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within the Birmingham School District have announced plans for their first annual "Healthy Community Sabbath." The event will hold Sept. 11-27 to raise awareness of substance abuse prevention. Congregations of all faiths will be encouraged to address substance abuse/prevention in one or more worship services during this extended week, and to pray by name for those engaged in the "front-line" drug prevention, police, educators, and health professionals. Interfaith worship resources, information about drug and alcohol use, and local resources will be distributed to all congregations. A special feature of "Healthy Community Sabbath" will be distribution of "Families of Faith Conversation" - a step-by-step guide for families to discuss drug and alcohol abuse/prevention sometime that week. The interfaith effort grew out of "The Summit" conversation sponsored by the Birmingham Community Coalition, and is being designed to lend spiritual aid to congregations and families in their concerns over substance abuse issues. Deaths

from heroin overdose this past year of three young adults who had been students at Birmingham high school have galvanized the community to respond to this serious community health problem in a united and urgent way. For more information contact Rev. Louise Westfall at First Presbyterian Church at (248) 644-0440 or Dr. Stephen Jones at First Baptist Church at (248) 644-0550.

LEARNING SERIES

Elu v Elu adult Jewish learning project will hold two pre-high holiday events. The first "What does Maimonides teach us about Teshuvah?" will be given by Rabbi Aaron Bergman and Borders Books & Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills on Monday, Aug. 31, at 10 a.m. The event is free and no reservations are required. For information, call (248) 737-1931.

"Mystical origins: The esoteric tradition in Talmudic legends and liturgy" will be given by Rabbi Danny Novine Sept. 2 at 8 p.m. at Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills.

Rabbi Franklin remembered in archival exhibit

Rabbi Leo M. Franklin, Rabbi of Temple Beth El from 1939 to 1941, will be remembered Sept. 10 through Oct. 30 in "The Man and His Message," an archival exhibit presented by the Rabbi Leo M. Franklin Archive of Temple Beth El.

The exhibit celebrates the life of a man whose contributions to the Jewish and general community continue to have an impact today.

His efforts led to the founding of both the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit and the Round Table of Catholics, Jews

and Protestants, new the National Conference for Community and Justice.

His commitment to ecumenism also led him to conduct the first Interdenominational Community Thanksgiving Service while his interest in youth led to the establishment of the Jewish student organization at the University of Michigan, a forerunner of today's Hillel Foundation.

He was the creator, as well, of the first English language Jewish newspaper in Detroit. There was, it is said, scarcely a social or civic cause to which he did not

devote his time and energy.

On Sept. 9, a preview exhibition will be held to mark the opening of the exhibit honoring Dr. Franklin's life and his achievements. A 6:30 p.m. buffet dinner at the Temple will be followed by the presentation of a specially commissioned video, "Bringing Communities Together: The Legacy of Rabbi Leo M. Franklin."

The video highlights the life of both El's longest-serving rabbi and offers the opportunity to hear Dr. Franklin and others voice his views on assimilation,

anti-Semitism, Zionism and other issues of his time. The evening will conclude with a tour of the exhibit. Cost of the preview is \$50 per person.

For information or reservations, please call Temple Archivist, Heidi Christlein, 851-1100, ext. 3137.

"The Man and His Message" can be viewed, at no charge, daily through Oct. 30 at the Temple. Tours for groups of 10 to 25 persons may also be arranged by calling the Temple, 851-1100. Two week's notice is requested for group tours.

Birmingham Bible Institute announces classes scheduled for fall

Sept. 16 marks the resumption of classes at Birmingham Bible Institute. Now in its 26th year, the Institute will offer classes on 12 consecutive Tuesday evenings.

Students come from the metropolitan Detroit area and beyond desiring spiritual growth

and preparation for more effective service in their local churches. Over 4,000 laymen have been trained at the Institute.

The Bible Institute's special offering this fall might best be described as "a panorama of the most basic Bible teachings" says Founder and Director Dr.

Charles J. Whitfield. Twelve nationally and internationally known Bible educators, such as Dr. H.L. Willington, Dr. Ronald Showers, and Dr. John Phillips, will teach the "Master Your Bible" course.

These classes meet from 7-9:15 p.m. Topics will include the Trin-

ity, Satan and angels, the Holy Spirit, the local church, and the future.

Birmingham Bible Institute is housed in the facilities of Grace Baptist Church, 280 East Lincoln, Birmingham, Michigan 48009. For information and a free brochure, call (248) 648-2000.

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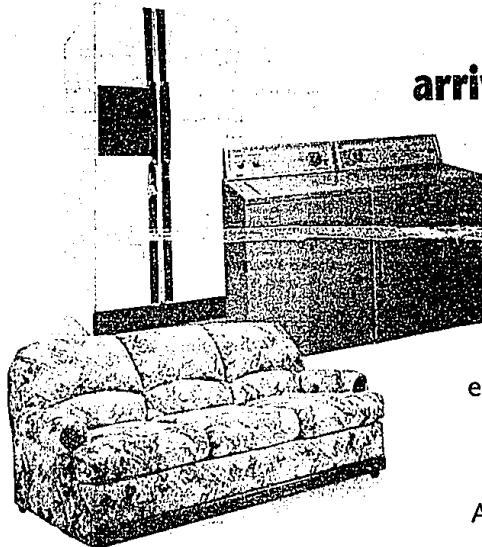
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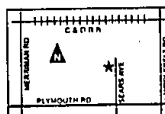
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