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# BULLETIN

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

Friends,

I hope you had a good High Holy Day season and are enjoying Sukkot. If you attended services with us at Temple Beth David, please tell me how you liked it. If you went to Beth El, please tell me how you liked that, and, if you're willing, tell me why you didn't go to Beth David.

I'm not a very mystical person, so please bear with me as I step off my usual paths: I've been thinking about the Sukkah as a metaphor for Jewish existence. It is portable, fragile, temporary, and yet endures year after year. Despite its fragility it also has an aspect of protection. In the bracha "Hashkivenu" we refer to the shelter of G-d's Sukkah of peace. A Sukkah has 4 walls. Another thing with 4 sides (or specifically 4 corners) is the tallit. The tallit has fringes on the 4 corners, the 4 canafot (singular: canaf). But is a canaf really a corner? The Hebrew for corner is "pina". A canaf is actually a wing. In the siddur, immediately after the bracha for putting on the tallit, is an excerpt from Psalm 36:8-11, which refers to the sons of Adam sheltering in the shadow of Your (G-d's) wings (canafecha). I don't think this literally means G-d has wings, I think it is a reference to His Tallit. Picture a little child sitting next to their parent in shul, tucked under the parent's tallit. That is what G-d does for Israel. At this time of year when we sit in the Sukkah, we are huddled in the protection of a divine Tallit.

I hope that all of you experience a season of peace and a year of prosperity and growth.

Chag sameach. See you in shul.

*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/>

## **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.

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

## BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – OCTOBER 2026

|          |        |                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|----------|--------|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Friday   | Oct 2  | 7:00 AM<br>6:00 PM     | Hoshanah Rabbah with Temple Beth El in the TBE sanctuary<br>Erev Shemini Atzeret with Temple Beth El in the TBE sanctuary, followed by dinner in the TBE sukkah (RSVP required) (light candles 6:31 PM)                                     |
| Saturday | Oct 3  | 9:00 AM<br><br>6:30 PM | Shemini Atzeret Morning Service with Yizkor at BHBI<br><i>Kiddish with Temple Beth El following service</i><br>Erev Simchat Torah, family service, with Temple Beth El in the TBE sanctuary (light candles from pre-existing flame 7:30 PM) |
| Sunday   | Oct 4  | 9:30 AM                | Simchat Torah Morning Service with Temple Beth El in the TBE sanctuary, followed by kiddish lunch with TBE                                                                                                                                  |
| Friday   | Oct 9  | 6:00 PM                | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and livestreamed – see page 1 for further information (light candles 6:20 PM)                                                                                                            |
| Saturday | Oct 10 | 9:30 AM                | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Bereishit                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Sunday   | Oct 11 | 8:30 AM                | Service live streamed, visit <a href="http://www.BHBIROchester.org">www.BHBIROchester.org</a> for the Zoom link                                                                                                                             |
| Monday   | Oct 12 | 7:30 PM                | BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting on Zoom                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Friday   | Oct 16 | 6:00 PM                | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and livestreamed – see page 1 for further information (light candles 6:08 PM)                                                                                                            |
| Saturday | Oct 17 | 9:30 AM                | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Noach<br><i>Kiddish luncheon following service in BHBI's kiddish room</i>                                                                                                                            |
| Sunday   | Oct 18 | 9:00 AM                | Service live streamed, visit <a href="http://www.BHBIROchester.org">www.BHBIROchester.org</a> for the Zoom link                                                                                                                             |
| Friday   | Oct 23 | 6:00 PM                | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and livestreamed – see page 1 for further information (light candles 5:57 PM)                                                                                                            |
| Saturday | Oct 24 | 9:30 AM                | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Lech-Lecha                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Sunday   | Oct 25 | 9:00 AM                | Service live streamed, visit <a href="http://www.BHBIROchester.org">www.BHBIROchester.org</a> for the Zoom link                                                                                                                             |
| Friday   | Oct 30 | 6:00 PM                | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and livestreamed – see page 1 for further information (light candles 5:47 PM)                                                                                                            |
| Saturday | Oct 31 | 9:30 AM                | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Vayeira                                                                                                                                                                                              |

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Leon Metlay and Nina Klionsky

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It is not too late to send in your High Holy Day Appeal donation!  
New donations 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 2-3              | Tishrei | Oct 9-10                | Tishrei/<br>Cheshvan | Oct 16-17                  | Cheshvan | Oct 23-24         | Cheshvan |
|----------------------|---------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| Tamar Rogachefsky*   | 22      | Sam Gold                | 29                   | Ida Menter*                | 7        | Israel Astrachan* | 13       |
| Daniel Horowitz      | 23      | Bernard Israel          | 30                   | Clara Spencer              | 7        | Marion Grossman*  | 13       |
| Beverly Clark*       | 24      | Celia Israel            | 30                   | Marion Lazar*              | 8        | Jacob Markin*     | 13       |
| David Israel         | 24      | Herbert Hirsch*         | 1                    | Joseph D. Stolz*           | 8        | Nellie Beckler*   | 15       |
| Robert Steinmetz*    | 24      | Bessie Miller*          | 1                    | Ida Buckbinder*            | 9        | Lena Cohen*       | 16       |
| Morris Album*        | 25      | Peg Toker*              | 3                    | Irene Bernstein Mikolasek* | 9        | Sofya Kaminnik*   | 17       |
| Litman Cohen*        | 26      | Sarah Rickler*          | 4                    | Flora Priceman*            | 9        | Rae Toker         | 17       |
| Gershon Hinensky*    | 28      | Blanche Florescue Ross* | 4                    | Bernard Lipschutz          | 10       | Mosheh Lazar*     | 18       |
|                      |         | Charles Schnidman*      | 4                    | Ingeborg Vogelstein        | 10       | Julia Goldman*    | 19       |
|                      |         | Harry Silverman*        | 5                    | Dianne Hooker*             | 11       |                   |          |
| Bessie Schnidman*    | 21      |                         |                      | Lottie Astrachan*          | 12       | *Denotes name     |          |
| Louis Gastel*        | 23      |                         |                      | Alfred E. Hart*            | 12       | memorialized on   |          |
| Dr. Bernard Klionsky | 24      |                         |                      | Sol Weinstein*             | 12       | BHBI Memorial     |          |
| Nathan Strom*        | 24      |                         |                      |                            |          | 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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**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.

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