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From the President

HAZZAN LUBIN TO *RETIRE*

By Pat Danoff

After 21 years of superb service to Congregation Beth El, Hazzan Abraham Lubin will retire on June 30, 2011. Abe joined the congregation in August 1990 as our first full-time professional hazzan. He has been our *shaliach tzibbur* (prayer leader), whose beautiful voice, heartfelt chanting of the prayers, and articulate reading of the sacred texts reached from the bimah into the hearts and souls of many congregants. On countless Shabbatot and Chagim, Hazzan Lubin's davening provided the inspiration to make our own prayers more meaningful.

Many of us have led richer Jewish

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From the Clergy

By Rabbi Bill Rudolph

5770 Year in *Review*

This is the *Scroll*'s year in review issue. As I think back over 5770 as the summer nears, I am struck by all that goes on in our world, so much that each year feels like two. I get to write about it each Wednesday, so you know in an ongoing way what is bothering or exciting me, and I get to hear from you in return.

This year may be remembered most for its snow. Who will soon forget the many days when boots were about the only rubber that hit the road, when events like b'nai mitzvah and shivah minyanim came off because of the sheer determination of family and friends that a lot of snow was not going to stand in the way?

You must have noticed how green and bountiful were the spring grasses and flowers this year. All that snow did serve to nourish the landscape and give us natural beauty (and pollen) such as we rarely see. There is a metaphor here. Problems and challenges are also opportunities. Tough and difficult days can prepare us to appreciate the better days that follow. The appreciation happens best when it is shared with and nourished by a community that feels our pain and shares our joys. I hope Beth El is one such community for you. It is for many members, and we keep worrying and working to see that it is so for more and more.

As a congregation, we were blessed with another good year, a year of continued growth despite the recession and the dismal Jewish demographics that affected so many Jewish organizations in adverse ways. This issue will highlight some of the programs and projects that give our shul its special energy. Enjoy. ■

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Dues Unchanged in 2010-2011

By Robert Rubin

Every year, the Budget and Finance Committee meets in late January or early February to develop a budget for the next fiscal year. As Beth El treasurer, I chaired this year's committee, whose members included Howard Berger, Jeffrey Grill, Bucky Jacobson, Dale Rosenthal, and Bob Zahler, along with significant participation by Executive Director Sheila Bellack. Developing the budget is a balancing act. Factors such as past experiences, ongoing needs, trends, and new opportunities serve as the basis for our deliberations.

The past five years have seen significant expansion in the depth and breadth of Beth El's programming. This diversity has attracted 379 new members, resulting in a net membership growth of 17 percent since June 2005. In 2009, while many congregations in our area were experiencing declines, Beth El continued to grow, although at a slightly lower rate. Our expanding congregation and increasing dues have funded the new programs. Dues increases instituted over the past five years, however, have made Beth El's dues higher than we want in comparison with other congregations in our area.

Unanimous Approval

Given this situation and a recovering, but still fragile, economy, the Budget and Finance Committee unanimously voted not to increase dues in the fiscal 2011 budget. This recommendation was endorsed by the Board of Directors and approved by the congregation at the annual meeting in May.

What will be the impact on our program offerings? For 2011, a combination of dues and continued cost-containment efforts plus expanded fundraising will enable us to provide the level of funding required to meet our congregation's current needs. To meet future needs, we'll need to expand our current fundraising programs, specifically Pillars of Beth El, the Gala, and voluntary "economic stimulus" contributions, and to develop other sources of revenue. A Long-Term Development Committee, chaired by Bucky Jacobson (vice president of finance and development), has recently begun to identify new revenue sources. The committee's goal is to create a comprehensive set of short-, medium-, and long-term giving programs designed to increase participation by all our members.

Beth El members have always been generous in their support. Formalizing our fundraising efforts and supporting the efforts of the Long-Term Development Committee represent important steps in ensuring that diverse and stimulating program offerings will be available for many years to come. ■

Sisterhood

Exult and Rejoice

By Donna Vogel

Hallel—for many of us, a prayer of praise so familiar, yet unexamined. We recite these moving selections from Psalms on all the Festivals, but do we really think about them? Leading a session of learning and discussion on May 5, artist, author, and scholar Debra Band showed members of Sisterhood a different way to look at the themes of the Hallel.

In her book, *I Will Wake the Dawn*, Debra has illuminated 36 psalms, including the psalms of the Hallel. For each psalm, artwork frames facing pages of Hebrew and English calligraphy. Debra has interpreted the texts in the light of midrash (traditional learning and modern study) to express what the words mean in our own time.

Debra began her presentation at Beth El with the Hallel's opening verse, Psalm 113, which describes two situations—helping the poor and a once-barren woman bearing children. On the Hebrew side of the page, one man raises another from his troubles; on the English side, a mother cherishes her child (see accompanying illustrations). The skies over the text depict the stars as they appeared on the day of Israel's independence in 1948 and on the reunification of Jerusalem in 1967. Letters from the Hallel appear in gold around the edges, symbolizing our ability to praise God in our own words. The combined effect is of individuals living life on Earth, in awe of divine power and in hope of divine rescue from tribulation.

The illustrations for Psalm 114 show the events of the Exodus at the Red Sea and the Jordan. Both the text and the images widen our view from the individual to all b'nai Israel. Now we are a nation and collectively owe praise to God.

Psalm 115 reminds us that only the living can pray. It is important to stay alive and well in order to praise the Almighty. On one page, the artwork recalls the story of young Abram breaking the idols. On the facing page, an almond branch signifies fruitfulness, Aaron's leadership, and the rebirth of the Jewish people.

The mood of Psalm 116 turns dark. The Psalmist has suffered torment, yet has trust in divine protection. The images connect martyrs across the years, from Roman times to the Shoah. Letters rising from a burning scroll and ritual objects from the camps evoke undying faith, even in the face of death. Although brief, the text from Psalm 117 is an important turning point in the mood of Hallel, for it addresses all the nations. The gentle curves of the art suggest openness and generosity of the God of Israel toward all who stand in awe.

The Hallel concludes with Psalm 118, a message of the eternity and constancy of God's lovingkindness. ■

Sisterhood General Meeting

In Whose Image?

Stefanie Gilbert, Beth El congregant, psychologist, and expert in women's relationships with food, will discuss eating and body image at the Sisterhood General Meeting on Sunday, June 6, at 10:30 am. Her talk follows the annual meeting and election of officers at 9:30 am.

Stefanie graduated from Harvard University, where she received the Psychology Department Faculty Prize for her work on anorexia nervosa, and she received a PhD degree in clinical psychology from the University of South Florida. A professor in the Psychology Department and Women's Studies Program at Howard University since 1999, she has written extensively on eating disorders and body image. She was the president of the Washington Society for the Study of Eating Disorders from 2000-2006 and has served as a board member of the organization ever since.

Stefanie is in private practice in downtown Bethesda, where she works with adolescents and adults who struggle with eating disorders, anxiety, depression, and relationship issues. Stefanie's son, Marek Haar, will celebrate his bar mitzvah at Beth El in August. Her Web site is www.stefaniegilbert.com.

Sisterhood members and guests—men and women—are encouraged to attend the brief meeting and election and then enjoy the presentation. No reservations are necessary. Refreshments will be served. ■

Men's Club

Tikkun Olam

Build-a-Bear Journey to Ghana

By Marc Levitt

Hazzan Lubin introduces his son-in-law.

A bear finds a home in Ghana.

In my day job in Cincinnati, I am a pediatric colorectal surgeon at Cincinnati Children's Hospital. When I am in the Washington area, I am the son-in-law of Hazzan Abe and Sandy Lubin. I'm married to their younger daughter, Shary. At a talk to the Men's Club on the day before the first seder in March, I described how the tikkun olam Build-a-Bear project undertaken by the Youth Group, under Adam Zeren's leadership, brought joy to sick children in Ghana.

Our team of 26 members from Cincinnati, Seattle, New York, the Netherlands, South Africa, and Israel traveled to Accra, the capital of Ghana, in January to perform surgery on young patients. We worked with 4 local pediatric surgeons and 10 nurses at the 2,200-bed Korle Bu Teaching Hospital in Accra and performed 26 reconstructive operations on children with colorectal problems. These medical conditions are actually implied in a daily prayer in the Siddur (see sidebar on page 13).

Bears Are Distributed

Several nonmedical volunteers who had joined the trip distributed the beautiful bears to the children around the hospital. They also created a playroom at the hospital, complete with shelves and bins stocked with toys and games.

I wish that the children of Beth El who worked so hard on the bears could have seen the smiles the bears elicited from the children at Korle Bu. The Beth El children have participated in the highest form of tzedakah–giving to someone anonymously. The Youth Group participants knew only that they were helping a child somewhere far away. I am proud to report back that they achieved their goal.

Determination to Obtain Treatment

Families traveled from all over Ghana, and from Liberia and Cameroon, to receive care. Some of the children had been living for years with conditions that would have been treated during infancy in the United States. We saw the patients' homes and their modes of transportation. These images are reminders of how lucky we are.

To reach the hospital, a patient named Haoua, who lives in Meiganga, a small village in Cameroon, traveled for three days by bus, train, and airplane across more than 800 miles in portions of four countries. It was the first time Haoua's mother had traveled so far. Haoua, who was six months old when she arrived in Ghana, needed complex reconstructive colorectal surgery. Dr. Brown, a surgeon in Cameroon, sought help from a surgeon he knew in Pennsylvania, who ultimately referred the case to me. Cincinnati Children's Hospital and I agreed to take on Haoua's case at no charge, but she would

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UPCOMING MEN'S CLUB EVENTS

Thursday, June 3, 8:30 pm Hearing Men's Voices: David Margulies will facilitate a discussion of "War: Jewish Perspectives on a Recurrent Problem."

Sunday, June 6, 9:30 am Annual meeting and election. For the current list of officers and other program leaders, see the updated pages for Men's Club at the Beth El Web site, www.bethelmc.org under "Groups." We need men to take on many responsibilities in the club for the future. If you are potentially interested, please contact David Margulies to discuss your participation.

Sunday, June 13, 9:30 am Disscussion of Cantors' Assembly visit to Poland and Israel.

Saturday, June 26, 7:45 pm Mincha/Havdalah, including third Shabbat meal (Seudah Shlishit), and Ma'ariv.

Sunday, June 27, 9:30 am Mark Milner, a cardiologist and member of Beth El, will speak about "Cardiac Risk Prevention."

Sunday speakers are preceded by a lox and bagel breakfast following the 9:00 am minyan. Members and non-members, including women and children, are invited.

Community Torah Institute

The Sacredness of Leadership

By Barry Pupkin

The 11th Annual Community Torah Institute in February included scholars from three different faiths, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, who examined the concept of leadership from the perspective of their scriptures. Using the Torah, Bible, and Qur'an, the scholars described a leader's characteristics and skills, how leaders are able to lead, and what limits their power. The three scholars spoke in a plenary session and then led small discussion groups.

After a brief introduction by Rabbi Rudolph, Rachel Friedman, associate dean and chair of Tanakh Studies at the Drisha Institute for Jewish Education in New York City, stated that among the qualities of a good leader are vision, passion, clarity of goals, charisma, humility, humanity, ability to adapt to change, and the ability to plan for the future.

In the Torah—for the first time—leaders are seen not as gods but as human beings with human flaws who may abuse their power, Ms. Friedman observed. The Torah acknowledges that power corrupts and that absolute power does, in fact, corrupt absolutely. Consequently, she said, the Torah sets boundaries on power and leadership. Leaders who overstep the boundaries must be punished. The Torah has many examples of the abuse of power and its punishment, including Pharaoh and King David.

Ms. Friedman argued that the Torah created a new political paradigm that is closer to modern-day governance than it is to monarchist, inherited, and unlimited power. The Torah makes the power of leadership transparent, limiting and restraining that power through laws applicable and knowable by all the people.

The next speaker, Dr. G. Wilson Gunn, Jr., the general presbyter of the National Capital Presbytery, explained that in the Christian tradition, God's relationship with people is based on love and that leadership is love. Leaders, he said, are supposed to empower those they lead, but Christian scriptures offer no recipe for leadership. Good leaders will guide their followers with a moral vision of the future and will use moral force to transform the future for the good of society. The cornerstone of such moral force is love as manifested in Jesus.

All of us, leaders and followers alike, Dr. Gunn contended, are children of God through faith, and all are one through Jesus. It is this unifying concept that has motivated many Christian leaders, including Dr. Martin Luther King, Nelson Mandela, and today's advocates for gay and lesbian rights, to be inclusive in their leadership. Concluding his remarks, Dr. Gunn said that in Christianity it is critical for leaders to embrace hope and change because God always wants to make us better. We are the shore, he said, that is constantly shaped by waves of love.

The final speaker was Shaikh Javid Bhaiyat, imam of the Islamic Community Center of Laurel. The imam said that the Qur'an makes it clear that questioning a leader is acceptable because leaders must be one with the people and not isolated from them. Leaders must know and understand the fears, wants, disappointments, and successes of those they lead and must be able to bring out the best in people.

Islamic leaders, including the Prophet Mohammed, teach the principles that God taught to Adam, Imam Bhaiyat said. Although there are no more prophets, we have their writings, and good leaders follow the prophets' moral authority, he pointed out. It is important that leaders obey God and his messengers. In the Islamic tradition, he added, perseverance and patience are important attributes of leadership.

Rabbi Rudolph summed up the positions of the three scholars as follows:

1. In the Jewish tradition, leaders are constrained by the law, and the law is designed to limit the power of leaders.
2. In the Christian tradition, leadership cannot exist in a vacuum, and leadership derives from the inclusive power of the followers.
3. In Islamic tradition, trust is a vital component of leadership, and a good leader needs to be moral and serve God.

After the plenary session, individual scholars expanded on their ideas in breakout sessions. Future institutes are expected to continue the interfaith dialogue. ■

Pillars of Beth El Update

Pillars of Beth El continues to need your support. Pillars is a restricted fund that helps to underwrite reductions in dues and Religious School tuition for congregants who are unable to pay the full amount. For further information, please contact Sheila Bellack at sbellack@bethelmc.org or 301-652-2606, ext. 306.

Todah rabbah to those who have made a commitment to Pillars from January through April 27, 2010: **Shari and Stephen Ashman, Melanie and David Bachrach, Leesa Fine and Milan Kubic, Eleanor and Sam Frishman, Hy Garfinkel, Sharon Pohoryles and James Gelb, Mitzi and Max Goldman, Susan Emmer and David Goodfriend, Arielle and Jeffrey Grill, Deborah and Clifford Hendler, Margery and Joe Hoffman, Carl Leventhal, Linda and Andrew Loewinger, and Sheryl Rosensky Miller and Lee Miller.** ■

Young Leadership Award

By Linda Orenstein

Arielle and Jeffrey Grill, Beth El members for six years, received the Azor Hof Hayam Award for Young Leadership from the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, Seaboard Region, on April 25 at Chizuk Amuno Congregation in Baltimore.

Bashert is a Yiddush word meaning something was meant to be, destined. That could describe the Grills. After attending Duke University for her undergraduate degree, Arielle, a native of Rockville, went to the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Jeffrey, who grew up on Long Island and graduated from the State University of New York at Albany, was in his second year at Penn Law School. An advisor to first-year students, he chose to mentor a group of students whose last name began with the letters G and H because it had the greatest number of Jewish girls in it. Jeffrey found Arielle, whose maiden name is Horman. So bashert or premeditated?

Arielle and Jeffrey have three children—Adam, 5 years old, 8-year-old Noah, and 11-year-old Jason, whose bar mitzvah is scheduled for March 2012. When they are not busy with their family at home, the Grills are busy at Beth El. The family frequently participates in Nitzanim family services. Jeffrey, a partner at the Pillsbury, Winthrop, Shaw, Pittman law firm, is a trustee on the Beth El Board and serves on the finance committee.

Arielle was a cofounder of the young Sisterhood group, Zhava, in 2006. She served for four years on the Beth El Preschool Board and now chairs it. Arielle participated in the Beth El Clergy Planning Committee and is active in membership recruiting. Currently a stay-at-home mom, she is a member of the Bradley Hills Elementary School PTA and recently helped lobby successfully for an addition to the school.

Mazal tov to Arielle and Jeffrey Grill on receiving the Young Leadership Award. Previous award recipients are Rachelle and Mitchell Solkowitz, Sharon Fine Katz, and Mindy and Bucky Jacobson. ■

The BEENs COLUMN
(Beth El Empty Nesters)

Beth El Empty Nesters are people in their late 40s to early 60s who no longer have or never had children at home and wish to connect with others in our community at the same stage of life. For general information, call Paola Bolasny at 301-652-2606. To be added to our email list, contact Gale Dutcher at info@bethelmc.org.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Sunday, June 6, 6:00 pm: Spring potluck dairy dinner at the Binders. RSVP to Cathy Binder at info@bethelmc.org or 301-652-2606 no later than June 3.

Sunday, August 8: Summer barbecue at Rabbi Rudolph's home.

Shir Atid

On Sunday, May 2, members of Shir Atid, Beth El's children's choir, performed at the Community Israel Celebration at the JCC of Greater Washington in Rockville.

Youth Activities

An Excellent Year of Youth Adventures

By Adam Zeren

It is unbelievable to me that I am closing my third year as Beth El Youth Director, and I'm happy to report that we've had an excellent year.

Beth El's USY and Kadima groups, for students in grades 6 through 12, have nearly doubled in size in the past three years. With membership in both groups at about 70, they are among the largest chapters in the Seaboard Region. Our youth had an excellent year, enjoying conventions at Virginia Beach, Capital Camps, and Camp Louise. We had amazing teen Shabbat services, tasty Shabbat dinners, a special Yom Ha'atzmaut party, and other great events.

Our Kadima basketball team, coached by Josh Levin, finished in third place this season. We'd also like to thank Sam Olchyk, who is retiring after many years as our USY basketball coach. He has done a great job. Next winter we will welcome Bill Kapner as our new coach.

Our younger youth groups, Bonim and Machar (kindergarten through fifth grade), also had a fantastic year. More youth than ever participated in events like challah baking, tie-dyeing, yoga, and a Passover Lego party.

Host Families Needed

As we head into the summer, we are yet again hosting a USY on Wheels bus. It has become a Beth El tradition to provide home hospitality to 45 teens traveling cross-country. This year, the teens will be in the Washington area June 29 to July 1. As hosts, we need homes for the USYers for two nights. If you can house two or more teens who will arrive the evening of June 29 and depart in the morning on July 1, please let me know at azeren@bethelmc.org. All you need to do is provide a bed, two breakfasts, two bag lunches, and transportation to and from Beth El.

Finally, please mark your calendars now for September 26, when we kick off the next Youth Department year by bringing back the music of Rick Recht. Also, look in your mailbox and email over the summer for membership forms and youth calendars for 2010-2011. Everyone in the Youth Department wishes you a safe, relaxing summer. ■

Be a Trooper

Beth El's very own Boy Scout troop has been busy. This year we have four new scouts, with six boys planning to go to summer camp for a week this month. Scouting trips have included backpacking on the Appalachian Trail and camping at the Marsden Tract off MacArthur Boulevard, at Treetops in West Virginia, and on Assateague Island. At the Hanukkah party Court of Honor, Scoutmaster Seth Levita recognized two new Star Scouts (just two ranks short of Eagle).

We'd love to include your son in this Jewish troop, which welcomes boys in grades 6 to 12. It's a fine way to expand your son's enjoyment of Jewish life. To learn more, contact Barb Siegel at info@bethelmc.org. ■

Family Education's

End-of-the-Year Celebration

A morning of fun for your family!

Sunday, June 13

11:00 am – 12:30 pm

JFGH Purim Party

Beth El's Day Schools Committee sponsored a Purim Party for the Jewish Foundation for Group Homes, and it was a tremendous success. 100 JFGH residents attended, and over 25 day school families supported the event.

Mitzvah Day

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Thanksgiving Service

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Latkes v. Hamantashen Debate

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Tzedakah Bake Sale

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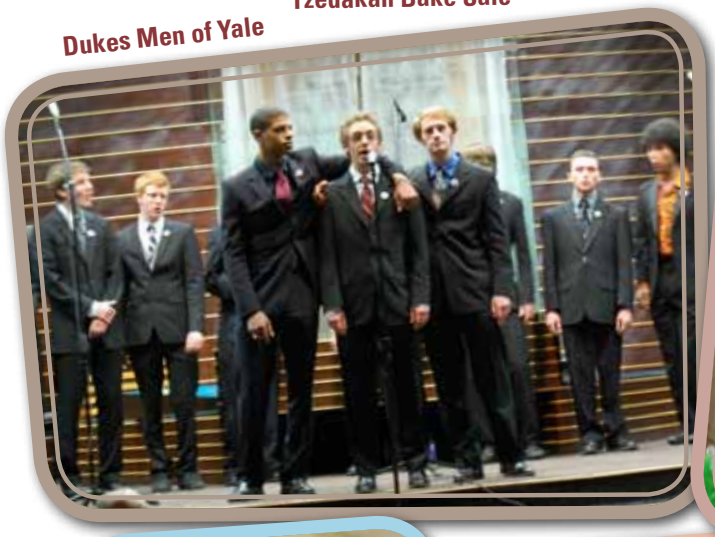

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Jews, Brews, and More!

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Library Corner

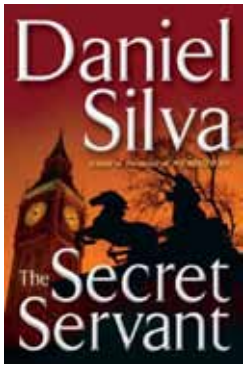
Sizzling Summer Suspense

By Robin Jacobson

You live a prudent, sensible life, but you secretly burn to experience life on the edge. Before you explore opportunities to fight leopards or hang from a trapeze over the Grand Canyon this summer, consider expressing your inner daredevil by visiting the Beth El Library. The thrillers of Daniel Silva, David Liss, and Frank Tallis will add a megashot of adrenalin to your vacation.

Daniel Silva: Art and Espionage

Before becoming a novelist, Daniel Silva was a Middle East correspondent for United Press International and a producer for CNN. Now he blends world politics into the death-defying exploits of his fictional hero, Gabriel Allon. The 10th book in the series, *The Rembrandt Affair*, will be released next month.

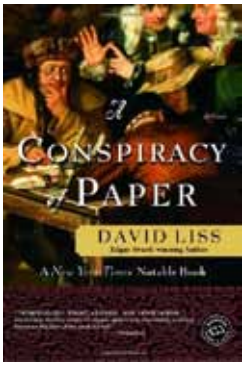


Allon is an agent for Israel's elite intelligence service called "The Office," which is based on Israel's Mossad (whose officers are reportedly fans of Silva's books). A reluctant James Bond, Allon accepts perilous missions but much prefers his "day job" as an expert restorer of Old Master paintings. He was studying at Israel's Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design when recruited for his first mission, Operation Wrath of God. Leading a skilled team, Allon successfully hunted down and killed the terrorists who murdered Israeli athletes at the 1972 Munich Olympics. Afterwards, Allon returned to Israel with a legendary reputation, prematurely gray hair, and a tormented soul. Forever after, he was the go-to guy for clandestine operations that protected the Jewish state. Silva uses his hero's globetrotting escapades to examine serious themes, among them, the roles played by the Catholic Church and "neutral" Switzerland in the Holocaust, Islamic terrorism, and dangerous antidemocratic forces in post-Soviet Russia. One motif, however, plays across all the books—anxiety about Israel's future. As one reviewer noted, "Behind every adventure in a Silva novel is the reminder of Israel's fragile survival."

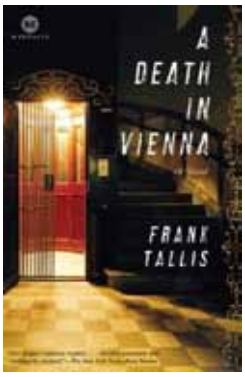
David Liss: Financial Skullduggery

David Liss' historical novels combine murder and monetary intrigue. *A Conspiracy of Paper*, set in 18th-century London, introduces Benjamin Weaver, a former Jewish prizefighter, embarking on a new career as a private detective and all-around tough guy. Weaver's professional investigations turn personal when he learns that his father has been murdered, possibly in connection with a scam in the volatile new stock market.

The Coffee Trader goes back to 1659, the time of Weaver's ancestor, Miguel Lienzo, a Portuguese Jew who fled to Amsterdam to escape the Inquisition. Lienzo schemes to control the market for coffee, an exotic, energizing new beverage that Lienzo predicts will become the "drink of commerce." Among Lienzo's many adversaries is the Ma'amad, the fiercely protective governing body of Amsterdam's Portuguese Jewish community, which prohibits Jewish/Christian commercial ventures.



Frank Tallis: Murder In Sigmund Freud's Vienna



The mysteries of Frank Tallis, a London clinical psychologist, are set in turn-of-the-20th-century Vienna (*Death In Vienna*, *Vienna Blood*, *Fatal Lies*, and *Vienna Secrets*). A dazzling hub of culture and science, Vienna is also home to a menacing movement of anti-Semitic Aryan supremacists. The mysteries feature Jewish physician Max Lieberman, a disciple of Sigmund Freud and sometime consultant on perplexing murder cases. When not using psychoanalytic tools to solve crimes, Max and his friend, Inspector Oskar Rheinhardt, savor the delights of Viennese society. They perform Schubert duets (Max plays the piano, and Oskar sings), attend art exhibitions and concerts, and indulge in delectably described Viennese pastries at gilded cafes. The reader knows, as the characters cannot, that Nazism will eventually destroy Vienna's vibrant intellectual life. When a crude swastika is found at a murder scene, Lieberman wonders curiously what the "broken cross" symbolizes. The reader cannot help but shudder. ■

Looking for Old *Scrolls*

The Beth El Archives Committee is looking for old copies of the *Scroll* to preserve our communal history and make it Web searchable. If you have copies from before 1990, please contact Leesa Fine at 301-652-2606 or info@bethelmc.org. ■

Religious School

Fifth Grade Teachers

by Diana Huffman

MARILYN FINE

Although Marilyn Fine has been teaching at the Beth El Religious School only for five years, she has been a fixture on the Jewish education scene in this area for many years—43 to be exact. A Washington native, Marilyn has taught at synagogue schools in Wheaton, Rockville, Silver Spring, Temple Hills, and Bowie and at several area day schools, including the Hebrew Academy, The Jewish Primary Day School, the Yeshiva of Greater Washington, and the Aleph Bet Jewish Day School in Annapolis.

Marilyn, who has a master's degree in education as well as a National Jewish Teacher's License, says that teaching at Beth El is special because "the children are bright and engaging and come prepared to learn and participate, and the parents are interested and supportive."

Being a Jewish educator is a full-time career for Marilyn. In addition to teaching fifth grade at Beth El, she teaches a weekly Beth El adult Torah class and another class in a private home and has taught Saul Bendit Institute classes for the past seven semesters. She is also a bar and bat mitzvah tutor for students from Beth El and other congregations.

Master teacher, Marilyn Fine

When she is not teaching, Marilyn enjoys music, Israeli dancing, and swimming. She founded the youth choir at Nevey Shalom in Bowie and the Ragley Rinah dance troupe at the University of Maryland Hillel. She enjoys attending the annual Beth El Megillah Madness incognito, dressed up head-to-toe in a costume but disguising her voice. "All evening one year, a child kept approaching me saying, 'Are you Mrs. Fine? No can't be.' The next day of Religious School, I wore part of my costume, and the student walked into class, took one look, and said, 'Oh my gosh, it *was* you.'"

In addition to entertaining her students at Purim, Marilyn wants them to "appreciate just how small a tip of the Judaic iceberg we are able to address together in our limited time and to encourage them to explore that iceberg further. And I want them to feel a sense of pride in their heritage and their own accomplishments." ■

SIG NEUBAUER

This year is Sig Neubauer's first year of teaching at Beth El and indeed his first experience teaching, unless you count teaching chess many years ago. Sig, who was born in Lillehammer, Norway, and has lived in New York and Israel, has a BA in political science and French literature and an MA in Jewish History from Yeshiva University.

Sig is a media analyst/research specialist at SOS International, Ltd., a Defense Department contractor. He specializes in geopolitical and defense analysis of the Middle East, particularly Israel, Syria, and Iran. He also volunteers for Young Professionals in Foreign Policy, leading their diplomatic relations program. His outside interests range from chess and classical music to scuba diving and jogging.

Sig says Beth El is a wonderful and dynamic congregation. "The kids and teachers make all the difference," he notes. He particularly enjoys learning about the students' special insight into what it means to be Jewish in America during the holiday season. He says his goal for his class is simple, namely, "to make Hebrew School fun and enriching." ■

College Outreach Reaches Out

By Abbie Eckland and Janet Getz

It's June, and we offer congratulations to all Beth El families with students graduating from high school and college. Your students stay in the Beth El family long after they leave home. During the past school year, the Beth El College Outreach Committee, with assistance from Ricardo Munster, Pam Kocher, and our wonderful Beth El staff, sent 118 Hanukkah and Pesach packages to students at 67 colleges and universities around the country.

In the Pesach care package, we were pleased to include *Myths and Facts: A Guide to the Arab-Israeli Conflict,* written by Dr. Mitchell Bard, executive director of the nonprofit American-Israeli Cooperative Enterprise (AICE) and director of the Jewish Virtual Library, the world's most comprehensive online encyclopedia of Jewish history and culture. This book is a valuable resource for our students when issues and questions about U.S.-Israeli relations arise on campus.

Our college and graduate students stay connected

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need to come to Cincinnati. I asked Dr. Brown if the child could be brought to Ghana instead, and with the help of many mitzvah doers along the way, she was. The operation performed on January 18 was a complete success.

Sustained Medical Effort

Unlike medical missions that supply rudimentary care in remote places, the trip to Ghana provided high-level care in a city that already offers reasonably good health services. We hoped to bring expertise to the local surgeons and nurses so they could take better care of patients in their region and from across Africa in the future. Our team expects to return yearly for three years. We realized that just showing up there was not as beneficial as developing something sustainable.

The Colorectal Center at Cincinnati Children's where I work has cared for patients from more than 80 countries and all 50 states. The costs of the mission to Ghana are covered by provate donations and by a grant from Smile Train. I was asked by the Men's Club whether I felt frustration at how big the need is relative to the help we were able to provide. It is a key question and in my view is the essence of tikkun olam.

My response was to tell the story of the starfish. A little boy was walking along a beach and found hundreds of starfish stranded by a low tide, baking in the hot sun. He began throwing them back into the sea one at a time. An old fisherman walked by and said to the boy, "Why are you wasting your time? How can you possibly make a difference?" The boy held up one starfish, threw it back into the waves, and said, "It makes a difference to this one." ■

Daily Prayer

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה׳ אֱלֹקֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
אֲשֶׁר יָצַר אֶת הָאָדָם בְּחָכְמָה,
וּבָרָא בוֹ נְקָבִים נְקָבִים, חֲלוּלִים חֲלוּלִים,
גָּלוּי וְיָדוּעַ לִפְנֵי כִסֵּא כְבוֹדֶךָ שֶׁאִם יִפָּתֵחַ
אֶחָד מֵהֶם, אוֹ יִסָּתֵם אֶחָד מֵהֶם,
אִי אֶפְשָׁר לְהִתְקַיֵּם וְלַעֲמוֹד לְפָנֶיךָ:
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה׳, רוֹפֵא כָל בָּשָׂר, וּמַפְלִיא לַעֲשׂוֹת:

Blessed are you, Adonai, our God, who rules the universe, fashioning the human body in wisdom, creating openings, arteries, glands, and organs, marvelous in structure, intricate in design. Should but one of them fail to function by being blocked or opened, it would be impossible to survive and to serve You. Blessed are You, Adonai, our God, healer of all flesh, sustaining our bodies in wondrous ways.

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lives because of the skills Abe taught us and the vast amount of knowledge he shared so generously. He promoted Jewish music in the shul through the Ahavat Shir adult choir, Shir Atid children's choir, and Marak Hayom, the teen a cappella group. In addition to encouraging members to make music, he often arranged for other hazzanim and musicians to perform at Beth El.

Touching All of Us

For more than two decades, Hazzan Lubin officiated at our life-cycle events. He gave Hebrew names to children, called youth to the Torah as b'nai mitzvah, chanted the *sheva brachot* (seven blessings) at weddings, visited the sick, offered prayers for the departed, and led shiva minyanim. I doubt there is a family in the congregation whose life he has not touched in some way.

Sandy Lubin has also been an active and treasured member of the congregation. She has served on the Sisterhood Board, helped plan the Women's Seder and Friday night Shabbat dinners, and participated in many other aspects of synagogue life. The Lubins have made many close friends during their years in Bethesda, and this brief article cannot begin to describe all the ways in which they have enriched our lives and helped make Beth El the special place it is today.

Throughout the coming year, we will have the opportunity to celebrate with Sandy and Abe and show them how much they mean to our congregational family. A farewell gala will be held on Sunday evening, May 22, 2011. The search for a new hazzan will begin later this summer, and we anticipate having him or her in place before the High Holidays 2011. ■

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during the school year through Rabbi Rudolph's weekly email messages containing witty and timely Jewish thoughts and, of course, jokes.

The Beth El College Outreach Committee also prepared a directory of college students' names and addresses and shared it with families of high-school juniors and seniors who may be making college visits.

We need your help to keep our email and mailing lists current. Please email your child's college address for the 2010-11 school year to RMunster@bethelmc.org. We are grateful to the synagogue and to Sisterhood for making possible all this dreidel spinning and matzah munching in dorm rooms around the country. We hope you'll consider honoring your student's accomplishments with a gift to the Beth El College Outreach Fund. ■

Contributions

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Hazzan Lubin by David and Jackie Levine
Thanks for Hazzan Lubin's help in preparing Jeremy for his bar mitzvah by Larry and Ann Kaplan
In appreciation of Hazzan Lubin for his support during shiva for my mother and for leading our minyan with his special voice and words by Harvey and Jennifer Gershman

In Memory Of:

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My father, Martin Meyer Friedman, by Debbie Friedman
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College Activities Fund

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Yahrzeit of Albert Langerman, father of my beloved wife, Dr. Elaine Shalowitz, by Erwin Shalowitz
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All the congregants who braved the blizzard to make Jeremy's bar mitzvah so special by Larry and Ann Kaplan
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Bar mitzvah of my nephew, Ricardo Munster, by Judy and Frank Kasle
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Mazon

In Memory Of:

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My beloved grandmother, Rose Birnbach, by Sarah Birnbach

Morning Minyan Fund

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Louis Lerman by Allen and Barbara Lerman
My dear mother, Gertrude Kossman, by Mary Dubrow

Prayerbook Fund

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Gail Ross on her bat mitzvah, February 27, 2010, by Joan and Joel Simon

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Anabel and Josef holding the Torah on Pesach by Jonathan and Eileen Kay
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Esther Isralow's becoming a bat mitzvah by Claire Marwick
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My aliyah on the seventh day of Pesach by Daniel Mann
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In Honor Of:

Amanda Ford's receiving the Golda Meir Award on Sisterhood Shabbat by Claire Marwick

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Babynaming of our daughter, Evelyn Dagny May, by Benjamin May and Vanessa Gluck-May
Amanda Ford, for being so great to work with in planning Jeremy's kiddush lunch, by Larry and Ann Kaplan

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Beverly Berman on the death of her father, **Leonard Neumann**

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Helen Friedkin on the death of her uncle, longtime congregant **Martin Dembo**

Craig Futterman on the death of his brother, **Robert Futterman**

Gene Goott on the death of his father, **Daniel Goott**

Michele Alan Greenberg on the death of her father, **Leopold Zweig**

Jodi Krame on the death of her father, **Martin Mintzer**

Joanne Weinberg on the death of her mother, **Lorraine Ochman**

Mazal Tov to

Ellen and Norman Eule on the birth of their first grandchild, **Madeline Cayla Eule**, daughter of **Alexander and Michelle Eule**, on April 22 in New York City.

Candice and Alan Goldstein on the birth of their son, **Koby Ilan Goldstein**, on March 28. Proud big brother and sister are Micah and Daphna.

Rabbi Greg Harris on his election as president of the Washington, DC, Board of Rabbis

Michael and Carla Kieval on the birth of their daughter, **Leslie Talia Kieval**, on April 6. Proud big sister is Isabelle.

Irving and Margy Nurik on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary

Arthur Popper on receiving the University of Maryland Regents Faculty Award

Noteworthy

Bridge – the greatest game ever! Join us every Monday. Drop in and join a game; no partner necessary. Contact Shirley Levine at info@bethelmc.org or 301-652-2606. If you are interested in playing but don't have transportation, please call Roz Sporn at 301-652-2606, Richard Belferman at 301-652-2606, or Claire Marwick at 301-652-2606. They will try to arrange transportation for you.

Vatikkim Brown Bag Lunch, second and fourth Thursdays of the month at noon, Zahler Social Hall. Socialize with your friends, and enjoy light refreshments and dessert. One of our clergy members will join the group and lead a discussion.

Roundtable with the Rabbi, Wednesday, June 2 at 2:00 pm. Join us to celebrate June's birthdays (yours and those of others) with desserts, coffee, and a lively and challenging discussion led by Rabbi Rudolph. Birthday celebrants receive a special invitation, but all are welcome each month.

Senior Art Class Is Back! Tuesday, June 8, 1:30 to 2:30 pm. Discover your hidden talent and join this wonderful creative experience! All materials will be provided by the instructor, Jerry Ross. No art experience required. This once-a-month activity is free; seating is limited. Contact Ricardo Munster at rmunster@bethelmc.org or 301-652-8569, ext. 316.

Senior Caucus – Vatikkim – Luncheon Program, June 17 at noon. Following lunch, our program will be "The Weatherman Is Here!" Keith Allen, Verizon's weatherman for more than 20 years, will talk about this past winter's weather and the forecast for this summer—anything you wanted to know about the weather. Lunch begins at noon and costs $7. To RSVP for lunch, call Ricardo Munster at 301-652-8569, ext. 316 or rmunster@bethelmc.org, by Tuesday, June 15. The program is free and begins after lunch at 1:00 pm.

Weekly Parashiot

Source: Siddur Sim Shalom

Sh'lach L'kha

June 5, 23 Sivan

Moses dispatches 12 spies to Canaan. Ten report that the land is unconquerable. The people panic, wanting to return to Egypt. Caleb and Joshua exhort Israel to fulfill God's plan. The uprising persists, and God condemns the people to wander in the desert for 40 years. God also commands the wearing of tzitzit, in order to prompt Israel to remember and to observe all of God's mitzvot and to be holy before God, who has brought them out of Egypt to be their God.

Korach

June 12, 30 Sivan

Korach leads a rebellion against Moses and Aaron. God causes the earth to open, swallowing Korach and his followers. These deaths lead to grumbling among the people, further provoking God's wrath. A plague befalls the people, killing many. God arranges for a divine sign—the flowering of Aaron's rod—to affirm Aaron's priesthood and quiet the people. God reiterates the duties of priests and Levites.

Hukkat

June 19, 7 Tammuz

God ordains the sacrifice of a red heifer to purify those having contact with the dead. Miriam dies. When the people complain about a lack of water, Moses strikes a rock instead of speaking to it as God instructs. Consequently, God informs Moses, Moses may not enter the Promised Land. The Israelites skirt Edom when it refuses them safe passage. Aaron dies. After conquering the Canaanites and Amorites, Israel encamps on Moab across the Jordan from Jericho.

Balak

June 26, 14 Tammuz

Balak, king of Moab, sends for a diviner, Balaam, to curse the Israelites so that Moab might drive them off. Balaam refuses, as God orders. Balak offers more gold; Balaam sets out. Yet his ass sees what Balaam cannot: God's angel barring the way. Balaam perceives his folly, atones, and proceeds as God's messenger. "*Mah tovu,*" says Balaam, overlooking the Israelite camp. "How lovely are your dwellings, people of Jacob." Balak angrily dismisses Balaam, who divines Moab's fall. Yet Israel, seduced by Midianites, indulges in harlotry and idolatry.

Beth El Calendar
&Weekly Parashiot

Descriptions of Services

Minyan Chaverim offers the ruach of the Shabbat services in USY, BBYO, and Hillel. We have a lay-led, traditional, participatory, spirit-filled service, including full repetition of the Shacharit and Musaf amidah, as well as the full Torah reading with an interactive Torah discussion. A pot-luck lunch follows the service at a nearby home. For information, contact **Debbie Feinstein** at info@bethelmc.org.

The Worship and Study Minyan is conducted by members of the congregation and combines evocative Torah study with ample singing and ruach. Children are welcome, although the service is oriented toward adults. For information, contact **Dan Hirsch**, **Sid Getz**, or **Mark Levitt** at 301-652-2606, info@bethelmc.org.

Teen Service is a cool service without parents, conducted by and for post-b'nai mitzvah teens, with a great kiddush. To volunteer to read Torah, conduct part of the service, or help with a discussion, contact **Carl Slater** at 301-652-2606, info@bethelmc.org

Other Youth /Family Services, for information, contact **Elisha Frumkin**, 301-652-8573, ext. 319, efrumkin@bethelmc.org.

Daily Services

M-F	7:30 AM
Sun-Th	8:00 PM
Fri	6:30 PM
Sun	9:00 AM

Shabbat Services (all services are weekly, except as noted)

Early Morning Service	7:30 AM
Main Service	9:30 AM
Babysitting (2-6 years old)	9:15 AM
Minyan Chaverim (3rd Shabbat)	9:30 AM
Worship and Study Minyan (1st Shabbat)	9:45 AM
Shabbat Study Group	12:40 PM
Mincha, Seudah Shlishit, Ma'ariv and Havdalah Service (monthly)	7:45 PM

Youth Shabbat Services

Teen Service (1st Shabbat)	10:00 AM
Junior Congregation (5th grade +; Library)	10:00 AM
Shitufim (3rd and 4th grades; 2nd & 4th Shabbat; Zahler Social Hall)	10:30-11:30 AM
Gan Shabbat (kindergarten-2nd grade; 1st & 3rd Shabbat; MP 1&2)	10:30-11:30 AM
Nitzanim (birth - kindergarten; 2nd, 4th, 5th Shabbat; MP 1&2)	10:30-11:30 AM

TEEN SERVICE, NITZANIM, AND GAN SHABBAT ARE THE ONLY YOUTH SERVICES IN JUNE

Congregation Beth El
Monthly Calendar

June 2010
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 **8:30 AM** A Taste of Talmud **7:00 PM** Mah Jongg	**2** **9:30 AM** M. Fine Torah Class **2:00 PM** Roundtable with the Rabbi **7:00 PM** BEPS Summer Time Meeting	**3** **Noon** Vatikkim **8:30 PM** Hearing Men's Voices	**4 Candles 8:12 PM** **10:30 AM** BEPS Shabbat Service **6:30 PM** Friday Evening Service	**5** **7:30 AM** Early Shabbat Service **9:30 AM** Main Shabbat Service **9:30 AM** Gabriel Roark Bar Mitzvah **9:30 AM** Max Goldberg Bar Mitzvah **9:45 AM** Worship & Study Minyan **10:00 AM** Teen Service **10:30 AM** Gan Shabbat **12:40 PM** Shabbat Study Group
6 **Last RS Sunday Classes** **9:00 AM** Minyan **9:30 AM** Men's Club Breakfast **9:30 AM** Sisterhood Board Meeting **10:00 AM** Men's Club Program **10:30 AM** Sisterhood Annual Mtng. **1:00 PM** BEPS Carnival **6:30 PM** Yoga	**7** **1:00 PM** Bridge **7:00 PM** Boy Scouts	**8** **8:30 AM** A Taste of Talmud **1:30 PM** Senior Art Class **7:00 PM** Mah Jongg **7:00 PM** BEPS Parent Board Meeting **7:30 PM** BEPS New Parent Meeting	**9** **Last Day BEPS Classes** **9:30 AM** M. Fine Torah Class	**10** **Noon** Vatikkim **7:00 PM** Executive Committee Meeting	**11 Candles 8:16 PM** **6:30 PM** Friday Evening Service	**12 Rosh Hodesh Tammuz** **7:30 AM** Early Shabbat Service **9:30 AM** Main Shabbat Service **9:30 AM** Emily Jerison Bat Mitzvah **9:30 AM** Jonathan Rasch Bar Mitzvah **10:30 AM** Nitzanim **12:40 PM** Shabbat Study Group
13 Rosh Hodesh Tammuz **9:00 AM** Minyan **9:30 AM** Men's Club Breakfast **10:00 AM** Men's Club Program **10:00 AM** RS End-of-Year Event - offsite **10:30 AM** Daniel Kessler Bar Mitzvah (Rosh Hodesh) **10:30 AM** Prospective Member Open House **6:30 PM** Yoga	**14** **1:00 PM** Bridge **7:00 PM** Boy Scouts **7:30 PM** Religious School Committee	**15** **8:30 AM** A Taste of Talmud **7:00 PM** Mah Jongg **7:30 PM** CE21 Task Force	**16**	**17** **Noon** Vatikkim	**18 Candles 8:18 PM** **6:30 PM** Friday Evening Service	**19** **7:30 AM** Early Shabbat Service **9:30 AM** Main Shabbat Service **9:30 AM** Hannah Teicher Bat Mitzvah **9:30 AM** Sarah Teicher Bat Mitzvah **9:30 AM** Minyan Chaverim **10:30 AM** Gan Shabbat **12:40 PM** Shabbat Study Group
20 Father's Day **9:00 AM** Minyan **9:30 AM** Men's Club Breakfast **10:00 AM** Men's Club Program **6:30 PM** Yoga **7:00 PM** Summer Study Session	**21** **1:00 PM** Bridge	**22** **8:30 AM** A Taste of Talmud **7:00 PM** Mah Jongg	**23**	**24** **Noon** Vatikkim **7:30 PM** Board Meeting	**25 Candles 8:20 PM** **6:30 PM** Friday Evening Service	**26** **7:30 AM** Early Shabbat Service **9:30 AM** Main Shabbat Service **9:30 AM** Miles Waldman Bar Mitzvah **10:30 AM** Nitzanim **12:40 PM** Shabbat Study Group **7:45 PM** Mincha, Seudah Shlishit, Ma'ariv, Havdalah
27 **9:00 AM** Minyan **9:30 AM** Men's Club Breakfast **10:00 AM** Men's Club Program **6:30 PM** Yoga **7:00 PM** Summer Study Session	**28** **1:00 PM** Bridge	**29 Fast of 17th of Tammuz** **8:30 AM** A Taste of Talmud **7:00 PM** Mah Jongg	**30**	**1** **Noon PM** Vatikkim	**2 Candles 8:20 PM** **6:30 PM** Friday Evening Service	**3** **7:30 AM** Early Shabbat Service **9:30 AM** Main Shabbat Service **9:45 AM** Worship & Study Minyan **10:30 AM** Gan Shabbat **12:40 PM** Shabbat Study Group