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**Congregation Beth Hamedresh – Beth Israel**

# BULLETIN

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## **October's President's Message**

Friends,

This month we will have the Days of Awe, the New Year, Rosh Hashanah, and the Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur. Services will be led once again by Dr. George Kornfeld. I hope to see you at services on these auspicious days. The holy day schedule can be found in the calendar on page 2. Please come early for holiday services so that we can have a minyan on time.

The High Holy Days are a time for reflection and introspection. There is much to think about concerning the past year. Close to home, the Congregation made the difficult decision earlier this year that it was time to sell our building. The sale is proceeding but will likely take several more months to complete. The Congregation will be relocating to rented space elsewhere; negotiations are ongoing. What will be the future of the Congregation after this critical juncture in our history will depend on all of you. Your input and participation will be decisive.

On the national scene, we are about a month away from national elections, which may prove to be one of the most fateful elections in our memory. The country is deeply polarized, at times government seems to be barely functioning, and much is at stake both domestically and internationally. Whatever your views, I urge you to go and vote.

Looking abroad, it is now almost one year since the horrific Hamas attack on Israel. The fighting continues. Much of Hamas and most of Gaza is destroyed, but no political resolution seems to be in sight. Turmoil and division persist within Israel as thousands protest weekly for the government to make a deal to return the roughly 100 Israeli hostages, at least half believed to still be alive, that remain in Gaza. Most recently, the fighting against Hezbollah in Lebanon has escalated. The Israeli Defense Forces have carried out a string of technically impressive military actions that have significantly degraded Hezbollah. Whether this will result in an easing of the threat from the north, or an escalation with Iran becoming more directly involved, is yet to be seen. I urge you to stay informed about developments, and to pray for the safety and welfare of Israel, as well as for all the people of the region.

Finally, the Board has decided that, since we are unlikely to get a minyan on our own, this year we will join with Temple Beth El for Sukkot, Shemini Atzert, and Simchat Torah services, dates and times are in the calendar on page 2.

I wish you all a Shanah Tovah u'Metukah,  
*Steve Teitel*

## **SHABBAT SERVICES**

**BHBI** has in-person **Shabbat Morning Services**, each Saturday at 9:30 AM. All attendees over 5 years of age must be vaccinated against Covid. All attendees over 3 years of age must wear a face mask, except when sitting at the kiddish tables on the west side of the sanctuary. Masks are available in the sanctuary for those who need. Sunday morning services continue on Zoom at 9:00 AM, see the shul website for the Zoom link.

**Temple Beth Am** has **Shabbat Evening Services** on Fridays at 6 PM. Services are in-person at Temple Beth El, usually in the TBE Chapel, and live-streamed on Zoom. For the Zoom link and other details, visit the Beth El website: <https://www.tberochester.org/pray/virtual-services/>

***We Wish You and Yours a Happy, Healthy, and Sweet New Year 5785!***

**BHBI Website: [www.BHBIRochester.org](http://www.BHBIRochester.org)**

## BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – OCTOBER 2024

Wednesday	Oct 2	6:30 PM	Erev 1 <sup>st</sup> Day Rosh Hashanah Service at BHBI (light candles 6:31 PM )
Thursday	Oct 3	9:00 AM 5:00 PM	1 <sup>st</sup> Day Rosh Hashanah Morning Service at BHBI Tashlich and Mincha at the Brickyard Trail, meet at TBK parking lot by door A (light candles after 7:29 PM)
Friday	Oct 4	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Day Rosh Hashanah Morning Service at BHBI Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth Am at Temple Beth El (TBE chapel) and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 6:27 PM)
Saturday	Oct 5	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Ha'azinu
Sunday	Oct 6	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit <a href="http://www.BHBIRochester.org">www.BHBIRochester.org</a> for the Zoom link
Friday	Oct 11	6:00 PM	Yom Kippur Kol Nidre Service at BHBI (light candles 6:15 PM)
Saturday	Oct 12	9:00 AM 5:15 PM 7:14 PM	Yom Kippur Morning Service with Yizkor at BHBI Yom Kippur Mincha/Maariv Service, followed by Neilah at BHBI Yom Kippur fast ends
Sunday	Oct 13	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit <a href="http://www.BHBIRochester.org">www.BHBIRochester.org</a> for the Zoom link
Monday	Oct 14	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting on Zoom
Wednesday	Oct 16	6:00 PM	Erev 1 <sup>st</sup> Day Sukkot Service at Temple Beth El (light candles 6:07 PM)
Thursday	Oct 17	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	1 <sup>st</sup> Day Sukkot Morning Service at Temple Beth El Erev 2 <sup>nd</sup> Day Sukkot Service at Beth El (light candles after 7:06 PM)
Friday	Oct 18	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Day Sukkot Morning Service at Temple Beth El Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth Am at Temple Beth El (TBE chapel) and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 6:04 PM)
Saturday	Oct 19	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Chol Hamoed Sukkot Kiddish in the BHBI sukkah
Sunday	Oct 20	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit <a href="http://www.BHBIRochester.org">www.BHBIRochester.org</a> for the Zoom link
Wednesday	Oct 23	7:00 AM 5:45 PM	Hoshanah Rabah Service at Temple Beth El Erev Shemini Atzeret Service at Temple Beth El (light candles 5:56 PM)
Thursday	Oct 24	9:00 AM 6:30 PM	Shemini Atzeret Morning Service with Yizkor at Temple Beth El Erev Simchat Torah Service at Beth El (light candles after 6:56 PM)
Friday	Oct 25	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	Simchat Torah Morning Service at Temple Beth El Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth Am at Temple Beth El (TBE chapel) and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 5:53 PM)
Saturday	Oct 26	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Bereishit
Sunday	Oct 27	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit <a href="http://www.BHBIRochester.org">www.BHBIRochester.org</a> for the Zoom link

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## NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

*The following members and friends of BHBI send you their warmest greetings for the New Year:*

Steve and Ruth Teitel  
Tamara Strubel

Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky  
Harris, Aline, Matthew and Noah Honickman  
The Mercers

Ira Cohen and Ellen Franke  
Helen Arditi

There is still time to send your New Year's Greeting to the congregation!  
Send a check for \$5 made out to Congregation BHBI, P.O. Box 20891, Rochester, NY 14602.  
All greetings received in October will appear in the November Bulletin.

## THANK YOU TO OUR SEPTEMBER KIDDUSH SPONSORS

Ruth and Steve Teitel in memory of Ruth's mother Goldie Glazer

Dave Rogachefsky in memory of grandfather David Goldman, father Philip Rogachefsky, and uncle Harry Rogachefsky

## DONATIONS

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

*In memory of Winston Block*  
Cathy Block

*In memory of Fran Dubin Gulack  
and Marian Carton Gulack*  
Helen and Steve Gulack

*In memory of Alan Gold*  
Lyn and Norm Adams

*In memory of Anna Lubitow*  
Sue Baker

*In memory of Harold Krinsky*  
Rosemary Hyland

## HIGH HOLY DAY APPEAL

The Congregation depends on its members and friends to support our ongoing services and activities throughout the year. Please be generous when you consider a donation to our High Holy Day Appeal. Donations to the High Holy Day Appeal will be listed in the November Bulletin.

## 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.

Oct 4-5	Tishrei	Oct 11-12	Tishrei	Oct 18-19	Tishrei	Oct 25-26	Tishrei
Catherine Braz*	3	Fanny Kovelski*	10	Harris I. Cenzler*	18	Beverly Clark*	24
Hyman A. Davis*	5	Milton Honickman	11	Ben Hobel*	18	David Israel	24
Rose Lewis*	6	Annie Kovel*	14	Jean Traub*	18	Robert Steinmetz*	24
Annie Schwartz*	6			Marie L. Steinmetz*	19	Morris Album*	25
Fannie R. Spector*	8	*Denotes name		Leon Titof	20	Litman Cohen*	26
Averil Toker	9	memorialized on		Stanley Toker*	20	Gershon Hinensky*	28
		BHBI Memorial		Tamar Rogachefsky*	22	Sam Gold	29
		Plaque		Daniel Horowitz	23	Bernard Israel	30
						Celia Israel	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 Ira Cohen at [BHBIRochester@gmail.com](mailto:BHBIRochester@gmail.com).

## CEMETERY PLOTS

Did you know that BHBI has designated sections at Stone Road, Britton Road and Mt. Hope Cemeteries and that we sell cemetery plots? If you would like more information, contact Steve Teitel at [BHBIRochester@gmail.com](mailto:BHBIRochester@gmail.com).

**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](mailto: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 – *kiddushim, which were suspended due to COVID, are now being resumed on a once a month basis on the 2nd Shabbat of each month.*

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