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October President's Message

Friends,

As I write this message, we are almost through with another season of holidays. Only Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah remain! My sincere appreciation to all who have worked hard and long to make everything go smoothly: Leon Metlay and Harris Honickman of our ritual committee, for organizing our High Holy Day services; Leon and Nina Klionsky for the beautiful flowers on the bimah; Leon, Harris, and Stan Schaffer for serving as page announcers during the services; Judith Mercer for the apples and honey and for delivering flowers to our congregation's shut-ins; Ira Cohen for davening introductory prayers, Harris and Aline Honickman for the Yom Kippur break-fast, and of course our Hazan Dr. George Kornfeld with the impressive tekiah gedolahs.

Moving on to Sukkot, I thank our dedicated sukkah building crew of Leon, Harris, Stan, Ira, Nina, Chris Paprocki and our new members Ken and Mollie Traub. We had a great dinner with 30 people in our sukkah, full of ruach and good food, with friends from Temples Beth Am and Beth David – thanks to food preparers Judith, Nina, Paula Bobb, and Tammy Strubel who ably assisted yours truly, and to all who helped clean up afterwards. And thanks to our ritual committee and those of Temples Beth Am and Beth David for coordinating our joint Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah services; by working together we get to know one another and magnify the holiday spirit! Finally, my thanks, and apologies, to anyone I might have forgotten to name. It gives me much pride to be President of a synagogue that can count on such a high fraction of its members for their active participation and willingness to give of their time and energy.

On Sunday, September 30th, at 9 am we will have Hoshana Rabbah service at BHBI (hopefully you are getting this bulletin just before then). Hoshana Rabbah is the last day of Sukkot before Shemini Atzeret. While neilah service on Yom Kippur is thought of as the time when we are sealed in the Book of Life for the new year, and the gates of heaven close, Jewish tradition holds that we have until Hoshana Rabbah to repent, before the decrees made on Yom Kippur go into effect. If I have offended any of you in the year past I offer my humble apologies. We are living in troubling times. At times like these, the feeling of belonging to a community is especially important and so we must all do our part to put petty grievances aside and appreciate everyone for the good they bring to our Congregation.

Our joyous Simchat Torah service, held jointly with Temples Beth Am and Beth David, will take place at BHBI on Monday evening, October 1 at 7pm. I hope you will come to celebrate and dance with the Torah. There will, of course, be substantial snacks and liquid refreshments served.

Shalom,

Steve Teitel



Wishing you a happy autumn!

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – OCTOBER 2018

Monday	Oct 1	9:00 AM	Joint Shemini Atzeret Service with Yizkor with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at Beth David (TBK Room 200)
		7:00 PM	Joint Erev Simchat Torah Service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at BHBI
Tuesday	Oct 2	9:00 AM	Joint Simchat Torah Service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at Beth David (TBK Room 200)
Saturday	Oct 6	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Bereisheit
Sunday	Oct 7	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Monday	Oct 8	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday	Oct 12	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am (TBK Room 103)
Saturday	Oct 13	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Noach
Sunday	Oct 14	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Wednesday	Oct 17	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI
Saturday	Oct 20	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Lech Lecha
Sunday	Oct 21	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Saturday	Oct 27	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Vayeira
Sunday	Oct 28	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion

SHABBAT AND HOLIDAY CANDLELIGHTING TIMES

Monday, October 1 – Light candles after 7:33 PM

Friday, October 5 – 6:26 PM

Friday, October 12 – 6:14 PM

Friday, October 19 – 6:02 PM

Friday, October 26 – 5:52 PM

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In memory of Alan Gold
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In memory of Jean Traub
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HIGH HOLY DAY APPEAL

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Additional High Holy Day Appeal Donations Subsequently Received Will Be Acknowledged in the November Bulletin

**THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS
FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER**

September 1 The Congregation
September 8 The Congregation
September 15 The Congregation
September 19 Harris and Aline Honickman (Yom Kippur break-fast) in memory of Harris' father, Milton Honickman
September 22 Katharine Metlay in memory of her brother, Leon Titof
September 24 Hermann Vogelstein in honor of his sister, Esther's, birthday

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.

HOSHANA RABBAH

By tradition, on Hoshana Rabbah, all the Torah scrolls are taken out of the Ark and are held by people standing around the bimah. The congregation then makes seven circuits around the bimah (instead of the one circuit done the other days of Sukkot) while reciting the Hoshanot prayers, with the lulav and etrog in hand. At the conclusion of the Hoshanot, we take a bundle of five willows, and with it we strike the ground five times, symbolizing the "tempering of the five measures of harshness."

SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

Our next Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study session will be held at BHBI on Wednesday, October 17th at 7:30 p.m.

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.

October 5-6	Tishrei-Cheshvan	October 12-13	Cheshvan	October 19-20	Cheshvan	October 26-27	Cheshvan
Gershon		Sarah Rickler*	4	Dianne Hooker*	11	Mosheh Lazar*	18
Hinensky*	28	Blanche Florescue		Lottie Astrachan*	12	Julia Goldman*	19
Sam Gold	29	Ross*	4	Alfred E. Hart*	12	Bessie	
Bernard Israel	30	Charles Schnidman*	4	Sol Weinstein*	12	Schnidman*	21
Celia Israel	30	Harry Silverman*	5	Israel Astrachan*	13	Louis Gastel*	23
Herbert Hirsch*	1	Ida Menter*	7	Marion Grossman*	13	Dr. Bernard	
Bessie Miller*	1	Clara Spencer	7	Jacob Markin*	13	Klionsky	24
		Marion Lazar*	8	Nellie Beckler*	15	Nathan Strom*	24
		Joseph D. Stolnitz*	8	Lena Cohen*	16		
		Ida Buckbinder*	9	Sofya Kaminnik*	17		
		Irene Bernstein		Rae Toker	17		
Denotes name		Mikolasek	9				
memorialized on		Flora Priceman*	9				
BHBI Memorial		Bernard Lipschutz	10				
Plaque		Ingeborg Vogelstein	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.

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EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

An Exclusive Evening with Randi Zuckerberg – The Jewish Federation invites you to this event featuring Randi Zuckerberg, the founder and CEO of Zuckerberg Media, Entrepreneur, Investor, Best Selling Author and Tech Media Personality at the Tent at 100 Highland Drive on Monday, October 15th. There will be valet parking. Gourmet food stations will be open from 6 pm – 7:30 pm and the program will run from 7:30 pm – 9 pm. Cost: \$100 per person plus a pledge to the 2019 Federation Campaign. RSVP by October 1 by going to www.jewishrochester.org/randizuckerberg.

Fabric of Survival – The Memorial Art Gallery presents The Art of Esther Nisenthal Krinitz, an exhibition of 36 needlework and fabric collages that tell the life story of the artist, a Holocaust survivor. Each panel includes meticulously stitched captions beneath the image. In combination, word and image provide a chronological narrative of events leading up to and following Krinitz’s decision as a 15-year-old girl to go off on her own, with her younger sister, rather than join the rest of their family and neighbors on their forced journey to a death camp in Poland. The exhibit is on view at MAG through December 2, 2018. Hours: Wednesday – Sunday 11 am to 5 pm, and until 9 pm on Thursdays and select Fridays. Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays. Cost: \$15; senior citizens, \$12; college students with ID and children ages 6 – 18, \$6. Always free to MAG members, University of Rochester faculty/staff and students, and children 5 and under. Half-price general admission on Thursdays from 5 – 9 pm.

An Evening of Music with Josh Warshawsky and Friends – All ages are invited to an evening of contemporary Jewish music with talented musician Josh Warshawsky and his band on Saturday, October 20th from 8 – 9:30 pm at the JCC. Cost: \$8. Tickets are required. For information, contact the JCC.

JCC Lane Dworkin Jewish Book Festival – This year’s Jewish Book Festival includes the following events and author discussions:

Event	Date	Time	JCC Member Price	Non-Member Price
Monkey Business: The Adventures of Curious George’s Creators (Film Screening)	Sun. 10/21	7 pm	\$10	\$12
Itzhak (Documentary Film About Itzhak Perlman)	Tue. 10/23	7 pm	\$10	\$12
The Lost Family – A Novel by Jenna Blum	Wed. 10/24	7:30 pm	\$10	\$12
Unconditional Love: A Guide to Navigating the Joys and Challenges of Being a Grandparent Today by Jane Isay. Luncheon included.	Fri. 10/26	12 pm	\$20	\$25
Dinner at the Center of the Earth – A Novel by Nathan Englander	Sat. 10/27	8 pm	\$10	\$12
Literary Sunday including Light of the Stars: Alien Worlds and the Fate of Earth by Adam Frank, The Attachment Effect: Exploring the Powerful Ways Our Earliest Bond Shapes Our Relationships and Lives by Peter Loventheim, and Good Neighbors by Joanne Serling	Sun. 10/28	10 am	\$10	\$12
A Bag of Marbles (Film Screening)	Sun. 10/28	7 pm	\$10	\$12
One Nation After Trump by Norman Ornstein	Mon. 10/29	7:30 pm	\$10	\$12
Thou Shalt Innovate: How Israeli Ingenuity Repairs the World by Avi Jorisch	Tue. 10/30	7:30 pm	\$10	\$12
Memories of Survival with Bernice Steinhardt, daughter of Esther Nisenthal Krinitz, whose embroideries are currently featured at the Memorial Art Gallery as part of the Jewish Heritage Celebration to be held at the MAG	Sun. 11/11	12–5 pm	\$5 suggested donation per family which includes museum admission	
Unbroken Spirit: A Heroic Story of Faith, Courage and Survival by Yosef Mendeleovich	Tue. 11/13	7:30 pm	Free	Free
Letters to My Palestinian Neighbor by Yossi Klein Halevy	Mon. 11/19	7:30 pm	\$10	\$12

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

We want to welcome our newest members, Ken and Mollie Traub, to the BHBI family. Ken and Mollie have long been associated with BHBI and recently officially joined. Kol Ha-Kavod!

OFFICE: 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

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