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**Congregation Beth Hamedresh – Beth Israel**

# BULLETIN

## ***May President's Message***

Friends,

Now that winter's grip is beginning to loosen, the world begins to green and the songs of birds fill our ears. Spring has arrived and life continues.

For the Jewish people, this is the season to count the Omer as we mark the days to Shavuot. On that day G-d gave us the Torah as a way to find meaning and purpose in life. We will have an Erev Shavuot service and dairy dinner on the evening of May 22. Please see elsewhere in this bulletin for service times for the first and second days.

On Sunday, May 20th at 3:00 pm, we will hold our Annual Congregation Meeting here at BHBI. It is very important that as many attend as possible to have a quorum. If you cannot attend, please give a proxy to another member. Proxies do not count toward a quorum, so please attend if at all possible.

This is my last not to you as president. It has been an honor to serve you in this role. Let's all join together to give our support to my successor, who you will choose at the Annual Meeting. Please offer your help by coming to services, joining committees and helping with all the functions our synagogue provides.

Finally I want to congratulate Aaron Schaffer on the great job that he did at his bar mitzvah on April 28th. His parents, Stan and Elaine Schaffer, and his sister Aviva and brother Jacob certainly must be very proud of him.

See you at shul,

*Harris Honickman*

## **ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION**

**Sunday, May 20th at 3:00 p.m.**

**ALL MEMBERS PLEASE ATTEND!**

**Members MUST in be in good standing in order to vote. You may bring your dues up to date at any time before the meeting – or at the meeting itself.**

**If you cannot attend, you may give a proxy to another BHBI member to vote on your behalf. No member may hold more than 2 proxies.**

## BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – May 2007

Friday	May 4	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 7:56 PM
Saturday	May 5	9:00 AM	Shabbat Morning Service and Birthday and Anniversary Kiddush for March, April and May Torah: Emor
Sunday	May 6	9:00 AM	Service, Discussion
Wednesday	May 9	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Joint Torah Study Session at BHBI
Friday	May 11	8:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Services with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am Light candles at 8:04 PM.
Saturday	May 12	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Blessing for the new month Torah: Behan-Bechukotai
Sunday	May 13	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion
Monday	May 14	7:30 PM	Board Meeting
Friday	May 18	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 8:11 PM.
Saturday	May 19	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Bamidbar
Sunday	May 20	9:00 AM 3:00 PM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion BHBI Annual Membership Meeting
Tuesday	May 22	6:30 PM 8:00 PM	Shavuot Dinner Light candles at 8:15 PM. Shavuot Evening Service and Torah Study
Wednesday	May 23	9:30 AM	Joint Shavuot First Day Service with Congregants from Temple Beth Am at Beth Am Light candles after 9:25 PM.
Thursday	May 24	9:00 AM	Joint Shavuot Second Day and Yizkor Service with Congregants from Temple Beth Am at BHBI
Friday	May 25	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 8:18 PM.
Saturday	May 26	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Naso
Sunday	May 27	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion

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**THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS  
FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL**

April 7           The Congregation  
April 14          The Congregation  
April 21          Nina Klionsky and Leon Metlay  
April 28          Stan and Elaine Schaffer in honor of their son, Aaron's bar mitzvah

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

**TORAH FUND**

Sympathy to Sylvia Roth on the loss of her brother,  
Lou Klein  
*Charles and Laura Levinson*

In appreciation of Mel Gurell's recovery  
*Charles and Laura Levinson*

In memory of Judith Potter  
*Dave Rogachefsky*

**GENERAL FUND**

*Malcolm and Annette Weinberg*

In memory of Judith Potter  
*The Springut Family*  
*Esther Vogelstein*

In memory of Harry Gordon  
*Phil and Annette Garver*

In honor of Aaron Schaffer's bar mitzvah  
*Inge Schaffer*  
*David and Judy Shore*

**DO YOU HAVE FRIENDS WHO ARE UNAFFILIATED?**

Tell them about BHBI and invite them to attend our services – they will be sure to get a wonderful welcome. We would also be happy to add them to our bulletin distribution list and send them information about BHBI. Give their contact information to Harris Honickman, Stan Schaffer or Leon Metlay who will put them on the mailing list.

**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 Wednesday, May 9th.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

To Alan and Emily Fishman on the birth of a new grandson.

To Ira Cohen for winning an all-expense-paid trip to Disney World in a contest run by M+T Bank.

To Aaron Schaffer on his bar mitzvah.

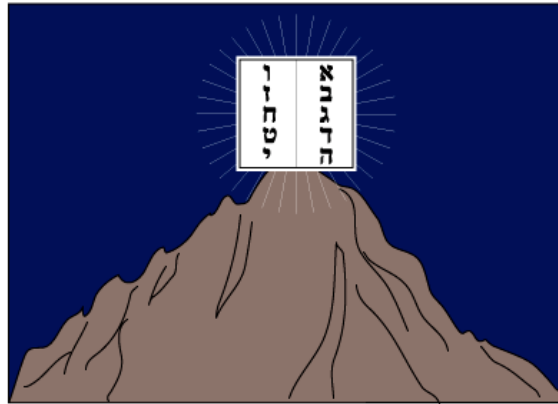
To Hanni Metlay and Jack Teitel who will be graduating from the Temple Beth El Religious School on Shavuot.

**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](mailto:stanschaffer@frontiernet.net)**

**Join us after services on May 5th for our March, April and May Birthday and Anniversary Kiddush as we honor the following people:**

<u>Birthday Celebrants</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>Birthday Celebrants</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>Birthday Celebrants</u>	<u>May</u>
Marco Malka y Negri	3	Wilma Miller	4	Peg Toker	8
Art Mercer	3	Ken Traub	4	Sherman Kleinstein	13
Jordan Paprocki	7	Alan Fishman	5	Charles Levinson	15
Emily Fishman	21	Aviva Schaffer	9	Harry Rogachefsky	16
Andrea Paprocki	27	Maxine Gold	10	Karen Schulman	21
Aaron Schaffer	28	Jeff Springut	10	Marcello Malka y Negri	23
Vivian Malka y Negri	29	Rise Levine	21		
		Aline Honickman	22	<u>Anniversary Celebrants</u>	<u>May</u>
		Philip Garver	24	Charles and Laura	
				Levinson	3
				Stan and Elaine Schaffer	26



***Join us at our Shavuot Dairy Dinner on Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm.***

***Cost: Adults \$10, Children under 12 years old \$6, Family Maximum \$36***

***Please pre-register by completing and sending in the following reservation form:***

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of People Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send this reservation form with your check made out to BHBI, 1369 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14610 so that it is received by May 16<sup>th</sup>.**

# 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 4-5	Iyar	May 11-12	Iyar/ Sivan	May 18-19	Sivan	May 25-26	Sivan
Libbie Goldberg*	18	Esther Leah Silverman*	24	Nathan Epstein*	2	Sarah Osband*	10
Samuel Gastel*	21	Reuben Cohen	26	Bessie Klein*	2	Jessie Stolnitz*	10
Pauline Hobel	22	Leopold Beechbinder*	27	Rose Levin*	4	Harry Strauss*	11
		Charles Bertman*	27	Esther Gertrude		Minnie Strom*	11
		Isadore D. Goldberg*	27	Schriba*	4	Rose Sallerson*	13
		Harry T. Levinson*	27	Morris Levine*	5	Janet Riwkin Glaser*	14
		Abraham Goldman*	28	Ida Sherman*	5		
		Arnold Kauffman*	28	Ann Alderman*	6		
		Samuel Schwartz*	1	Sam Solomon	6		
				Max Atkin*	8		
				Bessie Eber*	8		
				Albert Bernstein*	8		
				Max Vogelstein	8		
				Benjamin Weinrib*	8		

\* 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.

## CONDOLENCES

To Tamar Rogachefsky, Dave Rogachefsky and the entire Rogachefsky Family on the loss of Tamar's sister, Judith Potter.

To Harris, Aline, Matthew and Noah Honickman on the loss of Harris' mother, Beverly Honickman.

## MEMORIAL PLAQUES

Several memorial plaques have recently been added to our memorial boards. You can also memorialize a friend or loved one by purchasing a BHBI memorial plaque. For more information, contact Stan Schaffer at 473-8072 or [stanschaffer@frontiernet.net](mailto:stanschaffer@frontiernet.net)

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*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**

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