Fall / Winter Special Edition 2015 - 16

## **Congregation Beth El Presents**

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# With Producer NANCY SPIELBERG

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15 AT 7PM CONGREGATION BETH EL | 8000 MAIN STREET, VOORHEES

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



My first experience as president during the High Holidays was wonderful! While sitting on the bimah, I was overwhelmed with the positive energy, vibrancy and warmth I felt from our clergy and congregants. For the first time, I attended services for Sukkot. To my amazement, on a Monday morning, our Sanctuary was filled with over 150 congregants plus about 35 children. We happily marched to Hoshanot with our Lulav and Etrog. There was an infectious enthusiasm that spread over the sanctuary. This beautiful service was followed by a feast in our Sukkah where we recited Kiddush as a congregation and ate a delicious lunch together. There was so much love amongst our Beth El family!

Many of my remarks from Kol Nidre were about thanking people and expressing gratitude to everyone who contributes to making Beth El such a wonderful synagogue. Now that the High Holidays are behind us, I look forward to Thanksgiving and Chanukah. It is the time of year when we reflect on what we are thankful for in our lives. At Beth El, we have so much to be thankful for-our beautiful build-

ing, amazing clergy team, strong leadership and dedicated staff and teachers. I am especially grateful for the continued commitment from our congregants, who make Beth EI the special place we are today. This is also the time of year to recognize that there are members in our community who may need our help. In Judaism, we believe in *Tikkun Olam*, repairing the world. *Tikkun Olam* has become synonymous with social action. Through the efforts of Beth EI's Social Action committee, there will be a holiday mitzvah project in December where we will partner with JFCS to donate requested items to local families in need. Beth EI has the opportunity to make a difference in our community. Please consider participating in this mitzvah project as your generosity will help brighten the lives of people who need our help.

The first night of Chanukah is Sunday, December 6. On Chanukah, we celebrate with our families by lighting the candles on the menorah, singing songs, saying prayers, spinning the dreidel and eating latkes. It is a joyous time of the year. On behalf of the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees, I wish you and your families a Happy Chanukah.

Lauren Soll

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE**



"Josh with his wife, Erica & daughters Maryn (age 3) & Isabella (age 6)"

There are dates throughout my life that I will never forget. My first date with my wife Erica was September 10, 2003. If I had not gone on that date, I would not have met her wonderful family. If I had not met her family, I would not have joined them for services at her synagogue, Ohev Shalom, for the High Holy Days in 2004. If I had not joined them for those services in 2004, I am fairly certain that I would not have been there for High Holy Day services in 2009. It was at those services that I heard the announcement that the most recent Executive Director was no longer at the synagogue. If I had not been at those services, it is most likely that I would have missed the opportunity to apply for the position when they started interviewing. If I had missed that opportunity to begin my career as a Jewish communal professional, who knows if I would be here today? Looks like I have to thank my wife again. Thank you for going out with me Erica!

My passion for working within the Jewish community comes from many sources. One of the most influential was my father's role as an Executive Director when we lived in the Washington D.C. area. I remember so clearly how he partnered with the clergy to create a sacred community for the members of the synagogue. He wasn't just an Executive Director, he was a leader, an educator, a confidant, a role

model and a mensch. Although my father is no longer alive, my memories of how he served that community, has served as a constant guide in how I approach my role as an Executive Director. I always strive to be the best I can be, so that I can honor the memories of my father.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Executive Director. I am excited to officially join your community and for the opportunity to partner with our clergy, staff and lay leaders. We will work together to examine, and where necessary, improve systems and processes. With a solid team approach, we will continue the effective communication and open dialogue that is already taking place. It is my sincere intention to partner with this dynamic team and increase fiscal stability, programmatic success and member satisfaction. I'd love to meet you, and I welcome your stories, your questions, your comments, and your suggestions. Please reach out and introduce yourself anytime you are in the building. My door is always open.

B'shalom, Josh Laster

#### RABBI'S MESSAGE



#### Rabbi Andy Green

#### **Celebration of Two Great Festivals**

We celebrate two great festivals this season, days that I (and you) look forward to throughout the year – Thanksgiving and Hanukkah. Interestingly, both festivals are directly based on the holiday of Sukkot, our celebration of spiritual harvest and thanks giving, where we invite guests to join us in feasting and celebrating life in the protection of God's holy canopy of peace, the sukkah.

Many consider the first American Thanksgiving feast to be a 1621 festival at Plymouth Plantation celebrating the freedom of the Pilgrim settlers from religious persecution, the bountiful harvest, and the friendship between the pilgrims and the local Wampanoag Native Americans. The biblical basis for this observance, for the idea that people of faith must give gratitude to the Source of Life for the blessings of the harvest, stems directly from the biblical discussion of Sukkot.

Similarly, the first Chanukah celebrates more than a cruse of oil. The Apocryphal II Maccabees explains that at the rededication of our sacred Temple after the Maccabean rout of Antiochus and his Syrian Greeks armies, the Jewish people established an 8-day festival to make up for having missed the celebration of Sukkot and Shmini Atzeret for 8 days a few months prior. Technically, Hanukkah is a second Sukkot that continued to be celebrated along with the first Sukkot in the years that followed.

In contemporary America, I suspect that more Jews eat Turkey on Thanksgiving and give presents on Hanukkah than build Sukkot in their yards or shake the Lulav and Etrog, and if I could only choose one or the other, that's also the choice I would make. Sukkot celebrates our <u>dedication</u> to God, to community, and to our values, but Hanukkah and Thanksgiving celebrate <u>rededication</u> to God, to community, and to our values, and rededication is greater.

Rededication is the miracle of Hanukkah, for the cruse of pure oil was only found by those committed to searching for it, those who had faith that the broken Temple could be made whole. Rededication is the miracle of Thanksgiving, for the blessings of freedom and bounty in America came because of the courage and faith of refugees believing and rededicating themselves to the possibility.

Since joining Beth EI, I've encountered many people of dedication: lovers of community, leaders who give tirelessly of themselves, and individuals who take on leadership roles and do more than could possibly be asked of them. And, I've also encountered remarkable people of rededication: the seeker who comes to shul once a year doubting but open to the possibility that she will uncover a sacred spark in her worship experience; the student who asks a question despite fearing that everyone else knows the answer, but with courage and a desire to learn nonetheless asks; the questioning child who still comes every year to say kaddish for that parent, no longer of this world; the parent who joins our community with hope and trepidation as a child begins the ECC and attends a synagogue program for the first time since becoming a Bar Bat Mitzvah; and the heroes who in spite of undeserved sadness, and suffering, renew themselves at Beth El to celebrate life and faith, freedom and gratitude.

(Rabbi Green continued)

In this season of Thanksgiving and Hanukkah (Hebrew for "Rededication"), may we overcome that which is holding us back, and with gratitude dedicate and rededicate ourselves to that which matters most.



#### IN MEMORIAM

The Beth El Family mourns the passing of

**Leanore Hoffman** 

Mother of Baruch and David Hoffman

#### IN MEMORIAM

The Beth El Family mourns the passing of

#### **Elaine Horwitz**

Wife of Herb Horwitz
Mother of Rhonda (Leonard) Romano,
the late Eric Horwitz, Sister of Selma Cohen,
Grandmother of Kamarah Horwitz

## IN APPRECIATION

#### Thank You

to our Benefactors for the CoLeL Brochure 2015-2016 / 5776 Jane Lorber and Haley Cohen

#### In Memory

of their loving parents and grandparents,

Joyce and Arthur Lorber

To our Sponsors for the CoLeL Brochure 2015-2016 / 5776

The Ruttenbergs and Sanders families

#### **In Memory**

of their loving parents, Sam and Shirley Lukoff

### INTRODUCING OUR NEW STAFF



**David Harris,** our new Comptroller has had a long affiliation with Congregation Beth El. He has had the pleasure of sharing many simchas at Beth El, starting with his Bar Mitzvah, then his wedding and the subsequent Bar and Bat Mitzvah of his children. David spent the last 18 years as the CFO for the Wagman Primus Group where he was responsible for overseeing financial and strategic planning for all domestic and international operations. David brings many years of experience in analyzing operations and implementing the change necessary to help make organizations stronger and more financially sound. David received his Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Wilkes College and then earned his CPA license. For the last 9 years, David has been a volunteer at the Saltzman House, part of Jewish Federation Housing, where he has enjoyed serving meals and getting to know the seniors who live there. David lives in Voorhees, with his wife Nadene and they have two wonderful children, Jennifer and Jonathan.



**Beth Josephs,** our new Clergy Executive Administrator has been involved in the Jewish Community for many years. Growing up in Fair Lawn, NJ, she was a Bat Mitzvah at Temple Beth Shalom, where her father was President and Ritual VP for several years. Upon getting married, to Larry, they moved to Fair Lawn, and joined Temple Beth Shalom where she spent many years involved with their education committee.

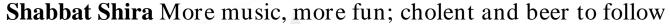
When her family moved to Marlboro, NJ, and joined Marlboro Jewish Center, Beth served on the Executive Board as VP of Fundraising, on the Education Committee, re-started the Shallach Manot program and was a member of Sisterhood. Beth is married to Larry who is the VP of Sales at a consumer Electronics Company located in Edison, NJ. They have two children, Jennifer and Sam who had their B'nai Mitzvah and went through USY at MJC. Both were on the board of MUSY, the Marlboro Chapter. Jennifer is an Early Education Teacher who lives in Maple Shade, and Sam is an Honors Mechanical and Electrical Engineer major at Rowan University.

Beth was the Senior Executive Assistant to the Executive Director at Marlboro Jewish Center. She worked in the office for 13 years. Prior, Beth worked as a recruiter before becoming Manager of Employment for Blue Cross Blue Shield of NJ. She also owned a children's clothing store.

Beth and Larry live in Jackson, NJ. She is excited to come to work at Congregation Beth El. Please come visit Beth, she looks forward to meeting and getting to know you all.

### 'NOTE' THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR

## Saturday Morning, January 23



Sunday Evening, March 10
Israeli Super Star Extraordinaire David Broza in concert

**Sunday Morning, April 10** 

Contemporary American Jewish Rock Star Jacob "Spike" Kraus

Sunday Afternoon, June 5

HaZamir, International Jewish High School Choir in concert

#### **SHARING OUR LIVES**

as of November 11, 2015

#### B'NAI MITZVAH:

Linda & Paul Chase on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Ethan Chase

Wende & Jerry Bralow on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Mackenzie

Amy & Brett Breslow on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Grace

Melissa Chase & Mark Chase on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ethan

Debbie & Brian Drachman of the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Seth

Daena Flaxman-Ehrlich on the Bar Mitzvah of her son, Caleb Heller

Nanci & Michael Epstein on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Aidan

Bonnie & David Gold on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Sophie Rose Weinstein

Cari & Ronald Jasner on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Jillian

Margo Kaminer & Adam Kaminer on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Jeffrey

Sandra & Arnold Kaminer on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Jeffrey Kaminer

Linda Markoff on the Bar Mitzvah of her granddaughter, Samantha Markoff

Phyllis & Michael Markoff on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Samantha

Sharon & Steven Nadelbach on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Benjamin

Megan & Leigh Nachod on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter,

Linda & Judd Serotta on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Paul

Debera & Mike Silver on the B'nai Mitzvah of their children, Emily & Andy

Shari & Jerry Sussman on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Ethan Chase

#### **BIRTHS:**

Joan & Ira Adler on the birth of their grandson, Samuel Max Laytin

Gloria & Ira Back on the birth of their grandson, Benjamin Levi Hoffman

Lynn Besen on the birth of her granddaughter, Skylar Rose

Sharon & Willard Bronstein on the birth of their granddaughter, Ryan Scarlett Bronstein

Rita & Alan Kagan on the birth of their granddaughter Lainey, Jane Semanoff

Helen & Bill Kushner on the birth of their great granddaughter, in Israel

Gurston & Shoshana Nyquist on the birth of their son

Marilyn & Steven Roth on the birth of their grandson, Joshua Ellis Roth

#### **ENGAGEMENTS & WEDDINGS:**

Alice Damens on the marriage of her grandson, Stephen Romm to Steph Jones

June & Steven Eisner on the engagement of their daughter, Diana Eisner to Jonathan Danziger

Selma Ellis on the engagement of her grandson, Jason Horowitz to Rebecca Litwin

Sylvia Lande on the marriage of her granddaughter, Blair Bennett to James McKenzie III

Lois & Jeff Romm on the marriage of their son, Stephen to Steph Jones

Lynn & Joseph Rosner on the engagement of their daughter, Lisa to Robert Natelson

Michelle & Steven Rosenzweig on the engagement of their son. Adam to Vanessa Lennon

Joyce & Mel Ruthen on the marriage of their son, Marc to Sara Snyder

Linda & Stuart Yaffa on the marriage of their son, Jeffrey to Peri Rosenstein

Shirley Yaffa on the marriage of her grandson, Jeffrey Yaffa to Peri Rosenstein

Larry Zitomer on the engagement of his granddaughter, Julie Ashin to Harrison Miller

#### BETH EL MOURNS the passing of:

Marla Colton, daughter-in-law of Arlene & Harris Colton

Douglas Glassman, father of Kimberly Feldbaum

Rhona Fischer, mother of Peter Fischer

Leanore Hoffman

Elaine Horwitz, wife of Herbert Horwitz,

Col. Milton Laitman, grandfather of Leila Joffe

David Marcus, brother of Rochelle Brenner, Uncle of Heidi Chhabria and Jodi

Lawrence Morris, father of Ronald Morris

Samuel Pezzner, father of Marty Pezzner and Laurie Levin, grandfather of Rachel Israelite, Jonathan Pezzner, great grandfather of Jessica Levin and Erika Levin.

Goldie Rudoy, mother of Renee Levner

Marlene Silverstein, mother of Cheryl Gervon, grandmother of David, Jennifer and Stacy Gervon



## MEN'S CLUB



It has been a tremendous start to the year. The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Steak & Schnapps in the Sukkah event was the largest yet! Great steaks and great conversation. A good time was had by all. Mark your calendar for next year so that you can be part of a great tradition.

We kicked off our breakfast and lecture series learning about the anti-Israel bias in the media and how we can combat the bias. One example would be to use the biblical names, Judea and Samaria, rather than use the West Bank, when discussing that region. It was a very informative lecture and of course, an excellent breakfast. Thank you to our kitchen crew (Bruce DuBoff, Craig Kessler, Gary Shapiro and Morte Mann) for all the hard work.

Torah on Tap kicked off with one of the largest groups we have had for quite some time! Rabbi Green really draws a crowd. While the focus of the discussion was on Chaye Sarah, what intrigued me was a comment the Rabbi made about Breishit. While typically translated, "In the beginning, G-d created...", a more accurate translation is "In the beginning of creation, ...". When phrased as the latter, it indicates that there was existence prior to creation. To me, it suggests that the scientific measurement of time and the Judaic measurement of time (5776) can both be correct.

Our breakfast and speaker series continued on Sunday, November 22 at 9:45AM, as we teamed with the South Jersey Men's Club chapter to co-sponsor a talk about the Iran situation and Israeli diplomacy. The talk was led by the Deputy Consul from Israel's Philadelphia consulate. Over 70 people were in attendance!

Our annual Men's Night Out was a big hit as we went bowling. This event has been tremendous fun in past years and was a big hit once again this year.

Our next board meeting will be Wednesday, December 2 at 7:00PM. All are welcome to attend.

On December 8, we will kickoff a new event called Vodka, Latka night (Rabbi Green will be in attendance). Check the Beth El Buzz for more information.

On Sunday, December 13 at 9:45AM, we will have another chapter in our breakfast and speaker series. Ruth Kessler, mother of Craig Kessler, will be speaking about the Holocaust.

Finally, congratulations to Mike Glass, our 2015 Beth El Men's Club Man of the Year! Mike will be honored on Sunday, December 20 at a regional Men's Club dinner. Thank you Mike, for all you do year after year to support Men's Club and Beth El.

If anyone is interested in becoming more involved in Men's Club, has a good programming idea or would like to assist in bringing speakers, please send me an email.

I hope to see you soon. Yoel Weiss - President



Wow, September, October and November were amazing months for Beth El Sisterhood. In September we held our first Retreat week-end at the wonderful Mount Eden Retreat Center. 22 women laughed, cried, shared and bonded together during the week-end. Our thanks go to the amazing leadership that put the weekend together - Hazzan, Charlene Green, Barbara Sharofsky and Faye Shapiro.

The power of Sisterhood continued at our Opening Event. 60 women came out to enjoy wine and painting. Everyone took home their interpretation of the Tree of Life. Each was unique and I hope will brighten the spot where it is hung. Thanks to Wende Bralow and Jocelyn Borowsky for organizing this event.

In October, we began our 7th year of supporting the Wednesday morning minyan. If you haven't joined us, please come and share a warm and welcoming minyan service, filled with learning and singing and capped off with breakfast and study. Our learning is lead by a rotating group including Rabbi Green, Hazzan, Hedda Morton and Ray Katz.

Also, in October we had our first Women's Torah Study on Shabbat. Led by Dina Eliezer, the women in attendance had a lively discussion about Bereshit. And, on October 13, we brought back a popular program from the past - Rosh Chodesh - It's a Women's Thing. Led by Hazzan and Charlene Green. We had an evening of meditation, discussion and joy centered around the new month of Cheshvan. Look for sessions of both programs later this year.

Our Paid up Membership Dinner in October was so well attended. We enjoyed a great meal, wine and "Stylin... for the season, a "fashion show and how to" led by Kim Feldbaum. Thanks to Val Linden and her team for a wonderful evening.

And finally, November saw our Cook for a Friend morning where we prepared 1,190 meals for those in need in our community and on the 22nd our combined with TBS Torah Fund brunch featuring our own, Rabbi Andy Green.

Here is the list of amazing events planned for the next 2 months.

December 5 – Women's Torah Study on Shabbat We'll be discussing Parsha Vayeshev December 13 – Brunch with Men's Club.

Our guest speaker will be Ruth Kessler, a Kindertransport child, (and my mother in law), talking about her unique experiences during the Holocaust and how they shaped her future and that of her family.

January 11 - Rosh Chodesh, It's a Women's Thing
Second installment of this program which will feature
discussion, drumming circle and joy centered around the new
month of Sh'vat

January? - Game Night.

This event is postponed from December.

LOOK FOR INFORMATION ON THE NEW DATE in the BUZZ

Come and join us to experience the power of Sisterhood; planting the seeds for women at Beth El.

B'shalom. Renee rbkess@comcast.net 856-429-2258

## Social Action

Social Action would like to thank the Beth El community for its support of our summer months' school supply collection. All items were donated to students in need at The Boys and Girls Club.

Our High Holiday/September food collection for Jewish Family and Children's Services was a great success! JFCS serves so many families in need, in and around our community and our collection made a difference in the lives of many.

October brought our collection of supplies to men and women who serve our country through our collection of items in partnership with Operation Yellow Ribbon.

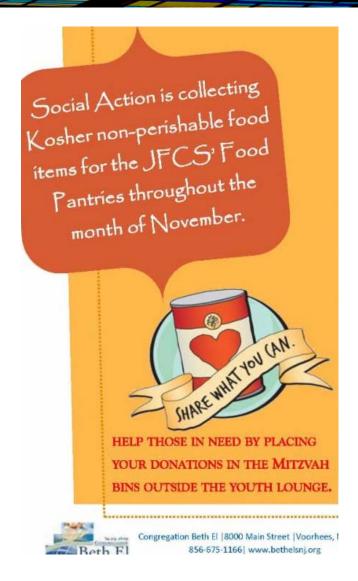
In November, we are collecting more food for our local food pantries in response to the considerable needs around Thanksgiving and winter holidays.

For December, we again partner with JFCS in order to fulfill the specific holiday gift wishes of those in need. Our Early Childhood Center and Religious School will support this effort by providing Holiday presents right from JFCS clients' wish lists. We will be collecting toys, games and other holiday gifts to donate locally to children who would not otherwise have a present to open for the holidays. To view the wishlist of those in need, go to <a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4ca8a72aabf85-jfcs6">http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4ca8a72aabf85-jfcs6</a>.

Stay tuned for details on our Martin Luther King Day Community Service project as well as announcements about our 2nd annual Mitzvah Day!!

Please let us know if you would like to join the Social Action committee and/or if you have any ideas for collections or mitzvah projects.

Rachel Miller and Leah Wolf Social Action Co-Chairs



## David Broza In Concert o



## Thursday, March 10 7:30 PM

Join us, for an evening with Israeli superstar, David Broza, one of the most dynamic and vibrant performers in the singer/songwriter world.

Sign up online: https://bethelsnj.wufoo.com/forms/david-broza-in-concert/



#### BE CLUBS

Beth El Habonim Celebrates Chanukah Let's light the Festival Candles together!



Thursday Evening December 10 7 - 9p.m. At Beth El - \$15pp

We invite you to: "Light" your Chanuhah candles with Habonim 🍿 "Sing along" with the Hazzan "Dine" on a holiday meal...

Soup. Salad Bar, Lathes, Dessert

and more!

Please reserve: Number of Tickets\_ @\$15pp = Total Name

Phone# Email

Please make checks payable to: Beth El Habonim

Mail to: Marito: Morton Kanovsky 9 Anvil Court Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 or give to Shirley in BE office.

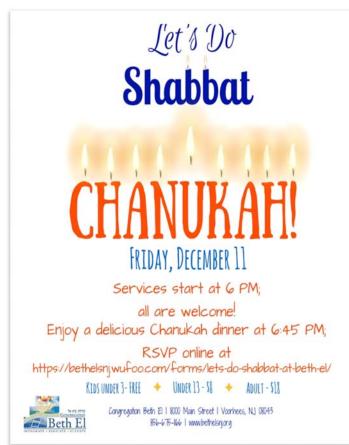


Please Note: Resrvation & Payment due by: December 3,2015

◆Please bring your menorah and candles.

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**Friday** December 18 **8 PM** 

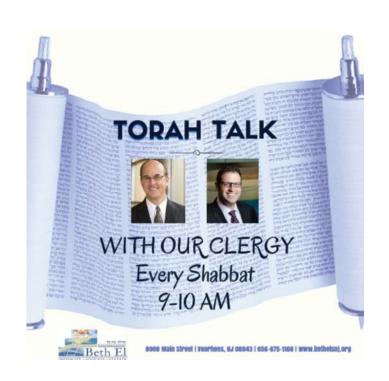
Friday January 15 **8 PM** 

in the Chapel - FOLLOWED BY AN ONEG

Meet singles from NJ, PA and Delaware. No Synagogue Affiliation needed.

This service is open to ALL single persons of ALL ages. No reservations are required.

For info. contact: Norma Kamis (856) 662-7916



# JOIN HAZZAN POMERANTZ-BORO ON A MISSION TO SPAIN!

Join Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro on the Cantors Assembly's mission to Spain, July 3 - 14, 2016.

This mission, "The Sephardic Sounds and Sights of Spain", is open to all synagogue and community members and is the third sponsored by the Assembly. The first trip was to Poland in 2009 and a second to

Germany in 2012. The goal this year is for 100 cantors and 500 community members from across North and South America to participate in the mission to Spain. Our shul hopes to have a group of congregants join our Hazzan on this journey!

The trip includes 3 nights in Barcelona, 4 nights in Madrid and 3 nights in Seville, with side trips to Cordoba, the birthplace of Moses Maimonides, and to Granada. Both secular and Jewish sights will be visited. Highlights include the spectacular architecture and ancient synagogue in Barcelona, the museums of Madrid, the old Moorish Alcazar Palace and Jewish quarter in Seville, the Alhambra Palace, where the expulsion decree was signed in Granada in 1492, and the medieval towns of Banyoles and Besalu. Cantors from North America, Latin America, Europe and Israel will perform several special musical concerts at key locations throughout Spain in multiple languages. In addition, there will be a special musical Shabbat. All touring and sightseeing with professional English speaking tour guides are included in the trip, as well as lectures by distinguished scholars, Dr. Stephen Berk and Dr. Eliezer Papo.

A post trip to Portugal, and another to Israel, is also being offered at an additional cost.

For more information contact Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro (<u>Hazzanapb@bethelsnj.org</u>).

If you have questions about the trip, contact the Cantors Assembly office at 330-864-8533 or the trip organizer, Ayelet Tours, at 800-237-1517 (Grace ext. 338 or Caralie ext. 323) for a detailed itinerary or to register.





## **Beth El Kvells for our Community Leaders**



Congratulations to Warren Brandwine on being honored at a gala sponsored by the March of Dimes on October 17, 2015 at Harrah's in Atlantic City.

#### WITH GREAT APPRECIATION TO THE CHESED COMMITTEE

**Thank you so much.** Those dinners were such a blessing. I was just thinking about them. **So grateful** to be able to have them again. Please let everyone know who prepares them how thankful we are.

Lucy DuBose Addictions Director Faces of Change Hi Renée, I just wanted to **thank you** again for the 90 meals that we picked up this morning from the **Chesed Committee at Beth EI**. After Stew brought them back we placed them all into our freezers. We can't wait to see who the Lord directs us to to bless them with. **Thank you very much** for including us. Each of those meals will meet a real need here in Camden... They will reach the homeless, men recently released from prison and ladies on the street addicted to drugs who have turned to prostitution to support their habits. The last batch of meals that you provided us with were a huge hit and did not last very long. That's a good thing. Take care, Bill

Bill Antinore Seeds of Hope Ministries , Camden, NJ 08104

## ATTENTION COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS & PARENTS!

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

BETH EL'S COLLEGE CONNECTION COMMITTEE CONTINUES TO ACCEPT ADDRESSES FOR THE 2015-16 SCHOOL YEAR\*\*

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 student to participate in this <a href="mailto:free">free</a> 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 and Phone #

#### **DEADLINE FOR INFO IS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2015**

(Names submitted after this date will be added to the March Purim list)

For more info call Gloria Back (856) 428-6368

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

Sponsored by the David Back College Connection Fund Anyone wishing to make a donation to the College

Connection Fund may do so by calling the office at 856-675-1166 x 401

## BETH EL WELCOMES BACK CONGREGANTS WHO RECENTLY RETURNED FROM ISRAEL



Sharon Mindel
Gail & Marty Raffner
Judy and Stuart Wasserlauf & Family
Aviezer, Laura and Jacob Yehuda

If you have recently returned from a trip to Israel, please let our office know. Email: Bhirn@bethelsni.org

## SISTERHOOD HAS MEALS AVAILABLE FOR CONGREGANTS FACING DIFFICULT TIMES



Our Chesed freezer is fully stocked with individual and family sized meals that can be delivered.

If you are able to join us in the Beth El Kitchen to prepare meals for our Chesed freezer please call for details



Renee Kessler 429-2258 - Rbkess@comcast.net

#### Chesed

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Call for details.

For more info, contact Renee Kessler at 429-2258

#### LIFE AND LEGACY PROGRAM



Beth El was recently given the opportunity to participate in a charitable Endowment initiative under the auspices of the Jewish Community Foundation. The program is funded by the Harold Grinspoon Foundation in order to foster an awareness of the importance of Endowments to the future of any charitable or religious FGACY organization. The Grinspoon Foundation offeres an unrestricted \$5,000 grant, during each of the first two (2) years of the program, to any organization meeting certain criteria.

The Grinspoon Foundation challenged all of the participating organizations – and almost every Jewish organization in our area is participating - to obtain at least eighteen (18) Endowment commitments during each of the first two (2) years of the program. We are now in year two (2) of the Life and Legacy Program and look forward to your continued support of the Beth El **Endowment Program.** 

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.

#### **Our Life and Legacy Donors**

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Myra & David Gutin Deborah & Edward Hochberg Beth & Harvey Jacob Adam Kaminer Amy & Barnard Kaplan Jerome Katz Alison & Andrew Keim Deborah Shore & Jonathan Korn Helene & Rabbi Aaron Krupnick Michael Landsburg Fran & Leon Levy Suzanne & Victor Levy Judy & Don Love Sheri Pecarsky (Jason)

Lynn Goldman Paul Arlene & Ed Plasky Hilary & Harry Platt Ilene Rosen & P. Todd Rowan Sharon & Adam Sackstein Karen & David Schlessel & Family Harriet Schulman Gary & Faye Shapiro Jennifer Sholder Juli Mandel Sloves & Glenn Sloves Lauren & Jonathan Soll Judith & Stuart Wasserlauf Jennifer & Jim Weiss

## ECC Children Showing Off Their Challah Baking Skills



## BETH EL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL YAFFA FUCHS, EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR



#### SMART Table Donated to Project Lev by the Landau Family is Ready to Go!

We are thrilled to announce that our new SMART Table for Project Lev, generously donated by Adam and Nicole Landau in honor of their son, Ben's Bar Mitzvah, is set up and ready to go in our Project Lev space. We are certain that the SMART Table will add many hours of fun and enjoyment not only to our Project Lev students, but also to our Religious

School and ECC children.

#### Celebrate Chanukah with Beth El Sunday, December 6 (During School Hours) Chanukah Maccabia for Grades 3 – 6

Religious School children in Grades Gimmel - Vav (3 - 6) will participate in a "color war" type activity, known as the Chanukah Maccabia. It involves 6 multi-grade teams competing in a fun, educational way in Team Banner, Team Song, and the ever popular Jeopardy Tournament. In addition to judging our teams on the aforementioned categories, our volunteer parent judges also take into consideration Menchlichkeit, cooperation, and attitude. All in all, a great friendly and healthy competition.

#### Chanukah Fun and Games: in Grades K- 2

Our younger students will participate in several activities such as Chanukah Cookie baking, Chanukah Decorations. They will also have their Chanukah parties on that Sunday as well.

All children will receive Chanukah gelt and dreidels from our Sisterhood.

#### Light the Giant Chanukiyah ...

With Rabbi Krupnick, Rabbi Green and Hazzan Pomerantz - Boro at 5:50 PM on both Religious School nights, Tuesday, December 8 and Wednesday, December 9.

#### Let's Do Shabbat Chanukah Friday, December 11

Join us for a Congregational Kabbalat Shabbat service with children' participation, at 6 PM followed by our traditional Chanukah dinner at 6:45 PM. Registration is required and is available on our website.

#### Everyone Has a Name December 13 & 20

**Gan** students will study the root of their Hebrew name & present along with their parents during two Sundays in December.

## Award Winning Family B'Yachad Programs Gimmel (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade): My Siddur Sunday, January 10 @ 9:30 AM

Third Graders and their parents will learn about the siddur, the prayer book that our children receive during their *Chag Hasiddur* and *Consecration Service, Friday, March 4, 2016*. They will also have an opportunity to create a special *siddur* cover for the occasion. Each *siddur* cover will be unique with the child's Hebrew name on it including a design of their choosing. Parents should make every effort to attend this program with their child or make arrangements to have their child 'adopted' by another family.

#### Hey (5<sup>th</sup> Grade): Tracing Our Roots Sunday, January 24



5<sup>th</sup> Graders and their parents will participate in a workshop that will help them to trace their roots and produce an heirloom family tree. In addition, parents will have the opportunity to meet with Rabbi Green for an engaging discussion on lessons learned from searching our past family

histories. A packet for this project was given to the students earlier in the year so that they could begin to amass the information needed for their family tree. We are looking forward to learning more about our students as they journey through their own family history.

#### 64th Annual JEA Conference January 25 - 28, 2016, Mount Laurel, NJ

The Jewish Educators Assembly, the education arm of the Conservative movement, will hold its annual conference right here in our neighborhood this January. The theme, **Back to the Future**, is about changing, innovating, re-imagining, re-designing and re-invigorating Jewish education. How do we incorporate and integrate the teaching of basic skills with the new models of Jewish education? That question and more will be discussed by senior academics, Dr. Bill Robinson and Dr. Saul Wachs. Also, scheduled as part of the conference is a special Yom Iyyun for teachers in the community.

#### Mazal Tov to Ellie Krupnick, Eric Kessler and Binyamin Stone, JEA's 20/20 Honorees Sunday, January 24

The evening before the conference commences, the JEA will honor twenty young Jewish professionals in their 20's who have made a contribution to Jewish education and to the Jewish community. Among the honorees are our very own Ellie Krupnick, Eric Kessler and Binyamin Stone. Stay tuned for more details about how you can join the celebration in their honor.

#### Mazel Tov to our B'naí Mítzvah of the Month

Mackenzie Bralow November 7 Jeffrey Kaminer November 14 Aidan Epstein November 14 Caleb & Colby Eigen November 21 Jordyn Swarbrick November 28 Joelle Landau December 5 Sydney Tort December 5 Sydney Rowan December 12 Matthew Miron December 12 Jeremy Bender December 13 Jason Guerra December 19 Harris & Hallie Jayson January 9, 2016 Sloane Gerstein January 23, 2016 Sara Chesnick January 30, 2016

#### REMINDERS: No School on the following dates:

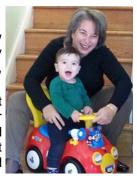
Sunday, November 29 - Thanksgiving Break Tuesday, December 22 - Sunday, January 3 - Winter Break Sunday, January 17 – MLK Weekend Sunday, January 27 – JEA Conference: Teachers' In Service

# BETH EL EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER DINA ELIEZER, DIRECTOR

#### THE SMELL OF SHABBAT

Growing up in a "smell of Shabbat" kind of environment, had an impact on me throughout my life. I knew it was Shabbat because the building had a smell of Shabbat and so did my home. I believe that every child in Israel had his/her own "Shabbat smell" memory. A special smell brings back memories of people, events, places and often of passions.

ECC Shabbat is celebrated every Friday. We experience Shabbat. We begin the day with a fun Shabbat get together with Rabbi Krupnick and Bamba – rabbi's special friend (Bomba) from Israel who together lead a short service. Hazzan delights us with Shabbat songs and I get to tell the children a story related to a holiday, to the Torah portion or a Jewish value. In the classrooms the children have the Shabbat table celebration. On Tuesday, Rabbi Green invites the children for a Havdalah service – saying good bye to Shabbat.



This year we added to the visual and experiential Shabbat activities the sense of smell. Every Friday ALL our children bake a Challah and the smell in the preschool hallways has the "smell of Shabbat" – The smell of fresh Challah. According to our tradition, Smell has a special attribute because it is the only sense that was not mentioned in the Torah as participating in the sin of Adam and Eve. It has a special part during the Shabbat preparation and also on Havdalah, when we separate from Shabbat.

Stop by on Friday and inhale that very special smell. Our Smell of Shabbat. And, for those of you who would like to have that smell at home, here is a recipe that is easy and full of taste and smell.

#### **Kid Friendly Challah Recipe**

#### **INGREDIENTS**

1 package dry yeast • 1 cup warm water • 1 1/2 tablespoons honey

1 teaspoon salt • 3 eggs plus 1 extra egg yolk • 3 1/2 cups flour plus some extra

#### **DIRECTIONS**

Wash your hands before you begin.

Break three eggs into a small bowl. Beat them slightly with the fork. Set aside.

Put the warm water and yeast into the large bowl. Stir with a wooden spoon until the yeast is dissolved.

Add honey and salt to the water and yeast. Stir until dissolved.

Add the three beaten eggs to the big bowl mixture. Stir in.

Add the 3 1/2 cups of flour, a little at a time, and stir into the liquid. The dough will be very sticky.

Sprinkle cutting board with some flour. Place the dough on the board, and knead the dough for five minutes. Since it's so sticky, use just your fingers (not your whole hands).

Put the dough back into the large bowl and cover it with the damp cloth. The cloth will keep the dough from drying out as it rises. Leave it alone for two hours.

When you look at it again, the dough will have become much bigger! With your fingers, push the dough back down to a smaller size (so it is about the same size as when you made the dough in the first place).

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.

Put the dough back onto the floured cutting board, and divide it into three equal portions. Here's where you braid the dough (this is what makes a challah look like a challah!). Sprinkle some extra flour on each portion of dough to make it a little less sticky. Roll or pull each piece to make a tube of dough about 12" to 15" long. Lay the three tubes next to each other, then braid them. To do this, cross the right one over the middle one (so the tube that WAS the right one is now the middle one). Then cross the left one over the middle one (so the tube that WAS the left one is now the middle one). Keep doing this until it's all braided.

Put the braided dough onto the cookie sheet.

The last step before cooking is to cover the dough in one egg yolk. To do so, gently crack a fourth egg, and pry apart the two halves with your thumbs, making sure to keep the egg in the two half-shells. Then pour the egg yolk from half to half, letting as much egg white as possible dribble out each time into a small bowl. Eventually, you'll have just the yolk in one shell.

Put the yolk into a different small bowl. Break the yolk with your fingers, smoosh it around, finger-paint the top of the dough with the yolk. This will make it brown nicely.

Using oven mitts, put the dough into the oven. Cook for 35-45 minutes.

At the 35-minute mark, check to see if it's done by looking at it (it should be a nice golden brown) and by tapping it with a spoon (it should be crusty). If it's not quite done, put it back in the oven for five minutes.

When it's all ready, use your oven mitts to remove the baking pan and bread from the oven.

### **BELL LIBRARY NEWS**

#### AMY KAPLAN, CONGREGATION LIBRARIAN

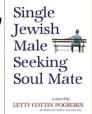


It's that time of year - book bonanza season! In anticipation of the holidays, publishers release lots of new books. We've got popular author. Her tenth novel is The Devil a great read!

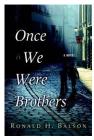
Faye Kellerman keeps her Peter Decker/ Rina Lazarus series going with the latest installment, The Theory of Death. Set in a small town in upstate New York, this mystery will satisfy Kellerman's fans and anyone who

enjoys a good "whodunit."

Feminist icon Letty Cottin Pogrebin has penned a terrific new novel, Single Jewish Male Seeking Soul Mate. Sounds like chick-lit, right? But be prepared for something much deeper as Pogrebin explores issues of Jewish identity, continuity, and love. This is a thought-provoking story that's also an enjoyable read.



Speaking of feminist icons, Erica Jong has a new book, Fear of Dying. Jong shocked and provoked decades ago with Fear of Flying. In this new novel, she focuses on the lives of women in the 21st C.

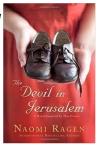


One of the most popular novels in our library in recent years is Once We Were Brothers, by Ron Balson. This author's latest is Saving Sophie. In this story, accountant Jack Sommers becomes suspect in an embezzlement case. Meanwhile, Jack is trying to save his daughter from her maternal grandfather, a suspected terrorist. It all adds up to lots of suspicion and action in this one!

Talia Carner's Hotel Moscow takes the reader to Russia in 1993. Brooke Fielding, an investment manager, travels to Russia to teach entrepreneurial skills to Russian businesswomen. The fall of Communism is a very recent event, and Brooke finds herself in a dangerous position as Moscow becomes a place of corruption and extortion.

When she wrote Sotah in 1992, Naomi Ragen emerged on

the literary scene and quickly became a the good ones right here...come in and grab in Jerusalem, billed as "A Novel Inspired by True Events." In this story, Jerusalem detective Bina Tzedek investigates the case of a young mother who devoutly recites Psalms while two of her children are being treated in the emergency room. The mother refuses to answer questions, and as Bina digs into the case, she follows a trail that



takes her through Jerusalem's Old City, Kabbalism, and a cult with frightening rituals.

The Library's Short Story Discussion Group will meet on Thursday, December 17, 1:30 - 3:00 PM. We will discuss "The Camera Eye" by John J. Clayton. We welcome all congregants (and bring your friends). For more information, please call the Library (675-1166, ext. 503).

The Library's annual **Jewish Book Month** fundraiser is underway! Each year, national Jewish Book Month is celebrated during the 30 days leading up to Hanukkah. Here in the Bell Library, we offer our annual Special Discounted Rate for book dedications during Jewish Book Month.

Throughout the year, book dedications are available at \$25.00 per book, but for Jewish Book Month we offer dedications at \$20.00, or 2 books for \$36.00.

When you dedicate a book, we send a personalized letter to the person you are honoring (birthdays, anniversaries, Happy Hanukkah, mazal tov....any occasion) telling them about your contribution, and we place a bookplate in a library book in their honor (this is also very appropriate for yahrzeits).

We are extending the Special Discounted Rate through December 31.

Look for the special insert in this issue of the Beth El News for our Jewish Book Month book dedication form, and return it to the Library.

THANK YOU!

#### SAVE THE DATE

### March 13 **Beth El Party Showcase**

THE event if you are planning an upcoming Simcha.

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Wednesday Morning Minyan 7:30am

> Pray, schmooze, nosh, learn Sponsored by Beth El Sisterhood



## **Congregation Beth El**

December, 2015 Kislev - Tevet 5776

SHACHARIT (morning) SERVICES:

\*\*\*Sunday 9:00 AM\*\*\*

Monday & Thursday 7:15 AM Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 7:30 AM Saturday 9:00 AM

#### **Note & Exception Below:**

December 7 - 11 Chanukah 7:15AM
Sunday, December 13th, 7th Day of Chanukah 9:00AM
Monday, December 14th, 8th Day of Chanukah 7:15AM
Tuesday, December 22nd Fast 10 of Tevet 7:15AM
Friday, December 25th — 9:00AM

#### CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES: MINCHA (AFTERNOON) MAARIV (EVENING) SERVICES

	Tuesday, December 1 - Thursday, December 3	4:35PM
4:18PM	Friday, December 4	4:20PM
	Saturday, December 5	4:25PM
	Sunday, December 6—Thursday December 10	4:35PM
4:18PM	Friday, December 11	4:20PM
	Friday, December 11 Let's Do Shabbat	6:00PM
	Saturday, December 12	4:25PM
	Sunday, December 13 —Thursday, December 17	4:35PM
4:19PM	Friday, December 18	4:20PM
	Saturday, December 19	4:25PM
	Sunday, December 20 —Thursday, December 24	4:35PM
4:23PM	Friday, December 25	4:25PM
	Saturday, December 26	4:30PM
	Sunday, December 27 —Thursday, December 31	4:40PM



### **Congregation Beth El**

January, 2016 Tevet - Shevat 5776

SHACHARIT (morning) SERVICES:

\*\*\*Sunday 9:00 AM\*\*\*

Monday & Thursday 7:15 AM

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 7:30 AM

Saturday 9:00 AM

#### **Note & Exception Below:**

#### **Exceptions For Morning Service**

Rosh Chodesh Shevat, Monday, January 11 - 7:15AM

#### CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES: MINCHA (AFTERNOON) MAARIV (EVENING) SERVICES

	Sunday, December 27—Thursday December 3	4:40PM
4:27PM	Friday, January 1	4:35PM
	Saturday, January 2	4:35PM
	Sunday, January 3—Thursday January 7	4:50PM
4:34PM	Friday, January 8	4:40PM
	Friday, January 8 Lets do Shabbat	6:00PM
	Saturday, January 9	4:40PM
	Sunday, January 10—Thursday, January 14	4:50PM
4:41PM	Friday, January 15	4:50PM
	Saturday, January 16	4:50PM
	Sunday, January 17—Thursday, January 21	5:00PM
4:49PM	Friday, January 22	5:00PM
	Saturday, January 23	5:00PM
	Sunday, January 24—Thursday, January 28	5:05PM
4:57PM	Friday, January 29	5:05PM
	Saturday, January 30	5:05PM
	Sunday, January 31	5:10PM

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**LEAF:** Purchasing a leaf on



Beth El's Tree of Life, which is located inside the Shabbat and Holiday entrance to our building, is the perfect way to commemorate a significant life-cycle event.

Remember your wedding, birthday, anniversary, or your children's B'nai Mitzvah or other accomplishment by having a leaf custom engraved for \$275.

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To order the leaf or stone, please phone the Beth El office.

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For questions, call Debbie Drachman at 856 - 719 - 9485

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For more information as to how you can participate in building Beth El's Endowment for the Future please complete this coupon & return it via 1<sup>st</sup> class mail or e-mail.

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#### ENDOWMENT FOR THE FUTURE.

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Honor your loved ones by purchasing a plaque (\$575) in our Memorial Room.

Additionally, the names and yahrzeit dates will appear on the digital screen, scrolling during the yahrzeit week, high holidays and other haggim.



Phone the Beth El office for more information.

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