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BULLETIN

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In an effort to allow for a diversity of thoughts, this space, usually devoted to a message from the President, will on occasion be turned over to another board member for comments. This month we hear from long time board member Harris Honickman.

August Board Member's Message

Friends,

With summer almost half way over, this is a good time to look forward to the fall. The High Holy Days begin with Rosh Hashanah starting on the evening of Wednesday September 20th. Yom Kippur begins on Friday evening September 29th. Dr. George Kornfeld will again lead services as he has in recent years. Please accept offers of aliyot and other honors for the services when members of the Ritual Committee call. Those who wish to lain Torah or chant a Haftorah during the holidays should contact Leon Metlay.

We will hold our annual picnic on August 20th on the grounds at BHBI. It will be great chance to get together, have some snacks and play some games. The fun begins at 2 pm and the food starts at 3 pm.

During the month of August you may hear a considerable racket coming from above. Don't fear; it is not a divine warning but just the sound of capable workers repairing our roof with new tiles.

Tisha B'Av begins at sundown on Friday July 31th. We will have a joint evening service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at Beth Am's location in TBK. The day commemorates the fall of Jerusalem and the destruction of the Temple in 587 BCE by the Babylonians and again by the Romans 655 years later. On that date the Jews were also expelled from Spain in 1492. There is perhaps a tendency to feel that we should put mourning for the lost Temples behind us. However, the subsequent catastrophes and travails which befell us on that date demonstrate that a sustained reverence for the Temple and what it stood for is necessary to guide us in our faith, the practice of virtuous life and the search for meaning.

Looking forward to seeing you at shul,

Harris Honickman

Join Us at the BHBI-Beth Am Picnic on Sunday afternoon, August 20th beginning at 2 pm. Bring your friends. It will be lots of fun.

See page 5 for details.



BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS AUGUST - 2017

Saturday	Aug 5	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Vaetchanan			
Sunday	Aug 6	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion			
Monday	Aug 8	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting			
Friday	Aug 11	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am (TBK Room 103)			
Saturday	Aug 12	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Eikev			
Sunday	Aug 13	9:00 AM	Service and Discussion			
Wednesday	Aug 16	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Synagogue Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI			
Saturday	Aug 19	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Re'eh Blessing of the New Month			
Sunday	Aug 20	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion			
		2:00 PM	BHBI-Beth Am Joint Picnic at BHBI			
Saturday	Aug 26	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Shoftim			
Sunday	Aug 27	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion			

SHABBAT CANDLELIGHTING TIMES

Friday, July 7 – 8:09 PM Friday, July 14 – 7:59 PM Friday, July 21 – 7:49 PM Friday, July 28 – 7:38 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, August 16th 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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GENERAL FUND

Mazel tov to Emily Fishman on the marriage of her grandson, Nechemia Fishman to Shoshana Pokroy Nina Chazanoff

THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

July 1	Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky in memory of Nina's mother, Esther Klionsky, on the first
	anniversary of her passing
July 8	Tamara Strubel in memory of her husband, Gad Strubel
July 15	Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky in memory of their daughter, Nelli Ahuva Metlay
July 22	The Congregation



A Brown-Bag Lunch and Learn Featuring Shani Avni

Typographic Historian from Tel Aviv

Louis S. Wolk JCC of Greater Rochester
Thursday, August 3
12pm, Auditorium C
Free - All are welcome

Ms. Avni is a research fellow in the RIT Cary Graphics Arts Collection. Her fascinating work focuses on the history of Hebrew typefaces, and the ways in which type designer Ismar David revolutionized the use of modern Hebrew by transforming ancient Hebrew text into the modern type designs we use today.

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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.

August 4-5	Av	August 11-12	Av	August 18-19	Av - Elul	August 25-26	Elul
Frank Carper* Sarah R. Spector* Morris Shimberg* Abraham Heyman* Phillip Boyarsky* *Denotes name memorialized on	13 13 15 17 18	Jennie Braime* Abraham L. Spector* Maurice Ohl* Sarah Applebaum Gastel* Israel Osband* Bessie Gastel* Samuel Immanuel Wechsler* Abraham Alkus* Rose T. Cohen	20 20 21 22 22 25 25 26 26	Reuben Klein* Esther Marker* Sarah Weisenberg* Harry Eber* Bernard W. Engel* Rose Gordon Eva Lederman*	27 27 28 30 30 30 2	Albert Joffe* Harold Krinsky* Ethel Strom* Gladys Glazer Judith Rodney Tanya Yudelson Harold Schulman Celia Goodman* Jennie Levinson	4 4 4 5 5 5 6 7 7
BHBI Memorial Plaque		Jacob Osband* Joseph Teitel	26 26			Irving Mack* Fran Dubin Gulack	8 10

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



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REVIEW OF A BOOK REVIEW (BY THE EDITOR)

Recently, I came across a review of a book titled *Hell's Traces: One Murder, Two Roundups, Thirty-Five Holocaust Memorials* by Victor Ripp in the Wall Street Journal. It describes the stories of Alexandre and Victor Ripp, young preschool age Jewish cousins living in Paris in the early 1940s. Alexandre and his family were rounded up in July 1942 and were killed during the Holocaust, while Victor's family managed to leave France for safety in 1940. The author, the same Victor Ripp, wonders why he and his family were the ones to survive while his cousin Alexandre and his family were murdered. He visits Holocaust memorials around the world and describes which are meaningful and which aren't and why. It's worth reading the book!

It's Picnic Time!

Annual Joint Picnic

Congregation Beth Hamedresh – Beth Israel

& Temple Beth Am

Sunday, August 20, 2017 at BHBI

All are WELCOME!



2:00 pm Snacks and Games

3:00 pm Serious Eating

\$10/adult, \$6/child 12 years old and under

<u>Reservations Required</u> by 5 pm, Tuesday, August 15 Email: BHBIRochester@gmail.com • Phone: 244-2060

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