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September President's Message

Friends,

It's September and I should be writing about the High Holy Days, but all I can think about is how great the picnic was. The day was perfect. The food was great. The company was awesome. Some of us played croquet on the lawn. Most people just sat around and talked. A fun lazy afternoon, reminiscent of the picnics twenty plus years ago, with a touch of sadness for the many of the beloved faces of that era who are no longer with us. There are so many people to thank. I'll start with Joe Yudelson, who donated the grill. Harris Honickman helped me kasher it. Steve Teitel chaired the committee and did so much it's hard to list it all. I think having chicken kabobs and baked beans on the menu were his doing. They were brilliant ideas. People who helped with preparations included Judith Mercer, Esther Vogelstein Paula Bobb, Andrea Paprocki, and Ami Shmerl. Bruce Nelson supplied the meat. Chris and Jordon Paprocki were the grillmasters. Paula recruited people to bring games. The Schaffers brought the croquet set, which many of us used. Everyone who was present at the end helped with clean up, with special thanks to Esther and to our caretaker Thomas Atuop. Ellen Franke, a guest from Buffalo, took leftovers back for the people in her building, thereby solving our perennial leftover storage problem. Well done everybody!

As I said at the outset, the High Holy Days are coming. It's the time of year when we reflect on what we've done (and not done) during the past year. We have to ask others to forgive us for what we might have done to hurt them and we have to ask G-d to forgive us for everything else. In addition we have to consider how to do things better during the coming year. Part of the process is the Selichot prayers, said in the evening after the last Shabbat before Rosh Hashanah. Please join us for a movie, discussion and service at BHBI on the evening of September 20th. Rosh Hashanah begins the evening of the 24th. Dr. George Kornfeld will lead our services again this year. Soon the Ritual Committee will be contacting people to offer honors for the High Holy Day services. If you know someone who is looking for a place to attend services for the holidays, please suggest they come to us.

I wish you all a happy, healthy, and sweet New Year.

Leon Metlay

We wish you and yours a very happy New Year.

May 5775 be a year of peace, good health and happiness.

**DO YOU HAVE FRIENDS WHO ARE LOOKING FOR A CONGREGATION TO JOIN?
TELL THEM ABOUT OUR FREE 3-MONTH TRIAL MEMBERSHIP FOR
FIRST-TIME NEW MEMBERS**

With the High Holy Days coming up very soon, now is the perfect time for folks who are looking to join a congregation to find out what BHBI offers. Let your friends 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 BHBIRochester@gmail.com and we will be happy to give them information about BHBI and this great offer!!

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – SEPTEMBER 2014

Friday	Sept 5	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service at Heather Heights in Pittsford Light candles at 7:15 PM
Saturday	Sept 6	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Ki Teitzei
Sunday	Sept 7	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Monday	Sept 9	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday	Sept 12	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at TBK Room 103 Light candles at 7:07 PM
Saturday	Sept 13	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Ki Tavo
Sunday	Sept 14	9:00 AM	Service and Discussion
Wednesday	Sept 17	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI
Friday	Sept 19	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 6:54 PM
Saturday	Sept 20	9:30 AM 8:15 PM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Nitzavim-Vayeilech Joint Selichot Program (movie and discussion) with Temple Beth Am at BHBI followed by Selichot Service
Sunday	Sept 21	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Wednesday	Sept 24	7:00 PM	Erev Rosh Hashanah First Day Service Light candles at 6:45 PM
Thursday	Sept 25	9:00 AM 6:45 PM 8:00 PM	Rosh Hashanah First Day Service Tashlich and Mincha at Lake Riley Erev Rosh Hashanah 2 nd Day Service Light candles after 7:43 PM
Friday	Sept 26	9:00 AM 7:00 PM	Rosh Hashanah 2 nd Day Service Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 6:42PM
Saturday	Sept 27	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Haazinu Shabbat Shuva
Sunday	Sept 28	9:00 AM	Service and Discussion

SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

Our next Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah study session will take place at BHBI on Wednesday, September 17th at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

UNVEILING OF HARRY ROGACHEFSKY'S MEMORIAL STONE

There will be an unveiling of Harry's stone at Mt. Hope Cemetery on Sunday August 31 at 10 AM. Afterwards, at 10:30, there will be a reception at Beth Hamedresh - Beth Israel, sponsored by Harry's family.

DONATIONS
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In memory of Tanya Yudelson
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Aline and Harris Honickman

In memory of Rose Gordon
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In memory of Rose Cohen
Ira Cohen

In memory of Harry Rogachefsky
Dave Rogachefsky

John Rothbard

THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS
FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

August 2	Katharine Metlay in memory of her father, David Titof
August 9	Esther Vogelstein in honor of her brother, Hermann's bar mitzvah anniversary
August 16	Jill Clark-Foulkes in memory of her grandmother, Bessie Gastel Ruth and Steve Teitel in memory of Steve's father, Joseph Teitel
August 23	Leon Metlay and Nina Kliensky in honor of their wedding anniversary

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.

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BRIGHTON FOOD CUPBOARD

The Brighton Food Cupboard needs food items. 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 of Education Building or at the former Brookside School in Brighton.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER

BHBI welcomes Dave Rogachefsky back to our congregation. Dave has recently become a BHBI member again.

GOOD-BYE

The congregation would like to bid a fond farewell to Marco and Patricia Malka y Negri who are relocating to Florida. We wish them all the best in sunny Florida.

ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE IN NEED IN ISRAEL

Hamas has launched thousands of rockets into Israel in the past 2 months.

These rockets have been fired randomly across civilian areas from Beersheva to Jerusalem to Modi'in to Tel Aviv to Haifa and areas in between. Southern Israel, nearest Gaza, has been hardest hit. The Israeli economy has also taken a hit as much of the population has had to spend large amounts of time in bomb shelters.

The Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA) has launched an effort to raise \$10 million for assistance to those impacted the current situation in Israel.

The funds will be used to provide:

- Thousands of elderly and new immigrants with food and comfort in these stressful times
- Trauma support for those whose homes have been damaged, who have been injured or are in shock from the attacks
- Help for the municipalities in the hardest hit areas to help them manage the challenging situation

Rochester was asked to provide at least \$48,000 as our fair share of these emergency funds. Knowing the urgency, Federation leaders approved sending all of the request immediately, even before a penny was raised.

Now it's your turn to act.

Please help the Federation meet the requested funds ... and even more

Donate online or send your checks payable to the Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester, 441 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607. Note "Stop the Sirens" in the memo line. 100% of the dollars contributed to Stop the Sirens will be sent on to JFNA for the purposes outlined above.

You can also call the Federation at 585-461-0490 to make your donation by credit card right over the phone.

HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

Erev Rosh Hashanah First Day	Wednesday, September 25 th	Evening Service	7:00 PM
Rosh Hashanah First Day	Thursday, September 26 th	Morning Service Tashlich & Mincha at Lake Riley	9:00 AM 6:45 PM
Erev Rosh Hashanah Second Day	Thursday, September 26 th	Evening Service	8:00 PM
Rosh Hashanah Second Day	Friday, September 27 th	Morning Service	9:00 AM
Erev Yom Kippur (Kol Nidre)	Friday, October 3 rd	Evening Service	6:15 PM
Yom Kippur	Saturday, October 4 th	Morning Service Mincha Service Ne'elah Service Final Shofar Blast	9:00 AM 4:45 PM 6:00 PM 7:35 PM

HIGH HOLY DAY GREETINGS

High Holy Day greetings to the congregation will be listed in the October bulletin. If you would like your name(s) listed with the greeting for the High Holy Days, please send a check for \$5 to the BHBI office to be received by September 16th.

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.

September 5-6	Elul	September 12-13	Elul	September 19-20	Elul - Tishrei	September 26-27	Tishrei
David Nidetz	12	Leonard Carl Grossman*	18	Rose Levin*	25	Catherine Braz*	3
Anna Zakofsky*	12	Winston Block	20	David Goldman*	26	Hyman A. Davis*	5
Morris Mittelman*	13	Abraham Goldman*	21	Trudy Bender Baran	27	Rose Lewis*	6
Sylvia Album*	14	Maurice Seide*	21	I. Robert Lewis*	27	Annie Schwartz*	6
Isidor Hess*	14	Hyman Senzel*	22	Phillip Rogachefsky*	27	Fannie R. Spector*	8
Frumeh Hinensky*	14	Bessie Cominsky*	23	Janet Kanthor*	28	Averil Toker	9
A. Ben Glaser*	16	Harry Rogachefsky	24	Anna Levin*	28		
Celia Wolk*	17			Gerald Glaser*	29		
				Mazel Tov Levy	29	*Denotes name	
				Shirley Arlene Dvorkin*	1	memorialized on	
				Ronni Lynn Gordon*	1	BHBI Memorial	
				David Lester Kauffman*	1	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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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.

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.

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