



**COLE DAVID
LIVON REIN**

שלמה דוד ישראל
בן יפה שמואל ויפה שולמית
Son of
Jodi Livon Rein and Jason Rein

In honor of Cole on his bar mitzvah, his grandparents, Barbara Livon and Lois & Marv Rein are sponsoring the Kiddush and his parents are sponsoring the congregational Shabbat Lunch.

All are invited to attend in the Gruman Social Hall.

Service & Program Times

SHABBAT

Friday:

Kabbalat Shabbat5:45 p.m.
Fiterman Chapel

Candlelighting.....4:55 p.m.

Saturday:

Shaharit.....9:00 a.m.
Spiegel Sanctuary

Minha4:30 p.m.
Fiterman Chapel

Havdalah5:57 p.m.

SUNDAY

Minyan.....9:00 a.m.

Minha5:30 p.m.

DAILY MINYAN

Shaharit.....7:00 a.m.

Minha5:45 p.m.

Help Us Keep the Spirit of Shabbat

In Honor of Shabbat, please refrain from the following activities:

- photography or writing
- using cell phones or other electronic devices
- wearing perfume or cologne (the person sitting next to you may be allergic)

And 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. To learn more about Beth El, contact Linda Goldberg at lgoldberg@bethelsynagogue.org or 952-873-7302.

בו בא

Exodus 10:1-13:16 (pg. 374)

Haftarah

Isaiah 46:13-28 (p. 395)

Erev Shabbat:

- Kabbalat Shabbat 5:45 p.m.

Yom Shabbat:

- Todah to our Women's League Shabbat Morning Greeter:
Freda Golden (Todah to our greeters last Shabbat, Rachel Parnes & Susie Sigal)

Todah to our Shabbat Torah readers:

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| 1: | Cole Rein | 10:1-11 |
| 2: | Rachel Klein | 10:12-17 |
| | Josh Klein | 10:18-23 |
| | <i>On the anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah</i> | |
| 3: | Max Sigal | 10:24-27 |
| | Zack Gilbert Burke | 10:28-11:3 |
| 4: | Cindy Witkin | 11:4-12:20 |
| 5: | Louise Ribnick | 12:21-28 |
| 6: | Nina Shragg | 12:29-39 |
| | Cantor Art Shragg | 12:40-51 |
| 7: | Marshall Shragg | 13:1-16 |
| | <i>On the anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah</i> | |
| M: | Cole Rein | 13:14-16 |
| | Haftarah: Cole Rein and Zack Gilbert-Burke | |

DROPS OF TORAH רסיסי תורה

Exodus 11:7 "But among all the Children of Israel, a dog will not sharpen its tongue at human or animal. You will then know that God distinguishes between Egypt and Israel."

שמות יא ז:
ולכל בני ישראל לא יחרץ כלב לשנו למאיש ועד-בהמה למען תדעו אשר יפלה ה' בין מצרים ובין ישראל:

The Tur shares with us that the proverbial growling dog sharpens its tongue when it prepares to "sound the alarm." According to tradition, the howling of dogs without visible reason signifies that the Angel of Death is about. In spite of this, on this night in Egypt, the dogs stayed silent. God caused the Angel of Death to operate "undercover." But what is truly fascinating is that this "covert op" is precisely what reveals God: "You will then know!" The Children of Israel knew God from God's stillness, from God's lack of obvious presence, from the vast quiet and emptiness. Even a massive silence could be loud—especially when the silence comes from the might of God. The next time you hear nothing, listen closer. You may be hearing God. -AO

Young Families Fun Night!

Join us THIS Saturday, January 28th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Gruman Social Hall for Family Fun Night! Come in your PJs for havdalah and dessert. Personalize your own pillowcase and enjoy "campfire singing" with Laurie Herstig! Please bring a new pair of PJs to donate to "Sweet Dreams for Kids," an organization that distributes new pajamas to children in the hospital. Cost is just \$10 per family!

If you would like to bake or help in any way, contact Shari Dveris at sharidveris@gmail.com



Condolences to our congregants (*members in bold*):

- **Harriet Cell** and family on the loss of her husband, **Milton Cell**.
- **Howard Paster** and family on the loss of his father, **Eddie Paster**.

Sunday Morning Minyan Hevrah Breakfast (*Following services at 9:00 am*)

To sponsor a breakfast in memory, honor or in appreciation of friends and loved ones, please call Steve Moldo at 952-545-4198, Lou Jurisz at 612-396-9270 or David Jurisz at 612-987-7644.

January 29—Sponsored by the Beth El Men's Club. Enjoy!!

Sponsor a **Sunday Breakfast** and be a **Community Builder!** What better way to honor a loved one?

For more information, please contact Steve Moldo at 952-545-4198.



For more information on these programs and events, call the Beth El office at 952-873-7300, or visit www.bethelsynagogue.org.

UPCOMING AT BETH EL

“Am I A Good Jew?”

Join visiting JTS Scholar, Rabbi Abigail Treu for a series of discussions on God, Revelation, Who Wrote the Torah, and Why Knowing What You Think Can Change Your Life at 4:00 p.m. THIS Monday, January 30 at Beth El. For more information, contact Rabbi Davis at 952-873-7300.

Aleph Preschool Open House

Young Families are invited to the Aleph Preschool Open House on Friday, February 3, from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Join us for our Musical Shabbat with music specialist, Laurie Herstig (9:30 a.m.), then stay and observe our classrooms in action, take a tour of our NEW facility, meet our wonderful teachers and enjoy treats from Breadsmith and Caribou Coffee. Register that day for the Fall and receive a \$50 Byerlys gift card! RSVP to the Aleph Preschool Office at 952-873-7320 or adevitt@bethelsynagogue.org.

Hamantashen On Sale Now!

Thanks to all the Men and Women who have come to bake on the last 3 Sundays. Mixed Fruit Hamantashen are ready to be purchased for just \$15 per dozen. They are available on Sundays 9:00 a.m.-Noon in the Beth El Kitchen. Coming soon: Munn (Poppy), Apricot and Peanut Butter/Chocolate Chip. Contact Linda Tell at LRNTELL@gmail.com or 952 938-7177 for special orders.

Special Sunday Morning Breakfast and Presentation

In recognition of February as Jewish Disability Awareness Month, join us February 19 following morning services (beginning at 9:00 a.m.) at the Hevra breakfast for a special program - “Hope & Autism Spectrum Disorders – Three people Share their Experience Living with Autism.”

“Feminism: The Longest Revolution” presented by Inspiring Minds guest speaker Gloria Steinem

On Tuesday, April 17th, Gloria Steinem, an accomplished writer, lecturer, editor, and feminist activist, will present “Feminism: The Longest Revolution” as part of Beth El's ongoing Inspiring Minds Speaker Series. We anticipate this event to sell out quickly, so GET YOUR TICKETS soon by calling 952-873-7300 or go online to www.besyn.org/gloria

This IS a laughing matter!

Beth El and Adath Jeshurun are joining together to bring you Laughing Yoga! No need for a mat and no age limit! This is something for everyone. Join us and bring your friends to Beth El on Tuesday, February 7 at 10:30 a.m. for lunch, Laughing Yoga and a short movie. Cost is just \$13. RSVP by calling Rita Cook at 952-546-6458.

Help make a Minyan

To help ensure that those in mourning have a minyan in which to recite Kaddish, please support the daily minyan. Besides being a support to those in their hour of grief, it is a mitzvah! Bring a friend. Come with a relative. We have had struggles with the evening (5:45pm) minyan and the winter time can be particularly difficult. For those willing to join a rotation or cadre of “minyanares,” please contact the rabbis.

Still time to give to the Torah Fund

If you have not already contributed, we invite you to do so. Your contribution to the Torah Fund Scholarship program makes a difference in the education of the students attending rabbinical schools because every student receives a scholarship from the Torah Fund. Each gift strengthens and perpetuates Conservative/Masorti Judaism throughout the world. To make a contribution, please go to www.besyn.org/wl-donate, or send a check made payable to “Torah Fund” to Lisa Heilicher, 30 Western Terrace, Golden Valley, MN 55426.

ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Pizza and Prayer

Next study: February 14th
2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month from 6:15-7:30 p.m.
Facilitated by Rabbi Olitzky and Cantor Abrams. Dinner is \$5. For more information, contact Bruce Campbell at 612-418-1984 or bmccampbell5150@gmail.com.

Women's Study Group

Next study: February 14th
2nd Tuesday of each month from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Facilitated by Rabbi Olitzky. An in-depth look at the Wives of the Rabbis of the Talmud. All are welcome. Contact Carolyn Gerr at 952-938-1774 or carolyngerr@gmail.com for details.

Nosh 'n Drash

Next study: February 6th
1st and 3rd Mondays of each month from 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Facilitated by Rabbi Olitzky. Lunch is \$5. RSVP to Roger Rubin at bikingdad@q.com.



What's Happening?

B'resheet & Kadimah: 5-8th Graders and USY: 9-12th Graders

Jan. 29 - “Winter Beach Party”
Cold weather getting you down? Warm up at the USY Winter Luau. Come for an island party complete with beach games and ‘cocktails!’ Open to grades 5-8 from 1:30-3pm. Open to grades 9-12 from 3:30-5pm.

USY: 9-12th Graders

Feb. 3-5 - “USY Winter Shabbaton”
Many of our USYers head to Kansas City, MO for a regional convention with the other chapters in EMTZA!

Beth El Military Support Initiative

Over 3,000 MN National Guard soldiers and airmen are currently deployed overseas. If you would like to do something to support the troops and their families, now you can. A new Beth El Military Support Initiative is being explored and a committee is being formed. If you are interested in supporting the MN National Guard, please contact Cindy Amberger at 952-200-1699 or cindy.amberger@gmail.com or Rachel Parnes at 763-519-1370 or rachelparnes@comcast.net.

We bring to mind those in our congregational family* who serve in the military and pray for their wellbeing and speedy homecoming.



Joshua Amberger, US Navy
Rabbi Josh Sherwin, US Navy/US Marine Corps
Patrick Downs, US Marine Corps
Brad Downs, ROTC/National Guard
Mitchell Bennett, US Marine Corps
Isaac Reich, US Marine Corps

*If you have a friend or loved one serving in the military, please contact one of our clergy at 952-873-7300 so that we might add them to our weekly list of heroes.

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 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.

UPCOMING IN THE COMMUNITY

Jewish Women's Morning at the Capitol

Please join us for our annual Jewish Women's Morning at the Capitol (JWMC) on Tuesday, March 6, from 8:45am-noon. JWMC empowers advocates of all ages to engage in the political process for the first or fiftieth time. The event begins with an educational session where participants learn about political issues and then how to communicate effectively their positions. Then, participants meet with their Senators and Representatives in groups comprised of passionate, articulate women who energize each other and make memorable impressions on their elected policy makers. The event is free. To register, please contact Sue Garnett at garnett@ties2.net or 952-545-1435. For more information, contact Jodi Wolk at jodi_wolk@comcast.net or 612-751-9722.



Do you need a hand? We're here!

Call our Yad V'lev hotline
952-873-7300 ext. 7350

Can you lend a hand? We need you!
Contact Jo Ann Gruesner at 952-873-7300
or jgruesner@gmail.com.

Shiva, Shloshim, and Yahzeits

Friday, January 27, 2012 – Friday, February 3, 2012
3 Shevat – 10 Shevat 5772

Shiva

EDWARD PASTER – YITZHAK BEN YA'AKOV V' TZIPPORA
MILTON ("MICKEY") CELL – MICHAEL BEN YOSEF V' UDEL

Shloshim

Yaheil (Linda) Stern
Millie Orman
Yosef (Kiva) Bunin
Glen Collison
Ida Shif

Yahrzeits

3 Shevat / Friday, January 27

Reva Atlas
Jack Barke
Dovid (David) Cohen
Bluma (Beatrice) Eurist
Leib Gedalya (Leonard) Feldman
Satzta Laya (Sandra) Groll
Pinchas Mendel (Paul) Idelkope
Avi (Henry) Lapidés
Shmuel (Stanley) Liebo
Mae Lasky Lipshie
Arnold Lundgren
Gedalia (Joe) Moss
Toba (Theresa) Moss
Herschel (Edward) White

4 Shevat / Saturday, January 28

Benyomin (Ben) Baumgarten
Shmuel (Sam) Burstein
Mark Goldberg
Yehuda (Joseph) Guffan
Hannah (Helen) Gutowich
Ruvain (Raymond) Kaplan
Henry Kaufman
Zelig Kivatinetz
Esther Knight
Reuvein (Reuben) Miller
Efraim (Philip) Schwartz
Menasha Zev (William) Weinberg

5 Shevat / Sunday, January 29

Zvi (Harold) Goldman
Zalma Zipporah (Zelma) Herseth
Fruma Miriam (Fanny) Katzovitz
Shraga Feivel (Philip) Krasner
Muriel Kvasnik
Mordecai Reuvain (Morley Ronald) Mogul
Laib (Lewis Charles) Perlman, Jr.
Simcha (Sidney) Shields

Yahrzeits

6 Shevat / Monday, January 30

Miriam (Marion) Ansel
Yosef Bar Or
Velvel Avrom (William) Brodsky
Gittel Rayzel (Guita) Brody
Herschel (Harry) Brooks
Aharon Hillel (Richard) Cutts
Avigdor (Victor) Finkelstein
Srueel Esser (Harold) Fisher
Miryam (Mary) Haskvitz Swatez
Earl Richardson
Fruma (Frances) Weinberg

7 Shevat / Tuesday, January 31

Chasa (Susie) Abramovitch
Osher Zelig (Zelig) Berman
Chaim David (Henry) Blehert
Avraham Yitzhak (Abraham) Goodkind
Ben Tzion (Beni) Katz
Binyamin (Bruce) Siegel
Genendal (Gwen) Saposnick
Hanna Reva (Carrol) Zukerman

8 Shevat / Wednesday, February 1

Judy Abrams
Sara (Sarah) Berkwitz
Hana (Anna) Karpel
Savelli Kessler
Charles Sadoff
Rochel (Renee) Singer
Zoya Sivriver
Reuvain (Raymond) Vinitzky

9 Shevat / Thursday, February 2

Julia Anderson
Ya'akov (Jack) Goldberg
Gittel (Gertrude) Greenberg
Mendel (Max) Held
Lennart Liiste
Chaim Eliyahu (Henry) Mann
Reuvein (Ronald) Soskin
Aharon (Arthur) Wasserman

10 Shevat / Friday, February 3

Hanoch (Harvey) Gilbert
Ella Coplin Harris
Zusil (Stanley) Jacobson
Yehudit (Judith) Silverman
Yehuda (Julius) Silvers

We recall with sorrow the recent losses of our brave military personnel:

Marine Capt. Joshua C. Pairsh, 29, of Equality, IL, 1/22/2012
Marine Cpl. Christopher G. Singer, 23, of Temecula, CA, 1/21/2012
Marine Capt. Daniel B. Bartle, 27, of Ferndale, WA, 1/19/2012
Marine Capt. Nathan R. McHone, 29, of Crystal Lake, IL, 1/19/2012
Marine MSgt. Travis W. Riddick, 40, of Centerville, IA, 1/19/2012
Marine Cpl. Jesse W. Stites, 23, of North Beach, MD, 1/19/2012
Marine Cpl. Kevin J. Reinhard, 25, of Colonia, NJ, 1/19/2012
Marine Cpl. Joseph D. Logan, 22, of Willis, TX, 1/19/2012

BETH EL MUSIC AND ARTS (BEMA) PRESENTS...

A Coffeehouse Cabaret



Featuring the musical musings of
Debbie & John Orenstein



Emceed by
"Tommy and the Liebermen"

Saturday, February 4, 2012

8:00 p.m. at Beth El Synagogue

WITH GUEST APPEARANCES BY...



DISCOUNTED TICKETS if purchased IN ADVANCE

Doors open at 7:30. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door.

Reserve your tickets at www.besyn.org/coffeehouse

or detach and mail this form with payment to Beth El Synagogue, Attn: BEMA at 5224 W 26th St, St. Louis Park, MN 55416.

BEMA Coffeehouse Cabaret

February 4th, 2012 at 8:00 p.m.

Enclosed is a check made payable to "Beth El Synagogue" in the amount of

= \$ _____ (Total of Check = #Tickets at \$20 each)

Charge my **Visa / MC / AmEx / Discover** (circle one) in the amount of \$ _____ (Total Tickets) + \$2.50 (Convenience fee PER TICKET)

= \$ _____ (Total Charge = #Tickets at \$20 each plus convenience fee per ticket)

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____