

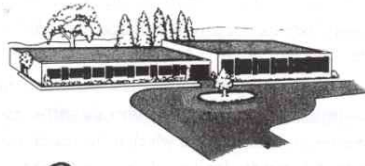
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TRUE CENTERMENTS

- The Congregation extends sincerest sympathy to Phyllis and Marty Pomerantz on the passing of their daughter-in-law Adrienne Pomerantz on July 3, 2011. Adrienne was the wife of Michael Pomerantz.
- The congregation wishes Marty Pomerantz a speedy recovery from recent surgery.

NEWS AND NOTES

- A note was received from roving reporters Marv and Lee Leibson concerning **Jonina Duker**. Many remember that Jonina is the daughter of Life Member Jon and Roberta Duker. Jonina recently received a Maryland Governor's Volunteer Service Award. Jonina was recognized for her work as chair of the disability inclusion committee of Congregation Beth El of Montgomery County (Bethesda) and her design of a website that serves people with disabilities. Congratulations to Jonina!!
- **HELP WANTED** - The Religious Committee is seeking help from persons who would consider acting as "Cantor" during our traditional Friday Shabbat Service. At present, we have very few people who can serve us in that role. We are currently seeking persons who will step forth and give it a try. None of our current "Cantors" have ever been trained. It is one of those things that you learn on the job. All we need is someone willing to step to the plate and take a swing. Please help! Contact Stan Glickstein just to talk about it.
- **Jane Markowitz** has a new address and phone number that she wishes to share with her friends in BIC.

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- The next issue of **Centerments** will be the High Holy Day issue. Please submit information and items by September 14 to enable inclusion in that issue on a timely basis.
- The Agency for Jewish Learning (AJL) is presenting a special program of Adult Education with Rabbi Neil Gillman. The subject is "Four Beliefs that Jews Struggle to Believe: Torah, God, Suffering and Life-after-death." There will be 2 lectures in each session, one in September and one in May, and additional online contact. The South Hills session starts Monday, September 19, from 7:00 to 8:30 PM, so call now to register. (The same course is also offered at three other locations.) The cost is \$72 plus textbook. To register or for more information, contact Amy Karp at AJL, 412-521-1101, ext. 3204. Additional information is also posted at BIC or from Irv Selsley, iselsley@verizon.net. Beth Israel Center is a sponsoring synagogue.

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Yahrzeit Fund

In loving memory of beloved sister-in-law Leah Hirsch Lauter, by Harry Binakonsky

In loving memory of beloved daughter Linda Rubin Shafritz, by Stan Rubin

In loving memory of beloved husband Henry Maengen, by Ruth Maengen

In loving memory of beloved father Joseph Lukatsky, by Janet Roth

General Fund

Beth El Congregation for the Sherry Kloss concert

Sharon and Fred Schomer in honor of the BIC Community

In memory of Adrienne Pomerantz, by her niece Mindy Wedner

In memory of Adrienne Pomerantz, by her nephew Philip Wedner

In memory of Adrienne Pomerantz, by Scott Wedner and Mrs. Eleanor Wedner

SISTERHOOD

We hope everyone is enjoying his summer despite the very high temperatures. While summer means fewer synagogue activities, it also means for us the start of a new year. With the coming of the High Holidays, Sisterhood will support the synagogue in its usual ways. There will be an Oneg on the first night of Rosh Hashanah and a break-fast at the end of Yom Kippur. Sisterhood will also provide babysitting during services if it is needed. Please contact Shirley Ravets if you will be bringing young children with you on any of the three days. **There will be no babysitter present unless we know one is needed.**

We are hoping for a year full of activities - something for everyone. Carol Lang will host the very popular baking class. There will be a joint meeting with the Men's Club to hear about the Krifchers' experiences in Cuba. A book review and a craft class are also being planned. Of course, there will be the annual Hanukkah luncheon, tentatively on December 18, and Sisterhood Sabbath in January.

You will soon be receiving a letter asking you to host Oneg Shabbats. Please reply quickly with a commitment. While people have been generous in support of the onegs, we need **people** to serve. It is not a difficult job, and attendees often pitch in to help. We are hoping for a commitment of two dates, but anything helps. You can pick a date based on a yahrtzeit, a birthday, an anniversary, some other special milestone, or any convenient date. We truly need and appreciate your help.

Janet Selsley and Joan Glickstein
Sisterhood co-presidents

BIC NEWS IN PICTURES

CONGREGATION'S SUMMER PICNIC



Great weather and lots of helping hands made for another enjoyable picnic at Mowry Park. The day started early for Rachel and Art Weinblum, Janet and Irv Selsley, Shirley Ravets, and Richard Green as they got together to slice the veggies, and generally get things ready for the crowd of hungry members and guests. The corn, picked up by Rachel, was shucked by Richard and Art. Art later acted as cook for most of the picnic and did a good job of keeping us supplied with burgers and hotdogs. Also on the menu were corn-on-the-cob, beans, potato salad, and cole slaw. Mmmmm, good. The drinks were cold, thanks to plenty of ice supplied by Richard. Elaine Small, Janet and Rachel got things organized at the park. After "dining", Shirley conducted a 50-50 lottery while Janet emceed challenging games for everyone. Prizes for the quizzes were selected by Shirley. Thank you to Elaine Small, winner of the 50-50, for donating her winnings to BIC. The chairman also extends special thanks to Mark Mendlowitz and Stan Glickstein for assisting in the messy job of cleaning up after the picnic.

BY OUR PRESENCE, WE HONOR THOSE WHO ARE NO LONGER WITH US

Friday, August 19, 2011

Charles M. Glazier, father of Jesse Glazier; 20 Av / August 20
Bertha Boyer, mother of Mae Boyer Rosenberg; 21 Av / August 21
Luba Evans, sister of Esther Grosser; 22 Av / August 22
Eva Ulanoff, mother of Belle Ratowsky; 22 Av / August 22
Minnie Schmelzer, mother of Edith Parker; 22 Av / August 22

Friday, August 26, 2011

Howard Petri, husband of Sally Petri; 27 Av / August 27
Ida Feinberg Dropkin, mother of Lee G. Leibson; 29 Av / August 29
Gussie Mentser, mother of Morris Mentser B mother-in-law of Jenny Mentser; 30 Av / August 30
Michael Vinopal, brother-in-law of Frances Bernstein; 1 Elul / August 31
David Binakonsky, son of Dr. Harry Binakonsky, the late Jeannie Binakonsky; and brother of
Judy Weitzman; 1 Elul / August 31
Herbert Irving Dolnick; 3 Elul / September 2

Friday, September 2, 2011

George B. Zurich, father of Mary Lee Long; 4 Elul / September 3
Saul Berliner, friend of Stanford Rosner; 5 Elul / September 4
Ada Gisser, mother of Toby Exter; 8 Elul / September 7
Maynard Getzug, friend of Edward Weingart; 8 Elul / September 7

Friday, September 9, 2011

Esther Grosser, mother of Beth, Saul and Scott Grosser; 14 Elul / September 13
Helen Bizoff, mother of Beatrice Hillner; 16 Elul / September 15
Helen Blau, wife of Philip Blau; 17 Elul / September 16

Friday, September 16, 2011

David Mark Harrison, father of Stanley Harrison; 19 Elul / September 18
Minnie Gertrude Binakonsky, mother of Dr. Harry Binakonsky; 20 Elul / September 19
Jacob Moore, grandfather of Janet Selsley; 20 Elul / September 19
Rose Weinblum, mother of Art Weinblum and wife of Siegfried Weinblum; 23f Elul / September 22
Brian Scott Shapiro, son of Linda Shapiro Pinsky and Edward Shapiro; 23 Elul / September 22

Friday, September 23, 2011

Harry Weiss, grandfather of Joseph Weiss and Elliott Weiss; 25 Elul / September 24
Milton Weiss, father of Joseph and Elliott Weiss; 26 Elul / September 25
Morris Zeaman, father of Gloria Weiss; 2 Tishri / September 30

August 14, 2011 - September 24, 2011

14 Av through 25 Elul

L- Leader of Service; C - Cantor; H - Hostess(es), CL - Candle lighting, local time

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Aug 14</i></p> <p>BIC Board - 10AM</p> <p>14 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 15</i></p> <p>15 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 16</i></p> <p>16 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 17</i></p> <p>17 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 18</i></p> <p>18 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 19</i></p> <p>L - R Green C - E Weingart CL - 7:55</p> <p>19 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 20</i></p> <p>Ekev</p> <p>20 Av</p>
<p><i>Aug 21</i></p> <p>21 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 22</i></p> <p>22 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 23</i></p> <p>23 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 24</i></p> <p>24 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 25</i></p> <p>25 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 26</i></p> <p>L - C - CL - 7:45</p> <p>26 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 27</i></p> <p>Re'eh</p> <p>27 Av</p>
<p><i>Aug 28</i></p> <p>28 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 29</i></p> <p>29 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 30</i></p> <p>30 Av</p>	<p><i>Aug 31</i></p> <p>1 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 1</i></p> <p>2 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 2</i></p> <p>L - M Pomerantz C - B Glickstein CL - 7:34</p> <p>3 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 3</i></p> <p>Shoftim</p> <p>4 Elul</p>
<p><i>Sep 4</i></p> <p>5 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 5</i></p> <p>6 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 6</i></p> <p>7 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 7</i></p> <p>8 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 8</i></p> <p>9 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 9</i></p> <p>L - J Selsley C - K Regal CL - 7:22</p> <p>10 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 10</i></p> <p>Ki Tetze</p> <p>11 Elul</p>
<p><i>Sep 11</i></p> <p>Men's Club - 9:30</p> <p>12 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 12</i></p> <p>13 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 13</i></p> <p>14 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 14</i></p> <p>15 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 15</i></p> <p>16 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 16</i></p> <p>L - A Weinblum C - E Weingart CL - 7:11</p> <p>17 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 17</i></p> <p>Ki Tavo</p> <p>18 Elul</p>
<p><i>Sep 18</i></p> <p>19 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 19</i></p> <p>20 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 20</i></p> <p>21 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 21</i></p> <p>22 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 22</i></p> <p>23 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 23</i></p> <p>L - R Weiss C - CL - 6:59</p> <p>24 Elul</p>	<p><i>Sep 24</i></p> <p>Nitzavim - Vayelevh</p> <p>25 Elul</p>

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