

There is a place for you at Beth El. We Belong Together.

Beth El Newsletter
August (Tammuz/Av) and September (Elul/Tishrei) 2019/5779

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*Mazel Tov to our 2019-2021 Sisterhood Executive Board!
Join Sisterhood at: bethelsnj.org/sisterhood*



Our 2nd Annual Golf Classic & Game Day at Woodcrest Country Club included more than 100 golfers, gamers and friends!

You're Invited!
CELEBRATE SUMMER AT CONGREGATION BETH EL



SPLISH SPLASH SING-A-LONG

Tuesday, August 6. 5:30pm

Splash and sing with Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro at our splash pad, playground, gaga and basketball courts! Hot dog dinner will be served. Vegetarian option available.

SHABBAT IN THE PARK

Friday, August 9. 5:30pm

Bring your blankets, chairs and a dairy picnic dinner and join our clergy for a family-friendly outdoor Shabbat service at Challenge Grove Park. Snacks & schmooze at 5:30pm, services at 6:00pm. 101 Bortons Mill Road, Cherry Hill.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT CLASSIC CAKE

Thursday, August 15. 5:00—7:00pm

Our wonderful clergy will scoop for you at our summer ice cream party! Your first scoop is on us!

DEVOTION BY THE OCEAN

Friday, August 16. 6:00pm

Join Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro for a Shabbat service on the beach behind the Ventnor Library. *In inclement weather, services will be at Shirat Hayam.* Pre-Shabbat reception at the home of Cathy & Marc Backal begins at 5:00pm. Address provided upon RSVP to mleibowitz@bethelsnj.org

EVERYONE IS WELCOME! WE BELONG TOGETHER.

LETTERS FROM OUR LEADERS



Karen H. Schlessel
President

There's No Place Like Home

On Saturday night, Dave and I got together with friends outside our community. They asked us how synagogue was that morning. They were taken

aback when Dave and I simultaneously replied with enthusiastic superlatives – synagogue was awesome and incredible! It had been a typical Shabbat morning at Beth El. Shabbat mornings at Beth El are rarely typical, however, and never ordinary.

It's hard to describe the warm feeling of being with our Beth El Family, celebrating and supporting one another. It's what makes Beth El the place we are drawn to when we want to share, contemplate, or simply be.

As you plan to come home to Beth El for High Holy days, please don't wait until then to come for services. Stop in for services during the week, for our musical Kabbalat Shabbat service "Friday Night Live," or for Shabbat morning services. Perhaps wait until after you've reconnected with someone during a delicious Kiddush lunch to set out for the shore. You'll leave inspired, refreshed, and nourished. As always, you are better because of Beth El, and Beth El is better because of you.

Welcome New Members to Our Beth El Family!

ברוכים הבאים

- Erica, Michael and Logan Fau
- Sarah Fried and Dexter Mastantuono
- Susan, Andrew, Eliza, James and Kate Gordon
- Carolyn Horowitz
- Betty & Harris Klear
- Marilyn & Irving Klein
- Jemma Kline
- Derek, Raluca, Anne and Philip Isenberg
- Jennifer, Tobias, Oliver and Annabel Maidenberg
- Marlon McElveen

We belong together.



Josh Laster
Executive Director

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer and looking forward to a fulfilling year with Beth El. We've been busy with summer events and creating opportunities to stay connected! Our team of clergy, staff and lay leaders are hard at work preparing for the

Jewish year that lies ahead of us. As the summer winds down, I wanted to share a few more changes with our staff and introduce you to some new team members.

Rabbi Nogah Marshall, as Educational Director, will expand her role to provide oversight of the ECC. In addition to her supervision of the Religious School and Adult Education, she will be responsible for curriculum, instruction and supervision.

Stacy Silberman is our new Education Programs Assistant. She will work with both the ECC and Religious School, providing administrative support to staff, leaders and parents. Stacy can be reached at extension 422 and at ssilberman@bethelsnj.org.

Abby Abramson is transitioning from her role as Educational Programs Administrator to Executive Assistant. In this role, Abby will be working primarily with me and supporting the broad needs of both our Administrative and Congregational Life departments. Abby can be reached at extension 406 and at aabramson@bethelsnj.org.

Stacy Manning is our new Controller. Stacy and I had the pleasure of working together at my last synagogue, Congregation Beth Chaim in Princeton Junction, NJ. She worked at Beth Chaim for 19 years as the Accounting Manager and was the sole person running their financial department. Stacy has extensive experience working with both of our software platforms that we use to run Beth El. Stacy can be reached at extension 403 and at smanning@bethelsnj.org.

I'm very excited for our new team members and looking forward to a successful year ahead. Best wishes for the rest of your summer, and see you very soon!



Rabbi Andy Green

An Interview with Marlon McElveen

Marlon McElveen has worked at Congregation Beth El with Mac's Janitorial service for over ten years. In June, Marlon completed his conversion to Judaism and took an Aliyah to the Torah at Beth El for the first time. I recently sat down with Marlon to speak about his journey. Our conversation has been edited for length and clarity.

RG: What first inspired you to pursue conversion to Judaism?

MM: I have been thinking about this step for eight years, ever since Rabbi Jeff [Arnowitz] gave a speech to the kindergarten class saying we should not teach our kids about the religion but how to build the religion. It always stuck with me. It means we cannot just expect our kids to think like we do. We have to give them the tools so they can make their own choices.

RG: How has becoming Jewish changed your life?

MM: It opened up my heart more to Gd. I loved learning about the religion – learning about Passover and Yom Kippur and Sukkot, learning our story from the walking in the desert to the parting of the Sea to Gd telling Moses that he will not to go into the Promised Land – learning is the beauty of our religion. Other religions teach that you need to do it this way or you can't go where you want to... Judaism teaches that you can go wherever you want in your heart.



RG: What surprised you most over the course of your conversion process?

MM: What surprised me most is how many people love me. I've had so much support from Rabbi Krupnick, from Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro, from you (Rabbi Green,) from Cantor Sher, from Barbra Wilen and the Respes family, from Renee Kessler, from Linda Lazarow... I could name two hundred people off the top of my head that made me feel so loved when they found out. Until about six weeks in, I kept my conversion plans to myself. Then I told one person and they said, "Oh My Gd! That is so beautiful." And it touched me.

I remember one day when I let someone in at the Shabbat entrance. He looked at me said, "Hey, I got a question. Why are you wearing a kippah?" I said, "I'm taking the steps to become Jewish." He said, "Wow! You're one of me! I met my wife in conversion class..." So many people shared with me saying, "I converted too." There are so many converts out there and I think many people don't know their stories. It would be a beautiful thing for us as a community to share and learn these stories. It might surprise us to learn from each other what we've been through.

RG: What is your story, Marlon, that you want to share with us at Beth El?

MM: My story! Wow! Nobody has ever asked me that question... My story is that I was a kid who walked into a building blind and it took me a long time to find my heart. Here, at Beth El, I found Gd, and when you find Gd, you find what everything in this world means. You can have kids, a mom, a dad, and so much more to be grateful for, but only call out to Gd when something happens, like when you hurt your hand and cry, "Oh Gd." Some people ask Gd for the craziest things like, "Gd, can you help me win the lottery?" or "Gd, can you help me get this job?" but nobody goes to Gd first and says, "Gd thank you for waking me up." One of the first things I learned about Judaism is that we thank Gd before we go to sleep and first thing when we wake up. Every morning and every night I find Gd again.

RG: Anything else that inspires you?

MM: Yes. Hearing Hazzan sing. I love her voice.



What Do you Like About Shabbat?

Shabbat is a holy sanctified day that we make special and different than any other day of the week. We do this by wearing nice clothes, preparing special foods, singing special songs, and studying Torah. To observe Shabbat is to celebrate the creation of the world and to create the seventh day all over

again, a day of rest. It is a time to spend with family and to enjoy life and reinvigorate our souls. In our family a lot of singing takes place in our home. Many of the songs that we sing happen to be about Shabbat (not surprising of a Rabbi's family, right?) One song in particular that my daughters used to sing when they were in preschool was "What do you like about Shabbat?" For those who are not familiar with this song, it talks about all of the things we like about Shabbat which includes the lighting of the Shabbat candles, reciting the Kiddush and Motzi. But the thing that our family likes best about Shabbat is spending time with our Beth El family. And this coming year we have many exciting new Shabbat programs that we hope you take advantage of. Each week we offer a different Shabbat experience for our families.

Shabbat arrives every Friday night. It can come and go without us even realizing it. It is up to us to be within Shabbat rather than for Shabbat to be within us. So, as we begin the year, ask yourself, what do you like about Shabbat? Come spend Shabbat with us at Beth El and delight your soul with pleasure as we are taught, "Sanctify the Sabbath by choice meals, by beautiful garments; delight your soul with pleasure and I will reward you for this very pleasure."



Exciting Changes to Shabbat Children and Youth Programming Start in September!

PRAYERS AND PAJAMAS

1st Fridays

5:30pm

Join Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro and Rabbi Green for a musical, interactive and fun Shabbat service especially for families with children ages 5 and under. **This is not a drop off program, caregivers must accompany their children.*

BIM BAM SHABBAT

3rd Saturdays

11:00-11:45am

Rabbi Green and Rabbi Marshall invite families to participate in this interactive service geared toward children ages 5 and under. **This is not a drop off program, caregivers must accompany their children.*

JUNIOR CONGREGATION

2nd & 4th Saturdays

10:15-11:45am

Kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to participate with Chai Respes in a fun Shabbat morning service!

BABYSITTING

Available every Saturday morning

9:30am-12:00pm

SEPTEMBER DATES

6—Prayers and Pajamas

14—Junior Congregation

21—Bim Bam Shabbat

28—Junior Congregation

HIGH HOLY DAY ORDER FORMS

High Holy Day Flower Fund

Help beautify the High Holy Days at Congregation Beth El. Contributions help offset cost of HHD flowers.
\$25 minimum

Name of Contributors: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address of contributor: _____

Name(s) to be commemorated: _____

Reason for commemoration: _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

New Year Greetings

Send your friends a greeting to celebrate the New Year!
\$15 per family (up to four names) and \$3 for each additional name

Family Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address of contributor: _____

Names to be listed: _____

(Additional paper may be used for more names)

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

New Year Greetings and Flower Fund Contributions will be listed in the High Holiday Bulletin at Rosh Hashanah

**Please return completed forms to Shirley Yaffa at the Beth El office
by Wednesday, September 4**

Lulav & Etrog Sale

Please complete and return this form to the Beth El office
by Wednesday, September 25

Order pick up in the Beth El Office:
Tuesday, October 10 and Wednesday, October 11



Please order me _____ Lulav and Etrog sets at \$50 per set.

NAME: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

Questions? Please contact Abby Abramson at aabramson@bethelsnj.org or 856-675-1166 x406

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Beth El would like to highlight these members who have recently been recognized in the community. If you know someone that deserves special recognition, please email Alicia at adrozen@bethelsnj.org



Joanna Greenfield was honored by The Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey at the recent Women of Impact event.



Jacob Natkin achieved the Boys Scouts of America highest honor of Eagle Scout.



Hilary Platt received the Leadership Award at the SJ Magazine Women of Excellence Awards for her work with JFCS Project S.A.R.A.H.



Leora Waiche was appointed to the Board of Trustees of Jewish Senior Housing & Healthcare Services.



Lion's Gate honored **Glenn Sloves** with the Sis Levy Award and **Alison Platt-Tarnopol** with the Ethel J. David Award at the annual Tacos and Tequilas event.

We would also like to recognize **David Gutin**, the outgoing president of Jewish Senior Housing & Healthcare Services who is also pictured and **Alison Platt-Tarnopol**, the new president of JSHHS.

ATTENTION COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS & PARENTS!



JOIN COLLEGE CONNECTION!

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT FOR FIRST PACKAGE IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13!

Help us keep our Beth El college students connected to their shul and Jewish community. We provide holiday packages and Beth El news updates throughout the school year.

If you would like your college student to participate in this **free** program please submit the following information to **Ann Miller at ALM4SP@aol.com or (856) 428-5145**

Student Name, School Address, Student's e-mail address, Name of School/Class Year, Parent Name, Phone & Email



***ALL ADDRESSES MUST BE UPDATED ANNUALLY.
PLEASE SUBMIT STUDENT'S ADDRESS EVEN IF PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED.**

Sponsored by: David Back College Connection Fund

To make a donation: (856) 675-1166

For more information: Gloria Back at (856) 428-6368 or gback5454@aol.com



Hayden Rappaport—August 31
Benjamin Derman—September 7
Noah Berman—September 14
Max Scholl—September 21



HAYDEN RAPPAPORT

Son of Stephanie & Jeffrey Rappaport

August 31, 2019

Brother of: Marisa

Grandson of:
Diane Leder and Leonard Schwartz,
and Carol & Mitchell Perchick

Mitzvah Project: Volunteered weekly
with AcHaD basketball squadron at JCC
and made a donation.



BENJAMIN DERMAN

Son of Stephanie & Neil Derman

September 7, 2019

Brother of: Rami and Jonah

Grandson of:
Norma & Hal Augustine
and Helen & Brian Derman

Mitzvah Project: Fundraised for
Songs of Love, an organization that
creates free uplifting, personalized
songs for children struggling with life-
threatening illness or disability.



NOAH BERMAN

Son of Tara & Michael Berman

September 14, 2019

Brother of: Mira

Grandson of:
Abby & Robert Belafsky
and Harris Berman

Mitzvah Project: Fundraised and
organized an event to pack backpacks
for Tools for School. Donated 400
backpacks with supplies to Nemours
Pediatrics in Philadelphia and Forest
Hills Elementary School in Camden.



MAX SCHOLL

Son of Ilana & Seth Scholl

September 21, 2019

Brother of: Zachary

Grandson of:
Gary Scholl and Linda Scholl
and Becky & Gerson Korntreger

Mitzvah Project: Collected new or
lightly used sports equipment to donate
to a Philadelphia/Camden sports team
and made a donation to sponsor a
team.



We are so proud of the Beth El members who were elected to lead
BBYO South Jersey Region:

Josh Boro, elected Aleph Godol

Joseph Hochberg, elected Aleph Gizbor

Jared Wilen, elected Aleph S'gan

Robin Berger

on the Baby Naming of her granddaughter, Ruby Dana

Brenda & Chuck Driben

on the B'not Mitzvah of their granddaughters,
Ashley Brooke and Mia Rose Salcedo

Amy Winn-Dworkin & Benjamin Dworkin

on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Miranda

Katie & Sebastian Goldstein

on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Kyle

Myra & David Gutin

on their daughter Sarah receiving her Ph.D. in Public Health
from the University of Michigan

Cari & Ron Jasner

on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Joseph

Lori Kagan & Kevin Fredette

on the Baby Naming of their daughter, Emily Ruth

Alan Kagan

on the Baby Naming of his granddaughter, Emily Ruth

Michele & Jeffrey Kahan

on the birth of their granddaughter, Olivia Jaymes

Barbara & Gary Kanalstein

on the marriage of their grandson,
Jack Nockowitz to Gabrielle Moon

Debra Kelberg

on the Bar Mitzvah of her son, Benjamin Wakshul

Cheryl & John Kirby

on the marriage of their son, Benjamin to Stephanie Barata

Wendy & Brad Koenig

on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ross

Sara & Adam Lemma

on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Eliza

Linda Markoff

on the Bar Mitzvah of her grandson, Jacob

Diane & Dr. Burt Nussbaum

on the Baby Naming of their granddaughter, Riley Anne

Jamie & Harold Orel

on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Evan

Ruth & Alan Respler

on the B'nai Mitzvah of their grandchildren,
Lilah and Benjamin Silver

Bonnie Richman

on the engagement of her grandson Zachary Silverberg to
Samantha Schiff

Rachel Rosenbaum and Charles Rosenbaum

on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Sivi

Joyce & Mel Ruthen

on the birth of their granddaughter, Ella Goldie

Heidi & Danny Silverberg

on the engagement of their son Zachary to Samantha Schiff

Debbi & Michael Silverman

on the marriage of their son, Joshua to Jessica Rotberg

Dr. Sofia & Todd Weber


on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Jonah

Cecile & Jack Weber

on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Jonah

Shirley Yaffa

on the marriage of her granddaughter,
Bari Leff to Frank Alarcon



BETH EL MOURNS THE PASSING OF:

Dr. Bernard "Bernie" Bronstein
Brother of Bill Bronstein

Hilda Glass
Mother of Ken Glass

Jerrold Goldich
Father of Amanda Kaminer

Phyllis Kushner
Mother of Dale Kushner-Brooks

Lois Taylor
Mother of Merle Linden
Sister of Cookie Matez
Grandmother of Robert Linden, Genna Wilensky

Marvin Tepper
Husband of Harriet Tepper
Father of David Green

May their memories be for a blessing.













**List as of July 16, 2019*

DAILY MINYAN TIMES

AUGUST (TAMMUZ/ AV) AND SEPTEMBER (ELUL/ TISHREI)

AM = Shacharit (Morning)
* = Mincha Only

PM = Mincha/Ma'ariv (Afternoon/Evening)
^ = Friday Night Live (Kabbalat Shabbat)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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11 TISHA B'AV 8:30AM 2:00 PM* 8:00PM <i>FAST ENDS 9:18PM</i>	12 7:15AM 8:00PM	13 7:30AM 8:00PM	14 7:30AM 8:00PM	15 7:15AM 8:00PM	16 7:30AM 5:45PM* 6:00PM^  7:38PM	17 VA'ETCHANAN SHABBAT NACHAMU 9:00AM 7:40PM
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29 EREV ROSH HASHANAH 9:00AM 6:00PM  6:28PM	30 ROSH HASHANAH DAY 1 8:30AM 6:00PM TASHLICH 7:00PM SANCTUARY  7:26PM	OCTOBER 1 ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2 8:30AM 7:00PM	OCTOBER 2 FAST OF GEDALIAH 7:15AM 6:45PM <i>FAST ENDS 7:17PM</i>	OCTOBER 3 7:15AM 6:45PM	OCTOBER 4 7:30AM 5:15PM* 6:00PM^  6:20PM	OCTOBER 5 VAYEILECH SHABBAT SHUVA 9:00AM 6:25PM

STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE

Dear Beth El Community:

We are very excited to announce that United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism (USCJ) has selected Congregation Beth El to participate in the Sulam for Strategic Planners. The objective is to involve the congregation in the development of a vision that will move Beth El through our upcoming 100th anniversary and set the foundation for the next 100 years. Together, we will create specific strategies to help us achieve that vision.

We have assembled a strategic planning steering committee comprised of both members and staff, who will spend the next 12-15 months coordinating this effort and helping us look forward and plan for the future of our congregation, supported by USCJ.

Over the coming year, there will be a variety of opportunities for you, our members, to participate in the planning process and provide substantial input about the programs, facilities and services offered by Beth El and whether they meet our needs. As a start, there will be:

1. A brief, confidential **Congregational Survey** will be sent to all Beth El members this summer, which will help us to identify key issues to address over the coming year.
2. We will conduct a series of **Community Conversations** during the next two months, which will enable you to share your thoughts and ideas in real time.

A summary of our research findings will be shared with the congregation. In addition, look for regular updates on the progress of the strategic planning work and how you can get more involved.


If you have any questions about the strategic planning process or wish to get involved, please contact David Backal or Hedda Morton at the contact information below.

We thank you in advance for your willingness to help out with this important initiative to shape the future of Beth El.

Sincerely,



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Rabbi Andy Green, Hazzan Alisa Pomerantz-Boro, Josh Laster, Mira Aumiller, Karin Elkis, Sebastian Goldstein, David Gutin, Ed Hochberg, Ilene Rosen, Bob Schwartz, Juli Mandel Sloves, Jason Whitney

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- WCRE – Jason Wolf



**ROSH HASHANAH
BAKE SALE**
Put some sweetness
in your holiday!



**ORDER YOUR
HOLIDAY CAKES FROM
HABONIM**

All items are baked by
Magical Sweet Shop
and are pareve

Order by
Tuesday, September 24

Pick up
Friday, September 27
10:00-2:00 at Beth El

Chocolate Truffle Cake (flourless chocolate
torte with cookie crumb crust) serves 12

All other cakes serve 8-10



Name _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

Chocolate Truffle Cake at \$17 ea. ____ = \$ ____

Pear Struesel Cake at \$17 ea. ____ = \$ ____

Jewish Apple Cake at \$17 ea. ____ = \$ ____

Six Large Brownies at \$15 box. ____ = \$ ____

Round Honey Cake at \$17 ea. ____ = \$ ____

Enclosed is a check for \$ ____

Please make checks payable to
Beth El Habonim
Mail to: Morton Kanovsky
9 Anvil Court, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

Questions? Contact Judy Simkin at lensim@comcast.net

AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

CELEBRATION SHABBAT

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2—5:30PM

Celebrate your birthday or anniversary month with us!

SPLISH SPLASH SING-A-LONG

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6—5:30-7:00PM

Splash and sing with Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro at our splash pad, playground, gaga and basketball courts! Hot dog dinner will be served. Vegetarian option available.

SHABBAT IN THE PARK

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9—5:30PM

Details on the front cover.

In inclement weather, services will be held at Beth El.

HAWAIIAN SHABBAT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

Wear your Hawaiian attire as we celebrate the Aloha State's Statehood Day!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT CLASSIC CAKE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15—5:00-7:00PM

Our wonderful clergy will scoop for you at our summer ice cream party! Your first scoop is on us!

DEVOTION BY THE OCEAN IN VENTNOR

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16—6:00PM

Details on the front cover.

SINGLES SHABBAT

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16—8:00PM

Meet people of all ages in the warm environment of Beth El with an oneg to follow.

BEATLES TRIBUTE BAND AT CONNOLLY PARK

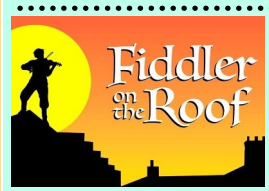
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22— 6:30PM

Bring your picnic blanket, beach chairs and dairy dinner for this free concert. Gates open at 6:30pm. Concert begins at 7:30pm.

SHABBAT GUEST SHIRA TAYLOR GURA

SHABBAT AUGUST 24-25

Special musical guest from Israel for Shabbat services.



**Beth El Goes To Broadway
Sunday, September 22**

Enjoy Fiddler on the Roof in Yiddush!
Space is limited!

\$180 per person includes
transportation, tickets and lunch.

Purchase tickets by August 5. bethelsnj.org/broadway

SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

CELEBRATION SHABBAT

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6—5:30PM

Celebrate your birthday or anniversary month with us!

PRAYERS AND PAJAMAS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6—5:30PM

Details on page 12.

MEN'S CLUB OPEN BOARD MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12—7:00PM

Share your ideas with Men's Club!

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Dr. Christopher Travers will discuss arthritis, who it affects, and both surgical and nonsurgical treatments.

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EVENTS



On May 19, our **USY Youth Group** escaped the Illusionist Room at the Amazing Escape Room Cherry Hill!



On May 19, **Habonim 2.0**, our group for empty nesters, took a guided bus tour through Jewish Harlem visiting a variety of sites including The Apollo!



On June 12, Beth El **Sisterhood** celebrated their leadership transition with an icing and sprinkle filled **Cupcake Wars** event! Mazel tov to the new 2019-2021 president, Debra Kelberg.



On June 20, **Habonim 2.0** grilled up a good time at their annual BBQ with over 60 people and delicious food from Classical Caterers!



On July 14, Beth El families celebrated summer together at a **Pool Party at Rabbi Green's!** Thank you so much to Rabbi Green for hosting such a super fun event.

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**Ayelet Mittelman
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SELICHOT

Saturday, September 21

Selichot Service & Program—8:30pm

EREV ROSH HASHANAH (OPEN SEATING)

Sunday, September 29

Evening Service (*Sanctuary*)—6:00pm

ROSH HASHANAH DAY ONE (ASSIGNED SEATING)

Monday, September 30

Morning Service—8:30am

Tashlich—6:00pm

Mincha/Ma'ariv—7:00pm

ROSH HASHANAH DAY TWO (OPEN SEATING)

Tuesday, October 1

Morning Service—8:30am

Teen Program—10:15am

Mincha/Ma'ariv—7:00pm

KOL NIDRE (ASSIGNED SEATING)

Tuesday, October 8

Mincha (*Chapel*) - 2:00pm

Kol Nidre—6:00pm

YOM KIPPUR

(ASSIGNED SEATING)

Wednesday, October 9

Morning Service—9:00am

Yizkor Sermon & Service—12:00pm

Ask the Rabbi (*Sanctuary*) - 3:30pm

Mincha (*Sanctuary—Open Seating*) - 4:45pm

Neilah (*Sanctuary—Open Seating*) - 6:00pm

End of Fast—7:12pm

CHILDREN & TEEN PROGRAMMING

Babysitting for children ages 5 and under:

Rosh Hashanah Both Days: 9:30am—1:30pm

Yom Kippur: 9:30am—1:30pm

Children and Teen Programming (Grades 1-12):

Rosh Hashanah Day One: 10:00am—1:30pm

Yom Kippur: 10:00am—1:30pm

Teen Program:

Rosh Hashanah Day Two: 10:15am

Family Service:

Rosh Hashanah Day Two: 10:15am

Kol Nidre Family Service (*Sanctuary*): 5:00pm

**Purchase tickets, register for babysitting,
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

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