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Newsletter of B'nai Emet Synagogue

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President's Message

Coming Events

As the President of B'nai Emet Synagogue, what joy I feel as a member of the B'nai Emet family in this Jewish community for the past 23 years. Somehow I know God derives pleasure from watching how our B'nai Emet community works together towards a common goal, each person contributing their part to the whole. We are blessed with so many committed congregants who give of themselves unselfishly on a regular basis, day and night, from the Executive Committee to the Board of Trustees, all the committees, the many volunteers, as well as Rabbi Abramson and the entire B'nai Emet staff. I want to thank you all!

Through the generosity and dedication of many of our committed members, we have accomplished much to be proud of during the past year:

- We purchased new *Sim Shalom* prayerbooks and the new *Etz Hayim Humash*;

- The ramp and electric doors to ensure easy access for all of our members were installed;
- A Rabbinic Chair Fund has been started. With a minimum \$500 annual donation, you can be one of the founders of this exciting new fund;
- Each *Shabbat* service this year will be followed by a delicious *Kiddush* luncheon through a newly established fund;
- A Scholar-in-Residence Fund has been set up for the coming year;
- Rabbi Barry Woolf has been engaged to assist with fundraising efforts and membership outreach.

May we look ahead with hope and vision, praying for our best dreams to become reality and may all of what lies ahead in the year to come be for growth and for goodness.

B'Shalom,
Adeel Saad, President
Adeels007@aol.com

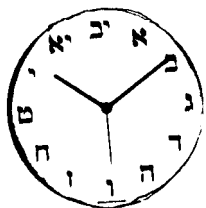
Office Closed

Thursday, November 27
Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 28
Closed at Noon

Special Needs/ Inclusion Shabbat

You are invited to come celebrate the completion of the outer automatic doors and ramp to the *bimah* at *Shabbat* Morning Services on November 15. We will honor the donors who made this project possible by their generous contributions and the many people who helped make this a reality. Members of our congregation will speak about how their own disabilities or their family member's disabilities affect their lives. A *Kiddush* luncheon following services will provide an opportunity for more discussion on this topic.



Remember to "Fall Back"

Central Standard Time will begin on Sunday, October 26. Turn your clocks BACK one hour before retiring Saturday evening.

Daily Service Schedule

7:30 A.M. Monday through Friday
9:00 A.M. *Shabbat*
9:30 A.M. Sunday and holidays
5:45 P.M. Daily

Coming Events

Shabbat Service Schedule

Women's League Coming Events

Our October 28 meeting will feature Shari Baldinger, M.S., Certified Genetic Counselor, who will speak on women's health issues focusing on breast/ovarian and colon cancers which are more common in Ashkenazi Jews.

Ms. Baldinger is currently Coordinator of Genetic Counseling Services at Abbott-Northwestern Hospital where she provides counseling services for high-risk pregnancies. She has also developed the testing/counseling program at the Virginia Piper Cancer Institute.

The afternoon will begin at **12:30 p.m.** with a delicious lunch catered by Tiki Kelner. Cost of the lunch is \$12.50. Reservations should be mailed to the synagogue by Friday, October 24.

Annual Deli Dinner

Please mark your calendars for Sunday evening, November 16, for our annual Deli Dinner which will take place in the Baratz Social Hall from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. You will also have the opportunity to begin your *Hanukkah* shopping at our Ottawa Avenue Boutique.

Watch your mail for your invitations.

Candle Lighting

October 24	5:56
October 31	4:45
November 7	4:36
November 14	4:28
November 21	4:21
November 28	4:17

Services conducted by Rabbi David L. Abramson

Shabbat Morning, October 25, 9:00 A.M.

Torah Reading: *B'reishit* *Haftarah* Reader: Joey Abramson

Torah Readers: Joey Abramson, Laura Brandys,
Brian Erlich, David Liss, Steven Paletz, Brad Serber

Shabbat Morning, November 1, 9:00 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah: Ari Baumwald

Torah Reading: *Noah* *Haftarah* Reader: Ari Baumwald

Torah Readers: Ari Baumwald, Diane Baumwald, Steve Baumwald

Shabbat Morning, November 8, 9:00 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah: Benjamin Meier

Torah Reading: *Lekh L'kha* *Haftarah* Reader: Benjamin Meier

Torah Readers: Joan Farber, Alyson Meier, Benjamin Meier, Fran Meier

Shabbat Morning, November 15, 9:00 A.M.

Torah Reading: *Vayyeira* *Haftarah* Reader: Dr. Wendy Bach

Torah Readers: Joey Abramson, Linda Erlich, Jeff Freidson,
David Liss, Becka Steinberg

Shabbat Morning, November 22, 9:00 A.M.

Prozdor Shabbat

Torah Reading: *Hayyei Sarah* *Haftarah* Reader: Seva Rodnyansky

Torah Readers: Nathan Cera, Shai Chazin, Alisa Koyrakh,
Maria Rodnyansky, Seva Rodnyansky, Moriah Wald

Shabbat Morning, November 29, 9:00 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah: Adam Lurie

Torah Reading: *Tol'dot* *Haftarah* Reader: Adam Lurie

Torah Reader: Adam Lurie

Ask the Rabbi

The next "Ask the Rabbi" session, a monthly opportunity to ask Rabbi Abramson your questions about Judaism, will be November 8 during *Shabbat* Morning Services beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Lunch & Learn

The next "Lunch & Learn" sessions with Rabbi Abramson will take place Thursday, November 6 and December 4, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the library.

Please feel free to bring a dairy or vegetarian lunch.



Ari Natan Baumwald will be called to the *Torah* as a *bar mitzvah* during *Shaharit* services on *Shabbat* morning, November 1. His *Torah* portion is *Noah*.

Ari is in the seventh grade at Plymouth Middle School, Grade *Hey* at Talmud Torah and is a graduate of the Minneapolis Jewish Day School. He plans to continue with Talmud Torah and *Prozdor* at B'nai Emet. Ari plays alto saxophone, enjoys computer activities, Camp Ramah, all sports, and is a member of Kadima. He was also a participant in Math Masters. Future plans include returning to Camp Ramah and traveling to Israel.

Ari is the son of Diane Baumwald, son and stepson of Steven and Caren Baumwald, brother of Ilana, and grandson of Amy and Stan Baumwald and the late Lucille and Robert Kelner. His extended family will be sponsoring a *Kiddush* immediately following *Shabbat* morning services in his honor and invite the congregation to join the family.

Adam Lurie will be called to the *Torah* as a *bar mitzvah* during *Shaharit* services on *Shabbat* morning, November 29. His *Torah* portion is *Tol' dot*.



Adam is in the seventh grade in the International Baccalaureate program at Sandburg Middle School and Grade *Hey* at Talmud Torah. He plans to continue with Talmud Torah and *Prozdor* at B'nai Emet.

Adam enjoys coin collecting, model trains, cars, biking and swimming. He was a sixth grade honors student. Adam's future plans include taking a trip to see baseball games at stadiums in the midwest with his dad and Herzl Camp.

Adam is the son of Cathy Lurie and Michael Lurie, brother of Erin, and grandson of Ina Lurie. His parents will be sponsoring a *Kiddush* immediately following *Shabbat* morning services in his honor and invite the congregation to join the family.



Benjamin Meier will be called to the *Torah* as a *bar mitzvah* during *Shaharit* services on *Shabbat* morning, November 8. His *Torah* portion is *Lekh L'kha*.

Ben is in the seventh grade at Central Middle School and Grade *Hey* at Talmud Torah. He plans to continue with Talmud Torah and *Prozdor* at B'nai Emet. Ben is involved in the ski club and participates in broomball and track and field. He is on the A Honor Roll and has been a Star Student of the Month. Ben's future plans include visiting Israel and studying there during high school.

Ben is the son of Fran and Bernie Meier, brother of Alyson, Alex, and Jacob, and grandson of Joan and Elliott Farber and Sylvia Phillips, England. His grandparents, Joan and Elliott Farber, will be sponsoring a *Kiddush* immediately following *Shabbat* morning services in his honor and invite the congregation to join the family.



New Books in the Library

The generosity of Bonnie and Harry Farb and family and donors to the Farb Family Library Fund makes it possible for B'nai Emet's library collection to grow. Please use your library frequently! Our most recent acquisitions are:

Come, Let Us Be Joyful! The Story of Hava Nagila, Fran Manushkin. This book tells the story of the origin of "Hava Nagila," while portraying the activities of Israeli settlers to the rhythm of this well-known melody. Enjoyable for any age, but especially recommended for ages 4-8.

Hide and Seek: Jewish Women and Hair Covering, Lynne Schreiber, ed. This collection of 27 essays presents a wide variety of experiences with the traditional Jewish custom of hair covering for married women. Some women express their delight in the tradition, while others accept it but continue to struggle with it. One woman describes her joy when her hassidic mother-in-law arrived the morning after her wedding to shave her head. Another began covering her hair only after chemotherapy in her 60s. The book also includes material explaining the source of the custom.

The Miracle of the Seventh Day: A Guide to the Spiritual Meaning, Significance, and Weekly Practice of the Jewish Sabbath, Adin Steinsaltz. Rabbi Steinsaltz incorporates a step-by-step guide to home *Shabbat* observance for the beginner, along with a tremendous wealth of information about the spiritual and

ritual aspects of *Shabbat*. Hear Rabbi Steinsaltz speak about this book at the St. Paul JCC, Monday, November 3, at 7:30 P.M., in connection with Jewish Book Month. Call 651-698-0751 for further information.

Book Club

You are invited to participate in the next meeting of the B'nai Emet Book Club, where we will discuss *The Nazi Officer's Wife: How One Jewish Woman Survived the Holocaust*, by Edith Hahn Beer. The meeting will take place on Sunday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Bonnie Berezovsky, 1201 Toledo Avenue North, Golden Valley. Please call 763-522-6094 to RSVP and to obtain directions.

Shabbat School Update

"Va'y'vareikh Elohim et Yom ha-Sh'vi'i va'y'kaddeish oto—
And God blessed the seventh day
and made it holy."

Mazal tov to our upcoming *b'nai mitzvah*, Ari Baumwald, Ben Meier, and Adam Lurie.

As we gather every *Shabbat* morning to learn, to study and to pray, we experience the holiness of this special day. We end each *Shabbat* service with the *Kiddush*, sanctifying the day. We leave the synagogue having grown a little in knowledge and skill, and sensing the unique gift of *Shabbat* for our Jewish community. As our *Shabbat* students become more and more familiar with *Shabbat* rituals and prayer, we hope it extends into their family life. We encourage parents and siblings to come and join Rabbi Abramson in the Fingerhut Sanctuary, celebrate our *simchat* with your fellow congregants, and observe our students' increased

participation on the *bimah*. Younger siblings are welcome to join our enriching *B'reisheet* and babysitting program each *Shabbat* morning with Heidi Tarshish and our wonderful staff.

Prozdor students have been working hard preparing for their special *Shabbat* on November 22. Plans are underway for a family *Shabbat* dinner, service and program on November 21. Our *Bet* students have begun learning *haftarah* notes and blessings with Michael Lurie. There will be **NO** *Shabbat* School on November 29 for USY *Kinnus* and Thanksgiving weekend.

Laura Brandys
Education Director



Classes have gotten off to a wonderful start with a focus on the fall holidays. Rabbi Grossbaum was a special visitor to the Pre-Kindergarten class, where he helped the children make a real *shofar*. He also blew the *shofar* for them. The older classes visited the Thomas Irvine Dodge Apple Orchard to further celebrate the official beginning of the fall season. The children toured the orchard, picked apples to taste, and helped make apple cider. The Pre-Kindergarten children also visited Texas Terrace Nursing Home to help decorate their *sukkah* and shared a musical program about the fall holidays and *Shabbat*. The younger classes enhanced the B'nai Emet *sukkah* with fabulous water-proof decorations.

Eloise and Nicole's class and Eileen, Donna, and Cheryl's class will attend Kinder Konzert on November 7. The children will have the opportunity to actually sit on

the stage at Orchestra Hall alongside the musicians during the concert.

The Early Childhood Parents' Group invites you to join them on Sunday, November 9 at 5:30 p.m. for their annual Spaghetti Dinner. A raffle will also be held that evening.

All of the children are participating in the Jewish Family and Children's Service *Hag Sameach Tz'dakah* project by contributing unwrapped gifts for the underprivileged. This is a wonderful lesson of the *mitzvah* of giving. All donations must be received by November 14. For any cash donations over \$5.00 (through the Early Childhood Education Department), you will receive the Sesame Street *Hanukkah* video.

Kadima/Maccabee

Dear Kadimaniks, Maccabees, Parents, and Congregants,

Shalom! It's that exciting, busy time of year again with Halloween, the play, and tons of awesome programs for Kadima and Maccabee! We are so eager for the upcoming months. We are proud to say that we have a great Kadima/Maccabee board in the works, and we want to extend a *mazal tov* to Rachel Paletz, the first-ever president of Kadima and Maccabee! The members of the board will be essential in suggesting, planning, and helping to carry out programs. So, thank you and congratulations to everyone who signed on to be a part of this wonderful new addition to the program!

Now, for the news you've all been waiting for . . .

On Saturday, October 25, USY, Kadima, and Maccabees are all invited for a night of spooky fun at Trail of Terror. We will be meeting in the B'nai Emet parking lot at

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Youth and Education

7:30 p.m. and be picked up in the same spot at 11:00 p.m. The cost is \$10 and, if you like, you can bring a little extra for dairy snacks. Make sure to dress warmly, including mittens or gloves. The fun doesn't stop there. On Thursday, October 30, there will be a crazy costume party for Kadima and Maccabees. It will be from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at B'nai Emet. It won't cost you anything; all you have to do is bring yourself, a smile, and some kooky costume items.

Save the date of November 23. There will be a joint Kadima/Maccabee program. Again, watch the mail for the next OOMS.

Of course, don't forget that the play, *Peter Pan*, is coming up. November is a huge month of play rehearsals for Kadimaniks. Rehearsals are fun, exciting, and a great way to get to know the USYers and other Kadimaniks.

If you have any questions, comments, concerns, or just plain feel like talking, call the Youth Lounge at 952-927-0491 OR you can always e-mail us at—Maya: bere0048@umn.edu and Carly: ger0034@umn.edu. We're looking forward to seeing you during these next few months and beyond!

B'shalom,

*Maya Berezovsky and Carly Gershone
Co-Kadima/Maccabee Advisors*

Sunday School

Sunday School began on September 7 this year. Students have been very busy as we explore *mitzvot*. We are using new worksheets this year and the children are very enthusiastic as they explore the eight units: *Tz'dakah* (righteous giving), *Bikkur Holim* (visiting the sick), *ma'ahil Re'eivim* (feeding the hungry), *Bal Tashhit* (do not destroy—regarding saving the earth), *derekh Eretz* (way of the

land—the *mitzvah* of treating others with respect and living an ethical life), *haknassat orlim* (hospitality—the *mitzvah* of welcoming guests, *shmirat ha-lashon* (guarding your tongue), and *Talmud Torah* (the study of *Torah*). They are learning that, even at their young ages, they can make a difference by performing *mitzvot*. They are contributing to the food shelf and making cards for people who are sick. On October 5, they planted daffodils by the parking lot at the synagogue and picked up trash on the parking lot and grounds. They were very disappointed to see how many people leave cigarette butts in the parking lot. "Cigarettes are bad for you!" was a quote from the students.

October 12 we had a consecration ceremony during the *Sukkot* service in the Fingerhut Sanctuary and then celebrated with a *Sukkot* luncheon. We have eight new students this year: Joey Brandys, Rachel Grosser, Erin Kaplan, Sareena Katz, Alexandra LaBarre, Daniel Levy, Maddie Richter and Jessica Siegel. Each student received a small English/Hebrew *Torah* of his/her own to commemorate the occasion.

Our next family program is scheduled for November 2 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. All families with children in kindergarten to second grade are invited to join us as we perform a *mitzvah*. We will decorate 400 *Hanukkah* cards that will be

used by the Jewish Family and Children's Service with their *Hag Sameach* program. We begin with blank cards and then stamp, cut, glue, color, etc. to create some really great looking cards! Please join us in Room 10—wear paint clothes and be ready to push your sleeves up and feel creative! This is a chance for families to involve their children in a hands-on *mitzvah* and all the materials are supplied—we can really use the help!

Jeanne Kaufman

Tot Shabbat

October 25, 2003

November 22, 2003

Families with young children ages one to five are invited to join Jeanne Kaufman for this informal, creative, and inspiring program, from 11-11:45 a.m., followed by a *Kiddush* in the Goldberg Lounge.

Congratulations to

...Eitan Benzaquen, son of Momy Benzaquen & Jackie Leader on his graduation with a Master's Degree in Special Education with *summa cum laude* honors from National University, San Diego, CA.

...Marguerite Krause, on the publication of her latest professional-writing project, an essay in the new paperback anthology *Seven Seasons of Buffy*.

BESY Calendar of Events

Friday, October 24

Rebbe's Tish, 8:00–9:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 25

Trail of Terror, 7:30–11:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 28

SATO Lounge Night, 7:30–9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 4

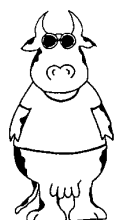
Lounge Night, 7:30–9:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 15

Twin Cities-Wide Program,
Mock Wedding, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday–Sunday, November 27–30

Kinnus



Condolences to

...Rene Fishman and Judy Siegel on the death of their mother and grandmother, Mary Pertzik

...Evelyn Ballen and family on the death of their husband and father, Henry Ballen.

...Jeff Rudoy on the death of his father, Nathan Rudoy.

“May their memories be an eternal blessing.”

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Ruby & Max Addis	54 years
Margaret & William Burton	18 years
Susan & David Cera	15 years
Beverly & Aron Dolinsky	49 years
Marilyn & Marvin Engle	51 years
Terry & Richard Freedman	37 years
Beatrice & Leonard Getzkin	57 years
Linda & Joseph Itman	26 years
Tikva & Philip Kelner	51 years
Jennifer & Daniel Rubin	9 years
Sally & Morton Leder	51 years
Rasha & Charles Marks	53 years
Frances & Joe Moses	48 years
Ruth & Irwin Rubinstein	34 years
Carol & Daniel Tollman	19 years
Norma & Shawn Wolk	9 years

Mazal tov to those who celebrated their wedding anniversary in October.



(photos on this page from the Annual Family BBQ)

Scroll Deadline

November 10 for December 5 issue.

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Lee Ann & Clifford Ancier	22 years
Joy & Richard Field	16 years
Maureen & Leo Fine	48 years
Deborah & Joe Flom	18 years
Sandra & Allen Harris	32 years
Susan & Jacob Jurisz	32 years
Mariya & Rudolf Kessler	46 years
Esther & James Paletz	16 years
Sheryl & Randy Rutzick	17 years
Sandra & Scott Shmikler	16 years
Eileen & Robert Simon	18 years
Sandra & Marcus Teichner	28 years

These couples will be offered an *aliyah* on the Saturday following their anniversary. If your anniversary was not listed, please call the synagogue office and provide us with the information.



Annual Family BBQ

B'nai Emet had another successful summer barbecue. Over \$650 was raised. The evening included a full course dinner followed by an evening of Bingo. Thanks to our many volunteers, young and old, male and female. A special *todah rabah* to LeeAnn Ancier and Sheryl Rutzick for chairing this fantastic event.



Special B'nai Emet Synagogue is Opening its Doors to People With Special Needs Literally!

Over a year ago, the B'nai Emet Social Action Committee, chaired by Michelle Shapiro, and a newly-formed Special Needs/Inclusion Committee, co-chaired by Debbie Slutsker and Lori Leder-Fogel, surveyed congregants to develop plans to make B'nai Emet accessible for all its congregants. These committees have accomplished their goal—a ramp for easy access to the *bimah* and electric doors next to handicapped parking have been installed ensuring everyone who wants to participate in congregational life at B'nai Emet has the opportunity to do so.

With the help of Burt Shacter, this project has become a reality: he provided his architectural skills for plans and consultation for both projects. *Todah rabah* and *mazal tov* to the generous donors of both projects: Lois (of blessed memory) and Walter Buchman, Michael Engel, and Bud Goldstein.

The Special Needs/Inclusion Committee continues to work at our mission statement: to provide the opportunity for full inclusion and participation of all people, regardless of physical, cognitive, emotional, and/or behavioral ability, in all areas of B'nai Emet Synagogue's religious and communal life. We are looking for ways to help those with transportation problems too. Please call the B'nai Emet office (952-927-7309) if you can share a ride as a driver or passenger for meetings, classes, or services.

We hope that having access to B'nai Emet Synagogue for this community will enhance your ability to pray, to celebrate, and to learn!

From the Rabbi



Eric Hoffer was a non-Jewish American social philosopher. He was born in 1902 and died in 1983, after writing nine books and winning the

Presidential Medal of Freedom. His first book, *The True Believer*, published in 1951, was widely recognized as a classic.

The article below was written 35 years ago. Some truths never change!

Rabbi David L. Abramson

Israel's Peculiar Position

*by Eric Hoffer
LA Times 5/26/68*

The Jews are a peculiar people: things permitted to other nations are forbidden to the Jews. Other nations drive out thousands, even millions of people and there is no refugee problem. Russia did it, Poland and Czechoslovakia did it, Turkey threw out a million Greeks, and Algeria a million Frenchmen. Indonesia threw out heaven knows how many Chinese—and no one says a word about refugees.

But in the case of Israel, the displaced Arabs have become eternal refugees. Everyone insists that Israel must take back every single Arab. Arnold Toynbee calls the displacement of the Arabs an atrocity greater than any committed by the Nazis.

Other nations when victorious on the battlefield dictate peace terms. But when Israel is victorious it must sue for peace.

Everyone expects the Jews to be the only real Christians in this

world. Other nations when they are defeated survive and recover but should Israel be defeated it would be destroyed. Had Nasser triumphed last June he would have wiped Israel off the map, and no one would have lifted a finger to save the Jews.

No commitment to the Jews by any government, including our own, is worth the paper it is written on. There is a cry of outrage all over the world when people die in Vietnam or when two Negroes are executed in Rhodesia. But when Hitler slaughtered Jews no one remonstrated with him. The Swedes, who are ready to break off diplomatic relations with America because of what we do in Vietnam, did not let out a peep when Hitler was slaughtering Jews. They sent Hitler choice iron ore, and ball bear-

ings, and serviced his troop trains to Norway.

The Jews are alone in the world. If Israel survives, it will be solely because of Jewish efforts. And Jewish resources.

Yet at this moment Israel is our only reliable and unconditional ally. We can rely more on Israel than Israel can rely on us. And one has only to imagine what would have happened last summer had the Arabs and their Russian backers won the war to realize how vital the survival of Israel is to America and the West in general.

I have a premonition that will not leave me; as it goes with Israel so will it go with all of us. Should Israel perish the holocaust will be upon us.

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Hanukkah

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Upcoming Events

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Events and Projects

B'nai Emet Adopts New Siddur and Chumash

B'nai Emet's campaign to raise money to purchase the latest version of *Siddur Sim Shalom* and the newly-published *Etz Hayim Chumash* is progressing toward its goal of dedicating and using these new books after the High Holy Days.

With a powerful jump-start provided by Michael and Marguerite Krause, thanks to their generous matching donation of 150 *Siddurim*, B'nai Emet is well on its way to funding the purchase of 400 *Siddurim* and 225 *Chumashim*. Our synagogue joins the other Twin Cities Conservative congregations in adopting these books.

Dedication prices of \$20 per *Siddur* and \$50 per *Chumash* will last only through September 30. After that time, dedication prices will go up. *Siddur* dedications will be accepted only until we have reached the goal of 400, at least until B'nai Emet plans another large-volume discount purchase.

So don't delay. Complete a dedication form to honor or memorialize a special person. A form is inserted in this *Scroll*, and additional forms are available in the B'nai Emet office and in the literature rack outside the Fingerhut sanctuary.



New Library Books

Thanks to the generosity of the Farb family and donors to the Farb Library Fund, the following books have been added to the B'nai Emet library collection:

The First Day, Dvora Baron. Considered by many to be the first modern Hebrew female writer, Dvora Baron (1887-1956) created this collection of short stories about *shtetl* life from a woman's perspective that has rarely been expressed in literature. She grew up in a Lithuanian *shtetl*, where she was educated in *Torah* along with her brother. Her stories often deal with women and disenfranchised people who break free from the restraints of *shtetl* society, as they cope with problems of birth, death, marriage, and divorce. This book was recently included on a list of the 100 greatest works of modern Jewish literature, compiled by the National Yiddish Book Center.

Gershon's Monster: A Story for the Jewish New Year, Retold by Eric A. Kimmel. Gershon, like the rest of us, often made mistakes. But he never apologized or felt sorry for the bad things he did. He just swept his mistakes into the cellar and every year on *Rosh Hashanah*, put them all in a sack and threw them in the sea. But one year, his mistakes came back to haunt him... This retelling of an early Hasidic legend is enjoyable any time of the year, but especially as we think about repentance and forgiveness in the new year. Reading level: ages 4-8.

One Day in September, Simon Reeve. In the early hours of September 5, 1972, members of the violent Palestinian terrorist group Black September, scaled the fence surrounding the Munich Olympic village. Their target was the temporary quarters of the Israeli Olympic team. Within 24 hours, 11 Israelis, five terrorists, and a German policeman were dead. This engrossing book tells the true story of these events and the Israeli revenge operation "Wrath of God." The text is based on the author's careful research into the events and

interviews of key participants. The light it casts on Islamic fundamentalist terrorism is especially relevant in today's world.

B'nai Emet Book Critic Recognized by Author

Louie Abramson's review of the book *The Matzah Ball Fairy*, by Carla Heymsfeld, for the B'nai Emet *Scroll*, recently prompted favorable comments by the book's author, Ms. Heymsfeld. Louie, with the help of his mother, reviewed this book in 2000 when he was only five years old, and his review appeared both in the pages of the B'nai Emet *Scroll* and on the B'nai Emet website.

Louie's review of the book was quite positive. He concluded his criticism as follows:

"Q (by Sandy A.): Do you think your friends would like this book?"

A: They would LOVE IT!"

In early July, 2002, Ira Wald, webmaster of www.bnaiemet.org, received the following e-mail message:

"Dear Ira Wald,

My husband, while exploring the Internet, came across the wonderful review of my book in the B'nai Emet newsletter. I loved it! It is so gratifying to know that a child (who doesn't know me) enjoyed *The Matzah Ball Fairy* as much as this young man did.

I would be grateful if you would let him know how much I appreciated his enthusiastic review.

Carla Heymsfeld"

Congratulations, Louie! By the way, *The Matzah Ball Fairy* can be checked out of the B'nai Emet library. Our synagogue website can be enjoyed at www.bnaiemet.org, and the full text of Louie's noted review can be accessed by visiting our website, clicking on Synagogue, then clicking on Member Reviews.

Events and Projects



Volunteers hard at work at the Paint-a-Thon

The Social Action Committee has been working with Jewish Community Action exploring ways to get involved with not only service projects but social justice issues as well. After we defined social justice, we realized we had a major social *injustice* right here at B'nai Emet...handicap accessibility. Over the last several years, other committees have examined accessibility issues and hopefully with the help of everyone, we can start attacking the problems. So far, we have installed a doorbell at the front door, and posted a sign at the back door with office hours and phone number. Of course, these are temporary solutions. If you have any concerns or suggestions, please call Michelle Shapiro at 952-545-3466.

B'nai Emet Paint-a-Thon a Huge Success

By Michelle Shapiro

WOW! That is one word to describe the B'nai Emet team of the Metro-Paint-a-Thon.

Not only did B'nai Emet have over 20 volunteers paint a house near Lowry and Penn, but we were the only Jewish team this year. Congregant Meir Amar volunteered months ago to be our team leader. He spent time working with the JCRC looking at the house and determining supplies. Unfortunately, Meir was suddenly unable to work with us on the day of the paint-a-thon, but we all pitched in and completed the job with the help of Ted Held and Rabbi Julie Gordon from JCRC and *Avodah B'Yachad*. What a team effort! Thank you to everyone who participated in this *mitzvah* of *tikkun olam*. Maybe next year your name will be on this list!

Meir Amar, Judith Anthony, Lilly Berman, Brian Hage, Aaron Hage, Michael Hindin, Alan Ingber, Evie Ingber, Karen Katz, Stefanie Katz, Jeanne Kaufman, Ron Kelner, Lev Koyrakh, Roman Koyrakh, Marguerite Krause, Lori Leder-Fogel, Tom Lieberman, Barbara McDavid, Susan Shapiro, Debbie Slutsker and Mandy Slutsker.

Where Were You the Night of July 28th

by Sari Lederman

If you were one of the many B'nai Emet members that attended the first cookout held at B'nai Emet, you picked the right place to be. The *shul* had over 130 people attending. As usual we had many last minute reservations, but never ran out of food. A full meal was served consisting of hot dogs and hamburgers, watermelon, potato salad, cole slaw, cookies, and pop. The evening ended with Marvin Frieman calling Bingo, participated by people of all ages.

Thanks to Breadsmith of Edina for donating all of the buns used that evening, and to Lil Colford's son, Matt, for the chips. A special thanks to our main grillers, Marguerite Krause, Randy Rutzick, Howard and Estee Warsett, and Harold Lederman. Thanks to Joe Moses for putting the grills together, Fay Frieman for helping with check-in, Jeri Saad and Heidi Tarshish for assisting with Bingo. Thanks to Tiki Kelner and Lil Colford for all their kitchen help and to my co-chair Sheryl Rutzick for all she did. Also thanks to Frankie and Tracie (keeper of the chips) Warsett, Hannah Rutzick, Jessica Lieberman, and Chava Lederman for helping serve while their parents were cooking. Many other people pitched in and I am sorry I can't mention everyone, as I am bound to forget someone.

Finally thanks to all of you for supporting B'nai Emet and coming.

Scroll Deadline

September 30 for October 18 edition.

News and Life Cycle Events

Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Adult Education Offerings

- "Living in a Post 9/11 World" A three session mini-series on October 8, 15, and 22
- Sunday Morning *Siddur* Hebrew Class on October 27, November 17, & December 15
- *Torah* Reading Tune-Up Lunch & Learn on November 16, December 21 & January 11
- "Saturday Night at the Movies" on January 25
- A Personal Faith/Spirituality three session mini-series on January 7, 14, & 21

B'nai Emet Adult Education Committee invites you to an afternoon of warmth, humor, and humanity.

"Talley's Folly" is being presented by the Minnesota Jewish Theatre Company, located in the Hillcrest Center, 1978 Ford Parkway, St. Paul, at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 20. Discounted tickets for B'nai Emet members and friends are \$15. To reserve your seats, send your payment with your name and address to B'nai Emet Synagogue, attention Adult Education Committee. All orders must be received by September 30.

Calling all Torah Readers

We are looking for *Torah* readers for Saturday afternoons, and Monday and Thursday mornings. If you are interested please call David Liss at his home 763.559.2182 or his office 651.644.8262.

The Winner Is...

Our July winners of the \$10 Olive Garden gift certificate are Sharon and Steve Goldschmidt. Thank you for supporting our synagogue by buying scrip.

Shanah Tovah From Women's League

We wish our B'nai Emet family a very healthy and happy *shanah tovah* and may we all be inscribed in the book of life.

High Holy Days on the Web

Be sure to visit our website, www.bnaiemet.org, during this holiday season. You will find a schedule of services for all the upcoming holidays; information about *Rosh Hashanah*, *Yom Kippur*, *Sukkot*, and *Simchat Torah*; recipes; games; crafts; beautiful holiday graphics; e-cards; links to other terrific holiday sites, and more.

Plaques Installed

The following memorial plaques have been installed in the Memorial Alcove of the Fox Family Chapel.

Nathan H. Balto
Harriet Kaplan Sarah Perl
Hannelore Klein Linda Rossman

The following permanent seat plaque has been installed in the Fingerhut Sanctuary

"In honor of Eileen & Nathan Freidson's 55th anniversary from their children with love."

When Death Occurs

Please make every effort to contact Rabbi Abramson before making funeral arrangements.

Synagogue 952-927-7309
Home 952-925-3021

Condolences to

- ...Nathan Freidson, Audrey Freidson, Jeffrey Freidson, Mark Freidson, Bruce Freidson and Miriam Wells on the death of their sister, sister-in-law and aunt, Alice Gilman.
- ...Helen Langman on the death of her sister, Sylvia Cohen.
- ...Rochelle Hoberman on the death of her father, Abe Malmon.
- ...Tom Lieberman and Allen Greenstein on the death of their grandmother and aunt, Ann Greenstein.
- ...Miriam Graf on the death of her father, Norman Graff.
- ...Harvey Katz and Goldie Goldberg on the death of their cousin, Jan Dolejsi Locketz.
- ...Mel and Addye Davis on the death of their daughter, Rachel Wyman.
- ...Herman Wittenberg and Grace Goldman on the death of his wife and her sister, Esther Wittenberg.
- ...Bruce Karsner on the death of his mother, Helen Karsner.
- ...Nathan Freidson, Miriam Wells, and Jeffrey Freidson on the death of his wife, and their mother, Eileen Freidson.
- ...Shirley Silver on the death of her mother, Daisy Campbell.
- ...Phillip Hyster on the death of his wife, Joyce Hyster.

"May their memories be an eternal blessing."

News and Life Cycle Events

September Anniversaries

Sandy and David Abramson	20 years
Linda and Steven Erlich	23 years
Bonnie and Harry Farb	36 years
Bev and Jerry Finkelstein	46 years
Lori Leder-Fogel and Arnold Fogel	24 years
Asya and Sender Fridland	32 years
Esta and Gerald Gold	49 years
Julia and Roman Gadaskin	18 years
Margaret and Howard Goldfine	29 years
Joyce and Jeffrey Greene	13 years
Sharyn and Alan Grone	23 years
Evelyn and Alan Ingber	28 years
Bonnie and Steve Lazar	16 years
Arlene Berenson and Richard Levine	10 years
Brenda and Theodor Litman	41 years
Julie and Scott London	21 years
Kelly and Martin Mandel	6 years
Peggy and Joel Mandel	11 years
Robin and Samuel Richter	9 years
Lois and Jerome Solomon	54 years
Sandra and Myron Striker	35 years
Beverly and Lee Walter	21 years
Susan and Stuart Weinstein	24 years
Sandra and Alan Witebsky	24 years
Shelly and Stephen Zien	26 years

October Anniversaries

Ruby and Max Addis	53 years
Margaret and William Burton	17 years
Susan and David Cera	14 years
Beverly and Aron Dolinsky	48 years
Marilyn and Marvin Engle	50 years
Jeannette and Sam Fogel	64 years
Terry and Richard Freedman	36 years
Beatrice and Leonard Getzkin	56 years
Linda and Joseph Itman	25 years
Tikva and Philip Kelner	50 years
Mariya and Rudolf Kessler	45 years
Sally and Morton Leder	50 years
Sarah and Morris Lehrman	55 years
Rasha and Charles Marks	52 years
Frances and Joe Moses	47 years
Jennifer and Daniel Rubin	8 years
Ruth and Irwin Rubenstein	33 years
Linda and Max Rutman	20 years
Cynthia and Jeffrey Tews	19 years
Carol and Daniel Tollman	18 years
Norma and Shawn Wolk	8 years

Congratulations to

- ...Roberta and Ed Chargo on the birth of their granddaughter, Emily Rina.
- ...Norma and Shawn Wolk on the birth of their daughter, Samantha Paige. Grandparents are Joyce and Herbert Wolk.
- ...Eloise and Jeff Gershone on the engagement of their son, Joshua to Sarah Stevens, daughter of Bonnie and Dennis Stevens.
- ...Dr. Steven Cohn and Amy Dutton, children of Sue and Chuck Cohn, Judi and Rick Dutton and DiAnn Dutton on their recent marriage.
- ...Limor and Amikam, Omer and Eti Kol on the birth of their son and brother, Noam.
- ...Sue and Jarrold Berezovsky on the birth of their grandson, Reuven Amichai. Parents are Wendy and Michael Berezovsky.
- ...Becka and Daniel Steinberg, children of Bonnie and Bruce Berezovsky, and Susan and Gabe Steinberg, on their recent marriage.
- ...Bonny and Michael Swatez on the birth of their grandson, Micah Baruch. Parents are Mark and Elise Swatez.

Thank you to our generous B'nai Emet members

- Joe and Fran Moses donated a scanner to the office.
 - Max Sherman designed, built, and donated a platform to be used at the cantor's podium on the *bimah*, to make sure all our students and *b'nai mitzvah* can be seen and heard by the congregation.
 - Sheldon and Sally Masnek donated a new bingo set.
 - Many of our wonderful congregants have already purchased new *Siddurim* and *Chumashim* for dedication. Among them are our *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* class of 2001-2002, who used money raised in their car wash and other events to purchase four volumes of *Etz Hayim*. Michael and Marguerite Krause purchased 150 volumes of the new *Siddur*, to be matched by the congregation.
- Thank you to all who help our synagogue in such meaningful ways.

Women's League Schedule of Events

September 20	<i>Shabbat</i> Under the Stars
October 1	New Member Tea and Luncheon
November 5	<i>Torah</i> Fund Luncheon at B'nai Emet
November 17	Deli Dinner
December 3	Inter-Generation Cooking Class Part I
January 18	Women's League Shabbat
February 4	Indoor Activity (To Be Announced)
March 4	Inter Generation Cooking Class Part II
April 1	<i>Mitzvah</i> Luncheon
May 4	Installation and Mediterranean

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**For the annual
Youth Commission**

Matzah Brie

Date: Monday, April 1, 2002

Time: 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Cost: Adults \$8
Children 10 and under \$5
Family of four or more \$25

Last Day of Sunday School

May 5, 2002

Last Day of Shabbat School

May 11, 2002

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