



# Congregation Beth El

A seasonal, egalitarian synagogue affiliated with the Conservative Movement

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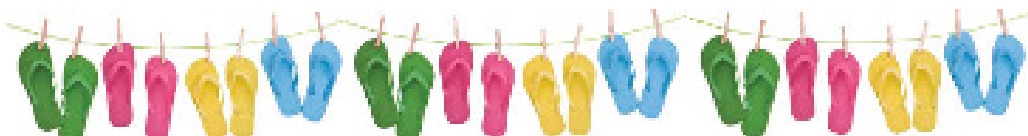
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\*z"l May their memory be for a blessing



Shalom Congregation Beth El members and friends,

I can't believe our 2023 summer season is ending in two weeks! Is it me or did that go really fast?

We will hold two more weeks of Friday evening services, on August 25<sup>th</sup> and on September 1<sup>st</sup>. (Youth Services at 7:00 pm and Adu,lt services at 7:35 pm.) At the last service, we will install our new Board of Trustees for 2024-2026. Our last Ice Cream Social and Book Sale will take place on Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. We leave when all the ice cream is gone!

But we're not done *davening* at CBE. As we have for decades, High Holy Day services will be held at our *shul*. I am pleased to report that Ari Kramer will be back to lead our services for the 17<sup>th</sup> year! For details, see page 3.

Services will be held in-person and also via Zoom, for those who prefer to be separate from the crowd and for our loyal members who live in other places. Last year my brother, Glenn, attended from his home in California!

I hope all of you will make Congregation Beth El your destination for *Rosh HaShanah* and *Yom Kippur* services, either in person or on your computer!

On behalf of CBE's Board of Trustees, I wish everyone *shana tovah u'metukah*, a good and sweet New Year!

Lisa



Services in Person  
& via Zoom

Watch for details!

## High Holy Days 2023/5784

Rosh HaShanah

Friday, Sept 15 - Sunday, Sept 17

Yom Kippur

Sunday, Sept 24 - Monday, Sept 25

See page 3 for service details!

Wishing Everyone a Shanah Tovah u'Metukah - a Good and Sweet New Year!



Thank you for your generous donations!

Pam & Lenny Grossman - In celebration of Anita Kaplowitz's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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Sharon & Preston Waxenbaum - In celebration of Anita Kaplowitz's 95<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Natalie Mandell - Thank you for a lovely Friday night service and *Oneg Shabbat* in honor of the long-standing members of Congregation Beth El.

Carol & Larry Bojarski - In celebration of the birth of Charlotte Ava Hyne, granddaughter of Lynne & Ken Hyne.

Sara & Andy Gavens - In celebration of the *aufruf* of Jennifer Gavens and Jonathan Solomon



### Jewish Website of the Month

[numberstonames.org](http://numberstonames.org)

Numbers to Names provides a new way to explore Holocaust photo and video archives through AI (artificial intelligence). They are helping to identify faces in collections from the late 1800s into the post-war period.

About a million Jews who perished in the Holocaust have not been identified. A new website, using facial recognition technology, hopes to restore their names. Users upload a photo of a lost friend or relative for free. The site analyzes the face, then working with museums dedicated to the Holocaust, searches through hundreds of thousands of archival photos looking for a match.

Scott Miller, former chief curator of the U.S. Holocaust Museum, reflected, "We all know the figure – six million Jews were killed. But every person has a name, every person has a face."  
*RD.com July/August 2023*

## Milestones & Mazal Tovs

Donna & Scott Semel celebrated the birth of their first grandchild, Jude Eli Semel-Levine, on July 23, 2023. He is welcomed by proud parents, Sarah Semel & Sam Levine, and the rest of the Semel Family.

Stan Ehrlich celebrated the birth of his granddaughter, Carly Jordyn Ehrlich, on May 24, 2023. Carly received her Hebrew name, *Leah Ruchel*, *לאה רחל*, on August 19, 2023. She is welcomed by proud parents, Suzy & Josh Ehrlich.

Jenny Gavens and Jonathan Solomon celebrated their *aufruf* at CBE on August 19, 2023. *Mazal tov* to the groom's parents, Harold Solomon & Mary Ann Solomon ז"ל, the bride's parents, Sara & Andy Gavens, and the Gavens aunts, uncles and cousins.



## Shabbat and Holiday Candle Lighting Times

<i>Shabbat</i>	Friday	Aug 25	7:29 pm
<i>Shabbat</i>	Friday	Sept 1	7:22 pm
<i>Shabbat</i>	Friday	Sept 8	7:15 pm
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Erev Rosh Hashanah	Friday	Sept 15	6:43 pm
	Saturday	Sept 16	7:42 pm
<i>Shabbat</i>	Friday	Sept 22	6:31 pm
<i>Yom Kippur</i>	Sunday	Sept 24	6:28 pm

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*Tashlich* is traditionally performed during the Ten Days of Repentance between *Rosh HaShanah* and *Yom Kippur*. At CBE we will go down to the beach following *Rosh HaShanah* services on Sunday, the 17th, weather permitting.

# High Holy Days • 2023/5784

**Congregation Beth El High Holy Day services will be held in person and via Zoom. Emails to follow with Zoom links and prayer book download information.**

## **Rosh HaShanah**

Fri	Sept 15	7:00 pm
Sat	Sept 16	9:00 am
Sun	Sept 17	9:00 am

## **Yom Kippur**

Sun	Sept 24	<i>Kol Nidre</i>	6:30 pm
Mon	Sept 25	Morning Services*	9:00 am
		<i>Neilah</i>	6:30 pm
		Fast Ends	7:27 pm

\*includes *Yizkor* Service

We look forward to celebrating the New Year with our *chazzan*, Ari Kramer. As you may recall, he first came to us in 2007 from Long Island, New York, where he is the Orchestra Director at Sayville High School.



Ari has an extensive background in *davening* at synagogues in New York and Rhode Island. As those who have joined us in the past will attest, Ari's *heimish* demeanor and inspiring melodies enhance our services and enrich the holiday experience for our congregation.

The word *yizkor* means "to remember." The *Yizkor Service* held on *Yom Kippur* refers to the special prayers said on behalf of family members and friends who have passed away.

An element of *yizkor* is the commitment to make a charitable donation in honor of the departed and to memorialize the passing of loved ones who influenced and inspired us during their lives. They continue to do so even after their passing.



When you make an effort to help someone else or support the synagogue and do so in their memory, they become the motivating cause behind your act of kindness.

You have the opportunity to fulfill this *mitzvah* by including the name of your loved one in our High Holy Day Book of Remembrance. **(See flyer on last page of this newsletter.)** All names will be read aloud during the *Yizkor Service* on *Yom Kippur*.



## 5 Things to Know About Elul

During this season, we assess our actions and behaviors during the past year and hope for blessings in the coming year. *Elul* is the Hebrew month that precedes the High Holy Days. The following customs performed during *Elul* are designed to help us prepare ourselves and our souls for the upcoming High Holy Days.

**1. BLOWING THE SHOFAR** Traditionally, the *shofar* is blown each morning (except on *Shabbat*) from the first day of *Elul* until the day before *Rosh HaShanah*. Its sound is intended to awaken the soul and kick start the spiritual accounting that happens throughout the month.

**2. SAYING SPECIAL PRAYERS** *Selichot* (special prayers of repentance) are recited during the month of *Elul*. A special *Selichot* service is conducted late in the evening on the Saturday night, a week before *Rosh HaShanah*, September 9<sup>th</sup> this year. More information, including services and *Selichot* details, can be found online.

**3. VISITING LOVED ONES' GRAVES** *Elul* is also a time of year during which Jews traditionally visit the graves of loved ones. This custom not only reminds us of the individuals on whose shoulders we now stand and helps us honor their memories. It also prompts us to think about our own lives and the legacies we will leave to others – kind words spoken, comfort offered, love given and received. These take on added meaning as we enter the High Holy Day season.

**4. READING PSALM 27** It is customary to read Psalm 27 each day, from the beginning of *Elul* through *Hoshana Rabbah*, the last day of the holiday of *Sukkot*.

**5. REFLECTING** This is a month during which we are encouraged to study and take time for personal reflection on our actions of the past year and to seek forgiveness from those we have wronged or with whom we otherwise have "missed the mark" in our interactions and behaviors. Many online resources can help you make this process interactive.

(Thanks to reformjudaism.org)



As we welcomed *Shabbat* during Friday evening services on August 4<sup>th</sup>, we also honored 12 long-time members of Congregation Beth El. Their generous contributions of time, talent and financial support have helped our congregation continue and thrive as a vibrant home for the Jewish community here at Old Colony Beach and in the greater community.

We asked each of them the following questions: What is your first memory of Congregation Beth El? Why have you supported CBE all these years? What impact has CBE had on you and your family? Below are their responses.

### **Carol Emerson**

My first memory of CBE happened when I was 7 yrs old, some 72 yrs ago. My mother, Edythe Gittleman, was helping with the children's services. My brother and I never missed a Friday service and getting the delicious Hershey bar. There were also dances in the *shul* which were so much fun! OCB and CBE have played a very big part in my life. My grandmother brought her family and the next generations followed. I couldn't wait for summer to begin to see my beach friends. This *shul* is such a strong symbol of our faith and we must take care of it for future generations. Several years ago, three of my grandchildren were named in CBE, while standing near a leaf on The Tree of life in memory of my parents, Edythe & Harry Gittleman. The impact of that will always be remembered by my family as something so special.

### **Muriel Hyne**

My first memory of CBE is when we began renting at Old Colony Beach in 1955. The *shul* was only eight years old at the time and it was a blessing to have a seasonal *shul* for the Jewish residents. It has been a constant in my life for five generations. My father, Sol Hurwitz, z"l, was a devoted member of the Saturday morning *minyans* at CBE in the 60's and 70's. On occasion, he successfully "convinced" my sons, Rick and Ken, to join him. My children and four grandchildren have the most wonderful and cherished memories of attending Youth Services and receiving the customary Hershey's bar at the end. My five great-grandchildren are now attending services when they visit OCB. I am so proud to say that five generations of the Hyne family have the most wonderful lifetime memories of CBE!

### **Natalie Mandell**

I was about 35 years old when I first came to Old Colony Beach. Betty & Milton Golden introduced my husband, Al, and me to the beach and Congregation Beth El. We rented for many years and often participated in Friday night services. We began supporting CBE in 1973, when we bought our cottage on Breen Avenue. We felt it was important as Jews to support the synagogue where we summered. CBE has impacted me more than the rest of my family. It is a place to go to for Friday night services and for the High Holy Holidays while summering at Old Colony Beach. I go to pray, relate and socialize with other Jews. I leave Friday evening services feeling uplifted. I feel CBE has been an important part of my life at Old Colony beach and CBE is an important part of Old Colony Beach.

### **BJ Diefenbacher**

I was four years old when we came to OCB and the synagogue has always been part of my life. My father, Julius Greenberg, was one of the founders of CBE and I have memories of him going to *shul* on Saturday. How could I not support this beloved beach *shul*? I love it. This place is the one thing I will miss when I leave this community. This synagogue has had a tremendous impact on my family. Attending Friday night services each week really meant a lot to my husband, Bill, and me. One of the most special moments was my granddaughter, Cassidy's *Bat Mitzvah*, held here in this very building, with our community here sharing in the *simcha*. [BJ is a past president of CBE.]

### **Anita Kaplowitz**

My husband, Sol, and I purchased our cottage in 1972. Ellen was 11 and Rachel and Aaron were already teenagers. The beach *shul* is what convinced Sol to purchase at OCB because it meant a lot to him. At that time, Lazer Stambowski was up the block and would yell for Sol to join him in making a *minyan* in the evening. In West Hartford, our lives centered around the synagogue, so this was our summer *shul*. CBE has always been the center of my social life and community service at the shore. Just as we supported *Agudas Achim*, we have supported and attended Congregation Beth El as part of our Jewish lives. We love seeing the children attend the Youth Services and enjoy welcoming *Shabbat* with others on Friday night. CBE is a part of our summer lives.

### **Sandy & Peter Patten**

A cousin of Arthur Cohen's, z"l, who I knew from the Alpha Zeta Omega pharmacy fraternity, introduced us to Arthur and his wife, Irene, at a winter fraternity get-away in the Catskills. Art managed some properties and our family ended up renting a cottage on Swan Avenue from him in 1974. Our first memory of Congregation Beth El was going to Youth Services then with our children, Lisa and Mark. This synagogue has been instrumental in keeping our family and kids Jewish. We've always felt close to CBE. It has always felt like a homey synagogue, as opposed to our more formal synagogue in Manchester. One year we even rented a cottage at OCB in order to stay here in September to attend High Holy Day services. Congregation Beth El has been a part of our lives for all these years. [Peter is a past president of CBE.]

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### Semour Tucker

I was 35 when I got involved with Congregation Beth El. Milt Bayer got me to participate. I wanted to help keep the synagogue going and we were able to save some money by doing maintenance and making repairs ourselves. Also, I volunteered with fundraising projects such as our Ice Cream Socials, which was very popular. CBE has always been a place to congregate for *Shabbat* and Jewish holidays. It's a place to enjoy friendships and continue traditions.

### Fenmore Feigenbaum

My first memory was taking my kids to the Friday evening Youth Services. My next memory is of my son, Ira, going to the beach to help make a *minyán* for Lazer Stanbowski. I like the Jewish community at the beach! Congregation Beth El has allowed for year-round continuity for the Feigenbaum Family to continue celebrating *Shabbat*. It's so special for me to see the next generation, continuing with my great-grandchildren, now attending Youth Services on Friday night.

### Sally Wallet

I was introduced to Congregation Beth El through my husband, Harvey Wallet, at age 20. I was a member and felt I wanted to support the synagogue since my children took part in Friday night services. Being part of a Jewish community was important to me and my family.



Amy Spitz, Ariel Khorshidi, CBE Ritual Chair Sharon Waxenbaum

Ariel Noa Khorshidi received her Hebrew name, *Yehudit Chaya*, יהודית חיה, at her naming ceremony held during the *mincha* service at CBE on July 30<sup>th</sup>. Ari was named after her maternal great-grandmothers, Helen Spitz and Adelle Wiener.

### Stanley Ehrlich

In the past, the Jewish community at Old Colony Beach was larger and more active, as Jews were not allowed to live in other beach associations. Alex Rappaport, was first to buy at Old Lyme Shores, though he did so through a straw buyer. He owned the Pacer's cottage. My own parents rented in Sound View and about 50 years ago, I bought a cottage on Gorton Avenue. Today, I live here until Thanksgiving, then leave for Arizona and return to OCB in May. Congregation Beth El really is a great community for children and adults. I have five children who attended Youth Services and it was a great experience for them.

### Sandy Steinberg

In the 1950's, my parents rented a cottage at Old Colony Beach for several years. During that time, my brothers and I went to services at the "little *shul* at the beach." I think the main reason we went to services was to receive the huge Hershey candy bar. I have supported Congregation Beth El because I want to make sure our synagogue continues the beautiful tradition of children and family/adult services. Youth Services have been a vital part of CBE for many years and my kids enjoyed participating in them. In 1980, my son, Aaron, felt it was very important for him to do his part and he conducted Youth Services every Friday night. [Sandy is a past president of CBE]



L-R: Becky, Nico and Tom Fucella

Nico Thomas Fucella received his Hebrew name, *Yitzhak Wolfe*, יצחק וואלף, at his naming ceremony held during the *mincha* service at CBE on July 30<sup>th</sup>. Nico was named after his grandfather's first cousin, Ian North, and paternal great-grandfather, William Spitz.



Read...  
Relax...  
Renew!



**Kantika**  
by Elizabeth Graver

"The very first Jewish book was a multigenerational Jewish family saga. While the Bible went on to achieve some commercial and critical success, the genre doesn't always get much love."

"Kantika," Elizabeth Graver's 2023 novel, is described by its publisher as a "dazzling Sephardic multigenerational saga." It's about a wealthy Turkish Jewish family whose fortunes are reversed by the First World War and whose members are dispersed to Barcelona, Cuba and finally New York. While it has all the drama one might expect from such journeys, it remains both lyrical, literary and likely to stand the test of time.

The book arrives at a time of renewed interest in Sephardic culture, and part of its appeal is that it tells a fresh story to the many American-Jewish readers used to a steady diet of the Ashkenazi experience.

*Thanks to Andrew Siow-Carroll JTA 08.23*



**Israel 201: Your Next-Level Guide to the Magic, Mystery, and Chaos! of Life in the Holy Land**  
by Joel Chasnoff and Benji Lovitt

Divided into eight themed chapters, this assemblage of articles and interviews can be read in any order, depending on which subjects appeal to you (the Israeli psyche, the Hebrew language, government, the Israel Defense Forces, etc.) Well researched and laugh-out-loud funny at times, their reports of conversations with Israelis provides smiles of recognition.

They praise Israeli directness by comparing how Americans and Israelis would respond after a business meeting presentation: "Americans would make indirect and passive-aggressive comments such as, 'Let me think about it.' 'There's a lot of really great stuff in here.' 'It was...interesting.' To each of these responses, here's what an Israeli would have said: 'I don't like it.'"

American-Israeli comedians Chasnoff and Lovitt don't shy away from describing what they see as Israel's failings, such as the ultra-Orthodox state rabbinate's restrictive view of Jews and Judaism. However, they steer clear of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, instead focusing on what comedians do best: observing and commenting wryly on the wonders and quirks of Israeli life. *Thanks to Alan Abbey Hadassah Magazine May/June 2023*



**ENTER, the Jewish Peoplehood Alliance** aims to build a "peoplehood-aware" generation of Israelis and to intensify connectivity with Jewish communities outside Israel.



In early 2021, in the midst of the global pandemic, Enter launched One2One, an innovative educational exchange between Jewish high schoolers in Israel and the Diaspora.

Emily, a 15-year-old Jewish Texan, was preparing to visit Israel on a teen tour and wanted an insider's view. Maya, a 16-year-old Jerusalemite, was curious about America and needed to practice English. They met last year on Zoom, trading weekly insights into their respective worlds 7,000 miles apart. "I learned about Texas, and since Emily trains her friends at the gym, she helped me improve my workout," said Maya. "I taught Emily Hebrew slang. And her dad asked me about the army."

These teens are among the 8,000 American and Israeli Jewish high school students who have been paired since 2020 for online chats through One2One, a program of Enter: The Jewish Peoplehood Alliance.

The three-year-old initiative aims to bridge the Israel-Diaspora divide through dialogue. And there's plenty of dialogue on One2One, where teenagers chat weekly about everything from Jewish identity to politics to high school grades.

Liel, a 17-year-old from Netanya observed, "it's important for us to know how Jews get along outside of Israel," as well as, "the opinions of us around the world."

After a two-month commitment, many teens continue their conversations on social media. One2One also hosts an annual summer meet-up in Israel for participants.

"It's been really cool to meet someone I wouldn't have met otherwise and hear about the differences between Israeli and American culture," reflected Josh, a 16-year-old from Minnesota. "I've got a new friend in Israel."

If you know a teen who would be interested in the One2One program, visit [enterpeoplehood.org](http://enterpeoplehood.org) and click on One2One.

*with thanks to Hilary Danailova Hadassah Magazine*



## Cabbage Schnitzel

**NOTE:** Cabbage schnitzel tastes **little** of cabbage and instead transforms into something savory, caramelized, meaty, and satisfying.

Cabbage schnitzel has always been popular in Eastern European and Russian Jewish cooking. Meat, in that part of the world, used be scarce, and cooks came up with creative solutions for making vegetables taste richer. Cabbage was often one of the only fresh vegetables available during the long winter months and it became a meat stand-in used for its texture, volume and versatility.

### Ingredients

- 1 ½ lbs cabbage, about 16 cups shredded
- 1/2 small yellow onion, grated or chopped
- 3 large eggs, beaten
- 1/3 cup plain bread crumbs/matzah meal
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- salt and pepper, to taste
- oil, as needed for cooking
- fresh dill and/or lemon wedges for garnish

### Directions

1. Thinly shred cabbage using a mandoline, a food processor with the shredding disc attachment, or even with a sharp knife.
2. Fill a large pot with water and bring to a boil. Salt the water generously.
3. Add the shredded cabbage to the boiling water. Cook until the cabbage is tender, about 3-4 minutes. Drain in a colander, then allow the cabbage to continue to drain and cool for at least 10 minutes.

4. While the cabbage cools/drains, prepare the remaining ingredients. Grate the onion or chop it very fine. Beat the eggs and reserve.

5. Once cooled, squeeze any excess liquid from the cabbage and add just the cabbage to a large bowl. Add the onion, beaten eggs, bread crumbs, flour, and salt and pepper. Stir until the cabbage is evenly and well-coated in the breadcrumb and egg mixture.

(The mixture should be thick and it should stick together to be formed into patties. If the mixture is too liquidy, add more breadcrumbs/flour. If you want to taste for seasoning, take a small spoonful of the mixture and cook and brown it in a pan before cooking off all of the schnitzels.)

6. Heat a large skillet filled with a ¼" of neutral cooking oil (like avocado or canola). Once the oil is hot, form the cabbage mixture into schnitzel-shaped patties in the pan, about ½" thick. Cook the patties in batches, so as not to crowd the pan and cause the cabbage to steam instead of brown.

7. Cover the pan with a lid and brown for 3-4 minutes. Lift the lid, carefully flip over the patties (a fish spatula works well for this), cover again, and brown for an additional 2-3 minutes or until the schnitzels are golden brown and crisp on each side.

8. Once cooked, transfer to a paper towel-lined plate or rack to drain some of the excess oil.

You can serve this unexpectedly rich entrée with a squeeze of lemon and fresh dill for added brightness. Cabbage schnitzel can also be topped with a dollop of sour cream or some hot sauce for heat.

Sonia Sanford The Noshers 01.19



Happy Rosh Hashanah!

## Friday Evening Youth Services 7 pm

We've had a great turnout so far this season and we've welcomed a number of new families! We are proud of our pre-B'nai Mitzvah-age children as they continue to display their Hebrew and English reading skills.

Too shy to take a part? Join us anyway! Of course all children will receive their sweet *Shabbat* treat, a Hershey's chocolate bar!



Children can bring their parents and grandparents, family and friends to services, which begin at 7:00 pm. Services will continue through Labor Day weekend.





On August 13<sup>th</sup>, CBE held our second Ice Cream Social of the season. It was a lovely late afternoon in the shade, browsing through books and catching up with neighbors.

Join us for an "eat until it's all gone" event on Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm.

S. Waxenbaum



CBE newsletters are published in June/July/August/September/December/March. Please send your good news, simchas, birthdays and anniversaries to:

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Our **Venmo** account is: **Congregation-Bethel** (hyphen between Congregation and Beth and no space between Beth and el)





Congregation Beth El  
Community *Tashlich*  
Sunday, Sept 17<sup>th</sup> • 12:15 pm

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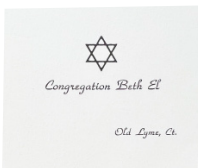
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***L'Shanah tovah tikatevu v'tichatemu,***  
**May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year!**

Congregation Beth El has Cards  
for Every Occasion!

You can acknowledge a loss or happy occasion such as a graduation, anniversary, birthday or wedding with a card from CBE!



If you make a contribution to the synagogue, **Carol Bojarski** will send one for you! Call her at 860-508-3635 or email her at [cbojo9@hotmail.com](mailto:cbojo9@hotmail.com) with your information.



Congregation Beth El's

Tree  
of  
Life

If you are looking for a meaningful way to remember a loved one, or to commemorate someone's happy event, mark the occasion by adding a leaf or stone to our CBE Tree of Life! Please speak with **Mindy Jason** at 860-559-7557 or email her at [mjason@flrcpa.com](mailto:mjason@flrcpa.com) to arrange the wording and to place your order.



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## Annual Membership Form

Welcome to our synagogue by the sea! We invite you to join our congregation!

### Member Contact Information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Beach Address (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Facebook \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Dues:

Although we are a seasonal congregation, our expenses are incurred year round.  
We encourage you to be generous with your support.

_____ \$36 (minimum)	_____ \$118	_____ \$540
_____ \$54	_____ \$180	_____ \$720
_____ \$72	_____ \$360	_____ \$ Other

Please make checks payable to **Congregation Beth El**.

Please mail check and completed form to:

**Rick Hyne 19 Danielle Drive, Wayne, NJ 07470**  
**or Venmo Congregation-Bethel\***

**Brian Cutler, Membership VP beachshulmembership@gmail.com**

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## High Holy Day Book of Remembrance

Rosh HaShanah September 15-17, 2023 Yom Kippur September 24-25, 2023

The Yizkor memorial service is said four times a year. It is recited on Yom Kippur because of the belief that the dead, as well as the living, need atonement on this day. The Yizkor ritual also includes a pledge for charity, something that is believed to help avert a harsh decree.

The inclusion of the names of our dearly departed in our Congregation Beth El Book of Remembrance will allow us to recall our loved ones at this time of year, as well as to perform the mitzvah of tzedakah.

*All names in the Book of Remembrance will be read aloud during Yizkor on Yom Kippur.*

	Sample Listing: Julius Wallace	father of Joseph Wallace	Total	\$5
	or			
	Julius Wallace	father of Joseph Wallace		\$ 5
		grandfather of Sarah Wallace		\$ 5
		grandfather of Brian Wallace		\$ 5
			Total	\$15

**Each listing will be included at a cost of \$5.00 per line.**

Please list the names to be included on the lines below AS YOU WISH THEM TO APPEAR IN THE BOOKLET. Additional names may be included on the back of this form.

1		\$ _____
2		\$ _____
3		\$ _____
4		\$ _____
5		\$ _____
6		\$ _____
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return your check and information, made payable to Congregation Beth El, to Rick Hyne at 19 Danielle Road, Wayne, NJ 07470 by **Sept 8<sup>th</sup>**.