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May's President's Message

Friends,

It is that time of year again! BHBI will have its annual membership meeting on Sunday, May 7, 3:00 pm, in-person at BHBI. Please come to vote in (or out!) our Officers and Trustees for the coming year, to approve our annual budget, and to make your views known! We need a quorum of 25% of the voting-eligible members to conduct business, so please make every effort to attend. If you cannot attend, you may send your proxy for someone attending the meeting to vote on your behalf; but proxies do not count towards the quorum. Each attending member can cast up to two proxies. I hope to see you at the meeting!

On Thursday May 25th we begin the Holiday of Shavuot with a Shavuot Dinner at BHBI, at 6:00 pm. Shavuot is the holiday on which, according to tradition, G-d gave the Israelites the Torah and blintzes. Our dairy dinner (not necessarily blintzes) will be followed by an evening service at 7:30 pm, which will be followed by a study session, topic to be determined. Our holiday services will be conducted jointly with Temple Beth Am, so please see the calendar on page 2 for times and locations.

Israel update: As reported in my last two messages, the situation in Israel remains turbulent. As I write, the Knesset is on a holiday break, set to begin its summer session on April 30. Negotiations between the governing coalition and the opposition parties have been ongoing, though it is unclear if any progress has been made. Members of the governing coalition appear intent on pushing their judicial overhaul, while hundreds of thousands of Israelis continue to protest at mass rallies each week. For up-to-date information, I recommend to you the [Times of Israel](#).

See you at shul,
Steve Teitel

SHAVUOT DINNER

Join friends from BHBI and Temple Beth Am for a joint Shavuot dairy dinner at BHBI on Thursday evening, May 25th. The dinner begins at 6:00 pm and will be followed by a Shavuot service at 7:30 pm, and then a study session. The dinner costs \$12 per adult, \$8 for children ages 12 and under. Reservations are *required* and *must* be received by Monday, May 22, 5:00 pm. Reservations may be made by email (preferred) to BHBIRochester@gmail.com, or by mailing this reservation form to BHBI, 1369 East Ave., Rochester, NY 14610. You may pay at the door or by enclosing a check made out to Congregation BHBI.

Names of those attending: _____ # of people attending: _____
Allergies or other dietary restrictions: _____ Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

SHABBAT SERVICES

BHBI has in-person **Shabbat Morning Services**, each Saturday at 10 AM. We meet indoors in our sanctuary, where we have six HEPA air filtering units running. All attendees must be vaccinated and wearing a surgical, KN95 or N95 face mask at all times. KN95 masks are available in the sanctuary for those who need. Seating is socially distanced. Sunday morning services continue on Zoom at 9:00 AM, see the shul website for the Zoom link.

Temple Beth Am has **Shabbat Evening Services** on Fridays at 6 PM. Services are in-person at Temple Beth El, usually in the TBE Chapel, and live-streamed on Zoom. For the Zoom link and other details, visit the Beth Am website: <https://bethamrochester.org/>

BHBI Website: www.BHBIRochester.org

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – MAY 2023

Friday	May 5	6:30 PM	Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth Am at Temple Beth El (TBE chapel) and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 7:58 PM)
Saturday	May 6	10:00 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Emor
Sunday	May 7	9:00 AM 3:00 PM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link Annual BHBI Members Meeting
Monday	May 8	7:30 PM	BHBI Board Meeting on Zoom
Friday	May 12	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth El (TBE chapel) and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:06 PM)
Saturday	May 13	10:00 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Behar-Bechukotai Kiddish luncheon follows service
Sunday	May 14	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
Friday	May 19	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth Am at Temple Beth El (TBE chapel) and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:13 PM)
Saturday	May 20	10:00 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Bemidbar
Sunday	May 21	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
Thursday	May 25	6:00 PM 7:30 PM	Erev Shavuot Dinner Erev Shavuot 1 st Day Service, followed by study session, with Temple Beth Am at BHBI (light candles 8:19 PM)
Friday	May 26	9:30 AM 6:00 PM	Shavuot 1 st Day Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at Temple Beth El (room to be announced) and on Zoom – see page 1 for information Erev Shavuot 2 nd Day Service with Yizkor with Temple Beth Am at Temple Beth El (TBE chapel) and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles from preexisting flame 8:20 PM)
Saturday	May 27	9:30 AM	Shavuot 2 nd Day Morning Service with Yizkor with Temple Beth Am at BHBI
Sunday	May 28	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link

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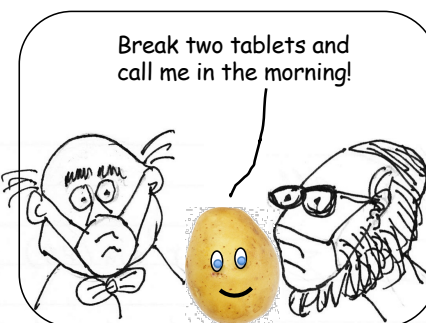
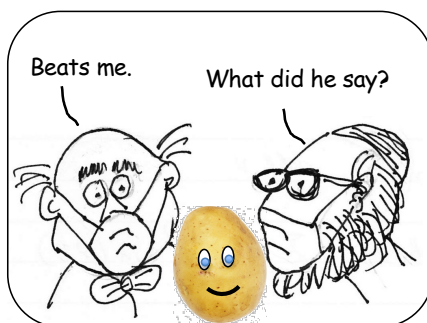
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Yahrzeits

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.

May 5-6	Iyar	May 12-13	Iyar	May 19-20	Iyar/Sivan	May 26-27	Sivan
Haskell Isaac Smith*	15	Samuel Sanow*	22	Shirley B. Dvorkin*	29	Max Atkin*	8
Samuel Lederman*	16	Esther Leah Silverman*	24	Samuel Schwartz*	1	Albert Bernstein*	8
Samuel J. Weisenberg*	16	Reuben Cohen	26	Sam Dubin	2	Bessie Eber*	8
Libby Goldberg*	18	Annette Garver*	26	Nathan Epstein*	2	Max Vogelstein	8
Samuel Gastel*	21	Leopold Buchbinder*	27	Bessie Klein*	2	Benjamin Weinrib*	8
		Charles Bertman*	27	Rose Levin*	4	May Cohen*	9
		Isadore D. Goldberg*	27	Esther Gertrude Schriba*	4	Robert Baker*	10
		Harry T. Levinson*	27	Morris Levine*	5	Sarah Osband*	10
		Abraham Goldman*	28	Ida Sherman*	5	Jesse Stolnitz*	10
		Arnold Kauffman*	28	Ann Alderman*	6	Harry Strauss*	11
						Theresa Mayer Block	12
						Minnie Strom*	12
						Rose Sallerson*	13

*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 on a BHBI memorial plaque. Our memorial plaques are very reasonably priced. For more information, contact Leon Metlay at BHBIRochester@gmail.com.

CEMETERY PLOTS

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

TOPS CARDS

Remember, *TOPS* Gift Cards are available through BHBI in \$50 denominations. To purchase *TOPS* Gift Cards, contact Ira Cohen at 943-1040 or by e-mail at gouldron@aol.com

BABY NAMING

Please join us for Shabbat services on May 20, when we will have the baby naming for the daughter of Katharine and Chris Cvitkovich.

CONCERT at HOCHSTEIN

BHBI's own Paula Bobb will play in a concert "Spotlight on Faculty – Celebration of the Piano," Thursday, May 4, at 7:00 pm, at the Hochstein School of Music. Admission at the door is \$10 per person, with a \$20 family maximum. For further information, click [here](#).

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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 – *kiddushim, which were suspended due to COVID, are now being resumed on a once a month basis on the 2nd Shabbat of each month.*

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 Steve Teitel know. We always appreciate feedback.

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