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September President's Message

Friends,

The month of August saw several joint activities with our sister congregations. On Monday, August 8, we had our joint Tisha b'Av service together with Temples Beth Am and Beth David. An interesting study session preceded the service and was well attended. Our thanks go to Leon Metlay and Aaron Marsh for organizing the study session. On Friday, August 12, we had our joint picnic with Beth Am. The food was great and the weather just as nice! Thanks to Ami Shmerl and Aaron Marsh and others at Beth Am who did most of the work.

I have some sad news to report. Once again, it appears that summer is coming to a close! And with summer on the way out, the High Holy Days are just around the corner. We start the Holy Day season with Selichot services on Saturday, September 24, to be held jointly with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am. We will start the evening with the viewing of a movie (TBA), followed by the service. Previous years' movies and discussions have been entertaining and enlightening, so please consider starting your Holy Day observance a bit earlier this year by coming to our Selichot event.

This year we are again pleased to have Dr. George Kornfeld leading services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Rosh Hashanah will start Wednesday evening, September 28, while the Kol Nidre service starting Yom Kippur will be Friday evening October 7. See the detailed calendar of High Holy Day services on page 2 this Bulletin for service times.

The High Holy Day season is a good time to make connections. At our services we will see members who do not come often throughout the year, and we will see visitors -- some regulars and some new. Please let us all work to showcase our congregation and let everyone know the warm and welcoming place that we are. If you know of anyone in search of a synagogue to spend the holidays, remind them of BHBI's free 3-month trial membership, which includes free High Holy Day tickets. This offer is available only to those who have not previously been members or who have not previously bought High Holy Day tickets. As always, please give generously to our High Holy Day Appeal. Only through your support can we fill the gap that exists between dues and expenses.

I wish you all a sweet, happy, and healthy new year.

See you in shul,

Steve Teitel

**L' Shana Tova
Tikateivu**

***May you be inscribed
for a good year!***

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – SEPTEMBER/EARLY OCTOBER 2011

Friday	Sep 2	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service at Heather Heights in Pittsford Light candles at 7:25 PM
Saturday	Sep 3	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Shoftim
Sunday	Sep 4	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Sep 9	8:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with congregants from Temple Beth Am at Beth Am Light candles at 7:13 PM
Saturday	Sep 10	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with congregants from Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Ki Teitzei
Sunday	Sep 11	9:00 AM	Service and Discussion
Monday	Sep 12	7:30 PM	Monthly Meeting of the BHBI Board of Trustees
Wednesday	Sep 14	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study Session at BHBI
Friday	Sep 16	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 7:00 PM
Saturday	Sep 17	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Ki Tavo
Sunday	Sep 18	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Sep 23	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 6:47 PM
Saturday	Sep 24	9:30 AM 8:45 PM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Nitzavim-Vayeilech Selichot at Temple Beth Am: Movie at 8:45 PM, Service at 10:30 PM
Sunday	Sep 25	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Wednesday	Sep 28	6:45 PM	Erev Rosh Hashanah First Day Service Light candles at 6:39 PM
Thursday	Sep 29	9:00 AM 6:30 PM 7:45 PM	Rosh Hashanah First Day Service Tashlich at Lake Riley Erev Rosh Hashanah Second Day Service Light candles after 7:37 PM
Friday	Sep 30	9:00 AM 8:00 PM	Rosh Hashanah Second Day Service Shabbat Shuvah Evening Service Light candles at 6:35 PM
Saturday	Oct 1	9:30 AM	Shabbat Shuvah Morning Service
Sunday	Oct 2	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion
Friday	Oct 7	6:15 PM	Yom Kippur Kol Nidre Service Light candles at 6:23 PM
Saturday	Oct 8	9:00 AM 4:45 PM 5:45 PM	Yom Kippur Morning Service Yom Kippur Mincha Service Yom Kippur Neilah Service. Yom Kippur ends at 7:21 PM.

DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO IS UNAFFILIATED AND INTERESTED IN JOINING A CONGREGATION?

Let them know about BHBI's special free 3 month trial membership (available to prospective first-time new members only) which includes free High Holy Day tickets. Have them contact BHBI at 244-2060 or BHBI@frontiernet.net and we will be happy to give them information about BHBI and this great offer!!

SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

Our next joint Torah Study session together with members of Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David will be held on Wednesday evening, September 14th at 7:30 p.m. at BHBI. Please join us for the discussion. It is always enlightening.

NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Foundation for the Jewish Community of the Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester has a limited amount of funds available for need-based scholarships. These scholarships are available to Jewish students having a permanent Rochester address, who are studying Jewish content for high school and college credit, and for Jewish teens who participate in an accredited summer, semester, or year-long Israel experience program.

The application deadline is October 24, 2011. For more information or an application contact Jan Katz, Director, Jewish Educational Services at jkatz@jewishrochester.org or 461-0490.

EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

2012 UJA Federation Kick-off Event:

Celebrate the Rochester Jewish community with famous Israeli recording artist Noa at kick-off event for the 2012 UJA Federation Campaign on Thursday, September 22nd. Federation Executive Director Larry Fine will also be honored with the Harold H. Hecker Lifetime Achievement Award at the event which will take place at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center. The event will begin with a dinner catered by Main Event Caterers of Englewood, NJ at 5:30 p.m. followed by Noa's performance at 7:00 p.m. Cost for the evening is \$60 per person. A minimum gift of \$500 to the 2012 UJA Federation Campaign is suggested. To register on-line go to www.jewishrochester.org or call 461-0490.

Commemoration of the 10th Anniversary of September 11, 2001:

The entire Rochester community is invited to an interfaith event to be held on Sunday afternoon, September 11th at 4:00 p.m. on the east vista side lawn at the George Eastman House to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. The event, called 'Remembering 9/11 and Moving Forward Together – The Joining of Many Faiths, Many Perspectives' will feature music, poetry, readings and prayers. Guests are invited to bring lawn chairs for seating. The event will be held rain or shine (in case of rain it will be moved to the Dryden Theatre at the George Eastman House).

HIGH HOLY DAY APPEAL

With your tickets for the High Holy Day services which will be sent to you around September 12th, you will receive a donation card for BHBI's High Holy Day Appeal. The High Holy Day appeal is the major annual fundraising activity for our congregation. Your donation to the High Holy Day appeal allows us to charge the lowest membership dues in the community. Please give generously.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Jacob "Yaaki" Koesterich, the son of Helen and Steve Gulack and Eric Koesterich on his engagement to Elana Steinfeld. Elana is the daughter of Mark and Ellen Steinfeld of Dumont, NJ, and is a respiratory therapist. Jacob is a web developer and graphic designer working in New York City.

Yahrzeits

At the following Shabbat Services, we will read the names of our late loved ones whose Yahrzeits will occur on that Shabbat or during the following week.

September 2-3	Elul	September 9-10	Elul	September 16-17	Elul	September 23-24	Elul - Tishrei
Albert Joffe*	4	David Nidetz	12	Leonard Mayer Grossman*	18	Rose Levin*	25
Harold Krinsky*	4	Anna Zakofsky*	12	Abraham Goldman*	21	David Goldman*	26
Ethel Strom*	4	Sylvia Album*	13	Maurice Seide*	21	Trudy Bender Baran	27
Tanya Yudelson	5	Morris Mittelman*	13	Hyman Senzel*	22	I. Robert Lewis*	27
Harold Schulman	6	Isidor Hess*	14	Bessie Cominsky*	23	Phillip Rogachefsky*	27
Celia Goodman*	7	Frumeh Hinensky*	14	Sept. 30-Oct. 1	Tishrei	Janet Kanthor*	28
Jennie Levinson	7	Joseph Taub	14			Gerald Glaser*	29
Irving Mack*	8	A. Ben Glasser*	16	Catherine Braz* Hyman A. Davis* Rose Lewis* Annie Schwartz* Fannie R. Spector*	3	Mazel Tov Levy*	29
Fran Dubin Gulack	10	Celia Wolk*	17		5	Shirley Arlene Dvorkin*	1
* Denotes name memorialized on BHBI Memorial Plaque					6	Ronni Lynn Gordon*	1
					6	David Lester Kauffman*	1
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We pray that our mourners will be comforted among all the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem and that the memory of the deceased continues to be a blessing to all who knew them.

HIGH HOLY DAY TICKETS

Do you know anyone who would like to purchase High Holy Day tickets? BHBI's High Holy Day tickets for non-members cost just \$100. Students qualify for free tickets to attend High Holy Day services at BHBI. If you know of someone who is interested in High Holy Day tickets have them call the BHBI office at 244-2060 or have them send an e-mail to BHBI@frontiernet.net

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

You can memorialize a friend or loved one by purchasing a BHBI memorial plaque. Our memorial plaques are very reasonably priced. For more information, contact Stan Schaffer at 473-8072 or stanschaffer@frontiernet.net

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TO OUR DONORS – THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

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*John Rothbard
Sue Baker*

In memory of Alan Fishman
*Art Mercer
Dean Hamington*

In appreciation of Rabbi Goldberg
Mollie and Ken Traub

In memory of Moses Berkowitz
Gloria Berkowitz

In memory of Haim Menachem Levy
Rose and Paul Israel

In memory of Tanya Yudelson
Joseph Yudelson

THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

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| August 6 | Katharine Metlay in memory of her father, David Titof |
| August 13 | Jill Clark in memory of her grandmother, Bessie Gastel, and Esther Vogelstein in honor of the anniversary of her brother, Hermann's bar mitzvah |
| August 20 | Ruth and Steve Teitel in memory of Steve's father, Joseph Teitel |
| August 27 | Michelle and Aaron Baker and Esther and Christopher Donner in honor of Sue Ann Baker's reading of the Haftorah |

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OFFICE: The synagogue office is checked regularly for mail and messages. The synagogue phone is 244-2060. For urgent issues, call Steve Teitel at 473-5741 or Stan Schaffer at 473-8072. You can also e-mail us at BHBI@frontiernet.net

WANT TO REMEMBER OR HONOR SOMEONE OR A SPECIAL OCCASION? *Consider sponsoring a kiddush or making a donation to any one of our funds* (General Operating, Kiddush, Library, Torah, Rabbi Aaron Solomon Scholarship, Our Youth, Special Events or the Sam Malina Memorial Fund). Please indicate which fund you would like your donation to go to and we will send out an acknowledgement card as you indicate and print an announcement in this bulletin. A standard sponsored kiddush at BHBI costs just \$40 while a larger enhanced kiddush is just \$50.

BULLETIN CONTENT What do you enjoy reading in the BHBI Bulletin? Is there something that you would like added (or taken out)? If so, please let Stan Schaffer know. We always appreciate feedback.

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