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October President's Message

Friends,

I hope you enjoyed our High Holy Day services as much as I did (or even more). I really liked the new Mahzor, both the more modern translations and the commentaries. At the same time, I think we managed to keep the “haimish” atmosphere of our services the same as in the past. I want to thank our Board for approving the book and our generous donors who made the purchase possible. Of course, our Cantor, Dr. George Kornfeld, gets a lot of the credit for things going so smoothly. It can't be easy leading from a new book after a using the same one for 11 years.

On Yom Kippur I gave the obligatory President's Talk. I won't repeat it here except to remind you that my theme was “Hineni”, “Here I am”. That doesn't just mean “I'm standing on this particular spot” but rather “I am here and I am receptive to what you're going to tell me.” We should answer “Hineni” when G-d calls us to serve in whatever capacity we can, and in return (at least according to Isaiah) G-d will answer “Hineni” when we call.

As I write this the second day of Sukkot has just passed. We had a group of dedicated volunteers put up the sukkah again this year. I had a discussion with our past President, Mark Bobb, who built the sukkah. We figured out that this is the 13th year that this sukkah was used. We hosted joint services with Beth Am and Beth David on the first night, which were well attended. The rest of the services so far have been at the other two shuls, and our people have been well represented at all of them.

Next week, Beth Am is having a potluck vegetarian dinner in their sukkah at 6 PM on Sunday, October 4th. You don't need reservations, just bring a dairy or pareve dish to pass. The dinner will be followed by an evening Shemini Atzeret service with yizkor. The following morning, the service for Shemini Atzeret, with yizkor, will be at our shul. Kiddush is being prepared by Janet Grable, so you know it will be fantastic. Janet will also be preparing the goodies for the evening service for Simchat Torah and the Simchat Torah morning service, which will also both be at our shul. Come and join the fun. Sukkot and Shemini Aatzeret are called “z'man simchateinu” meaning “the time of our rejoicing.” Come rejoice with us.

Leon Metlay



BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – OCTOBER 2015

Friday	Oct 2	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 6:31 PM
Saturday	Oct 3	9:00 AM	Shabbat Chol Hamoed Sukkot Morning Service
Sunday	Oct 4	9:00 AM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion Dairy Potluck Dinner in the Temple Beth Am Sukkah Joint Erev Shemini Atzeret Service with Yizkor with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at Beth Am (TBK Room 103) Light candles at 6:28 PM
Monday	Oct 5	9:00 AM 7:00 PM	Shemini Atzeret Service with Yizkor Joint Erev Simchat Torah Service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at BHBI Light candles after 7:26 PM
Tuesday	Oct 6	9:00 AM	Joint Simchat Torah Morning Service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at BHBI
Friday	Oct 9	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am (at TBK Room 103) Light candles at 6:19 PM
Saturday	Oct 10	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Bereisheet
Sunday	Oct 11	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Monday	Oct 12	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday	Oct 16	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 6:07 PM
Saturday	Oct 17	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Noah
Sunday	Oct 18	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Wednesday	Oct 21	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Synagogue Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI
Friday	Oct 23	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 5:56 PM
Saturday	Oct 24	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Lech Lecha
Sunday	Oct 25	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Oct 30	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Light candles at 5:46 PM
Saturday	Oct 31	10:00 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am (at TBK Room 103) Torah: Vayeira

Upcoming Concert

Live from Hochstein featuring Gossamer Edge trio with Allyn Van Dusen mezzo-soprano, Rita George-Simmons on flute, and Paula Rodney Bobb on piano. Music will include 3 Hebrew love songs, two by Schubert, and other beautiful music for autumn. Wednesday, October 28th, 12:10-12:50 p.m. at the Hochstein Performance Hall. The performance can also be heard on WXXI 91.5 FM, and will be live-streamed by computer at wxxi.org.

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GENERAL FUND

In honor of their grand-daughter, Anne Rosenfeld (Annie Rose) Reinert's 1st Birthday
Paul Rosenfeld and Sylvia Rose

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.

October 2-3	Tishrei	October 16-17	Cheshvan	October 23-24	Cheshvan	October 30-31	Cheshvan
Leon Titof	20	Sarah Rickler*	4	Dianne Hooker*	11	Mosheh Lazar*	18
Stanley Toker*	20	Blanche Florescue		Lottie Astrachan*	12	Julia Goldman*	19
Tamar		Ross*	4	Alfred E. Hart*	12	Bessie	
Rogachefsky*	22	Charles Schnidman*	4	Sol Weinstein*	12	Schnidman*	21
Daniel Horowitz	23	Rabbi Jordan Taxon	4	Israel Astrachan*	13	Louis Gastel*	23
Beverly Clark*	24	Harry Silverman*	5	Marion		Nathan Strom*	24
David Israel	24	Ida Mentor*	7	Grossman*	13		
Robert Steinmetz*	24	Clara Spencer	7	Jacob Markin*	13		
Morris Album*	25	Marion Lazar*	8	Nellie Beckler*	15		
Litman Cohen*	26	Joseph D. Stolnitz*	8	Lena Cohen*	16		
		Ida Buckbinder*	9	Sofya Kaminnik*	17		
October 9-10	Tishrei-Cheshvan	Irene Bernstein		Rae Toker	17		
		Mikolasek*	9				
Gershon Hinensky*	28	Flora Priceman*	9				
Sam Gold	29	Bernard Lipschutz	10				
Rona Luxemburg	29	Ingeborg Vogelstein	10				
Bernard Israel	30						
Celia Israel	30						
Herbert Hirsch*	1						
Bessie Miller*	1						

*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.

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SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

This month's Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study session will be held at BHBI on Wednesday, October 21st at 7:30 p.m. at BHBI. Come and bring your friends. Everyone is welcome!

MISHEBERACH LIST

We will be cleaning up our misheberach list soon. If you would like to list or retain the name of someone who is acutely ill on the misheberach list, please contact Nina Klionsky at metlionsky@frontiernet.net

HIGH HOLY DAY APPEAL

Contributions to our BHBI High Holy Day Appeal will be acknowledged in our November bulletin. If you haven't had an opportunity to get your donation in yet, you still have time to do so.

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THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

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| September 5 | The Congregation |
| September 12 | Tamara Strubel in honor of the bar mitzvah of her grandson, Ari Ostrow |
| September 19 | The Congregation |
| September 23 | Yom Kippur Break Fast by Harris and Aline Honickman in memory of Harris' father, Milton Honickman |
| September 26 | Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky in honor of the New Year |

BHBI WEBSITE

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.

EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Rochester Welcomes Tamir Goodman

Sunday, October 18, 3:30pm; JCC Gymnasium

Teens, parents, and the entire community are invited for an inspiring evening with Tamir Goodman, dubbed the "Jewish Jordan" by *Sports Illustrated*. Hear his fascinating story about overcoming adversity. Followed by a Q&A, basketball signing and dessert reception. Space is limited. Register at www.jewishpittsford.com/tamir.

92Y Live – The U.S. - Israel Relationship, from Truman to Obama

At the JCC on Sunday, October 18th at 7:30 p.m. \$9/\$7 for JCC members.

Dennis Ross, who has been a direct participant in shaping US policy towards Israel and the Middle East for nearly 30 years – first in the George H.W. Bush Administration, then as Bill Clinton's Middle East Peace envoy, and then as a special assistant to President Obama. His new book is titled *Doomed to Succeed*. Alan Dershowitz has been a consultant to several presidential commissions and has advised presidents, UN officials, prime ministers, governors, senators and members of Congress. His latest book is *The Case Against The Iran Deal: How Can We Now Stop Iran from Getting Nukes?* Ethan Bronner, senior editor for international news at Bloomberg, moderates.

Lane Dworkin Rochester Jewish Book Festival

This year's Jewish Book Festival will be held from November 8 – 22. There will be a number of presentations by authors:

- Sunday, November 8th at 10 a.m. at the JCC, Jane Yolem will discuss *The Devil's Arithmetic*, her Holocaust themed book for young readers
- Sunday, November 8th at 7 p.m. at the JCC, will feature former Tel Aviv bureau chief for NBC News, Martin Fletcher, who will discuss his novel, *The War Reporter*. A dessert reception will follow.
- Tuesday, November 10th at 7 p.m. at the JCC, Allena Rieger will discuss her book *I Didn't Tell Them Anything* in which she describes uncovering the missing pieces in her parents lives including their flight from Poland, forced labor in Siberia, refuge in Kazakhstan and long journey to America.
- Wednesday, November 11th at 7 p.m., Steve Katz will give his personal account of the rock 'n' roll world and his book *Blood, Sweat and My Rock 'n' Roll Years* along with a performance at the Irondequoit Country Club. An open bar will be available starting at 6 p.m.
- Thursday, November 12th at 7 p.m. at the JCC, Nomi Eve will discuss her novel *Henna House* which interweaves the traditions of Yemenite Jewry with their flight to Israel.
- Sunday, November 15th at 10 a.m. at the JCC, Susan Dworski Nusbaum will present her book of poetry *What We Take With Us*.
- Sunday, November 15th at 11:15 a.m. at the JCC, Todd Moss discusses his novel *Minute Zero*, the latest book his *Judd Ryker* thriller series.
- Sunday, November 15th at 7 p.m. at the JCC, Rabbi Simon Jacobson discusses his book *Toward a Meaningful Life* which makes the teachings of Judaism timely and relevant.
- Monday, November 16th at 7 p.m. at the JCC, Dani Klein Modisett brings a humorous approach to marriage when discussing his book *Take My Spouse, Please: How to Keep Your Marriage Happy, Healthy, and Thriving by Following the Rules of Comedy*. A wine bar will be available before the presentation.
- Friday, November 20th at noon at the JCC, there will be a fiction panel luncheon with Jessamyn Hope, the author of *Safekeeping*, and Sigal Samuel, the author of *The Mystics of Mile End*. Ice cream will be provided.

Films and other cultural events are also be occurring at the JCC in November:

- Tuesday, November 3rd at 7 p.m. at the JCC, the film *My So-Called Enemy* will be screened following a short tribute to Yitzhak Rabin's legacy.
- Saturday, November 14th at 7:30 p.m. at the JCC, the film *The Outrageous Sophie Tucker* will be screened and followed by a discussion with biographers and screenwriter Susan and Lloyd Ecker.
- Sunday, November 22nd at 3 p.m. at the JCC there will be a concert and knish tasting. The event will feature Bonnie Abrams and Allen Hopkins

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