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EDITH M. STERN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Edith M. Stern Memorial Scholarship Committee met on November 4, 1998 and awarded the first Edith M. Stern Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000 to Joshua Rubin, son of Barry and Beryl Rubin of Bangor. Joshua is a graduate of Bangor High School and a student at Brandeis University where he intends to complete pre-medical requirements, and also earn a Bachelor's Degree in psychology.

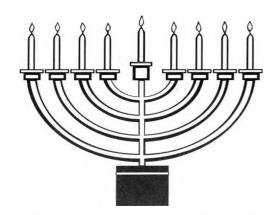
The scholarship is to be applied to his second semester of the current academic year.

The scholarship fund was established by relatives and friends as a memorial to Edith M. Stern, a woman who was a warm and friendly person, greatly admired.

Applications for a scholarship for the 1999-2000 academic year are available at the office of the Jewish Community Council and should be submitted on or before March 31, 1999 for consideration. The fund is administered by Congregation Beth Israel, and the scholarship committee consists of members from all interests within the Jewish community.

JOHN BAPST SCHOLARSHIPS

There are three remaining John Bapst scholarships available through the Jewish Community Council. Watch for more information in the next issue of *The Community News*.



Due to the cost of printing and mailing *The Community News*, we ask that out of state non-JCC members consider a donation to the Jewish Community Council.

THE HONDURAS JEWISH COMMUNITY NEEDS YOUR HELP

Recently, Hurricane Mitch left the Jewish population of Honduras without a synagogue. It was decided at a JCC meeting that our Jewish community should support relief efforts in this part of the world.

Clothing is being collected in the Bangor area, but money is needed most. For information on how to contribute to this important endeavor, call the Jewish Community Council at 941-2950.

Youth Aliyah

Youth Aliyah reaches out to more than 13,000 teenagers each year, offering them the opportunity to become proud, independent, contributing members of the community. Youth Aliyah elevates the hopes and achievements of a new generation of Israelis.

"Our children" need your help. We send appropriate cards for all occasions. Please send in your contribution. Please call Samara Gopan at 941-2950.

— Mildred Kominsky, Chairperson

JCC CHAPEL

The Jewish Community Council reminds you that there are stained glass windows available for purchase. Chapel donations are always welcome. For more information call the JCC at 941-2950.

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> Norman Minsky and Stephen Emery, Campaign Co-Chairs

CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL NEWS

There is so much going on at Beth Israel!

For EDUCATION:

"Judaism and Spirituality: A renewed approach to daily living" is being taught by Rabbi Barry Krieger. The schedule is Class 1: 11:00am to 12:30pm at Beth Israel on November 9 & 23 and December 7 & 21. The schedule of Class 2: 7:30pm to 9:00pm at Rabbi Krieger's home on November 10 & 24, December 8 & 22.

The class is free for Beth Israel members and \$25 for nonmembers. Please contact our secretary to register at 945-3433.

Rosh Chodesh Women's Study Group will next meet on Monday, December 21 at 7pm in the vestry. The history of Rosh Chodesh will be discussed.

Adult Bar & Bat Mitzvah Preparation taught by Cantor Deborah Marlowe is being held on Monday nights at 7:00-9:00pm in the Epstein Entry area. The fee for the course is \$30 for members, and \$45 for non-members. Anyone interested may register with our secretary at 945-3433.

The Adult Choir is still accepting new members. All that is needed is a love of beautiful Jewish music. Please contact Cantor Deborah Marlowe at 589-4096 to sign up. We have had two wonderful concerts thus far and many new choir members.

Two new committees have been formed: A Bikkur Cholim/ Visiting the ill Committee and a Social Action Committee. If you would like to participate in either of these efforts, please contact our secretary at 945-3433 for details.

The Beth Israel Hebrew School holds classes are held on one or two days each week (Monday through Thursday) for Kindergarten through 7th grades. Our curriculum has a strong focus on hebrew literacy and developing a positive Jewish identify for each child. Please contact our secretary at 945-3433 if you would like to register your child into Beth Israel's hebrew school program.

Mazel Tov to Brandon Libby, on the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah on November 7. Brandon did a fantastic job, and the shul was full of well-wishers on his special day.

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FUN, FUN, FUN!:

A Hanukkah Celebration for our congregation will be held on Sunday, December 13. The program will include a performance by the Beth Israel choir, activities for the children, and of course, LATKES! Contact our office for details.

Our "Conservative Judaism" Shabbat Dinner & Lecture and our Sanctuary Rededication Program on the weekend of October 23-25 were both well-attended. We truly appreciate the support from the community at these events!

Congratulations to new Board members Steve Mogul, Gary Ross, Cindy Kubetz, Marcia Lieberman, David Leen, and Bob Libby, as well as re-elected members to the Board. Also, congratulations to new Board Treasurer Alan Glazier and new Gabbai Nathaniel Rosenblatt.

COVERAGE OF SERVICES:

November 7 Cantor Deborah Marlowe November 14 Rabbi Barry Krieger November 28 Cantor Deborah Marlowe December 5 Rabbi Barry Krieger December 12 Cantor Deborah Marlowe December 19 Rabbi Harry Sky

December 26 Cantor Deborah Marlowe

We welcome the many new members to Congregation Beth Israel. Our services and events are open to anyone in the community, and membership information may be obtained from our secretary at 945-3433 or President Berney Kubetz at 947-8576.

Come and see what we are all about.

SENIOR CITIZENS

The Senior Citizen's Friendship Club will hold their annual Chanukah party on Wednesday, December 16 at noon at Beth Israel Synagogue.

MAZEL TOV

- To Hope and Jon Ashner of Newton, MA on the birth of a daughter, Carly Esther, on September 20, 1998. Maternal grandparents are Deedy and Alan Schiro of Bangor.
- To Jerry and Jo-Ann Kirstein on the engagement of their daughter, Julie, to Mr. Ayal Shulman of Ramat Gan, Israel. Julie is the granddaughter of the late Max Striar and the late Sally Striar of Bangor. Paternal grandparents are Abraham Kirstein and the late Mayna Kirstein of Boston. Ayal is the son of Larry and Ashney Shulman of Pretoria, South Africa. A May wedding is planned in Israel.

CONGREGATION BETH EL NEWS

CONGREGATION BETH EL, Bangor's Reform synagogue, is located at 183 French Street, Bangor. Unless indicated otherwise, all events take place at the synagogue. All are welcome. For more information on the synagogue or its activities, call Beth El at 945-4578.

Worship Services

Torah Study
Chanukah Program December 20 6:30 p.m.
Friday, December 18
Saturday, December 12
Friday, December 11
Friday, December 4

Saturdays, Dec. 5, 19 9:30 a.m.

SPECIAL MENTION

- Nathaniel Amos Rothschild of Strong, Maine, grandson of the late Norman and Viola Rothschild of Bangor, has martriculated at Yale College. He is studying English literature and Hebrew. His sister, Juliana, is presently a junior at Harvard and sister, Ida a senior at Wellesley College. Older brother Norman Harry graduated from Harvard and is presently an instructor of Chinese History at Brown University where he is working toward his doctorate in History.
- Marlene Milunsky, daughter of Dr. Harold and Mrs. Annette Chason of Bangor, has been appointed to the position of Principal of Delaware Gratz Hebrew High School, the only Community Hebrew High School in the state of Delaware.

HONOR ROLLS

John Bapst High School

Senior: Jerry Brodsky Freshman: Allison Brodsky

Chanukah Night at the Left Bank Cafe

Sat., Dec. 12 at 8:00 p.m.

It's the annual pre-Chanukah blow-out concert and hulla-baloo at the Left Bank Cafe in Blue Hill. Rabbi Larry Milder will be the featured artist in this year's program, and, as always, he'll entertain us with his funny, quirky songs and sizzling guitar picking.

This is Rabbi Milder's fourth year of performing a Chanukah concert at the Left Bank Cafe. The Left Bank, a nationally-known venue for folk and jazz musicians, provides an intimate, very tasteful space to hear music and enjoy great food and desserts.

Because the Left Bank is up for sale, this could be your last chance to see Rabbi Milder perform there. The Chanukah show has always been a great evening of fun for the Jewish community and their friends. Beth El's Program Committee invites you to mark your calendar for a night in Blue Hill, and prepare yourself for a healthy dose of the "other" holiday music! Tickets are \$10, or \$8 with dinner. For reservations, call the Left Bank at 374-2201.

CONDOLENCES

- To the family of the late Prof. Melvin Gershman. Died September 12, 1998.
- To the family of the late Sara Lait. Died October 1, 1998.
- To the family of the late Maurice Emple. Died October 4, 1998.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Maurice L. Emple would like to thank our relatives and friends for their cards, gifts, and expressions of sympathy in our time of need.

Ruth, Sheila, Nancy and Jim Emple Jean Emple Chamoff and Irving Emple

BETH ABRAHAM SISTERHOOD

The Beth Abraham Sisterhood held a very successful rummage sale on November 1. Thanks to everyone who helped. Another rummage sale will be held on Sunday, December 6. Please call Naomi at 942-8093 if you have shmatas you would like to donate.



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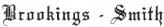
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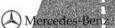
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