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May's President's Message

Friends,

There are two events coming up during May that I would like to bring to your attention. They are the annual congregational meeting and the holiday of Shavuot.

The BHBI annual meeting will be held on Sunday, May 17th at 3:30 PM. As in recent years we've chosen an afternoon rather than an evening meeting. The meeting will be held in the Temple Beth El Youth Lounge, the same room we used for last year's meeting. Please come and help us make a quorum. I'll remind you that only those who are caught up on their dues will be able to vote. If you can't come, you can give a proxy to someone else to vote for you, but proxies do not count towards the quorum. There are no constitutional amendments up for vote this year, but we will be discussing the future management of our cemeteries. We will also discuss plans for the upcoming High Holy Days (spoiler alert, we're having discussions with Temple Beth David). Of course, we will also elect the Board and Officers. There should be plenty of time to socialize. This meeting is an opportunity for us to build community when we are having fewer events than we used to. Please join us!

At the end of May is the holiday of Shavuot, the time of giving of the Torah. We will be joining Temple Beth El for the first day and having our own service the second day. It starts on Thursday, May 21st with the evening service with Beth El at 7:30 PM, followed by an educational program that will stretch into the night. The morning service on May 22nd will start at 9 AM, followed by a Kiddush lunch with Beth El. On the second day, May 23rd, our own service, including Yizkor, will also start at 9 AM. Please come and help us with the minyan. I hear there might be ice cream at our Kiddush.

Have a wonderful May. I'm looking forward to seeing you all at shul.

Leon

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 if you are interested.

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 El has **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/>

BHBI Website: www.BHBIRochester.org

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – MAY 2026

Friday	May 1	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles from pre-existing flame after 7:54 PM)
Saturday	May 2	9:30 PM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Emor <i>Kiddish with Temple Beth El following service</i>
Sunday	May 3	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
Friday	May 8	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:02 PM)
Saturday	May 9	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Behar-Bechukotai
Sunday	May 10	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
Monday	May 11	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting on Zoom
Friday	May 15	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:10 PM)
Saturday	May 16	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Bamidbar <i>Kiddish luncheon following service in BHBI's kiddish room</i>
Sunday	May 17	9:00 AM 3:30 PM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link BHBI Annual Membership Meeting in the TBE Youth Lounge
Thursday	May 21	7:30 PM	Erev Shavuot Mincha and Ma'ariv Service with Temple Beth El, followed by Tikkun Leil Shavuot Study Session (light candles 8:16 PM)
Friday	May 22	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	Shavuot 1 st Day Service with Temple Beth El in the main sanctuary followed by Kiddish Lunch with Temple Beth El at noon. Mincha with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:17 PM from pre-existing flame)
Saturday	May 23	9:00 AM	Shavuot 2 nd Day Morning Service with Yizkor at BHBI Torah: Shavuot
Sunday	May 24	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
Friday	May 29	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:23 PM)
Saturday	May 30	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Naso
Sunday	May 31	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link

THANK YOU TO OUR APRIL KIDDUSH SPONSOR

Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky in honor of the naming of grandson Daniel Elimelech ben Sarah Rena

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In memory of Beverly Honickman
Harris and Aline Honickman

In memory of Samuel Gastel
Jill Clark-Foulkes

WE WISH YOU A HAPPY SHAVUOT!!

This year we will be joining with Temple Beth El in the Main Sanctuary for Shavuot Holiday services, except for the morning 2nd day when BHBI will have its own Shabbat Shavuot service with Yizkor in our regular room. See the calendar above for dates and times.

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.

May 1-2	Iyar	May 15-16	Iyar/Sivan	May 22-23	Sivan	May 29-30	Sivan
Haskell Isaac Smith*	15	Shirley B. Dvorkin*	29	Max Atkin*	8	Janet Riwkin Glaser*	14
Samuel Lederman*	16	Samuel Schwartz*	1	Albert Bernstein*	8	Maxine Gold	17
Samuel J. Weisenberg*	16	Sam Dubin	2	Bessie Eber*	8	Evelyn Goldman Kauffman*	17
Libby Goldberg*	18	Nathan Epstein*	2	Max Vogelstein	8	Louis Maltinsky*	17
Samuel Gastel*	21	Bessie Klein*	2	Benjamin Weinrib*	8	Sadie Stolnitz*	17
May 8-9	Iyar	Rose Levin*	4	May Cohen*	9	Katherine Weinrib*	17
Samuel Sanow*	22	Esther Gertrude Schriba*	4	Robert Baker*	10	Lyons I. Jossem*	18
Esther Leah Silverman*	24	Morris Levine*	5	Sarah Osband*	10	Zus Kaminnik	19
Reuben Cohen	26	Ida Sherman*	5	Jesse Stolnitz*	10	Chayah Simah Malina*	19
Annette Garver*	26	Ann Alderman*	6	Harry Strauss*	11	Esther Senzel*	20
Leopold Buchbinder*	27			Theresa Mayer Block	12		
Charles Bertman*	27			Minnie Strom*	12		
Isadore D. Goldberg*	27			Rose Sallerson*	13		
Harry T. Levinson*	27						
Abraham Goldman*	28						
Arnold Kauffman*	28						

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.

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.

AD SPONSORS

We are always looking for additional businesses that are interested in placing an ad in the BHBI Bulletin. If you know of someone whose business or company may be interested, contact Ira Cohen at 943-1040 or by e-mail at gouldron@aol.com

BHBI ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Please join us for our annual membership meeting on Sunday, May 17, at 3:30 pm in the Temple Beth El Youth Lounge. Come to elect our slate of officers and trustees, review our budget, and give your feedback!

<p><i>Rochester's Jewish Funeral Home</i></p>  <p><i>Establishing a New Tradition</i></p>	<p>Follow my social media</p>   <p><i>Angelskya Create</i></p> <p><i>Sarah Melay the artist</i> Email: angelskyacreate@gmail.com Phone number: 585-286-2360 (call only) 585-405-3233 (text only)</p>
<p>BRIGHTON MEMORIAL CHAPEL, INC.</p> <p><i>Graveside, Temple or Chapel Services.</i> <i>Now respectfully maintaining the PARSKY records.</i></p> <p>427-8520</p> <p>Jarrod M. Krieger <i>owner & 4th generation Rochesterian</i> www.BrightonMemorialChapel.com</p> <p>3325 Winton Road South S/W corner of Jefferson & Winton Rds</p>	

OFFICE: The synagogue office is checked regularly for mail and messages. Snail mail must be sent to P.O. Box 20891, Rochester, NY 14602. 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.

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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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