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#### Congregation Beth Hamedresh - Beth Israel

# BULLETIN

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# February's President's Message

Friends,

This month's message to the Congregation is written by another member and someone very dear to me – so listen up.

Purim begins early this year on the evening of February 25. We will have a joint Zoom service with Beth Am and Ohel Avraham. We will send the link and information on the service in an upcoming email.

- Harris

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I never would have dreamed how much I would miss Saturday services and my (almost) weekly meetings with my "shul friends". Though I don't know the meanings of all the prayers and I don't always pay attention, services give me a warm spiritual feeling and time to think about those I love and my hopes for them. When I lived in Jerusalem (1980 - 1982) I worked Sunday through Friday with Saturday off. Of course all the stores and whatnot were closed on my only day free. I at first found it annoying; then came to enjoy the day of enforced relaxation, a day for walks, naps and visiting friends.

This summer I found our outdoor services delightful and mapped the progress of the trees on Hawthorne Street as they went from full bloom to, on the last chilly days that we met, practically leafless. Hopefully we will be able to meet again soon; either under our trees or in our clean and well ventilated sanctuary.

At Wegmans, holiday displays have given way to high calorie Valentine treats. These can only be followed by – yes – Pesach food. Yikes! It's hard for me to believe that this will be my second Passover without my Father, Joe Yudelson at the Seder table. As much as we miss him, I am so glad that he got to miss the entire Covid 19 pandemic. Excellent timing on his part! Thanks again to all of you for your help and warm wishes at the time of his passing. I only wish I could sponsor a Kiddush for his yahrzeit.

Take care, stay busy and this too shall pass. Anyone who would like to give Harris a break by writing a message for a future bulletin, please do contact him.

Stay healthy,

Aline Honickman

# **Services**

With the cold weather upon us, **BHBI** has suspended our outdoor Shabbat Morning Services. Please pay attention to email messages for any new developments.

**Temple Beth Am** has Shabbat Evening Services every Friday, and one Shabbat Morning Service on the second Saturday of the month, on Zoom. See the calendar on page 2 for the dates. If you wish to join, please connect to the service before the start of Shabbat and set your computer not to go into sleep mode. The Beth Am Zoom link is: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6337493851 Check the Beth Am website, bethamrochester.org, for updates.

**BHBI** Sunday morning services continue on Zoom at 9:00 AM, see the shul website for the Zoom link.

BHBI Website: www.BHBIRochester.org

### **BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – FEBRUARY 2021**

Friday	Feb 5	6:30 PM	Erev Shabbat at Temple Beth Am with Ohel Avraham on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 5:10 PM)		
Saturday	Feb 6		Shabbat Morning, Torah: Yitro		
Sunday	Feb 7	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link		
Monday	Feb 8	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting via Zoom		
Friday	Feb 12	6:30 PM	Erev Shabbat at Temple Beth Am with Ohel Avraham on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 5:20 PM)		
Saturday	Feb 13	10:00 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at Temple Beth Am on Zoom – see page 1 for further information, Torah: Mishpatim		
Sunday	Feb 14	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link		
Wednesday	Feb 17	7:30 PM	Small Shul Collaborative Torah Study at BHBI		
Friday	Feb 19	6:30 PM	Erev Shabbat at Temple Beth Am with Ohel Avraham on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 5:29 PM)		
Saturday	Feb 20		Shabbat Morning, Torah: Terumah		
Sunday	Feb 21	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link		
Thursday	Feb 25		Erev Purim Service – information to be sent by email		
Friday	Feb 26	6:30 PM	Erev Shabbat at Temple Beth Am with Ohel Avraham on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 5:38 PM)		
Saturday	Feb 27		Shabbat Morning, Torah: Tetzaveh		
Sunday	Feb 28	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link		

#### SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

Our Torah study session in January will be held on Wednesday, February 17th, at 7:30 pm via Zoom. New participants are welcome at any time! No prior experience required! Visit our website www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link.

# DONATIONS THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

In honor of the birthdays of Leslie Toker and Jeff Nidetz

Linda and Norm Adams

In memory of Paul Israel
Rose Israel
Mark Bobb

With thanks to the Congregation for helping to make shiva minyans

Jeff Nidetz, Leslie Toker, Mark Toker

Estate of Peg Toker

In memory of her father Stanley Clark

Jill Clark-Foulkes

#### TOPS CARDS

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 Ira Cohen at 943-1040 or by e-mail at gouldron@aol.com

# HAPPY PURIM - February 25!!

#### **YAHRZEITS**

With the absence of Shabbat Services due to the COVID-19 pandemic, at Sunday morning service we will read the names of our late loved ones whose Yahrzeits occur on the just ended Shabbat or during the following week.

Jan 29-30	Shvat	Feb 12-13	Adar	Feb 19-20	Adar	Feb 26-27	Adar
Morris Gurian*	17	Sam Finkelstein*	1	Sherman Kleinstein*	9	Charles Ambush*	15
Paul Israel	18	Mary Weinreb*	1	Anna Schiff*	9	Gussie Gillenson Bernstein*	15
Gitla Perkal*	18	Werner Schaffer	2	Edith Berkowitz*	10	Irvin Boyar*	15
Samuel Spencer	18	Philip Schiff*	3	Samuel Goldstein*	10	Stanley Muszynski*	15
Besse Gold	20	Betty Glaser	4	Fanny Tecler Levinson*	10	Abraham Alderman*	16
Benjamin Lapides*	20	Anna Ruderman*	4	Max Metlay	10	Celia Engel*	17
Simon Pogal*	21	Hyman Sablowsky*	4	Jennie Goldstein Robinson*	11	Muriel Hobel*	17
Jacob Rubenstein*	21	Emma Sarachan*	4	Irving Gold	12	Max Levy	17
E. Sarah Maltinsky*	23	Celia Lapides*	5	Eva Jenny Cenzer*	13	Edna Astrachan*	19
		Dora Newell*	6	Charles Saul Gordon*	13	Sam Malina*	19
Feb 5-6	Shvat	William Schwartz*	6	Rose Riwkin*	13	Anna Steinmetz*	19
Bert Falk*	25			Marion Carton Gulack	14	Louis Rickler*	20
Philip Garver	26					Harry Aranow*	21
Mariom Bernstein*	27					Carl Astrachan*	21
Ada Goldstein*	27	*Denotes name				Leila Markus*	21
Samuel Keyfetz*	27	memorialized on				Herman Sarachan*	21
Lottie Fink*	29	BHBI Memorial					
Rose Ring*	29	Plaque					
Boris Schvarts	30						

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 memorialize a friend or loved one on a BHBI memorial plaque. Our memorial plaques are very reasonably priced. For more information, contact Leon Metlay at BHBIRochester@gmail.com.

#### **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 at BHBIRochester@gmail.com.

#### Life in our Times



**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 Harris Honickman at 271-5145. 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 Steve Teitel know. We always appreciate feedback.

<u>DID YOU MISPLACE YOUR BULLETIN</u>? Don't worry. BHBI Bulletins going back several years can now be found on our web page: www.BHBIRochester.org

WANT TO GET YOUR BULLETIN HOT-OFF-THE-PRESS? Consider having us e-mail it to you! Contact Steve Teitel at: BHBIRochester@gmail.com

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