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Congregation Beth Hamedresh – Beth Israel

BULLETIN

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#### February President's Message

Friends,

Last month's bulletin was prepared before the Chanukah party – which turned out a grand success. Thanks to Janet Grable and her team, we had a delicious Mexican slant to our traditional cuisine including maize latkes. There are so many to thank that I'm afraid of leaving out someone. Judith Mercer, Jeff Nidetz, Aviva Schaffer, Stan Schaffer and Esther Vogelstein helped with set-up, in the kitchen and with serving. Bartenders Ira Cohen and Leon Metlay made delicious drinks - and didn't ask anyone their age. Thanks to Muriel Hobel for taking reservations and collecting money at the door. The wonderful cocktail glasses that Janet donated are a great souvenir that will remind us of the evening for years to come.

Our "sold American" auctioneer, Art Mercer, had a sellout of all the merchandise on hand – including the giant Hershey bar. And for those of us who indulged in the karaoke – sincere thanks to the rest of you for humoring us with your self-restraint!

On Saturday February 11, we will host a special Scout Shabbat service for Boy Scout Troop 3, Cub Scout Pack 300 and Venturing Crew 36 while also having a joint service with congregants from Temple Beth Am. The Scouts will help with the service and receive special religious awards which the have earned. Please join them for this special occasion. We will have a special oneg following the service.

This year Tu B'Shevat – New Year for Trees – falls on the evening of February 12. Remember to hug a tree (or better yet, plant one), and eat some tree fruit like dates.

I look forward to seeing you all at shul,

Harris Honickman

#### TU B'SHEVAT

This year, Tu b'Shevat, the New Year of the Trees, falls on February 13<sup>th</sup>. How better to commemorate Tu b'Shevat than by purchasing a tree or trees to be planted in Israel. To do so, go to the Jewish National Fund web site at www.jnf.org or call the JNF at 1-888-JNF-0099.



### **BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – February 2006**

Friday	Feb. 3	7:30 PM	Shabbat Evening Services at St. John's Home, 150 Highland Avenue Light candles at 5:06 PM.				
Saturday	Feb. 4	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Bo Birthday and Anniversary Kiddush				
Sunday	Feb. 5	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion				
Friday	Feb. 10	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 5:16 PM.				
Saturday	Feb. 11	Joint Shabbat Morning Service with Congregants from Temple Beth Am					
J			Scout Shabbat at BHBI Torah: Beshalach				
Sunday	Feb. 12	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion				
Monday	Feb. 13	7:30 PM	Board Meeting				
Friday	Feb. 17	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 5:25 PM.				
Saturday	Feb. 18	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Services Torah: Yitro				
Sunday	Feb. 19	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion				
Friday	Feb. 24	8:00 PM	Shabbat Evening Services Light candles at 5:34 PM.				
Saturday	Feb. 25	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service Torah: Mishpatim Blessing for the new month				
Sunday	Feb. 26	9:00 AM	Service, Breakfast, Discussion				

# COME CELEBRATE JANUARY AND FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Following Services on February 4th

# **Happy Birthday to:**

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Janet Grable	Jan. 7 <sup>th</sup>
Annette Garver	Jan. 11 <sup>th</sup>
Elaine Schaffer	Jan. 24 <sup>th</sup>
Jeff Nidetz	Jan. 27 <sup>th</sup>
Leslie Toker	Jan. 28 <sup>th</sup>
Chris Paprocki	Feb. 1 <sup>st</sup>
Herb Spencer	Feb. 10 <sup>th</sup>
Laura Levinson	Feb. 14 <sup>th</sup>
Tamar Rogachefsky	Feb. 16 <sup>th</sup>
Simon Finkelman	Feb. 24 <sup>th</sup>



Jeff and Lyn Springut Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>



#### JEWISH ARTS ACTIVITIES OFFERED BY THE JCC IN FEBRUARY

#### Visual Arts

Photo Exhibit: Photos of the World by Louis Ryen – Feb. 1-28 in the JCC Front Lobby

Photojournalists Riki Rosen and Ethiopian-Israeli Mazi Melesa Document the Aliyah of Ethiopian Jewry to Israel, Photos and Discussion -- Feb. 6, 7:30 p.m. in the JCC Hart Theatre, no charge

#### Do It Yourself

Not Your Grandma's Knit & Purl: contemporary Designs in Knitting – Feb. 8, 4-5 p.m. and 7-8 p.m. at Village Coffee in the JCC Front Lobby. Reservations please. Call 461-2000 x214

The Art of a Jewish Home for Kids! – Feb. 20, 1-4 p.m. at the JCC Auditorium. No charge.

#### <u>Film</u>

Chopin's Afterlife – Feb. 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the JCC Hart Theatre, \$5 for members, \$7 for non-members. For tickets call 461-2000 x235

The Syrian Bride – Opens Feb. 10 at the Little Theatre. Check local listings for more information.

Lacombe Lucien – Feb. 16 at 8 p.m. at the Dryden Theatre at George Eastman House, 900 East Avenue. \$4 for members, \$6 for non-members, no advance sales

Au Revoir Les Enfants – Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. at the Dryden Theatre at George Eastman House, 900 East Avenue. \$4 for members, \$6 for non-members, no advance sales

The American Matchmaker – Feb. 26 at 2 p.m. at the JCC Senior Adult Lounge. No charge. Call 461-2000 x239 for reservations

Live and Become – Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. at the Little Theater. No charge. Call 461-2000 x235 for reservations

#### **Dance**

Israeli Dancing at the JCC Sundays in February and Year-Round – 7 p.m. Beginners Instruction, 8-10 p.m. Dancing, in the JCC Dance Studio

#### Theatre and Music

Berlin and Bernstein: Two Composers, Two Americas – Feb. 2 at 8 p.m., Feb. 4 at 8 p.m., Feb. 5 at 2 p.m. in the JCC Hart Theatre. Tickets range from \$20 to \$22. To purchase call 461-2000 x235

The FunkeyMonkeys! Music and Fun for Families – Feb. 12 at 2:30 p.m in the JCC Hart Theatre, \$12 for members, \$15 for non-members with advance purchase, \$14 for members, \$17 for non-members at the door

Calling All Young Actors! Acting classes for children ages 4-15 – Beginning Feb. 5. Call 461-2000 x239 for more information

A Chorus of Angels! – Join the JCC's new intergenerational chorus (ages 8 and up). Call 461-2000 x239 for more information

# THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSH SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

January 7	Ken and Mollie Traub in memory of Ken's father, Sigmund Traub
January 14	The Congregation
January 21	Harris and Aline Honickman to thank all those who helped make Matthew's
	bar mitzvah possible
January 28	Steve and Ruth Teitel in memory of Ruth's father, Jack Glazer

#### TO OUR DONORS -- THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

#### GENERAL FUND

Thanks to Janet Grable for a great Hanukkah party

The Teitel Family

#### **TORAH FUND**

In honor of Janet Grable

Ira Cohen

#### RABBI AARON SOLOMON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Thanks to Esther Vogelstein

Mrs. Esther Solomon

Join other BHBI members for a special Kabbalat Shabbat Service on Friday evening, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. at St. John's Home, 150 Highland Avenue, when we will bring the spirit and melodies of Shabbat to Betty Glaser and the other Jewish residents of St. John's Home

So far our *TOPS* Gift Card fundraiser has been quite successful. Remember, *TOPS* Gift Cards are now available through BHBI in \$50 denominations.

To purchase *TOPS* Gift Cards, contact Stan Schaffer at 473-8072 or by e-mail at the\_schaffers@juno.com



#### **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.

February 3-4	Shevat	February 10-11	Shevat	February 17-18	Shevat	February 24-25	Shevat/
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Sidney Applebaum*	6	Abraham Newell*	13	Besse Gold	20	Marian Bernstein*	27
Jacob Komenski*	6	Rose Salzberg	14	Benjamin Lapides*	20	Ada Goldstein*	27
Morris Suskind*	7	Gidda Strauss*	16	Alexander Phillips	21	Samuel Keyfetz*	27
Max Springut	8	Morris Gurian*	17	Simon Pogal*	21	Lottie Fink*	29
Herman Strauss*	8	Stanley Clark	18	Sarah Maltinsky*	23	Rose Ring*	29
Dvora Brodie*	9	Samuel Spencer	18	Bernard Falk*	25	Sam Finkelstein*	30
Samuel Goldman*	9	Gitla Perkal*	18			Henrietta Schaffer	30
Daniel Hirsch*	10					Boris Schvarts	30
Hyman Aaron						Paula Lewin	2
Nusbaum*	10			* Denotes name		Werner Schaffer	2
Miriam Weinberger	12			memorialized on		Anna Ruderman*	3
				BHBI Memorial		Philip Schiff*	3
				Plaque		Anna Solomon	3
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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.

# The Hillel School 8<sup>th</sup> grade presents...

The Bartons Passover Chocolate Sale.

Products include kosher for Passover parve and milk chocolate items. Prices range from \$2.50 to \$25.00.

#### Some of these scrumptious treats are:

- Parve Almond Bark
- Lollycones
- Parve dark chocolate covered matzah
- Milk chocolate covered matzah
- Fruit slices (fruit flavored jellies)
- And a large selection of macaroons

Orders will be accepted until March 2<sup>nd</sup>



## To order, contact Aviva Schaffer at 473-8072 or Hillel School at 271-6877

**OFFICE HOURS**: The shul office is checked regularly for mail and messages. The shul phone is 244-2060. For urgent issues, call Harris Honickman at 271-5145 or Stan Schaffer at 473-8072. You can also e-mail us at BHBI@frontiernet.net

#### WANT TO REMEMBER OR HONOR SOMEONE OR A SPECIAL OCCASION?

Consider sponsoring a kiddush or make a donation to any one of our funds (General Operating, Kiddush, Library, Torah, Rabbi Aaron Solomon Scholarship, Our Youth, Special Events, 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.

#### **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 Stan Schaffer know. We always appreciate feedback.

#### **DID YOU MISPLACE YOUR BULLETIN?**

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<u>WANT TO GET YOUR BULLETIN HOT-OFF-THE-PRESS</u>? Consider having us e-mail it to you! Contact Elaine or Stan Schaffer at: the schaffers@juno.com

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