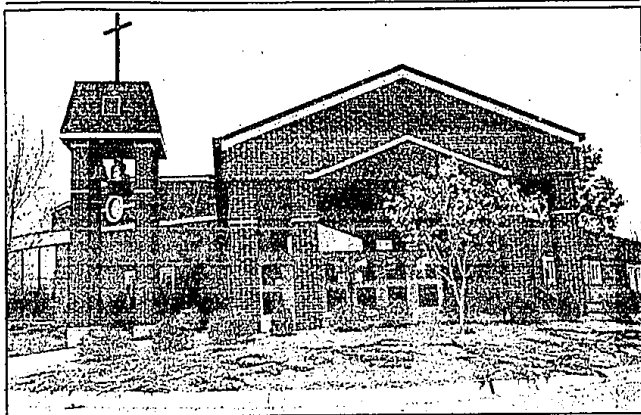


SPREADING THE WORD



Antioch Lutheran: The church is located at the corner of Farmington Road and Thirteen Mile.

Church mission is varied

Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Church is located at 33360 W. Thirteen Mile in Farmington Hills.

Established in 1958, the church has 250 member families. It belongs to the Southeastern Michigan Synod. The congregation is led by the Rev. Donald P. Kreiss, senior pastor.

Special programs include weekly prayer group, Bible study, youth and adult Christian

education programs; junior and senior high school youth groups; youth, adult and ball choirs. Women to Women social ministry, Social Justice group, active fellowship committee with Ladies Lunch Bunch, senior men's breakfast meetings and other activities offered by the church.

Antioch Lutheran sponsors a local cub scout pack and AA chapter; holds an annual rum-

mage sale; prepares monthly lunches at St. Patrick's senior center in Detroit; houses homeless people through the South Oakland shelter for a week once a year and trains seminary intern pastors. It is a member of the Farmington Area Interfaith Association.

Call Carol Kurth, office manager, at 626-7906 for more information.

Concerts at North Congregational, B'ham Temple

The Langford Men's Chorus will be performing at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 13, at North Congregational Church in Farmington Hills.

The concert also will feature female soloist Susan Stott, graduate of Wayne State University who is on the voice faculty at Schoolcraft College. Stott will join together with the chorus in the Alto Rhapsody by Brahms. Selections for the spring concert represent a variety of styles. Featured in the concert will be selections that were composed or arranged by former Wayne State University Men's Glee Club

members. Steven SeGraves, 1988 WSU music graduate, is the conductor of the LMC. SeGraves is a music professor at Schoolcraft College in Livonia and also conducts the Farmington Community Chorus. Gerrie Ball, Wayne State musician, will accompany the group.

The Langford Men's Chorus was formed in 1959 to continue the tradition started by the late Dr. Harry Langford, long-time conductor of Men's Glee Club and Conductor Emeritus at Wayne State University. Singers in the chorus represent men's choruses conducted by Langford

from the 1960s to the 1990s.

The concert is free, although a free-will offering will be taken to offset production costs.

The Birmingham Temple in Farmington Hills presents "A Little Sontheim Music" a concert free and open to the public at 8 p.m. Friday, May 12.

This annual Jewish Composers concert will feature the works of Stephen Sontheim, music from Gypsy, West Side Story, A Little Night Music, Company, Follies, Sweeney Todd, Into the Woods, Sunday in the Park with George and Passion.

Performers include soprano Maria Cimarelli and mezzo Alana Monro together with Betsy Bronson, Karl Schmidt and Mark Vondrak from the Michigan Opera Theater.

The Birmingham Temple is located at 28611 W. 12 Mile Road between Inkster and Middlebelt.

Beliefs and Values runs each Thursday in The Farmington Observer and features announcements from Oakland County religious institutions, as space permits. To be included in the calendar, announcements must be submitted by noon on the Friday prior to publication. Write: *Beliefs and Values*, c/o Mary O'Connell, Farmington Observer, 33411 Grand River, Farmington 48335.

HOLY NAME

Holy Name Church in Birmingham invites families to join in an afternoon of reflection on the topic, "Reverence for Life," 1-4 p.m. Saturday, May 13 in the Holy Name Parish Hall. Father Denis Theroux will present the program designed to strengthen one's personal commitment to the sanctity of human life at every point on its continuum. He will encourage participants to open their hearts to practical ways of applying a respect for all life in the course of a typical day.

Baby-sitting will be available. Contact the Holy Name parish office, (248)646-2244, to register.

ELU v ELIU

Eliu v Eliu, the adult Jewish learning project of the Michigan Conservative movement, offers the following programs:

■ "Jewish Feminist Theology," 8-9:30 p.m. Monday May 15, a mini-course taught by community educator Ruth Bergman at Cong. B'nai Moshe, 6800 Drake Road, West Bloomfield. \$10. Register in advance or at the door. For more information or to register, call (248)593-3490.

■ "Right or Rite — The Voice of the Prophet Amos," 8-9:30 p.m. on Monday, May 15, for adult learners who are comfortable learning from a Hebrew text, taught by Rabbi Leo Buckman, head of the Jewish Acade-

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my of Metropolitan Detroit, at Cong. B'nai Moshe, 6800 Drake Road, West Bloomfield. \$10. Advance registration required. For more information or to register, call (248)593-3490.

■ "Swimming in the Sea of Talmud," 10:45 a.m. Thursday, May 18, part of a lunch and learn series with Rabbi Leo Buckman at La Difference Restaurant. \$15. Advance reservations required. Seating is limited. Next session date: June 8. For more information or reservations, call (248)593-3490.

■ "Science, Torah and the Lives We Lead Today," one Wednesday night a month at Borders Books & Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills, designed for young adults with a personal and or professional interest in medicine, science and Judaism. No charge, no reservations required. For a complete schedule of upcoming session dates, teachers, and topics, call (248)593-3490 or e-mail ellul@earthlink.net.

For more information on Eliu v Eliu, call (248)737-1931 or e-mail ellul@earthlink.net. Website: http://www.cbahm.org/ellu.htm.

INSTITUTE OF DIVINE METAPHYSICAL RESEARCH

The Institute of Divine Metaphysical Research, a non-profit religious and scientific research organization, holds free public lectures 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays, 8-10 p.m. Tuesdays, and 8-10 p.m. Thursdays, at John Grace Community Center, first floor, 21030 Indian Street, off West Eight Mile, between Beech

Daly and Inkster, Southfield.

There are over 160 branches of the IDMR throughout the world. The web site is www.idmr.net.

For more information, call (248)356-9464.

BETHANY

Bethany, a Catholic non-profit organization, provides spiritual, social and educational assistance to divorced and separated Christians through peer-to-peer ministry.

Bethany South Oakland meets the fourth Thursday of each month at St. Dennis Church Office, 12 Milo and Stephenson Highway, Royal Oak, at 7:30 p.m. Contact Betty Jean (248)524-9274. St. Dennis is in the Southeast Oakland Vicariate. Bethany has no formal membership or yearly fees.

UNIVERSALIST UNITARIAN CHURCH

The Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington Program for Sunday, May 14 is Parenting Sunday and Child Dedication. In honor of Mother's Day, but also with the inclusion of all who might be parents, this service will explore the deep meaning of what it is to be a parent. Included will be a re-examination of the Elan Gonzalez situation. Pancake breakfast will be served by the Youth Group.

Meet the Minister will be held after each service for visitors and others interested in finding out more about the UUC and Universalist Unitarianism. Services and Sunday School at 9 and 11 a.m., 25301 Halsted Rd., north of Grand River. For information, call 478-7272 or www.wwnetcom/uuc/

Temple Beth El marks 150 years

By SUSAN STEINMUELLER
STAFF WRITER

When Temple Beth El started in 1850, square dancing was popular.

Nowadays, hip hop is all the rage. Both — and the big dance and musical trends in between — are woven into the Bloomfield Township temple's May 13-14 musical revue to celebrate its 150th. The revue is being held at the Bonstelle Theatre in Detroit, an earlier home to Temple Beth El, the state's oldest Jewish congregation.

"We are going to be pushing through the 150 years by decade," said Cantor Stephen Dubov, "so we start in the 1850s. We are actually presenting shows from each decade. We go back to before the Civil War with *O Susanna*, and the most recent song is from the musical *Rent*, called *Seasons of Love*."

At the same time, the history of the times and the congregation will be shown through video and pictures.

"It will cover the spectrum of how life was and how it affected us, especially the whole immigrat-

ion experience and its relationship to the Detroit area. We are trying to have a blend of entertainment and information. It's a historian's dream."

Confidence in future

"It's a look into the past, along with an expression of our confidence in the future, and that's what makes it really so special," said Temple Beth El Rabbi Daniel Syme.

Led by Dubov, the cast of "Temple Beth El, A Musical Retrospective," features 150 performers, all Temple members, ranging in age from 6 to 86. Marsha Rofel of West Bloomfield is producer, Dubov's wife, Christine, a dance therapist, is the choreographer.

Ticket prices are \$50 and \$36 for the main floor; and \$25 and \$18 for the upper balcony. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 13, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 14.

Round trip Beth El-theatre bus tickets are \$6. The Sunday brunch and bus package, not including show tickets, costs \$30 for adults, \$18 for children. Call 865-0016 for information, press 2.

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Wednesday, May 10

7:30 p.m. (Benefit Night)

Thursday, May 11

7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 12

7:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 13

12 p.m., 4 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Sunday, May 14

2 p.m.

TICKETS: \$9.50 - \$8.50

A portion of each ticket sale will go to the Gail Putman Ovarian Cancer Research Fund at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute.

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