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July's President's Message

Friends,

Happy Summer! I don't have a unified theme for this month's message, just a list of people I want to thank for various things.

At the Annual Meeting, Dave Rogachefsky suggested that we try alternatives to the Silverman Siddur we've used for so many years. There have been complaints about the outdated language of Silverman for many years. Thank you, Dave, for helping us move along. Thank you also to Beth El and Beth Am for lending us copies of the new Siddur Lev Shalem to try out. We've used them for a couple of weeks and will use them for a few more before deciding whether to make a permanent change. Those of you who were annoyed by Silverman and haven't been to services recently, please come try them out.

Thursday, July 2, is the Fast of the 17th of Tammuz, when the Romans breached the walls of Jerusalem, the start of 3 weeks leading to Tisha B'Av. On Tisha B'Av, in the old shul, we used to dim the lights, and we would sit on the edges of the Bimah, to be close to the floor. Last year we realized that we can't do that in our new home. This year, for erev Tisha B'Av, on July 22nd, we plan to bring in some small lamps to light the sanctuary. We are asking that if you would like to sit on or near the floor, could you please bring a low chair or small footstool, or perhaps a cushion to sit on? That will be more comfortable than sitting on the bare floor.

We have all been enjoying our monthly kiddush luncheons, thanks predominantly to Steve Teitel and Esther Vogelstein. Thank you! We need some additional people to volunteer to prepare lunches. I know it's daunting having to deal with Beth El instead of being in our own kitchen. If you're interested in preparing a Kiddush, talk to Steve. There currently is no one scheduled to do the July 18th Kiddush. If no one signs up to prepare it, it won't happen. I thank you in advance, whoever you are.

Finally, I'd like to thank Temple Beth David for inviting us to some of their social activities. Look elsewhere in the Bulletin for more information.

The 40th yearzeit of Rabbi Aaron Solomon, Z"L, was in late June. Because Percy Cohen, Z"L, needed a ride to the shiva services, I embarked on a career as Percy's chauffeur, which led to my regular attendance at every service, and eventually to my current position. You never know the ramifications of an act of kindness. I hope you all have an opportunity this Summer to do some kind acts. It's good preparation for the High Holy Days, which are not too far away.

See you in 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/>

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BHBI CALENDAR OF EVENTS – JULY 2026

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| Friday | July 3 | 6:00 PM | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:36 PM) |
| Saturday | July 4 | 9:30 PM | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Pinchas <i>Kiddish with Temple Beth El following service</i> |
| Sunday | July 5 | 9:00 AM | Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link |
| Friday | July 10 | 6:00 PM | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:33 PM) |
| Saturday | July 11 | 9:30 AM | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Matot-Massei |
| Sunday | July 12 | 9:00 AM | Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link |
| Monday | July 13 | 7:30 PM | BHBI Board of Trustees Meeting on Zoom |
| Friday | July 17 | 6:00 PM | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:29 PM) |
| Saturday | July 18 | 9:30 AM | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Devarim <i>Kiddish luncheon following service in BHBI's kiddish room</i> |
| Sunday | July 19 | 9:00 AM | Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link |
| Wednesday | July 22 | 8:30 PM | Tisha B'Av Service at BHBI; fast starts 8:42 PM, ends Thurs. 9:22 PM |
| Thursday | July 23 | 7:30 AM | Tisha B'Av Morning Service at TBE |
| Friday | July 24 | 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 | July 25 | 9:30 AM | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Va'etchanan |
| Sunday | July 26 | 9:00 AM | Service live streamed, visit www.BHBIRochester.org for the Zoom link |
| Friday | July 31 | 6:00 PM | Erev Shabbat with Temple Beth El in the TBE chapel and on Zoom – see page 1 for further information (light candles 8:15 PM) |
| Saturday | Aug 1 | 9:30 AM | Shabbat Morning Service at BHBI Torah: Eikev |

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Gad Strubel, and Rena Harari
Tamara Strubel*

*In memory of Maxine Gold
Lyn and Norm Adams*

Life in Our 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.

| July 3-4 | Tamuz | July 10-11 | Tamuz/Av | July 17-18 | Av | July 26-27 | Av |
|---------------------|-------|--------------------|----------|--------------------------|----|--|----|
| Sam Hector* | 20 | Irwin Bertman* | 26 | Kathy Shur | 5 | Janet Grable | 11 |
| Harry Sarachan* | 20 | Oscar Hart | 27 | Julian Sugarman | 7 | Haim Menachem Levy | 12 |
| Rose Schiff* | 20 | Mark Rose | 27 | Anna Berman* | 8 | Hyman Silverman* | 12 |
| Louis Edelson* | 21 | Abraham Schriba* | 27 | George Cohen* | 8 | Frank Carper* | 13 |
| Bernard Sallerson* | 21 | Hyman Tanenbaum* | 28 | William Aaron Bernstein* | 9 | Sarah R. Spector* | 13 |
| Max Goodman* | 23 | Celia Silverstein* | 29 | David Titof | 9 | Morris Shimberg* | 15 |
| David Gordon* | 23 | Sidney Gold | 1 | | | Arthur Kaplan | 16 |
| Nelli Ahuva Metlay* | 24 | Louis Schiff* | 1 | July 31-Aug 1 | Av | Abraham Heyman* | 17 |
| Ira Edward Potter* | 24 | Benjamin Bobb | 2 | Phillip Boyarsky* | 18 | *Denotes name memorialized on BHBI Memorial Plaque | |
| Inge Schaffer | 24 | Joseph Greenbaum* | 2 | Jennie Braime* | 20 | | |
| Thelma Ring Smith* | 25 | Moses Berkowitz* | 3 | Abraham I. Spector* | 20 | | |
| | | | | Maurice Ohl* | 21 | | |
| | | | | Sarah Applebaum Gastel* | 22 | | |
| | | | | Kenneth Sheldon Kaplan | 22 | | |
| | | | | Israel Osband* | 22 | | |

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.

IT'S BASEBALL TIME!

Temple Beth David invites their friends at BHBI to join them on **Sunday, July 19th**, for a trip to ESL Ballpark to watch the **Rochester Red Wings** take on the Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp! **The game starts at 5:05 PM** and the cost is \$16 per ticket (\$12 if we get a group of 20 or more). Come out to cheer on our home team! **RSVP by email to TBDActivityCommittee@gmail.com no later than noon on Thursday, July 16th.**

Temple Beth David also invites BHBI members to join them for the TBD annual picnic at the Hazelwood Grove Lodge at Ellison Park on Sunday, August 9th. The cost is \$10 per person. Further details will be provided in the BHBI August Bulletin.



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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.

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