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Request of the Congregation

There are many Beth El members with severe allergies to perfumes, colognes, aftershaves, etc. Please do not wear heavy scents during your time in the Synagogue.

Thank you for considering your fellow congregants.

High Holiday Schedule

Erev Rosh Hashanah

Wednesday, September 8, 2010

Mincha/Festival Ma'ariv: 6:00 p.m.
Candle Lighting: 6:53 p.m.

First Day - Rosh Hashanah Thursday, September 9, 2010

Sanctuary Service: 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Kehilla Service - Kessler Hall: 9:00am - 12:30 p.m.
Children's Services: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Jr. Congregation: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
High Holiday Happening: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Tashlich: 5:00 p.m. at 25 Huntington Dr., WH
Mincha/Festival *Ma'ariv*: 5:30 p.m. at
25 Huntington Dr., WH

Second Day - Rosh Hashanah Friday, September 10, 2010

Sanctuary Service: 8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.
Havayat Hamishpacha: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
A Family Rosh Hashanah Experience for All Ages
Festival *Mincha*/Kabbalat Shabbat/*Ma'ariv*: 6:00 p.m.

Kol Nidrei Cemetery Service Sunday September 12, 2010

Beth El Cemetery: 12:30 p.m.
Jackson Street, Avon, CT

Kol Nidrei Friday, September 17, 2010

Mincha: 1:30 p.m.
Sanctuary Service: 6:30 p.m.
Kehilla Service - Chapel: 6:30 p.m.
Candle lighting no later than 6:37 p.m.

For further information, please refer to your High Holiday booklets which will be arriving in the mail, or check our website: www.bethelwesthartford.org

Yom Kippur

Saturday, September 18, 2010

Sanctuary Service: 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Kehilla Service - Kessler Hall: 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Junior Congregation: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Children's Services: 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
High Holiday Happening: 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
Mincha: 5:00pm ~ *Neilah*: 6:15 p.m.
Children's Program in Chapel: 6:45 p.m.
Final Shofar Blast: 7:35 p.m.

Erev Sukkot

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Mincha/Festival *Ma'ariv*: 6:00 p.m.

First Day - Sukkot Thursday, September 23, 2010

Festival Services: 9:30 a.m.
Festival *Mincha*/*Ma'ariv*: 6:00 p.m.

Second Day - Sukkot Friday, September 24, 2010

Festival Services: 9:30 a.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat: 6:00 p.m.
Shabbat Under the Stars Sukkah Dinner: 7:00 p.m.

Shemini Atzeret

Thursday, September 30, 2010

Festival Services: 9:30 a.m.
Yizkor Recited
Festival *Mincha*: 12:30 p.m.
Festival *Ma'ariv*: 6:00 p.m.
Simchat Torah LIVE!: 6:15 pm

Simchat Torah

Friday, October 1, 2010

Festival Services: 10:00 a.m.
Congregational Lunch: 12:00 p.m.
Kabbalat Shabbat Services: 6:00 p.m.

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Rabbi's Report by Rabbi Jim Rosen

A Chai Anniversary Message

I will never be able to find the words to adequately thank all of you for this overwhelming evening. Years ago I learned two great truths in life – a life of service is the only life worth living and we are each of us capable of living that life in our own ways. Though ostensibly you honor Nancy and me this evening please know you are truly elevating the nobility of touching others and making a difference profoundly and Jewishly – that capacity that lies within us all.

Our deep, deep thanks go to countless people: to the wonderful humanitarian Mr. Grodin for your wonderful work and words (by the way you were incredibly great in *The Lonely Guy*); to my teachers, Rabbi Stanley Kessler who led this congregation with enormous distinction over so many years and to Rabbi Joel Zaiman who has been a shining presence behind every rabbinic moment in my life visible or not; to my colleagues: Rabbi Ilana Garber, and Rabbi Jennifer Tobenstein (welcome back Jen;) to Rabbi Howard Sowalsky; to Cantor Ness, and thank you Robin as well; to Rabbi Howard Rosenbaum, to Michael Moses - a more dedicated group of staff members you cannot find; to our wonderful lay leaders led by President Gary Starr and a marvelous committee of people who have labored tirelessly; and to Judy Rosenthal who manufactured more hours in any given day in order to pour her very heart and soul into this evening. I will never be able to find the words capable of offering our thanks to all the remarkable work you have invested in this event.

Our family is more deeply touched by you than I can describe. And please know that our parents Dr. Hyman Farber and William & Mary Rosen loved being here whenever they could visit. You touched them to their very core.

We are proud and delighted to accept this award knowing the distinguished individuals who have been past recipients. But our greatest joy is the two-fold privilege of being teachers of Torah in today's Jewish world and to be able to do it here, at Beth El, a place that bears the name Jacob, who first truly found God and himself.

Along the way in that journey are such varied experiences. Please know how much we thrill to your triumphs and share hurt with your pains. Please God may it continue to grow over many more years that we might become the caring, the giving, the dynamic learning community that Beth El Temple has always worked to be.

Thank you our dear friends for your kindness, and graciousness. Thank you for supporting this wonderful place.



President's Report by Gary S. Starr

As we begin to prepare for the New Year, there are many challenges to look forward to. This past year, committees throughout the Temple studied chapters of Pirkei Avot, the Ethics of our Sages. There were also study sessions for students in our Hebrew School and with our Rabbis. Based on the positive response to this Life Long Learning initiative, the decision was made to continue this type of educational programming. This year we will build on the teachings of Rabbi Joseph Telushkin in *A Code of Jewish Ethics, Love Your Neighbor as Yourself*. Rabbi Telushkin presents cogent examples of how Jewish ethical teachings are very meaningful in the 21st Century. He poses questions and presents text to describe approaches that can be taken to inspire moving from study to action.

Every day presents questions to each of us in our personal and professional lives. We strive to answer complex and perplexing situations. What we hope to do is to explore the situations we confront and see how Jewish ethics can address such situations and help us to better respond. Legal, medical, professional, academic, and business issues arise regularly, and the plan is to have each of us share the circumstances we face with which we struggle for the right thing to do. Together we will study the guidance and insights that either are, or may be applicable to building a better world and a stronger community. My brother, who is a social worker in Oregon and ended his Jewish education after his Bar Mitzvah, read Rabbi Telushkin's first volume on ethics and found it insightful and readable. It is not necessary to buy the book to participate in discussions and study, but it does require an interest in engaging in study. Let this be your invitation. Please look for announcements about opportunities to explore Jewish ethics.

The study is not intended to be study for study's sake. Rather it is a jumping off place to move to living ethically and making a difference. There are already many groups in the Temple who are making a difference in our immediate community and in the Greater Hartford area. We would like to make such engagement a part of all our lives.

There is one more invitation I want to extend. While Garrison Keiler is not coming to Beth El, we have another Minnesotan who has been telling stories about small town America for many years. Rabbi Rosen regales those who attend services on the Saturday between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur with memorable accounts of a small Jewish community in southeastern South Dakota. Don't miss this "sermon" on September 11.

I want to wish each of you and your family a happy, healthy, prosperous new year. *L'Shana Tovah*

Doing Mitzvot

Connecticut Tour de Shuls Exceeded All Hopes

Tikvah, hope. Hope for good weather. Hope for many bike riders. And so it was. On June 27, like spokes on a wheel, cyclists from the greater Jewish community came together at the hub, Emanuel Synagogue, to start and end their bike rides benefiting the *Tikvah* Special Needs Program of Camp Ramah New England. 55 bike riders and 25 volunteers joined together for a very memorable inaugural event. This year marked the first CT Tour de Shuls, a cycling fundraiser, sponsored by the Connecticut Valley Region of the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, area businesses, Connecticut GI, Stanger & Arnold Attorneys at Law, anonymous, and synagogue Men's Clubs from Beth El Temple, Beth Sholom B'nai Israel, and Emanuel Synagogue. Nine area temples also participated in providing volunteers and publicity support.

Bike riders, consisting of individuals and families, fueled up on bagels and pre-ride snacks before heading out on their route of choice, 5, 10, 30 or 50 miles. Beth El Temple Rabbi Jim Rosen gave opening remarks to the early 50-mile riders, thanking them for joining in this exciting new partnership with Camp Ramah. Standing amongst athletes adorned in colorful spandex, straddling their bikes, Rabbi Rosen blessed all the participants.

Rest stops, staffed by generous volunteers, were available along the routes that traversed scenic and hilly roads in the towns of West Hartford, Bloomfield, Simsbury, and Granby. Cyclists were enthusiastically greeted on their return by *Tikvah* campers. No greater joy could be felt by camper or rider as they joined together lunching and listening to the festive Klezmer music, generously provided by a trio which included Beth El's Carolyn Bernstein and Jeanne Kleinman.

From deciding on the different routes, to marking the roads, to managing the website, to designing the t-shirts, to coordinating volunteers and so on, Beth El members were an instrumental part. More than 6 months of planning with so many committee members from different shuls collaborated to make this event a reality. Special thanks goes out to Marci Alter, Hal Chernoff, Bob Efron, Chuck Koteen, Phil Schulz, Bruce Stanger, Tom Greenebaum, Jeff Weiser, and Samantha Weiser. And of course to Marty Melnick and the Men's Club for being a generous sponsor and handling the rest stop at Beth El. Planning is already underway for the 2011 CT Tour de Shuls.



The Book of Numbers... well, not exactly

As the KNITzvah Group has finished another year, it is fun to reminisce about all that we have accomplished. We are women who gather once a month, except for the summer months, to knit or crochet. It is so relaxing and fun, the 60 to 90 minutes go by in a flash. We are very fortunate to have a few ladies who are wonderfully talented and are gracious in offering to help others. Many of the ladies started off in a modest fashion and it is quite wonderful to see how creative they have become. As in the past, our main handy-work is the making of lap afghans. The Hebrew Health Care is our largest recipient. We will start up again in the fall, after the High Holidays. Have we tweaked your interest?

From our start, in the fall of 2002, here are our numbers: we have delivered: 352 afghans; 157 hats (from infant to adult); 29 pairs of mittens; 10 scarves; 3 shrugs; 2 pair of booties; 1 shawl; and 1 infant sweater. Of the 352 afghans, 64 have made their way to Israel. 19 afghans traveled with Rabbi Rosen's group in May. They were delivered to a center for abused children in our sister-city of Afula. Thank you to the travelers who lovingly carried each afghan and special thanks to all the KNITzvah ladies. See you in the fall.

Norma Jean, Cipie, Annette

Social Action Committee

Thank you to this month's Loaves & Fishes volunteers: Koreen Shoham (great to see you!), Ronit Shoham, Sheila Ment, Lisa Peake, Ruth Stern, and June Rosenblatt. Our group meets the first Monday morning of each month. We prepare and serve lunch to our neighbors in need. If you would like to join us, please call Ellen Solomon, at 648-0300.

T'Green Olam Committee

"See to it that you do not spoil and destroy my world, for if you do, there will be no one else to repair it after you."
-Vayikra Rabba

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Engaging Generations

Bar/Bat Mitzvah Celebrations in August



Jack Gitlin
August 28, 2010

Jack, son of David and Stephanie Gitlin, brother of Joe and Samantha, grandson of Nancy and Richard Gitlin and Ann and Charles Marmelstein, attends Kingswood Oxford school. Jack loves to play all sports, but especially hockey and lacrosse. For his Mitzvah Project, Jack volunteered his time at Veterans Memorial Skating Rink teaching a learn to skate class for 4-6 year olds.

Congratulations

Eric Gladstein on his marriage to Michele Brisman.

Joshua and Laura Gottfried on the birth of son, Rafael (Rafi) David Gottfried.

Adam and Amy Raider on the birth of daughter, Evelyn Leigh Raider.

Linda and Bruce Stanger on the marriage of daughter Anna, to Benjamin Golden.

Mazal Tov and Appreciation for Hosting an Oneg or Kiddush

Linda and Bruce Stanger on the aufruf of Anna Stanger and Benjamin Golden.

Bar/Bat Mitzvah

Morgan Lloyd by parents Cheryl Greenberg and Dan Lloyd.

Matthew, by parents Suzanne and Marc Sussman.
Paul, by parents Michelle and Tim Zeuschner.

A Warm Welcome to New Members

Carol and Walter Mamlok

Condolences

Alison Demarest and family on the loss of father and grandfather, Dr. Eugene Bodian.

Pamela Freideberg and family on the loss of mother and grandmother, Lee Ratner Birnbaum.

Claudia Goodman and family on the loss of father, grandfather and great grandfather, Simon Goldstein.

David Knishkowsky and family on the loss of father and grandfather, Dr. Emanuel Knishkowsky.

Paul Korus and family on the loss of mother and grandmother, Lorraine Korus.

David Papermaster and family on the loss of wife, mother and grandmother, Carole Papermaster.

Daniel Papermaster and family on the loss of mother and grandmother, Carole Papermaster.

Worshipping Together

Shabbat at Beth El Temple

Kabbalat Shabbat services begin at 6:00 p.m., and Shabbat morning services, in general, begin at 9:30 a.m. With so many Shabbat-related activities, be sure to check Temple Topics, the weekly bulletin, or the Beth El website (www.bethelwesthartford.org) for complete updated information on services, service times, and all RSVP forms.

Fridays:

Beth El Babies Exploring - bebe (every Friday 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.) Rabbi Garber leads this informal pre-Shabbat group for babies and their moms. Enjoy coffee and snacks while you meet and network with other moms, and your children play with age-appropriate toys. Beth El membership not required.

Friday, August 27:

bebe (11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.)

PJ Shabbat (5:45 p.m.) Children through age 5 experience the joy of Shabbat with dancing and singing, stories and play. And it wouldn't be Shabbat without chicken! So kids, don your PJs, bring your teddy bear, invite a friend, and join our fun circle. No knowledge of Shabbat songs or prayers is necessary, you'll learn on the spot! Please RSVP to the school office at 233-9891.

Celebrate Your Birthday at Beth El Temple

In February, we began celebrating all Beth El birthdays (from 1-120) with an *aliyah*. Once a month, at a Saturday morning service, all those with birthdays that month will be called up for a group *aliyah*. This will be done on *Shabbat M'varchim*, the Shabbat preceding Rosh Chodesh when we bless the coming Jewish month.

On **August 7**, we will celebrate the Beth El birthdays during the Shabbat service. Please join us for a joyous Shabbat experience.

Shabbat Under the Stars, celebrate Shabbat During Sukkot with Beth El! Friday Night, September 24

6:00 p.m. Outdoor Service ~ 7:00 p.m. Traditional Shabbat Dinner

Eat in the Sukkah or indoors.

Cost: \$12/person, RSVP no later than 9/23 at noon

Lifelong Learning

Lunch and Learn with us!

How would you like to join a class on the Bible and be a star student? Everyone is a star! For approximately 17 years, every Tuesday at noon, Rabbi Jim Rosen has taught a group of very motivated, and interested individuals for Bible study. The class is called Lunch and Learn. Past knowledge of Bible or Hebrew is NOT required. That is what makes everyone a star student.



"In the beginning...*B'raysheet*," the class started to read the Bible, in English, one word, one sentence, one paragraph at a time. The classes are very informal. Sometimes just a few words are read before a hand goes flying into the air with a provocative question. In this unpressured way, from that first reading of "*B'raysheet*," it has taken all those years, to have traveled through the Torah (Five Books of Moses), on to The Prophets, reaching The Book of Samuel. We are currently on break for the summer, but Lunch and Learn will resume in October. Do consider joining. Bring a dairy snack or sandwich if you desire; a drink and goodie awaits you. It's a wonderful feeling being a "star student" for an hour.

Lifelong Learning



Educational Director's Report

by Rabbi Howard Rosenbaum

Jacob Aronson Honored. Jacob Aronson, son of Stephen and Esther Aronson, was recently named the recipient of this year's "Uniquely Effective *Madrich* (Teen Aide) Award" by the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford's Commission on Jewish Education and Learning. This is an award that is presented annually to a teen working at a Religious School in the Greater Hartford Jewish community who is uniquely effective in his/her job. Jacob has served as both a classroom aide and Resource Room tutor for the past four years and has endeared himself to the teachers and students with whom he has worked. This award will be presented at the annual meeting of the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford on Tuesday evening, September 14. At this year's Hanefesh Region USY Spring Convention, held in April, Jacob was elected regional Social Action/Tikkun Olam (SATO) Vice President for the 2010-2011 year. The entire Beth El community is very proud of Jacob for all his accomplishments.

During the recently completed school year, the students of the *Hai* class (7th grade) participated in monthly community service experiences at local Jewish agencies - the Hebrew Home, Federation Homes, Hoffman Summerwood, and the JCL group homes. The students enjoyed these experiences very much and they have become an important part of our *Hai* program. At the *Hai* class *Siyum*, which took place on Sunday morning, May 23, several students spoke about these experiences as well as about their class trip to New York:

"This year, during our community service days, I volunteered at the Hebrew Home. There, I visited with residents, delivered mail and laundry, and helped run the gift shop. Visiting with residents was a really great experience because I got to meet new people and hear lots of stories. So many of the residents don't have families that live nearby, and I think they really appreciated having someone to talk to. Delivering mail was also very meaningful to me. Many of the residents were really happy to receive letters from family if they don't have any close by to actually come and visit. Running the gift shop was also very interesting. It usually isn't open on Sundays, and the residents were really excited to see it was. I helped residents to buy lots of different things, such as cards, candy, gum, clothes, and even pieces of jewelry. Volunteering at the Hebrew Home has been very meaningful. It was also a very personal experience for me because my grandfather was there and I know that they took very good care of him." - *Leah Goldman*

"For my *Hai* community service project I volunteered at JCL (Jewish Association for Community Living) group homes. As part of our volunteering there, we celebrated the holidays with the residents and helped out with arts and crafts. It was a great experience, but meeting new people with special needs was even better. Every month when we would go to different houses, the residents were always so welcoming. The residents enjoyed speaking to us and sharing ideas. I had so much fun working there, and I know that what my classmates and I did was truly a great mitzvah. That was the highlight of my month, and I am glad that I made JCL my choice." - *Melissa Levin*

"For my community service project I went to the Federation Homes in Bloomfield. Every month, when we went to the Federation Homes, we bonded with the residents. We discussed our personal schedules with the same people every time. Also, we played numerous games with them including trivial pursuit, scrabble, cards, and of course, Rummy Cube. Each time we went, they always offered us snacks. From this program, I feel that we have made the residents' day. They always asked when we would return. I am glad that I was able to share this experience with my peers." - *Zachary Alter*

"In New York City, our class went to a few different places. The first was an Orthodox synagogue (Congregation Shearith Israel - The Spanish Portuguese Synagogue). We had fun going up and down on the different levels and got reprimanded for going on the middle bimah, where no girl had gone before. I'm glad that we don't have that rule at Beth El! We also got to see where the weddings are held. After this, we went back on the bus to go to a Holocaust museum (The Museum of Jewish Heritage). We walked around the museum and watched various videos and exhibits on the tragedy of the Holocaust. We heard personal stories from our guide and his wife, saw horrible pictures and read happenings from that time because it is important for us to know more. We were exhausted at the end but it was worth it. Not only did we burn some calories, but we learned a thing or two from this experience, including simply that it was important to remember the victims of the Holocaust." - *Morgan Lloyd*

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Wednesday, September 15 @ 8 PM

BETH EL USY

Beth El USY's year-end hike up Talcott Mountain got rained out, but we had an enjoyable brunch, elections, and a rousing game of Apples to Apples instead. Thanks to our outgoing Board for a fabulous year: Samantha Weiser, President, Jacob Aronson, VP Social Action/Tikkun Olam ("SATO"), Rebecca Schulz, VP Membership, Danny Blinderman, VP Israel Affaris ("IA"), and Hannah Frankel, VP Communications. Congratulations to Danny and Hannah on their high school graduations.

Congratulations to our new Board members: Rebecca Schulz, President, Samantha Weiser, VP Religious Education, Sam Maidman, VP SATO, Rebecca Stambler, VP Membership, David Katz, VP IA, Emily Weiser, VP Communications, and Nikki Byer, Class Rep. Also, congratulations to Jacob Aronson upon his election to the Regional USY Board.

We're looking forward to a great upcoming year. Our opening event will be a field trip to the Brownstone Exploration & Discovery Park in Portland, CT on Sunday afternoon, September 12 (rain date: Sunday, September 19) with activities including zip lines, rock climbing, wake boarding, swimming, snorkeling, cliff jumping, and team building/obstacle course exercises. Our second event will be a Sukkah hop on Saturday evening, September 25. Flyers will be mailed in mid-August and the events will be listed on the Beth El calendar website. Questions? Call advisor Steve Elson at 523-8860.

Religious School Alumni

The Religious School is beginning to create a history of our graduates. If you want to share information on what you are presently doing, please let us know. We plan to share this information in upcoming issues of Temple Topics. Please send your name, present address, occupation, and any other information you would like to share to Sidra Sperling at Sidramarvin@gmail.com, or mail responses to the Temple attn: Sidra Sperling.

Enjoying Beth El

BEMA-Beth El Music and Arts

Kudos to Cantor Joseph Ness and the entire BEMA Committee for the very successful "Tonight, Tonight" season finale orchestral concert which took place on June 6. Beloved, fun-filled, family friendly orchestral masterpieces from Chopin's Piano Concerto No. 1 in E minor to Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue to Bernstein's toe-tapping West Side Story, highlighted the evening. Vocal soloists included Talya Smilowitz, soprano, Robin Gelles, mezzo soprano, and Floyd Higgins, tenor. Cantor Joseph Ness conducted the Beth El orchestra.

A special thank you goes to Roz Rachlin and the Chai Society for hosting a delightful and well-attended pre-concert dinner that further fostered community. Please see pg.12 or www.bethelwesthartford.org for exciting 2010-11 Beth El Temple Music Series subscription information. A special "Two For One" subscription offer is available for first time subscribers at the three highest levels of subscription. Musical highlights for our upcoming Music Series include a celebration of Robert Schumann's 200th birthday, music of J.S. Bach and an exploration of Jewish Sephardic musical traditions. It is through your generous, continued support that our nationally-recognized music program remains viable. Thank you in advance for making a difference in the West Hartford music scene with your participation.



BEMA is the recipient of the Solomon Schechter Silver award for excellence in the Performing Arts (2003-4) and the Solomon Schechter Gold Awards for Excellence in the Performing Arts (2005-06 and 2007-2008).

FREE RECITAL: Sunday, Sept. 26 at 7:00 p.m. in The East Wing
Celebrate Chopin's 200th anniversary with the astounding pianist **Alex Nakhimovsky and Chopin's 24 Etudes.**
(This concert is not part of the annual BEMA season)

Left to right: Talya Smilowitz, soprano; Robin Gelles, Beth El member, mezzo soprano, and Floyd Higgins, tenor, performed selections from Leonard Bernstein's Broadway musicals.



Cantor's Corner by Cantor Joseph Ness

I am hoping that all of you are having a summer that is relaxing and yet filled with as much adventure and good times as is possible. **Important Announcement!** We have a wonderful opportunity for our singing teens. It is so important to provide Jewish teens with the opportunity to express their Jewishness and feel intimately connected to the Jewish people. The goal is to keep the music of our people loud and strong forever, and to provide the next generation with the knowledge of our tradition. *HaZamir*, the International Jewish High School Choir, is a community made up of about 20 choirs from the US, Israel, Canada, and Australia that will in March of 2011 meet for a glorious weekend in the Catskills, 350-400 singers strong and will spend Shabbat together and rehearse for a special gala concert in Alice Tully Hall at Lincoln Center.

The kids are from all backgrounds, Orthodox, Conservative and Reform movements, secular and observant, believers and doubters. This is a chorus of many voices of different backgrounds, levels of knowledge and observance. But at the end of the day we are all Jews, singing in harmony, in one, collective voice.

I want so much for us to be a part of this, and so I, Cantor Cohn, Cantor Siskin, and many of our colleagues in this area will be working hard to have teens in our area participate in this fabulous project. We already have real support from the Mandell JCC and Yachad. Our group will be the 20th chapter from around the U.S. and Israel. Each chapter of *HaZamir* meets weekly in their respective cities and rehearses a body of music that they will be able to perform as a one large choir at the *HaZamir* annual festival.

In addition to local and regional performances, *HaZamir* sponsors regional retreats, where chapters meet, rehearse together, and grow in friendship. Individuals, many of whom sing, but not in a Jewish choir or context, attend and find an entrance to a Jewish choral experience. *HaZamir* alumni return and perform at the Festival, and a select group of teen singers of high ability perform in the *HaZamir* Chamber Choir. The gala performance, in particular, brings together music, Judaism, community and spirituality in a powerful blend that can be nothing short of life-changing.

In the 16 years of its existence, more than 1,000 teens have shared in the *HaZamir* experience. Many have gone on to form a cappella groups, sing in adult choirs, and assume leadership roles in the Jewish community. Clearly, *HaZamir* has helped reach an emotional core in young people; our belief is that participation in *HaZamir* lays an important foundation for continuing Jewish values later in life, as well as offering the ability to meet challenges and develop personal skills within a communal context. Our goal is to expand the *HaZamir* network, to help build the next generations of Jewish adults with a deeper understanding of the values, tradition and glory of Judaism and artistic expression. I would be so honored if the parents of those teens who sing would let me know of their interest and availability to be part of this project.



Making Connections

Sheila Diamond,
President



Sisterhood News

In June, we had our annual Joint Shabbat service with the Men's Club where we enjoyed a special camaraderie while we sang and prayed together. At the service, Rabbi Rosen installed our new officers for the 2010-2011 year.

Executive Board

President: Sheila Diamond
Corresponding Secretary: Diane Salm
VP Membership: Laura Herz
Co-Treasurer: Marci Alter
Co-Treasurer: Cindy Sucoll
VP Programming: Amy Oved
Recording Secretary: Diane Rothstein
Immediate Past President: Sharon Levine-Shein

Board of Directors

Charlotte Bazer, Roz Bobrow Hahn, Alison Demarest, Jeanne Elman, Jill Jones, Leah Katz, Bobby Klau, Karen Later, Irma Lieberman, Stacey Malitz, Gloria Rulnick, Barbara Samberg, Bobbi Schmidt, Rita Schoolnik, Lonni Schulz, Marcia Slotnick, Roberta Smith and Roz Volvovitz.
Honorary Board Members: Cipie Miller, Rita Stein, Selma Stein.

Welcome new Sisterhood members Pam Gordon and Diane Salm! Thank you all for getting involved and continuing the spirit of Sisterhood.

A special thank you to Stephanie Chernoff who completed her term as Treasurer, Heather Toyen who completed her term as Co-VP, Programming, Roz Hahn who was our Torah Fund Chair, Cindy Sucoll who was the Corresponding Secretary and is now our Co-Treasurer, and Janel MacDermott who completed a term as Co-VP, Membership. And special thanks to Roberta Smith for working as the Co-Treasurer and helping out whenever and wherever needed. We appreciate all your time and hard work and we look forward to working with all of you on other projects.

We have some exciting programs planned for next year. Please mark your calendars with the following dates:

Wednesday, September 15 - Sisterhood Board Meeting
Thursday, October 14 "What Not to Wear" Fashion Event
Sunday, October 24 - Political Forum (Brunch program with Men's Club & Chai Society)
Thursday, November 28 - Torah Fund Event with author Alix Strauss who wrote [Have I Got A Guy For You!](#)

Everyone is welcome to attend our board meeting and our programs. We look forward to seeing you there.

Judaica Craft Gallery

Our gift shop has a fresh new look. We invite you to take a quick peek at the front window, and come in to see. We have many handmade and Israeli gifts for all occasions. New items arrive weekly. How about getting a new beautiful Israeli tablecloth, *tallit*, *kippah* or *yad* for that special someone or yourself? We carry items for men and women, young and young at heart. Arielle Mills is helping to put our incredible inventory online so you can look before you shop! Open by appointment over the summer, by calling Barbara Samberg 860-233-1385, Jill Jones 860-236-7895, or Alison Demarest 860-810-2084. Shop early and shop often! Have a fun and safe summer! We are also looking for volunteers to help a few hours a month starting in the fall.
Alison Demarest

Martin Melnick,
President



Men's Club News

I hope everyone is having a great summer so far. The Beth El Men's Club has been awarded the Federation of Jewish Men's Club "Quality Club Award" for the third straight year. To qualify, our club needs to meet certain minimum criteria ranging from programming activities, to attendance at specific FJMC activities, to administrative, just to name a few. We will receive the award from our own Phil Schulz, current president of the FJMC - CT Valley Region, at a time to be determined.

On Friday, June 4, we had the Men's Club/Sisterhood Shabbat Service and Installation of officers. We thank the co-chairs Sharon Levine-Shein and Jacob Kovel for putting together a beautiful program, and all the Sisterhood and Men's Club participants.

On Sunday, June 13, the Men's Club sponsored the breakfast for the Annual Congregational Meeting. Congratulations to Chai Society for achieving a voting seat on the Temple Board. Your contribution to the vitality of the Beth El community is invaluable, *Yasher Koach*.

June 10-13 was the Laymen's Institute at Camp Ramah. Phil Schulz and I represented Beth El for the annual Men's Retreat, and experienced a rejuvenating mix of relaxation, sports, eating, learning, prayer, spirited singing and camaraderie. I look forward to more Beth El men joining us next year for this wonderful experience.

On June 15, the Men's Club Annual Meeting was held with 14 board members in attendance along with our guest, Gary Starr.

The following awards were presented:

FJMC Certificate of Merit to Hal Chernoff for outstanding and meritorious service to his Synagogue, Community, and the Men's Club.

Yasher Koach Award to Dr. Joseph Springut for extraordinary dedication to the cause of Men's Club and for the exceptional efforts toward making the House committee an outstanding success.

FJMC President's Citation presented to Harley Graime for his dedication to the Men's Club and leadership in our programming efforts.

Men's Club Board Officers for 2010 /2011 :

Martin Melnick- <i>President</i>	Jacob Kovel- <i>First VP</i>
Jonathan Cohen- <i>VP Membership</i>	Harley Graime- <i>VP Programming</i>
Ira Samberg- <i>VP Programming</i>	Phil Schulz- <i>VP and FJMC Liaison</i>
Hal Chernoff- <i>Secretary</i>	Bruce Shein- <i>Treasurer</i>
David Klau - <i>Asst. Treasurer</i>	

On June 27, our first Tour de Shuls bike ride was held. Please see the article on page 3. Many thanks to Co-Chairs Dave Diamond and Lisa Levin for the many hours, days and weeks of hard work and coordination. Thank you to all the Beth El volunteers, to our sponsors and to the live music provided by Carolyn Bernstein and her group.

Save the Date: Sunday October 24 at 10:00 a.m. - Brunch program and political forum with Sisterhood and Chai Society. Moderator Al Terzi and our Senator Candidates, Richard Blumenthal and Linda McMahon are scheduled.

We look forward to your input at our Board meetings.

Save The Date

The Men's Club 8th Annual Distinguished Service Award Banquet

In honor of Stuart Bernstein and Harley Graime

Thursday, October 28, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

Not Too Late to Join In Some Beth El Softball Action

While the Beth El Softball team is entering the homestretch of the 2010 season, it isn't too late to get in on the fun and action this summer. We are a Co-ed team playing in the Greater Hartford Synagogue league. Our team is always on the lookout for members eager to prolong their athletic careers on the softball diamonds with their fellow congregants. As with all teams in Co-ed leagues, we are especially interested in encouraging our female members to come out and participate. The season goes through the month of August, so there is still time left to play some ball. We play our games Sunday mornings at the CIGNA fields in Bloomfield and at Elizabeth Park in Hartford. If you are interested in joining the team or need some more information, please contact the Captains: Alan Cetel 860-232-9515 or Lance Reiser 860-232-5110.

Supporting Beth El

Thoughtful Contributions

Beautification Fund

Ruth & Gilbert Hershman in honor of the birth of Emma Grace Banks, granddaughter of Ellen & Morris Banks.
Phyllis Lappen in honor of Judy Rosenthal.
Marlene Passman in memory of Milton Schwartz, husband of Nancy, father of Marcia Lazowski.

Ceremonial Court

Sally & Harris Chorney in honor of the graduation from Bard College of Alix Brandwein, daughter of Ann & David; of Susan & Marty Ungar on the birth of grandson, Reed.

Camp Ramah Fund

Deena Samberg-Shefsky & Doug Shefsky in honor of the bat mitzvah of Miriam Katz, daughter of Michelle Bellingier & Jeff Katz.
Clara Sowalsky in honor of the 38th wedding anniversary of Linda & Bruce Stanger.

Cantor's Music Fund

Ellen & Peter Donshik in honor of the birth of Nathan Benjamin Satlof, grandson of Judy & David Satlof.
Jeanne & Marshall Elman in honor of Cantor Ness receiving the Moshe Nathanson Conducting Award.
Jayne & Mark Freiman in appreciation of Cantor Ness for the bat mitzvah of daughter, Alyssa.
Betty Garber in memory of Dr. Charles Polivy, husband of Paula.
Rachel & Max Javit in appreciation of Cantor Ness and the wonderful concert.
Phyllis Lappen in honor of the marriage of Ethan Vogelhut and Michelle Lappen.
Peter Levine in appreciation of Cantor Ness and the wonderful concert.
Helen Lewtan in appreciation of Cantor Ness.
Maya Margulis for the yahrzeit of mother, Reveka Volodarsky.
Francine & Steven Stier in honor of Cantor Ness receiving the Moshe Nathanson Conducting Award; in memory of Simon Goldstein, father of Claudia Goodman.

Cemetery Fund

Bernice Wiener for the yahrzeit of husband, Alvin Wiener.

Chai Society Fund

The following donations were received to wish Gloria Rulnick a speedy recovery: **Gloria Goldenberg**, **Marge & Larry Malitz**, **Cipie & Dan Miller**.
Sheila & David Diamond in honor of Rosalind Rachlin, joining the Temple Board of Trustees as Chai Society's representative.
Evelyn Dvorin in honor of Shirley & Julius Wachtel.
Fran & Phil Feltman in appreciation of Paula Polivy sponsoring the Chai Society barbeque.
Gloria Goldenberg in appreciation of Joseph Rachlin.
Rosalind & Joseph Rachlin in honor of the bat mitzvah of Denese & Norman Mann's granddaughter, Zoe; in memory of Carole Papermaster, wife of David, mother of Daniel; of Milton Schwartz, husband of Nancy, father of Marcia Lazowski.
Michele Rosenberg in honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Judy & Al Greenspoon.
Gloria & Milt Rulnick in memory of Dorothy Silver, sister of Manny Wendrow; in memory of Lou Goldberg's brother.
Judith & David Satlof in memory of Jean Lorensen Ellen, mother of Harriet Cudrin.
Roberta & Marvin Smith in memory of Edna Levine, aunt of Sharon Levine-Shein; of Lorraine Parker, mother of Bobbie Schmidt.
Muriel & Stan Sokolow in appreciation of Paula Polivy sponsoring the Chai Society barbeque.
Abe Weinberg wishing a speedy recovery to Seymore Newman.

Education Fund

Harriet & Fred Dannhauser in memory of Lillian Tishler, mother of Shelley Langer.

Meryl & Terry Silver in honor of the naming of Emily & Sarah Stein, daughters of Tamara & Josh Stein.
Marge & Ricky Swaye in honor of the birth of grandson, William Eli MacDermott, son of Janel & Kevin MacDermott.

Flower Fund

Sandy & Marc Friedman in memory of Dorothy Silver, mother of Alan Silver.

Rabbi Garber's Discretionary Fund

Sandra & Ben Berger in appreciation of Rabbi Garber for baby naming.
Jayne & Mark Freiman in appreciation of Rabbi Garber for bat mitzvah of daughter, Alyssa.
Diane & Richard Lieberfarb in honor of Sophie Greenebaum, daughter of Tom Greenebaum & Lisa Levin, being named 2010 Outstanding Scholar of Avon Middle School; in appreciation of Nancy Rosen for co-chairing the Rosh Hodesh "It's a Girl Thing".
Marge & Ricky Swaye in appreciation of Rabbi Garber for the naming of grandson, William Eli MacDermott.
Tara and Scott Turken in honor of the birthday of Max Berger.

Rabbi Rosen's Discretionary Fund

The following donations were received in honor of the Chai Celebration of Rabbi Jim & Nancy Rosen:
Harriet & Fred Dannhauser, Diane & Scott Dolin, Estelle Davis, Sybil & Don Golden, Laura & Josh Gottfried, Thelma Greene, Kathie & Doug Joseph & family, the Korris family, Leslie & Paul Korus, Lee & Bob Lapuk, Lou Ludgin, Melissa & Randall Weinstock.
Vida & Eliot Barron in memory of Carole Papermaster, wife of David, mother of Daniel.
Barbara & Roger Bennett in appreciation of Rabbi Rosen.
Harriet & Bob Berland in appreciation of Rabbi Rosen for the naming of granddaughter, Taylor Michelle Kaster.
Sandra & Marvin Bloom in memory of Milton Schwartz, husband of Nancy, father of Marcia Lazowski.
Shelley Carton in honor of Shirley & Julius Wachtel.
Naomi & Michael Cohen in honor of Rabbi Rosen receiving an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from JTS.
Gloria Goldenberg in honor of Rabbi Rosen receiving an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from JTS.
Felice Goldman in honor of the special birthday of Eliot Barron.
Libby Hendlar in honor of the 90th birthday of Julius Wachtel.
Lillian Hillman for the yahrzeit of brother, Herbert Leibert.
Helen Lewtan in appreciation of Rabbi Rosen.
The Lubka family & Wyckoff family in memory of Milton Schwartz, husband of Nancy, father of Marcia Lazowski.
Lou Ludgin in appreciation of Judy Rosenthal for chairing the Chai Celebration of Rabbi Jim & Nancy Rosen.
Lunch & Learn Class in appreciation of Rabbi Rosen.
Aaron Marcus in appreciation of Dr. Eliot Barron and Rabbi Rosen.
Harold Moskowitz in appreciation of Rabbi Rosen.
Barbara Silverstein for the yahrzeit of husband, Leonard Silverstein; for mother, Edith Kaplan.
Marion & Alvin Steinberg for the yahrzeit of mother, Lillian Steinberg.
Abraham Zubrow in appreciation of Rabbi Rosen and Rabbi Sowalsky.

Taste of Shabbat Fund

Florence & Philip Post in memory of Carole Papermaster, wife of David, mother of Daniel.

Temple Fund

The following donations were received in honor of the 90th birthday of Julius Wachtel: **Joni & Miles Benickes, Alfred Rosenthal & Doris Toubman, Rosalie Rosenthal, Muriel Schaffman.**

Lonnie & Larry Brick in honor of Dr. Robert Green being named CT Orthopedic Surgeon of the Year.
Carol & Burt Cunin in memory of Dorothy Silver, mother of Alan.
Gail & Barry Deutsch wishing a speedy recovery to Judy Schulz.
Donna & Thomas Divine in honor of the special birthday of Max Javit.
Elaine & Bob Dombroff in memory of Carole Papermaster, wife of David, mother of Daniel.
Elaine & Harry Lane in honor of the Chai Celebration of Rabbi Jim & Nancy Rosen.
Anita & Bill Mancoll in appreciation of aliyah at the bar mitzvah of Eric Selzer, son of Russell Selzer & Shari Roth; in memory of Milton Schwartz, husband of Nancy, father of Marcia Lazowski.
Rhonda Sattin in memory of Simon Goldstein, father of Claudia Goodman.
Rachel Schaumburger in memory of David Goldman, father of Jim.

Yahrzeit

Eve Alpert for father, Joseph Kluk.
Morton Appleton for mother, Pearl Appleton.
Harriet & Robert Berland for father, Morris Stollman; for mother, Bertha Berland.
Carolyn Bernstein for mother, Esther Asheroff.
Marvin Bloom for father, Jacob Bloom.
Leslie Blumberg for mother, Miriam Abrahamson.
Shirley S. Brody for sister, Rose Nemeroff.
Ina Cooper for mother, Gertrude Keller.
Reeva Cremer for father, Benny Cremer.
Gail & Barry Deutsch for mother, Adeline Lipkin.
Elaine Dombroff for father, Dr. Samuel Spencer.
Sharon & Bob Efron for mother, May Moses.
Phil Feltman for brother, Alfred Feltman.
Hinda Fisher for father, Max Neiditz.
Hilary Freedman for father, Isadore Freedman.
Harvey Glass for son, David Glass.
Nan Glass for son, David Glass.
Susan Gluck for grandparents, Fanny & Phillip Gluck.
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Herbert Golinsky for mother, Rebecca Golinsky.
Marilyn & Murray Grant for parents Lillian & Ralph Grant; for mother, Celia Weisman.
Judith Greenspoon for father, Martin Redlus.
Kathy & Bradley Hoffman for father, Burton Hoffman.
Renee Holden for husband, Martin Holden.
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Karen & Michael Rosen for father, Raymond Poriss.
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Edyth Sussman for parents, Mollie & Abe Leichman.
Lisa Sussman for mother, Harriett Andorsky.
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Rose Wekar for father, Sam Bayer.

Roz Yellin for son, Dr. Michael Yellin; for cousin, Lillian Lipsky.

Judith Zachs for father, David Miller.

Shirley Zelman for mother, Esther Groman.

Tsedakah/Chesed Fund

Faith & Bruce Parker in honor of Jeanne Elman being recognized as Woman of Distinction by Sisterhood.

Endowment Funds

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Jeanne & Marshall Elman in memory of Sylvia Federman, sister of Ernest Sherry.

Naomi & Michael Cohen Fund

Naomi & Michael Cohen in memory of Sylvia Federman, sister of Ernest Sherry.

Nathan Field Fund

Jane Field for the yahrzeit of sister, Bernice Jacobson.

Gavens Family College Youth Fund

The Flescher family in honor of Melissa Gavens' college graduation.

Annette & Sy Gavens in honor of Gary Jones being appointed regional director of ADL; in memory of Anne Zevin, mother of Sherna Lamm; of Ruth Alpert, mother of Lorraine Nodelman.

Annette Gavens for the yahrzeit of sister, Pauline Kushnet.

Seymour Gavens for the yahrzeit of mother, Marion Gavensky.

Mildred Glasband Memorial Fund

Linda & Mike Platt for the yahrzeit of mother, Mildred Glasband.

Ben Horowitz Fund

Anita Sigel for the yahrzeit of parents, Ida & Louis Levinson.

Ruth & Harry Kleinman Fund

Gloria & Art Levin in honor of the graduation from University of Maryland, of Jason Kleinman, son of Myra & Bill.

Mann Family Temple Organ Fund

Denese & Norman Mann in memory of Sylvia Federman, sister of Ernest Sherry.

Bruce Shein & Sharon Levine-Shein Fund

Laura & Matthew Herz in memory of Edna Levine, aunt of Sharon Levine-Shein.

Cipie & Dan Miller in memory of Edna Levine, aunt of Sharon Levine-Shein.

Sharon Levine-Shein & Bruce Shein in memory of Lorraine Parker, mother of Bobbie Schmidt.

Sowalsky Gabbai Rishon Fund

Diane Biegel in appreciation of Rabbi Howard Sowalsky.

Barbara & Roger Bennett in appreciation of Rabbi Howard Sowalsky for the bar mitzvah of son, Michael.

Harold Moskowitz in appreciation of Rabbi Howard Sowalsky.

Lea Selig for the yahrzeit of uncle, David Schalit.

Clara Sowalsky for the yahrzeit of son, Ronald Sowalsky; for sister-in-law, Rose Nemeroff.

Leigh A. Newman & Gary S. Starr Fund

Leigh Newman & Gary Starr in honor of the 92nd birthday of Joseph Starr.

Manuel M. Stier Fund

Clara Sowalsky in honor of the 35th wedding anniversary of Francine & Steve Stier.

Evelyn Stier in honor of the 35th wedding anniversary of children, Francine & Steve Stier.

Amy E. Toyen Fund

Dorine & Marty Toyen in honor of the engagement of Adina Rosen, daughter of Rabbi Jim & Nancy, to Rami Schwartz, son of Karyn.

I. Milton Widem Adult Education Fund

Annette & Sy Gavens in honor of the bar mitzvah of Gabriel Widem, grandson of Selma Widem.



Endowment News

The new fiscal year at Beth El Temple began July 1st. The Beth El Board of Trustees worked very hard to minimize the dues increase while maintaining the level of programming we have come to expect. Wouldn't it be wonderful to have another way to offset expenses?

Our Endowment is currently about \$2.5 million dollars. If it were twice as large, it could help to offset more expenses. If it were four times as large, well, you get the picture.

Several years ago we established the Habonim Society to recognize and thank those who have either established a named Endowment fund or have included Beth El in their estate plan. It takes a gift of only \$5000 to establish a named fund. Doing so will help Beth El in perpetuity. Once established, it can become your "favorite" fund to which to make donations in honor of a simcha, in memory of a loved one or in appreciation of a milestone event in your life or the lives of your family or friends. The income generated from that fund can be restricted to a specific program or unrestricted, thus able to be used for programs in general. Either way, the larger our Endowment, the more revenue is generated to help offset expenses and by so doing, help dues increases remain minimal.

Whether you choose to establish a named fund now, or to include Beth El Temple in your estate plan, a gift to the Endowment Fund is the best way of ensuring the future of Beth El Temple. There are many ways to leave a legacy. You may even receive tax benefits in the process. Contact your accountant or call one of the Endowment Trustees to begin a discussion.

Your Endowment Trustees

Ed Chestler	Charlene Fischler	Sy Gavens	Bill Kleinman	Steve Kreinik
Frank Resnick	Gary Starr	Naomi Tussin	Stu Wachtel	Howard Weiner

If you would like to discuss establishing a named Endowment Fund or leaving a Legacy Gift for Beth El, please contact Executive Director Michael Moses or Endowment President Stephen Kreinik at 860.236.1304 or skreinik@comcast.net



Beth El Temple of West Hartford An Affiliate of Hazak

Chai Society celebrated its 10th Anniversary with a Spectacular BBQ cooked outside by The Crown Supermarket and served inside to more than 130 members of Chai Society and Beth El Temple. The event was underwritten by Paula Polivy and family in memory of Chai's friend Dr. Charles Polivy.

The evening started with a general meeting of Chai Society which unanimously adopted a Constitution and Bylaws that had been prepared by attorneys Michael Schenker who represents the Board of Trustees of Beth El Temple and Joseph Rachlin who represents Chai Society. In accordance with the amendment of Beth El Temple's bylaws that was overwhelmingly approved at the Congregational Meeting on June 13th, Chai Society will join Sisterhood and Men's Club with a permanent seat and vote on the Temple's Board of Trustees.

Musical entertainment was presented by Judy Handler and Mark Levesque on Guitar and



Mandolin. Additional fun was provided by a sing-a-long led by Cantor Ness who was joined at the mike by some of our singing members.

Thank you all for participating in what was a memorable Chai Evening.

Roz Rachlin, President

Left to right: Judy Handler, Cantor Ness, Fran Feltman and Mark Levesque

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Service Schedule

(unless otherwise indicated on the calendar)
Mornings: Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m., Sunday 8:45 a.m.
Evenings: Sunday through Thursday 7:30 p.m.
Shabbat: Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m., Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
Mincha/Ma'ariv/Havdalah: Please see calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 21 Av	2 22 Av	3 23 Av	4 24 Av 10:00 a.m. Talmud Study	5 25 Av	6 26 Av 11:00 a.m. bebe 6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 7:45 p.m. Candle Lighting	7 27 Av <i>Parsha Re'ei</i> 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Service All August Birthday Alyiot 7:50 p.m. Mincha/Ma'ariv/ Havdalah
8 28 Av	9 29 Av	10 30 Av Rosh Chodesh Elul 8:00 p.m. Board of Trustees	11 1 Elul Rosh Chodesh Elul 10:00 a.m. Talmud Study	12 2 Elul 7:00 p.m. Wine and Cheese Reception	13 3 Elul 11:00 a.m. bebe 6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 7:36 p.m. Candle Lighting	14 4 Elul <i>Parsha Shofrim</i> 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Service 7:45 p.m. Mincha/Ma'ariv/ Havdalah
15 5 Elul	16 6 Elul	17 7 Elul 5:00 p.m. Beth El Family Swim & BBQ at the JCC Swim Club	18 8 Elul 10:00 a.m. Talmud Study	19 9 Elul	20 10 Elul 11:00 a.m. bebe 6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 7:26 p.m. Candle Lighting	21 11 Elul <i>Parsha Ki-Tetzeti</i> 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m. Mincha/Ma'ariv/ Havdalah
22 12 Elul	23 13 Elul	24 14 Elul	25 15 Elul 10:00 a.m. Talmud Study 5:30 p.m. Back to Beth El Carnival	26 16 Elul	27 17 Elul 11:00 a.m. bebe 5:45 p.m. PJ Shabbat 6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 7:15 p.m. Candle Lighting	28 18 Elul <i>Parsha Ki Tavo</i> 9:30 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Jack Gitin 7:20 p.m. Mincha/Ma'ariv/ Havdalah
29 19 Elul	30 20 Elul	31 21 Elul	September 1 22 Elul 10:00 a.m. Talmud Study	September 2 23 Elul 5:45 p.m. Endowment Committee	September 3 24 Elul 11:00 a.m. bebe 6:00 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 7:03 p.m. Candle Lighting	September 4 25 Elul <i>Parsha Nitzavin-Vayelech</i> 9:30 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Paul Ross 7:10 p.m. Mincha/Ma'ariv/ Havdalah 8:30 p.m. Selichot Reception, Program and Service

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Upcoming Events



YOUR FAMILY IS INVITED TO MEET OUR FAMILY!

All programs free for prospective members. Call us to make a reservation.

Wine & Cheese

Thursday, August 12
7:00 PM

Adults, please join us for wine and cheese and an opportunity to meet the members of our professional staff and community. Child care provided.

Family BBQ at JCC Swim Club

Tuesday, August 17th
5:00–8:00 PM

Join us for an evening of dinner and swim and an opportunity to meet members of the Beth El community.

Back to Beth El Carnival

Wednesday, August 25
5:30 to 7:30 PM

Inflatables for all ages.
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PJ Shabbat

Friday, August 27th
5:45 PM

Bring your children up to age 4 in their PJs for stories, songs and a Torah parade. Followed by a chicken nugget dinner for kids and oneg Shabbat for parents.

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