



SAREENA LEXI KATZ

יהודית ברכה
בת גרשון ולאה

Daughter of
Gary and Laura Katz

*In honor of Sareena's bat
mitzvah, her parents are
sponsoring the Kiddush.*

*All are invited to attend in the
Gruman Social Hall.*

Service & Program Times

SHABBAT

Friday	
Kabbalat Shabbat	5:45 p.m.
Fiterman Chapel	
Candlelighting	4:18 p.m.
Saturday	
Shaharit	9:00 a.m.
Spiegel Sanctuary	
Minha	4:30 p.m.
Fiterman Chapel	
Havdalah	5:19 p.m.

SUNDAY

Minyan	9:00 a.m.
Minha	5:45 p.m.

DAILY MINYAN

Shaharit	7:00 a.m.
Minha	5:45 p.m.

- Hearing assisted devices for the sanctuary are available in the bin outside the sanctuary.
- In honor of Shabbat, please refrain from the following activities: photography, writing and using cell phones or other electronic devices.
- Please don't wear perfume or cologne - the person sitting next to you may be allergic.
- At the conclusion of services, please pick up papers from the pews and discard appropriately.

~Thank you

Welcome to Beth El Synagogue!

If you are new to Beth El, we'd love to meet you! Please introduce yourself to the greeters, clergy or officer sitting on the bimah. We invite you to learn more about Beth El and to discuss joining our congregational family by contacting our Executive Director, Linda Goldberg at 952-920-3512, lgoldberg@bethelsynagogue.org

Va'yeishev וישב

Genesis 37:1-40:23 (pg. 226)

Haftarah

Amos 2:6-3:8 (pg. 246)

Erev Shabbat:

Kabbalat Shabbat 5:45 p.m.
Wedding Anniversary-Mazal Tov!

- Peter & Livia Fahndrich on their 35th on November 30

Yom Shabbat:

- Todah to our Sisterhood Shabbat Morning Greeter: **Rosa Stein**
Todah to our greeter last Shabbat, **Shayne Karasov**
Wedding Anniversary-Mazal Tov!
- Dr. Eli & Sharon Kaplan on their 50th on November 24
- Bill Broze & Jacki Fruen Broze on their 25th on December 1

Todah to our Shabbat Torah readers:

1:	Sareena Katz	37:1-7
	Jim Bukstein	37:8-11
2:	Richard Spiegel	37:12-22
3:	Joe Rine	37:23-36
4:	Deb Deutsch	38:1-6
	Emily Weinberg	38:7-11
	Ploni ben Almoni	38:12-15
	Eli Witkin	38:16-30
5:	Eli Witkin	39:1-6
6:	Cindy Witkin	39:7-23
7:	Susie Yablonsky	40:1-3
	AJ Yablonsky	40:4-6
	Mitch Chargo	40:7-9
	Rachel Klein	40:10-15
	Jesse Klein	40:16-20
	Jordan Klein	40:21-23
M:	Sareena Katz	40:20-23
Haftarah:	Sareena Katz	

DROPS OF TORAH רסיסי תורה

Genesis 38:24-25 "About three months later, Judah was told, 'Tamar, your daughter-in-law, has been promiscuous, moreover, her promiscuity has resulted in pregnancy.' Judah said, 'Take her out and let her be burned.' She was being taken out, and she sent [word] to her father-in-law saying, 'By the man to whom these belong am I pregnant.' She said, 'Please recognize to whom this signet, wrap and staff belong.'"

בראשית לח:כד-כה

(כד) ויהי | כְּמִשְׁלֵשׁ חֳדָשִׁים וַיֵּדַד לַיהוּדָה לֵאמֹר וַיִּנְתֶּנָּה תַמָּר בְּלִטְתָּהּ וְגַם הֵנָּה הָרָה לְזַנוּתָם וַיֹּאמֶר יְהוּדָה הוֹצִיאֶנָּה וְתִשְׂרָף: (כה) הוּא מוֹצֵאת וְהִיא שְׂלֹתָה אֶל-חַמְיָהּ לֵאמֹר לְאִישׁ אֲשֶׁר-אָלָה לִּי אֲנֹכִי הָרָה וְתֹאמַר הִכָּר-נָא לְעַיִן הַחַתּוּמֹת וְהַפְתִּילִים וְהַמַּטֵּה הָאֵלֶּה:

We've all felt the cold sting of public embarrassment. Few offenses match the pain of feeling the warmth of our cheeks blushing in shame. Rabbenu Hananel's recognizes a teaching about public embarrassment in the above verses. Referring us to the teachings of the sages in the Babylonian Talmud Tractate Sotah, Rabbenu Hananel teaches that from these verses, as extreme as it may seem, we conclude a person prefers to be thrown into a fiery furnace than be publicly embarrassed. But then Tamar's comments make sense. Tamar's personal thoughts might have been: "If he will own up to the truth, fine. But if not, I will rather allow myself to be burned at the stake than to shame him in public." She was not concerned about her own image, for that was already tarnished. This is not a matter of personal pride, but communal scorn. Though perhaps the image of a fiery furnace is metaphorical in our minds, we learn from Tamar's courage that we should go to any and every length not to bring *bushah* (embarrassment) to our neighbor. -AO

Sunday Morning Minyan Hevrah Breakfast (Following services at 9:00 a.m.)

To sponsor a breakfast, contact Steve Moldo 952-545-4198 or Lou Jurisz at 612-396-9270.

November 28—Sponsored by Bonnie & Steve Heller and Roberta (Bobby) & Elliot Cohen.

in memory of their dear parents Irene & Erwin Heller, Oscar Victor and Gert & David Cohen.

December 5—Sponsored by Terry & Harry Cohen in loving memory of Harold (Bungy) & Edythe Cohen and Abe & Fanny Nudell.

December 12—Sponsored by Liza Allen, Jack Jagodo and Shirley Jurisz in loving memory of our parents David and Mary.

Guest Speaker, Julie Jonas, a lawyer from the Innocence Project, will speak about their work.

UPCOMING AT BETH EL

For more information on these programs and events, call the Beth El office at 952-920-3512, or visit www.bethelsynagogue.org.

Men's Club Dinner—December 2

The next Men's Club Dinner on December 2, 2010, will feature a traditional Hanukkah Feast including brisket, latkes and more. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. with entertainment at 8:00 p.m. Cost is \$22 per person and free for Men's Club members. To reserve your spot, contact Al Kaufman at 952-797-0071 or Allen Oleisky at 952-935-4961.

Family Hanukkah Shabbat Dinner

Young families and Aleph Preschool families are invited to the Family Hanukkah Shabbat Dinner on Friday, December 3rd, 5:30 pm. at Bnai Emet. Enjoy a family-friendly service in the sanctuary with children participating. The whole family is invited! Cost is \$18 for adults and \$7 for kids (children under 1 are free). RSVP by Nov 24th to Aleph Preschool at 952-920-4169 or if you have any questions, email Jodi Lipschultz at jodilipschultz@yahoo.com.

Beth El Night at Griffin Gallery

Griffin Gallery cordially invites you to attend the artist's reception featuring works by relief artist, Bill Mack and abstract impressionist, Gary Welton and many other artists on Thursday, December 9th, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. The gallery is located at 5222 West 78th St in Edina. Identify yourself as a Beth El member and Beth El will receive 10% of your purchase.

Heilicher Minneapolis Jewish Day School (HMJDS) Informational Meeting for Beth El Families

Learn how your family can experience the MAGIC of HMJDS! Beth El/Aleph School Parents are invited to an informational evening with coffee and dessert with Rabbi Olitzky, Karen Burton, HMJDS administrators, and current Beth El parents whose children attend this gem in our community. Please join us on Tuesday, November 30 at 7:15 p.m. at the home of Bryan and Nina Badzin (6656 Parkwood Road Edina 55436). To RSVP, please contact Nina Badzin at 952.938.0938. If you are unable to make this event but would like to schedule a private/meeting tour, ask questions, or have information sent to your home, please contact Abbe Payton, HMJDS Admissions & Outreach Director, at 952.381.3566. (You can also RSVP to Abbe directly!)

Iyun T'fillah

Join us on Shabbat, December 11 from 9:15-10:15 a.m. for this special service that is designed to nurture the soul and open ourselves deeper into prayer.

Aleph Preschool 2011 registration

Aleph Preschool registration packets for the 2011-12 school year are now available from the Preschool office. Please call 952-920-4169 or email Karen Burton at kburton@bethelsynagogue.org to receive a packet or for more information. Children who will be 16 months old by September 1, 2011 are eligible to enroll in our Toddler program. We offer morning Toddler, Preschool and PreK age classes in addition to early morning and extended afternoon care. We are excited to share our new school with you and your child!

Nosh and D'rash: Torah for Living

Eat and learn with Rabbi Olitzky from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd* Monday of every month at Beth El. For a mere \$5, you get a dose of Torah and a scrumptious lunch. Enjoy the class and conversation regularly, or drop in every now and again. To learn more about this exciting new learning opportunity, please contact Roger Rubin at bikingdad@msn.com or 612-636-1598. Advanced RSVPs are helpful, but not necessary. For more adult learning opportunities, visit www.bethelsynagogue.org or contact Rabbi Davis at 952-920-3512.

**NOTE: No meeting on Monday, November 29*

Entertainment Books

The Beth El Sisterhood is selling the 2011 Twin Cities Entertainment® Book for only \$30! Packed with over \$16,400 worth of local coupons including: 585 Restaurants, 212 Attraction Discounts, 168 Retail shops, over \$15,000 in Travel Deals, movie Ticket Discounts, and much more. Now available in the Beth El office or by calling Mickey Bernstein 612-927-5793.

Fresh and Delicious Shabbat Hallot

Order your Shabbat Hallot through the Aleph Preschool, have a delicious Shabbat and do a mitzvah at the same time. Your Fishman's hallah can be picked up at Bnai Emet by 12:00 p.m. each Friday. Proceeds from this tasty fundraiser will be used for Family Education programs in Aleph Preschool. Call the Aleph Preschool office to order: 952-920-4169. We thank you for your support!





This week, plans for the new portable wall in the social hall have been submitted to the city for approval and electrical controls are being installed for the new office area. As usual, many, MANY less obvious, but important improvements are made every day, along with preparations for many more! Upcoming immediate plans include the addition of a new exit from the social hall, sprinkler systems added to the kitchen, social hall and boiler room, and much more. Please note: the kitchen will be closed from December 6 – 18 to install a new rooftop unit above the kitchen as well as the new sprinkler system. To see pictures of the construction, go to www.bethelsynagogue.org/construction-update.

UPCOMING IN THE COMMUNITY

Bnai Emet Men's Club and Women's League 2010 Latke Brunch

Beth El is cordially invited to the Bnai Emet Men's Club and Women's League 2010 Latke "BRUNCH" on Sunday, December 5 at 11:30 a.m. at Bnai Emet Synagogue. Featuring delicious, "signature potato latkes," various egg soufflés, NEW pasta bar, NEW salad bar, waffles, great desserts, and choice of beverage. Cost: \$12.00 per person- \$42.00 max per family price; Children under 5 are free. RSVP by December 1st to the Bnai Emet office at 952-927-7309.

Discrediting the Bible; Rediscovering Torah: Modern Jewish encounters with Biblical Criticism

On Wednesday, December 8, from 7:30–9:30 p.m. at Beth Jacob Congregation, hear how the challenge to biblical authority, starting in the seventeenth century, was critical to the development of modern political and intellectual life—paving the way for the Enlightenment and for democratic government and pluralistic nation-states. Presented by guest speaker, Mara Benjamin.

B'nai Mitzvah Israel Bond Program

Beth El and Israel Bonds continue to offer our B'nai Mitzvah an opportunity to invest in Israel Bonds. Through the generosity of our congregant, Fern Badzin, Beth El is able to match the amount of the investment. Please call the synagogue office for more information.

Gifts Presented to the Bar/Bat Mitzvah

A bar/bat mitzvah is a celebration not just for an individual family but for the entire Jewish community, indeed the entire Jewish people. Beth El Synagogue and the Minneapolis Jewish community generously give the following gifts in celebration of b'nai mitzvah:

- A personalized kiddush cup by Beth El's Sisterhood & Men's Club for Shabbat and Festivals.
- A ring of trees planted in Israel by the Jewish National Fund through the generosity of Beth El congregant, Naomi Rotenberg, in honor of the bar/bat mitzvah.
- A matching contribution for those who invest in Israel Bonds through the generosity of Beth El congregant, Fern Badzin, to solidify the bond between b'nai mitzvah and Medinat Yisrael.
- A free year's membership to the Sabes Jewish Community Center including use of fitness and teen centers.
- A partial scholarship toward an Israel trip for young adults who continue their Jewish education from the Louis Herman Israel Experience Fund, an endowment of the Jewish Community Foundation of the Minneapolis Jewish Federation.
- The *Etz Hayim Humash* for students of the Talmud Torah to encourage ongoing Torah study.
- A Pirkei Avot book for students of the Heilicher Minneapolis Jewish Day School to commemorate their passage through the doorway of Jewish adulthood.

Shiva, Shloshim, and Yahrzeits

Friday, November 26 – Friday, December 3, 2010
19 – 26 Kislev 5771

Shiva

Shloshim

Shayna (Jane) Raskin
Sheindel (Joyce) Shapiro
Bayla Feigel (Barbara W.) Kass
Rivka (Renee) Barinbaum
Z'eiv (Wallace) Harris
Leibel (Leon) Malter

Yahrzeit

19 Kislev / Friday, November 26

Chaim (Henry) Blacker
Hana Zissel (Annette Cecille) Caplan
Ralph Goldhirsch
Chaim (Robert) Hirschthal
Harry Kotler
Ya'akov (Dr. John Robert) Ostfield
Shayndel (Jean) Rosenzweig
Mordecai (Marvin) Smith

20 Kislev / Saturday, November 27

Rivka (Rita Audrey) Benenson
Mottle Tzivia (Martha) Cohen
Zelig (Zollie) Dworsky
Yehudit Sarah (Judy) Goldberg

21 Kislev / Sunday, November 28

Ayalah (Hilda) Berman
Sora (Sally) Greenberg
Avram Aron (Abe) Olkon
Eliyahu (Ellis) Peilen
Mordecai (Max) Rappaport
Anna Greenberg Shieldkraut

22 Kislev / Monday, November 29

Malka (Muriel) Arenson
Reuvain Zave (Raleigh) Goldberg
Tzipporah (Guita) Gordon
Hava (Eva Beers) Kaplan
Mordecai (Morris) Lebowitz
Roger B. Page
Shlomo (Sol) Sadoff
Shlomo (Sam) Slater
Ya'akov (Jack) Spector
Sholom (Samuel) Weisberg

23 Kislev / Tuesday, November 30

Batya (Bessie) Harris
Esther Kahan
Max Livon
Velvel (Bill) Rockler
Yitzhak (Isadore) Schwartz
Moshe Reuven (Monroe) Segal

24 Kislev / Wednesday, December 1

Haina (Ann) Armel
Harvey Arnold
Hayim (John) Fink
Baruch (Bernard) Karol
Dov (David) Lewis
Miriam Nacht
Tillie Mae Wise

25 Kislev / Thursday, December 2

Yeruchum (Jerome) Averbach
Chaya Rachel (Lila Ruth) Fink
David Yehnah (Terry) Goldberg
Ya'akov (Jack) Greenberg
Haya (Valerie) Kanter
Haya Sora (Clara) Oglansky
Yehuda (Vernon) Prohofsky
Fruma Meril (Muriel) Rose
Mindel (Minnie) Rosen
Sarah Stoller
Hayim (Hy) Widetzky

26 Kislev / Friday, December 3

Shmuel (Sam) Cherinsky
Yehudat (Julie Ann) Kaplan
Anne Levine
Sara (Sara) Levy
Daniel Marell
Emil Silverman
Aharon (Harry) Sopsnick
Toba Sudit
Laib (Leon Irving) Witebsky



**Do you need a hand?
We're here!**

**Call our Yad V'lev hotline
952-920-3512 ext 602**

Can you lend a hand? We need you!

Contact Midge Frailich or Jo Ann Gruesner at 952-920-3512
or midge1@mac.com or jgruesner@gmail.com.

**Have health questions? Call our *Shul*Nurse,
Hadassah Zohara at 952-920-3512, ext 7356**

Is someone you love in the hospital or homebound?

Because of privacy restrictions, the synagogue is no longer notified by area hospitals when they have Jewish patients. Please call Barbara at the synagogue office (952-920-3512, ext 7313) if you or someone you know is hospitalized or homebound, and tell us the patient's name and location.



6th Annual Tikun Olam Dessert Auction

Hosted by Beth El USY



Sunday, December 12, 2010 • 7:00 p.m.

Appetizers and LIVE DESSERT AUCTION

*Invite your family & friends for an evening of fun with friends and family
while helping to "Heal the World!"*

COST is \$6 for 13 and over; Free for kids 12 and under.

**For more information or to RSVP, contact the Youth Department at
952-920-3594 or hanna@bethelusy.org.**

If you would like to bake, contact Dana Yugend-Pepper at danabyp@aol.com

Needed: Medical and educational supplies for Beth El mission to Uganda!



The Beth El mission is going to Uganda in December and we are looking to bring much needed supplies to the Abayudaya, Uganda's indigenous Jewish community. Guided by Rabbi Gershom Sizomu, this amazing Jewish community has built a new medical center and school, which are open to all neighbors – including local Christians and Muslims.

The medical center needs:

- Antibiotics
- Pain killers
- Vitamin C & multivitamin supplements
- Laboratory reagents

The school needs:

- Paper and pens
- Sturdy soccer balls that can stand rough surfaces

All supplies are needed by **Dec. 15th**. Drop off at Beth El anytime or call Joanne Trangle at 612-432-4473 with any questions. Thank you for helping us make this a successful trip!