot. Please RSVP how many people in your family are attending to Fran Davis, fran@bethelbalto.com or 410-484-4543.

## NEIGHBORHOOD SUKKAH HOP

**Saturday, October 15 after Shabbat Services**

Our Beth El community is not only contained in the Shul, it is everywhere Beth El families meet. We want to extend our community into your neighborhoods by way of an old fashion Sukkah Hop. It is simple! It is easy! It is fun! There are two ways to participate: 1) get a list of Sukkot in your neighborhood and go a visiting; or 2) build a sukkah and signup to host. In order to host, you must have a sukkah. The rest is up to you. If you are offering treats, please make sure they have a hechsher, kosher symbol, on the package. If you have any questions just give us a call.

To sign-up to host a Sukkah visit in your neighborhood please register with Fran Davis, fran@bethelbalto.com or 410-484-4543. We need your name, address, and neighborhood.

To obtain the neighborhood Sukkah list, please check our website: www.bethelbalto.com. It will be a PDF download on the bottom right corner of the webpage.

## KOMEN RACE FOR THE CURE & CHESED PROJECTS

**Sunday, October 23**

Two ways to make a difference:

1) Race for the Cure

Bus leaves Beth El at 7:00 a.m. and returns around 10:00 a.m.

To register: www.komenmd.org, join team: Beth El Congregation  
If you have any questions, contact Jill Eisen, jill@bethelbalto.com or 410-484-4543

Remember the Power of 10: ask ten family members or friends to support you for \$10 each.

2) Non-racing families are invited to join together for a morning of chesed – kindness, as we create together meaningful supports for those struggling with breast cancer and breast cancer survivors. Everyone will come together at Beth El for a Celebratory Brunch and a Healing Service.

## MITZVAH OF THE MONTH

**OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS SCARVES:  
KNIT YOUR BIT**

Join fellow volunteers in knitting or crocheting 1,200 hats and 1,200 scarves to be included in Winter Care Packages, which will be assembled and distributed to shelters and soup kitchens on December's Community Mitzvah Day.

Basic Scarf Guidelines:

Adult Scarf: 7" x 50"

Basic Hat Requirements: You may use any pattern you'd like – as long as it creates a hat with a folded rim fit for an adult.

We are also collecting yarn for other knitters to knit. All scarves, hats and yarns can be submitted to **Jill Eisen, jill@bethelbalto.com, by Saturday, December 10 or to Jennie Beckman at the Jewish Volunteer Connection, jbeckman@associated.org.**

Dear Families,

It is with excitement, humility, and passion that we want to share with you a new initiative taking place at the Berman-Lipavsky Religious School at Beth El Congregation. Over the summer, we have been reviewing and discussing Best Practices in Education. Our goal is to make our classrooms inclusive for all kinds of learners, and that our curriculum and its implementation reflect the best practices taking place throughout the educational world.

We learn in Proverbs that we are supposed to "teach each child according to his or her own way; and that then, as they grow older they will never depart from their teachings." Dr. Eyal Bor called upon his friendship with Mr. Ben Shifrin, the Head of School at JEMICY, who has responded to our request for help and guidance with an open heart. We have met with Mr. Shifrin and a focus group of families and professionals to discuss the many ways we can transform our learning here at Beth-El into a fully integrated multi-sensory experience for all of our students. As Mr. Shifrin taught us during our first focus group, echoing the wisdom from Proverbs; "one size doesn't fit all."

Throughout this year, we will be reviewing our curriculum; exploring classroom environments, and training our teachers in best practices for multi-sensory education. Mr. Shifrin has agreed to lend his expertise as our guide, and we are so extremely grateful.

We have a wonderful team of lay leaders and education professionals who are working together to transform our religious school environment. We will utilize more technology, more hands on learning, more integration with nature, movement and music, as well as reducing the amount of "frontal" teaching taking place in all grades! We will be looking at our assessment models, and setting appropriate goals along with appropriate teaching techniques for all of our students as individuals.

We have one classroom that will be piloting an alternative classroom environment. We are removing the desks and chairs, and creating learning stations. There will be rugs, bean bags, and exercise balls so that students can explore the ways that best meet the needs of their bodies, while in the classroom. If this classroom environment shows success, we will add more alternative environments towards the middle of this school year!

If you are interested in becoming a part of the Beth El Religious School or serving as a member of our focus group for change; please don't hesitate to be in touch. We have room available in all grades, and this initiative will expand to include our B'nai Mitzvah preparation program.

Again, we want to thank Mr. Shifrin for his on-going guidance, and wish our focus group families, a kol hakavod; (A Job Well Done) on all the amazing thoughts, and implementation that have already taken place this summer.

B'shalom,

Dr. Eyal Bor  
Director of Education

Rabbi Faith Cantor  
Rabbi Educator

## THANK YOU! TODAH RABBAH

The Preschool would like to thank the following people for their time, dedication, and support!

**Travis Holub, Lauren Buerger, Merle Intner, TJ Intner, William Intner and The Fruman Family** for creating such a fruitful garden!

**Becky Schwartz and Debbie Geller** for painting the entrance into the Preschool Office. The colors and scenery really help to brighten the hallway!

**Jeremy Evans**, our Pizza Wednesday Dad!

**Tammy Schnydman** for all of her hard work and general support.

**George Wielechowski** for refurbishing, rebuilding and installing computers in every early childhood classroom.

**The Board and Beth El staff** for their support during this transition period.

**Ellen Budish** for compiling and formatting our handbook.

**Mike Myers** for assistance implementing our physical education curriculum.

## INFANT & TODDLER CARE AT BETH EL IS GROWING!

- ☼ Programs for infants and toddlers from 3 to 24 months
- ☼ Offering full time care Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Contact **Dee Curtin**, Program Coordinator, at **410-580-2723** or **dee@bethelbalto.com** for more information and to arrange a tour of our infant and toddler area.



### 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 parent, grandparent, caregiver.  
Please call Preschool at **410-602-2245**.

### BETH EL CONGREGATION PRESENTS

## JOANIE LEEDS AND THE NIGHTLIGHTS CONCERT

Sunday, October 16 at 10:30 a.m.



Beth El Congregation presents Joanie Leeds and the Nightlights! The children's concert is on Sunday, October 16 at 10:30 a.m. in the Offit Auditorium at Beth El Congregation.

Joanie Leeds is known for her "rock solid" voice and energetic music that resonates with young children everywhere. Leeds' astonishing voice and enthralling act has earned her the Parents Choice Award, Telly Award, and Independent Music Award. The singer/songwriter will be performing music from her CD's "City Kid," "I'm A Rock Star," "Challah Challah,"

and her newest album, "What A Zoo." Joanie entertains at preschools throughout Manhattan, birthday parties, and performs concerts nation-wide!

All preschoolers will receive a coupon to attend the concert for FREE! Infants under one are also free. Tickets for everyone else cost \$10.00. To register please bring cash or check to the receptionist's desk at Beth El Congregation. Make checks payable to Beth El Congregation.

For more information please contact **Dori Chait** at **516-236-7794** or **dorijill@gmail.com**.

## MESSAGE FROM STEVE SILVERMAN, PRESIDENT

This past week, a fellow congregant asked me how they could get involved in synagogue activities while at the same time not over commit to their already busy schedule. I responded that Beth El has some wonderful committees that do both meaningful and enjoyable work which requires minimal participation from their volunteers. I thought that it might be beneficial to all of our congregants to introduce you to two of these committees.

Our Social Action Committee is co-chaired by Robert Slatkin and Betty Zlotowitz. Their mission, within the spirit of *Tikkun Olam*, is to "provide programs and activities to both educate and improve the health and well-being of our members, the environment and those in need within the community at-large." So what exactly do they do?

The "*bikur cholim*" sub-committee carries on the tradition of visiting the sick and caring for shut-ins and those of our community who are isolated, either physically or emotionally. The transportation sub-committee assists members in attending Beth El services and programs, as well as doctor visits. The caring sub-committee maintains a communication life-line with those who are homebound or just in need of hearing a familiar voice saying "Hi, I'm from Beth El, how are you doing today?" The importance of these small acts of kindness should not be underestimated.

The Social Action Committee also supports and works with the Community Crisis Center which seeks to alleviate some of the issues of homelessness in Reisterstown, Owings Mills and Glyndon. We seek donations of non-perishable food, toiletries and clothing, while many members volunteer their time at the center.

Several of our committee members prepare and serve full course dinners at Hope Lodge at least six times a year including Thanksgiving and Christmas Day. This facility offers lodging at no cost for cancer patients from all over the world who are being treated at facilities throughout the Baltimore area. We also prepare meals and deliver them to HIV/AIDS patients through the auspices of Moveable Feast.

One last program of this committee of which we are all very proud, is the Woodholme Elementary School Project. Our members volunteer at this school on a regular basis by helping teachers in the classrooms, working one on one with students and assisting administrators in the offices and library. As you can imagine, this program, along with the others mentioned above, rewards our members with the knowledge that they are truly making a difference in "repairing the world."

Beth El's Events Committee is only three years old, but it has repeatedly shown that it is one of our most active and dynamic committees. Chaired by Dale Kahn since its inception, it has been primarily (wo)manned by a small but dedicated and determined cadre of workers. The committee was created to develop a sense of community through social and themed programs. Our past programs have included two wine pairing dinners featuring wine experts, ethnic and holiday cooking classes, and an evening art exhibit which showcased local artists, many of them members. The committee also planned the post-Purim Karaoke and Disco nights. This past July, the committee coordinated "Sail Into Shabbat," Beth El's first experience in having a Friday evening *Shabbat* service outside of the Beth El campus. The service was held aboard the Black Eyed Susan, a restored paddlewheel boat, with 122 attendees while circling around the Baltimore Harbor. This committee works very hard to ensure the success of every event and is always looking for unique and different ideas to implement.

There's an old saying that "every *shul* committee should be comprised of only three members, two of whom never show up for meetings." It is clear that "old saying" doesn't apply to Beth El Congregation. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact me, any of the chairpersons mentioned or anyone in the office and you will be put onto the committee of your choice. However, I offer one word of caution. You may become so enriched by the experience that it becomes addictive. Believe me, there are worse things that could happen.



Beth El Legacy Society welcomes its newest member:  
**Stanley Alan Scherr**

Contact **Ailene** at **410-580-5159** or **ailene@bethelbalto.com** to request a Letter of Intent. All we need to know is that you have made provision for Beth El in your Estate Planning. Not only will you be ensuring the future of our congregation, but you will be helping to ensure Judaism for generations to come.



# CONTRIBUTIONS

# ENDOWMENTS

Donations through August 25, 2011.

## THE ADULT CHOIR FUND

### IN HONOR OF:

Michael Dopkin, in the role of "Our Cantor" on a recent Shabbat morning by Dr. Joseph and Linda Napora.

The entire King Family- Shazy & Cantor Thom, Tzippi, Sarah and Gittel, by Mrs. Hulane Zolet.

The engagement of Rachel Rosen, daughter of Ellen and Robert Rosen, by June and Stan Sacks.

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Susan and Ira Himmel, for their gracious hospitality, by Anita and Mickey Steinberg, Ms. Barbara Steinberg.

## FALL TIPS

• Buy eco-friendly school and office products. Look for items made of recycled materials, such as pencils made from recycled newspapers.

• Decorate for fall with natural items rather than buying new ones. Use leaves, branches and fall crops like pumpkins to decorate.

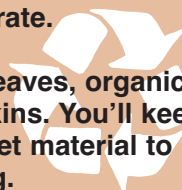
• Compost fallen leaves, organic materials from gutters and carved pumpkins. You'll keep these items out of the garbage and get material to use on your lawn or garden next spring.

• Clean and store summer equipment before it becomes damaged in the snow and cold. Keeping equipment in better shape helps it to last longer, which will keep it out of the landfill.

• Walk with your kids to school. If you live close enough, make a daily habit of walking to school rather than using the car.

Source: [http://www.ehow.com/how\\_2383569\\_go-green-fall.html](http://www.ehow.com/how_2383569_go-green-fall.html)

GO GREEN!



IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:  
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### THE JEAN AND JOSEPH SUSSMAN SCHOLARSHIP

IN HONOR OF:

The special 70th wedding anniversary of Lucille and Nathan Goldberg by Selma and Jules Shaivitz.  
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IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Morris Zlotowitz by Mrs. Lillian Strumwater.

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IN MEMORY OF:

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Myra Eichner by Linda and Dr. Stephen Levin to The Robbins Family Foundation.  
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Harry Wolf by Denise and Keith Franz to The Youth Education Fund.

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The 70th wedding anniversary of Lucille and Nathan Goldberg by Esther and Al Rosenstadt to The Mitzvah Fund.  
The 70th wedding anniversary of Lucille and Nathan Goldberg by Joan and David Uhfelder to The Hark Family Fund.  
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The birthday of Mrs. Helen Cierler by Susan and Steve Bond to The Mitzvah Fund.  
The birthday of Mrs. Sandy Gordon by Mrs. Lynne Kahn to The Dr. Michael I. Feinglass Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The special birthday of Mr. Arthur Aronstein by Susan and Elliot Weinstein to The Elliot & Susan Weinstein Scholarship Fund.

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The special birthday of Dr. Morton Hollander by Shirley and Malcolm Gordon, Ms. Lorraine Pugatch to The Prayer Book Fund.

The 80th birthday of Dr. Joseph Napora by Mr. Michael Dopkin to The Louis & Esther Dopkin Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The 80th birthday of Albert Shapiro by Arlene and Kenneth Friedman to The Prayer Book Fund.

The 60th birthday of Michael Steinhardt by Paula and Larry Silverstein to The Steinhardt-Balachow Family Youth Fund.

The marriage of Dr. and Mrs. Stuart Spind by The Dunn's and The Klezmer's, Mr. Saul Leibowitz to The Morton Spind Confirmation Scholarship Fund.

The marriage of Dr. and Mrs. Stuart Spind by Barbara and Michael Steinhardt to The Steinhardt-Balachow Family Youth Fund.

The "tour" of The Eddy Schuster Memorial Library by Mrs. Josephine Becker to The Eddy Schuster Memorial Library Fund.

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David Brodie by Jodi and Dr. Jeffrey Brodie to The Yahrzeit Fund.  
Jackee Brodie by Jodi and Dr. Jeffrey Brodie to The Yahrzeit Fund.  
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Max Goldman by Ms. Phyllis Scalettar to The Yahrzeit Fund.

Harry Goodman by Elaine and Bernard Goodman to The Yahrzeit Fund.

Lloyd Goren by Shirley and Harvey Goren to The Yahrzeit Fund.

Irene Shargel Heifetz by Dr. Arnold B. Merin to The Yahrzeit Fund.

Jack S. Lazarus by Ms. Joy Lichter and Mr. Robert Lazarus to The Prayer Book Fund.

Sam Luby by Ms. Betty Waghelstein to The Yahrzeit Fund.

Leo Mantelmacher by Ann and Lee Mantelmacher to The Yahrzeit Fund.

Edward Roseman by Bunny and Mike Roseman to The Yahrzeit Fund.

Rose Scherr by Mr. Stanley Scherr to The Prayer Book Fund.

Isadore Schnapper by Elaine and Bernard Goodman to The Yahrzeit Fund.

Arthur Tucker by Froma and Jules Willen to The Yahrzeit Fund.

Gloria Weiss by Erma and Bernard Caplan to The Daniel W. Caplan Pre-School Media Resource Fund.

Leopold Wolf by Rona and Dennis Weiner to The Dennis & Rona Weiner Social Welfare Fund.

IN APPRECIATION FOR:

The kindnesses shown to Mrs. Wendy Elover and Family, during the illness and subsequent loss of her mother Mindy Laufer, by all the Beth El Congregation and in particular Rabbi Schwartz and Rabbi Saroken to The Youth Education Fund.

The support given to Ellen Marmer and Family, upon the passing of her mother Jane Berlin, by Cantor Thom King, Ms. Sandy Winters, Mrs. Betsy Narrow, Rabbi Dana Saroken and Mrs. Tammy Schnydmann & the Beth El Bikur Cholim Committee, to The Adler Lev Scholarship Fund.

The help given him by Ms. Sandy Winters to Dr. Ed Mishner for his learning the Haftorah, to The Youth Education Fund.

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The escape from serious injury for both Beryl Kreitzer and Mitzi Ginsberg by Mrs. Mitzi Ginsberg to The Prayer Book Fund.

The courtesies extended to Royce, Eric, Lilly Minkove and Family by Rabbi Steven Schwartz to The Mitzvah Fund.

## 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.



BIBLIO

On **Wednesday, November 9** Carolyn Shochet, Chairman of Jewish Family Living and Life in Israel Committee and Past President will review *"The Invisible Wall,"* by Harry Bernstein.

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 are provided. Everyone is welcome.

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

LOOKING FOR NEW SISTERHOOD MEMBERS

**Interested in the company of other smart, creative women?** This is the group for you!

We are seeking women who are interested in stimulating conversations, monthly book reviews with group discussions and general luncheons. Other activities include cultural trips, a Unique Boutique and two book reviews a year led by our Clergy, Rabbi Steven Schwartz and Rabbi Dana Saroken. A petite lunch is served before the book review.

It is our goal to involve as many women as possible in our Sisterhood activities. We look forward to having you join us!

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 have 18 benefactors. The benefactors received their beautiful pins at the first general meeting. Cards are in stock and ready for purchase for your special occasions. For \$18 you receive 6 cards, or you can buy them individually for \$4.



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

MARYLAND FEDERATION OF JEWISH WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

On Thursday, November 10, 2011 there is 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 by Sunday, October 2, 2011.**

Harriet Weiner will be taking reservations at the Sisterhood Board Meeting on Wednesday, September 21, 2011.

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.

JUDAICA SHOP

The **Judaica Shop** is open with a gorgeous new selection of merchandise. Please stop in for all your holiday and gift needs.

STORE HOURS

Sunday 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday 11:00a.m. - 6:00p.m.

Friday 11:00a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

We are available other times by appointment.

Please call the **Beth El Office** at **410-484-0411** or **Barbara Green** at **410-486-4080**.

SUBSCRIPTION PLAN FOR LUNCHEON MEETINGS

Avoid having to send in a coupon every month by joining the Luncheon Subscription Plan.

For \$75.00 you will have a reservation for each month and you will save money, too.

The dates for this year's meetings are:

**Monday, November 7, Monday, December 5, Monday, January 9, Monday, February 6, Monday, March 5, and Wednesday, May 9.**

**Please note:** Subscription holders will not have to make reservations for the six meetings. There will be no refunds for missed meetings. If reserved separately, the cost of each luncheon will be \$15 in advance and \$17 at the door.

**Yes, I want the Subscription Plan for the Sisterhood meetings.**

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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. They push our buttons! This presentation will help you create effective strategies to derive what you need from a relationship.

For reservations contact **Linda Mondell** at **410-486-1542** or email **lhmondell@gmail.com** or **Judy Schwartz** at **410-653-9253** or email **jmaysch@comcast.net**. **Reservations must be received by WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2011.** Walk-ins will be \$17.

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2011  
SISTERHOOD MEETING  
Offit Auditorium at 11:30 a.m.  
General Meeting/Luncheon**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Best Number to Contact You \_\_\_\_\_

Send check for \$15 to:  
Beth El Sisterhood  
c/o Linda Mondell or Judy Schwartz  
8101 Park Heights Avenue  
Baltimore, Maryland 21208

# FAMILY ROOM SCHEDULE

## MONDAY

**Stay & Play:** A drop-in playgroup that meets weekly. This is an informal opportunity for parents and caregivers to meet, play, and have fun with their little ones.

Birth - 9 months - 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

10 months - 16 months 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Beginning October 3

**Boker Tov Story Time:** Rabbi Faith Cantor will lead a Judaic themed story time for infants and toddlers with their caregivers.

This class will meet on the first Monday of every month beginning Monday October 3. (Also Mondays; November 7, December 5, January 9, February 6, March 5, April 2, May 7 and June 4).

10:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

## TUESDAY

**Breakfast Is On Us:** Come meet Elise Rubenstein, nutrition and health specialist. We will taste a breakfast smoothie and a protein shake while we talk about nutrition for you and your child. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity for a free healthy start to your day.

September 13, 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

No charge

**Nutrition 101: Feeding You and Your Family:** This nutrition workshop will include three, hour long sessions, packed with all the information you need to improve your health, your meal choices and even lose weight. We will discuss breakfast foods, balancing blood sugar, the importance of greens and grains, healthy snacks, cravings, going organic and conclude with a supermarket tour. There will also be RECIPES so that you can cook healthy meals for you and your family! Feeding your family right begins with you so come and learn more about this!

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., September 20, 27, October 4 and 11.

Cost: \$99 for all 4 sessions

**Talk Torah:** A drop in class with Rabbi Faith Cantor, that will give parents a chance to talk about "how to talk" with their young children. Everyone is invited but this class is not for preschoolers- just their folks and caregivers. Topics will include: How does Jewish tradition understand parenting?

Talking to your children about God, death and being blessed. Talking to your children about the "Christmas" dilemma. Being comfortable here at Beth El-what does joining/belonging to a synagogue do for your family?

Bringing Judaism alive for young children. This class will meet on the third Tuesday of the month beginning Tuesday October 18. (Also Tuesdays; November 15, December 20, January 17, February 21, March 20, April 17 and May 15).

No charge

## WEDNESDAY

**Music Together:** Music Together is an internationally recognized early childhood music and movement program, for babies, toddlers, preschoolers, kindergarteners and the people who love them. During class you will sing and move to songs and rhythmic rhymes in a variety of meters and tonalities by participating in activities that include small and large movement, instrument play-alongs and community singing. These fun activities are presented in an informal non-performance oriented musical experiences that are developmentally appropriate for children and easy for parents and caregivers to participate in.

9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m., beginning October 5 through 11 consecutive weeks.

Cost: \$186/ returning families, \$196/ new families, \$133/ siblings 8 months and older and free for siblings in the same class under 8 months (at the start of the semester).

To register go to [www.musictogethercharmcity.com](http://www.musictogethercharmcity.com).

**Baby and Me Yoga:** Bring your baby with you to regain your strength and energy after childbirth. Enjoy the community of other babies with their caregivers in a comfortable and accommodating setting. Baby and Me Yoga is designed for newborns to crawlers.

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., October 5, 12, 19, 26.

Cost: \$45/Beth El members and Preschool families, \$50/non members.

Thursday:

**Drop Off & Drop In:** Drop your child off and enjoy an informal get together with Ilene Vogelstein, Acting Director of Beth El's Early Childhood Programs. This is an opportunity to ask questions, share thoughts and learn new parenting skills and techniques.

This get together meets on the fourth Thursday of the month beginning September 22 (also Thursdays October 27, November 17, December 22, January 26, February 23, March 22, April 26 and May 24).

**Infant Massage:** Bond and exercise with your baby. This class is led by a certified infant massage instructor. Infants 3 weeks to crawling are welcome.

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. or 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Beginning October 28 (Also Thursdays November 3, 10, 17).

Cost: \$45 Beth El members and Preschool families, \$50/non members

## FRIDAY:

**Bim Bam Shabbat:** Enjoy a pre-Shabbat celebration with your infant, toddler or preschooler. Welcome Shabbat Beth El style, with songs, blessings and much more! Parents, grandparents, special friends and caregivers are welcome!

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Beginning: October, 28.

No charge

**\*All classes are based on a minimum of six registrants.**

**\*Please contact Melissa Berman for more information 410-602-2245 or [melissa@bethelbalto.com](mailto:melissa@bethelbalto.com).**

# SENIORS

Beth El Seniors wishes its members and the Beth El Congregation *L'Shanah Tovah Tikatevu*, "May you be inscribed (in the book of life) for a good year."

*\* Because of the high holidays, there will be no dinner meeting in October of this year.*

Our next scheduled dinner meeting is **Sunday, November 13, 2011** at 6:30 p.m. in the Offit Auditorium. Our entertainment for the evening will be the UMBC Opera Workshop under the direction of our own Cantor Thom King. **Reservations and payments are due by Wednesday, November 2, 2011.** Cost is \$20 for members and \$23 for guests. On a separate sheet of paper, please list the members with whom you would like to be seated and your preference for a diet dessert. For further information call **Ed Berkowitz at 410-296-8424.**

In December, Beth El Seniors will be entertained by singer Nancy Abramson. The date is Sunday, December 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the Offit Auditorium. Reservations and payments are due by Wednesday, November 30, 2011.

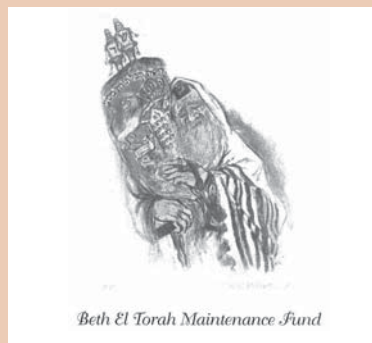
## NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

All people over 50 are welcome to 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.



Beth El Torah Maintenance Fund

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.

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## BETH EL 10.2.2011 CONGREGATION ANNUAL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Beth El Memorial Park, 9700 Liberty Road  
 Randallstown, Maryland  
**Sunday, October 2, 10:30 a.m.**

Led by Rabbi Steven P. Schwartz,  
 Rabbi Dana Saroken and Cantor Thom King



### SUKKOT

**T**his year, *Sukkot* will begin on the evening of **Wednesday, October 12 at 6:00 p.m.** with services under the stars, weather permitting. Major festival worship continues on **Thursday, October 13 at 10:00 a.m.** and **Friday, October 14 at 9:00 a.m.**

**Please join us for the second day of Sukkot!**  
**Notice the new Service Time!**  
**Friday, October 14**  
**Sukkot Service 9:00 a.m.**  
**Shabbat Evening Service (Gorn Chapel) 6:00 p.m.**

Tot *Sukkot* Services are on Thursday, October 13 from 11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in the Kreitzer Memorial Room with Morah Becky Gordon.

On **Saturday, October 15** there will be a Tot *Shabbat* Service with lunch in the Sukkah. Service will begin at 11:15 a.m. in the Kreitzer Memorial Room led by Morah Becky Gordon.

**ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO BRING A DAIRY DINNER TO ENJOY IN OUR SUKKAH ON THEIR OWN TIME!**

### Simchat Torah Family Celebration

**Thursday, October 20,  
 6:00 p.m.**

Celebrate reading the end of the Torah and the beginning of the Torah with us. Stay to see the entire Torah scroll unrolled and to dance with the Torahs. All who attend will have an Aliyah (honor). Light dinner provided.

### Simchat Torah Friday, October 21

Morning Service: 10:00 a.m.  
 Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.

### Tot Simchat Torah Service

**Friday, October 21, 11:15 a.m.**

The Tot *Simchat* Torah Service will be held in the Kreitzer Memorial Room with Morah Becky Gordon. For more information please contact, **Jill Eisen**, Assistant Principal, at **410-484-4543** or **jill@bethelbalto.com**.

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