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**Congregation Beth Hamedresh – Beth Israel**

# BULLETIN

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## **November Vice-President's Message**

Friends,

As Vice-President, I am writing this letter to the congregation in place of our President Steve Teitel's usual message. Steve has had a very busy schedule at work this season, in addition to his responsibilities at shul. So I will be filling in for some of his usual tasks over the next couple of months.

We started October with the festival of Sukkot. Some of our services were held jointly with Temple Beth Am and Ohel Avraham. The sukkah had been erected just after Yom Kippur by members including Paula Bobb, Ira Cohen, Helen Gulack, Harris Honickman, Nina Klionsky, Leon Metlay, Stan Schaffer, and Esther Vogelstein. The kiddush lunches for Sukkot and Simchat Torah were prepared and sponsored by Janet Grable. We had good attendance at all of our services.

We took down the sukkah on Sunday 10/21. Thanks to Esther Vogelstein, Steve Teitel, Leon Metlay, Harris Honickman, and Ira Cohen who helped out.

Rabbi Simeon Kolko gave two interesting talks related to Jews and politics – titled “Shaping Our Future: Jews and the 2012 Election” during the Shabbaton on October 5 and 6. The delicious dinner on Friday was prepared by Steve Teitel, Esther Vogelstein, Judith Mercer, and Paula Bobb.

We concluded the holiday season with services for Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah held jointly with Temple Beth Am and Ohel Avraham.

I look forward to seeing you all at our Shabbat services during November and December.

Finally, I want to wish each and every one of you a happy Thanksgiving.

See you in shul,

*Harris Honickman*

**Have a Happy Thanksgiving!**



## BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS –NOVEMBER 2012

Friday	Nov 2	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service at Heather Heights Light candles at 5:41 PM
Saturday	Nov 3	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Vayeirah
Sunday	Nov 4	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Nov 9	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am Light candles at 4:33 PM
Saturday	Nov 10	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Chayei Sarah
Sunday	Nov 11	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Monday	Nov 12	7:30 PM	Monthly Meeting of the BHBI Board of Trustees
Wednesday	Nov 14	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI
Friday	Nov 16	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 4:26PM
Saturday	Nov 17	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Toldot
Sunday	Nov 18	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Nov 23	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 4:21 PM
Saturday	Nov 24	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Vayeitzei
Sunday	Nov 25	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Nov 30	8:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Light candles at 4:18 PM

### NEW MEMBER

We welcome our newest member, Michael Fishman, to the extended BHBI family.

### SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

The next Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study session will be held at BHBI on Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Come join in the lively discussion along with congregants from BHBI, Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David.

### BHBI WEBSITE

Have you checked out the BHBI web site lately? If you haven't there is a lot that you're missing. The web site at [www.BHBIRochester.org](http://www.BHBIRochester.org) provides information about many aspects of our congregation, lists the BHBI calendar, has electronic versions of this and previous bulletins going back several years, has an extensive history of our congregation along with historic photos, includes photos from several BHBI dinners, picnics and other special events, and has the unique Adon Olam Songbook with information on over 100 melodies for Adon Olam.

### 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!!

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In honor of Sukkot  
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**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO OUR  
HIGH HOLY DAY APPEAL**

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**THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS  
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October 1	Janet Grable in honor of Sukkot; Hermann Vogelstein in honor of his sister, Esther's birthday
October 5	Ken and Mollie Traub in memory of Mollie's brother, Daniel Horowitz, and in memory of Ken's mother, Jean Traub; Phil and Annette Garver in honor of the shabbaton
October 6	Jill Foulkes-Clark in memory of her mother, Beverly Clark
October 8	Janet Grable in honor of Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah
October 13	Katie Metlay in memory of her brother, Leon Titof
October 20	The Congregation
October 27	Ira Cohen in memory of Dianne Hooker

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## 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.

November 2-3	Cheshvan	November 9-10	Cheshvan – Kislev	November 16-17	Kislev	November 23-24	Kislev
Mosheh Lazar*	18	Mary Jaffey*	28	Eva Schulman	3	J. Louis Shapiro*	9
Nachem Reb Tsvi Hersh	18	Harvey Sanow*	28	Sam Morris*	4	Feist Hess*	10
Julia Goldman*	19	Fannie Stern*	28	Israel Schriba*	4	Eleanor Teitel	10
Bessie		Abraham Friedman*	29	Jacob Smilack*	4	Dr. Mark Blue	11
Schnidman*	21	Jacob Marker*	29	Dorothy Lewis Cohen*	5	Wolf Schild*	12
Louis Gastel*	23	Rose Nidetz	30	Mark H. Keyfetz*	5	Rachel Olkes*	13
Emanuel				Meyer Koveliski*	7	Jack Soble*	14
Koveleski*	24			Fanny Titof	8		
Nathan Strom*	24			Nathan Bernstein*	9	Nov. 30 – Dec. 1	Kislev
				Beatryce Cohen*	9	Edward M. Hart	19
						Rose Alderman*	20
						Hyman Ring*	20

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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### MEMORIAL PLAQUES

A new memorial plaque in memory of Robert Baker was recently added to our BHBI memorial board. You can also memorialize a friend or loved one by purchasing a BHBI memorial plaque. Our memorial plaques are very reasonably priced. For more information, contact Stan Schaffer at 473-8072 or [stanschaffer@frontiernet.net](mailto:stanschaffer@frontiernet.net)

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### ISRAEL FILM AND DISCUSSION

The community is invited to view the film “Israel Inside – How a Small Nation Makes a Big Difference” and participate in a discussion following the screening led by the Jewish Federation’s Larry Fine on Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at the JCC at 7:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

## EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

THE 20<sup>TH</sup> LANE DWORKIN JEWISH BOOK FESTIVAL WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING NOVEMBER EVENTS:

**Women's Fashion Show** - Wednesday, November 1 at 6:30 pm at the Village Gate. Wine & Tapas at 6:30, presentation by Karen Bergreen about her novel *Perfect is Overrated* at 7:15, and fashion show at 8:00. Bring donations for women's clothing drive.

**The Promise of Israel: Why Its Seemingly Greatest Weakness is Actually Its Greatest Strength** – Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at the JCC. Daniel Gordis, winner of the National Jewish Book Award and columnist for the *Jerusalem Post*, will discuss current events in Israel and Jewish thought.

**Martinis & Merriment with Delia** – Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at the JCC. Essayist, journalist, screenwriter and playwright Delia Ephron discusses her book *The Lion is In*. Martinis will be served before the presentation.

**Dan Gets a Minivan: Life at the Intersection of Dude and Dad** – Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm at the JCC. Dan Zevin provides comic relief as he describes his own personal midlife crisis.

**Fiction Panel Luncheon** - Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at noon at the JCC. Jillian Medoff discusses her book *I Couldn't Love You More*, Debra Spark discusses her book *The Pretty Girl: Novella and Stories*, and Rachel Sherman discusses her novel *Living Room*.

**God vs Gay? The Religious Case for Equality** – Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at the JCC. Presented by Jay Michaelson.

**Quiet Americans** – Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm at the JCC. Erika Dreifus explores the lives and memories of German Jews who arrived in the U.S. in the late 1930s and their impact on subsequent generations.

**God of Our Understanding: Jewish Spirituality and Recovery from Addiction** - Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at the JCC. Rabbi Shais Taub discusses how the tools of recovery can be used to improve our lives.



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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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