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June President's Message

Friends:

As your new/old President, I'd like to thank you all the confidence you have placed in me as BHBI moves into another year; and I'd like to extend my sincere gratitude to Leon Metlay for having served us so well as President these past four years, above and beyond the call of duty!! Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have issues, concerns, or suggestions, so that we can work together to keep BHBI the warm and friendly shul that we all value.

As many of you may know, before coming to Rochester 30 years ago, I lived in Israel for three years as a researcher at the Weizmann Institute. I am writing this message to you sitting in my hotel room in Rehovot, having just made my first visit back to Israel in over 20 years, to attend the 70th birthday celebration and symposium in honor of an old friend and mentor. It has been a very moving visit for me – on the one hand, it feels at times as though I had never left Israel; on the other hand, all the old friends and colleagues I meet have for some reason suddenly turned 20 years older (while I, of course, have stayed the same). So I can subtitle this column Rip van Teitel visits the Holy Land, and let me share with you some observations on the changes in Israel from then to now. In no particular order: Great advances in paper! Toilet paper used to have the consistence of crepe paper and come in the appealing shades of gray, gray-turquoise, and gray-pink. Now it is as white and squeezable as any in Rochester, though still not 2-ply. Paper napkins used to have the texture of wax paper and were very good for smearing grease and dirt from one place to another. Now they are porous and absorbent like a paper napkin should be. Egged busses are now green and not red. The elevated pedestrian plaza at Dizengoff Square in Tel Aviv, with its loud and splashy fountain by the Israeli artist Agam, is no more – the city has demolished it to bring the plaza back to street level. Oh so many, new, highways! but traffic volume seems to have increased more than proportionately, so my day trip to Jerusalem was slower than ever before. Russian writing on signs is prolific, and you can watch American TV dramas dubbed into Russian. And, speaking of TV, whereas there used to be a single Israeli channel (and a few Arabic channels from the neighboring countries), now of course one can get cable TV and watch Netflix. Checking into my Tel Aviv hotel, the staff person was very eager to show me that I could get American channels, and so promptly switched on Fox News. And speaking of news, I am sad to say that Mabat LaHadashot (A Glance at the News), the nightly 9pm news broadcast that was required watching since the inception of TV in Israel in 1968, is no more, a recent victim of political intrigue over the future of public broadcasting in Israel. I recall many a hot evening walking down the residential streets of Rehovot after 9 pm, and being able to follow Mabat as it emanated from open balcony after open balcony of the apartment blocks that I passed by. Now, alas, too many cable TV channels, too much air conditioning, no Mabat, and this experience remains just a fond memory.

Coming up in June we will have a very exciting concert on Monday June 26, as the Lev-Yulzari Duo returns to Rochester, joined by Frank London of the Klezmatics and Basya Schechter of Pharaoh's Daughter. The concert, cosponsored by BHBI and seven other local synagogues, will take place at 7pm at Temple Brith Kodesh, and is certain to be a great event. Look for further details on Page 4.

Shalom,

Steve Teitel

Join Us for Azafea — A Spanish Odyssey, a Special Concert of Sephardic Music on June 26th at TBK! It Is Sure To Be a Fabulous Performance.

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – JUNE 2017

Thursday	June 1	9:30 AM	Joint Shavuot 2 nd Day Service with Yizkor with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at Beth David (TBK Room 200)				
Saturday	June 3	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Nasso				
Sunday	June 4	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion				
Friday	June 9	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am (TBK Room 103)				
Saturday	June 10	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Beha'alotecha				
Sunday	June 11	9:00 AM	Service and Discussion				
Monday	June 12	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting				
Saturday	June 17	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Shlach Blessing of the New Month				
Sunday	June 18	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion				
Wednesday	June 21	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Synagogue Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI				
Saturday	June 24	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Korach				
Sunday	June 25	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion				
Monday	June 26	7:00 PM	Azafea – A Spanish Odyssey - Musical Performance at TBK				
Friday	June 30	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI				

SHABBAT CANDLELIGHTING TIMES

Friday, June 2 – 8:25 PM Friday, June 9 – 8:30 PM Friday, June 16 – 8:33 PM Friday, June 23 – 8:35 PM Friday, June 30 – 8:35 PM

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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, June 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.

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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THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

May 6	Harris and Aline Honickman in memory of Harris' mother, Beverly Honickman
May 13	Jill Clark-Foulkes in memory of her grandfather, Samuel Gastel
May 20	Phil Garver in memory of his wife, Annette, on the first anniversary of her passing
May 27	Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky in honor of the visit of Hannah's birth father

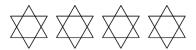
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EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

SONGS OF GENERATIONS: A YIDDISH CONCERT WITH THE MLOTEK FAMILY – Experience the incredible scope of Yiddish song with the renowned Mlotek Family including Zalmen Mlotek, the Artistic Director of the National Yiddish Theatre – Folksbiene on Sunday, June 18th at 2:00 pm at the JCC's Hart Theater. Cost \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. English translation will be available throughout the performance. For information, contact Joy Getnick at the JCC at 461-2000 ext. 239 or jgetnick@jccrochester.org

AZAFEA - A SPANISH ODYSSEY - The Lev-Yulzari Duo comes to Rochester again with special guests Frank London of the Klezmatics and Basya Schechter of Pharaoh's Daughter, on Monday evening, June 26th at 7 pm at Temple B'rith Kodesh. You have enjoyed the Lev-Yulzari Duo's Rochester performances in the past and you will enjoy this fabulous performance even more as they are joined by the renowned Frank London and Basya Schechter, so purchase your tickets now at azafearochester.eventbright.com or by calling 340-7080.



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Congratulations to Matthew Honickman who recently received his Bachelors of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Clarkson University.

Congratulations to Jack Teitel who recently received his Masters of Science degree in Data Science from the University of Rochester.

JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

The JCC is now selling tickets for the 2017 JCC Ames Amzalak Rochester International Jewish Film Festival which will run from July 9th – July 17th. Check out the schedule of films at www.rjff.org



MUSIC FROM THE SEPHARDIC DIASPORA



Basya Schechter of Pharaoh's Daughter



The Lev-Yulzari Duo Guitar and Doublebass



Frank London of the Klezmatics

June 26, 2017 7 pm

Temple B'rith Kodesh

2131 Elmwood Avenue

Tickets: \$20

Sponsorship Options Available, Supporting the Gift of Music

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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.

June 2-3	Sivan	June 9-10	Sivan	June 16-17	Sivan	June 23-24	Sivan- Tammuz
May Cohen*	9	Maxine Gold	17	Fannie Warnick*	23	Hyb Jossem*	30
Robert Baker*	10	Evelyn Goldman		Louis Sanow*	24	Samuel Hoffman*	2
Sarah Osband*	10	Kauffman*	17	Ada Gordon*	25	Sarah Sarachan*	2
Jesse Stolnitz*	10	Louis Maltinsky*	17	Stella Getz*	27	Eva Goodman*	3
Harry Strauss*	11	Sadie Stolnitz*	17	Mary Goldman*	27	Rose Joffe*	3
Theresa Mayer Block	12	Katherine Weinrib*	17	Betty Newell*	27	Jennie Epstein*	4
Minnie Strom*	12	Lyons I. Jossem*	18	Eva Wasserman*	27	David Glasser*	4
Rose Sallerson*	13	Zus Kaminnik	19	Isadore Goldman*	29	Alan Fishman	5
Janet Riwkin Glaser*	14	Chayah Simah Malina* Esther Senzel*	19 20			June 30-July 1	Tammuz
Denotes name memorialized on BHBI Memorial Plaque		Sarah Rebecca Gerber Minnie Marcus* Nathan Yablin*	21 21 21			Morris Krinsky* Sarah Schnidman* Rabbi Aaron Solomon* Eva Krinsky* Esther Walder Klionsky Phillip Morrow* Rochli Rothschild*	7 9 9 10 11 11

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.

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



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

CEMETERY PLOTS

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<u>OFFICE</u>: The synagogue office is checked regularly for mail and messages. The synagogue phone is 244-2060. For urgent issues, call Steve Teitel at 473-5741 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.

<u>BULLETIN CONTENT</u> 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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