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U.S. SENATOR BEN CARDIN IS COMING TO BETH EL

Sunday, October 27, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Offit Auditorium

Beth El is honored to announce that U.S. Senator Ben Cardin will speak on Sunday, October 27 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the Offit Auditorium. During the first segment of the program, the Senator will share his thoughts on healthcare and Social Security and the second segment will consist of a question and answer forum.

Senator Ben Cardin has served Maryland as an elected official for many years. He served as a member of the Maryland House of Delegates from 1967-1986 where he officiated as Speaker from 1979-1986. In 1987, Senator Cardin was elected to the House of Representatives and served there until his election to the Senate in 2006. At the present time, Senator Cardin serves on the Foreign Relations, Finance, Environment and Public Works, and Small Business Committees of the Senate.

During Senator Cardin's terms in Congress, he has been a national leader on health care, retirement security, the environment, and fiscal issues. He believes government has a duty to improve the lives of all Americans. Senator Cardin fights attempts to weaken Social Security and Medicare, champions greater access to health care, and works to make it possible for more Americans to save more for their retirement. As a result of Senator Cardin efforts, he is



a recognized leader holding a record of legislative success.

We hope everyone at Beth El and in the community will take advantage of this unique opportunity to gain a better understanding of the issues surrounding healthcare and Social Security.

92Y

Endowed by Robert and Florence Chertkof

ALAN DERSHOWITZ & JEFFREY TOOBIN

Monday, November 4, 2013
8:00 p.m., Offit Auditorium

Alan Dershowitz, the preeminent defense lawyer in America today, has had an impact on the lives of storied clients like O.J. Simpson, Claus von Bulow, Bill Clinton, Julian Assange, Jeffrey MacDonald, Patty Hearst, Mike Tyson, and many more. Who has affected Dershowitz himself? The attorney and author is now "taking the stand" in a new memoir and on 92Y's stage. Jeffrey Toobin, author of *The Oath: The Obama White House and the Supreme Court*, *New Yorker* writer and CNN analyst, interviews Mr. Dershowitz. Thane Rosenbaum, the John Whelan Distinguished Lecturer in Law at Fordham Law School, director the Forum on Law, Culture & Society, will moderate.

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LIBRARY LOVERS

The Agus Library is a wonderful facility filled with books of Jewish interest.

Your help is needed to make it more readily available to Beth El's members.

If you can spare an hour or two each week, we need you.

No experience necessary.

Please call **Barbara Berkowitz**
410-296-8424.

DO WE HAVE A STORY FOR YOU!

Gilbert Sandler
Thursday, October 17



The Rabbi Mark G. Loeb Center for Life Long Learning at Beth El is proud to invite you to hear Baltimore neighborhood stories with **Gilbert Sandler** on Thursday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Rubin Sanctuary.

Mr. Sandler, Baltimore historian, was born and raised in Baltimore. He will delight us with his nostalgic tales that have graced print, radio and his podium for years. Mr. Sandler will join us in celebrating the 2nd year of the Rabbi Mark G. Loeb Center for Life Long Learning and remembering the 4th year of Rabbi Loeb's remarkable legacy (1944-2009). This memorable evening is free and open to the community. For information, call **Ellen Marks**, 410-580-5166 or email ellenm@bethelbalto.com.



OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Arthur Barr on the loss of his beloved mother, Shirley Mildred Barr.
 Mr. and Mrs. Stan Bensky on the loss of their beloved son, Ronnie M. Bensky.
 Mr. Jack Boonshaft on the loss of his beloved mother, Adele Boonshaft.
 Mrs. Beth Fisher on the loss of her beloved husband, Daron Fisher.
 Mrs. Ailene Fradin on the loss of her beloved mother, Pauline D. Mash.
 Mrs. Beth Kallman on the loss of her beloved mother, Rose Gerber.
 The family of the late Herman Katkow.
 Rabbi Dana Saroken on the loss of her beloved grandfather, Henry Several.
 Mrs. Eileen Singer on the loss of her beloved mother, Sophie Goldberg.
 Mrs. Sheila Ziegler on the loss of her beloved father, Marvin Levine.

A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Rhona Reamer

OUR HEARTIEST MAZEL TOV TO:

Drs. Maya and Steven Brooks on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Zachary Benjamin Brooks.
 Mr. and Mrs. Alan Cohen on the B'not Mitzvah of their daughters, Francesca Mary Cohen and Isabella Annette Cohen.
 Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Fishkind on the birth of their twin granddaughters, Adalyn Rose Fishkind and Sarina Mercer Fishkind.
 Mr. and Mrs. Alan Kaplan on the marriage of their son Harris, to Alison Cederbaum; grandmother is Mrs. Mildred Kaplan.
 Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Karten on the marriage of their daughter, Lisa to Camran Shafii.
 Mrs. Emelie Schwab and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Weiner on the birth of their granddaughter, Jenna Elyse Weiner.
 Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Tilles on the marriage of their daughter Erica Michelle to Christopher Scott Lam.

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES:

Heidi and Steven Berman on their 10th
 Rachel and Marc Moses on their 10th
 Allison and Randall Bowers on their 15th
 Jennifer and Matthew Rudo on their 15th
 Amy and Andrew Feinberg on their 25th
 Regina and Stephen Goldberg on their 25th
 Debra and Ira Sperling on their 25th
 Shelley and Brian Bluefeld on their 30th
 Robin and John Denick on their 30th
 Myra and Steven Katz on their 30th
 Iris and Roger Powell on their 35th
 Ellen and Robert Rosen on their 40th

HOTLINES

Service Schedules: **410-580-2727**
 Congregation Closings & Program Changes: **410-580-5080**
 Early Childhood Education Closings & Program Changes: **410-580-5081**
 Religious School Closings & Program Changes: **410-580-5082**

SCHEDULE OF DAILY SERVICES

Morning		Evening	
Monday – Friday	8:00 a.m.	Monday – Thursday	7:30 p.m.
<i>Rosh Chodesh</i>	7:45 a.m.	Friday	6:00 p.m.
<i>Shabbat</i>	10:00 a.m.	Saturday	sundown*
Sunday & Legal Holidays	9:15 a.m.	Sunday & Legal Holidays	5:30 p.m.

*Check website or call 410-580-2727

BAR & BAT MITZVAH



BAR MITZVAH

Zachary Benjamin Brooks, son of Drs. Steven and Maya Brooks will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah October 12, 2013.



BAT MITZVAH

Francesca Mary Cohen, daughter of Alan and Jill Cohen will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah November 2, 2013.



BAT MITZVAH

Isabella Annette Cohen, daughter of Alan and Jill Cohen will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah November 2, 2013.



AGUS LIBRARY HOURS

OCTOBER HOURS

Monday 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

And by apointment. Contact:
 Barbara Berkowitz 410 296-8424

Healing Service

Shabbat, October 26
Kreitzer Memorial Room, 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

With so many people in our community in need of healing, Rabbi Saroken will be leading a prayer circle/healing service. All are welcome.

IN MEMORIAM

HERMAN KATKOW

We mourn the passing of our member and extend sincere condolences to his family.

Beth El is compiling a list of our members who would like to receive email notifications of congregational obituaries. If you wish to be added to this list, please email **Sandi Block** at sandi@bethelbalto.com.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, October 4

Morning Service 7:45 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Candle lighting 6:24 p.m.

Saturday, October 5

Parsha of the Week - Noach

Morning Service 10:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:45 p.m.

Friday, October 11

Morning Service 8:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Candle lighting 6:13 p.m.

Saturday, October 12

Parsha of the Week - Lech Lecha

Morning Service 10:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:30 p.m.

Friday, October 18

Morning Service 8:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Candle lighting 6:03 p.m.

Saturday, October 19

Parsha of the Week – Vayera

Morning Service 10:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:30 p.m.

Friday, October 25

Morning Service 8:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Candle lighting 5:54 p.m.

Saturday, October 26

Parsha of the Week – Chaye Sarah

Morning Service 10:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:15 p.m.

Friday, November 1

Morning Service 8:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Candle lighting 5:45 p.m.

Saturday, November 2

Parsha of the Week – Toldot

Morning Service 10:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP FORMING

**Beginning October 16
8 sessions**

Jewish Community Services and Beth El Congregation are sponsoring a bereavement group for anyone in the community who has lost a child. The group will provide a welcoming environment in which people who have experienced the death of a child can address their feelings and concerns. Beginning on October 16, the group will meet for 8 evening sessions at Beth El, and will be facilitated by a JCS professional. The goal is to help transform pain into hope and have group members support one another as they work towards finding some serenity and happiness while dealing with their loss. Thanks to the sponsorship of the Beth El Rheda and Melvyn Goldman Bereavement Group, these sessions are free of charge.

For more information and to register, please call **JCS** at **410-466-9200**.

Sponsored By Beth El Events Committee

BAND, BEER, & FUN

**Saturday, November 2, 2013
Offit Auditorium, 8:00 p.m.**

Get ready for a great night out!

The band Swimmin With Sharks will be playing at Beth El on Saturday, November 2. Swimmin With Sharks features dance music from the 60's to today. The band will have you dancing all night to your favorite old and new songs. Swimmin With Sharks recently played in Annapolis at a fundraiser for Johns Hopkins Hospital that drew over 300 people and the Strawberry Festival near Annapolis. The band has played at many private and public events, but until now, most have been in Anne Arundel County and on the Eastern Shore. This will be the first time the band will play in Baltimore County. Their lead singer, Sid Molofsky, went to Pikesville Senior High and is a Beth El member. Come on out and dance the night away!

\$15.00 members, non-members \$20.00, \$20.00 at the door
To RSVP please contact **Diane Cole**, **410-484-0411** or email **diane@bethelbalto.com**.



BLOOD DRIVE

**Wednesday, October 23,
8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Offit Auditorium**

“Give Blood, Give Life”

Now that the High Holidays are behind us we can begin to think about the mitzvot we will perform for this New Year. Here is an opportunity for an easy mitzvah, give the gift of life – give blood. The Beth El blood drive will be held on Wednesday, October 23 from 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

It seems we always have the same 100+ people that come regularly to donate. Hopefully we can get some “new blood,” no pun intended. It is not an uncomfortable experience. Usually it takes about an hour from when you arrive to when you leave, but the “feel good” feeling lasts for days. One pint of blood helps up to three people. This is a great mitzvah that costs you no money, only time. If you have not given before, are not on our calling list, and would like to give this time please call or email Sonya Goodman.

Contact **Sonya Goodman**, **410.602.8766** or email **sgood18@comcast.net**.

KEEP IN TOUCH

There are easy ways to keep in touch with Beth El between issues of *The Voice*!



In addition to signing up for E-Voice, the complete, online version of *The Voice*, you can also sign up for our bi-weekly family update and visit us online.

- Our **website** can be found at **www.bethelbalto.com** and now has videos, pictures and a full calendar of events and services, dedicated pages for the schools and all the affiliates and committees and more!

- To receive **E-Voice** in your inbox each month up to one week before everyone else receives *The Voice* in the mail, send your request to **Amanda Freed** at **amanda@bethelbalto.com**. You must indicate if you want to receive both *E-Voice* and *The Voice*.

- Now you can follow us on **Facebook**, Beth El Congregation of Baltimore.

- Follow us on **Twitter** at BethElBalto.

- Follow Rabbi Schwartz on Twitter @sceezo.

SCHUSTER LIBRARY HOURS

**Monday – Thursday
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

SENIORS

NOVEMBER MEETING



The Beth El Seniors will be holding their November dinner meeting on Sunday, November 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the Offit Auditorium. The cost for the evening is \$20 for everyone. Our entertainment

for the evening will be Scott Ekers, song stylist extraordinaire, direct from the Catskills. **Reservations and payments are due no later than Thursday, October 31, 2013.** Please advise if you would like a sugar-free dessert and with whom you would like to be seated. The seating committee will do its best to accommodate your seating wishes. For further information, call **Maxine Kontoff** at 410-486-1653 or **Ruthye Steinberg** at 410-655-8242.

HANUKKAH

Beth El Seniors wishes all of its members and the entire synagogue family a very happy Chanukah.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE – DUES ARE NOW DUE

Beth El Seniors is always welcoming new members 50 years of age or older to join our active organization. Dues are only \$15 per person per year with a special price of only \$30 for a couple for a year and each of our dinner meetings which include enjoyable entertainment each month cost \$20 per member. Where else can you go for such a great deal? Call **Martha Glasner** at 410-486-7407 for a membership application.

TORAH MAINTENANCE FUND

A project of the Beth El Seniors is to support the maintenance and repair of our synagogue's Torahs and Megillot. A kosher, usable Torah must be written by hand with a pen and special ink by a learned scribe. Every letter must be perfectly formed and every word must be correctly spelled. The ink can not be chipped off even a little bit. The parchment that the Torah is written on must be flawless. The slightest tear or smudge will render the Torah unfit for use. The Beth El Torahs are regularly inspected and repaired. This is a costly process. Beth El Seniors is pleased to provide financial support for this entire process. It is a mitzvah to contribute to a process that keeps our sacred scrolls preserved for future generations. Torah Maintenance Fund cards may be purchased at the Beth El front office or call **Dorothy Fineblum** at 410-653-2631. These all-purpose cards are six for \$10 or \$2 each.



Beth El Torah Maintenance Fund

The card features a drawing by world famous artist Ira Moskowitz. Born in 1912 as the son and grandson of rabbis, he has infused his work with the customs and traditions of our religion.

THE RABBI MARK G. LOEB JUDAIC STUDIES COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

If you are you a student who has successfully completed a course in Judaic Studies, Jewish history, Hebrew language, Holocaust studies, Jewish literature, etc., you are eligible to apply for this scholarship.

If you are interested please contact, **Ailene Sher**, Director of Development, at 410-580-5159 or email ailene@bethelbalto.com

SISTERHOOD SPRING CULTURAL TRIPS 2014

The cultural trips sponsored by Beth El Sisterhood are open to members of the Sisterhood and the Congregation.

EXPLORE EXCITING BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

Thursday, April 24, 2014



Brooklyn Botanical Gardens

We will leave Baltimore at 6:30 a.m. traveling to the Brooklyn Botanical Gardens where we will have a guided tour to explore the beautiful plants and flowers on display. Following the tour we will take the bus to the Brooklyn Museum of Art where we will have a buffet wrap lunch in the amazing Beaux Arts Court. After lunch, our guides will conduct a tour of the Museum.

We will leave Brooklyn at 4:00 p.m. and proceed to the famous Mastore's Diner for dinner on your own. Arrival in Baltimore should be between 8:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.



Brooklyn Museum of Art

STEP BACK IN TIME AND EXPERIENCE THE ELEGANCE OF FAIRMONT PARK, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Thursday, May 22, 2014



Shofuso, the Japanese House and Garden

We will leave Baltimore at 8:00 a.m. for our morning visit at Shofuso. Shoes are not allowed in the Shofuso house, so please bring socks. A docent will lead us through each room explaining the purpose and significance of all the main features of the house. A viewing garden with a koi pond and island, a tea garden, and a courtyard garden

comprise the nationally-ranked 17th century-style Japanese walled and fenced garden of this historic site and museum.

After leaving Shofuso, we will have a served lunch at the beautiful Water Works Restaurant overlooking the Schuylkill River.

Following lunch we will take the bus to the Lemon Hill Mansion. Through guided tours we will experience the art, architecture, history and horticulture of early 19th century Philadelphia. We will leave Lemon Hill at 4:30 p.m. to return to Baltimore.



Lemon Hill Mansion

Cost for the April 24, 2014 trip to Brooklyn is \$130.
Cost for the May 22, 2014 trip to Philadelphia is \$80.

Registration will open on Tuesday, December 3rd at 9:00 a.m. You may sign up for one or both trips. Registration forms will be on Beth El's website at bethelbalto.com or at the reception desk at Beth El.

For questions contact **Linda Mondell** (410-486-1542) or **Beverly Penn** (410-486-2667).

**SISTERHOOD LUNCHEON
SUBSCRIPTION PLAN**

**Do you forget to make reservations
for monthly Sisterhood meetings?**

Avoid that (and save money)
by joining our luncheon subscription plan.
For \$100.00 you will have a reservation
for the following six dates:

Nov. 4, Dec. 2, Jan. 6, Feb. 3, Mar. 3, May 19

If reserved separately, the cost of each
luncheon is \$20.00 in advance.

Please send your check for \$100.00 to:
Marilyn Siegel
7920 Long Meadow Road
Baltimore, MD 21208

Deadline for this subscription program is Friday, October 18.
There are no refunds for missed meetings.

SISTERHOOD MEETING/LUNCHEON

NOVEMBER 4, 2013

Dr. Elliot King, Chair of the Communications Department, Loyola University of Maryland, will be the presenter at this Sisterhood meeting. He teaches courses in media, culture and society, reporting on urban affairs, free speech and expression, and communications ethics. Dr. King authored the book *Free for All: The Internet's Transformation of Journalism*. The topic of Dr King's presentation is: *News, News Everywhere, but No Time to Think: What the Explosion of News Sources Means to You, Me and Public Life in America*.

PRESENT A D'VAR TORAH

Sisterhood begins each general meeting and board meeting with a member of Sisterhood or a guest presenting a short D'Var Torah. There are a few dates available for members to participate in this lovely tradition. We would especially like to hear from our members who attended Rabbi Saroken's class in June.

You do not have to write a D'vor Torah alone; assistance is available in preparing it. If you are interested, or want more information, please call or email: **Yvonne Daniel (410 356-6219) (omay5@comcast.net)** or **Karen Lent 410 -602-0456 (lentk@comcast.net)**.

JTS TORAH FUND



The Torah Fund Campaign is off to a great start. We now have 20 benefactors who have donated \$180.00 .Each benefactor received a beautiful pin proclaiming this year's theme Mishpachah, family. The family in Judaism holds a central place, from the first family of

Adam and Chava to our own families today. The pin this year is a lovely symbol of the importance of family in our lives.

Our beautiful all occasion cards are also available. With a donation of \$18.00 you can receive 6 assorted cards. Individual cards may be purchased for \$4.00.

Our members donate to the fund at various levels and each contribution is gratefully appreciated. Your contribution supports the Jewish Theological Seminary, where our Conservative rabbis, cantors, and teachers are educated.

Please contact **Jane Krosin 410-484-4218** or **Hilda Dopkin 410-486-4453** for more information and cards.

BIBLIO

Sisterhood's Book Club, Biblio, invites all Beth El members to join us at our monthly Wednesday book reviews and discussion group meetings. Biblio provides a list of books that have been chosen by our outstanding reviewers. The selections are timely, sometimes classic, but always of vital interest. We meet at noon in the Kolker Room. Bring your own kosher lunch. Tea and coffee are provided by Beth El. Dessert is supplied by our volunteer hostess of the month. There is no charge for Biblio.

Saralynn Glass, one of our most knowledgeable and popular reviewers, will present a well-considered analysis of T. Selasi's novel *Ghana Must Go*. This story of an unusually gifted family will both amaze and shock you. Please mark the

date and time on your calendar: **October 9, 2013** at noon.

Some of us participate in the discussion that follows the selection; others listen and decide to read the book at a later date. Whatever your choice, Biblio welcomes you. If you have any questions, phone **Barbara Berkowitz 410-296-8424** or **Joan Flaks 410-486-6246**.



Can you identify anyone in this picture (circa 1954)? If so, please email or phone Ilene Merenbloom, 410-486-6822, ilene@merenbloom.com or Rae Shalowitz, 410-484-7437, rashally@aol.com

SISTERHOOD'S ARCHIVES PROJECT

Members of Sisterhood have been compiling a history of Beth El Sisterhood which began the same year Israel was founded - 1948. The writing team has been recording events up to and including our present day activities. Some things never change, and others have changed a lot. If you have relevant information and/or stories to share regarding the history of Sisterhood or if you would like to participate in the Archives Project, please contact:

Ilene Merenbloom 410-486-6822 ilene@merenbloom.com
Rae Shalowitz 410-484-7437 rashally@aol.com

SISTERHOOD MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Sisterhood is happy to welcome the following new members for the year 2013-2014:

Arlene Klaff, Barbara Donick, Sherry Bernstein, Florence Schwartzman, Judy Sigman, Carolyn Smith, Ruth Ashman, Linda Berger, Sandy Forman, Jane Zweig, Lillian Weinberg, Simone Rosenbloom, Gerri Willen, Vicki Meyer, Lois Schapiro.

Courtesy members for 2013-2014:

Linda Mizrahi, Deborah Scherr, Sharon Berk, Sheryl Rief, Martha Siegel, Lisa Pintzuk, Donna Kane, Marsha Modell

SISTERHOOD MEETING/LUNCHEON

NOVEMBER 4, 2013

Name _____
Home Phone _____
Cell Phone _____
Email _____

If you are not a subscription holder, send check for \$20.00 to: Beth El Sisterhood c/o Marcia Boonshaft or Esther Harris, 8101 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21208

Your check is your receipt. Subscription holders who will not attend should notify Marcia Boonshaft: jmboonshaft@verizon.net (410-484-3112) or Esther Harris: teach5ech@aol.com (410-486-3177)

RSVP BY OCTOBER 23, 2013

WE REGRET WE ARE UNABLE TO SEAT WALK INS FOR LUNCH. ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE PROGRAM.

Join the
United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism
 for

*Leadership, Legacy, Vision:
 A Tribute to Our First 100 Years*

SPECIAL HONOREE: **Shoshana S. Cardin**
 KEYNOTE SPEAKER: **Rabbi Harold Kushner**
 MUSIC BY: **Josh Nelson and Neshama Carlebach**

Sunday, October 13, 2013 at 6 p.m.
 Baltimore Marriott Waterfront Hotel

TICKETS: \$180
 RSVP: centennial@uscj.org or visit
www.uscj100.org/donate

And be there for the entire
CONVERSATION OF THE CENTURY
 October 11 – 15 | www.uscj100.org

Shabbat In Motion

Intergenerational Sports Activities After Kiddush, Beginning at 1:00 p.m.

What better way to enjoy a Saturday afternoon than to play some fun sports with your clergy and Beth El family? The intergenerational sports leagues will be for all ages. Whether you are eight years old or eighty come join us for a congregation-wide game of kickball and whiffle ball as well. Who wouldn't want to watch their Rabbis, Cantors, and friends swinging bats, catching balls and running the bases? This will take place on the field behind Beth El. Feel free to bring your change of clothing to services. We will conveniently check it in the coat room for you.

Kickball
 Shabbat, October 19 and October 26

Whiffle Ball
 Shabbat, November 2 and 9

BETH EL Memorial Park

The Beth El Memorial Park has served the needs of the Beth El Congregation and the entire Baltimore Jewish Community for more than two generations. A "Makom Kodesh" (a "holy place"), it is a beautifully maintained cemetery of more than 15 acres, located at 9700 Liberty Road, Randallstown, MD.

Many families choose to purchase lots well in advance of their time of need. This relieves families of an added burden during an emotionally stressful time. Individual or family plots may be purchased with convenient payment plans. Please contact Andy Katz at 410-484-0411 or andy@bethelbalto.com for more information.

IT IS RAELY TRUE



October sacrificial offering ...
 Israel plans to offer 100 sacrificial animals to needy citizens in Dakar, Senegal. Eli Ben-Tura, the Israeli ambassador posted in the capital, said: "It registers very strongly with locals that Israelis give them sheep for a Muslim holiday while most Arab embassies do nothing." Israel also provides foreign aid to this nation of 12 million that is overwhelmingly Muslim.

\$400 million trade deal ...
 Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu struck a \$400 million dollar trade deal with China during a recent visit to Beijing. The financial relationship between China and Israel is reported to be more than \$2 billion.

Visas issued for gay couples at US embassy in Tel Aviv ...
 Shortly after the recent landmark US Supreme Court decision striking down the Defense of Marriage Act, the US embassy in Tel Aviv issued visas for married gay couples. Ambassador Dan Shapiro said "Gay rights are human rights, and our new visa regulations are an important step forward."



BETH EL LEGACY SOCIETY

Established in 2007, the Beth El Legacy Society is a group of 77 donor families who have confirmed their provision of a bequest to Beth El in their will or estate plan.

Legacy gifts offer our congregants the opportunity to convey their feelings for the positive impact that Beth El has had on their lives and the lives of their families. It allows them to think beyond their lifetime and to leave a personal legacy by making a difference in the lives to follow them.

A Beth El endowment fund has been created for these special gifts. Legacy gifts allow the Congregation to sustain current programs and services and create new ones. Finally, a bequest gift requires no immediate cash outlay; rather, the gift is received at the death of the donor(s).

For more information about legacy gifts visit the Beth El Website; <http://www.bethelbalto.com/LegacySociety>
 And/ or contact **Ailene Sher** at: 410-580-5159, or email: ailene@bethelbalto.com.



OUR "PERSONAL SHOPPER" SERVICE

The Judaica Shop is continuing our "Personal Shopper" service. We are available before or after regular Shop hours, by appointment, at your convenience. Let us help you select the perfect items for yourself, family and friends for all occasions. Our "boutique" ambiance makes your shopping experience stress-free and enjoyable!

It's not too early to start your Hanukkah shopping. The first night of Hanukkah is Wednesday, November 27! Shop early for the best selection.

Please visit us during Shop hours:
Sunday 9:30 a.m. - 12 Noon
Monday 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Thursday 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Friday 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Or, contact **Barbara Green**, 410-486-4080, for an appointment.



CONTRIBUTIONS

ENDOWMENTS

Donations through August 29, 2013.

THE ADLER-LEV SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Richard Rubin by Judy and Richard Schlossberg
Sarah Kappelman Harris by Judy and Richard Schlossberg
Norma Caplan by Judy and Richard Schlossberg

THE ADULT CHOIR FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Sarah Kappelman Harris by Ruth and Theodore Denick
Doris Henning by Ellen and Barry Budish, Hulane Zolet
Daron Fisher by Steve and Freddy Silverman, The Beth El Adult Choir

IN HONOR OF:

The Special Birthday of Ruth Denick by June and Stan Sacks

A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Marcia Friedlander by June and Stan Sacks

THE RABBI JACOB & MIRIAM AGUS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Celia Cohen by Blanche Reicher

THE STANLEY L. BECKER MISHPACHAH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Pauline Mash by Susan and Ron Maytin
Gloria Kogan by Susan and Ron Maytin

ADULT LIBRARY BOOK FUND

IN HONOR OF:

Mr. Martin Katz chanting his Haftorah on his 70th Anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah by Elizabeth Katz

THE DANIEL W. CAPLAN AND NORMA F. CAPLAN PRE-SCHOOL MEDIA RESOURCE FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Sarah Kappelman Harris by Ann and Ira Robinson and Family, Liz and Rich Caplan
Norma Caplan by Harriet and Howard Diener, Susan and Elliot Dackman, Barbara Smelkinson, Judy and Lee Rosenberg, Sharon Edlow, Gail and Stanley Friedler

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Jeanette Kopelman by Liz and Rich Caplan

THE MELVIN & NAOMI CHERNOFF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Beryl Weiner by Jerry and Arlene Perloff

THE ABRA CYLUS ISRAEL EDUCATION MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Blossom K. Friedman by Susan and Richard Grilli

THE LOUIS AND ESTHER DOPKIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Daron Fisher by Michael Dopkin
Adele Boonshaft by Michael Dopkin

THE SYLVAN DORENFELD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Samuel Steinberg by Ruthye and Manny Steinberg
Dena Hendler by Ruthye and Manny Steinberg

THE DR. MICHAEL I. FEINGLASS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Daron Fisher by Phyllis and Stuart Cutler

IN HONOR OF:

The 45th Wedding Anniversary of Honey and Jeff Litman by Phyllis and Stuart Cutler

THE JACOB AND SARA FRAIMAN FUND FOR ADULT JEWISH EDUCATION

A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Dr. Moises Fraiman by Elaine Goodman and Family, Rita and Richard Lehr, Sonia and Ed Obstler, Janet Penn, Revanne Aronoff

THE FRUMAN FAMILY GARDEN BEAUTIFICATION ENDOWMENT FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Roseann Golaner by Kevin, Tracee, Jacob and Leo Fruman

THE SHELDON AND SARALYNN GLASS ENDOWED SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Geraldine Schultz by Saralynn and Sheldon Glass
David Koenigsburg by Saralynn and Sheldon Glass
Daron Fisher by Saralynn and Sheldon Glass
IN HONOR OF:
The 50th Anniversary of Rae and Manny Shalowitz by Saralynn and Sheldon Glass

THE SONYA AND JEROME GOODMAN ADULT HEBREW READING FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The marriage of Ilana Levy to Ohad Paris by Aaron and Ruby Eisenbach

THE GREEN FAMILY RELIGIOUS SERVICES FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Gloria Kogan by Barbara and Benji Green
Daron Fisher by Barbara and Benji Green

IN HONOR OF:

The birthday of Barbara Green by Irene Snyder Green

A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Mrs. Leah Rosin by Barbara and Benji Green

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Lelia Green by Barbara and Benji Green

THE CANTOR SAUL AND AILEEN HAMMERMAN MUSIC FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The new home of Mrs. Janet Kurland by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Levin

THE HARK FAMILY FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Sarah Kappelman Harris by Joan and David Uhfelder,

THE PAUL HUDDLES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Mrs. Rhona Rosengarden by The Huddle Family

THE LEROY F. KAPPELMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Sarah Kappelman Harris by Joan and Jerry Cohn, The Chernoff Family,
David L. Goldberg,

THE ARTHUR E. KLAFF MEMORIAL FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The Special Birthday of Mrs. Barbara Levenson by Beverly and Charles Freeland

THE DR. JEROME AND MARLENE KOEPEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Marlene Koepel by Kelly Koelker

THE ADAM KRONTHAL SPECIAL NEEDS FUND

Alan and Jennie Kronthal

IN MEMORY OF:

Adam Kronthal by Randi Sacco
Ida Mazy by Randi Sacco
Ethela Morris Kelman by Randi Sacco

THE SUSAN FINE LANGSAM MEMORIAL FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The Adult Bat Mitzvah of Marcia Katz by Dan Katz

THE IRVING AND ROSE LEBOWITZ MEMORIAL SEFER TORAH FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The Special 80th Birthday of Mr. Charles Yumkas by Lois and Steve Schapiro

THE HARRY LICHTER CHESED FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Geraldine Schultz by Bobbie Lichter
Rabbi Hirsch Diskind by Bobbie Lichter and Family,
Saralyn and Jeff Elkin

IN HONOR OF:

The Special Birthday of Saralyn Elkin by Hulane Zolet, Robbin and David Bord
The Special time spent with Saralyn and Jeff Elkin by Bobbie Lichter
The Very Special Birthday of Steve Stein by Bobbie Lichter
The special friendship of Pauline and Al Auslander by Bobbie Lichter and Sheryl Title
The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Dr. Allen and Mrs. Ellen Spak by Shirley and Harvey Weisman
The new home of Shelley and Sheldon Goldseker by Eddie Lichter
The special birthday of Saralyn Elkin and the celebration weekend given by Saralyn and Jeff Elkin by Sheryl Title

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Jack Lazarus by Joy Lichter and Robert Lazarus

THE JOSEPH LIPAVSKY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Blossom Friedman by Dan Katz

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

David Weinstein by Larry H. Weinstein

THE H. ALLAN LIPSITZ ENDOWED ADULT EDUCATION FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Dr. Allen and Mrs. Ellen Spak by Robert and Shelley Shemer

IN MEMORY OF:

Sarah Kappelman Harris by Frona and Gordon Greenspun

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Arnold Lent by Karen Lent
Jack A. Belove by Judy Pachino and Family

THE RABBI MARK G. LOEB JUDAIC STUDIES COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Blossom Friedman by Fran Crystal

IN HONOR OF:

The Special Birthday of Michael Albersheim by Stan and Sara Herbst
Jerry Schnydmann's Presidency of Beth El Congregation by Carolyn and Buddy Hubberman

THE NATHAN AND PAULINE MASH PRE-SCHOOL FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Dobres by Brian and Shelley Bluefeld

IN MEMORY OF:

Pauline Mash by Phyllis and Fred London, Judy Pachino, Marlene and Ben Kuntz, Eunice and Sidney Friedman, Susan and Elliot Dackman, Lenora Talles, Harriet and Lowell Glazer, Amy and Jason Metula, Jamie and Steven Miller, Natalie and John Spector, Denise and Keith Franz, Nancy and Marc Gertner, Warren and Anita Klawans, Brian and Shelley Bluefeld, Renee and Arnold Wagenheim, The Abramson/Leikach Families, Fran Crystal, Stephanie and Jon Bloom, Yvonne and Rene Daniel, Sheila and Howard Saval, Jerry and Arlyn Cohen, Evelyn Weitzman, Jeff and Sara Rothleder, Mickey and Leeds Katzen, Alan Davidson, Frida and Moises Fraiman, Joan and Jerry Cohn,

THE MAX MENDELSON ENDOWMENT MIKVAH FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The Special Birthday of Sidney Friedman by Barbara Mendelsohn
The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Ellen Spak by Judi Hannes and Jim Mendelsohn, Rita Rosenfeld

IN MEMORY OF:

Gloria Karasik by Barbara Mendelsohn
Robert Speert by Barbara Mendelsohn and Family

THE DAISY MILLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Lily Arenson by Gilbert H. Miller, Dr. Louis Miller, Rebecca K. Seidman

THE MITZVAH FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The Induction of Lee Rosenberg into the Baltimore Jewish Hall of Fame by Elwood and Thelma Sinsky
In Honor of the 45th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Litman by Caren and Brian Meritt
The Mitzvah given of opening the ark by Naomi and Howard Rovner
The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Ruth and Barry Hurwitz by Gloria and Ira Luchinsky

IN APPRECIATION OF:

The kindness shown by friends at Beth El by Esther Berelowitz

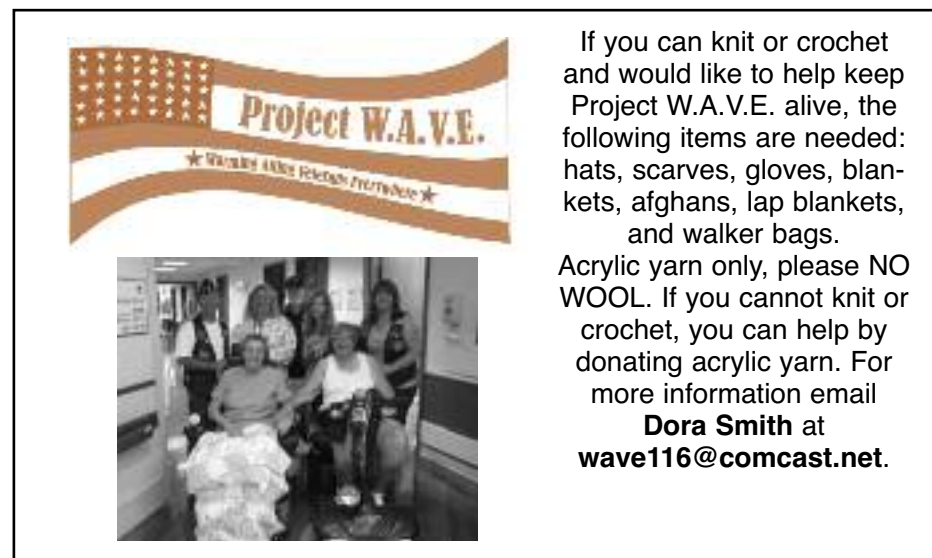
IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Eva Miriam Shapiro by Helene and David Levi
Steven Alan Fuld by Dr. George Fuld

THE MORNING MINYAN FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Daron Fisher by Shirley Cohen



If you can knit or crochet and would like to help keep Project W.A.V.E. alive, the following items are needed: hats, scarves, gloves, blankets, afghans, lap blankets, and walker bags. Acrylic yarn only, please NO WOOL. If you cannot knit or crochet, you can help by donating acrylic yarn. For more information email **Dora Smith** at **wave116@comcast.net**.

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Pauline Mash by Shirley Cohen
Jerry Walters by Shirley Cohen, Vickie and Eugene Meyer, Shari and Michael Cohen
Adele Boonshaft by Dale and Ray Kahn, Wendy and Marc Elover and Family

IN HONOR OF:

The Bar Mitzvah of Mr. Marty Katz by Hulane Zolet
The dear friendship of Pauline and Al Auslander by Hulane Zolet
The Aliyah shared with Shirley Rodbell by Rita Silverman

A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Dr. Moises Fraiman by Yvonne and Rene Daniel, Gloryann and Lee Snyder

THE ANNE OFFIT MEMORIAL FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The birth of Spencer Samet by Bunnie and Jerry Maggid

THE MORTON OFFIT ENDOWED MEMORIAL FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Burton Bank by Shirley Offit

THE PRAYER BOOK FUND

Lisa and Michael Pintzuk

IN MEMORY OF:

Stanley Fradkin by Gaye Fradkin
Sarah K. Harris by Rita and Allen Feinberg, Carol Hawtoff
Hannah Kurland by Leslie and Ed Gutman
David Koenigsburg by Sheila and Howard Saval
Bertha Perlow by Royce E. Perlow

IN HONOR OF:

The 50th wedding anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Allen Spak by Joan and Saul Gurney
The memory of Marilyn Burke by Alma and Lanny Schuster
Mr. Martin Katz by Elizabeth Katz
The special 99th birthday of William Moss by Eileen and Harry Brafman and Family

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Sylvia Greif by Anita and Howard Sherman
Joseph A. Greif by Anita and Howard Sherman
Bertha Perlow by Royce E. Perlow
Hilda Levine by Esther and Morton Weiner

THE ROBBINS FAMILY FOUNDATION

IN MEMORY OF:

Pauline Mash by Linda Robbins and Steve Levin

THE EDDY SCHUSTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The memory of Marilyn Burke by Alma and Lanny Schuster

THE RABBI STEVEN SCHWARTZ TRIBUTE FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Reuben Tannenbaum by Susan and Donald Tannenbaum
Sophie Goldberg by Leslie and Ed Gutman
Marjorie Rosenblatt by Froma and Jules Willen
Myra Oring by Steve and Lisa Attman
Adele Boonshaft by Tammy and Jerry Schnydmann

IN HONOR OF:

The special birthday of Charles Yumkas by Revanne Aranoff
The special birthday of Gil Kleiner by Eunice and Sidney Friedman
The special birthday of Steve Katz by Joanne and Marshall Rief
The 10th wedding anniversary of Hedy From and Michael Rubenstein by Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Rief and Family
The incoming presidency of Beth El Congregation to Jerome Schnydmann by Carolyn and Buddy Hubberman
The birth of Harper Elle Rabine granddaughter of Carol and Gil Kleiner by Marlene and Howard Appelbaum
Rabbi Schwartz's services for the baby naming of granddaughter, Sophia Mayah Rosen by Ellen and Robert Rosen and Family
The 50th wedding anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Allen Spak by Tammy and Jerry Schnydmann

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Susie Weintraub by Mindy and Ronnie Fishkind
Mr. Gilbert Kleiner by Ellen and Jay Marks and Family
Mr. Rafi Rone by Ellen and Jay Marks and Family
Rhona Rosengarden by Harriet Cooper, Bernie, Cheryl and Marci Gordon

THE SELTZER GOLD PRE-SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Phillip Sher by Ailene and Michael Sher

IN HONOR OF:

The birthday of Joshua Boxerman by Stella and Harvey Gold
The special birthday of Debbie Vodenos by Stella and Harvey Gold
The Anniversary of Debbie Vodenos and Samuel Boxerman by Stella and Harvey Gold
The birthday of Brett Gold by Stella and Harvey Gold
Sarah Gold's trip to study abroad in Morocco by Stella and Harvey Gold
The 16th anniversary of Eddie and Amy Gold by Stella and Harvey Gold

THE RICKY SIEGEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN HONOR OF:

The marriage of Michael Berman to Allie by Sherri, Paul, Victor, Erin and Tyler Weinblatt
The 20th wedding anniversary of Lisi and Albert Nigrin by Sherri, Paul, Victor, Erin and Tyler Weinblatt

THE SISTERHOOD PAST PRESIDENTS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Sarah Kappelman Harris by Honey and Jeffrey Litman

A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Dr. Moises Fraiman by Judy Pachino

THE MORTON SPIND CONFIRMATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND

A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Rhona Rosengarden by Marvin and Dee Marks
Susie Weintraub by Marvin and Dee Marks

THE MELVIN AND ANITA STEINBERG COLLEGE OUTREACH PROGRAM FUND

A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Dr. Moises Fraiman by Anita and Mickey Steinberg

THE DENNIS AND RONA WEINER SOCIAL WELFARE FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Leopold Wolf by Dennis and Rona Weiner

IN HONOR OF:

The birth of Madelyn Jane Lack, granddaughter of Rona and Dennis Weiner by Rona and Dennis Weiner, Lois and Steve Schapiro

THE DR. MICHAEL WEINTRAUB MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Pauline Mash by Steve and Susie Weintraub
Gloria Kogan by Natalie and John Spector
Jerome Walters by Steve and Susie Weintraub

THE YAHRZEIT FUND

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Doris Handen by Ann and Leonard Monfred
Sol Vigran by Molly Golden
Willie Goren by Howard and Emily Goren
Leo Amster by Howard and Emily Goren
Gertrude Axel by Stanley Axel
Jack Axel by Stanley Axel
Max and Anna Scherr by Allan and Janice Scherr
Isador Luwisher by Rebecca Luwisher
Nancy Krauss by Harriet Rosebaum
Albert I. Better by Michele and Herbert Better
Stephen Levy by Betty Ruf
Marc Levy by Betty Ruf
Hyman Alpert by Barbara and Marvin Hurwitz
Rose and Erwin Ira Ulman by Penny and Michael Schwarz
Walter and Ruth Lichtenauer by Marc and Faye Sherman
Sophie Glick by Irving Glick
Jacob Smeyne by Rona Seelig
Barbara Lee Pasarew by Irene Pasarew
Deborah Ellen Chmar Yaffe by Susan Stein
David Mervis by Jeffrey and Eunice Katz
Edith S. Wolfson by Bernice Wolfson
Marvin Brand by Alan and Jackie Wilder
Jacob Freedenberg by Rosalie Switzenbaum-Paul
Benjamin Benesch by Mrs. Bernice Seidman
Arthur Merican by Elinor Merican
Doris Frieman by Maybelle Frieman
Stanley Hackerman by Irene Pasarew
Florence Weinberg by Jay and Janey Salkin
Bernard Hurwitz by Marvin and Barbara Hurwitz
Marjorie Schwartzman Dunie by Carol and Marshall Asher
Jessica Etelson by Debby and Art Gerson
Jay Lessans by Gilda Lessans
Anne Gail Wruble by Ellen Wruble and Dan Hakim and Family
Hinda Pottash by Norma and Ed Orman

IN MEMORY OF:

Family Members by Judy Frankle and Family

“Immersion of the Month”

With the newly renovated Mikveh, we wanted to keep the congregation informed about all of the different ways that our mikveh can be used to bring healing and wholeness and peace into people's lives.

This month we feature two immersions. One, for the ninth month of pregnancy and the other for after giving birth. Be on the lookout for new immersion ceremonies each month to help you mark special moments and occasions in your lives.

The Ninth Month of Pregnancy:

As I stand here today in the fullness of pregnancy, I am grateful for the miraculous workings of my body. I honor my body for its wisdom and for its ability to nurture the creation of another human being and for sheltering that being all of these months.

You and I have traveled together as one for nine months.

Soon we will separate – your soul being released into the world with your first cry. I will strive always to recognize your individuality, the oneness of your soul, created by b'tzelem Elohim, in the image of God.

I pray that we will be guided safely through the passage of labor and birth and that you will arrive with strength and vigor.

I pray that just as you have been protected within my womb these last nine months, you will always be protected within the womb of God as you travel the earth.

As I become a mother, I pray for patience and the ability to ask for help; for a willingness to listen to my intuition and to trust myself.

I pray to be open to the possibility of all you might become and to the gifts that will be passed on to me through your presence.

I pray that the wisdom I have gained through my life until this time will guide me as I take on this new life role.

After Giving Birth:

I stand here today having given birth to my child; feeling grateful for the miraculous workings of my body. I honor my body for its wisdom and for its ability to nurture the creation of another human being, for sheltering that being, for completing this pregnancy. As I prepare for this immersion, I look in the mirror and notice the ways that my body has been transformed by this act of creation.

As I step into the waters of the mikveh, I am mindful of the steps I have taken to become a mother. May this immersion remind me to take moments for myself along the journey of parenting that lies ahead.

I am grateful to God for my body's amazing capacity to grow life and give birth. Now I prepare to reclaim my body for myself. I pray that my health will be sustained and my spirit to be nourished.

For any questions about mikveh, contact **Rabbi Saroken** at dana@bethelbalto.com and to make an appointment contact **Yvonne Pentove** at 410-484-0411 or yvonne@bethelbalto.com.

THE YOUTH EDUCATION FUND

IN MEMORY OF:

Leonard Solomon by Miriam Levy
Blossom Friedman by Henry and Roz Naviasky

IN HONOR OF:

The marriage of Erica granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Hirschfeld by Debbie and Ira Levinson
The birth of Eliana granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Glick by Rena and Sheldon Polun
The triple simcha's of Marlene Kuntz by Kathy Posner
The 90th birthday of Joline Sandler by Harvey and Marilyn Holzman
The very special birthday of Mr. Charles Yumkas by Linda and Bob Hankin
The special birthday of Mr. Charles Yumkas by Eunice and Sidney Friedman
The marriage of Lee Block to Erica by Fran and Steven Baum
The birth of Jemma Rose granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rory Dechowit by Faye and Marc Sherman

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Susie Weintraub by Fran and Steven Baum

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

IN MEMORY OF:

Roseann Golaner by The Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency, Carol Macht and Sheldon Lerman, Francis Rosenthal to The Rabbi Steven Schwartz Tribute Fund
Norma F. Caplan to The Daniel W. and Norma F. Caplan Pre-School Media Resource Fund by Ann and Ira Robinson, Patti and Drew Jeffery and Lisa and Hudson Taylor
Pauline Mash by Bluma Jed, Alice and Allan Alperstein, Harvey and Debbie Lichtman, Nancy and Marc Gertner, Bluma Jed, Janet and Howard Blum to The Nathan and Pauline Mash Pre-School Fund
Sarah Kappelman Harris by David L. Goldberg to The Leroy F. Kappelman Memorial Scholarship Fund
Roseann Golaner by Larry and Carol Gilbert, Debbie and Michael Kuntz to The Prayer Book Fund
Morris Chodak by Sally Gold and Elliot Zulver to The Rabbi Steven Schwartz Tribute Fund

Adele Boonshaft by Sharon and Michael Pusin to The Pusin Preschool Scholarship Fund
Morton Spind by Ellie Spind and Family to The Prayer Book Fund
Norma Caplan by Ellie Spind and Saul Leibowitz to The Prayer Book Fund

IN HONOR OF:

Bernie Silverman's 50th Anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah by Robin and Stewart Schwartz, Judy Frankle, Alice Levin, Lori Revitz, Karen Lentz, Ilene Becker, Alice Levin, Karen Lentz
Hulane Zolet by Josie Newhouse to The Harry Lichter Chesed Fund
Rabbi Schwartz's Eulogy for Rosann Golaner by Mary Kurts to The Rabbi Steven Schwartz Tribute Fund
The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Allen Spak by Joan and Saul Gurney to The Prayer Book Fund
The special 90th birthday of Joline Sandler by Harvey and Marilyn Holzman
The special birthday of Charles Yumkas by Linda and Bob Hankin
The anniversary of Susan and Gary Talles by Kathy and Stevan Weinberg
The special birthday and Bar Mitzvah of Bernie Silverman by Bluma Jed

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:

Dr. Moises Fraiman by Elaine Goodman and Family to The Jacobo and Sara Fraiman Fund For Adult Jewish Education

IN OBSERVANCE OF YAHRZEIT OF:

Louis Cohen by David H. Cohen to The Yahrzeit Fund
Flora Cohen by David H. Cohen to The Yahrzeit Fund
Lajos Pinter by Gabriel Pinter to The Yahrzeit Fund
Regina Pinter by Gabriel Pinter to The Yahrzeit Fund
Peter Pinter by Gabriel Pinter to The Yahrzeit Fund
Sophie Glick by Irving Glick to The Yahrzeit Fund
Pearl Simon by Debbie Levinson to The Yahrzeit Fund
Jerome Polansky by Barry Polansky to The Yahrzeit Fund
Edith Fine by Eunice and Sidney Friedman to The Yahrzeit Fund
Edward N. Greenberg by Jeffrey Greenberg to The Yahrzeit Fund
Ruth A. Cohen by Austin Cohen to The Mitzvah Fund

Strange & Smart Uses for: Dryer Sheets

- **Use them more than once.** The same softener sheet can be used up to three or four times in the dryer and still get the job done.
- **Anti-static dust wipes:** The anti-cling chemicals in dryer sheets make them perfect for dusting television and computer screens and other electronic dust-magnets.
- **Lint brush in a pinch:** Used fabric softener sheets can be used to remove pet hair and lint from clothing and upholstery.
- **Pot scrubbers:** The softening chemicals in dryer sheets help loosen food particles stuck on pots and baking dishes; place a used sheet in the dish, cover with hot water, and let soak overnight. Rinse thoroughly after cleaning.
- **Soap grime-fighter:** The same softening chemicals make used dryer sheets good wipes to use in removing soap scum from bath tubs, showers and tiles.
- **Sweet feet:** Stuff dryer sheets in your shoes overnight to keep them smelling fresh. They'll also freshen closets, dresser drawers and cabinets.
- **Dust-free blinds:** Not only do spent dryer sheets make a handy wipe for metal and plastic blinds, but the chemicals in them help to repel dust.
- **Get your shine on:** When used as a polishing rag, dryer sheets make mirrors and chrome appliances shine. They're also great for cleaning windows and other glass.
- **Clothes storage:** Placing used dryer sheets in with sweaters and other seasonal clothing before you store them will not only make them smell fresher, but the smell also helps keep mice away.
- **Car care:** Keep some in the glove compartment to dust the dashboard and wipe the windshield; they'll make your ride smell a little nicer at the same time.

Read more: Uses for Dryer Sheets - Reuse Fabric Softener - The Daily Green
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Visit us at TheDailyGreen.com

SOCIAL ACTION

SALVATION ARMY FEEDMORE TRUCK

On the first Monday of every month Beth El volunteers ride the Salvation Army Feedmore Truck to feed the homeless at several stops downtown. Volunteers meet the truck at the Salvation Army Warehouse on Buena Vista Avenue. From there they are driven downtown and then return to the warehouse. Anyone interested in participating call, **Barbara Forman, 410-356-5542.**

BALTIMORE GREEN & JUST CELEBRATIONS GUIDE



"We are proud at Beth El Congregation to be one of the many synagogues sponsoring the Green and Just Celebrations Guide. We believe the Guide will raise the community's commitment to celebrating life cycle events in the most environmentally friendly and responsible way possible. This enhances not only the joy of these sacred occasions, but also the sense of mitzvah that is part and parcel of what they are all about. The more people involved the better it is for everyone! Let's keep spreading the word!"

—Rabbi Steve Schwartz

To view the online version, visit www.BmoreGreenandJust.org



The Men's Club has spent the last two and a half months on an aggressive campaign to build our membership. Every Board member was given twenty membership cards and asked to solicit relatives, neighbors, friends and all known Beth El members for enrollment in the Men's Club. **The introductory fee of \$18.00 for 18 months is without a doubt the best bargain in Baltimore.** We plan to celebrate our membership at our first annual Paid-Up Member Brunch in late November/early December with a special guest speaker. Stay tuned for more details.

Speaking of details, our goal of making significant contributions to the religious and social life at Beth El Congregation are materializing:

- Providing manpower for **ushering during the High Holidays**
- Co-sponsoring the **showing of "Inside Israel"** to the Confirmation class and their parents with the Israel Affairs Committee

Men's Club Family Tailgate

Ravens vs. Steelers
Sunday, October 20, Lot opens at 3:00 p.m.
Game starts at 4:25 p.m.
Hot dogs, chips, popcorn, soda included
Don't miss out on Early Sign Up, only \$30 per car!
\$36/car at the door
To reserve your spot email
jon@defenderonsecurity.com



- **Commemorating the 75th anniversary of Kristallnacht on Saturday, November 9**

Our event calendar is taking shape and we urge all congregants to mark dates of specific events on their calendars as the dates are publicized.

We certainly are **BACK** and appreciate your support of our membership campaign as well as any input regarding programming you would like to see. While our title is Men's Club, our goal is to nurture the strong **FAMILY** ties within our congregation through meaningful programming. If you have any suggestions or questions contact **Jack Boonshaft** at jmboonshaft@verizon.net.

BETH EL EVENTS' COMMITTEE PRESENTS

SUSIE FISHBEIN

kosher by design cookbook series author

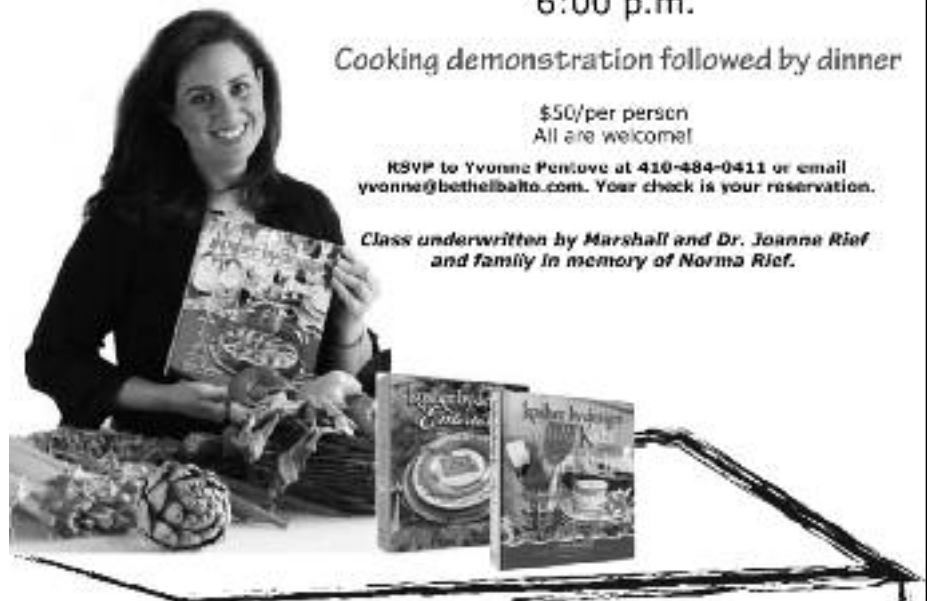
Thursday, October 10, 2013
6:00 p.m.

Cooking demonstration followed by dinner

\$50/per person
All are welcome!

RSVP to Yvonne Penlove at 410-484-0411 or email yvonne@bethelbalto.com. Your check is your reservation.

Class underwritten by Marshall and Dr. Joanne Rief and family in memory of Norma Rief.



A Little About Susie...

Susie Fishbein is a world-famous kosher cook and author. Susie has been the featured celebrity guest on cruise ships as well as at a week-long culinary adventure in the Gail in Israel. Profiled in the New York Times and on CNN, Susie has been named one of the 50 most influential Jews by the Forward. She has been a guest on dozens of network TV and radio shows. Susie was featured at the Epcot International Food and Wine Festival at Disneyworld, and taught at the Degustibus cooking school in NY. Susie was an honored guest at the White House in recognition of National Jewish Heritage Month. Just back from leading a culinary tour in Tuscany, Susie lives with her family in New Jersey.



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THE RABBI MARK G. LOEB CENTER
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ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMMING

Baltimore Board of Rabbis Adult Institute Fall 2013

Dates: October 1, 8, 15, 22
Time: 7:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m.
Instructors: Local Rabbis and Educators
Location: Baltimore Hebrew Congregation
Description: The Institute is the oldest cross-congregational learning experience in the Baltimore Jewish community. A keynote event on October 1 will be a panel discussion entitled "Tikun Olam 2013: The Jewish Community as Catalyst to Social Change" followed by HaZamir Baltimore, a singing group comprised of local teens. For weeks 2, 3, and 4, participants can choose 2 sessions from 17 different lecturers.
Fee: \$30/person, \$12/student – opening keynote only \$10/person

Yours, Mine and Ours: "Terror and Ecstasy: Great Biblical Characters and the Moments that Define Them"

Dates: Session I: Session II:
 October 9, 16, 23 February 5, 12, 19, 26
 November 6, 13, 20 March 5, 12, 19, 26
 December 4, 11, 18 April 2, 9, 30
 January 8, 15 May 7
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. (except 9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m. on the following dates: October 23, November 20, December 18, January 22, February 19, and March 19)
Instructors: Rosann Catalano, PhD, Staff Scholar at the Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies and the Beth El Rabbis
Location: Agus Library
Description: The Bible overflows with narratives of great characters, some very well known, others buried in obscure texts. In our class this year, we will study these characters through the lens of their encounter(s) with the divine; defining moments of terror or of ecstasy that redefine their self-understanding, their understanding of God, and the relationship of one to the other.
Fee: Sessions 1 and 2 – Beth El Members, \$150, non-members \$200
 Session 1 OR 2 – Beth El Members, \$100, non-members \$150

Gilbert Sandler takes us to Jewish Baltimore: Stories, History, Tzimmes, and Bubbemeises! Take a nostalgic stroll through Jewish Baltimore with Mr. Sandler here at Beth El!

Time: 7:30 p.m.
Date: Thursday, October 17, 2013
Location: Rubin Sanctuary
Description: Mr. Sandler, a well-known Baltimore historian, will delight us with his nostalgic tales of Jewish Baltimore. This program is in loving memory of Rabbi Mark G. Loeb, on his 4th yahrzeit. You won't want to miss this wonderful opening event of The Rabbi Mark G. Loeb Center for Life Long Learning. Reception following program. This evening is free and open to the community.

Computer 101: How the Computer Can Enhance Your Life!

Become acquainted with the computer! Learn to surf the web, pay your bills, shop and purchase goods and materials online, Skype with your grandchildren and other family and friends, check out YouTube, write a document without having to use Microsoft Word software, send and receive emails, and much more. This "rock bottom" hands-on experience will get you started.
Dates: October 22, 29, November 5, 12
Time: 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Berman-Lipavsky Religious School Computer Lab
Instructor: TBA
Fee: \$60 for Beth El members, \$75 for non-members

Agus Academy: Study with the Rabbis

Time: 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Location: Agus Library
Fee: No charge
Session I: "What makes Jewish Community?"
Instructor: Rabbi Steven Schwartz
Dates: October 28, November 11, 18, December 9
Description: Where does the Jewish community come from? What does it look like? How was it constructed historically, and how should it be constructed today? Drawing from traditional and contemporary sources, Rabbi Schwartz will examine the idea of what makes Jewish community tick. What are the values that bring the community together? What are the challenges that confront the community that threaten it? What are the changes that the Jewish community is wrestling with today, and how will it look in 25 years?

TZION BALTIMORE CLASSES 2013-2014

Instructor: Neil Rubin, PhD

Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., at Beth El Congregation

The Tzion curriculum is attentive both to historical context and the content of ideas. Tzion is designed as a 2-year course. Year 1 addresses the history of Zionism through the creation of the state. The focus of Year 2 is post-statehood through modern times. For more information, please contact **Jill Max**, Director Baltimore Hebrew Institute at Towson University, 410.704.7120 or jmax@towson.edu.



*October 7: Etgar Keret at TU

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| 1. October 15 | 9. December 17 | 17. March 11 |
| 2. October 22 | 10. January 14 | 18. March 25 |
| 3. October 29 | 11. January 21 | 19. April 1 |
| 4. November 5 | 12. January 28 | 20. April 8 |
| 5. November 12 | 13. February 4 | 21. April 29 |
| 6. November 19 | 14. February 11 | (make-up date if necessary) |
| 7. December 3 | 15. February 18 | |
| 8. December 10 | 16. February 25 | |

BALTIMORE HEBREW INSTITUTE ADULT EDUCATION
HEBREW COURSES AT BETH EL

Offering Introduction to Biblical Hebrew, as well as, Modern Hebrew: Absolute Beginner, Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced levels

Wednesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

For more information or to register, contact **Michelle Taylor at 410-704-7118 or mtaylor@towson.edu**

Fall 2013 (10 sessions)

cost: \$180
October: 9, 16, 23, 30
November: 6, 13, 20
December: 4, 11, 18

Spring 2014 (15 sessions)

cost: \$270
February: 5, 12, 19, 26
March: 5, 12, 19, 26
April: 2, 9, 23, 30
May: 7, 14, 21



These 1st Wednesday evenings will be light and enjoyable for anyone. We will sell beer and wine and provide non-alcoholic beverages for all. Join us at Beth El on these 1st Wednesdays.

Location: Offit Auditorium

Time: 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted

Fee: No Charge

October 2: Clipper City Brass Quintet is known for their artistry and adventurous programming. These five virtuoso brass players have performed with some of America's most esteemed orchestras. Clipper City Brass Quintet will perform Jewish music, jazz and Broadway tunes.

November 6: Lean In Panel Conversation featuring women in leadership positions in our community. This lively panel discussion, moderated by Rabbi Dana Saroken, is based on the book *Lean In: Women and the Will to Lead* by Sheryl Sandberg. Note the panel discussion is at 8:00 p.m. and followed by a reception. Panel to be announced.

MAZAL TOV TO ACHSHAV LEADERSHIP NOW, ON LAUNCHING THE INAUGURAL COHORT!

On Tuesday nights, teenagers from Beth El and Chizuk Amuno get together to learn about leadership from a Jewish perspective and how it relates to contemporary issues in their everyday lives. Students are using media, technology, conversations with community leaders, Jewish texts and their own personal experiences and perspectives to develop leadership skills that they will be able to use in high school, college, and their adult lives.

If lifelong leadership skills are not enough to capture your attention, imagine floating down the Jordan River and tipping over Rabbi Cantor's canoe. Imagine standing at the Kotel for the very first time or visiting the places you have been reading about for years and that now have come to life before your eyes.

During December of 2014 this first cohort will be traveling together to Israel on a highly subsidized leadership mission. Not only will they have the chance to tour Israel's most amazing sites, they will experience social action programming and study Israeli leadership styles first hand. It isn't too late to join the inaugural cohort!

If you would like more information about Achshav, please be in touch with **Rabbi Cantor** at faith@bethelbalto.com or **Fran Davis** in the Religious School, fran@bethelbalto.com, 410.484.4543.

PRESCHOOL NEWS: NEW FOR THE 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

PJ Comes to Beth El

Pauline Mash School for Early Childhood Education is now associated with the national program PJ Goes to School. As a PJ School, a number of advantages will be available to the preschool. The teachers of our 3 year old and 4 year old students will be invited to attend special workshops. The school will receive PJ Library books, which will be shelved in our new library space located in the Family Room. A variety of other PJ materials will be available to the children and their families. We are thrilled to be involved in this national initiative.

After School Enrichment

This year we are partnering with Coppermine Fieldhouse for our after school enrichment program. Coppermine will be offering a different activity Monday – Thursday for our children. Students who are not in the late stay program are eligible to sign up for these activities along with our late stay children. For more information on our enrichment program, please e-mail **Mandy Barish** at mandy@bethelbalto.com.

Bird Watching

In addition to our Coppermine after school programs, Ilene Vogelstein, Director of the Pre-school is offering a session on bird watching. The class will observe and catalog the different kinds of birds that visit our campus and possibly participate in the bird observation data at Cornell Lab's citizen-science project.

Teachers and Montessori

Our toddler teachers will be learning about Montessori education and incorporating some of this educational philosophy into the toddler program. As a result of this new initiative, parents will begin to see their children become more independent and focused on what is in their environment.

Professional Development

Our staff will be participating in two professional development programs this year. First is the NAEYC Conference. NAEYC is the National Association for the Education of Young Children. It is the largest professional organization for early childhood educators. This year their annual conference will be in DC and our school will close to enable the entire staff to participate in this amazing experience. In addition, the 92nd Street Y Live is offering a full day seminar for early childhood educators. The topic of the seminar is *Balancing Core Early Childhood Principles with the 21st Century Expectations* and will be available for convenient viewing in the Schuster Library.

TORAH SPARKS

Shabbat, Schuster Library, 11:00 a.m.

Beth El's Youth Minyan

Learn to lead the Shabbat morning prayers through games, stories, puppets and more! All school aged children are invited to join us!

October 12, 26 • November 9, 23 • December 21
January 25 • February 8 • March 22 • April 26 • May 10

*Grab your family and friends
and join us for IPPE Shabbat!*

Shabbat, once monthly
Schuster Library, 10:15 a.m.

IPPE Family Shabbat is led by Rabbi Faith Cantor, Morah Becky, and the amazing T'filah Team and Mitzvah Monsters. We meet at 10:15 a.m. in the Schuster Library. Families with children of all ages are invited to join us for songs, stories, and a wonderful family Shabbat experience.

Mark Your Calendar!

October 5	January 11	April 5
November 2	February 1	May 10
December 7	March 1	

TOT SHABBAT 2013-2014

Bring your tot to a Tot Shabbat service at Beth El to meet new families, to enjoy songs, stories and kiddush afterwards!

Contact **Becky Gordon** at sbgordoninc@verizon.net.

October 5, 12, 19; November 2, 9, 23; December 7; January 4, 11, 25; February 1, 22; March 1, 8, 22; April 5, 26; May 3, 17, 31



M&M Shabbat 2013 – 2014

Gorn Chapel,
5:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Join Rabbi Saroken and Cantor King for M&M Shabbat – a spirited, engaging and participatory Shabbat service for kids up to 6 years of age and their families. Feel free to bring your favorite musical instruments. Following each M&M Shabbat, we'll join together for an oneg in the Schapiro Auditorium with grape juice, challah and sweet Shabbat treats!

Make sure to mark these dates on your calendar!

October 4	January 3	April 4
November 1	February 7	May 2
December 6	March 7	June 6

COLLEGE STUDENT MAILING LIST

Through the generosity of Melvin "Mickey" and Anita Steinberg, the congregation sends out small gifts to our college students a few times during the year. Please fill out the information below so that they can receive special mailings at school. You can either mail it or bring it in to Beth El. **EVEN IF YOU HAVE GIVEN US THIS INFORMATION IN THE PAST, AND IT HAS NOT CHANGED, PLEASE SEND AGAIN.** For more information, contact **Sandi Block** at sandi@bethelbalto.com. **Please send no later than Friday, October 18** so that your child/children/grandchildren can be included! Our Hanukkah mailing goes out the week of November 1.

Student's name _____
College _____ Year to graduate _____
College mailing address _____
Student's email _____
Parents name and phone number _____

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Please recycle

SAVE THE DATE



Gambling, Prizes, Food, Drink and Free Babysitting

Do you have old bills, useless papers, and electronics to get rid of, but don't want to just throw them away? ... then you won't want to miss this!

SHREDDER TRUCK & ECYCLE EVENT

**Sunday, October 13
9:00 a.m. - 12 noon
Back Parking Lot at Beth El Congregation**

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW for the Shredder Truck!

\$10 donation suggested. ALL proceeds benefit Beth El Social Action programs On-site shredding of all paper. Now's the time to get rid of all those canceled checks, bank statements, everything you're afraid to set out with the recycling. Watch your documents destroyed in seconds and feel good that it will still be recycled.

*Please remove bindings like old check covers, 3-ring binders, etc. when possible.

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW for the Ecycle Event!

If you have any electronics that you would like to dispose of safely - this is your opportunity.

We will be collecting items in the rear parking lot. A small cash donation of \$10 will be appreciated. An additional \$10 charge for TVs will be required.

We will be collecting anything with a cord or a battery including:

Computers
Monitors (CRT & LCD)
Mouse
Keyboards
Cd Drive
DVD Drives
Floppy Drives
Aluminum
Electric Motors

Printers
Scanners
Small Appliances
Motherboards
Processors
RAM
Power Supplies
Hard Disks
DVD-RWs

External Hard Drives
Portable Hard Drives
Speakers
Bluetooth Dongles
Audio Systems
Blu-Ray Writers

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Dated Material
Please Deliver by October 1