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BULLETIN

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September President's Message

Friends,

We had about forty people turn out for our annual picnic two weeks ago. The food and company were great, and the croquet was fierce. The Goodyear blimp even made an appearance overhead for our croquet championship. Thanks to Paula Bobb, Tammy Strubel, Judith Mercer, Emily Fishman, and Ami Schmerl who helped prepare the food, to Ira Cohen, Chris Paprocki and Leon Metlay who helped set up, to Chris Paprocki for manning the grill, and to Harris Honickman, Stan and Elaine Schaffer, Ami Schmerl, Judith Mercer, Leon Metlay, Chris Paprocki and Tammy Strubel who helped clean up.

Our previous president used this column on occasion to tell us about what he had been recently reading. I barely read anymore. So I thought I'd tell you about what I have been recently watching! I've just finished watching all 72 episodes (seven seasons) of the French TV drama, A French Village (Un Village Français). The storyline concerns the life of characters in a fictional French village, from the time of occupation by the Germans in WWII, through liberation, with the last season following some of the characters into the present day. The village is in the Jura region of France, near the Swiss border, within the occupied German zone of France on the border with the unoccupied Vichy "free" zone. The show deals with many ethical dilemmas: to what extent should one collaborate with the Germans in order to provide for the stability and basic needs of the people of the village? Should one carry out acts of resistance while knowing that innocent hostages will suffer the consequences? What does one do when ideals conflict with the need to protect family? The show tells the story of collaborationist administrators and police, resistance fighters, German soldiers, Jews, Communists, and Gaulists. Characters make noble choices and make despicable choices, and sometimes it is the same character doing both; despicable choices motivated by good intentions, and noble choices done for self-interested reasons. I found the show nuanced and totally engrossing. From a NY Times review, "It's a subtle, historically accurate but not unsympathetic look at ordinary people suddenly tested by war, defeat and enemy invasion." You can stream the first five seasons on Hulu, or you can borrow all the seasons on DVD from the Monroe County Library System.

The byword of the series *A French Village* is: "To live is to choose." And in each episode we find characters dealing with terrible and fateful choices. Which brings me back to the present. This month brings us again to the Yamim Noraim – the Days of Awe; our High Holy Day period when we reflect on the year past and strive to do better and lead more meaningful lives in the year to come. Our services will again be led by Dr. George Kornfeld, see page 2 of this bulletin for the schedule. It is also a time to reflect on the needs of our community and do what we can to help. I hope you will all be generous when considering our annual High Holy Day appeal, because we depend on your support for our congregation to continue. I hope to see you at services during the holidays, and may we all make good choices in the coming year. I wish you all a sweet and happy New Year.

Shanah Tovah u'Metukah,

Steve Teitel



BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – SEPTEMBER 2018

Saturday	Sept 1	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Ki Tavo			
Sunday	Sept 2	8:00 AM	Joint Selichot Service and Breakfast with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at Beth Am (TBK Room 103)			
Saturday	Sept 8	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Nitzavim			
Sunday	Sept 9	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion			
		7:15 PM	Erev Rosh Hashanah 1 st Day Service			
Monday	Sept 10	9:00 AM	Rosh Hashanah 1 st Day Service			
		6:00 PM	Tashlich at Buckland Creek on the Brickyard Trail near TBK			
		6:30 PM	Joint Erev Rosh Hashanah 2 nd Day Service with Beth Am at Beth Am (TBK Room 100)			
Tuesday	Sept 11	9:00 AM	Rosh Hashanah 2 nd Day Service			
Friday	Sept 14	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am (TBK Room 103)			
Saturday	Sept 15	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service – Shabbat Shuva Torah: Vayelech			
Sunday	Sept 16	9:00 AM	Service and Discussion			
Monday	Sept 17	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting			
Tuesday	Sept 18	6:45 PM	Yom Kippur Kol Nidre Service			
Wednesday	Sept 19	9:00 AM	Yom Kippur Morning Service			
		5:30 PM	Yom Kippur Mincha Service			
		6:45 PM	Yom Kippur Ne'eilah Service			
		7:55 PM	Shofar Sounds to End Yom Kippur			
Saturday	Sept 22	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Ha'azinu			
Sunday	Sept 23	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion			
		6:00 PM	BHBI-Beth Am-Beth David Sukkot dinner at BHBI			
		7:00 PM	Joint Erev Sukkot 1st Day Service with TBA and TBD at BHBI			
Monday	Sept 24	9:00 AM	Joint Sukkot 1 st Day Service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at BHBI			
		7:00 PM	Joint Erev Sukkot 2 nd Day Service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at Beth David (TBK Room 200)			
Tuesday	Sept 25	9:30 AM	Joint Sukkot 2 nd Day Service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at Beth Am (TBK Room 103)			
Saturday	Sept 29	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Sukkot Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am (TBK Room 103)			
Sunday	Sept 30	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion			
		7:00 PM	Joint Erev Shmini Atzeret Service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David with Yizkor at Beth Am (TBK Room 103)			

SHABBAT AND HOLIDAY CANDLELIGHTING TIMES

Friday, September 7 – 7:16 PM Sunday, September 9 – 7:12 PM

Monday, September 10 – Light candles after 8:11 PM

Friday, September 14 - 7:03 PM

Tuesday, September 18 – 6:56 PM Friday, September 21 – 6:51 PM

Sunday, September 23 – 6:47 PM

Monday, September 24 – Light candles after 7:45 PM

Friday, September 28 – 6:38 PM

Sunday, September 30 – 6:34 PM

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, go to the Donate page and click on the Amazon or Goodshop link. 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!

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SUKKAH BUILDING

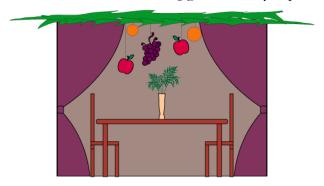
Help us put up our BHBI sukkah on Sunday morning, September 23rd at 11 a.m. The work goes much faster if more people are helping.

LULAV AND ETROG PURCHASES

You can purchase your very own lulav and etrog for Sukkot through BHBI for just \$50. Call or e-mail the synagogue office with your order by September 7th.

JOIN US FOR THE BHBI SUKKOT DINNER!

You're invited to attend BHBI's Sukkot dinner on Erev Sukkot, Sunday September 23rd at 6:00 pm to be followed by a Sukkot service at 7:00 pm. Come join us in the BHBI sukkah and bring along your friends and relatives! Enjoy a great meal and wonderful company. Cost: \$12 for adults, \$8 for children ages 12 and under. Because of the festival, we will <u>not</u> be able to take payment at the dinner, so please send your check to BHBI, 1369 East Ave., Rochester, NY 14610. Please also RSVP to BHBIRochester@gmail.com by September 18th at 5 p.m.



DONATIONS THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

GENERAL FUND

In memory of Harold Krinsky David and Rosemary Hyland

In memory of Sarah Applebaum Gastel Ruth Polur

In support of the BHBI Picnic

Phil Garver

In memory of Winston Block

Cathy Block

In memory of Albert Senzel

Martin Senzel

In support of the BHBI Picnic Chris and Andrea Paprocki

TORAH FUND

Ira Cohen Judith Mercer Esther Vogelstein

Rabbi Aaron Marsh Tamara Strubel Joseph Yudelson

THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

August 4	Steve and Ruth Teitel in memory of Steve's father, Joseph Teitel					
August 11	Steve and Ruth Teitel in memory of Ruth's mother, Gladys Glazer					
August 18	Ira Cohen and Ellen Franke in memory of Ira's mother, Rose T. Cohen					
August 25	Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky in honor of the visit of Avi Gold to Rochester					

THE HIGH HOLY DAYS WILL BE HERE VERY SOON!

Do your friends have a place to go to attend services for the High Holy Days? If not, mention BHBI and our friendly, 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. To purchase tickets for the High Holy Days, have your friends contact Stan Schaffer at stanschaffer@frontiernet.net or 473-8072 as soon as possible.

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.

August 31-Sept. 1	Elul	September 7-8	Elul - Tishrei	September 14-15	Tishrei	September 28-29	Tishrei
Abraham Goldman* Maurice Seide* Hyman Senzel* Bessie Cominsky* Harry Rogachefsky* Rose Levin* David Goldman* Trudy Bender Baran I. Robert Lewis* Phillip Rogachefsky*	21 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 27 27	Janet Kanthor* Anna Levin* Gerald Glaser* Mazel Tov Levy Shirley Arlene Dvorkin Ronni Lynn Gordon* David Lester Kauffman* Catherine Braz* Hyman A. Davis*	28 28 29 29 1 1 1 3 5	Rose Lewis* Annie Schwartz* Fannie R. Spector* Averil Toker Fanny Kovelski* Milton Honickman September 21-22 Annie Kovel* Harris I. Cenzer* Ben Hobel* Jean Traub* Marie L. Steinmetz*	6 8 9 10 11 Tishrei 14 18 18 18	Leon Titof Stanley Toker* Tamar Rogachefsky* Daniel Horowitz Beverly Clark* David Israel Robert Steinmetz* Morris Album* Litman Cohen* *Denotes name memorialized on BHBI Memorial Plaque	20 20 22 23 24 24 24 25 26

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.

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

The following members and friends of BHBI send you their warmest greetings for the New Year:

Paula Bobb

Ira Cohen and Ellen Franke

Emily Fishman

Phil Garver

Harris, Aline, Matthew and Noah Honickman

Judith Mercer and Family

Katharine Metlay

The Kleinstein Family

Leon Metlay, Nina Klionsky, Hannah Metlay and James Metlay-Schotts

Chris and Andrea Paprocki and Family

Dave Rogachefsky

Paul Rosenfeld and Sylvia Rose

Stan, Elaine, Aviva, Aaron and Jacob Schaffer

Herb Spencer

Tamara Strubel

Steve, Ruth and Jack Teitel

Ken and Mollie Traub

Esther Vogelstein



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



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

SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

Because of Yom Kippur, there will be no Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study session in September.

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.

<u>BULLETIN CONTENT</u> 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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