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August President's Message

Friends,

We are in the midst of the three week period between the Fast of Tammuz and Tisha B'Av, which commemorate the breach in the wall of Jerusalem and the destruction of the Temple, first by the Babylonians and later by the Romans. During this time we recite the Haftorahs of Rebuke from prophets Jeremiah and Isaiah. In the weeks leading to the High Holidays we will examine and afflict our souls to express regret for wrongs we commit against each other and G-d. We presume the Temple was destroyed because of our sins. Indeed, during Yom Kippur we recite the Al Chet – the Confession – which lists numerous sins for which we take responsibility. Almost one fourth of those are sins of speech, including blasphemy, lying, gossip, expressing “causeless hatred” and more. The organ of speech is all too often the most misused of all our faculties.

It is not necessary to look back 2500 years to find examples of the misuse of the gift of speech. The man we ask to be blessed every Shabbat uses the facility of speech to express racism, lies, vitriol, and defamation. That he is responding sometimes to anti-Semitic or anti-Israeli statements by others is no excuse. The consequence for the same sort of sin by the Jewish people was the destruction of the Temple. We can hope, pray and act to avert a similar fate for the vessel of our government.

This year we join with Temples Beth Am and Beth David to observe Tisha B'Av at Beth David's sanctuary, room 200 in the TBK building, on the evening of August 10. See the calendar in this bulletin for the specific time.

We will hold our annual picnic, jointly with Temple Beth Am, on Sunday, August 18th, on the grounds at BHBI. We can compete with each other on how great our summer is going and who has the best vacation story. Snacks and games start at 2:00pm and the grill will be in full production by 3:00pm. Bring your friends and prospective new members. Prospective 1st time new members are welcome as our guests, at no cost, but a reservation is still required. See the poster in this bulletin on page 4 for cost and reservation information.

See you in shul.

Harris Honickman

**Don't miss the fun! Come to the BHBI / Temple Beth Am Joint Picnic at BHBI,
2:00 PM Sunday August 18. See page 4 for further information!**

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – August 2019

Saturday	Aug 3	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Matot/Massei
Sunday	Aug 4	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Aug 9	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am (TBK Room 103)
Saturday	Aug 10	9:30 AM	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI Torah: Devarim – Shabbat Chazon
		7:00 PM	Mincha followed by Tisha B'Av study session at Temple Beth David
		9:15 PM	Tisha B'Av Evening Service with Temple Beth Am and Temple Beth David at Beth David (TBK Room 200)
Sunday	Aug 11	9:00 AM	Tisha B'Av Morning Service
Monday	Aug 12	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting
Saturday	Aug 17	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Va'etchanan – Shabbat Nachamu
Sunday	Aug 18	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
		2:00 PM	Joint BHBI / Temple Beth Am Picnic at BHBI
Wednesday	Aug 21	7:30 PM	Small Conservative Shul Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI
Saturday	Aug 24	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Eikev
Sunday	Aug 25	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast and Discussion
Friday	Aug 30	7:00 PM	Joint Shabbat Evening Service with Temple Beth Am at BHBI
Saturday	Aug 31	10:00 AM	Joint Rosh Chodesh Shabbat Morning Service with Temple Beth Am at Beth Am (TBK Room 103) Torah: Re'eh

SHABBAT CANDLELIGHTING TIMES

Friday, Aug 2 – 8:13 PM
 Friday, Aug 9 – 8:04 PM
 Friday, Aug 16 – 7:54 PM
 Friday, Aug 23 – 7:43 PM
 Friday, Aug 30 – 7:31 PM

SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

Our Torah study session in April will be held on Wednesday, Aug 21st at 7:30 pm at BHBI. See you there!

CEMETERY PLOTS

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THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

July 6	Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky in memory of Nina's mother, Esther Klionsky
July 13	Tamara Strubel in memory of her husband, Gad Strubel
July 20	Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky in memory of their daughter, Nelli Ahuva Metlay
July 27	The Congregation

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In memory of Sheila Kleinstein
Sherris Kleinstein

In memory of Oscar Hart
Helen and Steve Gulack

It's Picnic Time!

Annual Joint Picnic

Congregation Beth Hamedresh – Beth Israel
and Temple Beth Am

Sunday, August 18, 2019 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

Reservations Required by 5 pm, Tuesday, August 13

Email: BHBIRochester@gmail.com • Phone: 244-2060

Please specify any dietary restrictions with your reservation

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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.

Aug 2-3	Av	Aug 9-10	Av	Aug 16-17	Av	Aug 23-24	Av
Benjamin Bobb	2	William Aaron Bernstein*	9	Abraham Heyman*	17	Bessie Gastel*	25
Joseph Greenbaum*	2	David Titof	9	Phillip Boyarsky*	18	Samuel Immanuel Wechsler*	25
Moses Berkowitz*	3	Janet Grable	11	Jennie Braime*	20	Abraham Alkus*	26
Kathy Shur	5	Haim Menachem Levy	12	Abraham I. Spector*	20	Rose T. Cohen	26
Julian Sugarman	7	Hyman Silverman*	12	Maurice Ohl*	21	Jacob Osband*	26
Anna Berman*	8	Frank Carper*	13	Sarah Applebaum Gastel*	22	Joseph Teitel	26
George Cohen*	8	Sarah R. Spector*	13	Israel Osband*	22	Reuben Klein*	27
		Morris Shimberg*	15			Esther Marker*	27
Aug 30-31	Av-Elul			*Denotes name memorialized on BHBI Memorial Plaque		Sarah Weisenberg*	28
Harry Eber*	30						
Bernard W. Engel*	30						
Rose Gordon	30						
Eva Lederman*	2						
Albert Joffe*	4						
Harold Krinsky*	4						
Ethel Strom*	4						
Gladys Glazer	5						
Judith Rodney	5						
Tanya Yudelson	5						

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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Lipson Lounge
Louis S. Wolk JCC of Greater Rochester
1200 Edgewood Ave

If you have any questions,
please contact us at (585) 461-0110



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