

BHBIRochester.org
Published Monthly
Vol. 52/No 11
Av-Elul 5778
August 2018

Congregation Beth Hamedresh – Beth Israel

BULLETIN

Editor: Stan Schaffer

President: Steve Teitel

First Vice-President: Stan Schaffer

Second Vice-President: Paula Bobb

Treasurer: Ira Cohen

Financial Secretary: Harris Honickman

Recording Secretary: Nina Klionsky

August President's Message

Friends,

The summer is here, but the work continues! A few weeks ago, a dedicated team of workers led by Chris Paprocki spent several hours clearing the wooded area on the west side of our building. Weed trees that had been felled earlier in the year, as well as accompanying branches and debris, were chopped up, gathered together, and transported away. Our many thanks go to Chris, Andrea, and Jordon Paprocki, Harris Honickman, and all the others who pitched in. The wooded area is now much neater and nicer – not so good for bears, but much better for people!

All this work to spruce up our grounds is just in time for our annual summer picnic! Our picnic will be held this year on Sunday, August 19th. We will start with a get-together, snacks, and games at 2pm, with serious eating starting around 3pm. There will be hot dogs, hamburgers, corn, and more; veggie burgers can be provided upon advanced request. Our picnic is open to the public, so please feel free to invite friends and family, the only requirement is to make a reservation by 5pm, Tuesday, August 14, to BHBIRochester@gmail.com. The cost is \$10 per adult, \$6 per child 12 years old and under. Payment may be made at the picnic, or in advance by mail to Cong. BHBI, 1369 East Ave, Rochester NY 14610. Our picnic is also a great way for folks to get to know us, so if you know anyone who may be shul shopping, please invite them to come! The cost will be waived for 1st time prospective new members (but a reservation is still required). The picnic will take place at BHBI, rain or shine! So please come, see friends, and enjoy good food and company!

While it may seem way off, the High Holidays are closer than you think! Erev Rosh HaShanah is on Sunday, September 9th. BHBI will be holding High Holy Day services in our building, with Dr. George Kornfeld once again officiating. As in the past, we will be offering free Holiday tickets to students and 1st time prospective new members. For other non-members, High Holy Day tickets are \$100 for the entire holiday period, or only \$50 for just Rosh HaShanah or just Yom Kippur. So if you know anyone who is in need of a place to spend the holidays, please invite them to come to BHBI!

As I write this message, we have just finished with the solemn holiday of Tisha B'Av, mourning the destruction of the Holy Temple and other calamities in Jewish history. So I'll end my message with a bit of levity: Schwartz is sitting in his room, wearing only a top hat, when Steinberg strolls in. "Why are you sitting here naked?" "It's all right," says Schwartz. "Nobody comes to visit." "But why the hat?" "Maybe somebody will come."

Hope to see you in shul!

Shabbat Shalom,

Steve Teitel

**Join Us at the BHBI Picnic on Sunday afternoon, August 19th
beginning at 2 pm. Bring your friends. It will be lots of fun.
See page 7 for details.**



BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – AUGUST 2018

Saturday	Aug 4	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Blessing of the New Month Torah: Eikev
Sunday	Aug 5	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Aug 10	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am (TBK Room 103)
Saturday	Aug 11	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Re'eh – Shabbat Rosh Chodesh
Sunday	Aug 12	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Monday	Aug 13	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting
Wednesday	Aug 15	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI
Saturday	Aug 18	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Shoftim
Sunday	Aug 19	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
		2:00 PM	BHBI Picnic
Saturday	Aug 25	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Ki Teitzei
Sunday	Aug 26	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Aug 31	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI

SHABBAT CANDLELIGHTING TIMES

Friday, August 3 – 8:11 PM
 Friday, August 10 – 8:02 PM
 Friday, August 17 – 7:52 PM
 Friday, August 24 – 7:41 PM
 Friday, August 31 – 7:29 PM

SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

Our next Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study session will be scheduled on Wednesday, August 15th at 7:30 p.m. at BHBI.

MAKE YOUR PURCHASES AT AMAZON AND GOODSHOP AND SUPPORT BHBI AT THE SAME TIME!

Why not contribute to BHBI while making on-line purchases? It's easy to make purchases on-line at Amazon and Goodshop and support BHBI financially at the same time. Just go to the BHBI web page at www.BHBIRochester.org, then go to the Donate page and click on either the Amazon or Goodshop banner. Each time you make a purchase after linking to Amazon or Goodshop from our web page, BHBI gets a percentage of the purchase price. The more you buy in this way, the more BHBI makes!

GOODSEARCH.ORG

Goodsearch.org is an on-line internet search program that pays non-profit organizations like BHBI a fee every time someone uses their search service. Go to the Goodsearch.org web site, log-in (after signing up) and then every time that you search from that site, BHBI gets a small fee. BHBI will benefit from each search you make! You can also reach Goodshop from the site, but remember to log-in before purchasing anything.

CEMETERY PLOTS

Did you know that BHBI has designated sections at Stone Road, Britten Road and Mt. Hope Cemeteries and that we sell cemetery plots? If you would like more information, contact Steve Teitel.

**DONATIONS
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

GENERAL FUND

In memory of Oscar Hart
Helen Gulack

Sue Baker

TORAH FUND

Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky

Katharine Metlay

Steve and Ruth Teitel

Stan and Elaine Schaffer

**THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS
FOR THE MONTH OF JULY**

July 7 Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky in memory of their daughter, Nelli Ahuva Metlay
July 14 The Congregation
July 21 Katharine Metlay in memory of her father, David Titof
July 28 Esther Vogelstein in honor of her brother, Hermann's bar mitzvah Shabbat



THE HIGH HOLY DAYS ARE JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

Do your friends have a place to go to attend services for the High Holy Days? If not, mention BHBI and our friendly, warm and welcoming atmosphere to them. Once again, Dr. George Kornfeld will be leading our High Holy Day services this year, so you know our services will be wonderful. If someone you know would like to purchase tickets for the High Holy Days, have them leave a message on the BHBI answering machine at 244-2060 or have them contact Stan Schaffer at stanschaffer@frontiernet.net

THE MONTH OF ELUL

In August we will be starting the Hebrew month of Elul, leading to Rosh Hashanah. It is a month that connects the past year with the coming year—a time when we reflect on where we stand and where we should be going. It is called “the month of repentance,” “the month of mercy” and “the month of forgiveness.” Elul follows the two previous months of Tammuz and Av—months of tragedies that were brought upon us through our sins. In Tammuz, the Jews sinned with the golden calf; on Rosh Chodesh Elul, Moses ascended to Mount Sinai for a third 40-day period until Yom Kippur, when he descended with the second tablets (*luchot*) and G-d's word of joyful, wholehearted forgiveness. (The first time Moses ascended was to receive the first tablets; the second time was after the sin, to ask for forgiveness; and this third time was to receive the second set of tablets.) These were days when G-d revealed to the Jewish people great mercy. Since then, this time has been designated as a time of mercy and forgiveness, an opportune time for *teshuvah*—repentance. The four letters of the name *Elul* are an acronym for the phrase in “Song of Songs” (6:3): “I am to my beloved and my beloved is to me.” “I am to my beloved” — we approach G-d with a desire to return and connect. “And my beloved is to me” — G-d reciprocates with Divine expressions of mercy and forgiveness.

From Chabad.org

YAHARZEITS

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.

August 3-4	Av	August 10-11	Av-Elul	August 17-18	Elul	August 31-September 1	Elul
Bessie Gastel*	25	Harry Eber*	30	Celia Goodman*	7	Abraham Goldman*	21
Samuel Immanuel Wechsler*	25	Bernard W. Engel*	30	Irving Mack*	8	Maurice Seide*	21
Abraham Alkus*	26	Rose Gordon	30	Fran Dubin Gulack	10	Hyman Senzel*	22
Rose T. Cohen	26	Eva Lederman*	2	David Nidetz	12	Bessie Cominsky*	23
Jacob Osband*	26	Albert Joffe*	4	Anna Zakofsky*	12	Harry Rogachefsky*	24
Joseph Teitel	26	Harold Krinsky*	4	Morris Mittelman*	13	Rose Levin*	25
Reuben Klein*	27	Ethel Strom*	4	August 24-25	Elul	David Goldman*	26
Esther Marker*	27	Gladys Glazer	5	Sylvia Album* Isidor Hess* Frumeh Hinensky* A. Ben Glaser* Celia Wolk* Leonard Carl Grossman* Winston Block	14 14 14 16 17 18 20	Trudy Bender Baran	27
Sarah Weisenberg*	28	Judith Rodney	5			I. Robert Lewis*	27
		Tanya Yudelson	5			Phillip Rogachefsky*	27
*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 also memorialize a friend or loved one on a BHBI memorial plaque. Our memorial plaques are very reasonably priced. For more information, contact Stan Schaffer at 473-8072 or stanschaffer@frontiernet.net

*Rochester's
Jewish Funeral Home*



*Establishing
a New Tradition*

BRIGHTON MEMORIAL CHAPEL, INC.

Graveside, Temple or Chapel Services.
Now respectfully maintaining the PARSKY records.

Jarrold M. Krieger
owner & 4th generation Rochesterian
www.BrightonMemorialChapel.com

427-8520

3325 Winton Road South
S/W corner of Jefferson & Winton Rds

So far our *TOPS* Gift Card fundraiser has been quite successful. Remember, *TOPS* Gift Cards are now available through BHBI in \$50 denominations. To purchase *TOPS* Gift Cards, contact Stan Schaffer at 473-8072 or by e-mail at stanschaffer@frontiernet.net

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.

AD SPONSORS

We are always looking for additional businesses that are interested in placing an ad in the BHBI Bulletin. If you know of someone whose business or company may be interested, contact Stan Schaffer at 473-8072 or by e-mail at stanschaffer@frontiernet.net



Congregation
Beth Hamedresh - Beth Israel



Temple Beth Am

Joint Yizkor Book 2018

Dear Temple Friends and Family,

Temple Beth Am and Congregation Beth Hamedresh–Beth Israel will again jointly publish an annual Yizkor Memorial Book in time for Yom Kippur. We use this book in place of the prayer book for each of the Yizkor services throughout the year. Our book will contain the Yizkor service, special readings, prayers, Kaddish, and a memorial list of our dearly departed. Having your loved ones included in the Yizkor Book is a dignified way of remembering and paying tribute to those who have been called to their eternal rest.

Both congregations will share the production costs and will share the proceeds in proportion to the participation from each congregation. Please make your checks payable to Beth Hamedresh-Beth Israel, and mark them Yizkor Book in the memo.

To have your relatives and friends listed in the Yizkor book, please complete the form on the back of this notice and return it by August 31st to:

Yizkor Book
c/o Bruce Nelson
120 Cobblestone Dr.
Rochester, NY 14623

Do not send the form to BHBI! All listings must be pre-paid. Listings not pre-paid by press time will not be published.

One, two or three names will be priced at \$18.00 (the number corresponding to Chai, the Hebrew word for life). Additional names, beyond the first three, are \$5.00 each name. Please print the names clearly since they will appear in the Yizkor Book exactly as you submit them.

Shalom,

The Yizkor Memorial Book Committee

Remember, the form is due by August 31st!



**Congregation
Beth Hamedresh - Beth Israel**



Temple Beth Am

Joint Yizkor Book 2018

The format of the Yizkor Book is as follows:

Remembered by

In Loving Memory of

Please print your name or names as you wish it/them to appear in this book

Print each name you want listed on a separate line. Example: Abraham and Sarah Person should be written on 2 lines, as they represent 2 names and 2 listings in our book. DO NOT use Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr.; just first and last names. Titles will not appear in the Yizkor Book. Remember to print the names clearly since they will appear in the Yizkor Book exactly as you print them. Add additional pages if needed.

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO BRUCE NELSON BY AUGUST 31st.
Checks should be payable to Congregation BHBI and should accompany the order form.**

Rates: \$18 for one, two or three names. Each additional listing beyond three is \$5

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: (H) _____ (W) _____

Your Congregation BHBI BETH AM

Number of names listed _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Please send this form along with payment to:
Yizkor Book
c/o Bruce Nelson
120 Cobblestone Dr.
Rochester, NY 14623

For office use only

Payment Received

Names entered in Book

Date: _____

It's Picnic Time!

BHBI Annual Picnic

Sunday, August 19, 2018 at BHBI

All are *WELCOME!*



2:00 pm Snacks and Games

3:00 pm Serious Eating

\$10/adult, \$6/child 12 years
old and under

Reservations Required by 5 pm, Tuesday, August 14

Email: BHBIRochester@gmail.com • Phone: 244-2060

Congregation Beth Hamedresh – Beth Israel

1369 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14610

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 BHBIRochester@gmail.com

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 Fund, Kiddush Fund, Harry Rogachefsky BHBI Building Fund, Torah Fund, Rabbi Aaron Solomon Scholarship Fund, Special Events Fund 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.

DID YOU MISPLACE YOUR BULLETIN? Don't worry. BHBI Bulletins going back several years can now be found on our web page: www.BHBIRochester.org

WANT TO GET YOUR BULLETIN HOT-OFF-THE-PRESS? Consider having us e-mail it to you! Contact Stan Schaffer at: stanschaffer@frontiernet.net

Congregation Beth Hamedresh-Beth Israel
1369 East Avenue
Rochester, NY 14610