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BULLETIN

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May President's Message

Friends,

I hope you had an enjoyable Passover. Mine was very nice with family gathered around the seder table both nights. Our services were also enjoyable, with participation by members of Temple Beth Am and Ohel Avraham. We had many lively Torah discussions during the week.

There are interesting events to look forward to in May. On May 1st at 7:30 PM we will have the return of the duo of Remy Yulzari and Nadav Lev. Remy plays the bass and Nadav the guitar and they play an exciting mix of Latin and Sephardi music. They did a concert at BHBI last year and we're excited to have them back. The concert on the 1st will be free (donations accepted) and will be followed by a dessert reception.

Remy and Nadav will do a second concert on May 4th at the JCC at 4:00 PM. This concert is part of our ongoing Jewish-Muslim dialogue series and they will be joined by the Sufi Ensemble of Ithaca in a concert of Turkish and Jewish music. This concert is also free and will be followed by dessert. As part of the dialogue series it is sponsored by the Farash Foundation, Temple Beth David, Temple Beth Am, and the Turkish Cultural Center. Both concerts are also supported by a generous grant from a local musician, Dr. Bruce Goldman. Please join us for both concerts.

The JCC concert will be preceded at 3:30 by a siyyum. Aaron Marsh and I will be concluding our study of Talmud tractate Megillah. This will be followed by a small talk about the tractate, and then the concert. Megillah has lots of interesting things in it, not just laws of Purim, please join us for that.

Sunday May 18th will be our Annual Membership Meeting at 3 PM. Please come to show support for our newly elected Board members and to participate in the discussions. There should be some interesting topics to discuss at this meeting.

Finally, on Saturday May 24th there will be a special Kiddush after services, sponsored by the grandchildren of Rebbitzen Esther Solomon, in her memory. Many of us loved Mrs. Solomon and it is wonderful to see her honored. Please join us to celebrate her role in our shul.

Enjoy the spring.

Leon Metlay

BHBI Annual Meeting Sunday, May 18th at 3 p.m.

Please attend. If you are unable to attend, you may give a proxy to another member to vote on your behalf. A member may hold up to 2 proxies. Only members in good standing may vote.

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS - MAY 2014

| Thursday | May 1 | 7:30 PM | Strings Attached: A Spanish Heritage Concert of Israeli, Spanish, Latin American and Sephardic music followed by a dessert reception |
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| Friday | May 2 | 7:00 PM | Shabbat Evening Service at Heather Heights in Pittsford Light candles at 7:54 PM |
| Saturday | May 3 | 9:30 AM | Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Emor |
| Sunday | May 4 | 9:00 AM | Service, Breakfast and Discussion |
| | | 3:30 PM | Siyyum of Tractate Megillah at the JCC Senior Adult Lounge |
| | | 4:00 PM | Free Concert of Turkish and Jewish Music at the JCC Senior Adult Lounge |
| Friday | May 9 | 7:00 PM | Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am Light candles at 8:02 PM |
| Saturday | May 10 | 9:30 AM | Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Behar |
| Sunday | May 11 | 9:00 AM | Service, Breakfast and Discussion |
| Monday | May 12 | 7:30 PM | BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting |
| Friday | May 16 | 7:00 PM | Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 8:09 PM |
| Saturday | May 17 | 9:30 AM | Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Bechukotai |
| Sunday | May 18 | 9:00 AM | Service and Discussion |
| | | 3:00 PM | BHBI Annual Membership Meeting |
| Wednesday | May 21 | 7:30 PM | Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI |
| Friday | May 23 | 7:00 PM | Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 8:16 PM |
| Saturday | May 24 | 9:30 AM | Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Bamidbar |
| Sunday | May 25 | 9:00 AM | Service, Breakfast and Discussion |
| Friday | May 30 | 7:00 PM | Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Light candles at 8:23 PM |
| Saturday | May 31 | 10:00 AM | Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am Torah: Nasso |

SAVE THE DATE

Several members of Rebbitzen Esther Solomon's family will be coming to town and will be attending Shabbat services at BHBI on May 24th at which time a memorial plaque with her name will be dedicated. The family would like to invite people who knew Mrs. Solomon to attend services and join them for a kiddush luncheon afterward.

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 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.

DONATIONS THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

GENERAL FUND

In memory of Meshulam Langman

Ayala Emmett

In memory of Rose Lewis *Judith Mercer*

In memory of Harry Gordon

Phil and Annette Garver

In memory of Benjamin Ritter Stan and Elaine Schaffer

THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

| April 5 | The Congregation |
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| April 12 | The Congregation |
| April 19 | The Congregation |
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April 26 Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky

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EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

Israel Independence Day Celebration on Monday, May 5th. Internationally acclaimed Israeli recording artist Dganit Daddo will perform. The event takes place at Temple B'rith Kodesh, 2131 Elmwood Avenue, at 7:00 PM and is free of charge. All are welcome. An additional program for young children will start at 6:30 (RSVPs are needed for the early program – contact sstam@jewishrochester.org).

JCC Family Fun Day and Helicopter Golf Ball Drop on Sunday, May 18th from 1-4 pm. Come join in the fun at these activities for the entire family. Make an advanced purchase of a raffle ticket corresponding to a numbered golf ball (\$10 each or 10 for \$100), watch as the golf ball is dropped from a helicopter and see if your golf ball hits a target which could win you a prize of up to \$1,000 or a One Year JCC membership. Proceeds to benefit the JCC Campership Fund.

FREE 3-MONTH TRIAL MEMBERSHIP FOR FIRST-TIME NEW MEMBERS

Let your friends know about BHBI's special <u>free 3 month trial membership</u> (available to prospective first-time new members only). Have them contact BHBI at 244-2060 or BHBIRochester@gmail.com and we will be happy to give them information about BHBI and this great offer!!

BRIGHTON FOOD CUPBOARD

The Brighton Food Cupboard is very low on breakfast cereal, pasta and tuna. Please consider donating to them. There is a box in the BHBI lobby where you can drop off your donation or you can drop food items off at either the Brighton Board on Education Building or at the former Brookside School in Brighton.

SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

Our next Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah study session will take place at BHBI on Wednesday, May 15th at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

LEV-YULZARI DUO DOUBLE BASS & GUITAR



Thursday, May 1, 7:30 pm

STRINGS ATTACHED: A SPANISH HERITAGE

A Concert of Israeli Song, Spanish, Latin American & Sephardic Music

Congregation Beth Hamedresh - Beth Israel 1369 East Avenue

Open to the public \$10 donation suggested

Dessert reception following concert Sponsored by Congregation BHBI

www.BHBIRochester.org www.yulzari.com | www.nadavlev.com Sunday, May 4, 4:00 pm

"UNITED BY FAITH"
JEWISH-MUSLIM DIALOGUE

presents

A Concert of Turkish & Jewish Music

Lev-Yulzari Duo with the Sufi Music Ensemble of Ithaca

Jewish Community Center Adult Lounge 1200 Edgewood Avenue Free and open to the public

Sponsored by:

Congregation Beth Hamedresh-Beth Israel, Turkish Cultural Center, Peace Islands Institute, Temple Beth Am, Temple Beth David

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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.

| May 3-9 | Iyar | May 10-16 | Iyar | May 24-30 | Iyar - Sivan | May 31- June 6 | Sivan |
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| Louis Goldman* Beverly Honickman Hyman Goldberg* Morton Lewis Albert Bernstein* Harry Gordon* Abraham Mosheh Malina* | 3 4 6 6 7 7 | Samuel Sanow* Harry Cominsky* Chasa Tillie Yablin* Dr. Murray Cowen Johanna Schild* Haskell Isaac Smith* Samuel Lederman* Samuel J. Weisenberg* | 10 11 11 12 13 15 16 | Esther Leah Silverman* Bessie Baker Reuben Cohen Leopold Beechbinder* Charles Bertman* Isadore D. Goldberg* Harry T. Levinson* Abraham Goldman* | 24 26 26 27 27 27 27 27 28 | Sam Dubin Nathan Epstein* Bessie Klein* Rose Levin* Esther Gertrude Schriba* Morris Levine* Ida Sherman* | 2 2 2 4 4 5 5 |
| *Denotes name memorialized on BHBI Memorial Plaque | 9 | May 17-23 Libbie Goldberg* Maurice Baker Samuel Gastel* | 18 21 21 | Arnold Kauffman* Samuel Schwartz* | 28 1 | Ann Alderman* Max Atkin* Bessie Eber* Max Vogelstein Benjamin Weinrib* | 6 8 8 8 |

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.



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

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

You can also memorialize a friend or loved one on a BHBI memorial plaque. Our memorial plaques are very reasonably priced. 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 Fund, Kiddush Fund, Harry Rogachefsky BHBI Building Fund, Torah Fund, Rabbi Aaron Solomon Scholarship Fund, Special Events Fund 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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