

# BULLETIN

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## ***July President's Message***

Friends,

I was president of BHBI about 20 years ago. Luckily for you all, I can't find the diskettes on which are stored my President's Messages from that era. So, despite my desire to be "green", you won't be subjected to recycled messages. It's just as well, though, because the issues which faced our shul 20 years ago are somewhat different. Certainly, the hot-button issue of whether women should be counted in the minyan and allowed to lead services has been resolved. Other issues, such as the difficulty of getting a minyan on Friday nights and occasionally on Saturday mornings were the same. Our aging building presented challenges back then as well. Our shrinking and aging population has become much more an issue in recent years.

One of the tragedies of that era was the dissolution of our cooperative Hebrew school with Temple Beth Am. Beth Am went on to have their own school for many years, while we sent our children first to Beth David, and subsequently to Beth El. The lack of our own school, or of a significant voice in the school to which we sent our children, has probably hurt us in the long run. Now, 20 years later, both we and Beth Am are faced with similar problems: small size, difficulty with minyans, difficulties with our buildings, a small cadre of people who are doing most of the work and burning out. One solution to at least some of these problems has been joint activities. We have done joint Yizkor services with Beth Am for several years now, with a cessation of the worry about getting a minyan for Yizkor. Joint Shabbat services twice a month have also been successful. During the coming year, we will be discussing additional joint activities with Beth Am. Among things in the works is the addition of Temple Beth Am to our joint Tisha B'Av service with Temple Beth David. We also plan to publish a joint Yizkor book with Beth Am for use during the Yizkor services of the coming year. You will be contacted in August about listing names of loved ones in the book. Finally, we are planning a joint picnic to be held at Temple Beth Am on August 7<sup>th</sup>, the Friday evening of our August joint service. See details elsewhere in this bulletin. This picnic provides an opportunity for those of us who haven't been to joint services before to get to know their members, and vice versa. I urge you to attend.

Summer is a time of travel and vacations. I wish you all safe and happy times. It is also a time when "regulars" may not be in town for services. If you are in town, please come and help us have a minyan. If you have guests, please bring them along. We've gotten many compliments over the years from out-of-towners who have enjoyed our services. Have a great summer!

B'shalom,

*Leon Metlay*

**Have you checked out the BHBI web site lately?**

**When you do, you'll find information about our congregation, a history of BHBI, a calendar of events, photos from BHBI social events, the Adon Olam song book, recent bulletins and much, much more.**

**Visit our web site at [www.BHBIRochester.org](http://www.BHBIRochester.org) soon!**

## BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – JULY 2009

Friday	July 3	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service at BHBI Light candles at 8:34 PM
Saturday	July 4	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Services                      Torah: Chukat-Balak
Sunday	July 5	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Wednesday	July 8	7:30 PM	Small Shul Collaborative Torah Study Session at BHBI
Friday	July 10	8:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Services with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am Light candles at 8:32 PM
Saturday	July 11	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Pinchas
Sunday	July 12	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Monday	July 13	7:30 PM	Monthly Meeting of the BHBI Board of Trustees
Friday	July 17	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service at Heather Heights in Pittsford Light candles at 8:27 PM
Saturday	July 18	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service                      Torah: Matot-Masei Blessing for the New Month
Sunday	July 19	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	July 24	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 8:21 PM
Saturday	July 25	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service                      Torah: Devarim
Sunday	July 26	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Wednesday	July 29	7:30 PM	Joint Torah Study followed by Tisha b'Av Service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at the JCC
Friday	July 31	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 8:14 PM

### TORAH STUDY

Join congregants from Temple Beth Am, Temple Beth David and BHBI for our monthly Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study session at BHBI on Wednesday evening, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. The discussion is always lively and engaging!



### PLEASE VISIT OR CALL OUR ELDERLY MEMBERS!

Many of our elderly members are no longer able to come to shul and would love to hear from their BHBI friends. Please call or visit them.

# 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 3-4	Tammuz	July 10-11	Tammuz	July 17-18	Tammuz-Av	July 24-25	Av
Eli Hobel	12	Sam Hector*	20	Irwin Bertman*	27	Dave Kovel	5
Sarah Singer*	14	Harry Sarachan*	20	Oscar Hart	27	Kathy Shur*	5
Rachel Strauss*	14	Rose Schiff*	20	Mark Rose	27	Anna Berman*	8
Rachel Morris*	15	Louis Edelson*	21	Abraham Schriba*	27	George Cohen*	8
Yetta Goldman*	16	Bernard Sallerson*	21	Ida M. Weiss	27	William Aaron	
Sarah Marken*	16	Max Goodman*	23	Hyman Tanenbaum*	28	Bernstein*	9
		David Gordon*	23	Celia Silverstein*	29		
		Nelli Ahuva		Sydney Gold	1		
		Metlay*	24	Louis Schiff*	1		
		Ira Edward Potter*	24	Ray Bloch	2		
		Thelma Ring*	25	Joseph Greenbaum*	2		
				Moses Berkowitz*	3		
						July 31-Aug 1	Av
						Haim Menachem Levy	12
						Hyman Silverman*	12
						Frank Carper*	13
						Sarah R. Spector*	13
						Samuel Gross	15
						Abraham Heyman*	17

\* 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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**To purchase *TOPS* Gift Cards, contact Stan Schaffer at 473-8072 or by e-mail at [stanschaffer@frontiernet.net](mailto:stanschaffer@frontiernet.net)**

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

June 6 Cathy Block in memory of Terese Mayer Block, mother of Winston Block  
June 13 Debbie Mercado in honor of Mark Toker reading the Haftorah  
June 20 The Congregation  
June 27 Doug Ruhl and Ruhl Funeral Home in appreciation of the Jewish Sacred Society  
of Chicago

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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](mailto:stanschaffer@frontiernet.net)

## 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](mailto:BHBI@frontiernet.net) and we will be happy to give them information about BHBI and this great offer!!

### Save the Date!

## Joint Beth Am / BHBI Picnic

Friday, August 7, 5:30 pm at Temple Beth Am

\$15/family or \$5/person if RSVP on/before July 31

\$18/family or \$6/person if RSVP after July 31

Plus PAREVE dish to pass. Add \$2/person, \$6/family w/o dish to pass.

RSVP by sending payment with a note to the Temple Beth Am office (Temple Beth Am, POB 177, Henrietta, NY 14467). Indicate your name, how many people, how many of each (for planning): vegetarian, hamburgers, hot-dogs, chicken (more than 1 serving of each is permitted).

*Suggested dish to pass (must be pareve and have hechser other than "K"): pickles; olives; non-dairy dessert: Tofutti, cookies, Italian Ice; potato chips, pretzels, salsa, salad dressing; tabuleh; hummus/pita bread; soda; juice; carrot & celery sticks; non-dairy packaged dip; fresh corn; fresh fruit*

## WHAT'S NEW IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

The Rochester Jewish Film Festival will be held once again this July. As usual, a great selection of films will be presented including:

### Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>

3 pm – Hey, Hey, It's Esther Blueburger

7 pm – The Case for Israel (followed by an opening night party)

### Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm – Imaginary Witness

9 pm – Lemon Tree

### Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup>

2 pm – Four Seasons Lodge

6:30 pm – Voices from El-Sayed

8:45 pm – The Gift to Stalin

### Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm – Yoo-Hoo Mrs. Goldberg

9 pm – Arab Labor, Circumcise Me

### Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup>

2 pm – The Case for Israel

6:30 pm – The Monster Among Us

9 pm – The Wedding Song

### Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>

7 pm – Two Ladies

9 pm – A Secret

### Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>

3 pm – His People

6:30 pm – Little Traitor

9 pm – Hello Good-bye

### Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>

7 pm – Defiance (followed by a discussion and closing night party)

**For more information, contact the JCC at 461-2000 or order tickets on-line at [JCCRochester.org](http://JCCRochester.org)**



**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](mailto: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](http://www.BHBIRochester.org)

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

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