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Jews are a people of memory. In many ways, the past grounds Jewish identity, infusing Jewish life with context, purpose, and meaning.

Jewish memory is why Beth El gathers every year on Purim to hear the words of Megillat Esther read aloud in its entirety. Uniquely, Purim is the only Jewish holiday in which the tradition explicitly commands Jews to listen to the story in full.

"The Megillah is a story of secular, non-religious, unobservant Jews, who find themselves directly responsible for the fate of Jewish identity in their part of the diaspora," explained Rabbi Steve Schwartz. "The powerful message of Purim is that even if you're on the fringes of the Jewish community, the day might come that you will be the one who will make the difference in Jewish continuity."

Impressively, the ancient wisdom of the Purim story is directly applicable to modern Jewry. Reflecting on those teachings demonstrates how the Jewish people use memory as a tool.

For this reason, Beth El chose "Back to the (57)80s" as the theme for this year's Purim Spiel.

For those unfamiliar with the plot of Back to the Future - perhaps the quintessential '80s movie - here's a quick synopsis: 1980s teenager Marty McFly is thrown back into the 1950s when an experiment by his eccentric scientist friend, Doctor Emmett Brown, goes awry. Traveling through time in a modified DeLorean car, Marty encounters young versions of his parents and must make sure that they fall in love, or he'll cease to exist. Even more daunting, Marty has to return to his own time and save the life of Doc Brown.

So too in Beth El's Purim spiel will the clergy travel back in time to Shushan, where they will interact with key characters from the Purim story, hoping to stave off the destruction of the Persian Jews.

"If (Back to the Future director) Robert Zemeckis had to choose a verse from the Torah that best captures the theme of his beloved movie, it would be Lamentations 5:21," suggested Cantor Melanie Blatt. "The mitzvah of Purim calls to mind the verse from Lamentations: Restore us to You, O Lord, that we may be restored! Renew our days as of old."

Rabbi Schwartz explains the bizarrely worded phrase "renew our days as of old" ("chadeish yameinu k'kedem"): "We have a natural yearning for the past. We look back to happy moments in our life, like sitting next to Zadie at Passover Seder, or eating Bubbie's matzah ball soup. These are moments that speak to our identity, our understanding of who we are and where we came from."

While it is natural to idealize the past, reflection in Judaism is more purposeful. Routinely revisiting Jewish history helps Jews gain the perspective which might improve their present and future.

"When we renew ourselves, and our connection to Jewish identity, we recover a feeling of meaningfulness," Rabbi Schwartz said. "Remembering is not only a nostalgic indulgence but an exercise in using the past to derive meaning from the present and to nourish us into the future."

Specific themes surface when revisiting the Purim story, many of which have been echoed for decades in popular culture.

"The tension between free will and predestination drives the plot of Back to the Future," Cantor Blatt observed. "That conflict also drives the Purim story and is central to Jewish theology."

Indeed, the question of free will versus predestination is a very Jewish idea and defines Esther's dilemma in Achashverosh's palace.

"In one sense, Esther was a pawn - the literal queen on the figurative chessboard - placed by God in this specific place, at this precise moment in Jewish history, specifically so she could save the Jewish people," Rabbi Schwartz said.

Or, as George McFly said to his future-wife in Back to the Future: "Lorainne, my density has brought me to you." Of course, George meant destiny, but that awkward
bumbling is part of his charm: an unlikely figure thrust into the pivot point of the narrative. Similarly, while God predetermined that Esther would have a central role to play in the Purim story, she had to play it nevertheless.

"God predestined that Esther would be queen, but Esther had to make the hard choice to stand up and take action," Rabbi Schwartz said. "That’s how predestination and free will will work together. There was some spark that spoke to Esther. Even though she could have been killed for speaking up, she ultimately claimed her Jewish identity."

Esther’s assertiveness mirrors that of Marty McFly in Back to the Future. Upon his arrival in 1955, Marty takes action, aggressively searching for answers.

"Accountability is another core theme to the Purim story," Rabbi Schwartz said. "Judaism will always tell you, at the end of the day, that you are responsible for your actions. The message is not to passively wait for God to create a miracle, but instead, to take the initiative."

Accountability - whether for action or inaction - has directly influenced Jewish identity for millennia.

King Saul had a chance to wipe out Amalek, a nation that sought to destroy the Jewish people during their 40 years in the desert. But in pity, King Saul spared Agag, the king of Amalek. Centuries later, Haman, a descendant of Agag, plotted the mass extermination of Persian Jews, only to be thwarted by Mordecai and Esther, themselves descendants of King Saul.

From this perspective, the characters and events of Purim - and all biblical narratives - act as paradigms.

"If Amalek is the symbol for evil, then Haman must descend from Amalek," Rabbi Schwartz said. "The Jewish people have conflicted with Amalek since the Exodus, through the Purim story, even to today. In every generation, there’s the Amalekite, and there’s the Israelite, and when they find each other, they’ll be in conflict. It’s through the act of memory that we glean meaning from these intergenerational conflicts and learn how to respond to them."

Marty McFly quarreled with Biff Tannen - Back to the Future’s antagonist - across three historical time periods. King Saul spared Agag. Generations later, Esther and Mordecai confronted Haman. But each generation’s narrative paradigm is defined by a similar moral conundrum. In a world where there is an unspeakable evil, where antisemitism runs rampant and historical bigotry has made Jews hated across generations, how can the Jewish people live without hate in their hearts?

The answer is found not only in the Purim story but also in the Passover narrative. The Egyptians of Moses’ day had enslaved the Israelites, and "embittered their lives." Not unlike Haman, Pharaoh embarked on a path of attempted genocide, commanding his people to throw every male Israelite child born, into the river. And yet, forty years later, Moses delivers a command so counterintuitive that he repeats it twice to ensure the Israelites received the message: "Do not hate an Edomite, because he is your brother. Do not hate an Egyptian, because you were a stranger in his land."

"To be free, you have to let go of hate," Rabbi Schwartz encouraged. "If you let hate take over your heart, then hate becomes your guiding value, and that’s no way to live a holy life."

"In the past, we see our future," Cantor Blatt added. "Judaism believes that any singular moment can encompass the imperfect present, the perfect past, and the perfected future, all at once. It’s an anamnestic experience in which we recall the past and envision the future so that we might experience the present guided by the full wisdom of our tradition."

All of this purposeful reflection left Rabbi Schwartz with a closing thought: "Just as it was for Moses, King Saul, Mordecai, and Esther, there comes a moment in every generation, where a Jewish person has to be the one to step-up-to-the-plate and take responsibility not only for their lives but the fate of the Jewish people."

In the timeless words of Marty McFly: “Whoa, that’s heavy.”
5:30 PM - 6:45 PM
Purim Carnival
Games, Prizes, Arts & Crafts and Fun for all ages!
*Free of charge
Ages 0-5 - Myers Auditorium
Ages 6 and up - Offit Auditorium
*Dinner available for $5/person

Mishloach Manot Chesed Project
Build a special mishloach manot to benefit families who have lost a loved one in the past year.

80's Museum
Miss the 80's? Come check out our 80's Museum in the Weil-Mandel Lobby, full of special items from the 80's, from the first cellphone to scrunchies, games and more. Look out for a surprise on the patio that will take you right back to the 80's!

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Purim Spiel - Back to the (57)80's and a Congregational Megillah Reading

8:00 PM
80's After Party with a guest DJ, desserts and more!

10 REASONS YOU ABSOLUTELY CAN'T MISS THIS YEAR'S PURIM SPIEL

- Rabbi Schwartz looks stunning in his Marty McFly vest.
- Having your kids or grandkids beat you at Purim carnival games builds character.
- You need an excuse to dust off your neon leg warmers and high waisted jeans.
- You’ll directly comfort our fellow community members, who recently lost a loved one, through Mishloach Manot project.
- Take a stroll down memory lane at our 1980s Museum and remember how cool you once were.
- You deeply miss your long, luxurious locks of permed hair.
- Take a picture with the iconic DeLorean time machine from the movies!
- You’ve never successfully solved a Rubik’s Cube... until now!
- You can still sing every word from Prince’s Purple Rain... and you’ll prove it at our after party with ‘80s music!
- It’s the most fun you’ll have at shul all year!
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OUR HEARTIEST MAZAL TOV TO

Julie & Josh Bender on the birth of their daughter, Sophie Laila Bender. Brothers are Noah, Jacob and Ethan Bender.

Linda & Jerry Mondell on the marriage of their grandson, Andrew Mondell to Vanessa Schmidt.

Dr. Marc & Nancy Gertner on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Brett Michael Schneider.

Doris Malin on the birth of her grandson, Jaxon Eddie Malin.

Herbert & Michele Better on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Reid Alexander Habas.

Jill Baldinger & Steven Levin on the Bar Mitzvah of their daughter, Julia Shelly Levin. Grandparents are Janet Baldinger and Helene & Harry Levin.

Lisa & Barry Stoler on the Bar Mitzvah of their sons, Drew Samuel and Grant Eli Stoler. Grandparents are Joyce & Arnold Sapperstein and Roslyn & Leonard Stoler.

Naomi & Howard Rovner on the birth of their great-grandson, Elliott Laurance Leikin.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO

Harry Hochman on the loss of his beloved mother, Leah Hochman.

Marc Sherman on the loss of his beloved mother, Esther Sherman.

Jeffrey Holzman on the loss of his beloved father, Stanley Holzman.

Stuart Hankin on the loss of his beloved mother, Myra Hankin.

Gail Lipsitz and David Lipsitz on the loss of their beloved sister-in-law and aunt, Joan Levin.

Caryn Richman and Terri Dackman on the loss of their beloved mother, Janice Diamond.

Joseph Schlein on the loss of his beloved brother, Michael Schlein.

Steven Davidoff on the loss of his beloved sister, Barbara Moskowitz.

Patricia (Patty) Levin on the loss of her beloved mother, Miriam Rubin Anders.

Marla Oros on the loss of her beloved mother, Roma Cohen.

Dr. B. Stanley and Margery Cohen on the loss of their daughter, Ellen Germaine Cohen Meltzer.

Howard, Linda & Rebecca Dreizen and Carly Dahne on the loss of their beloved son and brother, Charles “Charlie” Dreizen.

B’NAI MITZVAH

JULIA SHELLY LEVIN, daughter of Jill Baldinger & Steven Levin, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on March 14, 2020.

DREW SAMUEL STOLER, son of Lisa & Barry Stoler, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on March 28, 2020.

GRANT ELI STOLER, son of Lisa & Barry Stoler, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on March 28, 2020.

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

March

Drs. Frona Brown and Beryl Rosenstein on their 5th

Cyndie and Dr. Barry Schlossberg on their 15th

Norma and George Hecker on their 20th

Catherine and Larry Levy on their 20th

Jennifer and Joseph Millman on their 20th

Rachel and Joseph Monroe on their 25th

Barbara and Larry Getlan on their 30th

Ilona and Joseph Shparaga on their 35th

Lisa and David Kuntz on their 40th

Maura and Frank Tworecke on their 40th

Joan and Jerry Cohn on their 50th

Susan and Stephen Miller on their 50th

Linda and Larry Silverman on their 50th

Sharon and Dr. Robert O. Freedman on their 55th

Linda and Jerry Mondell on their 60th

Roslyn and Leonard Stoler on their 60th

Shirley and Harvey Weisman on their 60th

SPEEDY RECOVERY

Harvey Schein

IN MEMORIAM

We mourn the passing of our members and extend sincere condolences to their families.

Judy Frankie

Eddie Dworkin

Eleanor Braun

Joyce Weiner

Alan Robert Katz

Marilyn Holzman

Ira Himmel

Steven M. Glubo

Sonya Holzman

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**1ST WEDNESDAYS @ BETHEL**
Wednesday, March 4  
7:30 PM, OFFIT AUDITORIUM  
1st Wednesdays @ BethEl endowed by the First Wednesdays and Cultural Programs Fund presents HOTEL PARADISE ORCHESTRA.  
We welcome back this diverse orchestra, a 12-piece big band specializing in early jazz and sweet dance tunes from 1920 to 1935. The music is bright, sweet, jazzy, fun, old-fashioned, and danceable. **THERE IS NO FEE OR REGISTRATION FOR THIS EVENT AND IT IS OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY.**

**TALKING TO YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN ABOUT DEATH AND DYING with Rabbi Dana Saroken**  
Sunday, March 1  
9:45 - 11:00 AM, AGUS LIBRARY  
Talking to Your Children and Grandchildren About Death and Dying with Rabbi Dana Saroken. **THERE IS NO FEE FOR THIS WORKSHOP.**  
*Registration is required for all participants.

**RIKUD BALTIMORE ISRAELI DANCE COMES TO BETH EL!!**  
Mondays, March 2, 16, 23, 30  
We offer dancing for beginners 7:00-8:00 PM and welcome intermediate/advanced dancers 8:00-10:00 PM  
**SIGN UP AHEAD OF TIME OR JUST RELAX AND DROP IN FOR $5.00 AT THE DOOR. bethelbalto.com/event/rikkud-baltimore.html**

**THE GENIUS OF PABLO PICASSO with Dr. Joseph Cassar**  
Tuesday, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
7:00-8:15 PM, MYERS AUDITORIUM  
Join us as Dr. Joseph Cassar presents, “The Genius of Pablo Picasso”.  
We begin with the early works of Pablo Picasso who by age 14 could paint like his father and the old Spanish masters. This course discusses the genius of Picasso as a master in drawing, painting, sculpture, prints, and ceramics. This master had the ability to be very prolific but also to constantly reinvent himself. **THERE IS A $55 FEE FOR BETH EL CONGREGATION MEMBERS, AND A $65 FEE FOR NON-MEMBERS.**  
*Registration is required for all participants.

**A TIME FOR ALL THINGS: A STUDY OF THE FIVE MEGILLOT with Ben Kreshtool**  
Wednesday, March 4  
10:30 -11:30 AM, AGUS LIBRARY  
Join Ben Kreshtool as we explore texts and classical Rabbinic commentaries relating to the Books of Esther, Song of Songs, Ecclesiastes, Ruth, and Lamentations in the class, “A Time For All Things: A Study of the Five Megillot”. We will look at the text itself and see what the Rabbis have to say about how these books should fit into our lives. We will also see how these books match up with their respective holidays and look at how they fit into the Hebrew Bible, and their influence on later traditions. **THERE IS NO FEE FOR BETH EL CONGREGATION MEMBERS, AND A $40 FEE FOR NON-MEMBERS.**  
*Registration is required for all participants.

**OPERA AND THE BIBLE with Cantor Thom King**  
**Thursday, March 5, 12, 19 - 7:00-8:15 PM, KOLKER ROOM**  
Biblical epics were a part of Western culture long before Cecil B. KeMille pitted Charlton Heston’s Moses against Yul Brenner’s Pharoah! Cantor King will present biblically themed operas by great composers. **THERE IS NO FEE FOR BETH EL CONGREGATION MEMBERS, AND A $40 FEE FOR NON-MEMBERS.**  
*Registration is required for all participants.

**DEBBIE FRIEDMAN AND SHLOMO CARLEBACH: JEWISH MUSIC LEGACIES with Cantor Melanie Blatt**  
**Thursday, March 12, 19, 26 - 10:00 – 11:00 AM, KOLKER ROOM**  
Join Cantor Melanie Blatt for “Debbie Friedman and Shlomo Carlebach: Jewish Music Legacies. Come and learn with Cantor Blatt as she discusses the lives, spiritual journeys, and musical legacies of these 2 dynamic singing legends. **THERE IS NO FEE FOR BETH EL CONGREGATION MEMBERS, AND A $60 FEE FOR NON-MEMBERS.**  
*Registration is required for all participants.

**A WEEKEND with Jonathan Ornstein**  
Friday, Saturday, Sunday, March 13, 14, 15  
A Weekend With Jonathan Ornstein, Executive Director of the JCC in Krakow, Poland. Enjoy Kabbalat Shabbat services and Shabbat dinner and entertainment Friday evening. Come to Shabbat services, Kiddush, and meet Mr. Ornstein. Sunday morning discussion group will take place with Jonathan Ornstein. **bethelbalto.com/event/Jonathan-Ornstein**

**THE 2020 SHABBAT KIDDUSH SPEAKER SERIES**  
**Saturday, March 21 - 12:45 PM, GORN CHAPEL**  
The 2020 Shabbat Kiddush Speaker Series presents - Molding a Country: Israel’s Prime Ministers. Join Beth El Ritual Director, Ben Kreshtool as he examines the lives and legacies of David Ben Gurion and Golda Meir. This lecture will be repeated on Wednesday, March 25, 2020, 7:00-8:00 p.m, in the Agus Library. **THERE IS NO FEE OR REGISTRATION FOR THIS EVENT.**

**THE HISTORY OF MARRIAGE WITH BARBARA BLUMBERG**  
**Thursday, March 26, April 2, 23, 30, May 7, 14 - 10:00 – 11:00 AM, KOLKER ROOM**  
Jewish Music Legacies. Come and learn with Cantor Blatt as she discusses the lives, spiritual journeys, and musical legacies of these 2 dynamic singing legends. **THERE IS NO FEE FOR BETH EL CONGREGATION MEMBERS, AND A $60 FEE FOR NON-MEMBERS.**  
*Registration is required for all participants.

**FLY ON THE WALL with Jon Aaron**  
**Thursday, March 26, April 2, 23, 30, May 7, 14 - 7:00-8:15 PM, KOLKER ROOM**  
Join Jon Aaron, popular McDonogh School educator, in the series, “Fly On The Wall” as you explore short stories, poems, ﬁlm clips, paintings, visual art, and political cartoons as everyone discusses what we see, what we think, and how these provocative, creative pieces allow us to distill meaning that enriches our intellectual and spiritual lives. This is not a lecture series; participants should expect to connect their thoughts, memories, beliefs, and values to the work being discussed so that we can enjoy making meaning. Since we are considering short works, the series does not take on the scope of a book club. Preparation for each meeting will be manageable. **Jump in and join the fun!! THERE IS A $50 FEE FOR BETH EL CONGREGATION MEMBERS AND A $60 FEE FOR NON-MEMBERS.**  
*Registration is required for all participants.
SISTERHOOD SHABBAT
Saturday, March 21 at 10:00 AM
Join us for this annual event as Beth El Sisterhood members lead Shabbat services and host a wonderful Kiddush.

The women serve as rabbis and cantors, chant the alyiot and read Torah and Haftorah. All congregants, families and friends are invited to this meaningful morning service as Sisterhood celebrates its 71st anniversary.

GENERAL MEETING, LUNCHEON AND PROGRAM
Monday, March 2 at 11:30 AM
Jeff Korman will discuss the life and mysterious death of Abraham Lincoln's assassin, John Wilkes Booth. Korman's presentation includes photographs and materials related to the life and death of America's most notorious assassin.

*Registration required.

RABBI DANA SAROKEN’S BOOK REVIEW AND LUNCHEON
Wednesday, March 18 at 12:00 PM
Rabbi Dana Saroken will review “Eternal Life” by Dara Horn. The story follows Rachel through 2,000 years of her many lives. Rachel and her true love, Elazar, make a sacred vow to save the life of their first-born son, and in doing so, sacrifice their own death for him. The idea that life derives its meaning from death is hardly new, but Horn manages to turn this commonplace notion into a powerful—and occasionally playful—exploration of what it is to be mortal. Poignant and thoughtful, it questions what it would mean to never die. Gripping and profoundly moving, “Eternal Life” celebrates the bonds between generations, the power of faith, the purpose of death, and the reasons for being alive.

Please send your check for $20 payable to Beth El Sisterhood to 8101 Park Heights Avenue, Pikesville, MD 21208, Attn: Frida Fraiman, by March 9.

BETH EL JUDAICA SHOP
Make shopping easy with One Stop in the Judaica Shop!
Check out the new items that have arrived. Remember, there is no sales tax, and you are helping to support Beth El Congregation and schools.

Our hours are:
Sunday 10 AM – 12:00 PM
Mon—Thur 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

To volunteer or contact the Judaica Shop, call 410-484-2185 or email giftshop@bethelbalto.com.
**WINTER AND SPRING TRIPS**

The Maryland Historical Society and the Enoch Pratt Central Library

**TRIP TO THEATER J IN WASHINGTON, DC - “Becoming Dr. Ruth” by Mark St. Germain**

- **Sunday, March 29, 2020, 5:30-10:30 PM** (Wait List Only)
- **Cost:** $85 for members of Beth El; $95 for non-congregation members. Registration forms are available on the Beth El website (bethelbalto.com) and in the lobby.

**TRIP TO ANNAPOLIS, MD**

- **Thursday, May 14, 2020, 8:00 AM-4:30 PM**
- **Cost:** $100 for Beth El Congregation members; $110 for non-Congregation members. Registration forms are available on the Beth El website (www.bethelbalto.com) and on the Sisterhood stand in the lobby.

**TRIP TO PHILADELPHIA, PA**

- **Thursday, June 11, 2020, 8:00 AM-6:00 PM**
- **Cost:** $95 for Beth El Congregation members; $105 for non-Congregation members. Registration forms will be available on the Beth El website (bethelbalto.com) and in the lobby.

**SISTERHOOD MEMBERSHIP**

If you are considering joining Sisterhood for the 2019-2020 year, please contact either co-chair, Debbie Shore at teachum324@gmail.com or Paula Jandorf at pjandorf@gmail.com. We have many fabulous events scheduled this year and we do not want you to miss out on them. Looking forward to hearing from you.

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**AFTERNOON OF GAMES AND LUNCH**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 12:00 PM – 3:30 PM (Wait List Only)**

Bring your friends, partners, cards, board games and Mah Jongg sets for an afternoon of games. We are serving lunch; snacks and beverages will be available all afternoon.

For further information, contact: Suzan Horowitz at 410-764-7944 (Suzanne@HRBgroup.com) or Ruth Hurwitz at 410-486-2875 (RHurwitz01@gmail.com).

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**JOINT SISTERHOOD DINNER**

**APRIL 23, 6:00 PM**

Join us for the annual Joint Sisterhood Dinner hosted by Beth El Sisterhood with guest performer Shannon Wollman on Thursday, April 23 at 6:00 PM. The cost is $40 per person. **Reservations are due by March 13.** Send your checks and form to Beth El Congregation, Attn: Joint Sisterhood, 8100 Park Heights Avenue, Pikesville, MD, 21208. Pick up the flyer and reservation form in the lobby.

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**UNIQUE BOUTIQUE 2020**

**SUNDAY, MAY 3, MONDAY, MAY 4, TUESDAY, MAY 5**

Beth El Sisterhood’s 16th Unique Boutique welcomes you to three days of exciting shopping for your spring needs. Many favorite vendors are returning, and we are hosting several first-time vendors selling women’s clothing and accessories, cosmetics, jewelry, gifts, toys, and much more. Lunch, snacks and beverages will be available at the Boutique Café.

By purchasing raffles at the three-day show, you will have a chance to win exciting products and services donated by area merchants and vendors. Many desirable items are also available for bidding at the silent auction. You do not have to be present to win. All monies go to Beth El Congregation and schools.

To volunteer, contact: Cherie Stewart at 443-8012-6000 (cheriemstewart@icloud.com), or Roz Kurman at 410-916-4287 (rozkurman@hotmail.com) for a volunteer assignment. We look forward to seeing all Beth El congregants, families, and friends at **Unique Boutique 2020.**

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**DONOR NON-EVENT**

Beth El Sisterhood’s Donor Non-Event is an annual fundraising project that doesn’t really take place. No need to buy a ticket or new clothes; just sit in the comfort of your home, kick off your shoes, read a book, drink a cup of tea and think about how your generosity enriches Beth El Congregation and schools.

**Look for your invitation in the mail.**
BIBLIO
Biblio, Beth El Sisterhood’s book club meets monthly at noon in the Myers Auditorium. Biblio is open to the entire community and is free of charge. Bring a dairy lunch; Beth El provides tea and coffee, and hostesses provide snacks. For information, contact Frida Fraiman 410-363-6464 (ffraiman@comcast.net) or Barbara Levenson 410-484-8566.
The book review dates are as follows:
MONDAY, APRIL 20
Jane Krosin, presenter; “Where the Crawdads Sing” by Delia Owens
MONDAY, JUNE 8th
CLOSING LUNCHEON

SISTERHOOD INCLEMENT WEATHER INFORMATION
Beth El Congregation has a Weather Hotline phone number!
In the event there is a question as to whether a Sisterhood event will or will not take place, please call Beth El’s hotline number at 410-580-5080.
Information can also be found on the Beth El Website and Facebook page. Please do not call the congregation phone number at the reception desk. The information may not be available if it is unsafe for Beth El staff members to travel to work.

BLOOD DRIVE
Heroes come in all types
“To save a life is to save the world” - Talmud
Did you know that every blood donation saves up to 3 lives?
Join us and save a life on:
Wednesday, March 25 at 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Walk-ins welcome. To schedule an appointment, go to www.redcrossblood.org.
For more information, contact:
Steve Silber at 410-491-9157 or sfs6914@gmail.com

BETH EL SISTERHOOD SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2020-2021
Beth El Sisterhood’s officers for 2020-2021 will be formally installed along with the new board members at the closing general meeting and luncheon on Monday, May 18, 2020.
Co-Presidents: Cherie Stewart, Roz Kurman
Vice Presidents: Robin Kleiman, Alice Kuryk, Barbara Green
Recording Secretary: Harriet Weiner
Corresponding Secretary: Renee King
Treasurer: Arlene Perloff
Comptroller/Budget Coordinator: Glenda Chernoff, Bette Dahne
Financial Secretaries: Helen Friedman, Myra Coonin, Sharon Ziman
Parliamentarian: Susan Eisenberg
Sisterhood Board Members:

PASSOVER INFORMATION
Barbara Green, chair of this project, and the entire Social Action Committee need your help in providing Kosher for Passover food to moms and their children at CHANA. Our ask is very simple: Please provide checks made payable to Beth El Congregation with the notation “Passover Food Drive” and leave your envelope for Barbara in the Sisterhood mailbox in the front office.
The deadline for all checks is March 27th. All donations are very much appreciated. Should you have any questions, please contact Barbara Green at 410-486-4080 or BarbSG@aol.com. Thank you in advance for your support.

The Agus Library
Monday 9:00-11:00 AM
Tuesday 1:00-2:00 PM
Wednesday 3:00-4:00 PM
Thursday 11:30-12:30 PM
Do you know the Agus Library contains over 2700 books that you may borrow? No matter your interest, you will find a book. History, philosophy, literature, cooking, memoirs, biographies, genealogy, Jewish holidays, art, grief, and family relationships are just a few of the topics you will find in the library’s collection.
There will be someone, in most classes held in the Agus Library, who will check out or receive your library selections. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer in the library, please contact Marlene Siegel 410-484-1844.
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Empty Nesters & Baby Boomers

KOSHER FOR PESACH COOKING DEMONSTRATION

Wednesday, March 18 at 6:30 PM

Join us for a fun cooking demonstration at the home of Faith Wolf in Pikesville. She is a leading Certified Culinary Instructor.

The menu will include “soup to nuts” a complete dinner to serve to your company for Passover.

Cost: $25/person. Reservations due by Friday, March 6. Your check is your reservation. Please note, space is limited for this event!

Mail checks to Beth El, Attn: Yvonne Epstein. *Please include your email address so we can email you the location address.

For more information, contact:
Debbie Shore at teachum324@gmail.com
Helene Lutz at heleneeglutz@icloud.com

Beth El Seniors

Our next event is on March 8, 2020, at 6:00 PM for dinner. We will be featuring The Musical Artists Theatre in a production of My Fair Lady. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact either Ruthye Steinberg at 410-655-8242 or Ellen Budish at 443-857-7499.

Please save these dates by marking your calendar for some of our upcoming events:

APRIL 26 – Our very own Rabbi Steve Schwartz.
JUNE 14 – Singer, Bernie Hernandez
JULY 11 – Senior Shabbat
JULY 12 – Singer, Michael Brown

MEMBERSHIP

Some of us may be up in age, but we are a vibrant group of men and women who just want to have fun. Our dues are very reasonable - $18.00 per person/$36.00 per couple. We meet monthly on Sundays at 6:00 PM for dinner and entertainment. During the winter months, some of our events are in the afternoon.

Our monthly events allow our members and their guests to enjoy a wonderful meal and a variety of entertainment. We are hopeful that more of the congregation will join us.

TORAH MAINTENANCE FUND

Please purchase are Torah Maintenance Cards. The money from the sale of these cards is used to repair our Torahs and Megillahs. They may be purchased from either the Beth El front office or by contacting Ellen Davis at 410-602-4444. These all-purpose cards are six for $10.00 or $2.00 each. Checks should be made payable to the Beth El Torah Maintenance Fund.

TRANSPORTATION

It is important that we keep reiterating that some of our Seniors are unable to attend our events because they either don’t drive or don’t drive at night. How would you feel if you wanted to attend a Beth El event and had no transportation? Please do a mitzvah by helping our members stay connected. If you need transportation, please let either Ruthye at 410-655-8242 or Ellen at 443-857-7499 know and we will TRY to assist you.

Social Action Committee

The Social Action Committee would love to have you join us. Whether you are interested in helping with the events we have on our calendar, or have some ideas of your own, we would love to hear from you. Please contact either Myra Katz at katz.myra@gmail.com or Jeanette Davis at jeajekdavis@hotmail.com.

PLEASE HELP OUR CONGREGANTS AND DO A MITZVAH. We have members who need rides to and from medical appointments, physical therapy, dialysis, etc. as well as to Saturday morning Shabbat Services. You do not need to stay with the individual at their medical appointment. One volunteer can drop off and another can do the pick-up. Please contact Paul Sheitel if you are willing to help. His contact information is 443-604-3178 or psheit09@gmail.com.

Our Third Annual Winter Mitzvah Project will end during the Purim carnival and Megillah reading, and we need everyone’s help. This project is being co-sponsored by the Social Action Committee, the congregation, as well as the pre-school.

All we ask of you is to think about those in need. This is also a great teaching moment for your children. Take a moment to explain to them that not everyone is as fortunate as they are.

The items you provide will be serving those in need from the Community Crisis Center. Non-perishable food along with toiletries such as shampoo, soap, toilet paper, paper towels, deodorant, etc. are necessary.

Everyone goes to the supermarket – please pick up an extra item or two! You can drop your purchase(s) at Beth El and mark them Community Crisis Center. There will be a spot in the lobby for all your items.

Should you need further information, please contact Tammy Schnyerman at tammyschnyedman@comcast.com, jeajekdavis@hotmail.com and/or eileenrome3@aol.com.

Thank you to Eileen Rome for putting together and then delivering the Shalach Manot bags, along with her husband Mark and others on the committee, to more than 30 individuals who are homebound.

Sonya and Jerry Goodman will be continuing to serve those at Hope Lodge with dinner. The next dinner is scheduled for March 31st.

Please continue providing your used stamps from your envelopes for a school in Howard County. The school has a goal of collecting 6 million stamps to represent the 6 million Jews from the Holocaust. To date, they have collected 4 million. Please leave your stamps in the box in the area between the two back doors marked “Social Action. Thank you in advance for your support.

On April 21st representatives of the Social Action Committee and others will be volunteering at Moveable Feast to help put together meals for those in need. Should you wish to participate, please contact Joanne Michaelson at jmichaelson@moneymailer.com.
REAL TALK
Wednesday, March 4 at 12:00 PM
 Gather around the table, over lunch at The Soul Center, for some “real talk”, conversations about things people don’t ordinarily talk about but we really should! Author Laura Black will begin our talk with her article “Alexa, Does This Make Me Look Old?” and open up a discussion around feelings of marginalization as we age. $30 includes lunch. Space is limited.
www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/programs/realtalk

INTRO MEDITATION with Rabbi Ben Shalva
Thursday, March 5 at 7:00 PM
 Intrigued by the idea of starting a meditation practice or looking to add something special to your existing practice? Get a supportive kickstart in this monthly gathering. Come one time or every month for a “tune up”. Rabbi Ben Shalva will give you some techniques to try and principles to follow, whether you use an App on your phone or prefer to sit in stillness. www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/programs/intromeditation/

HAPPY HOUR: TALMUD & TORAH ON TAP
Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 5:30 PM
 Why should March Madness be limited to basketball? We’re bringing our own madness to March with happy hour meet ups at different bars and local hot spots. One of your favorite rabbis (Rabbi Schwartz, Rabbi Shalva, Rabbi Gross and Rabbi Saroken) will be there to share some Talmud and Torah over drinks. And...you’ll have plenty of time to make it home for the games. Go to www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/programs/happyhour/ to register and for each week’s location.

AN EVENING with Lori Gottlieb
Tuesday, March 17 at 5:30 PM
 Lori Gottlieb is a psychotherapist, New York Times bestselling author, nationally recognized journalist, and weekly “Dear Therapist” columnist for The Atlantic. She blends her clinical experience with the latest research and cultural developments to help people live better lives. She’ll be at The Soul Center to discuss her latest book: Maybe You Should Talk to Someone: A Therapist, Her Therapist, and Our Lives Revealed. Do not miss your chance to learn from Lori Gottlieb in person! $30 includes her book.
www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/programs/an-evening-with-lori-gottlieb/

NEW MOON NIA
Sunday, March 22 at 7:15 PM
 All of Baltimore is talking about the Movement Lab in trendy Remington! Join the Soul Center with white belt Nia instructor (and professor of religion) Dr. Andrea Lieber as we use mindful movement and rhythm to refresh and renew ourselves mind, body and soul. This is a little out of the box so bring an open mind, a playful spirit, soulful depth and a willingness to try something new. It’ll be a blast! This program is held at Movement Lab in Remington.
www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/programs/newmoonnia/

And, of course, here are our on-going programs which are always worthy of showing up for:

HEALING SERVICE
Wednesday, March 11 at 9:15 AM
 In need of healing for yourself or someone you love? Led by Rabbi Saroken, this supportive and confidential gathering provides an environment for participants to find strength and support in prayer, reflection, the wisdom of our tradition, and in knowing that you’re not alone. All are welcome.
www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/programs/healingservice/

CAREGIVER CAFÉ
Thursday, March 19 at 2:00 PM
 Caregiving is a crucial and oftentimes exhausting and difficult role. In order to support and honor those who are giving care to loved ones, we offer our monthly caregiver café. The first ½ hour of each gathering we have a different visiting “expert” who will address some aspect of caregiving and well-being. In January, Lisa Ferentz will come to discuss “managing guilt” and in February, Vanina Wolf will come to discuss “the benefits of acupuncture”. After this, our support group meets with the facilitation of our social worker, Sarah Shapiro and a doctor. There will be an opportunity for sharing and support for all. www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/programs/caregiver/

CHAIR YOGA
Tuesday at 10:30 AM, Thursdays at 10:00 AM
 Looking to improve your strength, flexibility, and coordination? Want a quick burst of meaningful Jewish inspiration? Come join Robyn Katz, our certified iyengar teacher, for an hour long class. No prior experience necessary. Email to let us know you’re coming juli@soulcenterbaltimore.org, just drop-in or register early on our website www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/programs/chair-yoga

THE SPARK
Fridays at 8:30 AM
 A deep dive into inspirational Jewish learning with Rabbi Saroken and friends. From unlocking the secrets of the holidays, to cartwheeling through Genesis, to learning from the Hasidic masters. Start your weekend in our beautiful space with some inspirational learning and great conversation. www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/programs/thespark

TORAH AND YOGA
Sundays at 9:30 AM
 This yoga class will include 10 minutes of inspirational Torah at the beginning, and then a full hour-long yoga class. The yoga class will accommodate all levels of ability, showing modifications to poses to increase the difficulty level. $10/person. Drop-in or register www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/programs/torah-yoga/

ZENTANGLING DROP-IN
Sundays at 3:00 PM
 Think of Zentangling as meditation for those who struggle to sit still in silence or an incredible artistic opportunity for those with creative juices waiting to be drawn out. By following step-by-step instructions, you’ll find yourself relaxing and enjoying the creative process as your “guided doodling” transforms into an elegant work of art. Each session begins with a piece of Jewish wisdom.
www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/programs/zentangling

For more information on all events at the Alvin and Lois Lapidus Center for Healing & Spirituality, visit soulcenterbaltimore.org or call 410-580-5160. *Want to alleviate the stress of looking for a $10 bill before coming to the Soul Center? Simply purchase our NEW Mindfulness Pass. It can be used for any $10 mindfulness program (Torah & Yoga, Chair Yoga, Meditation, etc.) You pay for 10 classes up front, $100, and we’ll have your mindfulness pass in the Soul Center and we’ll keep track for you! www.soulcenterbaltimore.org/mindfulnesspass

Are you or someone you love experiencing a life challenge or transition? Do you want some guidance and support? Sarah Shapiro, LCSW-C, our in-house social worker, is available to provide short-term counseling free of charge to congregants, school families and Soul Center participants, in person or over the phone. She is usually at Beth El on Tuesdays from 2:00-2:00 PM and on Thursdays from 1:00-5:00 PM. Sarah also co-facilitates our monthly Caregiver Café (on the third Thursday of the month from 2:00-3:30 PM) with Dr. Panagis Galiatsatos of Johns Hopkins Bayview Hospital. Sarah can be reached via phone at 410-484-0411 ext. 1111 or email at sarahs@bethelbaltco.com.
TEACHER PROFILE: BARRY SMITH

For the past sixteen years, Barry Smith was the Director of Education at Beth El Hebrew Congregation in Alexandria, Va. Prior to his career in Jewish Education, he practiced environmental law for over twenty years. Involvement in Jewish Education provides Barry insights into his own personal relationship with his Judaism as well as a means to contribute to the vitality of the Jewish Community. Barry enjoys teaching Beth El’s Kitah Vav (6th grade) and teaching three courses in Adult Education Program.

I am a new teacher here at Beth El and I hope to become part of the community. Within my 6th grade class, I want to engage in a learning process that encourages students to ask questions and seek answers. I also hope to build a classroom community and provide my students the opportunity to learn about each other.

This year in 6th grade we have been exploring the Mitzvot through text and technology. This along with classroom discussion, we examine how we can best utilize technology associated with our curriculum in the classroom and at home.

My favorite parts of teaching are learning from my students. I know that in some small way I am helping them find their Jewish identity and opening up to them the many “Windows of Judaism”. It is said that the Torah is “a tree of life to those who hold fast to it.” I believe this to be true. One must work hard to understand all the branches of their tree. Yet take care to trim some branches back while allowing new ones to grow.

I know other religions urge their faith to do good. But a distinguishing feature of Judaism is that we are commanded- not asked. We are commanded to feed the hungry, visit the sick, and give Tzedakah. We are commanded to be a holy light to the world. This guides me and I try my best to live by these standards.

It’s fun to see the students get excited! And of course, the teaching community here at Beth El is absolutely amazing! I learn so much from my fellow teachers and Amy all the time.

HAMANTASCHEN BAKE

SUNDAY, MARCH 8 AT 12:00 PM - IN THE OFFIT AUDITORIUM

Grandparents and grandchildren (ages 7 and up) are invited to make, bake, assemble and take home their very own Hamantaschen with a variety of fillings.
*All ingredients are nut free.
**The remaining Hamantaschen will be added to the Mishloach Manot baskets we’ll be created during the March 9 Purim Carnival, to benefit families who have lost loved ones in the past year.

Cost: $5/person; $15/maximum charge for 4 people.
*Limited space - 50 participants only.
To RSVP and for more information, contact Tali Adelstein at tali@bethelbalto.com
What is your favorite Purim memory?

**Susan:** My favorite memories of Purim revolve around my children. All three of my children attended Beth El for pre-school. We had so much fun choosing their Purim costumes, and they loved parading around the school with their groggers. We enjoyed baking hamentaschen together at home. My children also looked forward to the Beth El Purim Carnival each year. They had so much fun seeing their friends and playing games to win prizes.

**Heather:** I loved taking my kids to the Purim carnival every year dressed up in their costumes. Seeing the smiles on their faces while playing games and winning fun prizes was pure joy for me! My family and I make hamentaschen at home, and every year we try to come up with a different and unique filling. Parading around Beth El in costume is something I look forward to every year!

We asked the kids what their favorite characters to dress up as are?

Here are their answers:

- **Arielle:** Ana (Frozen)
- **Paitin:** Ariel (The Little Mermaid)
- **Asher:** Cookie Monster
- **Callie:** Rapunzel
- **Bradley:** Princess Peach (Super Mario Brothers)

Eden: Princess Jasmine
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**SUNDAY**
- 9:15 AM Morning Service
- 9:30 AM Torah & Yoga
- 9:45 AM Talking to Your Children and Grandchildren About... 3:00 PM Zentangling
- 5:30 PM Evening Service

**MONDAY**
- 8:00 AM Morning Service
- 10:30 AM KNIPZVA Project
- 11:30 AM Sisterhood General Meeting, Luncheon & Program with Guest Speaker Jeff Korman
- 6:45 PM Evening Service
- 7:00 PM Israeli Dancing for Beginners
- 8:00 PM Advanced/Intermediate Israeli Dancing

**TUESDAY**
- 8:00 AM Morning Service
- 10:30 AM Chair Yoga
- 10:30 AM Knitzvah Project
- 6:45 PM Evening Service
- 7:00 PM The Genius of Pablo Picasso
- 8:00 PM Advanced/Intermediate Israeli Dancing

**WEDNESDAY**
- 8:00 AM Morning Service
- 10:30 AM Chair Yoga
- 10:30 AM Knitzvah Project
- 6:45 PM Evening Service
- 7:00 PM Opera and the Bible – An Unholy Duett?
- 7:00 PM Intro to Meditation with Rabbi Ben Shulva

**THURSDAY**
- 8:00 AM Morning Service
- 10:00 AM Chair Yoga
- 10:00 AM Jewish Music Legacies
- 6:45 PM Evening Service
- 7:00 PM Opera and the Bible – An Unholy Duett?
- 7:00 PM Ulpan – Hebrew Class

**FRIDAY**
- 8:00 AM Morning Service
- 8:30 AM The Spark
- 6:00 PM Evening Service

**SATURDAY**
- 9:00 AM Torah Study Class
- 10:00 AM Morning Service
- 11:15 AM Family Shabbat Service Led by Kitah Aleph
- 6:00 PM Evening Service

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