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Congregation Beth Hamedresh - Beth Israel

BULLETIN

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## June President's Message

Friends,

Once again you have given me the honor to be elected President of the Congregation. I know all too well my shortcomings in fulfilling the duties of the office and I ask for your patience, constructive criticism and suggestions for improving our shul. If we all work and contribute together in a spirit of cooperation and mutual respect, we can accomplish much for the Congregation.

One very significant accomplishment that we've had over the last year has been the construction and deployment of our website on the world wide web. This was due almost entirely to the efforts of one of our newest members – and now 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President - Steve Teitel. The web site has been enormously useful to our members for learning about events at shul, and also to the wider community in learning about our congregation. We have had many compliments from near and far about the web page. Thanks from all of us to Steve!

We have good turnouts at services throughout the year including Shabbat, High Holidays, and the festivals. The major exception has been Friday evening Kabbalat Shabbat services where attendance has been low. I ask all of our members to please treat yourselves to this relatively brief and touching service – where singing and reading beautiful Psalms are the centerpiece of the worship.

We also should remember and thank those that do so much for our shul - Leon Metlay, Ira Cohen, Dave Rogachefsky, Jeff Nidetz, Art Mercer, Steve Teitel, Stan Schaffer, Janet Grable, Aline Honickman, Dianne Hooker, Chris Paprocki, and those who help with the kiddushim, the holiday meals, and the annual picnic.

Let's all wish our caretaker, Yacob Deng, all the best in his search for information about the fate of his mother and family in eastern Africa when he travels to Australia.

Please let me and the other officers and trustees know your thoughts on the best way to address the increasing costs facing the congregation. Please also invite friends and acquaintances to services.

Remember, Shavuot starts on Thursday evening on the 1st of June with services at 8 pm. We also have services Friday and Saturday morning at 9 am. Please join us.

See you all at shul,

Harrís Honickman

## BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS - June 2006

Thursday	June 1	8:00 PM	Erev Shavuot Services and Torah Study Light candles at 8:24 PM.				
Friday	June 2	9:00 AM	Shavuot Morning Services				
		8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 8:25 PM.				
Saturday	June 3	9:00 AM	Shavuot and Shabbat Morning Service with Yizkor				
Sunday	June 4	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion				
Friday	June 9	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 8:30 PM.				
Saturday	June 10	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Congregants from Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Nasso				
Sunday	June 11	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion				
Monday	June 12	7:30 PM	Board Meeting				
Wednesday	June 14	7:30 PM	Small Shul Collaborative Joint Torah Study Session at BHBI				
Friday	June 16	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 8:33 PM.				
Saturday	June 17	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Services Torah: Behaalotchah				
Sunday	June 18	9:00 AM	Service and Discussion				
Friday	June 23	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 8:35 PM.				
Saturday	June 24	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Shelach Blessing for the new month				
Sunday	June 25	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion				
Friday	June 30	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 8:35 PM.				

# **Please Note:**

We are changing the timing and format of the monthly Small Shul Collaborative Joint Torah Study sessions. Beginning in June, the Torah study sessions will be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at BHBI. We will start 'at the beginning' (literally) with Beresheit and will progress each month from where we left off until we have completed studying the entire Torah.

# THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

May 6	The Congregation
May 13	Janet Grable in honor of members with March, April and May birthdays and anniversaries
May 20	Jill Clark in memory of her grandfather, Sam Gastel
May 27	The Congregation

# TO OUR DONORS -- THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

## **TORAH FUND**

In memory of Larry Lutzky
In memory of Michelle Blumkin
Congratulations to Morris Herman
Congratulations to Phil Mantel
Charles and Laura Levinson

## RABBI AARON SOLOMON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Get well to Mae Cohen Mazel tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Henry Hyman on the birth of a new grandchild *Esther Solomon* 

# **SHAVUOT QUIZ**

Test your knowledge about Shavuot, then check your answers on Page 5.

- 1. Why is Shavuot known as Hag Matan Torateinu?
- 2. What do we count from Pesach to Shavuot?
- 3. What is read in the Torah Reading on the first day of Shavuot?
- 4. Which book do we read during services on the second day of Shavuot?
- 5. What do we traditionally eat on Shavuot?
- 6. What do we decorate our homes with on Shavuot?
- 7. Which famous Jewish king passed away on Shavuot?

### **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.

June 2-3	Sivan	June 9-10	Sivan	June 16-17	Sivan	June 24-25	Sivan/ Tammuz
Max Atkin*	8	Janet Riwkin Glaser*	14	Sarah Rebecca Gerber*	21	Elsie Cohen	28
Bessie Eber*	8	Evelyn Goldman	17	Minnie Marcus*	21	Isadore Goldman*	29
Max Vogelstein	8	Kauffman*		Nathan Yablin*	21	Hyb Jossem*	30
Benjamin Weinrib*	8	Louis Maltinsky*	17	Leo Lewin	22	Gerald Braz	30
Sarah Osband*	10	Sadie Stolnitz*	17	Fannie Warnick*	23	Marion Bernstein	2
Jessie Stolnitz*	10	Katherine Weinrib*	17	Ada Gordon*	26	Samuel Hoffman*	2
Harry Strauss*	11	Lyons I. Jossem*	18	Stella Getz*	27	Sara Sarachan*	2
Minnie Strom*	11	Zus Kaminnik	19	Mary Goldman*	27	Rose Joffe*	3
Rose Sallerson*	13	Esther Senzel*	20	Betty Newell*	27	Jennie Epstein*	4
		June 30-July 1	Tammuz	Louis Sanow*	27	David Glasser*	4
		June 30 July 1	Tullilluz	Eva Wasserman*	27		
		Morris Krinsky*	7				
		Sarah Shnitman*	9				
		Rabbi Aaron	-				
		Solomon*	9				
* Denotes name		Eva Krinsky*	10				
memorialized on		Jael Stekel	10				
BHBI Memorial		Phillip Morrow*	11				
Plaque		Rochli Rothschild*	11				

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.

Would you like to honor or remember a friend or loved one? Then why not sponsor one of our wonderful Shabbat kiddushim? Contact Aline Honickman at 271-5145 for more information.

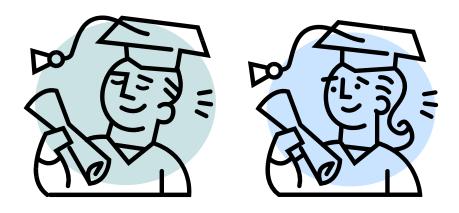






# Congratulations to Our Graduates

Aviva Schaffer, who is graduating from Hillel Community Day School Matthew Honickman, who is graduating from Twelve Corners Middle School Noah Honickman, who is graduating from Council Rock Primary School Hanni Metlay, who is graduating from School #1



## Answers to the Shavuot Quiz

- 1. Shavuot commemorates the giving of the Torah on Mt. Sinai
- 2. The Omer
- 3. The Ten Commandments
- 4. The Book of Ruth
- 5. Dairy foods
- 6. Flowers and plants
- 7. King David

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 the\_schaffers@juno.com

Remember to check out our web site on the internet at: <a href="https://www.BHBIRochester.org">www.BHBIRochester.org</a>

For fun, click on the Adon Olam songbook and see if you know all the Adon Olam melodies

**OFFICE HOURS**: The shul office is checked regularly for mail and messages. The shul phone is 244-2060. For urgent issues, call Harris Honickman at 271-5145 or Stan Schaffer at 473-8072. You can also e-mail us at BHBI@frontiernet.net

#### 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.

### **DID YOU MISPLACE YOUR BULLETIN?**

Don't worry. BHBI Bulletins going back several months can now be found on our web page: www.BHBIRochester.org

<u>WANT TO GET YOUR BULLETIN HOT-OFF-THE-PRESS</u>? Consider having us e-mail it to you! Contact Elaine or Stan Schaffer at: the schaffers@juno.com

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