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November President's Message

Friends,

A belated “thank you” that I forgot last month – a big thank you to Nat Goodhartz and Harris Honickman for repainting the sign by our main entrance off the parking lot.

With all the fall holidays over, the pace slows down, all the better to start hibernating for the winter! And as I turn 64 at the end of October, slowing down seems like a very good idea. But for those still wishing to stay alert and active, we are fortunate to be in the midst of the Rochester Jewish Book Festival. Running from the last week of October (so sorry, you have already missed Curious George Day) to the middle of November, there are some events I would like in particular to bring your attention to. On Monday October 29th at 7:30pm at the JCC, Norman Ornstein of the American Enterprise Institute, who was a co-author of the 2012 book, *It's Even Worse Than it Looks*, about the state of gridlock in Congress that was much in the news at that time, will be speaking about his new book, *One Nation After Trump: A Guide for the Perplexed*. On Monday November 19th at 7:30 pm, author Yossi Klein Halevi, will speak about his recent book, *Letters to My Palestinian Neighbor*. In his book Halevi, a senior fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem, attempts to address the painful choices confronting Israelis and Palestinians that will ultimately determine the fate of the region. It stands to be an important and timely discussion. Not a part of the Book Festival, but bound to be equally interesting, on Monday November 12th (the week before Halevi speaks) at 7:00pm the Federation will kick off its Israel Series. Speaking will be Rabbi Gilad Kariv and Dr. Yizhar Hess on the topic of *Pluralism in Israel: Creating a Framework for a Democratic Jewish State*. Rabbi Kariv is the President of the Israel Movement for Reform and Progressive Judaism, while Dr. Hess is the Executive Director of the Masorti (Conservative) Movement in Israel. This presentation is free and will include a Q&A on topics including conversion, marriage and divorce, the relationship between Israel and the Diaspora, and more.

On Sunday, November 11th, from noon - 5 pm the Memorial Art Gallery will host a special Jewish Heritage event in conjunction with the ongoing (until December 2nd) exhibit “Fabric of Survival,” by artist Esther Nisenthal Krinitz, displaying her embroidered fabric collages depicting the Nazi invasion of her Polish village during the Holocaust. As part of this event, several area synagogues will have tables displaying various aspects of Jewish culture. BHBI will be represented by our own Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky with a display on siddurim. Be sure to check out this event and say hello to Leon and Nina while you are there.

Finally, early in December (I warn you now so that you will save the date!) we will have our congregation's Chanukah Celebration on Sunday, December 9th. We will start at 5 pm with the usual lighting of our menorahs and the singing of songs, followed by a festive dinner at 6 pm. The cost will be \$12 per adult, \$8 per child 12 years old and under. Everyone is welcome, so feel free to invite friends! As always, a great time is guaranteed.

See you in shul,

Steve Teitel

Our thoughts and condolences go out to the Jewish community as well as everyone else in Pittsburgh in light of the terrible event that recently took place at the Tree of Life Synagogue there. May the memories of those who were killed be a blessing.



BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – NOVEMBER 2018

Saturday	Nov 3	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Chayei Sarah
Sunday	Nov 4	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Nov 9	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am (TBK Room 103)
Saturday	Nov 10	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Toldot
Sunday	Nov 11	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Monday	Nov 12	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting
Saturday	Nov 17	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Vayeitzei
Sunday	Nov 18	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Wednesday	Nov 21	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI
Saturday	Nov 24	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Vayishlach
Sunday	Nov 25	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Nov 30	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI

SHABBAT CANDLELIGHTING TIMES

Friday, November 2 – 5:42 PM
 Friday, November 9 – 4:34 PM
 Friday, November 16 – 4:27 PM
 Friday, November 23 – 4:21 PM
 Friday, November 30 – 4:18 PM

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

Chanukah is coming soon. 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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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.

DONATIONS THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

GENERAL FUND

In memory of Sam Gold
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In memory of Leonard Gold
Lyn and Norm Adams

In memory of Daniel Horowitz
Ken and Mollie Traub

THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

October 6 Jill Clark-Foulkes in memory of her mother, Beverly Clark
 October 13 The Congregation
 October 20 Esther and Hermann Vogelstein in memory of their mother, Ingeborg Vogelstein
 October 27 Ruth and Steve Teitel in honor of Steve's birthday

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.

November 2-3	Cheshvan-Kislev	November 9-10	Kislev	November 16-17	Kislev	November 23-24	Kislev
Mary Jaffe*	28	Charles Franke	2	Nathan Bernstein*	9	Bernard Rodney	17
Harvey Sanow*	28	Sam Morris*	4	Beatryce Cohen*	9	Edward M. Hart	19
Fannie Stern*	28	Israel Schriba*	4	Joseph Louis		Hyman Ring*	20
Abraham Friedman*	29	Jacob Smilack*	4	Shapiro*	9	Joseph Goldberg*	21
Rose Nidetz	30	Dorothy Lewis Cohen*	5	Rose Alderman*	10		
		Mark H. Keyfetz*	5	Feist Hess*	10	Nov. 30 – Dec. 1	Kislev
		Rachel Olkes*	6	Eleanor Teitel	10	Emanuel Kovel'ski*	24
Denotes name memorialized on BHBI Memorial Plaque		Meyer Kovel'ski	7	Dr. Mark Blue	11	Sarah Hoffman*	25
		Fanny Titof	8	Wolf Schild*	12	Hyman Snider*	25
				Jack Soble*	14	Michael Miller*	27
						Emma Aranow*	28
						Karen Cohen	28

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

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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.

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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

SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

Our next Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study session will be held at BHBI on Wednesday, November 21st at 7:30 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR CHANUKAH CELEBRATION

Believe it or not, Chanukah is almost here and that means BHBI will be having a rousing party!! Plan to join us for the BHBI Chanukah celebration on Sunday evening, December 9th. We will start off with a reception at 5 pm followed by the lighting of menorahs (so don't forget to bring yours!) and the singing of Chanukah songs. Then a little after 6 pm, we will have a wonderful holiday dinner to be followed by more fun! Cost: \$12 for adults and children ages 13 and over, \$8 for children ages 12 and under, family maximum \$36. Don't wait until December to RSVP for the dinner – you can do so now by sending an email to BHBIRochester@gmail.com and indicating how many people will be attending. Checks can be sent to BHBI or will be accepted at the door.

EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Jewish Federation's Israel 2019: The Series

NOV. 12			NOV. 19	
PLURALISM IN ISRAEL <i>Creating a Framework for a Democratic Jewish State</i> 7:00PM FREE OF CHARGE FEATURING ESTEEMED PANELISTS Rabbi Gilad Kariv, President and CEO of the Israel Movement for Reform and Progressive Judaism Dr. Yizhar Hess, Executive Director and CEO of the Masorti (Conservative) Movement A discussion on one of the most pressing issues facing the State of Israel today. <i>This program is brought to you by</i> the Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester in partnership with the Louis S. Wolk JCC of Greater Rochester, Congregation Beth Sholom, Congregation Etz Chaim, Temple Beth David, Temple Beth El, Temple B'rith Kodesh, Temple Emanu-El and Temple Sinai.			YOSSI KLEIN HALEVI <i>Author of Letters to My Palestinian Neighbor</i> 7:30PM \$12 / \$10 JCC MEMBER Purchase tickets: www.RJBF.org or call 585.461.2000 Lyrical and evocative, the <i>New York Times</i> bestseller <i>Letters to My Palestinian Neighbor</i> is one Israeli's powerful attempt to reach beyond the wall that separates Israelis and Palestinians. Halevi is a senior fellow of the Shalom Hartman Institute, where he co-directs the Muslim Leadership Initiative. <i>Sponsored in partnership with the</i> JCC Lane Dworkin Rochester Jewish Book Festival, the Futerman Supporting Foundation, Sherry and Richard Goldstein, Andrea Miller and Dennis Kessler, Karen and Larry Kessler and Julie and Mitchell Nusbaum and Family. 	
LOCATION LOUIS S. WOLK JCC OF GREATER ROCHESTER 1200 EDGEWOOD AVENUE ROCHESTER, NY 14618			  	

Loaves of Love4 – Mega Challah Bake – Chabad of Pittsford and the JCC are sponsoring a multi-generational mega challah baking experience for women at the JCC on Thursday, November 29th. Doors open at 6:30 pm and the program begins at 7:15. To information and to register, contact rishi@jewishpittsford.org or jgetnick@jccrochester.org or go to www.loavesofloveroc.com



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AND LOVE FOR THE PROMISED LAND

AN EVENING WITH YOSEF MENDELEVICH

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13 – 7:30 PM

LOUIS S. WOLK JCC, 1200 EDGEWOOD AVENUE

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Committee: Prof. Michael Dobkowski, Elliott Fix, Vlad & Elena Gandelman, Dennis Kessler, Larry & Paulina Kovalsky, Genna & Gitana Mirochnik, Dr. Semyon & Anna Papernov, Dr. Elena Prokupets, Prof. Avi Seidmann, Igor & Michal Spivak, Dr. Julian Yudelson, Alex & Anna Zheleznyak



In 1970, twenty two year old Yosef Mendeleovich was part of a small group of Jewish Refuseniks that made news around the world with a daring attempt to escape the Soviet Union on a hijacked plane. They were caught by the KGB and were tried at the infamous Leningrad Trial. Due to international pressure the original death sentences were commuted to years of internment in the Soviet gulag. Mendeleovich was imprisoned for 11 years along with fellow dissident Nathan Sharansky.

Yosef Mendeleovich will share his amazing story of one man's resistance against tyranny and his daily struggle to retain his Jewishness and his humanity in a communist system built to extinguish both.

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.

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