Members and Non-Members Honoraria

Becoming a member of Congregation Beth El allows you to become part of one of the oldest Jewish communities in the Central Susquehanna Valley while at the same time ensuring that the congregation will continue to exist for generations to come. In addition, being a member in good standing gives you the privilege of:

- Ability to register your children in our Sunday School
- Access to all synagogue educational programs
- Automatic invitations to all synagogue events
- Enrollment on our listserv
- Voting rights, per our Bylaws
- Tracking and commemoration of yahrtzeit dates
- Rabbinic services including:
  - Spiritual counseling
  - Pastoral visits
- Use of the social hall for kiddush luncheons or onegs associated with Shabbat or a holiday.

The following services are available to members and non-members:

Service	Non-Members To Rabbi	Non-Members To Beth El	Members To Rabbi	Members To Beth El
Funeral services	$360	$180[1]	$180	
Chevra Kaddisha		$360[1]		
Wedding services	$1,000	$180	$500	
Social hall rental		$1000[2]		$250[2]
Building rental (See Additional Notes)		$2,500[2]		
Birth-related lifecycle services	$500	$180		
Bat or Bar Mitzvah services	$1,000	$1,000		
Cleaning fees		$200[3]		$185[3]
Security fees		$30/hour, 3-hour minimum		$25/hour, 3-hour minimum

[1] Funds go to Beth El's Cemetery Fund.

[2] Subject to restrictions. For members, this fee is waived for lifecycle events when an oneg/ Kiddush lunch follows.

[3] There is a cleaning fee of $200 ($185 for members) to cover the additional cleaning costs that come with having a larger number than usual in our space. Arrangements will be made by a synagogue representative for our cleaning service to come in following the final event, according to our usual cleaning schedule. This cleaning does not include washing dishes, putting away food, resetting the social hall, or cleaning of linens. If you have a larger-than-usual oneg or dinner on Friday evening that requires additional cleaning, an additional charge will be incurred, based on the cost of a late-night cleaning service.

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Additional Notes:

- Travel expenses apply.
- The honoraria for the Rabbi for members are a suggested number and may be adjusted according to individual need. We are a caring community and understand that individual circumstances can be taken into account for our community.

Building Rental for non-members includes: use of the entire space, regular cleaning service before and after the event, use of tables and chairs, and supervised use of the kitchen in accordance with the synagogue's guidelines. Also included: one-year membership, excluding voting privileges.

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