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September's President's Message

Friends,

The beginning of the year is a time for us all to resolve to live our lives better than we have been. This change for the better can be sought in many different ways. In our relationships with our friends and family, in our own personal achievements, and in our relationship with our religion. For my own relationships, I start by humbly asking all of you to forgive me for anything I have done, or not done, during the past year that might have hurt you. I, in turn, will forgive whatever has bothered me in the past year.

My resolution regarding religion is to do my best for BHBI. I hope you all will make similar resolutions. BHBI is chugging along, but we need your help. We still occasionally miss getting a minyan. We sometimes have to beg for a volunteer to prepare a Kiddush luncheon (for instance the upcoming Kiddush in the Sukkah in September, hint, hint). Please, as you examine your life in the coming Days of Awe, think about what more you can do for BHBI.

Besides attendance at services, there is also participation. Currently almost all of our services are led by 5 people. Our Torah reading and haftarahs are mostly read by 3 people. There is an open invitation to anyone who wants to lead services, just talk to me. If you want to read Hebrew better, I can find someone to help you. Anyone who wants to chant Torah or haftarah will find help to do so. All you have to do is ask.

One way to help BHBI is by financial contributions. Some of you have reported seeing unstable or fallen gravestones in Britton Road and Stone Road Cemeteries. Over the past two years we have spent a substantial sum to right several stones, with more work projected in the near future. Besides the ongoing expenses of running the synagogue (thankfully without having to worry about roof leaks and rotten pillars) we want to continue improving the cemeteries. If not now, when? Please give generously to our High Holy Day appeal.

Our Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur services will be held with Temple Beth David this year. We have had other joint services with Beth David in the past, they have always been friendly and welcoming. The schedule is attached to this bulletin. Tickets are going out in a separate mailing. Because of security procedures you will need your ticket to gain admission to the building. You may attend Temple Beth El services if you so desire.

Have a good and sweet New Year,
Leon

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 here: <https://www.tberoc.org/live-stream/>

We wish you and your loved ones a Happy, Healthy, and Sweet New Year!

BHBI Website: www.BHBIRochester.org

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – SEPTEMBER 2026

Friday	Sept 4	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El – musical Kabbalat Shabbat in the upstairs foyer (light candles 7:22 PM)
Saturday	Sept 5	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Nitzavim-Vayelech <i>Kiddish with Temple Beth El following service</i>
		8:00 PM	Mincha and Ma'ariv with Temple Beth El in the TBE sanctuary
		8:30 PM	Selichot Service with Temple Beth El in the TBE sanctuary
Sunday	Sept 6	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
Friday	Sept 11	6:00 PM	Erev Rosh Hashanah with Temple Beth El (light candles 7:09 PM)
Saturday	Sept 12	8:30 AM	Rosh Hashanah 1 st Day Service with Temple Beth David in the TBE chapel
		6:00 PM	Erev Rosh Hashanah 2 nd Day Service with Temple Beth El in the TBE sanctuary (light candles from pre-existing flame after 8:06 PM)
Sunday	Sept 13	8:30 AM	Rosh Hashanah 2 nd Day Service with Temple Beth David in the TBE chapel
		1:00 PM	Kiddish lunch with Temple Beth El
		5:00 PM	Tashlich with Temple Beth David, Lock 32 Erie Canal, Clover Street
		8:07 PM	Holiday ends
Monday	Sept 14	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting on Zoom
Friday	Sept 18	6:00 PM	Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and livestreamed – see page 1 for further information (light candles 6:57 PM)
Saturday	Sept 19	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Ha'azinu
Sunday	Sept 20	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
		6:15 PM	Mincha and Ma'ariv with Temple Beth El in the TBE sanctuary
		6:45 PM	Yom Kippur Kol Nidre Service with Temple Beth David in the TBE chapel (light candles 6:53 PM, fast begins)
Monday	Sept 21	9:00 AM	Yom Kippur Morning Service with Temple Beth David in the TBE chapel
		11:45 AM	Yizkor (approximate time) with Temple Beth David in the TBE chapel
		5:00 PM	Afternoon Service and Ne'ilah with Temple Beth David in the TBE chapel
		7:51 PM	Holiday Ends, Break Fast with Temple Beth El
Friday	Sept 25	6:00 PM	Erev Sukkot 1 st Day with Temple Beth El in the TBE sanctuary (light candles 6:44 PM)
Saturday	Sept 26	9:00 AM	Sukkot 1 st Day and Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI <i>Kiddish luncheon following service in BHBI's sukkah</i>
		6:00 PM	Erev Sukkot 2 nd Day with Temple Beth El (light candles from pre-existing flame after 7:42 PM)
Sunday	Sept 27	9:30 AM	Sukkot 2 nd Day Morning Service with Temple Beth El
		12:00 PM	Kiddish Lunch with Temple Beth El in the TBE sukkah
		6:00 PM	Mincha and Ma'ariv with Temple Beth El in the TBE sanctuary

THANK YOU TO OUR AUGUST KIDDUSH SPONSOR

Steve and Ruth Teitel in memory of father Joseph Teitel and mother Goldie Glazer

HIGH HOLY DAY APPEAL

Please be generous when you consider a donation to our High Holy Day Appeal. Please send your donation to: Congregation BHBI, P.O. Box 20891, Rochester, NY 14602. Donations will be listed in the October Bulletin.

YAHREZEITS

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.

Sept 4-5	Elul	Sept 11-12	Tishrei	Sept 18-19	Tishrei	Sept 25-26	Tishrei
Bessie Cominsky*	23	Shirley Arlene Dvorkin	1	Fannie R. Spector*	8	Harris I. Cenzer*	18
Harry Rogachefsky*	24	Ronni Lynn Gordon*	1	Averil Toker	9	Ben Hobel*	18
Rose Levin*	25	David Lester Kauffman*	1	Fanny Kovel'ski*	10	Jean Traub*	18
David Goldman*	26	Katie Metlay	2	Milton Honickman	11	Marie L. Steinmetz*	19
Trudy Bender Baran	27	Catherine Braz*	3	Annie Kovel*	14	Leon Titof	20
I. Robert Lewis*	27	Hyman A. Davis*	5	*Denotes name memorialized on BHBI Memorial Plaque		Stanley Toker*	20
Phillip Rogachefsky*	27	Rose Lewis*	6				
Janet Kanthor*	28	Annie Schwartz*	6				
Anna Levin*	28						
Ida Kaplan	28						
Gerald Glaser*	29						
Mazel Tov Levy	29						

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.

DONATIONS THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

In memory of Tanya Yudelsohn
Harris and Aline Honickman

In memory of Winston Block
Cathy Block

In memory of Harold Krinsky
Rosemary Hyland

In memory of Rose T. Cohen
Ira Cohen and Ellen Franke

*In memory of Arthur Kaplan and
Kenneth Kaplan*
Ronna Marsh

In memory of Fran Dubin Gulack
Steve and Helen Gulack

In memory of Judith Rodney
Paula Bobb

Donation to the general fund
Sue Baker



SleepyTime Concerts – Rochester Fringe Festival

Shh! Step out of the noise and daily busyness. Come to an oasis, where classical music will be performed on the quiet, gentle toy piano. Delight in hearing music of great composers on this tiny, magical instrument. Sit, lie down, dance! Perfect for the young, young-at-heart, and those who like quirky! Pianist **Paula Rodney Bobb** has performed on toy piano in concert with dancers and a Mozart concerto with the RPO. **Sunday, September 20, 11:30 AM** at The Hochstein School Chapel. Length: 40 minutes. Tickets required. For tickets, go to:

<https://rochesterfringe.com/tickets-and-shows/sleepytime-concerts>



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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.

DID YOU MISPLACE YOUR BULLETIN? 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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2026 HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES for BHBI Members

SATURDAY, September 5 **SELICHOT** with Temple Beth El

8:00 PM	Ma'ariv & Havdalah	2 nd floor sanctuary
8:30 PM	Selichot Service	2 nd floor sanctuary

FRIDAY, September 11 **EREV ROSH HASHANAH** with Temple Beth El

6:00 PM	Mincha & Ma'ariv	2 nd floor sanctuary
7:09 PM	Candle Lighting	

SATURDAY, September 12 **ROSH HASHANAH 1ST DAY AND SHABBAT** with Temple Beth David

8:30 AM	Morning Service	1 st floor chapel
6:00 PM	Mincha & Ma'ariv with TBE	2 nd floor sanctuary
8:06 PM	Candle Lighting from pre-existing flame	

SUNDAY, September 13 **ROSH HASHANAH 2ND DAY** with Temple Beth David

8:30 AM	Morning Service	1 st floor chapel
1:00 PM	Kiddish lunch with TBE	2 nd floor social hall
5:00 PM	Tashlich with TBD	Lock 32 Erie Canal, Clover Street, Pittsford
8:07 PM	Havdalah (holiday ends)	

SUNDAY, September 20 **YOM KIPPUR KOL NIDRE SERVICE** with Temple Beth David

6:15 PM	Mincha with TBE	2 nd floor sanctuary
6:45 PM	Kol Nidre Service	1 st floor chapel
6:53 PM	Candle Lighting, Fast Begins	

MONDAY, September 21 **YOM KIPPUR** with Temple Beth David

9:00 AM	Morning Service	1 st floor chapel
11:45 AM	Yizkor (approximate time)	1 st floor chapel
5:00 PM	Afternoon Service & Ne'ilah	1 st floor chapel
7:51 PM	TBD Service ends	1 st floor chapel
	Break Fast with TBE	2 nd floor social hall

Note: While BHBI will be joining with Temple Beth David this year for the main High Holy Day Services, any BHBI member who would prefer to attend the Temple Beth El services is welcome to do so. The schedule of Beth El services appears on the back of your High Holy Day ticket.