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March President's Message

Friends,

Have you heard the story about the synagogue that was invaded by squirrels? The congregation tried in vain to get rid of them until finally finding a way. The solution? Give the squirrels a bar mitzvah and they would never come back. Well, earlier this winter when the weather turned colder we had a squirrel move into our building. We hired a professional who trapped him successfully, so I'm sorry to say you will not get an invitation to the bar mitzvah.

After a relatively quiet month, we are entering the busy part of the spring. March starts with Purim on the 4th, with a joint service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at BHBI. Please join us for a fun service, and costumes are welcome. We will be sending mishloach manot to our members again this year, along with Temple Beth Am. I want to thank the many volunteers, headed by Andrea Paprocki and assisted by Laurel Schneiderman for putting this together.

On the 13th will be Shabbat Across America with the dinner being held at Beth Am. Get your reservations in soon.

On the 15th our friends Rémy Yulzari and Nadav Lev will be back for another concert at the JCC. See the insert in this bulletin for details. This will be the third year in a row that we are hosting them. They are almost honorary members. Please tell all your friends. We'd like to have a great turnout.

The final event of the month will be another interfaith dialogue with the members of the Turkish Cultural Center. This event will be at BHBI on Sunday the 29th. The topic will be Perspectives on Violence. This is a very timely topic. I'm sure it will be a fascinating discussion. Please join us.

Three of the four Shabbat services during March will have special Torah readings as we prepare for Pesach, which will start with the first weekend in April. Don't forget to sell your chametz. We will offer a full schedule of Pesach services, again jointly with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at all our events. Spring is here spiritually, if not physically.

Leon Metlay

**Do you want to sell your chametz before Passover?
BHBI makes it easy for you to do so. Just fill out the Sale of Chametz
form on page 4 and send in your form with a donation to BHBI to be
received by Thursday, March 26th.**

**Our next *United by Faith Jewish-Muslim Interfaith Event* will focus on
'The Perspectives of our Traditions on the Use of Violence' and will
take place at BHBI on Sunday afternoon, March 29th at 2:00 p.m.
Everyone is invited. Bring your friends!**

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – MARCH 2015

Sunday	Mar 1	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Wednesday	Mar 4	7:00 PM	Joint BHBI, Beth Am, Beth David Purim Megillah Reading at BHBI
Friday	Mar 6	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service at Heather Heights in Pittsford Light candles at 5:47 PM
Saturday	Mar 7	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Ki Tisa
Sunday	Mar 8	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Monday	Mar 9	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday	Mar 13	6:15 PM	Joint Shabbat Across America Dinner with Temple Beth Am at TBK Room 103
		7:30 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at TBK Room 103 Light candles at 6:55 PM
Saturday	Mar 14	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Vayakhel-Pekudei
Sunday	Mar 15	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
		3:00 PM	Music Along the Bridge: From Eastern Europe to South America – a performance by the double bass and guitar duo of Rémy Yulzary and Nadav Lev at the JCC Resource Place
Wednesday	Mar 18	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Synagogue Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI
Friday	Mar 20	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 7:03 PM
Saturday	Mar 21	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Vayikra
Sunday	Mar 22	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Mar 27	7:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Service Light candles at 7:12 PM
Saturday	Mar 28	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Tzav
Sunday	Mar 29	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
		2:00 PM	United by Faith Jewish-Muslim Interfaith Event at BHBI

SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

This month's Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study session will be held at BHBI on Wednesday, March 18th at 7:30 p.m. at BHBI. Come and bring your friends. Everyone is welcome!

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THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

February 7 Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky in honor of Katharine Metlay's 95th birthday
 February 14 The Congregation in honor of our friends from Temple Beth Am
 February 21 Stan and Elaine Schaffer in memory of Stan's father, Werner Schaffer
 February 28 Katharine Metlay, Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky in memory of Leon's father, Max Metlay

DONATIONS THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

GENERAL FUND

Ira Cohen

In memory of Jacob Swartz
Sue Baker

In memory of Leon Rosenfeld
Paul Rosenfeld and Sylvia Rose

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.

March 6-7	Adar	March 13-14	Adar	March 20-21	Nisan	March 27-28	Nisan
Abraham Alderman*	16	Julie Feuerberg	24	Lena Levi*	1	Esther Bertman*	8
Celia Engel*	17	Ida Sallerson Levine*	25	Lester Miller*	1	Max Block	8
Muriel Hobel*	17	Barnet Stern*	26	Gertrude Swartz	1	Seymour Ouzer*	10
Max Levy	17	Harris Priceman*	27	Benjamin Braz*	2	Charles Levy	11
Edna Astrachan*	19	Rebecca Cohen*	28	Dr. Charles Cohen*	2	Morris Lipman*	11
Sam Malina*	19	Eva Friedman*	28	Morris Sherman*	3	Helen Neiman Goldman*	14
Anna Steinmetz*	19	Sarah Shulsky*	28	Eli Gerber*	4	Sylvia Kowal	14
Louis Rickler*	20	Mollie Wolk*	28	Gertrude Kleinstein*	5	Harry Toker	14
Harry Aronow*	21	Karoline Hess*	29	Rachel Weinstein*	5		
Carl Astrachan*	21	Sadie Rose	29				
Leila Markus*	21	Sam Wolk*	29				
Herman Sarachan*	21						
Percy Cohen*	22						

*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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Once again this year, BHBI is joining Temple Beth Am for TBA's Shabbat Across America Dinner at Temple B'rith Kodesh

On March 13th, tens of thousands of Jews across America will come together to eat, drink, relax, dance, enjoy, debate and celebrate at the 19th Annual ...

SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA/CANADA



On Friday night, March 13th, 2015 hundreds of synagogues across the continent will take part in an historic national Jewish event to celebrate what unifies all Jews -- Shabbat! Everyone is invited... singles, couples, families -- all ages.

Invite your friends—all are welcome!

Shabbat Across America Dinner

March 13, 2015 • Dinner: 6:15 pm • Services : 7:30 pm

Cost: Adults \$5• Children (under Bar/Bat Mitzvah) Free•

Send RSVP, with number of adults and children, and Payment in advance to:

Temple Beth Am

2131 Elmwood Ave., Room 103

Rochester, NY 14618

Must be in Temple Beth Am Office by March 5th



Please detach and mail in with check to Temple Beth Am, 2131 Elmwood Ave., Rochester, NY 14618 to reach office by March 5th

Name(s): _____ email: _____

Address: _____ City, St., Zip _____ Phone: _____

No. of Adults @ \$5 ____ No. of Children @ free ____ Total Amount for Dinner \$ ____

Dietary restrictions: _____ (a committee member will contact you to discuss)

OFFICE: The synagogue office is checked regularly for mail and messages. The synagogue phone is 244-2060. For urgent issues, call Leon Metlay at 271-2945 or Stan Schaffer at 473-8072. You can also e-mail us at BHBIRochester@gmail.com

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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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