



# BETH EL SYNAGOGUE

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**2011-2012**

**5771-5772**

**Beth El Congregation Membership Dues  
2011-2012**

<b>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</b> Member ID# _____ Paid: _____ Check #: _____
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Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please choose a category and amount**

Household with two adults	\$1,650.00	_____
Household with one adult	\$1,125.00	_____
Household with one or two adults under 30	\$725.00	_____
Full-time students	\$100.00	_____
Contributor	(\$1,700 - \$1,899)	_____
Supporter	(\$1,900 - \$2,199)	_____
Sponsor	(\$2,200 - \$2,599)	_____
Benefactor	(\$2,600 and up)	_____

Please use the enclosed envelope to remit your membership dues via check payable to Beth El Synagogue. You may also choose to pay with a VISA or Mastercard (see form below) or by automatic monthly bank draft. Please note that the auto-draft form MUST be returned by **July 31, 2011** in order to participate in this option.

**By July 31, 2011**                      **50% of dues\***  
**By December 31, 2011**            **100% of dues\***

Please note that **High Holiday tickets** will not be issued unless 50% of dues have been paid by July 31\*. Children will not be registered in Beth El Talmud Torah unless dues are paid according to the above schedule or other arrangements (i.e. financial scholarship) are arranged.

\*Except for members selecting the Automatic Draft option.

**Members unable to meet standard dues:** Beth El Congregation understands that some members may be unable to meet the standard dues level for various reasons. It is Beth El's policy never to turn away a member for this reason. If you are unable to meet the standard dues level, please contact the office at 682-1238, so we can adjust your dues level to reflect what you can contribute. Such information shall be kept strictly confidential.

**Visa/MasterCard Payments**

If you elect to pay dues and/or tuition by credit card, please note that a 3% processing fee will be added to the dues/tuition amount

Visa                       MasterCard

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Payment Amt: \_\_\_\_\_

**Finance Committee**

<b>Maxine Stern, Chair</b>	<b>967-7504</b>	<b>Sydney Miller</b>	<b>416-1397</b>
<b>David Dreifus, Treasurer</b>	<b>489-8202</b>	<b>David Rubin</b>	<b>967-7725</b>
<b>Carol Haynes, Financial Sec.</b>	<b>806-2931</b>	<b>Gladys Siegel</b>	<b>942-5369</b>
<b>Robert Gutman</b>	<b>667-1306</b>	<b>Chuck Spritzer</b>	<b>419-0319</b>
<b>Jeff Koweek</b>	<b>384-0281</b>	<b>Gary Zarkin</b>	<b>493-1535</b>
<b>Shawn MacDuff</b>	<b>536-9899</b>		

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## FINANCIAL DUES AND FEES

### High Holiday Tickets

High holiday tickets are for members in good standing (see dues payment schedule), their children up to age 24 and visiting family members from out of town. Other visitors / guests can obtain tickets for \$250 per adult for both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, or \$150 for either holiday.

### Cemetery Fees and Chevra Kadisha Services

Cemetery plots as well as services of the Chevra Kadisha and the Rabbi are free of charge to all who have been members in good standing for at least 5 years. Otherwise, fees are prorated as follows:

Less than 1 yr.	\$3500
1 yr.	\$2800
2 yrs.	\$2100
3 yrs.	\$1400
4 yrs.	\$ 700

Perpetual care for cemetery plots is a single payment of \$2500.

Details of the cemetery policy can be obtained from the Beth El Office.

### Tzedaka Opportunities

Congregants may choose to honor or remember a loved one or a special event by making a donation to the Synagogue, either to the General Fund, or to one of the following restricted funds:

- **Gilbert Katz Education Fund:** Provides scholarships to the Religious School
- **Sandra Lazarus Fund:** Supports youth activities
- **Mary Berman Education Fund:** Supports Beth El's audio-visual needs
- **Bertha Bergman Library Fund:** Enables the purchase of library books
- **Eric Pas Fund:** Provides scholarships for Jewish summer camps
- **Mitzvah Fund:** Supports social action in the community
- **Lifelong Learning Fund:** Supports adult and family educational programming
- **Elaine Perilstein Memorial Fund:** Supports education and community programs related to Jewish women
- **Sam and Jeannette Fink Programming Fund:** Supports various programs offered to the congregation as well as the general community
- **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:** Allows the Rabbi to support special activities and programs at his discretion
- **Orthodox Kehillah Fund:** Supports the activities and needs of the Kehillah
- **Chevra Kadisha Fund:** Pays for expenses incurred for the Tahara (preparing the body) and the Yahrzeit Memorial Board
- **Beth El General Fund:** Supports ongoing operations of the Synagogue
- **Capital Maintenance Fund:** These funds are used to finance extraordinary expenses in maintaining Beth El's buildings
- **Durham Hebrew Cemetery Fund:** Supports the maintenance of our cemetery
- **Capital Maintenance Fund:** Supports Beth El building improvements

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## FINANCIAL DUES AND FEES

### Membership Benefits

**As a member in good standing, you and your family will be entitled to:**

- **Seats at High Holiday services for your immediate family in the Conservative or Orthodox sanctuaries**
- **Enrollment privileges at our Talmud Torah (school)**
- **Bar/Bat Mitzvah training**
- **Rabbinic Counseling**
- **Lifelong Learning opportunities (Adult & Family classes)**
- **Cemetery privileges and the services of Chevra Kadisha**
- **Monthly Bulletin of news, notes and a calendar of synagogue events**
- **Voting privileges at our annual meeting**

### Membership Categories and Annual Fees

*Dues are determined according to membership category:*

<b>Households with two adults:</b>	<b>\$1650</b>
<b>Households with one adult:</b>	<b>\$1125</b>
<b>Household with one or two adults, under age 30:</b>	<b>\$725</b>
<b>Full-time students:</b>	<b>\$100</b>
<b>Honorable Mentschen Contributor:</b>	<b>\$1700 - \$1899</b>
<b>Honorable Mentschen Supporter:</b>	<b>\$1900 - \$2199</b>
<b>Honorable Mentschen Sponsor:</b>	<b>\$2200 - \$2599</b>
<b>Honorable Mentschen Benefactor:</b>	<b>\$2600 and up</b>

**Children of members are included in the household membership until the age of 24.**

**• It has always been a fundamental policy at Beth El that no one is denied membership because of inability to pay full dues.**

**We will gladly arrange an individualized payment schedule and amount, which will be kept strictly confidential.**

### Dues Payment Schedule

**Payment of 50% of total basic dues must be received by July 31\* to be considered a member in good standing. The final payment of total dues must be received by December 31st. In order to continue as a member in good standing, all payments must be current and up to date.**

*\*This is waived for those who have dues automatically drafted.*

### Capital Maintenance Fund

*The Capital Maintenance Fund provides financial reserves for major building repairs and renovations. New Members are expected to contribute \$500 to this Fund. Payments are made over 5 years beginning in the second year of membership. Student members are exempt from this obligation until they become members in a non-student category.*

### School Fees – 2011-2012 School Year

	<b><u>"Early Bird" special by July 31, 2011</u></b>	<b><u>After July 31</u></b>
<i>Pre-K -1st grade or Lerner School Sunday Option (for 2nd -5th grades):</i>	<i>\$360</i>	<i>\$385</i>
<i>2nd-7th grade:</i>	<i>\$495</i>	<i>\$520</i>
<i>Bar/Bat Mitzvah Tutor Fees:</i>	<i>\$250 (to the Rabbis Discretionary Fund)</i>	

**There are no book or materials fees. Members must be in good standing (see dues payment schedule) to enroll children in the Talmud Torah and/or Bar/Bat Mitzvah training/tutoring.**

## Beth El Congregation Membership Data Sheet

Thank you for providing this information. It is important to keep our congregational database current.  
Please try not to leave any blanks. This data helps us to better provide services to all of our member families.  
If you have any questions please call the Beth El office at 919-682-1238.

Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Last Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: (\_\_\_) \_\_\_-\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address/s: \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Status:**

Single    Married    Two-parent Family    Single-parent Family    Other

**Desired National Affiliation:**

United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism (USCJ)       Both  
 Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations               Neither

Please provide the following information for our membership database. Thank you.

	Adult 1	Adult 2
First Name		
Last Name		
Title (i.e. Dr., Rabbi)		
Hebrew Name		
Parents' Hebrew Name(s)		
Are you a Kohan/Levi?		
Date of Birth (month/day/year)	___/___/___	___/___/___
Occupation		
Full Time Student		
Place of Employment		
Work Phone		
Work e-mail Address		
Are you Jewish?		
When did you come to the Triangle area?		
From where?		
Is this a permanent move?		
Will your children be enrolling in our school?		

Please provide the following information about your child (ren) under 25 years old:

First & Last Name	Hebrew Name	Birthdate	Grade (secular/religious)
		___/___/___	
		___/___/___	
		___/___/___	
		___/___/___	
		___/___/___	

## Ritual Life

Please indicate the members of your family for whom you observe Yahrzeit:

Name/Relationship (adult 1, 2, or both?)	Date (Hebrew date or English including year)

Do you want to be sent a postcard each year to reminded of these dates?  Yes  No

Are you interested in leading portions of the services?  Yes  No

If so, please indicate which service(s):

Friday evening

Saturday morning: Shacharit \_\_\_ Torah \_\_\_ Haftorah \_\_\_ Musaf \_\_\_

Would your post bar/bat mitzvah children like to celebrate the anniversary of his or her bar/bat mitzvah by participating in leading services?

Yes  No

If so, please give the date(s) of their bar/bat mitzvah and their Torah Portion (s):

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Torah portion: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in participating in our adult bar/bat mitzvah class?

Yes  No.

## Community Life

Do you have any special skills that you are willing to share with the congregation (arts, crafts, music, cooking, carpentry, storytelling, etc.)?

Adult 1	Adult 2

The congregation's many committees do much of the work and share most of the joy of the warm community that is Beth El. Please indicate below in which committee(s) you would be interested in becoming an active member.

	Adult 1	Adult 2		Adult 1	Adult 2
Lifelong Learning			Fund Raising		
Membership			House & Grounds		
Ritual			Teen Midrasha		
Chevra Kadisha			Social Action		
Synagogue Life			Finance		

Please indicate if you have parents or other senior relatives living in your home.

Name	Relationship