

BULLETIN

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July President's Message

Friends,

At BHBI we pride ourselves on the warm welcome we give to any and all visitors who come to join us for a Shabbat service. But a Cat in a Hat? A Fox in Sox? These and many others joined us last May 10th for "Seuss the Keedoosh," sponsored and prepared by Janet Grable. We got to meet all these characters while comparing the classic Dr. Seuss stories as presented in both English and Hebrew, all the while enjoying a delicious kiddush lunch (yes, with plenty of green eggs, but of course no ham). Pictures are now on our shul website – just go to www.BHBIRochester.org and click on the "Pics" link. Many thanks to Janet for the wonderful kiddush!

Our Shavuot dinner was a big success, with over 30 members and friends coming out to share a delicious dinner of lentil soup, salad, filo-wrapped salmon and cheese kugel. Thanks to Leon Metlay who chaired the dinner committee and helped with shopping and setup, to Judith Mercer and Emily Fishman who helped me in the kitchen and with setup, and to Janet Grable for the fantastic 10 Commandments cake and other desserts. Thanks also to all the others who helped serve and clean up.

This coming July 18th and 19th, BHBI will launch a very special series: *The Simon Finkelman Memorial Shabbaton*. As most of you know, Simon was an active participant in our weekly Shabbat services and was very fond of a good D'var Torah, giving many of them himself. The Board thus felt it would be a most fitting way to honor Simon's memory by establishing a lecture series and inviting an outside speaker to address the Congregation on a Shabbat weekend. To initiate this series, which we hope will continue as an annual event, we are very pleased to have as our guest Rabbi Shamai Kanter. Rabbi Kanter is well known in the Rochester community, having served as Senior Rabbi at Temple Beth El for over 20 years until his retirement in 1997. Rabbi Kanter will join us for Shabbat Evening Services at 8 pm, Friday, July 18, where he will deliver a D'var Torah on Parahat Pinchas. The following day, Saturday July 19th, after Shabbat Morning Services starting at 9:30 am, we will have a kiddush luncheon at noon, followed at 1 pm by the *Simon Finkelman Memorial Lecture* where Rabbi Kanter will address the Congregation on "My Favorite Political Prayer." These events are open to the public, so please help spread the word and invite your friends and relatives to attend. It is sure to be a stimulating and engaging weekend.

In conjunction with the *Finkelman Memorial Shabbaton*, we will be hosting Rabbi Kanter at the shul for a Shabbat Evening dinner on July 18th at 6:30 pm. All BHBI members and friends are invited to attend. Please see the notice on Page 4 of this bulletin for details and the reservation form. We must ask that you get your reservations in to the shul office (244-2060 or BHBI@frontiernet.net) no later than Monday morning, July 14. We will unfortunately not be able to accept late reservations.

See you in shul,

Steve Teitel

**MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS FOR THE SPECIAL DINNER WITH
RABBI KANTER
ON FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 18TH SOON!**

See Page 4 for more details.

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – JULY 2008

Friday	July 4	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 8:34 PM.
Saturday	July 5	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Services Torah: Chukat
Sunday	July 6	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Wednesday	July 9	7:30 PM	Small Shul Collaborative Joint Torah Study Session at BHBI
Friday	July 11	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services with Congregants from Temple Beth Am at Beth Am Light candles at 8:31 PM
Saturday	July 12	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Services with Congregants from Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Balak
Sunday	July 13	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Monday	July 14	7:30 PM	BHBI Board Meeting
Friday	July 18	6:30 PM	Shabbat Dinner with Rabbi Shamai Kanter at BHBI
		8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services with D'var Torah by Rabbi Kanter Light candles at 8:26 PM
Saturday	July 19	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Services Torah: Pinchas
		12:00 PM	Kiddush Luncheon
		1:00 PM	<i>Simon Finkelman Memorial Lecture</i> : Rabbi Shamai Kanter will speak on 'My Favorite Political Prayer'
Sunday	July 20	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	July 25	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 8:20 PM.
Saturday	July 26	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Services Torah: Matot Blessing for the new month
Sunday	July 27	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and 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 Wednesday, June 11th. Come and enjoy interesting conversation and make new friends while gaining new insights into Torah! All are welcome.

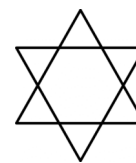
DO YOU HAVE FRIENDS WHO ARE UNAFFILIATED?

Tell them about BHBI and let them know that BHBI is Rochester's friendliest shul! Then invite them to attend any of our services – they will be sure to get a wonderful welcome. We would also be happy to add them to our bulletin distribution list.

**Check out our website at www.BHBIRochester.org
You won't be disappointed!**

THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

June 7	The Congregation
June 9	Janet Grable in honor of Shavuot
June 10	Janet Grable in honor of Shavuot
June 14	Katharine Metlay in honor of Nina Klionsky's birthday
June 21	The Congregation
June 28	Phil and Annette Garver in memory of Harry Gordon



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GENERAL FUND

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In memory of Simon Finkelman
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SPECIAL THANKS

To Phil and Annette Garver for making a special contribution for the Shavuot dinner.

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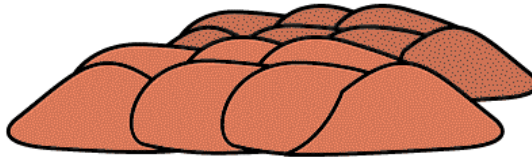
EVENTS IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

Rochester Jewish Film Festival

Don't miss the Rochester Jewish Film Festival which will be held from July 13th to 21st. A host of great films will be shown. In addition, the festival will continue year-round with a film screened one Tuesday each month at the Little Theatre. For tickets to any of the films contact the JCC at 461-2000 x235.

The Jewish Community and the Red Wings Team Up!

Join the Rochester Jewish community at Frontier Field on Sunday, July 27th, for a very special event, All-Stars of Baseball. There will be a communal birthday party with plenty of food and lots of fun beginning at 4:15 p.m. at which we will once again celebrate Israel's 60th birthday. Red Wings team members will hold a clinic for kids/teens ages 7-17 prior to the game's start. Kids ages 4-17 can also enter a raffle to throw out the first pitch of the game! The Red Wings game starts at 6:05 p.m. and features the Rochester Red Wings vs. Scranton Wilkes-Barre Yankees. Tickets are \$13 for ages 6 and up and \$5 for those 5 years of age and younger. Register on-line at www.jewishrochester.org or call Sara Beth Rogoff at 461-0490 or srogoff@jewishrochester.org for more information.



Join us for a special Shabbat dinner on Friday, July 18th at 6:30 pm as we inaugurate the Simon Finkelman Memorial Shabbaton. Rabbi Shamai Kanter will be our special guest.

The dinner will be followed by our Kabbalat Shabbat service and a D'var Torah by Rabbi Kanter on Parshat Pinchas.

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

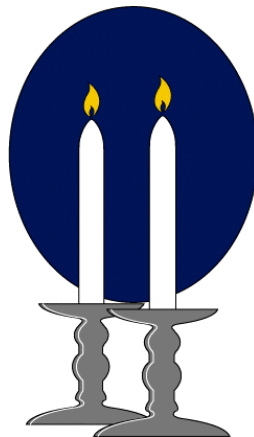
Please pre-register for the dinner by calling BHBI at 244-2060, by e-mailing us at BHBI@frontiernet.net or by completing and sending in the following reservation form as soon as possible:

Name(s): _____

Number of People Attending: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please call to make your reservation or send this reservation form with your check made out to BHBI, 1369 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14610 so that it is received by July 14th. Late reservations will not be accepted.



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.

July 4-5	Tammuz	July 11-12	Tammuz	July 18-19	Tammuz	July 25-26	Tammuz
Marion Bernstein	2	Sarah Shnitman*	9	Yetta Goldman*	16	Max Goodman*	23
Samuel Hoffman*	2	Rabbi Aaron		Sarah Marken*	16	David Gordon*	23
Sara Sarachan*	2	Solomon*	9	Sam Hector*	20	Nelli Ahuva Metlay*	24
Rose Joffe*	3	Eva Krinsky*	10	Harry Sarachan*	20	Ira Edward Potter*	24
Jennie Epstein*	4	Jael Stekel	10	Rose Schiff*	20	Thelma Ring Smith*	25
David Glasser*	4	Phillip Morrow*	11	Louis Edelson*	21	Louise Schulman	26
Morris Krinsky*	7	Rachel		Bernard		Irwin Bertman*	27
		Rothschild*	11	Sallerson*	21	Oscar Hart	27
		Eli Hobel	12			Mark Rose	27
		Sarah Singer*	14			Abraham Schriba*	27
		Rachel Strauss*	14			Ida M. Weiss	27
		Rachel Morris*	15			Hyman Tanenbaum*	28
						Celia Silverstein*	28

* 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.

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OFFICE: The shul office is checked regularly for mail and messages. The shul 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 BHBI@frontiernet.net

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 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. 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.

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

WANT TO GET YOUR BULLETIN HOT-OFF-THE-PRESS? Consider having us e-mail it to you!

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