

Beth El Quarterly Bulletin

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FROM OUR RABBI: Ritual and More



Can we live without ritual? Yes. In his poem, Autumn Inaugural, Dana Gioia writes,

There will always be those who reject ceremony, who claim that resolution requires no fanfare, those who demand the spirit stay fixed like a desert saint, fed only on faith, to worship in no temple but the weather. There will always be the austere ones who mount denial's shaky ladder to drape the statues or whitewash the frescoed wall, as if the still star of painted plaster praised creation less than evening's original. And they are right. Symbols betray us. They are always more or less than what Is really meant. But shall there be no processions by torchlight because we are weak? What native speech do we share but imperfection?

(The rabbis too knew that "symbols betray us" and that words fall short: yitbarach v'yishtabach v'yitpa'arah...God is Blessed, Praised, Glorified...says the kaddish. But then it continues, l'eilla mi-kol birkhata, God is beyond any blessing we can utter in this world.)

Ritual guarantees nothing. One can hear the shofar and remain asleep. One can listen to the Torah and remain unchanged. One can recite Hebrew prayers and say little. These rituals are tools, not tricks. They "work" by effort, not magic. In a few weeks we begin our "processions by torchlight." We sound the shofar. We gather together because imperfect rituals performed by imperfect people are what we have. They are what God has given us. I have faith they will be enough for God.

But for us, for some parts of life, ritual alone is not sufficient. When people grieve, they need more.

Yes. Beth El offers mourners a number of different ritual opportunities:

- saying Kaddish on Shabbat and/or at Sunday or Wednesday morning services
- practicing Healing Yoga once a month on Shabbat morning with Margie Satinsky, who is specially trained in yoga that heals the body and soul
- Lighting a yizkor candle at home, or in synagogue on Erev Yom Kippur when those who have lost a loved one during the past Hebrew year are invited to light a candle on the bimah at the beginning of Kol Nidrei

In addition to these offerings within our own ritual community, Beth El is now proud to be part of the Grief Coalition, a group of area religious and civic organizations that offers support and education to those who mourn. The Coalitions's **Growing Thru Grief** program, held every Tuesday all year long, offers both learning and group support for those who grieve. We hope that Beth El members will find the additional support and fellowship to be helpful at times of loss.

"Processions by torchlight" and the company of community: both are needed to heal, to live and to move forward. Both are here as a new year begins.

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BE a B'nei Mitzvah Mark your calendars for these upcoming B'nei Mitzvah

> Jerrod Meltzer October 22, 2016

Talia Samuel-Devaney February 11, 2017

> **Robert Gross** March 18, 2017



We make a lot of promises, few so meaningful as these. Years after let the photographs remind you.









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Eliezer "Elie" Wiesel was a Romanianborn American Jewish writer, professor, political activist, Nobel Laureate and Holocaust survivor. He was the author of 57 books, written mostly in French and English, including Night, a work based on his experiences as a prisoner in the Auschwitz and Buchenwald concentration camps. Martha Hauptman was Elie's assistant for over 20 years and is a member of Beth El.

She penned this tribute to him.

In Memoriam for Elie

Out of the cauldron of the death camps, he survived to tell the cruel tale.

a tale filled with pain and suffering, with starvation and loss. The tale of the Kingdom of Night.

Yet in his life he was so much more, more than that teller of dark tales,

His days were lived with great purpose. No time ever wasted, not for him

For the survivor, every day is a gift, and surely he lived each day to its fullest.

Myriad accomplishments were his, the greatest of the world's honors bestowed upon him.

Wherever people suffered on earth, he tried to be there, as support, making their cause known.

He was our moral guide, a model of kindness and caring.

As teacher, as leader, Elie led the way.

We who knew him and loved him were privileged to share joy and song and laughter.

Loving husband and father, devoted grandpa, dear friend and teacher, Far more than sadness filled his days.

He walked with kings and princes around the globe; he was larger than life.

But wherever he was in the world, we believed that his heart was with us, in the classroom.

The pain for all of us — his students, his followers — the pain of his now stilled voice

feels too much to bear.

'Tis hard to believe that we are on this earth that continues to spin, and Elie is no longer

present. How can that be?

We weep and weep for our hearts are broken The Master is gone. How can we go on? May we continue his great work And may he rest in peace.

Martha Liptzin Hauptman
Assistant to Elie Wiesel from 1977-2004

Mark Your Calendar!

BE at a Glance
October & November

<u>October</u>

2: Erev Rosh Hashanah

3: Rosh Hashanah Day 1

4: Rosh Hashanah Day 2

8: Shabbat Shuvah

9: Kever Avot

11: Kol Nidre/ Pre Fast Dinner

12: Yom Kippur

16: Pizza in the Hut

17: Sukkot Day 1

18: Sukkot Day 2

21: Bar Mitzvah of Jarrod Meltzer/ Erev Shabbat Chol Hamoed

Sukkot

22: Bar Mitzvah of Jarrod Meltzer/ Shabbat Chol Hamoed Sukkot

24: Shmini Atzeret/ Erev Simchat Torah

25: Simchat Torah

28: Got Tot Shabbat?

November

1: Executive Committee Meeting

3: Synagogue Life Meeting

10: Sisterhood Movie Night

13: 5th grade B'nai Mitzvah Date Selection Meeting

14: Sisterhood Meeting

15: Va'ad HaChinich Meeting/

Finance Committee Meeting/

Ritual Committee Meeting

16: BE Board Meeting

FROM THE PRESIDENT—Noah Pickus

Some years ago, I consulted with companies on establishing effective ethical cultures. I still remember the point we'd make to organizations on day one: "culture eats strategy for breakfast everyday." In other words, institutional change also means cultural change, and it's the latter that's often the hardest to understand and re-direct in a positive direction.

As you may have seen from the Beth El High Holiday guide, the Ritual Committee has been wrestling with an institutional and a cultural change. No, not the Prayer for Israel. Instead, this is about a more prosaic issue: seating at the High Holidays.

Unlike many synagogues, Beth El doesn't require tickets and congregants don't need to reserve seats. This means that you can arrive at any time during a service and sit in any available seat. And it means that we come to the High Holidays as one, equal before G-d and embodying the simple and welcoming synagogue that we have been and that we aspire to be.

Still, cultures often evolve in subtle ways. For some time now there's been an informal tradition of reserving seats by the graceful drop of a tallit. Less graceful has been the implicit incentive for congregants to come earlier and earlier prior to services – and I mean really early – and then departing to return later to claim the seats.

This is perfectly understandable, especially given the paucity of "good seats". (OK, there are no good seats, just less bad ones.) Unhappily, this practice has also led to clusters of seats that are unoccupied but unavailable. ("Is it saved? Should I pick up the tallit? What are the rules and customs here?") Unintentionally, our practices have created an atmosphere of confusion for many and a sense of unwelcome for some.

So what to do when cultural practice and communal aspirations are not aligned? I'm grateful for the thought-ful leadership of Randi Smith and Meg Anderson in taking the Ritual Committee and the Board through a consideration of different options and approaches. Collectively, we thought that the best approach is the simplest: if you have a disability or other special need, please contact the office ahead of time to reserve two seats and to discuss any further complications. Other than that, we encourage all congregants to embrace the spirit of this approach and to find seats when they arrive.

Of course, most short-term solutions that seek to balance one good value (sitting with friends and family up close) against another (equal opportunity seating and a welcoming atmosphere) must inevitably require sacrifices. So we need a long-term solution. Did I mention that we have a Capital Campaign underway?

Led by Nathan Bearman and Gary Zarkin, the Capital Campaign will make it possible to have new spaces (and new seating!) at future Shabbats and High Holidays. These changes will go a long way toward enhancing our comfort and harmonizing our values. That's a remarkable opportunity. I urge you to learn more about our plans and to imagine how bringing them to life will matter for so many commitments we care about deeply at Beth El.

Our Story, Our Time

Capital Campaign Update

September 2016

On behalf of the Beth El Board and the Campaign Steering Committee, we are thrilled to share some exciting updates with you.

Thus far 49 gifts and pledges totaling \$2,369,113 have been secured for the campaign taking us to more than 57.78% of our \$4.1 million goal. Each member of the Campaign Steering Committee has made a strong financial commitment to this effort, and we are well on our way to securing contributions from 100% of the Beth El Board. We are grateful to each of these Beth El community members who has helped launch this campaign with their leadership and generous gifts.

The Building Committee has worked closely with Weinstein Friedlein Architects to develop a renovation plan that expresses the Beth El community's values and aspirations. We encourage you to go to our website to review the latest renderings and imagine how the Beth El environment will be made richer and even more vibrant with a synagogue that is updated and better suited to our current and future needs.

With the renovation plans in hand, the Campaign Steering Committee has been working with fundraising counsel, moss+ross, on ways to involve all members of our Beth El community in this much needed initiative. It is important that every member of our congregation has a fulfilling opportunity to help ensure we raise all the funds required to meet both immediate and long-term building needs, while maintaining strong support for our ongoing programming and operations.

Through the end of this calendar year, with help from members of our newly assembled Major Gifts Committee, we will continue to reach out personally to many members of the congregation. By early 2017, every member of the Beth El community will have been invited to participate in this campaign at a personally meaningful level, building on the legacy of those who gave us this synagogue 60 years ago. It was their gift to us, and now it is our time and our responsibility to prepare our Jewish home for the future.

All along the way, our Board will continue its vital role as fiduciary caretakers for Beth El. They will monitor campaign progress and decide when it is time to take each significant step in the renovation process. For instance, the Board does not anticipate voting to begin construction until at least 90% of goal is secured in pledges and gifts. They are also overseeing the important work of the Transition Task Force, which is already exploring ways to minimize disruption to the ongoing functions of the synagogue during renovations.

We will continue to keep you regularly updated on the progress of this transformational initiative for Beth El. If you have any questions or are ready to discuss your contribution to this effort, do not hesitate to reach out to one of us. Our email addresses and phone numbers are listed below.

As we join together during the upcoming High Holidays, we hope you will take a moment to reflect on what Beth El means to you. We each have our own Beth El story and linked together, these form our community's story. As you sit in shul reflecting on the past year and thinking about the future, imagine what a freshly renovated synagogue will mean to all of us and the new vitality and sense of accomplishment it will engender. This future is within our reach and we will be proud to say that we did our part to ensure that this building continues to nurture and support our thriving Jewish community.

L'shana Tova to everyone and thank you for supporting our efforts and helping us all write the next chapter of Beth El's story.

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Kol Koloteinu Committee

Last year, with much thanks to the Synagogue Life Committee, as well as, the Egalitarian Orthodox Chavurah, Beth El made it's official debut in the NC State Pride Parade in Durham. This year, once again through efforts of the Synagogue Life Committee, we marched together with other Durham-Chapel Hill Jewish organizations & synagogues.

Get your Beth El t-shirt from the Synagogue Life Committee! Contact Margueritte Cox (margueritte.cox@gmail.com) to

reserve your size (all are charcoal grey, short sleeve, with Beth El logo centered front)! \$18 each payable to Beth El (SLC BE t-shirt in memo line), see attached chart for sizing: Men's crew neck, Women's fit V-neck, & Youth sizes available - all in limited quantities. All profits will go to Talmud

Torah!

—Krisha Miller





Israel Trip

From Tel Dan in the North of Israel to the Old Train Station in Jerusalem, members of Beth El and Beth Meyer, explored the life and history of Israel. We rode camels and dipped our toes in the source waters of the Jordan River on a 10-day adventure that brought to many our first Israel experience.

In addition to going to must-see spots like Masada and Tsfat, we learned about the intricacies of contemporary life from personal narratives. We met Bobby Daudi, a friend of Rabbi Greyber's who oversees civilian security for nearly 30 towns along Israel's northern border with Lebanon, and ate lunch with Lone Soldiers at the Fuchsberg Center. We met with members of the Ethiopian Community at an absorption center and listened to a challenging political narrative from Jerusalem Post columnist Gil Hoffman.

Along the way, deep friendships blossomed between Beth El and Beth Meyer. The two synagogues joined in laughter, sweat and enormous Israeli breakfasts. Rabbis Solomon and Greyber showed their complex passions for Israel from different sides of the bus, giving everyone a perspective that transcended flash-point sound bites.

Faith, art, history, social action, archeology, ecology, modern life and a healthy dose of study set the framework for an intense, broad overview of Israel: past, present and future. A yellow butterfly at Yad Vashem, cool stones of the Western Wall tunnels, glimmering pools of Sachne, the serenity of Ein Gedi, the blistering heat of Israeli summer – together, our small contingent of North Carolina's Jewish Community touched the beauty, pain and triumph of our spiritual homeland.

—Libby Vaughn



Talmud Torah

Shalom! During his first fall in office, in September 2009, then-new President Barack Obama addressed students across America on the first day of school. I wanted to share with you a few passages from that speech that are particularly relevant to the work we are doing here in the Beth El Talmud Torah. As you read, I hope you see the parallels that caught my eye. Religious education is not something that can be taught in isolation. It is not just the teachers' responsibility or just the parents'. We must work together: school/teachers-parents-students (a stool cannot stand on only two legs). It is not easy coming to school early on Sunday mornings or after a long day of school, but everyone here has made their Jewish education a priority. As we begin this new year I encourage everyone to take President Obama's words to heart. He urges each student to work hard and put their best effort forth. He says he expects greatness from our country's students; I would like to take it one step further and ask our students to expect greatness from themselves. Here's to a wonderful new year!

"I know that for many of you, today is the first day of school...it [might be] your first day in a new school, so it's understandable if you're a little nervous...And no matter what grade you're in, some of you are probably wishing it were still summer, and you could've stayed in bed just a little longer this morning. I know that feeling. When I was young, my family lived in Indonesia for a few years, and my mom decided to teach me extra lessons herself, Monday through Friday—at 4:30 in the morning. Now I wasn't too happy about getting up that early. A lot of times, I'd fall asleep right there at the kitchen table. But whenever I'd complain, my mother would just give me one of those



looks and say, "This is no picnic for me either, buster." So I know some of you are still adjusting to being back at school. But I'm here today because I have something important to discuss with you. I'm here because I want to talk with you about your education and what's expected of all of you in this new school year. Now I've given a lot of speeches about education. And I've talked a lot about responsibility. I've talked about your teachers' responsibility for inspiring you, and pushing you to learn. I've talked about your parents' responsibility for making sure you stay on track, and get your homework done, and don't spend every waking hour in front of the TV or with that Xbox. I've talked a lot about your



government's responsibility for setting high standards, supporting teachers and principals, and turning around schools that aren't working where students aren't getting the opportunities they deserve. But at the end of the day, we can have the most dedicated teachers, the most supportive parents, and the best schools in the world and none of it will matter unless all of you fulfill your responsibilities. Unless you show up to those schools; pay attention to those teachers; listen to your parents, grandparents and other adults; and put in the hard work it takes to succeed. And that's what I want to focus on today: the responsibility each of you has for your education. I want to start with the responsibility you have to yourself. Every single one of you have a responsive regood at. Every single one of you have a respon-

sibility to yourself to discover what that is. That's the opportunity an education can provide...No one's born being good at things, you become good at things through hard work. You're not a varsity athlete the first time you play a new sport. You don't hit every note the first time you sing a song. You've got to practice. It's the same with your schoolwork. You might have to do a math problem a few times before you get it right, or read something a few times before you understand it, or do a few drafts of a paper before it's good enough to hand in. Don't be afraid to ask for help when you need it. I do that every day. Asking for help isn't a sign of weakness, it's a sign

of strength. It shows you have the courage to admit when you don't know something, and to learn something new. So find an adult you trust—a parent, grandparent or teacher; a coach or counselor—and ask them to help you stay on track to meet your

goals."

Shana tovah u'metuka, A Good & Sweet New Year to all of you!

Elisabeth Albert Gerson, Education and Youth
Director



Talmud Torah

Teen Engagement

Beth El Youth Programs are kicked-off and underway for another amazing year of fun and educational activities to continue engaging youth in Jewish life. This year school year, we kicked-off with a bonfire for USYers where teens had a chance to talk about their summers, listen to some of their favorite camp songs and do Havdallah together. It was a great kick-off event with 15 teens in attendance! We also enjoyed a USY/Kadima trip to Wet n' Wild to officially say good bye to summer.

In addition to these two wonderful kick-off events, we also had a group of teens come together to create a teen lounge at Beth El. This room (first on the left, downstairs, main building), is meant for the teens (6-12th grade) to feel like they have a space at the synagogue to call their own. The space will be used in many ways throughout the year. First as a gather space for teens on their own choosing. Second as a study hall style space for the teens to come before Midrasha and other times throughout the year. Third this room will be used going into the High Holiday season. There will be open times for free use of the room in addition to planned educational opportunities for the kids to learn and reflect during the holidays.

I am looking forward to the growth of our youth programming this year as we welcome in our first USY chapter board and host some bigger programming. This year we will host the NC-Wide Shabbaton at Beth El, giving teens from all over the opportunity to learn a bit more about our community. We will also have our first ever Teen Takeover Shabbat, Saturday, December 3rd. A day where the teens will entirely run Shabbat services.

A lot to look forward to this year, I can't wait!

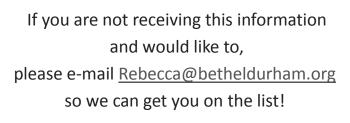
—Rebecca Levine

















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| Elul | | October |
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| 28 | Clarence Berman | 1 |
| 29 | Robert Lubosky | 2 |
| 29 | David Alexander Rosefielde | 2 |
| 29 | Sidney "Chick" Mandel | 2 |
| 29 | Sam Zarkin | 2 |
| Tishrei | | October |
| 1 | Abraham Roskin | 3 |
| 2 | Rhea Fishman | 4 |
| 3 | Polly Gutman | 5 |
| 3 | Irene Silverstein | 5 |
| 4 | Rebecca Emenitove | 6 |
| 4 | Heinz Speier | 6 |
| 4 | Roberta Morris | 6 |
| 5 | Sydney Back | 7 |
| 5 | Lottie Samuel | 7 |
| 5 | Leveritt A. Wallace | 7 |
| 6 | Rifkie Kresses Birnbrey | 8 |
| 7 | Israel Gutman | 9 |
| 7 | Pearl Cohen | 9 |
| 7 | Lester Zauder | 9 |
| 7 | Michel Baranger | 9 |
| 7 | Melvin Gladstein | 10 |
| 11 | Morris Becker | 13 |
| 11 | Harry Rosenberg | 13 |
| 11 | Israel Hurwitz | 13 |
| 12 | Bernice Kahn | 14 |
| 12 | Janet Harrison Broadwell | 14 |
| 13 | Herbert Herzfeld | 15 |
| 13 | William Jacob Jackson Jr. | 15 |
| 13 | Anna Lipschitz | 15 |
| 18 | Morris Kaplan | 20 |
| 18 | Harry Harrison Jr. | 20 |
| 18 | Louise D. 20 Kushner | |
| 19 | Julius Grossman 21 | |
| 19 | Marya Kirshner | 21 |

| <u> Yarnz</u> | <u>eit kemind</u> | <u>ers</u> |
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| Tishrei | | October |
| 20 | John Ullman | 22 |
| 20 | Morris D. Ashendorf | 22 |
| 21 | Jack Toppell | 23 |
| 22 | Hanna Rachel Koren | 24 |
| 22 | Lawrence Singer | 24 |
| 23 | Israel Meyer Frohman | 25 |
| 23 | Robert Strauss | 25 |
| 24 | Susana Levy | 26 |
| 24 | Mary Schlesinger | 26 |
| 25 | Halina Gutman | 27 |
| 25 | Rose Gutman | 27 |
| 25 | Cecille R. Lipton | 27 |
| 26 | Kurt Schreiber | 28 |
| 27 | Martin Leiss | 29 |
| 27 | Harry Lyons | 29 |
| 27 | Alex S. Tulsky | 29 |
| 27 | David Liptzin | 29 |
| 28 | Alberto Behar | 30 |
| 28 | Erven Gladstein | 30 |
| 28 | Alberto Levy | 30 |
| 28 | Jennie Nachamson | 30 |
| 28 | Sidney Brettler | 30 |
| 28 | Leonard Sperling | 30 |
| 29 | Ruth Shecter | 31 |
| 30 | Eliot Kraft | 1 |
| Heshvan | | November |
| 1 | N. Herbert Halberstadt | 2 |
| 1 | Paul Perilstein | 2 |
| 1 | Marvin Chester Wahl | 2 |
| 2 | Dan Portnoy | 3 |
| 2 | Dolores Ginsburg | 3 |
| 4 | Herman Krebs | 5 |
| 4 | Norman Gross | 5 |
| 6 | Katherine Asbury | 7 |
| 6 | Joseph George Shimm | 7 |

| Heshvan | | November |
|---------|-------------------------------|----------|
| 6 | Kassel Siegel | 7 |
| 6 | Sara bas Yaakov | 7 |
| 7 | Herman | 8 |
| | Bachenheimer | |
| 7 | Helen Reiner | 8 |
| | Portnoy | |
| 7 | Polly Keyserling Sinnreich | 8 |
| 7 | Edward. R. | 8 |
| | Svetkey | |
| 9 | Frances | 10 |
| | Rothstein | |
| 10 | Alfred Carson | 11 |
| 10 | Alice Rosenberg Kline | 11 |
| 10 | Abe Rosenzweig | 11 |
| 11 | Sid Rancer | 12 |
| 12 | Marylu Goldberg | 13 |
| 12 | Sandra Richmond | 13 |
| 12 | Joseph Morrison | 13 |
| 12 | Pearl Ellman | 13 |
| 13 | Sadie Greenberg | 14 |
| 14 | Chaim Mordecai Finkel | 15 |
| 14 | Stanley Barclay | 15 |
| 14 | Florence Mintzer | 15 |
| 15 | Harry Segal | 16 |
| 16 | Treasure Mcclain | 17 |
| 16 | Nathan Rafterman | 17 |
| 16 | Moshe Friedman | 17 |
| 16 | Freda Leiss | 17 |
| 17 | Anna Marck | 18 |
| 18 | Arthur Concors | 19 |
| 19 | Mildred Sass Slatkoff | 20 11 |

Yarhzeit Reminders

| Heshvan | | November |
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| 19 | Reuven ben Eliezer | 20 |
| 20 | Joseph Poss | 21 |
| 20 | Sylvia Shane | 21 |
| 20 | Yetta Rockman | 21 |
| 20 | Shirley Schulman | 21 |
| 21 | Eric Ivan Pas | 22 |
| 21 | Hattie Singer | 22 |
| 22 | Sarah Behar | 22 |
| 22 | Marvin C. Goldstein | 22 |
| 22 | Arnold Klapper | 23 |
| 23 | Celia Shatzman | 24 |
| 23 | Benjamin Ellman | 24 |
| 23 | Fannie Romick | 24 |
| 24 | Larry Katz | 25 |
| 25 | Agnes Culp | 26 |
| 26 | Nora Barth | 27 |
| 26 | Sara Lieber | 27 |
| 26 | Ida Stollwerk | 27 |
| 26 | Herbert Bailin | 27 |
| 27 | Harold Barth | 28 |
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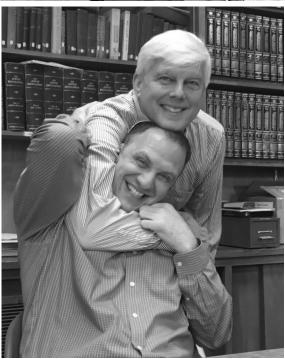












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