

BETH EL NEWS

March - April 2017



Rabbi Aaron Krupnick
Opening the Door

We all know that education is vital to success in this world and we all want kids to have access to good, quality education. But it might surprise you to know that it wasn't always that way.

The movement for compulsory public education in the United States really began in the early 1920s. It started with the Smith-Towner Bill, a bill that would eventually establish the National Education Association (NEA) and provide federal funds to public schools. And even then, it still took time before the NEA and other organizations were able to assure that everyone had equal access to a good education regardless of their family income, race or religion. That is not to say that public education did not exist in America prior to the 1920s, but it was only then that the federal government said that every single child in America, regardless of race, gender or economic standing is entitled to formal education with qualified teachers. That movement is less than 100 years old in America.

By contrast, the first movement for compulsory Jewish elementary education – the push to make sure every child could get a good Jewish education started in the year 75 CE by a sage known as Shimon ben Shetach. It was only five years after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and Shimon ben Shetach knew that the only way for our people to rebuild was through access to good education. It would take a while before both boys and girls had access to the same levels of education, but from the outset the priority was to make learning as accessible to as many people as possible. You see, we Jews never felt that education should be limited to those who could afford it, or those who showed a gift for learning. Everyone was to have equal

access to our sacred traditions, and I am proud that we at Beth El long ago made sure it was for boys and girls. Ours is a religion that emphasizes spiritual learning for everyone.

And again, we might take this idea for granted. What religion would NOT want their kids to know the sacred traditions? And the answer is plenty! In the ancient world, as it is in some places to this day, spiritual teachings could only be had by those who devoted themselves full time to its study; people willing to live a monastic life; who could master the ancient secrets of the faith. Ancient Egypt was like that, for sure! That's why when Moses comes before Pharaoh to demand the release of the Jewish People so that they could be free to practice their faith, Pharaoh initially agrees, but then quickly asks, **'Mi Va Mi Ha-Holchim'** – which means, "Exactly which ones of you will need to leave?" Clearly he expected Moses to say something like, "We will take the leaders of our People, the ones who are wise enough, skilled enough to actually practice the religion." Pharaoh was thinking, "I've got experts in religion – wise MEN here in my court, trained in the ancient arts. You guys must have them, too, so I'll be magnanimous and let those MEN leave Egypt." But Moses's response is as shocking to Pharaoh as it is familiar to us. Moses replies, **'Bee-Ni-Ahraynoo Uveez-kay-nay-noon Naylech – Bivananyoo U'Bivnotaynoon'** – "We will ALL go, our young and our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and our herds for we must observe the Lord's festivals." Pharaoh's words reflect his overall perspective on religious practice: it's not for everyone. Practical religious observance, in Pharaoh's view, was restricted to the clergy, to the spiritual elite.

Judaism, of course believes the contrary. Not only do Gd's laws apply to everyone, but everyone should have

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RABBI'S MESSAGE (CONTINUED)

access to learning them, to understanding them, to living by them. That's why we celebrate the Seder, the story of what happened next in the Torah, by focusing on our children and encouraging them to ask questions. Our primary Jewish home-centered ritual is an exercise in communal study, discussion and learning open to all.

We know today that the reason we need to give kids an education is not simply so that they can get into college and then get a job. That's only a small part of the picture. The reason education is so important is that it opens the minds of students so that they can experience the world with greater depth and understanding. Good education not only peaks their interest, but opens students' minds and hearts. It's not only about feeding them information, it's about training them how to think, how to analyze, how to integrate new experiences into their lives. That's what quality education is all about. It's about opening doors to greater understanding of the world, its history, language and cultures. And yes, it is also about getting a good job and getting ahead, but it is (or at least it should be) about opening up new intellectual horizons for the students.

And that is exactly the reason why a Jewish education, a spiritual education, is so very important as well. It's not just about being able to have a bar or a bat mitzvah, that's not the real goal of Jewish education. It's about opening up doors to greater understanding of life's biggest questions: Who am I and where do I fit in in the world? What is my purpose in this world and how can I find it? What are my responsibilities to the others and how do I follow through on them? How can I use the wisdom of my ancestors, who spent their lives pondering these big questions, to make more of myself? Jewish education is about unlocking the potential for living more meaningful lives and a deeper understanding of what matters most in this world. In a materialistic world, Jewish education unlocks the potential to understand that the most important things in life cannot be bought with money. Jewish education is about refocusing our lives on personal, spiritual growth so that we can tap into greater levels of kindness, compassion and self-understanding than we would otherwise be able to do.

The reason public education is so important is because we don't know, none of us do, the true potential of every student. Just because a kids grows up poor does not mean that he or she is not smart. We simply don't know the child's potential until we open up the door and see where that path of learning will take them. And the same holds true for Jewish education, for spiritual education. Just because a parent does not feel a strong sense of spiritual connection – a connection to Gd, to the beauty of Jewish ritual and life, does not mean that the child doesn't either. Most parents who were not privileged to a good public education would do all they could – work their fingers to the bone - to make sure their kids can grow intellectually. I believe that when it comes to spiritual/Jewish education we owe our kids the same thing! Our job as Jewish parents is to open doors, to create opportunities for our kids to grow in SOUL and spirit. Secular learning is not about just getting a job. It's to help kids to understand that learning is a lifelong pursuit. And Jewish education is, ideally, exactly the same: It is about teaching our kids that spiritual growth, a deeper understanding of the inner world, is a lifelong pursuit as well.

Pharaoh asks, "Who is this Jewish life for, anyway?" And Moses says, "It's for EVERY Jewish person." And if you want to know the secret of our success; if you want to know the reason that ancient Egypt is long gone, but the Judaism we practice today is pretty much like the one that was practiced millennium ago, it's because we never forgot Moshe's message. We are all in this together, and working together we not only unlock the spiritual potential in our kids, we discover it in ourselves.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE - JOSH LASTER



Exciting Opportunities

I was having coffee with a congregant earlier this week and we were discussing the intricacies of directing a religious non-profit. Like many people I've met with, they believed that the dues from members covered the majority of our operations. I shared with them that the dues make up less than 50% of our revenue. Beth El, while supported by your annual commitment and other donations, relies on other sources of revenue to do what we do and do so well! Other sources of revenue include:

- Early Childhood Center
- Beth El Religious School
- Donations
- Events and Programming (which includes Fundraisers)
- Rentals

As a successful non-profit, it is our obligation to explore other opportunities so that we can continue to enrich the lives of our congregants and supporters without always relying on a significant increase to the annual investment they are already making in Beth El (also known as "dues"). We are now in the process of creating two additional targeted sources of revenue that are focused on Beth El's relationships with area businesses. These two sources are weekday facility rentals and community partnerships.

In the very near future, we will begin marketing the use of Beth El to area businesses that have a need to host meetings, seminars and events to groups ranging in size from 10 people (or less) to 600 people (or more). These gatherings can have continental breakfasts, snacks, fully catered meals or no food at all. We have many different rooms and a variety of meeting spaces. And most of all, we have the staff available to make certain that the experience you desire is the experience you get. In fact, I would say that we aim to give you a better experience than you ever hoped for!

We will also be sending out information on community partnerships to all of our members as well as our vendors. This program will seek to create an annual contribution to Beth El which, depending on the level of partnership, will provide such benefits as:

- advertisement or tribute in publications for events and programming
- website listings and other marketing and communication materials
- signage inside and outside of the building
- space usage for meetings, seminars and events

We are very excited to roll out these two revenue producing, community building opportunities. If you would like any additional information, please do hesitate to contact Tamar Barkan, Director of Membership, Events and Programming (tbarkan@bethelsnj.org or 856-675-1166 x418) or me (jlaster@bethelsnj.org or 856-675-1166 x405).

Join us for the...

BETH EL ANNUAL MEETING

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2017

10:00 AM

Enjoy a full buffet breakfast • Meet our leadership • Honoring Volunteers

Hear about the state of our synagogue • Scrip Drawing

Welcome our new President, Officers, Board of Trustees and our new Beth El members

LOOK FOR MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - LAUREN SOLL



This is my final article as President of Congregation Beth El. The last two years have been truly rewarding as I had the opportunity to meet and work with so many incredible people. I learned so much and feel I have become a better person and a better Jew from this experience.

I am so fortunate to have had a fully engaged and talented group of officers, board members and past presidents, who volunteer their time to ensure Beth El continues to thrive. I thank each of you for your dedication and support. Learning from and working with Rabbi Krupnick, Hazzan Pomerantz-Boro, Rabbi Furman, and Rabbi Green has been incredibly gratifying for me. Our shul is so blessed to be led by a wonderful and talented clergy team who continue to dedicate their lives to the Beth El mantra of Integrate, Educate, and Elevate. Our clergy work so hard to guide and inspire all of us on our Jewish journey.

We have a tremendous office staff who work tirelessly to accommodate the needs of 850 families on a daily basis. Sometimes their hard work gets unnoticed but I would be remiss if I did not say thank you to everyone who works behind the scenes for all they do. Also, I want to extend a very special thank you to Josh Laster, our dynamic Executive Director, who transitioned into his role as I began my term as President. I have enjoyed working with Josh to create a stronger, more efficient office environment to better serve the needs of our congregants. It is also necessary to thank the multitude of volunteers that Beth El is so fortunate to have. Your commitment to Beth El is truly appreciated and all your efforts help to make our shul such a wonderful synagogue.

As I reflect upon everything that I have participated in as President, my heart is full of love for our shul. Sitting on the bimah and watching children become a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, greeting congregants at Shabbat, attending graduation ceremonies and going to so many interesting events and programs are just a few of my treasured memories. I am so proud to be a part of such a special and vibrant shul!! Our mission statement states, "Congregation Beth El is our spiritual home. We create a warm and welcoming community, where people of all generations are enriched by learning and inspired to discover their personal experience of Jewish life." We strive to provide the Jewish experience that inspires. People want to be at Beth El! Life happens at Beth El! Whether it is through education or prayer or through life cycle events or social events, there is purpose and opportunity for everyone. We are a community that enables us to grow and become a better person and more aware of our Jewish identity.

Mazal Tov to David Backal, who is our President-Elect! David and I have worked together for many years on the Board and on various committees. I have tremendous respect for him and I know Beth El will continue to prosper under his dedicated leadership. I wish him the best of everything.

The support of my family has been unwavering. I am so grateful to my parents and my husband, Jon, and three children, Kenny, Andrew and Amanda, for their patience, understanding and encouragement over the last few years.

Thank you again for the privilege and honor of serving as President of Beth El.

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Jeannette & Jay Adler on the birth of their grandson, Mason Jax Adler

B'NAI MITZVAH:

Sam Asbell on the B'not Mitzvah of his granddaughters, Jessica & Devyn Levin

Anita Farber on the Bar Mitzvah of her grandson, Ethan

Stacy & Dan Farber on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ethan

Tami & Brad Krupnick on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Mitchell

Maria & Ben Levin on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Isabella

Stacy Asbell & Andy Levin on the B'not Mitzvah of their daughters, Jessica & Devyn

Tatianna & Mitchell Weinstock on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Danya

ENGAGEMENTS, MARRIAGES:

Ryna & David Alexander on the engagement of their son, Max, to Lindsay Sellers

Judy & Arthur Kratchman on the engagement of their daughter, Dana, to Neil Hoffman

SPEEDY RECOVERY:

Melody Taylor

BETH EL MOURNS the passing of:

Abe Feigenbaum, father of Sam Feigenbaum

Gloria Hecht, sister of Larry Katz

Ruth Kessler, mother of Craig Kessler

Michael Mazis, father of Katie Goldstein

Julia Rosen, mother of Fred Rosen

H Michael Zal, father of Michelle Dubin



IN MEMORIAM OF OUR MEMBERS

The Beth El Family mourns the passing of

Fred Levy

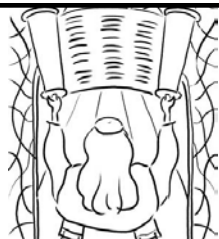
Husband of Ellen
Father of Niki Dolin

The Beth El Family mourns the passing of

Ethel Lubars

Wife of Herb
Mother of Nancy

MAZAL TOV



Mazal Tov To all our B'nai Mitzvah of March & April



Noa Pecarsky *March 4*
Marisa Rappaport *March 11*
Aidan Dworkin *March 18*
Elizabeth Berg *March 25*
Alexa & Jake Atlas *April 1*

Juliet Heller *April 8*
Salena Silver *April 8*
Madison Glauser *April 22*
Emily Altman *April 29*
Rachel Fensterer *April 29*



Emily Altman

Daughter of Robert & Jacquelyn Altman

Sister of Madelyn

Granddaughter of Robert & Inez Zubrin
and Sondra Altman

Mitzvah Project: Donate to Dance

Alexa Atlas & Jake Atlas

Children of Jenifer & Orin Atlas

Siblings of Jessie

Mitzvah Project: Helping homeless teens by
fundraising for The Covenant House



Elizabeth Rachel Berg

Daughter of Jodi & David Berg

Sister of Jacob

Granddaughter of Susan & Samuel
Liebman and Jacqueline & Stephen Berg

Mitzvah Project: Working with and donating to the
American Cancer Society



Aidan Jake Dworkin

Son of Beth & Brian Dworkin

Brother of Remi

Grandson of Howard & Harriet Malmud
and Harriette Dworkin

Mitzvah Project: Collecting and donating to
CHOP Toys for Kids



Rachel Lauren Fensterer

Daughter of Bob & Ellen Fensterer

Sister of Alina

Granddaughter of Lois Strauss

Mitzvah Project: Painting for a Purpose for Cantor
Scott's Cats

MAZAL TOV



Madison Glauser

Daughter of Marla & Jeffrey Glauser

Sister of Alex

Granddaughter of Elaine & Barry Glauser

Mitzvah Project: Helping out at Religious School and donating money to the religious school for school needs



Juliet Heller

Daughter of Daena & Larry Erlich and Kevin Heller

Sister of Caleb Heller, Paige Erlich, & Hallie Erlich

Granddaughter of Ron & Sue Flaxman, Charles & Patti Heller, and Yetta Erlich

Mitzvah Project: Anti-Defamation League



Marisa Rappaport

Daughter of Stephanie & Jeff Rappaport

Sister of Hayden

Mitzvah Project: Teaming up with BERS and providing Lion's Gate community with Chanukah party, gifts, and concert. Also donated to cancer research at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center



Salena Silver

Daughter of Debbie & Mike Silver

Sister of Ben, Andy, & Emily

Granddaughter of Carol Steiner, Sandy Silver, and Rose Kurtz

Mitzvah Project: Helped prepare food at Beth El and worked on MLK Day to collect food for cats & dogs



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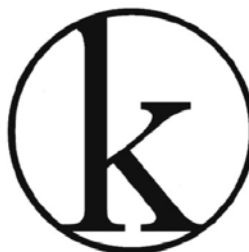
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Friday, March 3 5:10 PM Proneg (pre-Shabbat reception)
5:40 PM Shabbat Service

Friday, April 7 5:30 PM Proneg (pre-Shabbat reception)
6 PM Shabbat Service

Letters were mailed out to those in our database with birthdays and anniversaries. If you did not receive a letter, but should have, please contact Leora Waiche at lwaiche@bethelsnj.org.

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Maybe it's because spring is in the air or maybe it's because the days are getting longer and the nights are becoming shorter, the months of March and April are packed with exciting educational, social, and even artistic programs and activities for all ages. One of our new adult learning opportunities will be offered by Rabbi Nogah Marshall. Rabbi Marshall will be offering a three part series "Lattes and Learning" where she will focus on Jewish Parenting: Insight and Wisdom from the Jewish Tradition. Whether you are a parent, step-parent, grandparent, adoptive parent or caregiver, you won't want to miss this class about the wisdom Jewish teaches us about parenting. The class will meet at noon Thursdays, March 16, 23, and 30 at Classic Cake. You buy the coffee, Rabbi Marshall will provide the wisdom!

At the end of April we will conclude our series of Scholar in Residences with our Spring Artist Scholar in Residence Mordechai Rosenstein. Mordechai Rosenstein will be with us from Wednesday, April 26 through Sunday, April 30. If you enjoy art, coloring, or painting, you will not want to miss this. All of the proceeds of the program will benefit the Lone Soldier Center. Look for details in the insert!

Don't forget to check out the Colel Brochure for a list of all our incredible programs.

NEW!

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PASSOVER

Questions and Answers by Rabbi Aaron Krupnick

Q: When is the Fast of the First Born?

A: The *Siyum* of the Fast of the First Born will be held on **Monday morning, April 10 at 7:00AM**. We will conclude a *seder* (order) of Mishna at the end of services so as to negate the need to fast.

Q: When do we Search for Chametz?

A: Following a thorough cleaning of the house, the search for leaven is held on **Sunday after night fall, April 9**. Breadcrumbs are placed conspicuously in rooms where food is normally eaten. Using a candle, a search is made and the crumbs are whisked with a feather on to a wooden spoon and then in to a paper bag. The prayer said at this time is found in the Haggadah.

Q: What do we do with the crumbs in the bag? Where is Chametz burned?

A: They should be burned on **Monday morning, April 10**. After morning Minyan (7:00AM), we will have a small bonfire in a steel drum in the parking lot to burn your Chametz. Parents and children can come between **8:15AM and 9:00AM** that morning to share in this ritual.

Q: How and why do I Sell my Chametz?

A: On Pesach it is forbidden to possess Chametz.
B: All Chametz that will not be eaten or burned needs to be sold to a non-Jew through a transaction facilitated by the Rabbis of Beth El. (**Sale of Chametz form below.**) It should be returned or faxed (856) 489-3280 to the Shul no later than **Sunday, April 9** no later than 12PM.

Foods During Pesach

The following foods are forbidden for use during Pesach: All uncertified products of the 5 specified grains traditionally identified as Chametz: oats, wheat, barley, rye and spelt. This includes such products as bread, cakes, biscuits, crackers and cereal, etc. Ashkenazic custom has us refraining from eating rice, corn, peas and legumes because when ground they can be confused for those grains listed above. However, in a different form, some of the derivative products of these foods are permitted such as peanut oil. With so much *hechshered* food available in our area, it is best just to look for the certification on foods.

Kashering Utensils

Pots and Pans: Silverware and pots must be thoroughly scrubbed, cleaned and then completely immersed in boiling water. Pots should not be used for a period of at least 24 hours between the cleaning and the immersion in boiling water. Metal baking utensils cannot be kashered.

Earthenware: China & pottery etc. may not be kashered.

Ovens & Ranges: Every part that comes in contact with food must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleansed. Oven & range should be on as hot as possible for ½ hour.

Microwaves: After a thorough cleansing, a cup of hot water should be brought to a boil until most of the water disappears.

Dishwasher: The Rabbinical Assembly has ruled that after not using the machine for 24 hours, running a full cycle through empty with detergent will kasher a dishwasher for Pesach.

Tables, Food, Closets & Counters: Should be thoroughly cleaned and covered for Pesach. Then they may be used.

Kitchen Sink: A metal sink can be kashered by thoroughly cleaning and then pouring boiling water over it. A porcelain sink should be cleaned and a sink rack used. If, however, dishes are to be soaked in a porcelain sink, a dish basin must be used.

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I hereby authorize Rabbi Aaron Krupnick to be my agent to sell all kinds of Chametz including but not limited to any leavened food, dishes, pots, pans and utensils used with leavened food, which may be in my possession at the address below. Rabbi Krupnick is also empowered to lease all places wherein Chametz owned by me may be found, particularly at the address listed below. Rabbi Krupnick has full right to appoint any agent or substitute in his stead and said substitute shall have full right to sell and to lease as provided herein.

I understand that the sale will be effected at sundown **on Sunday, April 9**.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

*This form is to be returned or faxed (856) 489-3280 to the Shul by **Friday, April 7** no later than 12 pm.*

PASSOVER

PASSOVER SCHEDULE 2017- 5777

EREV PESACH

Search for Chametz Sunday Eve, April 9
Siyum for 1st Born Monday, April 10 - 7:00 AM
Last time to eat Chametz
Monday, April 10 before 11 :08 AM

SEDER SCHEDULE

First Seder, Monday Evening, April 10
Second Seder, Tuesday Evening, April 11

EVENING SERVICES

First Night Monday, April 10 6:00 PM
Second Night Tuesday, April 11 7:30 PM

MORNING SERVICE

First Day Tuesday, April 11 9:00 AM
Second Day Wednesday, April 12 9:00 AM

CHOL HAMOED MINYAN TIMES

Thursday, April 13 - 7:15 AM & 7:40 PM
Friday, April 14 - 7:15 AM & 6:00 PM
Saturday, April 15 - 9:00 AM & 7:25 PM
Sunday, April 16 - 8:30 AM & 6:00 PM

LAST DAYS EVENING SERVICE

Monday, April 17 *YIZKOR* 6:00 PM
Tuesday, April 18 7:45 PM

LAST DAYS MORNING SERVICE

Seventh Day Pesach
Monday, April 17 9:00 AM
Eighth Day Pesach & YIZKOR
Tuesday, April 18 9:00 AM

PESACH CANDLELIGHTING TIMES

Monday, April 10 7:15 PM
Tuesday, April 11 8:16 PM
Sunday, April 16 7:21 PM
Monday, April 17 8:23 PM

Getting ready for Passover? Plan to spend your Seder with us!

Tuesday, April 11

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Services at 7:30 PM and Seder begins at 8 PM

\$40 an adult, \$18 a child

Register for either seder at <https://bethelsnj.org/2nd-night-seder/>

wine will be available for purchase at time of registration

MARCH MINYAN TIMES

March 2017 Adar—Nisan 5777

SHACHARIT (Morning) SERVICES

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

NOTES & EXCEPTIONS

Thursday, March 9: Fast of Esther 7:15AM
Sunday, March 12: Daylight Savings Time Begins
Sunday, March 12: Purim (Traditional Megillah Reading) 8:30AM
Tuesday, March 28: Rosh Chodesh Nisan 7:15AM

Candle Lighting

Mincha (Afternoon) Ma'ariv (Evening) Services

	Sunday, February 26—Thursday , March 2	5:45PM
5:36PM	Friday, March 3	Celebration Shabbat 5:40PM
	Saturday, March 4	5:40PM
	Sunday, March 5—Thursday, March 9	5:55PM
5:44PM	Friday, March 10	5:45PM
	Saturday, March 11	5:45PM
	Sunday, March 12—Thursday, March 16	7:00PM
6:51PM	Friday, March 17	6:00PM
	Saturday, March 18	6:55PM
	Sunday, March 19—Thursday, March 23	7:10PM
6:58PM	Friday, March 24	6:00PM
	Saturday, March 25	7:05PM
	Sunday, March 26—Thursday , March 30	7:15PM
7:05PM	Friday, March 31	6:00PM
	Saturday, April 1	7:10PM

APRIL MINYAN TIMES

April 2017 Nisan—Iyar 5777

NOTES and EXCEPTIONS

	Monday, April 10: Siyum for First Born	7:00AM
	Tuesday, April 11: Pesach Day 1	9:00AM
	Wednesday, April 12: Pesach Day 2	9:00AM
	Thursday, April 13 — Friday, April 14: Chol HaMoed	7:15AM
	Sunday, April 16: Chol HaMoed	8:30AM
	Monday, April 17: Pesach Day 7	9:00AM
	Tuesday, April 18: Pesach Day 8/Yizkor	9:00AM
	Sunday, April 23: Yom HaShoah	9:00AM
	Wednesday, April 26: Rosh Chodesh Iyar	7:15AM
	Thursday, April 27: Rosh Chodesh Iyar	7:15AM

SHACHARIT (Morning) SERVICES

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

Candle Lighting

Mincha (Afternoon) Ma'ariv (Evening) Services

	Saturday, April 1	7:10PM
	Sunday, April 2—Thursday, April 6	7:20PM
7:12PM	Friday, April 7: Celebration Shabbat	6:00PM
	Saturday, April 8	7:20PM
	Sunday, April 9	7:30PM
7:15PM	Monday, April 10: Pesach First Seder	6:00PM
8:16PM	Tuesday, April 11: Pesach Second Seder	7:30PM
	Wednesday, April 12—Thursday, April 13	7:40PM
7:19PM	Friday, April 14	6:00PM
	Saturday, April 15	7:25PM
7:21PM	Sunday, April 16: Pesach Day 7	6:00PM
8:23PM	Monday, April 17: Pesach Yizkor	6:00PM
	Tuesday, April 18: Pesach	7:45PM
	Wednesday, April 19—Thursday, April 20	7:35PM
7:26PM	Friday, April 21	6:00PM
	Saturday, April 22	7:35PM
	Sunday, April 23—Thursday, April 27	7:45PM
7:34PM	Friday, April 28: Lets Do Shabbat	6:00PM
	Saturday, April 29	7:40PM
	Sunday, April 30—Thursday, May 4	7:50PM

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER - DINA ELIEZER, DIRECTOR



ביצה

Yes, I am writing about an egg. Could it be because I am hungry? Or maybe it is because of the set-up I just submitted for our model Seders calling for the preparation of 150 half boiled eggs.

It is probably because I was wishing that the year will have more of a stretched look and allow us to do more in school, as opposed to this fixed rounded year. CLAL – The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership, in one of their mailings has asked us to look beyond the obvious. For them, the egg was a symbol for such attempt. While “the Matzah, the shank bone and bitter herbs generate the buzz” every Passover holiday, the egg, being part of the Seder plate, being obscure and not much talked about, generates a lot more symbolism when it comes to the understanding of the Pesach story or life itself.

One of the things the egg symbolizes is the fact that it cannot stand by itself without help. Like the egg, we as people, teachers and students cannot do many things without support and help.

As a community of educators, we know that working together in educating our children is a must. In January, our teachers were involved in a conference organized by the Department of Jewish Education. On May 3, teachers will join me at a national conference in Pennsylvania.

Our job at the Early Childhood Center is not complete without the constant support of our PTG – Parents Teachers Group. Their contributions to the classrooms in equipment and supplies and their providing of special programs for our children are just a token of all their doing. In January, PTG sponsored a fun day with a visit from the Philadelphia Zoo.

Our children know that by bringing *Tzedakah* and participating in the community’s MLK Day of Service, they, too, help sustain this world.

In Aramaic the word for “egg” is BEYA meaning “please”. The Jerusalem Talmud suggests that on Passover the egg be raised together with the shank bone representing the saying: “Please, God, lift us from slavery”.

As we begin the season of spring, BEYA, let it be a season of yet another growth that is stretched enough for many more years to come.

The teachers and staff at the ECC wish you and your families a Happy and Kosher Passover!



This space is not big enough to write everything the Beth El Early Childhood Center has to offer - call 856-675-1166 to schedule a visit!

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL - RABBI NOGAH MARSHALL, EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR



A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words

The second half of our school year began with a bang! January and February were filled with excitement at Beth El Religious School and Hebrew High School.

In addition to our wonderful classroom activities, we experienced additional wide variety of programs that enhanced our learning. We honored the inductees of the Shabbat Shalom Club. Students who have attended 5 or more Shabbat services during the first half of the year celebrated with a donut and hot chocolate party. We celebrated the 50th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem with a Zimriyah (choral festival). Our high school students learned about the Iron Dome up close and personal from Israeli Scientist Ari Sacher; the Vav students participated in the World Wide Wrap Program; the Gimmel students made Siddurim covers; the Bet students experienced Havdalah, and our Hey class researched and created their own family trees. All of these amazing programs took place in just January and February!

We have much more in store for the months of March and April. To reflect on our successes the past couple of months, I share with you pictures that truly are worth a thousand words. "The world before us is a postcard, and I imagine the story we are writing on it." Mary E. Pearson, *The Miles Between*.

Save the Date!

Friday, March 3 - Gimmel Chag Hasiddur Ceremony and Dinner

Sunday, March 5 - JRA at Congregation Beth El
Delaware Valley Community Zimriyah

Sunday, March 12 - Family Purim Megillah Reading

Friday, March 24 - Gan B'yachad Program

Sunday, March 26 - Aleph B'yachad Program

Sunday, April 2 - BERS Model Seder

Thursday, April 6 - No Hebrew High School

Sunday, April 9 - Thursday, April 20 No Religious School and Hebrew High School

Sunday, April 23 - Hebrew High School Trip

Sunday, April 27 - Mordechai Rosenstein

Shabbat

March 4, 11 (Bet Shabbat), 18 (Vav Shabbat), 25 (Hey Shabbat)

April 1 (Gimmel Shabbat), 8 (Bet Shabbat), 15, 22 (Vav Shabbat), 29 (Hey Shabbat)

If your child would like to read Torah on Shabbat, please email Rabbi Marshall at nmarshall@bethelsnj.org

Yasher Koach to our recent Torah Readers:

Charli Aumiller
Jacob Berg
Eden Boyd
Julie Cohen
Noah Cwanger
Sebastian Enda
Ari Feinstein
Alex Glauser
Natalie Goldberg
Kyle Goldstein
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Cwanger Family showing off their family tree



Kittah Aleph singing at the Zimriyah



Members of the Shabbat Shalom Club

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Yad b'Yad Honorees

Presented by Jewish Federation's Young Adult Division, the Yad b'Yad Award Celebration recognizes our community's young volunteer leaders.

We are THRILLED that 7 Beth El members were honored - the most out of any organization!

Thank you for all you do for our congregation and our community!

Mira Aumiller - Congregation Beth El

Mira Aumiller has been an active member of Congregation Beth El in Voorhees since she and her family joined when their children attended the early childhood center. She immediately became involved through both the Early Childhood Center and Religious School Committees at Beth El and today is active with their Young Families Group. Mira has always felt strongly that it is important to show her children that synagogue is much more than just religious school, but rather a community and a home away from home.

Chris Boyd - Jewish Community Voice

Chris Boyd is heavily involved with the Jewish Community Voice to help spread the word on all of the great people and happening in the South Jersey Jewish Community that he and his family are proud to be a part of. Chris brings 10 years of experience as Directory of Technology to his role as board member for the Voice and head of the Voice's Technology Committee. He is helping lead the Voice's transition to a digital-first publisher, bringing new technology to streamline and lower costs across the board.

Brandon Ettinger - Jewish Business Network

Through the Jewish Business Network, Brandon Ettinger, has helped many clients facing property damage to their home or business, but it has also led to him volunteering and being more involved in the community as a whole. He has held various leadership positions with JBN, has worked diligently to recruit new members, retain current ones, and helped to improve the overall experience at events. It has also led to him being involved in leadership training and committee roles within the Federation system.

Paula Goldberg - Raquela Hadassah - Camden County, NJ

Paula has been an active member of the Raquela chapter of Hadassah for the past six years and has been the chapter Treasurer for the past three years. Having her children involved in the community is an important family value for her. They do various volunteer work together as a family, such as participating in the Jewish Relief Agency's food packaging and delivering, running an arts and crafts program for the Ronald McDonald House of Southern NJ, and biking the MS Bike City to Shore ride with her oldest son.

Rob Hirsch & Jamie Dollinger - Chabad Lubavitch of Camden and Burlington Counties, NJ

If Chabad needs help with anything from minyan to moving tables, one call to Rob – and he is there. When there is a program that needs help – whether with children, facility setup, or decorations, Jamie is there, to do whatever Chabad needs. Jamie is also a familiar face around Beth El, as she is one of our wonderful B'nai Mitzvah tutors.

Pam Rosenberg - Samost Jewish Family and Children's Service (JFCS) of Southern New Jersey

Pam is an active volunteer for Samost Jewish Family & Children's Service (JFCS), where she translates her professional experience into invaluable support for the community. As an experienced corporate recruiter and job coach, she helps clients with writing resumes and giving career advice to Project SARAH clients. She also serves on the JFCS Special Needs Committee.

If you know of a member who should be spotlighted in the Beth El News, please email Davida Chornock at dchornock@bethelsnj.org with their name and reason for nomination.

FACES OF BETH EL



Yad b'Yad 2017 honorees! (not pictured: Paula Goldberg and Rob Hirsch)



Over 450 people enjoyed Ari Sacher during our Scholar in Residence weekend



26 BE members on Rabbi Aaron & Helene Krupnick's Mission to Morocco!



Tallis and T'fillin made challahs for the Chesed freezer

Men's Club



Larry Hanover, President
hanovers4@comcast.net

It has been rewarding to see so many Beth El members coming out to enjoy our events. Our goal has been to provide events that stimulate discussion, educate, perform Tikkun Olam, and build bonds of friendship.

The next couple months will cover those bases and more. Mark your calendar for these great events:

Shalach Manot (packaging on Monday, March 6, delivery on Sunday, March 12): The giving of traditional sweets and snacks is a great way to mark Purim – not to mention annually the most successful fund-raiser for Men's Club and Sisterhood. Please contact Amanda and Adam Weissman at amanda.j.weissman@gmail.com to volunteer to assemble packages and/or deliver them.

Torah on Tap, Wednesday, March 15: Rabbi Green speaks on "Why Individual Relationships, Not Programs, Are the Foundation of Jewish Community." Final session of our five-part series.

Kenneth Jacobson, Anti-Defamation League Deputy National Director, Thursday, March 16: Hear an update about anti-Semitism in our communities and country from an official whose organization is on the front lines. Co-sponsored by Temple Beth Sholom Men's Club.

"Get Out There: Networking and LinkedIn", Sunday, March 19: A free workshop provided by JEVS Career Strategies to help those seeking to advance or change careers. Part of the Beth El Breakfast Series sponsored by Men's Club. (Sisterhood co-sponsoring)

Happy Wives/Happy Lives and Scotch Tasting (Paid-Up Membership Event), Wednesday, March 29: A dynamic doubleheader featuring Rabbi Krupnick speaking on "Happy Wives, Happy Lives." The night begins with a Scotch-tasting event sponsored by our own Adam Benn. Dinner included.

"From North Philly to the Rabbinate", Sunday, April 2: Hear our own Rabbi Gamaliel Respes tell his extraordinary tale. Part of the Beth El Breakfast Series sponsored by Men's Club.

Men's Club Shabbat, Saturday, April 15: Members help lead the service. Followed by lunch for the congregation.

Sisterhood



Renee Kessler, President
rbkess@comcast.net

Let Sisterhood help you chase the winter chill away and welcome spring with these upcoming programs.

Saturday, March 4 is Sisterhood Shabbat. Come and share in the warmth of the morning where Sisterhood women will be taking the honors. Then, join us after services from 12:30-1:30 in the Garden Room for Sisterhood High Tea featuring fancy desserts, tea and stimulating discussion

Thursday March 16 join us in the kitchen for Challah Baking. Participation is limited to 30 women. Sign up on line at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4ea8aa22ab9-challah2>

Sunday March 26 we'll be rockin' the house at our 9th annual Party Showcase! Bring your friends and meet the vendors who will help to make your next mitzvah an affair to remember. This event is free, open to the public and something you won't want to miss! If you know a vendor who would like to participate, please contact Sharon at samindel@yahoo.com

Tuesday, March 28 is Rosh Chodesh, It's a Women's Thing welcomes in the new month of Nisan with song, activities and friendship. Join Hazzan, Charlene and other BE women to celebrate.

Tuesday, April 18 is Wine, Dine and Study with Rabbi Krupnick. Put this special night on your calendar and plan to join us.

Thursday, April 20 join us in the kitchen for Challah Baking. Participation is limited to 30 women. Look for sign up links beginning in April

Wednesday, April 26 is Rosh Chodesh, It's a Women's Thing welcomes in the new month of Iyar.

Sunday, April 30 is a Multi-generational Tea and special doll naming ceremony.

And finally, a huge yasher koach to Amanda and Adam Weissman who chaired this year's very successful Shalach Manot project. Packages will arrive on Sunday, March 12.

Join us for one, more or all of these events and experience the warmth of Sisterhood! Sisterhood is open to all BE women and we welcome your participation and ideas.

Young Families' Group



Mira Aumiller, President
msaumiller@yahoo.com

Thank you to everyone who came out to support our big night! Quizzo Night 2017 was a huge success. We had 150 people attend and raised over \$2000 that was shared with the

Beth El Early Childhood Center PTG. Be sure to check out the fun photos on our YFG Facebook page.

Mark your calendars now for our **Ask the Rabbi** learning session with Rabbi Green on Sunday, March 19. Conveniently timed while your kids are in religious school, join us from 11:00am-noon.

Beth El will be hosting a world renown Jewish artist **Mordechai Rosenstein** April 26-30. We hope to see many YFGers at our Thursday night, April 27 Painting & Pinot event! Stay tuned for registration details. Proceeds from this program will benefit the Lone Soldier Center in Jerusalem.

Lastly, we are so happy to have 11 great families signed up to come to our **YFG Retreat** at the Capital Retreat Center June 9-11. Our retreats are a great way to unplug and enjoy a meaningful Shabbat weekend with other Beth El families. They provide programming for all of us as a group, as well as adult only programming (babysitters included)! If you have interest and would like to know more, please contact me at msaumiller@yahoo.com

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March 26 - Party Showcase

Register for our Bar/Bat Mitzvah wish list or Bridal registry!

Meet Chelle: our expert guide to help you make the perfect selections

April 1- 30 - Anniversary Celebration

Play Deal or No Deal OR Spin the Wheel for extra savings!

April 2 - Congregation Members' First Look

Shop with our Hostess with the Mostess, Mira Aumiller, helping you select the perfect table jewelry for Pesach - and the perfect hostess gifts!

April 23 - Shop with Chelle

Schedule an appointment with our expert guide, Chelle, to craft your Bar/Bat Mitzvah wish list or Bridal registry!

April 21-28 - Kidz Korner Event

Shop educational learning tools and Holiday games all week long!

Shop our special occasions or every day hours!

Sunday: 9am-12noon	Wednesday: 9am-5pm
Monday: Closed	Thursday: 9am-5pm
Tuesday: 9am-5pm and 7-8pm	Friday: 10am-12noon
	Saturday: Closed

BETH EL CLUBS



BELL LIBRARY NEWS—AMY KAPLAN, CONGREGATION LIBRARIAN

Meir Shalev is one of Israel's finest writers. His newly translated novel, **Two She-Bears**, is a complex novel of love, compassion, murder - and vengeance - on a moshava. Years after three alleged suicides in the moshava, Ruta Tavori, a teacher of history and Bible, tells an interviewer about one of these deaths, which was in fact a murder that had great consequences for her family. Shalev, in an interview, notes that the origin of the title of the book is a Biblical story about the prophet Elisha, in 2 Kings. When Elisha was taunted by children, he cursed them in the name of the Lord and two bears came out of the forest and killed 42 children. Shalev says "I guess I had a burning need to depict vengeance because it is a very powerful emotion, basic, that exists in everyone." The author was born on Israel's first moshav, and his rich descriptions of daily life in an agricultural settlement transport readers to a different place and time.

Leaving Lucy Pear, by Anna Solomon, is an engaging story about class and family with lots of period detail. It is 1917, and Beatrice Haven, an unmarried Jewish girl from a wealthy family, has just given birth. She hides the baby under a pear tree at her uncle's house, knowing that a large, local Catholic family will find the baby when they come, as they always do, to gather the pears at night. Bea's life does not go as she had hoped, and a decade later she returns to her uncle's house to seek peace and respite from her sadness. She hires a nurse to care for her ailing uncle, not knowing that the nurse is the woman who, years before, took the abandoned baby and named her Lucy Pear.

Much needed support for the Library comes from our generous donors. This year's Jewish Book Month fundraiser was once again successful, thanks to your participation. This list completes our Jewish Book Month donor list that began in the last issue of the Beth El News:

Ira Brooks	Hedda and David Morton
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Arlene and Harris Colton	Lieberman
Rachael and David Green	Sharon and Steven Usdin
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Today Rabah to all who support the Library.

The Library's Short Story Discussion Group will meet on Thursday, March 23 and Thursday, April 27, 1:30 – 3:00 PM in the Conference Room. Please note these dates and plan to join us – even if you've never attended before – for our always-engaging conversations. For more information, call the Library 856-675-1166 x 503.

SINGLES SHABBAT

Meet people of all ages in a warm environment!
Shabbat service is FREE and open to ALL! Held every third Friday of the month at 8 PM in the small Chapel. Oneg following services.

Join us!

March 17 ♥ April 14

Contact Norma Kamis:
(856) 662-7916 or normatrack@verizon.net

ATTENTION COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS & PARENTS!

College students will be receiving their Purim packages the second week of March.

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL GROUP OF VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED CREATE AND PACKAGE THE 327 BOXES THAT WERE MAILED THIS 2016-17 SCHOOL YEAR:

Natalie Clayman	Ann Miller
Sherry DuBoff	Alice Mohr
Barbara Frantz	Illene Rubin
Marsha Goodman	Risa Wittman
Renee Kessler	

Today Rabah to Rabbi Green for his inspirational and informative letters and educational materials that were included in the packages.

College students who would like to participate in this program for the 2017-18 school year* will need to 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 #

***ALL ADDRESSES MUST BE UPDATED ANNUALLY**

****Information must be submitted BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2017**

For more information call
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The following contributions were made in appreciation of Hazzan Alisa Pomerantz-Boro:

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