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November President's Message

Friends,

We had a wonderful month filled with “Days of Awe” and the “Season of our Gladness”. We thank everyone who took part in services – especially Dr. George Kornfeld, who led the services, those who chanted Haftorot and those who accepted honors. Thanks also to everyone who erected and decorated the sukkah.

On behalf of my family, I want to thank everyone for coming to Matt's Bar Mitzvah and making his special day so joyous. We especially are grateful to those who took the time to learn part of the parsha, lain from the Sefer Torah and help lead services. We are very proud of Matt for his effort in mastering his portion and for his thoughtful Dvar Torah. I meant what I said about looking forward to Matt tutoring Noah for his Bar Mitzvah!!

Now that the holidays are behind us, we turn forward to the New Year, energized with the solemn resolve that we attested to in our prayers. Let's all come together weekly for Shabbat to refresh ourselves from the routine of daily life. On Shabbat we reflect on both the week past and the week to come – with friends and the One who established the Day of Rest.

Now we look to the coming winter and we see the warm glow of Chanukah beaoning us to rededication. Please put December 25th on you calendar, when on the first night - we will have our annual Chanukah celebration and dinner at shul – while most of the surrounding community is celebrating that other holiday.

Please watch your mail for an announcement about a special Congregational Meeting concerning dues. Also see elsewhere in this bulletin about a possible change of time for Friday evening services.

Have a happy November,

Harris Honickman

Have you checked the BHBI web site lately? Go to www.BHBIRochester.org to see humorous photos detailing how the BHBI sukkah was put up on a windy October day.

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS –November 2005

Thursday	Nov. 3	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Joint Torah Study Session with congregants from Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at BHBI
Friday	Nov. 4	6:15 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 4:39 PM.
Saturday	Nov. 5	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Services Torah: Noach
Sunday	Nov. 6	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion
Friday	Nov. 11	8:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Services with congregants from Temple Beth Am at Beth Am Light candles at 4:31 PM.
Saturday	Nov. 12	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Services Torah: Lech Lecha
Sunday	Nov. 13	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion
Monday	Nov. 14	7:30 PM	Board Meeting
Friday	Nov. 18	6:15 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 4:25 PM.
Saturday	Nov. 19	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Vayeirah
Sunday	Nov. 20	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion
Friday	Nov. 25	6:15 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 4:20 PM.
Saturday	Nov. 26	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Services Torah: Chayei Sarah Blessing for the new month
Sunday	Nov. 27	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion

TORAH STUDY

Join friends from BHBI, Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David for an interesting evening of Torah Study at BHBI at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 3rd. We will be studying Parshat Noach.

FRIDAY EVENING KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE TIMES

We will probably be moving the time of our Friday evening Kabbalat Shabbat services to 8 pm starting in December to enable more people to attend. If you would be interested in occasionally leading Kabbalat Shabbat services, please contact Leon Metlay. Leon is willing to teach those who have never led Kabbalat Shabbat services how to do so.

SAVE THE DATE

Our annual BHBI Chanukah celebration and dinner will be held on Sunday evening, December 25th. Look for details and a reservation form in next month's BHBI Bulletin.

Thank you to the following people who donated to the BHBI High Holy Day Appeal

Ira Cohen

Esther and Richard Cole

Gail Fischer

Alan and Emily Fishman

Phil and Annette Garver

Maxine Gold and Lyn Michaels

Ben and Muriel Hobel

Harris and Aline Honickman

Dianne Hooker

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Bob Levine and Rise Friedman

Charles and Laura Levinson

Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky

Jeff Nidetz and Leslie Toker

Alan Resnick

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Stan and Elaine Schaffer

Karen Schulman

Herb Spencer

Steve and Ruth Teitel

Peg Toker

Nelly Vishnagorsky

Joe and Tanya Yudelson

High Holy Day Appeal donations received late will be acknowledged in next month's bulletin

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 schaffer@localnet.com**

THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

October 1	Stan and Elaine Schaffer in honor of Jill Clark
October 8	Simon and Ella Finkelman in commemoration of their wedding anniversary
October 13	Harris and Aline Honickman in memory of Milton Honickman
October 15	Joe and Tanya Yudelson in honor of Matthew Honickman on his bar mitzvah
October 18	Janet Grable in commemoration of Sukkot
October 22	Jill Clark in memory of her mother, Beverly Clark
October 25	Janet Grable in commemoration of Shemini Azeret
October 29	Janet Grable in honor of members with September and October birthdays and anniversaries

TO OUR DONORS -- THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

TORAH FUND

In honor of Matthew Honickman's bar mitzvah

Charles and Laura Levinson

In honor of Nina Klionsky

Jeff Nidetz and Leslie Toker

RABBI AARON SOLOMON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In honor of May Cohen

Esther Solomon

Happy New Year to the Congregation

Esther Solomon

GENERAL FUND

Joe and Tanya Yudelson

In memory of Esther Mandelbaum

Sara Orbach

In memory of Anna & Sam Solomon, Eli & Pauline
Hobel, and Irving, Al and Stanley Solomon

Ben and Muriel Hobel

FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAY BIMAH FLOWERS

In memory of Bessie & Harry Cominsky, Edna and
Carl Astrachan, and Gerald Levien

Howie & Mary Jo Astrachan, Hanna & Norm
Lester, and Bea Levien

Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky

CONGRATULATIONS

To Mark Toker on singing several melodies from the Shabbat service on a CD put together by the Temple
Beth Am Religious School

ORDER A GREAT CHANUKAH GIFT

The Hillel School 8th grade class is selling a variety of Shlock Rock CDs just in time for Chanukah. The
CDs are just \$13 and they make great gifts for children and adults of all ages. To order, contact
Aviva Schaffer at 473-8072. All orders and checks must be received by November 23rd.

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.

Nov. 4-5	Cheshvan	Nov. 11-12	Cheshvan	Nov. 18-19	Cheshvan	Nov. 25-26	Cheshvan
Sarah Rickler*	4	Bernard Lipschutz	10	Sofya Kaminnik*	17	Emanuel	
Blanche Florescue		Lottie Astrachan*	12	Ray Toker	17	Kovelsky*	24
Ross*	4	Lewis Glaser*	12	Moshel Lazar*	18	Nathan Strom*	24
Charles		Alfred E. Hart*	12	Nathan Pastor	18	Mary Jaffey*	27
Schnidman*	4	Sol Weinstein*	12	Nachem Reb Tsvi		Harvey Sanow*	28
Harry Silverman*	4	Israel Astrachan*	13	Hersh	18	Fannie Stern*	28
Rabbi Jordan		Marion Grossman*	13	Julia Goldman*	19	Abraham	
Taxon	4	Nellie Buckler*	15	Bessie Schnidman*	21	Friedman*	29
Ida Menter*	7	David		Louis Gastel*	23	Jacob Marker*	29
Clara Spencer	7	Mandelbaum	15			Rose Nidetz	30
Marion Lazar*	8	Lena Cohen*	16				
Joseph D. Stolnitz*	8			* Denotes name memorialized on BHBI Memorial Plaque			
Ida Buckbinder*	9						
Irene Bernstein							
Mikolasek*	9						

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.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Chabad is offering a course titled Beyond Never Again: The Holocaust - A View from the Soul on six successive Wednesdays from November 9th to December 14th. For more information, contact Chabad at 271-0330 or email Rabbi Vogel at nvogel@chabadrochester.com

The 2005 Lane Dworkin Jewish Book Festival will be held at the JCC from Saturday, October 29th through Sunday, November 13th. For tickets call 461-2000 ext. 235. The following authors will appear:

October 31, 7:30 pm: Stephen Spector – *Operation Solomon: The Daring Rescue of the Ethiopian Jews*

November 1, 12 pm: Lunch with Matthew Goodman – *Jewish Food: The World at Table*

7:30 pm: Ilan Stavans – *The Shocken Book of Modern Sephardic Literature*

November 2, 7:30 pm: Judith Viorst – *I'm Too Young to Be Seventy and Other Delusions*

November 5, 8 pm: Jack Klugman – *Tony and Me*

November 6, 2 pm: Joel Berkowitz – *Shakespeare on the American Yiddish Stage*

November 10, 5 pm reception at School of the Arts followed by 6 pm lecture by Daniel Libeskind – *Breaking Ground: Adventures in Life and Architecture*, followed in turn by a viewing of 'My America: Art from the Jewish Museum Collection 1900-1955' at the Memorial Art Gallery.

November 13, 7:30 pm: Naomi Ragen – *The Covenant*

Rescheduled to December 5: Rabbi Shlomo Riskin - *Around the Family Table: Songs and Prayers for the Jewish Home*

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WANT TO REMEMBER OR HONOR SOMEONE OR A SPECIAL OCCASION?

Consider sponsoring a kiddush or make a donation to any one of our funds (General Operating, Kiddush, Library, Torah, Rabbi Aaron Solomon Scholarship, Our Youth, Special Events, 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.

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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Don't worry. BHBI Bulletins going back several months 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 Elaine or Stan Schaffer at: the_schaffers@juno.com

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