

Ellie Dubin's

"Kesem Shel Shir, The Magic of Music"

free after school theater program, in the news.....

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GROUP EFFORT—Some of the cast from *Cinderella* and staff members from Beverly Hills High School Ellie Dubin and Roman Zaragoza. The group performed *Cinderella* last month.

BH Freshman Creates Musical Program

By Claire Selvin

Students from Arlington Heights Elementary school participated in a program called "Kesem Shel Shir, the Magic of Music," founded by Ellie Dubin, a freshman at Beverly High, and performed *Cinderella* for family members, friends, and teachers.

Kesem Shel Shir provides free, after-school musical theatre classes for schools which have lost their funding for arts education due to budget cuts.

Dubin was inspired to start the

program as a part of her fellowship in affiliation with Sinai Temple. She recently applied for a grant that would allow her to expand to other schools.

Dubin raised money from family and friends in order to pay for the program.

She borrowed many costumes from My Creative Kids Youth Theater Project and props from BHHS.

"We are going to miss the kids but know that we have inspired them," said Dubin.