

BULLETIN

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June President's Message

Friends,

Our annual congregational meeting was held on May 20, with a quorum present. I would like to thank the congregation for its vote of confidence in electing me to another term as your President. As always, I remain open to your suggestions and comments on improving our congregation – feel free to contact me at any time. I'd like to thank Ira Cohen for heading the nominating committee and to thank all of you who have agreed to serve as officers and on our Board of Trustees for the year to come. As per our constitution, the completion of this upcoming term will max out my term limit as President, and it will be necessary for someone new to step up to this job in one year's time. It is never too early to start thinking of who that should be! So please give this serious thought, so that BHBI can continue to cultivate the leadership that will serve us well into the future!

Our Shavuot Services, held jointly with Temple Beth Am, were very well attended. Thanks to Aaron Marsh and Leon Metlay for organizing the services, and to Aaron, Leon, and Hermann Vogelstein for chanting Torah and Haftarah. Many thanks to Leon Metlay for leading an enlightening study session the first evening – I am sure it was for many of us our first taste of Talmud study! Thanks to Beth Am for providing a tasty and traditional blintz luncheon the first day, and to Janet Grable for a truly wonderful fish luncheon the second day.

It is with great pleasure that I inform you that our grant application to the Max and Marian Farash Charitable Foundation has been approved for funding! The grant will provide funds for us to renovate our first floor restroom to make it handicapped accessible. Together with our recently installed lift, BHBI will soon be fully accessible to all members and guests with mobility concerns. We expect this project to be completed over the summer, in time for High Holiday services in the Fall. Our very sincere appreciation goes to the Farash Foundation for their generous support.

Finally, this message is my last opportunity to encourage you all to participate in our Gala Anniversary Weekend, June 8 – 10, celebrating the founding of Beth Hamedresh Hagodel in 1911. On Friday and Saturday, June 8 and 9, we will have a special Shabbaton with Rabbi Shamai Kanter. Rabbi Kanter's talk on Friday evening will be: *Poems from Over the Green Line: the Second Israeli "Settler" Generation*. He will give a second talk on Saturday, following Kiddush, on: *The Synagogue: Its Past and Its Future*. Then on Sunday, June 10th at 5 pm, we will have our gala party featuring the music of Maury Rosenberg, followed by a home cooked dinner and other entertainment. It will be the party of the century! The public is invited, so please come and bring your family and friends! Reservations for dinner with Rabbi Kanter on Friday at 6 pm and for the gala party on Sunday are due by Monday June 4. Please see the reservation form on page 3 of this bulletin.

See you in shul,

Steve Teitel

Join us for a very special weekend of activities

Shabbaton with Rabbi Shamai Kanter on Friday and Saturday, June 8th and 9th

**Gala Party and Dinner to Celebrate the 101st Anniversary of the Founding of
The Big Shul (Beth Hamedresh Hagodel) on Sunday, June 10th**

For more information, see page 3.

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS –JUNE 2012

Friday	June 1	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service at Heather Heights in Pittsford Light candles at 8:25 PM
Saturday	June 2	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Nasso
Sunday	June 3	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	June 8	7:30 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with members of Temple Beth Am at BHBI with Rabbi Shamai Kanter discussing <i>Poems from Over the Green Line: the Second Israeli "Settler" Generation.</i> Light candles at 8:30 PM
Saturday	June 9	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with members of Temple Beth Am at BHBI with Rabbi Shamai Kanter discussing <i>The Synagogue: Its Past and Its Future.</i> Torah: Behaalotchah
Sunday	June 10	9:00 AM 5:00 PM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion Gala Party and Dinner to Celebrate the 101 st Anniversary of the Founding of "The Big Shul"
Monday	June 11	7:30 PM	Monthly Meeting of the BHBI Board of Trustees
Wednesday	June 13	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI
Friday	June 15	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 8:33 PM
Saturday	June 16	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Shelach Blessing of the New Month
Sunday	June 17	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	June 22	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 8:35 PM
Saturday	June 23	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Korach
Sunday	June 24	9:30 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	June 29	8:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with members of Temple Beth Am at BHBI Light candles at 8:35 PM
Saturday	June 30	10:00 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with members of Temple Beth Am at TBA Torah: Chukat

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**JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE 101ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE
FOUNDING OF "THE BIG SHUL" (BETH HAMEDRESH HAGODEL)
WITH A HOST OF EVENTS ON JUNE 8TH, 9TH AND 10TH**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 8TH – SATURDAY, JUNE 9TH
SHABBATON WITH RABBI SHAMAI KANTER**

Friday evening dinner with Rabbi Kanter at 6 P.M. (limited to BHBI and Beth Am members)
Followed by Kabbalat Shabbat Services and a D'var Torah.
Dinner is \$12 for adults and children ages 13 and over, \$8 for children ages 12 and younger.
The family maximum is \$36.

Shabbat morning services Saturday, June 9th at 9:30 a.m. with Rabbi Kanter

**SUNDAY, JUNE 10TH
GALA ANNIVERSARY PARTY AND DINNER**

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres beginning at 5 p.m. followed by the music of Maury Rosenberg at 5:30 and
dinner at 6:30 p.m. Bring your dancing shoes and dance to the music of each decade of the past 101 years!
Friends of BHBI are welcome to attend. Price \$25 per person.

RSVP Form for the Gala Weekend

Friday evening dinner with Rabbi Kanter:

of adults @\$12 per person: _____ = \$ _____

of children under 12@ \$8 per person _____ = \$ _____

Sunday evening gala anniversary party and dinner:

of people attending @ \$25 per person: _____ = \$ _____

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Name(s): _____

Please send this reservation form to BHBI, 1369 East Ave., Rochester, NY 14610 so that it is received no
later than Monday, June 4th. You can also call in your reservation to BHBI at 244-2060.

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**SPECIAL 101ST ANNIVERSARY ACKNOWLEDGMENT SECTION IN THE
JULY BHBI BULLETIN**

Everyone attending the gala or making a donation in honor of the 101st anniversary of the founding of Beth
Hamedresh Hagodel will be acknowledged in a special acknowledgment section that will appear in our
July bulletin.

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BHBI WEB SITE

Have you checked out the BHBI web site lately? If you haven't there is a lot that you're missing. The web site at
www.BHBIRochester.org provides information about many aspects of our congregation, lists the BHBI calendar,
has electronic versions of this and previous bulletins going back several years, has an extensive history of our
congregation along with historic photos, includes photos from several BHBI dinners, picnics and other special
events, and has the unique Adon Olam Songbook with information on over 100 melodies for Adon Olam.

TO OUR DONORS – THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

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In memory of Betty Herman

Laura Levinson

GENERAL FUND

Lee Kauffman

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SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

The next Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study session will be held at BHBI on Wednesday, June 13th at 7:30 p.m. Come join in the lively discussion along with congregants from BHBI, Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David.

THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

May 5	The Congregation
May 12	Jill Clark-Foulkes in memory of Samuel Gastel
May 19	The Congregation
May 26	Hermann and Esther Vogelstein in memory of their father, Max Vogelstein
May 28	Janet Grable in honor of Shavuot

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Aaron Schaffer and Jack Teitel who are graduating from Brighton High School. Both Aaron and Jack will be attending the University of Rochester in the fall.

Congratulations to Sarah Bobb who recently graduated magna cum laude with degrees in kinesiology and physical education from The College at Brockport

Congratulations to Aaron Schaffer on becoming an Eagle Scout. As his Eagle Scout project, he coordinated the collection of over 200 pairs of footwear for Mary's Place, the refugee outreach center.

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). 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!!

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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.

June 1-2	Sivan	June 8-9	Sivan	June 15-16	Sivan-Tammuz	June 22-23	Tammuz
Theresa Mayer Block	12	Zus Kaminnick	19	Ada Gordon*	26	Rose Joffe*	3
Anna Whalen	12	Esther Senzel*	20	Stella Getz*	27	Jennie Epstein*	4
Rose Sallerson*	13	Sarah Rebecca		Mary Goldman*	27	David Glasser*	4
Janet Riwkin Glaser*	14	Gerber*	21	Betty Newell*	27	Alan Fishman	5
Evelyn Goldman		Minnie Marcus*	21	Eva Wasserman*	27	Morris Krinsky*	7
Kauffman*	17	Nathan Yablin*	21	Isadore Goldman*	29	Sarah Shnitman*	9
Louis Maltinsky*	17	Fannie Warnick*	23	Gerald Braz	30	Rabbi Aaron	
Sadie Stolnitz*	17	Louis Sanow*	24	Hyb Jossem*	30	Solomon*	9
Katherine Weinrib*	17			Samuel Hoffman*	2		
Lyons I. Jossem*	18			Sara Sarachan*	2		
						June 29-30	Tammuz
						Eva Krinsky*	10
						Phillip Morrow*	11
						Rochli Rothschild*	11
						Sarah Singer*	14
						Rachel Strauss*	14
						Rachel Morris*	15
						Yetta Goldman*	16
						Sheila Kleinstein	16
						Sarah Marken*	16

*Denotes name memorialized on BHBI Memorial Plaque

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.

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

THE FAMILY ADVOCACY COUNCIL

The Family Advocacy Council of the Jewish Home of Rochester is an independent group whose goal is to enhance the quality of life of the residents of the Jewish Home. The Council meets at the Jewish Home at 7:00 PM on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Everyone is welcome.

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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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