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***Congregation Beth Hamedresh – Beth Israel***

# BULLETIN

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## ***June's President's Message***

Friends,

I'd like to thank you all for electing me President of BHBI. Many thanks to Steve Teitel who guided us through the chaos of selling our building and the success of moving into our new rooms at Temple Beth El. Thanks to the many people who helped along the way. Many thanks to the other officers and Board members who have chosen to continue their service to our shul.

When Steve reminded me that one of my duties as President is the monthly president's message in the Bulletin, he suggested I could just copy and reuse my messages from the past. I did look back at some of my previous messages. This is how the message of June 2016 began:

"Another year has passed, we've had our annual congregational meeting, and you've re-elected me President of BHBI. This has a feel of "same old, same old." Our shul is pretty stable both financially and physically and it's easy to get into the habit of thinking that we can just keep drifting along. Our landscape has changed. Two years ago, we were the only small Conservative shul in our area. Temple Beth El is nearby, but clearly distinct from us in size and atmosphere. A year ago Temple Beth Am left Henrietta, and recently Temple Beth David left Irondequoit. Now, all of the Conservative synagogues in Rochester are within walking distance of each other. We are no longer so distinct."

Now, 9 years later, all the Conservative shuls are under the same roof. The system we had of small shul collaboration is a thing of the past. We've done pretty well over the last 4 months, getting minyans most of the time, sometimes with help from Beth El members. But, we should not get complacent. Every week is a challenge of "can we do it again?" Every holiday is a challenge of "do we do this ourselves or do we go to Beth El?" We need all of you to come and bring your friends, the same plea I made 9 years ago.

The month starts with Shavuot. We will be joining Temple Beth El for study on the first night and for morning services. We will be having our own Shavuot dinner on the second night. More information is on page 2 of this Bulletin. I look forward to seeing you there.

See you at shul,  
*Leon Metlay*

## **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, unless sitting in the "unmasking" section of the sanctuary. Masks are available in the sanctuary for those who need.

**Temple Beth Am** and **Temple Beth El** have **Shabbat Evening Services** on Fridays at 6 PM. Services are in-person at Temple Beth El, 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/>

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## BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – JUNE 2025

|          |         |                               |  |
|----------|---------|-------------------------------|--|
| Sunday   | June 1  | 7:30 PM                       | Erev Shavuot Ma'ariv Service with Temple Beth El, followed by dessert reception and Tikkun Leil Shavuot (light candles 8:26 PM)  |
| Monday   | June 2  | 9:00 AM<br>6:00 PM<br>6:30 PM | Shavuot 1 <sup>st</sup> Day Service with Temple Beth El, followed by Kiddush Lunch<br>Shavuot Mincha Service with Temple Beth El<br><i>BHBI Shavuot Dinner upstairs in the Temple Beth El Garden Room</i><br>(light candles after 9:37 PM) |
| Tuesday  | June 3  | 9:00 AM                       | Shavuot 2 <sup>nd</sup> Day Service and Yizkor with Temple Beth El, followed by Kiddush Lunch  |
| Friday   | June 6  | 6:00 PM                       | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:29 PM)  |
| Saturday | June 7  | 9:30 AM                       | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Naso<br><i>Kiddish with Temple Beth El following service</i>  |
| Sunday   | June 8  | 9:00 AM                       | Service live streamed, visit <a href="http://www.BHBIRochester.org">www.BHBIRochester.org</a> for the Zoom link  |
| Monday   | June 9  | 7:30 PM                       | BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting on Zoom   |
| Friday   | June 13 | 6:00 PM                       | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:33 PM)  |
| Saturday | June 14 | 9:30 AM                       | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Behaalotecha  |
| Sunday   | June 15 | 9:00 AM                       | Service live streamed, visit <a href="http://www.BHBIRochester.org">www.BHBIRochester.org</a> for the Zoom link  |
| Friday   | June 20 | 6:00 PM                       | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:36 PM)  |
| Saturday | June 21 | 9:30 AM                       | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Shlach<br><i>Kiddish luncheon following service in BHBI's kiddish room</i>  |
| Sunday   | June 22 | 9:00 AM                       | Service live streamed, visit <a href="http://www.BHBIRochester.org">www.BHBIRochester.org</a> for the Zoom link  |
| Friday   | June 27 | 6:00 PM                       | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:36 PM)  |
| Saturday | June 28 | 9:30 AM                       | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Korach  |
| Sunday   | June 29 | 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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## BHBI SHAVUOT DINNER

There will be a BHBI Shavuot Dinner at 6:30 pm on Monday, June 2. This is Erev Shavuot 2<sup>nd</sup> day. Dinner will be upstairs in the TBE Garden Room. Menu will be: red lentil soup, baked salmon, cheese kugel, dessert. The cost for the dinner will be \$10 per adult, \$6 per child ages 12 and under. **Reservations are required and must be received by Wednesday, May 28, 5:00 pm. Reservations must be sent by email to [BHBIRochester@gmail.com](mailto:BHBIRochester@gmail.com).** Payment should be sent by check to: Congregation BHBI, P.O. Box 20891, Rochester, NY 14602. No late reservations will be accepted. We hope to see you there!

## 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.

| June 6-7                 | Sivan | June 13-14            | Sivan | June 20-23   | Sivan | June 27-28      | Tamuz |
|--------------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|--|-------|-----------------|-------|
| Harry Strauss*           | 11    | Lyons I. Jossem*      | 18    | Ada Gordon*  | 25    | Samuel Hoffman* | 2     |
| Theresa Mayer Block      | 12    | Zus Kaminnik          | 19    | Stella Getz*                                       | 27    | Sarah Sarachan* | 2     |
| Minnie Strom*            | 12    | Chayah Simah Malina*  | 19    | Mary Goldman*                                      | 27    | Eva Goodman*    | 3     |
| Rose Sallerson*          | 13    | Esther Senzel*        | 20    | Betty Newell*                                      | 27    | Rose Joffe*     | 3     |
| Janet Riwkin Glaser*     | 14    | Sarah Rebecca Gerber* | 21    | Eva Wasserman*                                     | 27    | Jennie Epstein* | 4     |
| Maxine Gold              | 17    | Minnie Marcus*        | 21    | Isadore Goldman*                                   | 29    | David Glasser*  | 4     |
| Evelyn Goldman Kauffman* | 17    | Nathan Yablin*        | 21    | Hyb Jossem*  | 30    | Alan Fishman    | 5     |
| Louis Maltinsky*         | 17    | Fannie Warnick*       | 23    |  |       | Morris Krinsky* | 7     |
| Sadie Stolnitz*          | 17    | Louis Sanow*          | 24    |  |       |                 |       |
| Katherine Weinrib*       | 17    |                       |       |  |       |                 |       |
|                          |       |                       |       | *Denotes name memorialized on BHBI Memorial Plaque |       |                 |       |

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).

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## TORAH READERS WANTED!

Would you like to learn how to chant the Torah at services? We have several members who would be happy to tutor you! Why not give it a try? You'd be helping out the Congregation and doing a mitzvah at the same time! Contact the shul at [BHBIRochester@gmail.com](mailto:BHBIRochester@gmail.com) if you are interested.

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