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September President's Message

Friends,

During the past few months, our synagogue lost two of our best friends. Laura Levinson and Janet Grable were both presidents of our congregation. They were very different people and were president at very different times on our congregational history.

Laura was a no-nonsense president at a tumultuous time in our history, the late 80s. The congregation was considering profound changes in our ritual rules, especially increased participation by women. Board meetings were often long and loud, with much argument. Person A and Person B couldn't agree on anything except that they both couldn't agree with Person C, etc. Laura would tell us to settle down, and we would do it, more or less. She provided strong leadership at a time when it was needed.

Janet Grable was a different president for a different time. We were not so much tumultuous as we were gently fading. Janet was a person of great creativity. She instituted our sit down kiddush lunches, often with themes, with coordinated food choices and accessories. These lunches had a profound effect on us, so that instead of rushing home after a sip of wine and a bite of kichel, we would sit around and eat and talk. Our attendance at services improved and we became a more cohesive social group. Some of us worried that the lunches would not be sustainable, but they have been, thanks to the help of a group of volunteers who continue to make lunches, week in and week out. I only wish I could come up with such a transformative idea.

On Sunday we had our first ever Interfaith Picnic, held at a shelter in the Brighton Town Park. I'm not sure exactly how many people came; it was probably around 60, about equally divided between Muslims and Jews. Kosher and Halal food were available for whoever wanted them and the rain held off, so that we had a fine afternoon of eating and talking. Special kudos to Steve Teitel who planned the event, as well as to Judith Mercer, Paula Bobb, Nina Klionsky, Ami Schmerl, Aaron Marsh and especially to Chris Paprocki who brought a "bounce house" which endeared him to all of the children.

We are now in the period of preparation for the High Holy Days. We should all be examining our behavior of the past year and thinking about how we can improve for the coming year. The ritual committee is working on plans for the services and will be contacting you about honors very soon. On Saturday night September 24 we will be having our Selichot movie and discussion. We will be meeting jointly with Temple Beth Am at BHBI at 8 PM. As I write this, the movie has not been chosen yet, but I'm sure it will be good.

I will take this early opportunity to wish you all a Shana Tova.

Leon Metlay

The High Holy Days are coming soon!

Do you know people who are unaffiliated and who are looking for a place to worship on the High Holy Days? Our High Holy Day tickets are very reasonably priced. BHBI even offers free High Holy Day tickets for those who have never purchased tickets before.

Do you know people who might be interested in finding out more about BHBI and would be open to considering becoming members? If they would like more information about our congregation, have them call Stan Schaffer at 473-8072.

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – SEPTEMBER 2016

Saturday	Sept 3	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Re'eh Blessing of the New Month
Sunday	Sept 4	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Monday	Sept 12	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday	Sept 9	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am (at TBK Room 103) Light candles at 7:11 PM
Saturday	Sept 10	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Shoftim
Sunday	Sept 11	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Wednesday	Sept 21	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Synagogue Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI
Saturday	Sept 17	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Ki Teitzei
Sunday	Sept 18	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion Meet to Prepare the BHBI Sanctuary for the High Holy Days
Saturday	Sept 24	9:30 AM 8:00 PM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Ki Tavo Selichot Movie and Discussion with Temple Beth Am at BHBI
Sunday	Sept 25	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Sept 30	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Light candles at 6:34 PM



Rosh Hashanah is nearly here. Are you ready for the holidays?

New Year's Greeting

Would you like to have your name(s) listed along with New Year's greetings to the congregation in the October BHBI Bulletin? If so, complete and send in the form below by September 22nd.

Names to be listed with New Year's greetings in the October bulletin: _____

Send this form along with a check for \$5 made out to Congregation BHBI, 1369 East Ave., Rochester, NY 14610

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In memory of Janet Grable
Steve and Ruth Teitel

In memory of Doriene Baker
Sue Baker

In honor of her grandchildren Noah, David, Henry, Isaac and Ava and in honor of Ava's baby naming (she was given the Hebrew name of Chava Liana)

Sue Baker

THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS
FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

August 6	Phil Garver in memory of his wife, Annette
August 13	Katharine Metlay in memory of her father, David Titof
August 20	Jill Clark-Foulkes in memory of her grandmother, Bessie Gastel
August 27	Esther Vogelstein in honor of her brother, Hermann Vogelstein's bar mitzvah Shabbat

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SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

This month's Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study session will be held at BHBI on Wednesday, September 21st at 7:30 p.m. at BHBI. Come and bring your friends. Everyone is welcome! If you haven't attended before, give it a try – you will definitely enjoy the lively discussion.

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EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

The Jewish Federation kicks off its activities with its opening event on Thursday, September 8th →

Temple Beth El is celebrating its 100th anniversary with a musical weekend September 9-11:



Join us the weekend of September 9th at our Centennial Family Celebration



Friday Night Unplugged
at 6 pm featuring
Six13 A Capella

dinner to follow
Reservations for dinner will be required

Join us for a
free community concert
on Sunday, September 11
at 1 pm

for more information
please visit tberochester.org
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please come to the
2017 FEDERATION OPENING EVENT

THURSDAY, *september eighth* TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN

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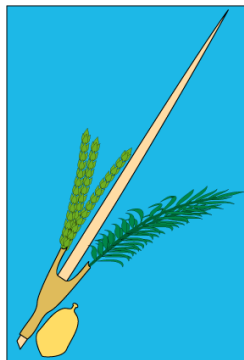
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Let Leon Metlay know and he will order a lulav and etrog for you. Cost \$50.
All orders must be received by September 22nd.

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 2-3	Av – Elul	September 9-10	Elul	September 23-24	Elul	September 30-October 1	Elul – Tishrei
Harry Eber*	30	Celia Goodman*	7	Abraham Goldman*	21	Janet Kanthor*	28
Bernard W. Engel*	30	Jennie Levinson	7	Maurice Seide*	21	Anna Levin*	28
Rose Gordon	30	Irving Mack*	8	Hyman Senzel*	22	Gerald Glaser*	29
Eva Lederman*	2	Fran Dubin Gulack	10	Bessie Cominsky*	23	Mazel Tov Levy	29
Albert Joffe*	4	David Nidetz	12	Harry Rogachefsky	24	Shirley Arlene Dworkin*	1
Harold Krinsky*	4	Anna Zakofsky*	12	Rose Levin*	25	Ronni Lynn Gordon*	1
Ethel Strom*	4	Morris Mittelman*	13	David Goldman*	26	David Lester Kauffman*	1
Gladys Glaser	5	September 16-17	Elul	Trudy Bender Baran	27	Catherine Braz*	3
Judith Rodney	5			I. Robert Lewis*	27	Hyman A. Davis*	5
Tanya Yudelson	5	Sylvia Album*	14	Phillip Rogachefsky*	27		
Harold Schulman	6	Isidor Hess*	14				
		Frumeh Hinensky*	14				
		A. Ben Glaser*	16				
		Celia Wolk*	17				
		Leonard Carl Grossman*	18				
		Winston Block	20				

*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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CEMETERY PLOTS

Did you know that BHBI has designated sections at Stone Road, Britten Road and Mt. Hope Cemeteries and that we sell cemetery plots? If you would like more information, contact Steve Teitel.

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.

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

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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Temple Beth Am

Joint Yizkor Book 2016

The format of the Yizkor Book is as follows:

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Please print your name or names as you wish it/them to appear in this book

In Loving Memory of

Print each name you want listed on a separate line. Example: Abraham and Sarah Person should be written on 2 lines, as they represent 2 names and 2 listings in our book. DO NOT use Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr.; just first and last names. Titles will not appear in the Yizkor Book. Remember to print the names clearly since they will appear in the Yizkor Book exactly as you print them. Add additional pages if needed.

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Temple Beth Am

Joint Yizkor Book 2016

Dear Temple Friends and Family,

Temple Beth Am and Congregation Beth Hamedresh–Beth Israel will again jointly publish an annual Yizkor Memorial Book in time for Yom Kippur. We use this book in place of the prayer book for each of the Yizkor services throughout the year. Our book will contain the Yizkor service, special readings, prayers, Kaddish, and a memorial list of our dearly departed. Having your loved ones included in the Yizkor Book is a dignified way of remembering and paying tribute to those who have been called to their eternal rest.

Both congregations will share the production costs and will share the proceeds in proportion to the participation from each congregation. **Please make your checks payable to Beth Hamedresh-Beth Israel, and mark them Yizkor Book in the memo.**

To have your relatives and friends listed in the Memoriam, please complete the form on the back of this letter and return it by September 22nd to:

Yizkor Book
c/o Bruce Nelson
120 Cobblestone Dr
Rochester, NY 14623

Do not send it to the temple office. **All listings must be prepaid.** Listings not prepaid by presstime will not be published.

One, two or three names will be priced at \$18.00 (the number corresponding to Chai, the Hebrew word for life). Additional names, beyond the first three, are \$5.00 each name. Please print the names clearly since they will appear in the Yizkor Book exactly as you submit them.

Shalom,

The Yizkor Memorial Book Committee

Hurry! Deadline is September 22nd