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August's President's Message

Friends,

At this writing, a couple of days ago, we held our second Shabbat service since the pandemic began. The service was outside on the shaded west side of the shul building adjacent to East Avenue. We found the road noise a bit distracting. The first service, the previous week, was in front of the porch on the south side. We found that location too sunny and hot, although it was pleasantly quiet. Both were full services with Torah reading followed by chanting from the Haftorah. Of course we observed all the practices of social distancing with facial masks.

So for the following week, we will try the southeast side. Hopefully, like Goldilocks, we will find that “just right.”

Most of the other local congregations have no plans to conduct services in the near future, although some have tried Zoom on Shabbat, which is not consistent with our practice. Most congregations have not found those satisfactory. Given the size of land around our building, it is tempting to consider having outdoor High Holiday services – weather permitting - but it would be a challenge. Please let us know what you think.

We all know that, in this area, “summer’s lease hath all too short a date.” By the end of August we’ll get the first hint of fall. It should be an exciting season for our contests with the virus and politics.

Have a fun and safe rest of the summer.

Be safe,
Harris Honickman

BHBI has resumed Shabbat Morning Services!

We are excited to announce that BHBI has resumed Shabbat Morning Services. Services are now being held each Saturday morning at 9:30 AM, *outside* the building, weather permitting, canceled if it looks like rain. Everyone must wear a facial mask and keep 6 feet socially distanced. Please bring your own lawn chair, siddur, and chumash, if you are able. Folding chairs and books will be available for those who cannot bring their own. Hand sanitizer will be available. A good sun hat and a water bottle are recommended. All are welcome! But to our sincere regret, in order to maintain safe social distancing, pre-bar/bat mitzvah age children should not attend. Unfortunately, for safety's sake, there will be no kiddush following services. Sunday morning services continue on zoom at 9:00 AM, see the shul website for the zoom link.

BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – AUGUST 2020

Saturday	Aug 1	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service outside, weather permitting, Torah: Va'etchanan
Sunday	Aug 2	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
Friday	Aug 7		Erev Shabbat (light candles 8:06 PM)
Saturday	Aug 8	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service outside, weather permitting, Torah: Eikev
Sunday	Aug 9	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
Monday	Aug 10	7:30 PM	BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting via Zoom
Friday	Aug 14		Erev Shabbat (light candles 7:56 PM)
Saturday	Aug 15	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning and Blessing for the New Month outside, weather permitting, Torah: Re'eh
Sunday	Aug 16	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
Wednesday	Aug 19	7:30 PM	Small Shul Collaborative Torah Study via Zoom visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
Friday	Aug 21		Erev Shabbat (light candles 7:45 PM)
Saturday	Aug 22	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning outside, weather permitting, Torah: Shoftim
Sunday	Aug 23	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link
Friday	Aug 28		Erev Shabbat (light candles 7:33 PM)
Saturday	Aug 29	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning outside, weather permitting, Torah: Ki Teitzei
Sunday	Aug 30	9:00 AM	Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link

SMALL CONSERVATIVE SHUL COLLABORATIVE TORAH STUDY

Our Torah study session in August will be held on Wednesday, August 19th, at 7:30 pm via Zoom. New participants are welcome at any time! No prior experience required! Visit our website www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link.

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COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Information from the Federation on the COVID-19 crisis can be found at:
<https://www.jewishrochester.org/novelcoronavirusoutbreak-covid-19>

Information from the Federation about community resources, updated weekly, can be found at:
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In memory of beloved sister Sheila Kleinstein
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In memory of Nina's mother Esther Walder Klionsky
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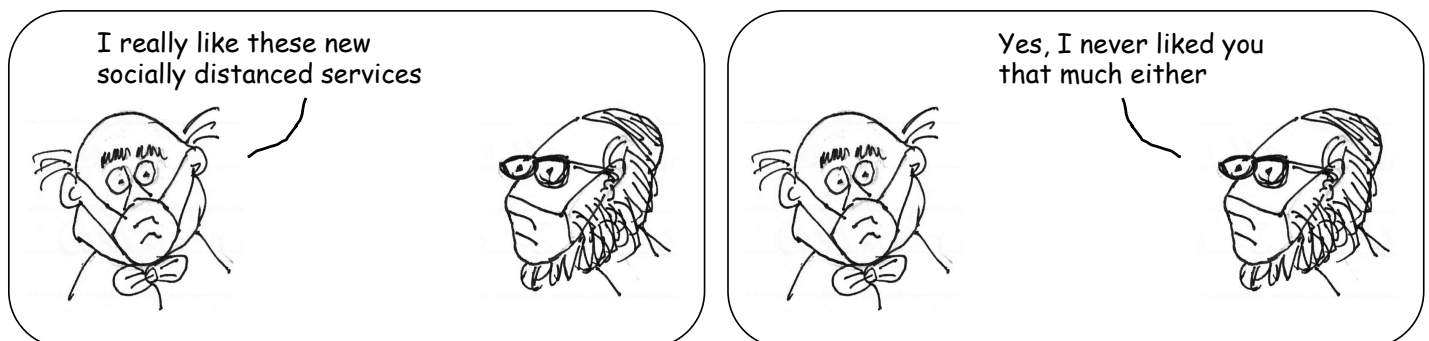
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Life in our Times



SOME THINGS TO DO WHILE SOCIAL DISTANCING

From the (NYC) Temple Emanu-El Streicker Center:

Thursday, August 6, 6:30 PM – free to the public

Alan Zweibel and Judd Apatow: What's so Funny About America?

Wander down comedic memory lane with Alan Zweibel, one of the original writers for Saturday Night Live, in conversation with director, producer, screenwriter and comedian Judd Apatow. Moderated by SiriusXM's Jessica Shaw. To register, go to: https://temple-emanu-el-streicker-center-classes.ticketleap.com/alan-zweibel--judd-apatow-whats-so-funny-about-america/dates/Aug-06-2020_at_0630PM

Monday, August 24, 7:30 PM – free to the public

Join for a world premiere staged reading of the play *Righteous*, the story of German industrialist Eduard Schulte, a member of Hitler's inner circle, whose warnings about Hitler's plans to murder European Jewry reached the desk of President Roosevelt in 1942. *Righteous* uncovers a compelling and poignant portrait of a man who risked his life and the lives of his family to stand up against evil. To register, go to: https://temple-emanu-el-streicker-center-classes.ticketleap.com/righteous/dates/Aug-24-2020_at_0730PM

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Do you like to think of yourself as a Renaissance person? **Visit** the Uffizi Gallery in Florence

Go to: <https://artsandculture.google.com/partner/uffizi-gallery?hl=en>

Want to go Dutch? **Visit** the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam

Go to: <https://www.rijksmuseum.nl/en/masterpieces-up-close>

Feeling like a hermit? **Visit** the Hermitage in St. Petersburg

Go to: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=49YeFsx1rIw>

Need some culture? **Visit** the Vienna State Opera

Go to: <https://www.staatsoperlive.com/vod>

Visit the Monterey Bay Aquarium (you oughta check the otters)

Go to: <https://www.montereybayaquarium.org/animals/live-cams>

Have you ever wondered if Snoopy is Jewish?

Go to: <https://www.gocomics.com/peanuts/2020/07/19>

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.

July 31- Aug 1	Av	Aug 14-15	Av	Aug 21-22	Elul	Aug 28-29	Elul
Janet Grable	11	Bessie Gastel*	25	Eva Lederman*	2	Fran Dubin Gulack	10
Haim Menachem Levy	12	Samuel Immanuel Wechsler*	25	Albert Joffe*	4	David Nidetz	12
Hyman Silverman*	12	Abraham Alkus*	26	Harold Krinsky*	4	Anna Zakofsky*	12
Frank Carper*	13	Rose T. Cohen	26	Ethel Strom*	4	Morris Mittelman*	13
Sarah R. Spector*	13	Jacob Osband*	26	Gladys Glazer	5	Sylvia Album*	14
Morris Shimberg*	15	Joseph Teitel	26	Judith Rodney	5	Isidor Hess*	14
Abraham Heyman*	17	Reuben Klein*	27	Tanya Yudelson	5	Frumeh Hinensky*	14
		Esther Marker*	27	Celia Goodman*	7		
Aug 7- 8	Av	Sarah Weisenberg*	28	Irving Mack*	8		
Phillip Boyarsky*	18	Harry Eber*	30				
Jennie Braime*	20	Bernard W. Engel*	30				
Abraham I. Spector*	20	Rose Gordon	30				
Maurice Ohl*	21						
Sarah Applebaum Gastel*	22						
Israel Osband*	22						

*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.

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You can memorialize a friend or loved one on a BHBI memorial plaque. Our memorial plaques are very reasonably priced. For more information, contact Leon Metlay at BHBIRochester@gmail.com.

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