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## Beth El Newsletter October (Tishrei/Cheshvan) and November (Cheshvan/Kislev) 2019/5780

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The Beth El Night Hawks are our evening minyan regulars. They invite you to "make my minyan!"



Rabbi and Helene Krupnick led a group of Beth El members on a Jewish history tour of Copenhagen, Berlin and Stockholm.

Our simeha would not be complete without you... our Beth El Family.



Please join us in celebrating the auf ruf of our daughter Ellie and Daniel Aronhime

> Shabbat Morning November 2, 2019 Parshat Noach

Kiddush luncheon following services.

~Rabbi and Helene Krupnick

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



## Karen H. Schlessel President

Sulam for Strategic Planning (SSP) is off to an excellent, exciting start! Between the survey and community conversations, so much has been already accomplished. Kol ha'kavod to: David Backal, Past President and SSP Chair; Hedda Morton, Board Trustee

and SSP Co-Chair; the entire SSP Steering Committee; and YOU, all our Beth El community participants.

The objective is to involve our entire congregation in the development of a vision. This will move Beth El forward through our upcoming 100th anniversary and set the foundation for the next 100 years. Please continue to look out for SSP messages via email, Facebook, the Beth El News, and other means. There will be more opportunities to be a part of this journey!

What I am discovering is that the process itself is energizing. Personally, it has been a joy to participate in a community conversation and then interact with others as they depart from their community conversations. The activities of sharing experiences and thoughts, being truly heard, suggesting changes, and openly collaborating with people you may know well or maybe never met, is much more than a bonding experience. The bonding experience, however, should not be underestimated. This connectedness is what makes Beth El a uniquely special family. Members emerged from conversations exuberant, lingering near the Shabbat entrance to discuss ideas with one another.

After his community conversation and training, David Hulnick, a member of Beth El's Board of Trustees, wrote to me, "We talked about when you felt most connected and engaged to Beth El and I can honestly tell you that last night was a high point in that area for me." David added, "We will empower our members and allow them to feel like their thoughts and opinions matter and they will see that others share in how they feel."

What shining examples of David Backal's motto, "You do not belong the Beth El, Beth El belongs to you." and mine, "You are better because of Beth El, and Beth El is better because of you."

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Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro

During the summer, I was invited to record a Speakers of Meaning podcast with Rabbi Richard Address. Our conversation spanned topics from praver and music to High Holy Day liturgy and spirituality. It was an opportunity for me to share what inspires me.

What inspires you? Where do you feel When do you feel Gd's sanctuary? presence? When you feel challenged or disheartened, do you search for increased spirituality in your life?

As we approach this High Holy Day season, we are reminded to work on bettering ourselves and our world. We take time to be together as a community in our awesome shul. We may use this time to reflect deeply about our own spirituality and it might require hard work to get results.

One way we can rescue ourselves from disappointment and despair is to focus on blessings. Try to pray. Let ourselves think. Meditate. Close our eyes. Sing. Listen. Breathe deeply. Allow ourselves the opportunity to feel something bigger Have faith in our than ourselves. community. Bring healing and comfort to those around us. Feel grounded during difficult times. Make a friend. Smile. Be understanding. Know that our Beth El Family is here for us. We belong together.

I encourage you to write down a personal blessing and bring it with you to Ne'ilah at the end of Yom Kippur. We will collect all of the blessings inside of our magnificent ark and they will be brought to Israel with our confirmation class who will deliver them to the kotel in Jerusalem.



**Rabbi Green** 

This summer, I found myself playing gaga and decorating mezuzot at the JCC Camps at Medford, barbequing and hiking at URJ Camp Harlam, screening camper-made films and singing Rad HaYom at Camp Ramah in the Poconos, and learning about arts, sports, and Friday night matzo ball soup at Camp Saginaw. I will treasure these experiences, but my most meaningful camp visit moment this summer happened like this: I recognized and approached a student by the ropes courses, and someone with me called out their name. They looked up, saw me, took a moment to place me and then ran toward me with a grin from ear to ear. We embraced and then shared about our summer experiences thus far. It was mundane and yet it was magical... and I have enjoyed many similar moments with smiles and laughter, high-fives and selfies. I had come as a way of sharing that our Beth El family cares about our youth even when they are away at camp for the summer, and I was reminded again and again how much Beth El means to our youngest members and how a little taste of home means so much.

# Shabbat

WEEKLY

Friday Night Live Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00pm

Shabbat Morning 9:00am

Torah Talk 10:15-11:00am Join Rabbi Green to discuss fascinating topics from our weekly Torah portion.

Babysitting 9:30am - 12:00pm

## **FIRST FRIDAYS**

Prayers And Pajamas 5:30pm with Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro and Rabbi Green for families with kids ages 5 and under

## SECOND & FORTH SATURDAYS

Junior Congregation 10:15-11:45am with Chai Respes for K - 6th Graders

THIRD **SATURDAYS** 

> Bim Bam Shabbat 11:00-11:45am with Rabbi Green and Rabbi Marshall for families with kids ages 5 and under

THIRD FRIDAYS

> **Singles Shabbat** 8:00pm

## **RABBI NOGAH MARSHALL—EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR**



Wow! What an incredible beginning of the year! So much has been taking place I don't even know where to begin. Our ECC is in full swing and I love seeing the children, our future, engage in quality experiential learning. I am so thankful to be working with such a talented and creative team of teachers in our ECC. At our annual faculty retreat at the end of August, we

had a very inspirational day of learning where we worked on norms, smart goals, and curriculum development. Our theme for the teachers this year is *Kehillah* (community) and I am proud to say that our teachers are working together as a cohesive community. They have so much to offer and it has been a pleasure observing them share their love of learning with our youngest learners. I can't wait to continue watching them grow.

Religious School is off to a great start as well! I am also thankful to be working with our amazing Religious School teachers who are dedicated to sharing their love of Judaism with our students. At the Religious School and Hebrew High School teacher orientation, we focused on Relational Judaism and how to share that with our students in the classroom. Our opening day on September 15 was filled with activity as we welcomed back our students. We began our year with special activities for each grade level. In addition to visiting their classes, meeting their teachers, and seeing our friends, we had some special activities. Our youngest students in Pre-K through second grade helped make Sukkah decorations for the Beth El Sukkah. Our third and fourth grade students participated in an Israeli art program with visiting artist Avigayle Adler Katz, and our fifth and sixth grade students helped pack boxes for the Jewish Relief Agency. The entire school was treated with water ice from the BERS PTG as a welcome back gift.

Our High Holy Day Youth Program will include new features this year. We welcome back the Bible Players who will work with our students on interpreting the Bible and holidays with improve. Our kids will participate in meditation and holiday Yoga, and even social action projects.

And how can we forget about our Adult Education program? We kicked off the year with a trip to see Broadway's Fiddler on the Roof in Yiddish. We had 37 Beth El Members join us for a great day in NYC with a delicious lunch prior to the show at Ben's Kosher Deli. Our Live and Learn series will begin November 5 and we hope you will join us on Tuesday evenings from 7:00pm-9:00pm as we study together about prayer and history. In addition, we are thrilled to welcome back Yaffa Fuchs who will teach a 6 week Hebrew reading course for beginners and intermediate students starting November 7.

In just a matter of weeks, we will be celebrating the national holiday of Thanksgiving. I love this holiday, but, in reality, every day is a Thanksgiving. Every day in our schools we teach about appreciation and thanking Gd for all the wonderful things we have been given. So as we enter into the Thanksgiving season, I want to say thank you to Beth El for allowing me to be part of this extraordinary community. I thank you for the opportunity to learn with our youngest learners to our oldest learners. It is truly a gift that we have the opportunity and freedom to come together as a community and learn about our tradition. As it says in Psalm 92: "Tov L'hodot Ladonai Ulizamer Lasimcha Elyon" "It is good to acclaim Adonai, to sing Your praise, exalted Gd." Let's follow these words and give thanks every day of our lives. I look forward to sharing more blessings with all of you.

Our new S.A.I.L Hebrew High School program began the year with a retreat at the JCC Camps at Medford. It was a day filled with team building, learning, crafts, and sports. It was an amazing way to begin our new year.



## AYELET MITTELMAN—EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER PRINCIPAL



Our ECC is back in full swing! Everyone is so excited for the year ahead which promises to be full of new friendships, spectacular experiences, and loads of fun LEARNING!!!

Part of what makes this year so exciting is the addition of two wonderful new employees:

**Caitlin Long** is stepping into the role of a Threes Lead Teacher. Caitlin received her Masters in Early Childhood Education from Arizona State Caitlin loves working with young University. children. As she puts it, "I understand that early childhood is a unique time; one where growth happens on a daily basis, and the learning environment is imperative." Caitlin is also certified in exciting "Outdoor Adventure" type activities, such as archery and zip-lining. Caitlin loves to be in nature, and incorporates that into her teaching. We are so happy to have Caitlin join our Lead Teach team here at Beth El.



We were so lucky to have had all of the Beth El clergy celebrate the last Shabbat of camp with us!

**Debbie Jeffreys** is taking over our STEAM room by storm! Debbie comes to us after years of working as the STEAM supervisor for Lakeshore Learning. Her passion for STEAM, as well as her passion for Judaism, will create an incredibly unique STEAM program for our ECC students! Debbie has also worked within the Jewish preschool setting for many years, and is looking forward to a wonderful year with our ECC.

This year promises to be our most eventful year yet, and we can't wait to see what comes along!



We had a wonderful back to school week, complete with red carpet, balloons, and buckets of cheer!



Kindergarten learned about balance and instruments used for science with our new STEAM teacher, Debbie Jeffreys.



Our 3 and 4 year old campers enjoyed a "drive-in movie." We don't know who had more fun, the kids or the staff!



Who said only big kids could have fun at ECC?

## **CONNECTING TOGETHER**

## THANK YOU NANCY CUTLER



Beth El would like to extend a sincere thank vou to Nancy Cutler for her many years as our dedicated Marketing Chair. Nancy was responsible for the majority of Beth El's marketing facelifts and branding efforts. She has been a tremendous

source of creativity, expertise and insight. We have been so grateful to have her working with us on our website, logo, membership pieces, newspaper ads, press releases, signage and all synagogue marketing efforts.

Nancy is a passionate, dedicated, wonderful volunteer and asset to our community. In addition to her many Marketing Chair responsibilities, Nancy also co-chaired the recent Benj Pasek event.

We belong together, because of you!

Thank you, Mancy!





## Amy Kaplan, Congregation Librarian

It's a must-see! The 30<sup>th</sup> annual Festival of Arts, Books, and Culture opens November 9, bringing a week of blockbuster programming. You will want to get your tickets ASAP, because many of these events will quickly sell out.

## A few highlights:

Wednesday, October 30, 7:30pm Bud Selig, former Commissioner of Baseball Sunday, November 10, 7:00pm Isaac Mizrahi, designer and TV personality Tuesday, November 12, 7:30pm I will be moderating a panel with authors whose books are made into film Ronald Balson, Eric Dezenhall, Pam Jenoff Wednesday, November 13, 7:30pm Nikki Haley, former US Ambassador to the United Nations

...and so much more! Over two dozen authors and entertainers. Call the JCC (856) 424-4444, ext. 1226) for details and tickets.



#### **KEEP IN TOUCH THIS WINTER!**

If you travel to Florida, or any other winter destination, we want to keep in touch with you!

Please send your winter address and travel dates to Melissa at mleibowitz@bethelsnj.org. Stay in touch while you stay warm!



## JOIN COLLEGE CONNECTION! DEADLINE TO SUBMIT INFORMATION FOR THE SECOND PACKAGE IS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2019

*Sponsored by: David Back College Connection Fund* To make a donation: (856) 675-1166

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



**JOSH CLAYMAN**, 19, is entering his sophomore year at the University of Minnesota in the Twin Cities of Minneapolis-St. Paul. He wanted to attend a "Big 10" school in a large city and his academic scholarship made it that more inviting. The friendly atmosphere, social life, restaurants and access to the Twin Cities that the university

community provides has been a bonus. He travels around the beautiful large campus by bike. Tunnels are available in inclement weather. Josh is studying statistics and data analysis, which he believes can open up many opportunities.

A graduate of Cherry Hill High School East, Josh attended Congregation Beth El's religious school through confirmation where he "made friends and learned about being Jewish." Josh joined and is active in his campus Hillel.

Since he is far from home, Josh appreciates the packages he receives from Beth El's College Connection program. His favorite items are the rabbi's letter and the chocolate in the form of Chanukah gelt.

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## **B'NAI MITZVAH FAMILIES**

**MAZEL TOV!** 

ABBY & ROBERT BELAFSKY BAR MITZVAH OF GRANDSON, NOAH BERMAN

TARA & MICHAEL BERMAN BAR MITZVAH OF SON, NOAH

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ILANA & SETH SCHOLL BAR MITZVAH OF SON, MAX

## BIRTHS AND NAMINGS

MELISSA & ERIC FEINBERG BIRTH OF DAUGHTER, SOPHIA EVELYN

LYNNE BESEN HEBREW NAMING OF GRANDDAUGHTER, SKYLAR ROSE

ELLEN & JAY LEVY BIRTH OF GRANDDAUGHTER, SOPHIA EVELYN FEINBERG

AMANDA & ADAM WEISSMAN BIRTH OF SON, ALEXANDER YONATAN

SHIRLEY YAFFA BIRTH OF GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER, DAHLIA KATE YAFFA

## IN THE COMMUNITY DONNA FORMAN



helped organize and lead the 7th Annual P.A.L.S. camp program for Peers using AAC for Language and Socialization which she co-founded with speech-language pathologist, Ann Simon.

## **MARRIAGES & ENGAGEMENTS**

YAFFA & JACK FUCHS MARRIAGE OF SON, ARI, TO HILARY MACKLER

LORI & RICK GOLDSTEIN ENGAGEMENT OF SON, ROSS, TO CHANA CRAWFORD

SELMA ELLIS MARRIAGE OF GRANDDAUGHTER, RACHEL, TO MATT THOMAS

HOWARD JOFFE MARRIAGE OF SON, ALEXANDER, TO KELLY MARIE JOHNSON

**IRV OREL** MARRIAGE OF GRANDDAUGHTER

GLADYS & BARRY ROBBINS MARRIAGE OF GRANDDAUGHTER, MADELINE WEISS, TO ANDREW WALLSTEIN

## **SPECIAL HONORS**

MARC BACKAL SERVED AS MEDICAL CHAIRMAN AND USA BANNER BEARER AT THE WORLD MACCABI GAMES IN BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

JILL TENDER CHANTED HAFTARAH



## MELODY DIAS

WON SILVER MEDAL IN THE 16U REC TENNIS AT THE JCC MACCABI GAMES IN ATLANTA!



## ARI GREENBERG

WON GOLD MEDALS AT THE ATLANTA JCC MACCABI GAMES IN THE ONE MILE AND THE 3200 METER RACES! ARI IS NOW THE RECORD HOLDER FOR THE 3200 METER – PREVIOUS RECORD WAS 12:22 AND ARI WON WITH AN IMPRESSIVE 11:36!



#### ALEX SCHWARZ AND DANNY SCHWARZ COACHED THE SOUTH JERSEY 16U BASKETBALL

COACHED THE SOUTH JERSEY 16U BASKETBALL TEAM TO GOLD AT THE JCC MACCABI GAMES IN DETROIT. BETH EL TEAM MEMBERS INCLUDED JAKE ATLAS, NOAH ROSE AND NATE WOLF!

## CALEB UNTERLACK

RECEIVED THE MIDOT MEDAL FOR LEV TOV AT THE ATLANTA JCC MACCABI GAMES WHICH IS AWARDED TO SOMEONE WHO HAS THE DESIRE TO BE GOOD TO ALL.

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## JACOB BERG

Son of Jodi & David Berg

October 12, 2019

**Brother of:** Elizabeth **Grandson of:** Susan & Samuel Liebman, Jacqueline & Stephen Berg **Mitzvah Project:** Collected and donated gently used tennis rackets for the "No Strings Attached Community Tennis Association."



## **JEREMY SHORE**

Son of Kelly & Eric Shore

November 2, 2019

**Brother of:** Ben and Danny **Grandson of:** Judith Cohen, Neecie & Michael Shore, and Richard Cohen



## CAMPBELL SCHWARZ

Daughter of Amy & Daniel Schwarz

October 19, 2019

**Sister of:** Alex and Danielle **Granddaughter of:** Leah Weiss, Debbie & Ronny Schwarz, Connie & Michael LaRussa, Kathleen & Stanley Schwarz **Mitzvah Project:** Raised money for the restoration and dedication of a Torah that survived the Holocaust. She will read her portion from the completed Torah.



## ELI GRAY

Son of Nicole & Michael Gray

November 9, 2019

#### **Brother of:** Joshua **Grandson of:** Rochelle Levy, Harvey Levy, Rhoda Karr, Elaine Gray and Paul Gray **Mitzvah Project:** Collected and donated shoes for Soles 4 Souls.



## SAMUEL BECKER

Son of Meredith & Andrew Becker

October 26, 2019

**Brother of:** Max and Elana **Grandson of:** Susan & Dr. C Ivan (z"L) Gordon Barbara & Kenneth (z"L) Becker **Mitzvah Project:** Collected and donated thousands of books to BookSmiles.



## MANUELA HASSMAN

Daughter of Andrea & Dr. Howard Hassman

October 26, 2019

**Sister of:** Kamila, Matthew, Ruben **Granddaughter of:** Lillian & Joe Hassman, Amanda Perez **Mitzvah Project:** Sponsored a family for a one-year stay at the Ronald McDonald House in Camden.



## JESSICA LANDAU

Daughter of Nicole & Adam Landau

November 9, 2019

Sister of: Nate and Ben Granddaughter of: Rhoda & Jerry London Leslie & Jerry Serlen Mitzvah Project: Autism Walk and donated funds to Bancroft and Kingsway for students with special needs in honor of her brother, Ben.

## PAUL SHENKER

Son of Stacy & Marc Shenker

November 23, 2019

**Brother of:** Mikayla **Grandson of:** Sally Shenker **Mitzvah Project:** Collected dog food, toys, collars, leashes and harnesses for MatchDog Rescue.



## New Years Greetings 2019/2020 5779/5780



- \* Barbara & Marvin Backal & Family
- \* Bronstein Ravitz; Sharon, Bill, Richard, Ariel, Blake and Ryan Bronstein, Lisa, Andrew and Jessie Ravitz
- \* Arlene & Harris Colton and Family
- \* Selma Ellis and Family
- \* The Epsteins Michael, Nanci, Ethan, Gabby, Aidan
- \* Nikki & Len Feldman, Lisa, Lauren, Amy & Adam
- \* Merle & Ken Glass & Family
- \* Cookie & Murray Matez
- \* Sharon, Jay, Ben, Andrew, Shelby, Blakely Ruder
- \* David Lieberman & Renee Rudolph
- \* Ann & Bernie Miller and Family
- \* Harriet Schulman and Family
- \* Cookie & Allan Weinberg
- \* Linda P. Weiss & Joshua R. Matusow and Families
- \* Shirley Yaffa and Family

## High Holy Day Flower Fund 2019/2020 5779/5780 In loving memory



- \* Lois Asbell in memory of all loved ones
- \* Barbara & Marvin Backal --in memory of all loved ones
- \* Melissa & Adam Benn
- Sharon & Bill Bronstein in memory of beloved parents, David & Fania Rotman
- \* Selma Ellis in memory of Bertram Ellis, Dorothy & Samuel Lepow, Judy & Norman Lepow
- \* Michael & Nanci Epstein in memory of Sis Levy
- \* Merle & Ken Glass in memory of all our departed loved ones
- \* David Lieberman & Renee Rudolph
- \* Cookie & Murray Matez our parents
- \* Ann & Bernie Miller in memory of Molly & Al Miller, Lillian & Louis Levin
- \* Harriet Schulman Herman Harnick (father), Lillian Harnick Gleicher (mother) and Arlene Shupack (sister)
- \* Shirley Yaffa in memory of Jerry Yaffa, Rose & Samuel Wiesner, Irving Wiesner, Rose & Harry Yaffa



Beth El is an active participant in a charitable Endowment initiative under the auspices of the Jewish Community Foundation and funded by the Harold Grinspoon Foundation. Please remember Beth El when you do your Estate Planning. Our Committee will be happy to discuss various options with you. All of us thank those who have helped to ensure Beth El's future.

\*Names in bold have formalized their commitment to Beth El

Anonymous (2) Mira & Aaron Aumiller Susan & David Backal Cathy & Marc Backal **Marcia Baruch** Donna & Richard Bell Pam & Bob Benedon Jodi Berman Helene & Alan Blumenfeld Jocelyn Borowsky **Ronit & Chris Boyd Beth & Josh Brodkin** Amy & Eric Clayman **Arlene & Harris Colton** Fran & Neal Cupersmith Leila & Adam Cupersmith Alan Dias & Heidi Handler Marsha Dollinger Sherri Eigen June & Steven Eisner & Family Marla Glauser

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Learn how you can help ensure Beth El's future! Jocelyn Borowsky, Endowment Committee Chair: jdmborowsky@comcast.net

## STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE



**Forward-looking.** Honest. **Insightful.** Engaging. These are just some of the words congregants used to describe recent Community Conversations organized by Beth El's strategic planning committee.

The discussions were part of the strategic planning process that Beth El is undertaking with help from the United Synagogue for Conservative Judaism (USCJ). Ten Community Conversations were conducted during August and September at Beth El and in volunteers' homes to solicit important feedback from congregants regarding their engagement in the synagogue.

"I was impressed by the positivity I heard from the participants," said Jeff Cohn, who helped as a scribe in one of the sessions. "It moved me to hear the warm thoughts, feelings, and stories that flowed easily through the conversation and I felt even more proud than I already was to be part of the Beth El family."

Jeff credits his participation in the session with inspiring him to find more ways to get involved, encourage others into the Beth El community, and help the synagogue thrive. "I hope the creative suggestions discussed during the sessions will come to fruition - they'll only make us even better," he added.

Those suggestions from the conversations, as well as feedback from a Congregational Survey for adult congregants shared over the same timeframe, will help to inform the direction for Beth El's strategic planning committee.

Next steps include the formation of special task forces, which will help to address issues identified in the feedback process. Look for more information to come on how you can participate in these task force opportunities and help the committee shape the future of Beth El.

To learn more about the Strategic Planning Process, visit **www.bethelsnj.org/strategicplan**.

For questions, or to get involved in the committee, please contact David Backal at dsbackal@yahoo.com or Hedda Morton at heddamorton@gmail.com.

- Juli Mandel Sloves

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## **BETH EL MOURNS THE PASSING OF:**

**Frances Artis** Mother of Nancy Rosen

**Estelle Berman** 

**Ethel Levner** Mother-in-law of Renee Rudoy

**Stephen Margolin** Father of Jocelyn Borowsky

**Diane Cutler Morgan** Mother of Darin Morgan and Keith Morgan

> **Pearl Schoenholtz** Mother of Faith Steinberg

> > Hazel Starr

## **Matthew Tarnopol**

Son of Neil (Alison) Tarnopol Son of Shari Laskin (Stephen Samost)

**Charlotte Wilensky** *Grandmother of Howard Wilensky* 

May their memories be for a blessing. \*List as of September9, 2019

# Welcome New Members

## to Our Beth El Family!

ברוכים הבאים

Tom, Emily, Scarlett, and Harper Caracciolo Alicia Drozen and sons Guy, Stephanie, Layla, and Eliana Engelman Bernard & Judith Feinstein Jeremy and Stacy Garson Adam, Megan, Sadie and Jocelyn Horwitz Karl and Donna Kramer Shirley, Shahar, Eilay, and Talya Nasagi Jeremy, Lara and Landon Roseman

## We belong together.

# SUMMER AT CONGREGATION BETH EL



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# Adult Education Opportunities

# LIVE & LEARN CLASS

A Deep Dive into Jewish Prayer and Histol

Tuesday evenings, 7:00-9:00pm Taught by Beth El Clergy

## November 5 - December 17

Explore the meaning and gain understanding of the structure and purpose of Jewish prayers.

## January 7 - February 25, March 17- April 7, May 5 -26

Judaism Throughout the Ages: An in-depth exploration of the development of Jewish wisdom and faith from biblical periods through today.

\$36 per person Register: bethelsnj.org/learn

# HEBREW READING CLASS

Thursday evenings, 7:00-8:00pm November 7 - December 16 (no class on Thanksgiving) Taught by Yaffa Fuchs

Learn basic vocabulary and gain familiarity with the Siddur. For beginner and intermediate students

\$36 per person plus book fee Register: bethelsnj.org/hebrew

# MINYAN & LEARNING

Wednesdays, 7:30am Shirley Mangel Minyan & Study Thursdays, 7:15am Start your day with morning services, special Torah study, and breakfast.

**CLASS** HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL TORAH DEDICATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6—11:15AM Join us for a heautiful caremony dedicating this s

Join us for a beautiful ceremony dedicating this special Torah that was lovingly restored by the Schwarz family.

**OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS** 

HABONIM 2.0 SUKKOT PARTY WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16—6:30PM A wonderful evening including a guest speaker. RSVP to lensim@comcast.net

MEN'S CLUB STEAK & SCOTCH IN THE SUKKAH WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16—7:30PM Don't miss our popular Sukkot event! RSVP required.

**LET'S DO SHABBAT IN THE SUKKAH FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18** Participate in the mitzvah of dining in the sukkah at our

Participate in the mitzvah of dining in the sukkah at our annual community-wide Shabbat. Details on page 14.

**SINGLES SHABBAT FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18—8:00PM** A welcoming service for all ages concluding with Oneg.

USY SUSHI IN THE SUKKAH (GRADES 8-12) SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19 —7:30pm

Sushi party at the home of our Youth Director, Alicia Drozen. RSVP required.

## KADIMA SUKKOT EXTRAVAGANZA (GRADES 4-7) Sunday, October 20—12:00-1:30pm

Our younger youth group celebrates Sukkot with games, races, food, candy and more! RSVP required.

SIMCHAT TORAH CELEBRATION MONDAY, OCTOBER 21—6:00PM

A community celebration of the Torah including dinner, drinks, dancing, children's parade and more!

LIBRARY DISCUSSION GROUP THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24—1:30-3:00PM Participate in an open and engaging discussion on fascinating works, new and old with Amy Kaplan.

SISTERHOOD CHALLAH BAKE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24—7:00PM Knead, braid and prepare your own Shabbat challah in the Beth El kitchen. RSVP required.

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## **NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS**

**YOUNG FAMILIES GROUP'S PARENT'S NIGHT OUT SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2—7:30PM** Young parents are invited to this fun mixer!

**LIVE & LEARN WITH BETH EL CLERGY TUESDAYS, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 5—7:00PM** Details on page 12.

**HEBREW READING CLASS WITH YAFFA FUCHS THURSDAYS, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 7—7:00PM** Details on page 12.

**SINGLES SHABBAT FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15—8:00PM** A welcoming service for all ages concluding with Oneg.

**TORAH FUND BRUNCH SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17—10:30AM** Celebrate and recognize our wonderful volunteers and help raise funds for the USCJ's institutions.

**SOCIAL ACTION COOKING FOR CHESED WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20—6:00PM** Prepare, cook and package holiday meals for JFCS clients.

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**COZIES FOR CHEMO THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21—6:00PM** Join Habonim at this family-friendly social action event to create hand-tied fleece blankets for cancer patients.

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**LET'S DO SHABBAT FRIENDSGIVING FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22**—Details on page 14.

HOUSE OF BETH EL WITH HAZZAN & COMPANY SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23—Details on back cover.

**USY TURKEY TROT PARTY (GRADES 8-12) THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27 — 7:30PM** Annual regional teen party at new location—Pump It Up, Marlton! RSVP required.

\*NOTE: Healing Service will now be on December 11, 2019 \*NOTE: Mitzvah Mall will now be on February 23, 2020



**SISTERHOOD WOMEN'S RETREAT WEEKEND** It's Cool to Be Kind: A weekend devoted to Chesed with Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro December 13-15. 2019 in Pendle Hill, PA

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## RECENT BETH EL EVENTS



On July 25, members of Beth El met up with Rabbi Green at the Voorhees Township's free **Rolling Stones Tribute Band concert** at Connolly Park.









On August 6, we had fun helping together at our final **splash pad party** of the summer! We packed food for Jewish Relief Agency, played and splashed in our wonderful splash pad!

On August 9, our clergy led a beautiful **Shabbat in the Park** at Challenge Grove Park in Cherry Hill. It was a meaningful service for all ages with yummy pre-Shabbat reception.

On August 15, we had a deliciously fun **Ice Cream Social** at Classic Cake in Cherry Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro, Rabbi Green, Rabbi Marshall and some of our staff members scooped for us!

On August 16, Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro participated in a beautiful **Devotion By The Ocean** service down the shore. Prior to services, members gathered for a warm reception at the home of Cathy & Marc Backal.

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AM = Shacharit (Morning) \* = Mincha Only PM = Mincha/Ma'ariv (Afternoon/Evening) ^ = Friday Night Live (Kabbalat Shabbat)

SUNDAY	Monday	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	Friday	SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 29 Erev Rosh HaShanah 9:00am	SEPTEMBER 30 Rosh HaShanah Day 1 8:30am	1 Rosh HaShanah Day 2 8:30am	2 Fast of Gedaliah 7:15am 6:45pm	<b>3</b> 7:15ам 6:45рм	<b>4</b> 7:30ам 5:15рм* 6:00рм^	5 Vayeilech Shabbat Shuva 9:00am 6:25pm
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