



Guide

SUPPORT THE DAILY MINYAN!

Daily Minyan Schedule

Weekday Mornings 7:00 A.M.

Sunday & Legal Holidays 9:00 A.M.

Sunday & Weekday Evenings 5:40 P.M.

Legal Holiday

Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 24th

November 2005

Tishrei - Cheshvan 5766

תשרי - חשוון תשס"ו

SCHEDULE of Shabbat Services

Kabbalat Shabbat

Fri., November 11, 18, 25 ..6:00 P.M.

Fri., November 4, Dec. 2.....7:30 P.M.

Shabbat Mornings

Shacharit9:30 A.M.

Jr. Congregation10:30 A.M.

Tot Shabbat11:00 A.M.

Saturday Evenings

November 55:05 P.M.

November 124:55 P.M.

November 194:50 P.M.

November 264:45 P.M.

December 34:40 P.M.

Erev Shabbat

Candle Lighting Times

Fri., November 4.....4:45 P.M.

Fri., November 11.....4:38 P.M.

Fri., November 18.....4:32 P.M.

Fri., November 25.....4:28 P.M.

Fri., December 2.....4:26 P.M.



Beth Israel Launches Historic Celebration

Torah Project to Honor 50th Anniversary

Beginning with the Yom Kippur announcement by Rabbi Jay Goldstein and Rabbi Jonathan Berger, Beth Israel Congregation has embarked on an his-

toric celebration, as we attain our 50th year of enhancing Jewish life in the Baltimore metropolitan area.

The highlight of the jubilee year will be the writing of a new *Sefer Torah* – truly a monumental project that will seek to engage every member of the congregation. For to write a Torah, or to participate as a partner in its creation, is a *Mitzvah*, one of the 613 *mitzvot* every Jew is commanded to perform.

This project is called *V'Zot HaTorah: A Mitzvah for Generations*. By now, congregants should have received the beautiful brochure outlining the project and explaining how everyone can participate.

Under the chairmanship of Aliza Rothenberg, Beth Israel's leadership envisions *V'Zot HaTorah: A Mitzvah for Generations* as offering the broadest of opportunities to enrich our lives as Jews individually and communally. Says Aliza, "It is very exciting for our congregation to be engaged in actually filling in letters in this new *Sefer Torah*. It's truly a unique, once-in-a-lifetime event, an opportunity that not every Jewish person gets.

"In addition to fulfilling the 613th Mitzvah," Aliza adds, "we will learn and grow as Jews as we take part throughout the year in a rich array of Torah-related activities. We will enhance our synagogue's sense of community and get to know each other even better by participating together. And we will become guarantors of Beth Israel's future as our dedications of portions of the *Sefer Torah* establish a Directed Endowment for Lifelong Learning."

Adults and children of all ages are invited to dedicate some part of the new Torah – whether it be a sentence, a *parashah*, an entire book – and become part of this special Torah's life in the present and in the future. The Endowment will

**Be sure to join us for
the KICK-OFF of
V'Zot HaTorah:
*A Mitzvah for
Generations*
on Sunday, Nov., 13
9:15AM-3:30PM.
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Divrei Ha-Rabanim: The Rabbis' Words

Rabbi Jay R. Goldstein | Rabbi Jonathan Berger



You may have never even heard of Mercaz Olami—one of the most important organizations in Jewish life today—but it needs you now. Mercaz Olami is the Zionist organization of the world Conservative/Masorti Movement. It promotes and supports Zionist education, Israel programs, and *aliyah* in our movement. More importantly, at a time when Israeli society is split between the ultra-religious and the militantly secular, Mercaz brings a spirit of religious pluralism to Israel. It works to enhance the quality of Jewish life in Israel by ensuring that Conservative institutions in Israel receive equitable financial support from the World Zionist Organization.

The W.Z.O., along with the Jewish Agency, is responsible for dividing funds that local federations, including The Associated, have raised for Israel. The funds are apportioned based on the sizes of the delegations from each Zionist organization. If more Mercaz members vote for Mercaz delegates, then our representation will be greater, we will be allocated more money, and we will be able to make more of a difference. The problem is

that though Conservative Jews have historically led the way in their commitment to Zionism, we are not as strongly represented in the W.Z.O. as we should be, given the number of Conservative/ Masorti Jews around the world.

That's where you come in. The election for the 35th World Zionist Organization Congress is fast approaching. You can help Mercaz increase the size of our delegation simply by registering with the W.Z.O. and then voting for Mercaz delegates in the upcoming election. It costs just \$7.00 to register, and only \$5.00 for students. You can register using paper forms—many were distributed over the High Holydays, and more are available in the synagogue office—or online. Online registration is easy and fast; just go to www.mercazusa.org, and click on "Register for the World Zionist Elections." Voting begins mid-November and continues through the end of February.

Each member of the household aged 17 and above can register and vote.

How much does your vote help? In the past Mercaz has secured \$1.7 million of direct allocations to Masorti institutions in Israel every year, including funding for Tali (Masorti Public) Schools, Nativ Year Program, the Conservative Yeshiva, the Schechter Rabbinical School in Jerusalem and programs to promote outreach and pluralism. They have also received hundreds of thousands of dollars to support Conservative/Masorti educational projects around the world, including adult Jewish study in Berlin, Camp Ramah in Russia, lay leadership training in England and *shlichim* (Israeli representatives) to work with American Jewish teens. Most important, Mercaz has earned appointments to various committees and boards of the Jewish Agency that allow us direct influence in the decision-making process and in the distribution of millions of dollars in areas that are of direct concern to us.

You can achieve all that with just \$7.00! Please help Beth Israel lead the way in its support for Mercaz Olami. Register now, and vote the Mercaz Olami slate in the World Zionist Congress election.

Chag Sameach!

Rabbi Jay Goldstein and Rabbi Jonathan Berger

B'nai Mitzvah

בני מצוה

November 2005

- 5 Garrett Ross Levy, son of Angela and Neil Levy
- 5 Chelsea Gabrielle Silver, daughter of Sherry and Jeffrey Silver
- 12 Michelle Lynn Butler, daughter of Ellyn and Raymond Butler
- 12 Elyse Lauren Kassel, daughter of Suzanne and Alan Kassel
- 12 Allyson Brooke Richmond, daughter of Lynne and Stephen Richmond
- 19 Rebecca Austrie Sturner, daughter of Barbara Howard and Raymond Sturner
- 26 Jessica Rae Ganslaw, daughter of Lauren and Lawrence Ganslaw
- 26 Evan Heath Hesekeiel, son of Carolyn Eanet and Scott Hesekeiel

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- 3 Benjamin Aldouby Schwartz, son of Sharon Aldouby and Leonard Schwartz

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provide for educational and cultural programming, and will help sustain the current level of services to congregants, thus ensuring a vibrant present and future for our congregation.

Perhaps most exciting of all, everyone in the congregation is entitled to take part in filling in a letter in the actual Torah itself. This will be done with the assistance of Rabbi Moshe Druin, the professional *sofer* (scribe) who is helping to coordinate the project. Rabbi Druin will be coming to Beth Israel four times during the next seven months to ensure that everyone who wishes to fill in a letter will have the opportunity to do so.

The special times that are to be set aside for letter fill-ins and other exciting learning activities are: **November 13, 2005, and in 2006, January 8-10, March 26-27, and May 7-8.** Members are invited to reserve these dates on their calendars, for there will be numerous activities planned, including special programs sponsored by our Brotherhood, Sisterhood, Hazak, various chavurot, USY and other youth groups; and programs with Rabbi Druin in our Religious School and Preschool.

V'Zot HaTorah will culminate with a congregation-wide Dedication of the Torah on **Sunday, June 4, 2006.**

Many additional activities are in the planning stages for

the entire 50th Anniversary year. They include special projects by the Religious School and Preschool, Scholar-in-Residence weekends, and a concluding 50th Anniversary Gala Weekend in November, 2006.

The yearlong commemoration is being chaired by Sue Rabin and Rita Meier, two long-time leaders in our congregation, assisted by a Steering Committee of lay volunteers and staff. "We are all blessed to belong to Beth Israel," says Sue, "with its strong foundation in Conservative Judaism, including the ability to meet the needs of today's changing Jewish families. Our dynamic congregation continues to be a community leader in so many ways. Yet we remain the warmest, friendliest and most *haimish* congregation in town."

"This historic year will be a year of learning and celebrating," adds Rita, "with many varied activities during the rest of 2005 and throughout 2006. We invite all of our members to be as involved as possible in our anniversary programs."

For information about any of the 50th Anniversary programs, please contact the Synagogue office. For questions relating specifically to V'Zot HaTorah dedications, call Elaine Rothman at 410.486.1446, or Lynn Turgel, 410.486.6857.



V'Zot HaTorah: A Mitzvah for Generations *The KICK-OFF* SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 9:15 AM – 3:30 PM

וזאת התורה אשר שם משה לפני בני ישראל...

V'zot haTorah, asher sahm Moshe lifnei b'nei Yisrael... "And this is the Torah," we read every Shabbat, "that Moses set before the people of Israel..." And this is the Torah that we will *begin* to fill in at the Kick-off! Everyone is invited to attend. There will be special participation and programming for children.

9:15 A.M.-10:15 A.M.

Inaugural Activities in the David Phillip Gresser Sanctuary – including musical entertainment, a special presentation by Rabbi Moshe Druin, and the filling in of the "first letters of our new *Sefer Torah*."

10:15 A.M.-12:15 P.M.

Torah Fair in the Miller Social Hall – including many unique educational and fun Torah-related activities for one and all – e.g. learning to write Torah script, understanding the entire Book of Genesis in 10 minutes, Biblical musical instruments, and more – *plus* some surprises.

Torah Fair for Children in the School Wing Hall – including age-appropriate interactive programs and projects as well as two concerts by Allan Lieberman.

Letter fill-ins in the Herman & Walter Samuelson Chapel – with Rabbi Druin, fill in letters of the new *Sefer Torah*.

12:15 P.M.-1:00 P.M.

Light lunch for those staying for afternoon classes. Reservations are a must by November 9th. Your check is your reservation. Please make your check payable to Beth Israel Congregation, Attn: Karen Martin. The cost is \$8.00 per adults/\$3.00 for children.

1:00 P.M.-2:30 P.M.

Movie for children while parents attend classes listed below.

1:00 P.M.-1:45 P.M.

Class with Rabbi Berger: "Goose Quills & Animal Hides in the 21st Century? Why Do We Even Need A *Sefer Torah*?" Please RSVP to the Synagogue office.

1:45-2:30 PM

Class with Rabbi Druin: "The Tools of the *Sofer*." Please RSVP to the Synagogue office.

2:30 P.M.-3:30 P.M.

Letter fill-in by appointment

Welcome to Shleimut!

The Jewish multi-disciplinary approach to health, healing and wholeness

In this groundbreaking pilot program, Beth Israel is one of only two congregations in the country to benefit from the presence of a complete professional Shleimut team on-site. Our Shleimut team – a Consultant and a Nurse - will work with our clergy and staff to serve the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of you, your family, and your fellow congregants.

Shleimut is a partnership with JFS and the JCC, and is made possible in part, through the generosity of The Foundation for Spirituality and Medicine.

Meet Our Shleimut Team



***Sarah
Shapiro***



***Beth
Philipson***

Advice from our Social Work Consultant, Sarah Shapiro

For those who have recently lost a loved one, fall can be a particularly difficult time. Returning to routine can be especially challenging when it must be done without someone who used to be an essential part of daily life. The Jewish holidays combine days of introspection with opportunities for family gatherings. These ordinarily special times can be so hard when a loved one isn't in his or her usual seat in shul or at the table.

Jewish Pathways to Healing, a program of Jewish Family Services, will be offering several six-week groups beginning in November for those seeking support in coping with the death of a loved one.

Tuesdays, beginning 11/1, 7:00 – 8:30 pm Baltimore Hebrew Congregation

Thursdays, beginning 11/10, 1:30 – 3:00 pm Myerberg Senior Center

Wednesdays, beginning 11/16, 9:00 – 10:30 am Temple Oheb Shalom

The cost for the six-session series is \$36. Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, call Jacki Ashkin, LCSW-C, at 410-356-8383 extension 351.

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JFS 410-356-8383, extension 355
Beth Israel Hours: Tuesday afternoons,
Wednesday mornings, Alternate Sundays

Nurse's Notes from Beth Philipson

It's getting to be that time of year again. According to "Dr. Dave," my internist, the optimum time to get a Flu shot is between November 1st and 15th. If you get your shot earlier, you may not have protection against the Flu to the end of the season (December-March).

You may be at increased risk for Influenza (Flu) if:

- You are 50 years of age or older
- One or more of the following apply to you:
 - Lung disease, HIV/AIDS, Sickle cell disease,
 - You live in a nursing home or chronic care facility,
 - You will be in your second trimester of pregnancy during Flu season, Diabetes, Heart Disease, Kidney disease,
 - You have a weakened immune system,
 - You are a health care worker or live with someone who has one of the above conditions

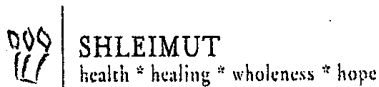
On Wednesday, **November 9, 2005, Flu shots** will be administered at **Beth Israel Congregation** from **1 - 4 P.M.** in the Grebow Auditorium. The cost is **\$19.00** per shot. While this may be more than Giant charges, please realize that since this service is being provided to Congregation members only, you should not encounter the kinds of lines that have been seen at the grocery stores. Please **call or sign up in the synagogue office**, 410 654-0800 ,if you plan to get your shot at the Synagogue so we will be sure to have enough serum on hand for everyone. **Pneumonia vaccine** will also be available for \$35.00. This vaccine is given every five years. Payment can be made at the time you receive your vaccine by check payable to Beth Israel Congregation or cash (exact change, please).

PUT ICE ON YOUR CELL PHONE!

There is a new contact that everyone should have on his/her cell phone—**ICE**— **In Case of Emergency**. Simply enter the telephone numbers of the person you would want to be contacted in the event of an emergency and label this contact as "ICE" on your phone. Emergency personnel can scroll through your contacts and notify the person you have "put on ice!"

I am so pleased to have the opportunity to serve as your congregational nurse. I hope you will not hesitate to contact me for any health related concerns—however large or small. If there is something you would like me to include in a monthly *Nurse's Note* or have a lecture topic you would like to hear, feel free to let me know.

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Beth Israel Congregation's Adult Education Opportunities for You!

*"Let us LEARN in order to teach. Let us LEARN in order to do!"
Adult Education at Beth Israel Congregation 5766*

By now you should have received our concise and jam packed brochure. Our outstanding and varied offerings include topics in music, Bible, the siddur, Jewish life, and more! Our teachers include Rabbi Jay R. Goldstein, Cantor Roger Eisenberg, Ilene Blumberg, Sandy Bernheim, and Mayer Zimmerman.

Here is what is ahead for November and December:

COMMUNITY EVENT

Adult Institute

*Tuesday evenings: November 1, 8, 15, 22,
at Beth Tfiloh Congregation*

This annual program offers a wonderful selection of courses; Rabbi Goldstein will be teaching an introduction to Talmud. Register to Adult Institute of Jewish Studies c/o Dee Lambert 3208 Dahlia Lane Baltimore, MD 21220

SHABBAT PROGRAMS

Parashah Study

*First and third Shabbat of each month, beginning
October 1, 9:30- 10:00 a.m.*

Each week, we will use ancient and medieval commentaries and our own imagination and beliefs to explore some of the fascinating issues that can be found in every parashah in the Torah. Bring your curiosity and your questions!

New this year: Focused Learners' Minyan mini-series

December 3, 10, 17, 9:30-10:15 a.m.

This year, Beth Israel will offer several short series of Learners' Minyanim. In December, we will focus on the beautiful poetry of the Musaf amidah. What are its origins? What meaning does it possess for us? This Learners' Minyan will be appropriate for both beginning and advanced Hebrew readers.

Kiddush Conversation

*Second and fourth Shabbat of each month, beginning
November 12, 12:25-12:50 p.m.*

Join Rabbi Goldstein for these enjoyable and informative sessions following services.

COURSE OFFERINGS:

Hilkhoh Sefer Torah, Part I The Mitzvah to Write a Torah

*Sunday mornings: November 20; December 4, 11,
10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.*

In Rambam's monumental legal work, the Mishneh Torah, one short chapter is devoted to the commandment to write a Torah. Who is obligated? What are some of the requirements for it to be considered a kosher Torah? Learn answers to these questions while also gaining a glimpse into what made Rambam (Maimonides) renowned for his clear and understandable writing, but rejected by many as a dangerous revolutionary!

Torah Reading with Cantor Eisenberg

*Monday evenings: November 7, 14, 21, 28;
December 5 and 12, 7:30-8:30 p.m.*

Learn to read Torah! If you have always wanted to read Torah, but you don't know how or if you have read in the past, memorizing from a tape then this is the class for you. You will learn the melodies and significance of the trope system, along with all the fundamentals of Torah reading. It is never too late to learn!

HEBREW CLASSES - *It's never too late to join the class!*

Beginners' and Intermediate Hebrew Reading

Sunday mornings, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Join the 60+ people who have learned to read Hebrew in the last few years alone, right here at Beth Israel! The Beginners' class, taught by Sandy Bernheim, will study the Hebrew alphabet consonants and vowels and learn to read, with an emphasis on the Hebrew of the siddur. The Intermediate class, taught by Mayer Zimmerman, focuses on improving and reinforcing reading skills, and on understanding the words of the siddur, especially the Shabbat services.

Hebrew Grammar for Those Who Hate Grammar

Thursday evenings: December 15, 22, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Sure, you can read Hebrew, and you even know the meaning of a fair number of words but when you look at a sentence, the words just blend together chaotically and meaninglessly. Grammar can help you understand a sentence even if you don't have an extensive vocabulary. If you swoon when you hear the word "conjugation," but you really would like to know your past from your future, this is the class for you! With Rabbi Berger. Keep your New Year's resolution, and learn to read Hebrew now!

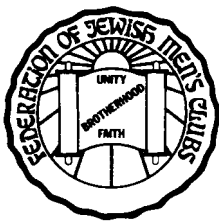
REGISTRATION IS SO EASY!

*Walk-ins are always welcome, for Adult Education,
at Beth Israel Congregation!*

However, reservations help us to choose the right room, arrange an adequate number of chairs, and generally plan appropriately for our programs. In addition, programs that receive insufficient reservations may be cancelled. Therefore, we ask you to make every effort to register in advance. You may register by: calling the Beth Israel office, at (410) 654-0800 or by completing the registration form in the Adult Education brochure. Additional copies are available in the Sanctuary lobby.

Brotherhood

Lee Kirsh, President



I hope everyone had a great beginning of the New Year. The Brotherhood has planned many exciting programs for the year ahead. Have you taken a moment to send in your membership dues?

Our Annual Sports Night will be on November 17 for paid up members and their immediate families. Our special guest for this event will be Mark Viviano from Channel 13 Sports and host of the weekday morning show on the Ravens channel, ESPN1300AM. Please contact Dan Dinkin by November 10 with your reservations. His e-mail address is dan@umbc.edu or phone him at (410) 526 2882.

Our first breakfast will be on December 11 featuring members of the Tuskegee Air Force from WWII.



We will be co-hosting a spaghetti dinner, with the Sisterhood, on December 18. Be on the look out for more information.

I would like to thank our dedicated Brotherhood members for the set up of the High Holyday seats. The team was headed up by Steve Roll and included Charley Surasky, Charles Schevker, Ted Levin, Harry Chupnick, Ira Bormel, Sheldon Schwartz and Lee Kirsh.

At the recent Synagogue Board of Trustees meeting, the Brotherhood presented its annual contribution, which was more than double its usual contribution, due to the success of this past spring's Donor Dinner.

Finally, if any new members would like to assist the brotherhood please let me know. My email address is lkjonesval@aol.com.

Sisterhood

Sandy Kirsh and Sheila Stern, Co-Presidents



What a wonderful start to the New Year! We want to thank everyone for their help with Selichot and all the festival kiddushim. Beautiful job!

I thought it would be interesting to present some Sisterhood Trivia. How much do you know about Sisterhood's history and their role at Beth Israel Congregation? (Special thanks to Harriet Sandler for the facts!)

The first Sisterhood meeting was held on July 20, 1956, the first phone squad was on July 18, and by August 7, 1956 Beth Israel had a Sisterhood. Sisterhood has sponsored many important programs, taken care of many, many Ongai Shabbat and has set up and served Shabbat Kiddushim each and every week. We take care of Selichot and Succot refreshments each year, contribute to a scholarship fund and made a major gift towards building our new kitchen. Sisterhood is proud of the Judaica Shop and encourage you to stop by and browse. And the list goes on and on. Our success depends on you, our Sisterhood members. We thank you for your continued support and invite you to look forward to Sisterhood's celebration of 50 years in August 2006!

Mark your Calendar:

Wednesday, December 14th at 7:30 p.m. Hannukah Party with Cantor Eisenberg featuring music and song. We are asking you to bring a gift for a child, mark on the package boy/girl and age group. These will be given to the shelter at Hannah More. Please bring your menorah, we will light together. Nosh, Song and Fun!

Sunday, December 18th will be a Spaghetti Dinner along with the Brotherhood.

Wednesday, December 21st at 7:30 p.m. Sisterhood Board Meeting

Mitzvah Cards can be purchased from Marcia Litov at 410-0486-5041 or in the synagogue office. Hospitality Bags are available from Sandy Kirsh at 410-484-6192. Shelia and I would like to thank all the Sisterhood members for their support. Every one of you is important to us!

Have a safe and warm winter.

Year-End Tax Planning Can Help You and Beth Israel!

As the secular calendar year comes to a close, we would like to bring to your attention opportunities to lower your income taxes, while providing meaningful support for Beth Israel.

Your charitable gifts make an important difference in what we are able to accomplish. No matter what your income level, if you itemize, you can usually lower your income taxes through charitable giving, making use of the income tax charitable deduction. The amount of savings will depend on your tax bracket.

BEFORE DOING ANYTHING, CHECK WITH YOUR ACCOUNTANT OR TAX ADVISOR TO SEE WHAT IS APPROPRIATE FOR YOU.

Cash: Make more charitable gifts in those years when you have the most income. You may wish to accelerate future charitable gifts into 2005. Many congregants will choose to pay their 2006 dues in 2005.

In fact, you can lower your taxes by making a voluntary contribution of any amount. Simply write a check to the Congregation by December 31st. Some employers have matching programs. Send the form to us along with your gift. Cash gifts are fully deductible, up to 50% of your adjusted gross income. Any excess can usually be carried forward.

Stock: If you own appreciated stock, it is usually best to donate the stock rather than the cash. By donating the appreciated stock you avoid the capital gains tax on the increase in value of the stock. Also, you receive a charitable deduction for the full fair market value of the stock at the time of the gift. Make sure you have owned the stock for at least one year. Beth Israel has a congregant who is a broker who will handle the transaction for you. Call the office for more information.

Gifts of stock are fully deductible, up to 30% of your adjusted gross income. Any excess can usually be carried forward.

Real Estate: A residence, vacation home, farm, acreage, or vacant lot may have appreciated in value over the years such that its sale would incur a substantial capital gains tax. By making a year-end gift of the property instead, you would avoid the tax and also receive a charitable donation for the full market value of the property.

Life Income Gifts: You could transfer dividend paying stocks to us and establish a "charitable remainder trust" that would continue to provide you or a loved one an income for life, after which the assets would be distributed outright to Beth Israel. Through this type of arrangement, you would be increasing your income and making a tax-deductible contribution to the synagogue at the same time.

We are always grateful for your interest and support - at any time of the year. Before considering any transaction, consult with your tax advisor to determine how the transaction will impact your tax planning.

SPEND FRIDAY NIGHTS AT BETH ISRAEL

Mark your calendar now for our special family favorite TGIF, beautiful Carlebach/Style Services and see our exciting new additions to Friday Night Live.

There is something for everyone!

Friday, November 4 TGIF 7:30 P.M.

Friday, November 18 Friday Night Live 6:00 P.M.

Friday, December 2 TGIF 7:30 P.M.

Friday, December 9 Scholar-in-Residence Shabbat Carlebach Style Service 6:00 P.M.

Watch for details on our fall Scholar-in-Residence Shabbat in December.

A note of Thanks . . .

We would like to thank our Beth Israel extended family for their concern and support after the death of our beloved father and grandfather. Dad's love for the children of Beth Israel was evident in everything he did from congratulating them after an aliyah, grasping each with a hand on each cheek, to testing them on passwords decades after they had graduated. He never tired of telling us how a young adult would come up to him and ask, "Mr. Rabin, do you remember me?" and he never failed to respond in a way that made each one feel special- which they were to him. The Shiva visits, donations to the Congregation, and the participation at our Minyanim demonstrated, again, that Beth Israel is a special congregation and that the years he spent here were appreciated by the parents and children of this congregation whose Jewish identity he helped to shape.

We plan to set up a scholarship for continuing Jewish education beyond the Bar/Bat Mitzvah years in memory of Saul Rabin who devoted his life to teaching Jewish children.

B' Shalom

Phil, Sue, Josh, and Ben Rabin

Shalom is Certainly Not Shalom!

Dear Friends,

As many of you know, I have accepted a position with The ASSOCIATED:Jewish Federation of Baltimore as a Campaign Associate with the Women's Department. This is an exciting professional opportunity and the next step in my career in the field of Jewish Communal Service. I have been with Beth Israel Congregation for over 13 years, growing from a part-time youth group advisor to your full-time Program & Member Services Director. I feel fortunate to have been part of Beth Israel's growth and changes over the years. It has been my pleasure to work with our dedicated Clergy and hard working professional and administrative staff. I have enjoyed working with the lay leadership and the many, many volunteers that make Beth Israel the "haimish" Congregation it is today. As I leave Beth Israel professionally, Ira and I look forward to our continued involvement in the life of Beth Israel. As Beth Israel begins its celebration of 50 years, our shul will remain as it has been for the past 13 years, "our second home".

L'hitraot, Janis Bormel

Beth Israel Celebrates

We want to take the opportunity to wish Mazal Tov to Congregants celebrating "special" life milestones (birthdays over 50 and anniversaries over 10). While every birthday or anniversary is a reason to celebrate, if you are having one ending with a five or a zero, we will now automatically list your name(s) in this space. We apologize in advance if our records are incomplete or in error. Please call the office to give us an update. If you do not want your name listed, please call us at least two months in advance.

Special Birthdays for November, 2005

Michael Black	Elinor Gumnit	Howard Saltzman
Harry Chupnick	Arlene Keyser	Alvin Shapiro
Neil Demchick	Corinne Kitt	Elizabeth Shapiro
Lois Gamerman	Elliott Miller	Sherry Silver
Zelic Gresser	Dolores Rhody	Robert Stern

Special Anniversaries for November, 2005

Robin & Ian Berger	Wendy & Michael Lansing
Claudia & Michael Danoff	Adina & Steven Minkove
Linda & Herbert Eichler	Tamara & Larry Proper
Suzanne & Howard Gordon	Kathleen & Stanley Schneider
Karyn & Eric Kessler	Zelda & Jerome Zaben

Sincere best wishes to our members who have special birthdays or anniversaries in November, 2005. To you and all other members of our Beth Israel family who are celebrating joyous occasions, milestones, and honors. MAZAL TOV!

**ברוך אתה ה' א-להינו מלך העולם,
שהחינו וקימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה.**

Praised are you, Adonai, our God who rules the universe, granting us life, sustaining us, and enabling us to reach this day.

We Welcome New Members to Our Congregation:

ברוכים הבאים בשם ה'

Julie Fafard, Henry & Nessa

Howard & Marion Katz, Joshua & Jeremy

Adam & Elizabeth Lass, Sylvie & Maia

Barry & Sun-Hee Margulies, Derek & Isaac

Teri Markowitz

Anita Passman

Ray Smith

Helene Steinberg

Nathan & Laurie Walowitz, Andrew & Billy

Rebecca Wilson, Louis & Aaron

Marvin & Barbara Yablon

Jeffrey & Lisa Zeigler, Jordan, Joshua & Colin

Mazel Tov

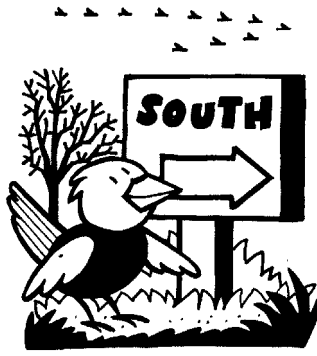
מזל טוב

On the birth of Goldie Teitelbaum's great-granddaughter, Calista Sylvia Barnett

Save the Date!



**50th Anniversary Gala Weekend
November 3-6, 2006**



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 soon as possible, as well as the projected dates you will be away. Postal regulations are such that the US Post Office will NOT automatically forward the GUIDE and other Beth Israel mailings. A phone call or a note to the office now will help us help you stay in touch with your Beth Israel family while you are away.

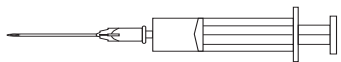


Kippah Amnesty Program

Please rescue any kippot that may have flown away during your last visit(s) to the synagogue. Please return any of your accumulation.

-No Questions Asked-

Flu Vaccines



for Beth Israel Members
Wednesday, November 9th
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
See page 5 for details.

In Search of... Misplaced Tallitot!

Wearing a personal *tallit* while praying can enhance the prayer experience for the worshipper. We encourage congregants to bring a personal *tallit* to services throughout the year.

Unfortunately, from time to time we experience two complementary problems at Beth Israel with respect to personal *tallitot*:

Another worshipper takes the worshipper's personal *tallit*, inadvertently we hope, after services, mistaking the *tallit* bag as belonging to him or her – since the bags often look similar.

Conversely, a worshipper leaves his or her *tallit* at Beth Israel, either because he / she takes home another *tallit* (the bags being similar) or because he / she just forgot to take it home after services.

As a result, congregants are separated from their personal *tallit* – a *tallit* for which there is often a deep personal connection.

We ask that when you attend services, before you leave, please take a moment to make certain that you are not taking someone else's *tallit* / *tallit* bag. Remember, many *tallitot* and their bags look similar.

If you find that you have taken home the wrong *tallit*, or you realize that you are without your *tallit*, please contact the office as soon as possible. We are anxious to make the *shidduch* (match) between our worshippers and their *tallitot*.

Any time we find *tallitot* left in the building we search for some form of identification. If some is found the office will call the owner and hold it for pickup. We suggest that if you plan to bring your *tallit* to services, that you sew or somehow affix your name / address / phone number on your *tallit* or in the *tallit* bag. Or, put a card or piece of paper in the bag with such identification. That will help all to readily identify the owner if it is lost or if its ownership is disputed.

2005-2006 Registration

Applications are still available for the 2005-2006 school year. Call the school office 410-654-0803 to schedule a visit and/or to receive an application. We have many exciting and new programs this year to offer our community.



BABY GYM

We are excited about our **BABY GYM** Program starting in November. We will hold class on Wednesdays from 10:30-11:15. Beverly Lipp will be our instructor. The program will include movement and music

for infants 6 months to toddlers 15 months. The price for each session will be \$95 for members and \$105 for non-members. The first session will be from November 2-December 21, 2005. Please register now in the Preschool office to ensure your space.

We offer a full-day kindergarten program in addition to part-time and full-time hours for children two-to six-years old. Before-and after-school care will be available from 7:30 A.M.- 5:30 P.M. Monday through Thursday and until 4:15 P.M. on Friday. Schedules are flexible to meet your needs. Our goal is to provide an environment that promotes and nurtures your child's development on all levels – physical, social and intellectual. Visit Beth Israel's preschool Web site (www.bethisraelpreschool.org) for more information.

WIN-WIN FOR ALL!!

Is your child already enrolled in our Preschool??? If you refer a new family to Beth Israel Preschool, and they register their child you will receive High Holiday seating at our Parallel Service AND you will receive a monetary fee off of your child's tuition. This is a Win-Win for all. Call the school office for details.

Reminder

All paperwork is due by the first day of school.

Mommy & Me-NEW TIME !!!!!

Our Mommy & Me program is for children aged 15-23 months at the time the program begins. It will be held on Tuesdays from 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 PM with classes beginning in September and ending in May, **INCLUDES BRING YOUR OWN LIGHT LUNCH.** Parent/caretaker and child participate in activities geared to the special needs of the young child and include art, manipulative games and toys, music, literature and large muscle activities. Parent/caretaker participates in providing healthy snacks. The class will be taught by a qualified early childhood teacher.

PTO

Our new Parent Teacher Organization is under way with wonderful and exciting new ideas. They have a great team of volunteers and if you are interested in helping, please contact the school office. We just finished our first fundraiser !!! The Joe Corbi Pizza and Cookie Fundraiser was a huge success!!

Giant – A+ Bonus Bucks

Please support our school by registering at your local Giant or online. Our school ID number is 04253. We appreciate your continued support.

January Two Year Olds

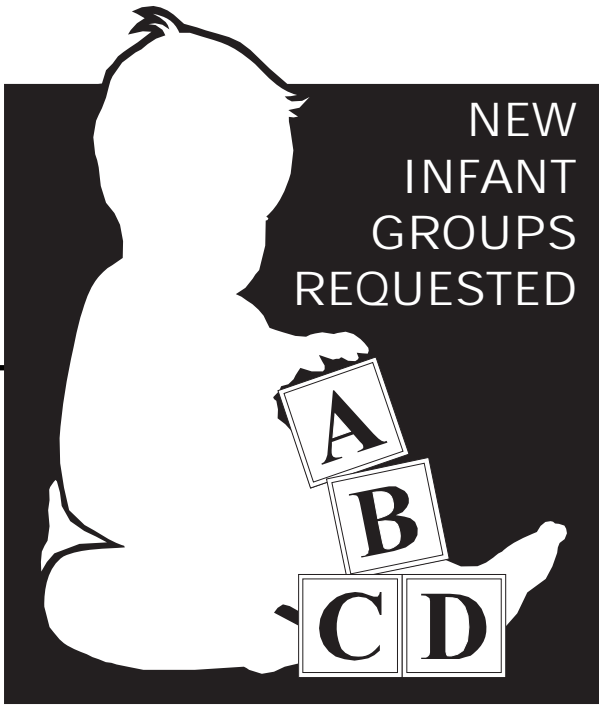
Our January two year old class will meet on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Children must be two to begin. Applications are now available.

Maryland State Law Age Requirement

Children entering Kindergarten this school year 2005-2006 must be 5 years of age by 9/30/05. For the 2006-2007 school year children entering Kindergarten must be 5 years of age by 9/1/06.

Shabbat and Chag for Tots

Our sessions will take place in the Youth Lounge at 11:00 A.M. Look at the weekly Shabbat sheet for any changes in location. Parents must accompany their child throughout the session.



There has been interest expressed in starting parent/infant groups. We would like to explore the possibilities of organizing these classes. Please fill out the return portion of this letter if you would like to participate. This group would be for children under the age of 15 months. It is important that you respond quickly so that we can organize a class based upon our needs.

Name _____

Phone _____

Name of Child _____

Age _____

Day(s) you would be available:

Time(s) preferable:

WANTED!!!



Our Preschool is desperately seeking skilled people to install a NEW piece of playground equipment this fall. We have a NEW tunnel that the children are looking forward to playing with and we would like it properly secured. Please contact Caron Glassman 410-654-0803 to coordinate a time to install our tunnel.

2005/2006 Preschool and Kindergarten Calendar

Sunday, November 13	Concert with Allan Lieberman; Kick-off to Torah Project
Monday, November 14	Rabbi Druin to work with Preschoolers
Monday, November 21	Thanksgiving Celebration 3-4's; Pre-K; K PARENTS INVITED!! 10:30 AM Thanksgiving Celebration 2's 9:10 AM in classroom
Wednesday, November 23	Thanksgiving Weekend Begins 3:15 PM NO EXTENDED DAY
Monday, November 28	SCHOOL REOPENS

For the New Year 5766

Shana Tova! May the New Year be filled with joy, peace, good health and fulfillment for all of us. The New Year gives each of us the opportunity to make a fresh start. Let us all try to bring ourselves one step closer to living according to Jewish values and ideals.

We encourage our families to continue to come to shul. Bring your children to Junior Congregation and support our efforts for quality Jewish education.

Welcome to Our New Faculty Members

We extend a warm welcome to the new members of our teaching staff:

Debbie Rosenbaum - Prozdor
Lynn Montgomery - Mechina
Marci Globerman - Gimel
Tova Reichel - Dalet
Fanny Zigdon - Hay
Shmuel Plotsker - Vav

Welcome back to our returning teachers:

Esther Kayla Fleischman - Mechina
Debbie Kofsky - Alef
Tracey Myerberg - Alef
Yael Turkel - Bet
Chani Barkai - Bet
Zahava Koll - Gimel
Debby Schuchman - Dalet
Rachel Dressin - Hay
Elaine Meiseles - Hay/Vav JEM and Ma'alot
David Gamliel - Vav, Hay/Vav JEM and Ma'alot
Ina Krief - Librarian
Doris Sugar - Music
Noga Udell - Tutoring Coordinator
Rabbi Jonathan Berger - Ma'alot
Elisha Frumkin - Ma'alot
Phil Jacobs - Ma'alot

We look forward to their creativity and input throughout the year.

We also welcome the teenagers who will be working as tutorial and teacher assistants: Ryan Allen, Brady Cohen, Lauren Ellison, Hilary Frankle, Mollie Gansky, Brian Glassman, David Goldstein, Rachel Maj, Erin

Masket, Scott Seidel, Ethan Steininger, Josh Steininger, Alex Ullman, Ilana Ullman, Melissa Weinstein, Josh Wesalo, and Melissa Winn.

Attendance Is Important

Your child's attendance in class is very important to his/her success. Please help us reinforce good classroom habits by bringing your children to school on time and not picking them up early. It is very disruptive when children are coming and going during class time, so we ask parents to assist us, as much as you can, in this matter. This is particularly important now that our Core Curriculum is being taught in 4 hours! We ask you to think carefully before coming to pick up children early. Jewish education is important! It prepares your children for life!

TGIF Shabbat Services for All Families

TGIF services for the new year have begun with a great deal of enthusiasm from the children and parents. Join us for an extra special Shabbat experience on the first Friday night of each month (for most months). All classes will be called up to the bima to lead prayers and songs. Day school students are also encouraged to participate in leading prayers they know.

TGIF Birthday Recognition

Parents and grandparents have the opportunity to commemorate their children's or grandchildren's birthday by making a donation to the Parent Association TGIF Birthday Program. Children having a birthday during the month will be able to celebrate by sharing a special cake and by making a book donation to the Library. If you would like to participate, please call the Religious School office. The following families sponsored the TGIF Birthday Program for August & September birthdays:

Janis & Barry Miller in honor of Avi becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Shelbie & Jerold Wassel in honor of Molly becoming a Bat Mitzvah

Valerie & Michael Ain & family in honor of Kayla - August 31

Sara Spinner-Block & Brian Block in honor of Nathan - August 14

Marci, Paul & Jordan Burt in honor of Andrew - August 11

Marci, Paul & Andrew Burt in honor of Jordan – September 22
Jodi, Dan & Jordan Dinkin in honor of Aaron – August 15
Stacy, Howard & Brooke Goren in honor of Kevin – September 24
Susan & Ted Gross in honor of Rebecca – August 26
Randi & Marc Hertzberg & family in honor of Evan – August 14
Elyse, David & Ryan Joffe in honor of Emily – September 20
The Kiewe Family in honor of Tamar – August 4
The Levin Family in honor of Ethan – August 29
Laura, Stephen & Alyssa Miller in honor of Jenna – September 4
Sharon & Ron Rabinovitz in honor of Austin – September 28
Roz & Lenny Rus in honor of Barret – September 2
Dennice, Mike & Ellen Schenk in honor of Daniel – September 5
Cindy & Allen Schiff in honor of Jordan – September 20
Liz, Jay & Becky Schuman in honor of Samuel – September 19
Margie & Jonathan Schwartz in honor of Jessica – September 19
Sharon & Leonard Schwartz in honor of Matt – September 15
Sharon, David & Ethan Selko in honor of Isabelle – August 2
Robin & Phil Stoler in honor of Gabrielle – August 24
Laura, Richard & Allison Train in honor of Jeremy – August 16
Laurie, Nate & Andy Walowitz in honor of Billy – September 30
Stacey & David Weiland in honor of Abigail – August 10
The Weiskopf Family in honor of Melanie – September 29
Stacy & Alan Weiss in honor of Alyssa – August 27
Stacy & Alan Weiss in honor of Hannah – September 11

TGIF August and September Birthday Book Donations

Shabbat Shalom! By Michelle Shapiro Abraham in honor of Kayla Ain
The Dancing Shul by Chaim Fogelman in honor of Andrew Burt
The Eeentzy Weentzy Hider by Yaffa Leba Gottlieb in honor of Jordan Burt
The Secret Tunnel by Joy Nelkin Wieder in honor of Nathan Block
Noah and the Ziz by Jacqueline Jules in honor of Kevin Goren
Bless Your Heart by Holly Bea in honor of Rebecca Gross

When Everybody Wore a Hat by William Steig in honor of Evan Hertzberg
The Biggest Littlest Birthday Cake by Yaffa Ganz in honor of Emily Joffe
Becoming Me: A Story of Creation by Martin Boroson in honor of Tamar Kiewe
Gideon's People by Carolyn Meyer in honor of Ethan Levin
"Uh-Uh. Not Now," Said the Cow. By Yaffa Leba Gottlieb in honor of Barret Rus
Ten Tzedakah Pennies by Joni Klein-Higger in honor of Daniel Schenk
First Fast by Barbara Cohen in honor of Jordan Schiff
The Wonderful World We Live In by Liat Benyaminy Ariel in honor of Isabelle Selko
The Giving Book by Ellen Sabin in honor of Gabrielle Stoler
Count Your Way Through Israel by Jim Haskins in honor of Jeremy Train
The Narrowest Bar Mitzvah by Steven Schnur in honor of Billy Walowitz
Hello, Hello, Are You There God? By Molly Cone donated in honor of Abigail Weiland
Sereena's Secret by Rae Ann Harris and David Weintraub in honor of Melanie Weiskopf
The Tower of Babel adapted by Alison Greengard in honor of Alyssa Weiss
Noah's Ark adapted by Alison Greengard in honor of Hannah Weiss

The next TGIF and Birthday Shabbat will celebrate October and November birthdays – Friday, November 4, 7:30 P.M. Make sure to be there!

Junior Congregation – A Great Place to Be!

We ask all our families to plan for their children's regular shul attendance. Junior Congregation can be a lot of fun and a good way to sharpen important synagogue skills which will last a lifetime. It helps children to be more comfortable with prayers and songs and to handle themselves on the Bima. Parents, please assist us in teaching your children the importance of synagogue involvement. Junior Congregation is held every Shabbat and every Yom Tov in the Chapel, 10:30 – 12:00 noon. Attendance is taken and awards are given to all children for every 5 times they attend. Every grade has been assigned to five (5) special Shabbat services at which all the students in that grade are honored with an aliyah to the Torah. We ask that parents follow the Junior Congregation schedule for your children's grades. We are looking forward to singing, praying and having fun with all the students in Junior Congregation.

Vav Class/2006 B'nai Mitzvah Program – November 6 During Regular Class Time

Tallit Making Workshop - Our annual Tallit making workshop on November 6 will once again produce another generation of beautiful tallitot. Boys and girls of B'nai Mitzvah age along with their parents will study the mitzvah of tzitzit and create an original tallit for themselves or as a gift. We thank the parents and volunteers who assist with sewing and helping the students. The completed tallitot will be on display later in the year. What a beautiful way to begin the students' B'nai Mitzvah year.

V'zot HaTorah Project, Open House Week & Jewish Book Fair – November 13-20

We extend a warm invitation to all our families to join us for an amazing week of activities:

- Sunday, November 13 – V'Zot HaTorah Project Kick-Off Event – **9:00 A.M. for all students and families.** In conjunction with Beth Israel's upcoming 50th anniversary, a new Torah has been commissioned, beginning a year of celebration and learning. **All school children** will participate at the opening festivities by marching into the Sanctuary and singing from the bima, following which they will take part in a Torah fair comprised of a number of fun stations, including a children's concert, Torah arts and crafts, learning games, refreshments and many others. **All students** are required to attend this program, 9:00 A.M. to 12:15 P.M. with their classes (there will be no separate 2nd session). While the children are busy with their activities, there will be an adult oriented Torah fair as well. Parents will have the opportunity to participate in several short workshops on the theme of Torah. Our hope is that the entire Beth Israel family, young & old, children, parents and teens will come together to be a part of this milestone event for Beth Israel.
- Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday, November 15/16/17 – Open House for the Religious School. Parents and visitors are welcome to visit their children's classes during the afternoon.
- Jewish Book Fair – Our annual book fair will take place during the entire week of November 13 – 20. Just as the Torah is our special and holy book which we study and love, all Jewish books are to be treasured and cherished. This will be an opportunity for you to add to your Jewish home library! Sisterhood's Chanukah gift shop will also be open, along with the book fair. Parents and children will be able to shop for books all week during religious school hours. Encourage your children to buy a Jewish book! We thank our librarian, Ina Krief, for coordinating this project.

Grandparents/Special Persons Day – Sunday, November 20

Our 9th annual Grandparents/Grand Friends Day will be held Sunday, November 20. We hope to give our children's grandparents and friends the opportunity to see our school and experience "nachat" (pride and pleasure) at spending time with us in the Hebrew School. Please reserve this morning to be with us at Beth Israel. It will be our honor to host you for the morning. The book fair and the Sisterhood's Chanukah gift shop will also be open on this day as well.

Interim Reports Week of November 28

As the first quarter draws to a close, teachers will be completing Interims for each student in Alef through Vav. The purpose of these reports is to give an indication as to the general progress of the students and to define areas in which improvement is needed. We ask that parents review the reports and comments and contact the teacher if necessary. We are very pleased with the achievement of our boys and girls and thank the parents for all the support you give for the Jewish education of your children.

JEM Students are Gems!

For the fourth year, Beth Israel is offering a 3rd day enrichment program which we call JEM (Jewish Education Magnet). We are most proud of those boys and girls who have chosen to come to Religious School one additional afternoon so they can continue using their Hebrew skills and learn about Jewish subjects in an in-depth way. If you come to our school on Thursday afternoons you will hear Hebrew conversations and see small groups of children engaged in intensive learning. Yasher Koach to these boys and girls and their parents for seeing to it that they spend more time in Jewish learning. You can still enroll your child in the JEM program. Come and see the fun we have on Thursdays! Call the school office for details.

Support School Fundraisers and Ongoing Fundraising Projects

Thank you to the Beth Israel Parent Association for the fundraising efforts on behalf of the school. Our fall fundraiser is the "No Candy Candy Sale" Please support the Parent Association by contributing \$30.00 per family while also avoiding the candy that so many of us did not want. Look for our winter and spring programs. In the meantime, there are other easy ways to give your support to the school:

Parent Association Mitzvah cards can be sent for various occasions. The Parent Association has redesigned

their mitzvah cards. Please stop in the school office to see the new designs. A pack of 4 cards costs \$10.00.

Box Tops for Education – Bring in box tops from General Mills cereals and selected other General Mills products (Yoplait yogurt, Betty Crocker Fruit Snacks). Beth Israel can receive cash in return (\$.10 per box top)

Safeway School Program – Safeway is continuing their school program powered by “eScrip”. Every purchase at Safeway earns a cash contribution for our Religious School. Register for this new program on the Internet. Log on to www.escrip.com, enter our Group ID#1040068, and register your Safeway card number. Re-registration is required each year. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

Goldie Gorn Memorial Library Fund – Contributions to this fund help our library so we can keep up with new books and resources. Cards can be purchased for a minimum donation of \$10.00 each and sent for various occasions.

Marla Joy Lerner Audio-Visual Lending Library – For a \$7.50 minimum contribution your donation in honor or in memory helps us buy new Judaic video and audio tapes to enhance our current collection.

Giant A+ Bonus Bucks – Use your Giant Bonus card and Beth Israel will receive points toward educational equipment. Our Giant number is 04253.

Entertainment Books – Enjoy the savings you'll get. 2006 books are available in the school office for \$25.00 per book. (The regular cost is \$30.00, so you save at Beth Israel!)

Tzedakah News

Our children have been giving tzedakah generously. Our first school tzedakah drive in September was to collect money and items for those affected by Hurricane Katrina. The school collected \$500.00 during the month of September and a check was sent to relief efforts through The Associated Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore. Thank you to all who donated.

Yasher Koach to the Parent Association and Parent Volunteers!

Many thanks to the Beth Israel Parent Association volunteers who helped us organize all the youth services during the High Holy Days, from preparing the snacks to monitoring the halls. This was such a busy time of the year and we appreciate all the efforts made by our parents. Special thanks to Leila Liberman, this year's President of the Parent Association, to Heidi Hoffman, Laura Train, Robin Hurwitz, Deb Diamon and their committee for organizing the High Holy Day snacks and to the committee helpers for managing the Sukkah

snacks for all the religious school students.

We'd like to also recognize those parents who volunteered to monitor the middle school services for the High Holy Days. Your assistance helped us run the services in a smooth and orderly way: Laurie Tucker and Laurie Zeitlin.

Todah Rabah!

Thank you to the Beth Israel Brotherhood for their continuing support of our school through the annual Yellow Candle Campaign. The monies collected during last spring's observance of Yom Hashoa will be used to support Holocaust education programs and resources for our students. Beth Israel is fortunate to have such a hard-working Brotherhood that makes Jewish education a priority.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Marilyn and Herbert Scher Library - Goldie Gorn Memorial Library Fund

In Honor of:

Howard Jacobs' special birthday by *The Sutton Family*
Eva Holcomb's 90th birthday by *Millie & Paul Hurwitz*
The marriage of the son of Marsha & Bernie Bondroff by *Allison, Jon, Sam & Julia Weinick*

The marriage of Eli Glaser & Pnina Laric by *Ellen & Chuck Donen*

The birth of Goldie Teitelbaum's first great-granddaughter by *Rachel & Rick Glaser*

In Memory of:

Saul Rabin by *Randi, Larry, Lindsay & Allison Waskow; Joanne & Jared Mandell; Rita & Ira Meier & family; Andrea, Steve, Scott & Michael Leaf; Alma & Milton Klein; Sara, Allison & Danny Hayes; Barbara & David Katz*

Ruth Rudo by *Millie & Paul Hurwitz*

Speedy Recover of:

Anne Cornblatt by *Rachel & Rick Glaser*

Wendy Fishbein by *Rachel & Rick Glaser; Emily Velelli*

Marla Joy Lerner Audio/Video Fund

In Honor of:

Leonard Schuman's special birthday by *Naomi & Howard Rovner*

Emil Nassau's special birthday by *Naomi & Howard Rovner*

In Memory of:

Saul Rabin by Naomi & Howard Rovner

Book Donations to the Marilyn and Herbert Scher Library:

The members of the Samuel I and II Bible Class: Betty Aaron, Herbert Aaron; Alvin Bard; Barry Dahne; Henry Foxman; Brian Lerner; Eudice Lowenthal; Goldie Teitelbaum, *"The Jewish Publication Society Bible Commentaries: Jonah, Esther, and Ecclesiastes"* in honor of Rabbi Jonathan Berger

Avi J. Miller in honor of his Bar Mitzvah September 24, 2005, *Elsie's War* by Frank Dabba Smith

Molly Wassel in honor of her Bat Mitzvah September 24, 2005, *Joan Nathan's Jewish Holiday Cooking* by Joan Nathan

Jordan Surell in honor of her Bat Mitzvah October 29, 2005, *Tales for the Seventh Day* by Nina Jaffe

Garrett Levy in honor of his Bar Mitzvah November 5, 2005, *On Noah's Ark* by Jan Brett

Chelsea Silver in honor of her Bat Mitzvah November 5, 2005, *One More River* by Joan Paley

Allyson Richmond in honor of her Bat Mitzvah November 12, 2005, *My First Hebrew Word Book* by Pepi Marzel

Elyse Kassel in honor of her Bat Mitzvah November 12, 2005, *The Travels of Benjamin Tudela* by Uri Shulevitz

Jessica Ganslaw in honor of her Bat Mitzvah November 26, 2005, *Mrs. Greenberg's Messy Hanukkah* by Linda Glaser

Religious School Calendar

NOVEMBER

- 4 (F) TGIF Family Shabbat Service 7:30 P.M. - October & November Birthdays
- 5 (Sh) Bet Shabbat at Junior Congregation 10:30 A.M.
Shabbat Shalom service for Prozdor (K) and Mechina (1st) 10:30 A.M.
- 6 (S) VAV Class/2005 B'nai Mitzvah Tallit Workshop for parents and students during regular class sessions.
- 12 (Sh) Gimel Shabbat at Junior Congregation 10:30 A.M. and extended Shabbaton with lunch and games until 2:00 P.M.
- 13 (S) Torah Project Kick-off Event & JEWISH BOOK FAIR and Sisterhood Chanukah Shop
- 15/16/17 (T/W/Th) Open House Week (Parents invited to visit classes) & Jewish Book Fair continues
- 19 (Sh) Dalet Shabbat at Junior Congregation 10:30 A.M.
- 20 (S) Grandparents/Special Persons Day Book Fair – Concluding Day and Sisterhood Chanukah Shop
- 22/23 (T/W) Interim reports distributed for students in Alef through Vav
- 24/27 (Th/S) SCHOOL CLOSED Thanksgiving Holiday

2008 Bar/Bat Mitzvah Dates To Be Scheduled

ATTENTION PARENTS WITH CHILDREN BORN IN 1995: We are now preparing to assign B'nai Mitzvah dates for 2008. Parents of children already in our database recently received a memo from the synagogue that outlines the scheduling process. If you are a member who has a child born in 1995, but have not received information regarding the scheduling process, contact David Rothenberg, Executive Director.

If you are a non-member with a child in our Religious School with a birthdate in 1995 and want to schedule a date for a ceremony, you must first join the Congregation. Contact David Rothenberg.

MEMBERS WHO ARE IN GOOD STANDING WITH CHILDREN ENROLLED IN BETH ISRAEL'S RELIGIOUS SCHOOL OR IN A RECOGNIZED FORMAL PROGRAM OF JEWISH STUDY WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE ASSIGNED A DATE UNLESS WE ARE INFORMED THAT A BAR/BAT MITZVAH CEREMONY AT BETH ISRAEL CONGREGATION IS NOT NEEDED.

Fall and winter may be approaching, but things are just getting HOT in the Beth Israel Youth Department!

The new school year has gotten off to a great start, and we have more kids than ever participating in our various youth programs. Don't miss out on any of our outrageously fun programs that are coming up!

For information on any youth group events at Beth Israel, contact Elisha at elisha@bethisrael-om.org or at 410-654-0800 x219.

Check out our website:
www.biomyouth.org

Reminder: - SAVE THE DATE!!!

"Parents night out"

December 10th 2005
7:00-10:00 P.M.

Take the night off and go have some fun!
We will have games, activities, and food for kids from Kindergarten through 8th grade, while you spend a night on the town.

Save the Date:

The 32nd Annual
Claire Sodden Memorial Weekend
is coming up!

January 27-28, 2005

Information will be arriving
in your mailboxes.

Fall/Winter Youth Calendar

November

- 6 Machar Makes a Splash at Splashdown
- 11 USY Shanghai Shabbat
- 12 Bonim Bowls
- 18-20 USY Fall Convention – Virginia Beach, VA
- 19 Kadima's Havdalah & Harry

December

- 10 Parents' Night Out 7:00-10:00 (K-8th grades)
- 17 USY LaserTag with Beth El
- 23-29 USY International Convention – Philadelphia, PA

January

- 7 Kadima Saturday Night Live (Kehilat Shalom – Gaithersburg, MD)
 - 14 Bonim and Machar Movie Drive-in
 - 21 Kadima goes Ice Skating! 6:30-8:30 (Northwest Ice Rink)
- 32nd Annual Claire Sodden Memorial Weekend

BETH ISRAEL'S *Simcha Wall*

*There are many joyous
events in our lives:*

- **Baby Naming • Brit Milah • Pideon Haben**
- **Bar and Bat Mitzvah • Special Birthdays • Graduations**
- **Engagements • Weddings • Anniversaries**

And one special way to commemorate each!

Call Beth Israel Synagogue Office at 410-654-0800

Book Club



The Book Club will meet on Monday, November 7th at 7:30 pm in the Library. We will be reviewing "The Autobiography Of God" by Julius Lester. The lead character is Rebecca Nachman, a Rabbi and a Therapist, working as a counselor at a small college in Vermont. When the college community is racked by a murder and a suicide, she is the one, people look to for spiritual solace. Rebecca is the child of Holocaust survivors and knows that "God is not all powerful, all good or always right." She somehow comes into possession of a most unusual book, *God's Autobiography*. If you want to hear about this somewhat controversial book, join us for a riveting review and discussion.

For information call Eudice Lowenthal 410-484-3260.

Notify Us When A Loved One Is Hospitalized

Please be aware of the changes resulting from HIPAA, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act that went into effect in April 2003. This law no longer permits medical facilities to show clergy, when visiting hospitals, any lists of patients in their facilities. Only those employed by the medical facility have the right to see these lists. Prior to this, we were permitted to call the hospital and ask if any Beth Israel members were in the hospital.

Therefore, the only way that we know that one of our members is hospitalized is when a friend or family member contacts the synagogue office. We urge you to let us know so that a visit can be arranged. In addition, in case of illness, please let us know so that our clergy and the Chesed Committee can take action when their services are needed.

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4 FRIDAY

4:45 Candlelighting
7:30 p.m. TGIF

5 SATURDAY

9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service B'nai Mitzvah –
Garrett Ross Levy and Chelsea Gabrielle Silver
5:05 p.m. Mincha/Maariv/Havdallah

9 WEDNESDAY

6:30 p.m. Paid Up Sisterhood Dinner

11 FRIDAY

4:38 p.m. Candlelighting
6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat

12 SATURDAY

9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
B'not Mitzvah – Elyse Lauren Kassel and Michelle
Lynn Butler
4:55 p.m. Mincha/Maariv/Havdallah
Bat Mitzvah – Allyson Brooke Richmond

13 SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. V'zot Hatorah Project Kickoff
Religious School Open House/Book Fair through
November 20th

17 THURSDAY

6:00 p.m. Brotherhood Sports Night

18 FRIDAY

4:32 p.m. Candlelighting
6:00 p.m. FNL

19 SATURDAY

9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
Bat Mitzvah – Rebecca Austrie Sturmer
4:50 p.m. Mincha/Maariv/Havdallah

20 SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Religious School Grandparents
Day
Chanukah Bazaar

24 THURSDAY – Thanksgiving Day

9:00 a.m. Daily Minyan
5:40 p.m. Evening Minyan
Office/Schools Closed

25 FRIDAY

4:28 p.m. Candlelighting
6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat

26 SATURDAY

9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
B'nai Mitzvah – Jessica Rae Ganslaw and Evan Heath
Hesekiel
4:45 p.m. Mincha/Maariv/Havdallah

27 SUNDAY

Religious School Closed

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December 2nd	TGIF
December 5th	Book Club
December 9th-10th	Scholar-in-Residence Shabbat





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Featuring Rabbi Robert A. Harris
Friday, December 9 –
Saturday, December 10, 2005
“Unfolding the Text”

Plan to join us Friday evening for Kabbalat Shabbat services, followed by dinner and a lecture. Dr. Harris will offer Parashah Study on Shabbat morning, deliver the Shabbat morning sermon and lead Kiddush Conversation.

Professor Robert Harris was ordained as a rabbi by the Jewish Theological Seminary in 1983, and has taught in the Seminary's Department of Bible since 1992. Since receiving his doctorate in 1997, Dr. Harris has completed two books on medieval exegesis. He regularly lectures on Biblical narrative and Jewish liturgy. He has also spent several years in Israel, serving as a visiting scholar at Hebrew University, a congregational rabbi in Haifa, and a lecturer in the Israeli army. A former actor who performed in musical and dramatic productions in the New York area, he appeared several times doing stand up comedy at New York's "Stand Up, New York!" Club, where he was once voted New York's Funniest Rabbi. He regularly performs with his garage band, Shake, Rabbis and Roll.

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