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**Congregation Beth Hamedresh – Beth Israel** 

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# November President's Message

Friends,

Our holiday season has now at last concluded. I would like to thank Dr. George Kornfeld for once again leading our High Holiday services, and to Harris Honickman and Leon Metlay of our ritual committee for their great job organizing it all. Thanks also to all who participated on the bimah or with readings. Our lovely new holiday bimah cover, generously donated by Joe Yudelson in memory of his late wife Tanya, zichronah l'brachah, enhanced the beauty of our services. Thanks to the Honickman family for once again sponsoring the break-fast at the shul at the conclusion of Yom Kippur. Many thanks to Janet Grable for the wonderful kiddushim she sponsored and prepared from Sukkot through Simchat Torah. I don't think there is a better fed congregation in town!

Our special Sukkot dinner in honor of our caretaker Lual was a great success. Over 30 people turned out to wish Lual a safe and joyful journey as he makes his first return visit to the Sudan to see his family, from whom he has been separated for many years. I would like to express my very sincere appreciation to all those who came to the dinner and all those who made contributions. The proceeds from this event amounted to a nice bonus that we presented to Lual to assist him with the expenses of his trip. I would also like to thank Judith Mercer and Emily Fishman for helping out in the kitchen, and Aline Honickman for help setting up. Lual will depart on his trip October 29. During Lual's three month absence his duties will be taken up by his friend William, also from the Sudan. Please stop by to say hello and introduce yourself to William.

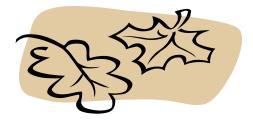
Although the holidays have now passed, our special three-month free membership offer, for prospective first time new members, continues! Please tell anyone you know who is unaffiliated, or who is shul shopping, about this great opportunity to see what BHBI has to offer. Our warm, member-led, Shabbat services allow for a level of participation and engagement that one just will not find in larger congregations.

I wish to bring your attention to a new BHBI tradition that has begun over the last few months. On the third Friday of each month we now hold Shabbat evening services at Heather Heights, an assisted living community in Pittsford located at 160 W. Jefferson Road between Clover and Main Streets. Heather Heights is the home of long time BHBI members Ben and Muriel Hobel. Ben and Muriel, and the many other Jewish residents, greatly appreciate being able to attend our traditional Shabbat services, and we have had a nice minyan each time. Services at Heather Heights begin at 7 pm, so please come on out!

As this bulletin reaches you, we are right in the middle of the annual Rochester Jewish Book Festival. Please check out the RJBF website at http://www.rjbf.org for a schedule of the events and support the festival!

See you in shul,

Steve Teitel



# **BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – NOVEMBER 2008**

| Saturday  | Nov 1  | 9:30 AM | Shabbat Morning Services Torah: Noah   |  |  |  |
|-----------|--------|---------|--|--|--|--|
| Sunday    | Nov 2  | 9:00 AM | Service, Breakfast and Discussion  |  |  |  |
| Friday    | Nov 7  | 6:00 PM | Joint Shabbat Evening Services with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am (note special time of service)<br>Light candles at 4:35 PM |  |  |  |
| Saturday  | Nov 8  | 9:30 AM | Joint Shabbat Morning Services with Beth Am at BHBI<br>Torah: Lech Lecha   |  |  |  |
| Sunday    | Nov 9  | 9:00 AM | Service, Breakfast and Discussion  |  |  |  |
| Monday    | Nov 10 | 7:30 PM | BHBI Board Meeting   |  |  |  |
| Wednesday | Nov 12 | 7:30 PM | Joint Small Shul Collaborative Torah Study Session at BHBI   |  |  |  |
| Friday    | Nov 14 | 8:00 PM | Shabbat Evening Service<br>Light candles at 4:28 PM.   |  |  |  |
| Saturday  | Nov 15 | 9:30 AM | Shabbat Morning Services Torah: Vayeirah   |  |  |  |
| Sunday    | Nov 16 | 9:00 AM | Service, Breakfast and Discussion  |  |  |  |
| Friday    | Nov 21 | 7:00 PM | Shabbat Evening Service at Heather Heights in Pittsford<br>Light candles at 4:22 PM                                      |  |  |  |
| Saturday  | Nov 22 | 9:30 AM | Shabbat Morning Services     Torah: Chayei Sarah   |  |  |  |
| Sunday    | Nov 23 | 9:00 AM | Service, Breakfast and Discussion  |  |  |  |
| Friday    | Nov 28 | 8:00 PM | Shabbat Evening Services<br>Light candles at 4:18 PM   |  |  |  |
| Saturday  | Nov 29 | 9:30 AM | Shabbat Morning Services Torah: Toldot   |  |  |  |
| Sunday    | Nov 30 | 9:00 AM | Service, Breakfast and Discussion  |  |  |  |

# EVENTS IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

The JCC Lane Dworkin Jewish Book Festival will be held October 26 – November 5. For more information, contact the JCC or visit www.rjbf.org

A special commemoration marking the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kristallnacht will be held at Temple Brith Kodesh on Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Brown University Distinguished Professor Omer Bartov will speak on the significance of Kristallnacht and the importance of the testimonies of survivors.

The Jewish Community Federation is sponsoring a mitzvah fair at Eastview Mall on Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 5 p.m. Participants will make items for donation to agencies working with families in need.

# 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.

| Oct 31-Nov 1        | Cheshvan | Nov 7-8              | Cheshvan | Nov 14-15                             | Cheshvan  | Nov 28-29  | Kislev |
|---------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|-----------|--|--------|
| Sarah Rickler*      | 4        | Bernard Lipschutz    | 10       | Sofya Kaminnik*                       | 17        | Eva Shulman  | 3      |
| Blanche Florescue   |          | Lottie Astrachan*    | 12       | Ray Toker                             | 17        | Pauline Solomon                                    | 3      |
| Ross*               | 4        | Lewis Glaser         | 12       | Mosheh Lazar*                         | 18        | Sam Morris*  | 4      |
| Charles             |          | Alfred E. Hart*      | 12       | Nathan Pastor                         | 18        | Israel Schriba*                                    | 4      |
| Schnidman*          | 4        | Sol Weinstein*       | 12       | Nachem Reb Tsvi                       |           | Jacob Smilack*                                     | 4      |
| Harry Silverman*    | 4        | Israel Astrachan*    | 13       | Hersh                                 | 18        | Dorothy Lewis                                      |        |
| Rabbi Jordan        |          | Marion Grossman*     | 13       | Julia Goldman*                        | 19        | Cohen*   | 5      |
| Taxon               | 4        | Nellie Beckler*      | 15       | Bessie Schnidman*                     | 21        | Mark H. Keyfetz*                                   | 5      |
| Ida Menter*         | 7        | David                |          | Louis Gastel*                         | 23        | Ilse Beutler                                       | 6      |
| Clara Spencer       | 7        | Mandelbaum           | 15       |                                       |           | Natalie Glickman                                   | 6      |
| Marion Lazar*       | 8        | Lena Cohen*          | 16       | N. 01.00                              | Cheshvan- | Meyer Kovelski*                                    | 7      |
| Joseph D. Stolnitz* | 8        |                      |          | Nov 21-22                             | Kislev    |  |        |
| Ida Buchbinder*     | 9        |                      |          |                                       |           |  |        |
| Irene Bernstein     |          |                      |          | Emanuel                               |           |  |        |
| Mikolasek*          | 9        |                      |          | Koveleski*                            | 24        |  |        |
|                     |          |                      |          | Nathan Strom*                         | 24        |  |        |
|                     |          |                      |          | Harriet Snyder                        | 27        |  |        |
|                     |          |                      |          | Mary Jaffey*                          | 28        |  |        |
|                     |          |                      |          | Harvey Sanow*                         | 28        |  |        |
|                     |          |                      |          | Fannie Stern*                         | 28        |  |        |
|                     |          |                      |          | Abraham<br>Friedman*<br>Jacob Marker* | 29<br>29  | * Denotes name<br>memorialized on<br>BHBI Memorial |        |
|                     |          | ill he comforted one | 11.1     | Rose Nidetz                           | 30        | 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.

# Thank You Everyone Who Contributed to the BHBI High Holy Day Appeal

Ira Cohen Richard Cole Alan and Emily Fishman Phil and Annette Garver Steve and Helen Gulack Harris and Aline Honickman Dianne Hooker Robert and Rise Levine Charles and Laura Levinson Art and Judith Mercer Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky Katharine Metlay Lyn Michaels and Maxine Gold Jeff Nidetz and Leslie Toker Allen and Susan Platt Stan and Elaine Schaffer Karen Schulman Herb Spencer Steve and Ruth Teitel Peg Toker

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

| October 4  | The Congregation   |  |  |
|------------|--|--|--|
| October 9  | Yom Kippur Break Fast Sponsored by Harris and Aline Honickman in memory of |  |  |
|            | Milton Honickman and in honor of Matthew's 16th Birthday                   |  |  |
| October 11 | The Congregation   |  |  |
| October 14 | Janet Grable in honor of Sukkot  |  |  |
| October 18 | Jill Clark in memory of her mother, Beverly Clark                          |  |  |
|            | Katharine Metlay in memory of her brother, Leon Titof                      |  |  |
|            | Janet Grable in honor of Sukkot  |  |  |
| October 21 | Janet Grable in honor of Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah                 |  |  |
| October 25 | The Congregation   |  |  |

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

#### **GENERAL FUND**

Paul and Rose Israel

Malcolm and Annette Weinberg

In memory of Henrietta and David Schaffer, Selma Goldstein and Phyllis Cooper Charles and Laura Levinson

In honor of Andrea and Chris Paprocki Ira Cohen, Dianne Hooker, Emily and Alan Fishman, and Ellen and Rob Lerner

### **TORAH FUND**

In memory of Averil Fay Toker Peg Toker Leslie Toker, Jeff Nidetz and Mark Toker

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### CONTRIBUTIONS IN HONOR OUR CARETAKER, LUAL

Ira Cohen and Dianne Hooker Alan and Emily Fishman Phil and Annette Garver Janet Grable and David Benjamin The Honickman Family Leon Metlay, Nina Klionsky and Hanni Katharine Metlay Art and Judith Mercer Jeff Nidetz, Leslie Toker and Mark Harry Rogachefsky The Schaffer Family Herb Spencer Alana Spezio The Teitel Family Peg Toker Ken and Mollie Traub

### Do you know anyone who is unaffiliated and interested in joining a congregation?

Let them know about BHBI's special free 3 month trial membership (available to prospective first-time new members only). Have them contact BHBI at 244-2060 or BHBI@frontiernet.net and we will be happy to give them information about BHBI and this great offer!!

#### **TORAH STUDY**

Join congregants from BHBI, Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David for Torah study at BHBI on Wednesday evening, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Our joint Torah study sessions are always most interesting and engaging!

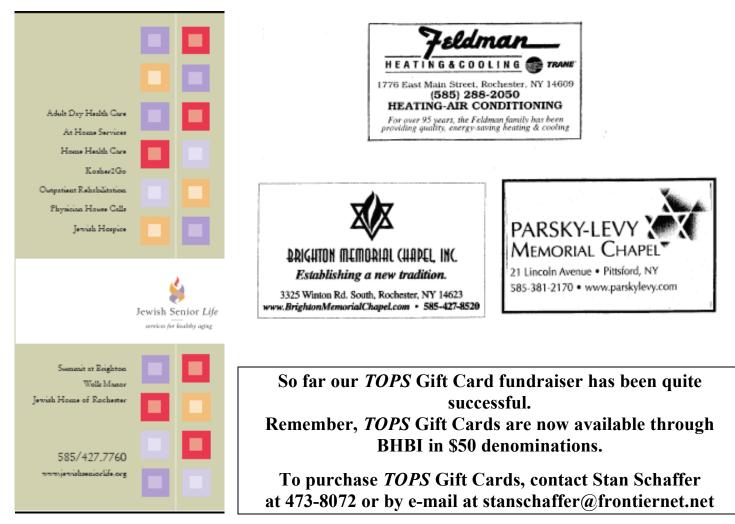
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### **MEMORIAL PLAQUES**

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

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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 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.

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