



Temple Beth Am Newsletter

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President's Message

Shalom Everyone,

On behalf of the entire congregation of Temple Beth Am, I would like to extend our sincerest condolences to the families and friends of Rebbetzin Jeannette Kanter, wife of Rabbi Shamai Kanter (z'l). Rebbetzen Kanter will be dearly missed by all of us who knew her. Her warm smile and caring, down to earth personality will always be remembered. Mrs. Kanter's love of life and nature was evident by the joy she shared when talking about the walks and bicycle rides she took with Rabbi Kanter (z'l).

Mazel Tov to the Asher and Feinzeig families on the birth of Yvonne and David's second son!! I am sure that the Congregation joins me in wishing a very warm and heartfelt welcome to the little one. What a blessing! We are pleased to hear that both Yvonne and baby boy are doing well.

With Pesach arriving in a few weeks, I would like to let the entire congregation know that Temple Beth El has extended a warm invitation for us to join them for services and the 2nd Seder on Saturday, April 16th, 2022 beginning at 6 pm. Detailed information can be found later on in the Newsletter or on Temple Beth El's website. If you are planning to attend, please be sure to reply as soon as possible directly to Temple Beth El.

Freedom is an innate right of both humans and animals alike. It is an intrinsic ideal that has been sought by many in the past and one of the guiding principles under which the United States was founded. It is an ideal that is still sought after now and, in all probability, will still be sought after in the future. If you Google the word "Freedom," you will see that it is defined as: 1) the right to act, speak, or think as one wants without hindrance or restraint (and, I would like to personally add what I tell

children as well, "within the laws that govern us, and so long as your "freedom" does not cause harm to another person or interfere with their freedom of the same entitlement"); 2) the absence of subjection to foreign domination or despotic government; and 3) the state of not being imprisoned or enslaved; 4) the state of being physically unrestricted and able to move easily; 5) the state of not being subject to or affected by a particular undesirable thing; 6) the power of self-determination attributed to the will; the quality of being independent of fate or necessity; and 7) unrestricted use of something. At some Seders, in addition to the traditional telling of the Passover story, there is also discussion about enslavement of not only the physical body, but of the mind too - either from within oneself or as the result of an external source. Existentially, if you treat a domesticated animal as a partner in a companion (for example pets) or

working (for example Police dogs, farm animals, beasts of burden) relationship, the animal has some "freedom." I am one of those people that believe animals choose with whom they decide to form a bond and that humans should treasure that trust and bond.

I can remember at a few of the Seders that Avivah, Tal, and I attended, that the hosts had placed an additional middle Matza to represent the oppression of Soviet Jewry and their right to worship freely. Looking back across history, religious and political freedom have been fought for long, hard and at a high cost. We must remember that and treasure the freedom we have.

Wishing you each and those you cherish, a Chag Pesach Sameacha from Avivah, Tal, and me.

Ruth Kei Steinberg
President

Schedule of Services

IMPORTANT NEW INFORMATION

K95/KN95 or surgical masks are required in all buildings, even if you are fully-vaccinated. Please do NOT bring in food, except a bottle that has a flip-open/push-pull top or using a straw. Proof of vaccination required at Beth Am either by showing your vaccination card or the NY Excelsior app at door or emailing paul.breese.garelick@gmail.com by noon Friday.

Some Friday night services may be held both in-person and via Zoom. To be notified, send email to bruce.nelson@gmail.com to be added to Beth Am email list. One Saturday of each month is a hybrid, in-person/Zoom service. Due to a limit of 15 socially-distanced people in Room 103, reservations must be made by emailing paul.breese.garelick@gmail.com with the number of attendees at least 2 days before each service. Our online services are at:

<https://zoom.us/j/6337493851>

BHBI has live services at their location on Shabbat at 10 am and on Zoom at 9 am Sunday. See <http://bhbirochester.org>.

Temple Beth David has live services as announced, and also streamed. Call the Temple Beth David office at 585-266-3223 by 4:00 pm Thursday for information.

Friday, April 1

6:00 Live at TBA w/BHBI and Online via TBA Zoom

Saturday, April 2

Parashat Tazria

10:00 am Live services available at BHBI

Friday, April 8

6:00 Live at TBA w/BHBI and Online via TBA Zoom

Saturday, April 9

Parashat Metzora

10:00 am Live at TBA or Online via TBA Zoom

Friday, April 15

No services - 1st Seder

Saturday, April 16

Passover 1st Day

9:30 am Passover Services at BHBI

Sunday, April 17

Passover 2nd Day

9:30 am Passover Services at Beth David

Thursday, April 21

6:00 pm Hybrid Passover Services at Beth Am

Friday, April 22

Passover 7th Day

9:30 am Passover Services at BHBI

Friday, April 22

6:00 Hybrid Passover Services at Beth Am with Yizkor

Saturday, April 23

Passover 8th Day

9:30 am Passover Services at Beth David with Yizkor

Friday, April 29

6:00 Live at TBA w/BHBI and Online via TBA Zoom

Saturday, April 30

Parashat Acharei

10:00 am Live services available at BHBI

Friday, May 6

6:00 Live at TBA w/BHBI and Online via TBA Zoom

Saturday, May 7

Parashat Kedoshim

10:00 am Live services available at BHBI

Due to the ever-changing situation, times and/or Zoom IDs are subject to change. We will do our best to send emails and to update our website and Facebook pages when changes are announced.

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**APRIL
FOOD DONATIONS**

The Brighton Food Cupboard is
collecting **canned fruit** for the
month of April

**Donations accepted Monday - Friday
9 am - 12 noon**

Brookside School
220 Idlewood Road, Door #16
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Fast of the Firstborn

(adapted from: Wikipedia)

The Fast of the Firstborn is a unique fast day in Judaism which usually falls on the day before Passover (i.e., the fourteenth day of Nisan, a month in the Jewish calendar; Passover begins on the fifteenth of Nisan). Usually, the fast is broken at a siyum celebration (typically made at the conclusion of the morning services), which, according to prevailing custom, creates an atmosphere of rejoicing that overrides the requirement to continue the fast. Unlike all other Jewish fast days, only firstborn children are required to fast on the Fast of the Firstborn.

This fast commemorates the salvation of the Israelite firstborns during the Plague of the Firstborn (according to the Book of Exodus, the tenth of the ten plagues wrought upon Ancient Egypt prior to the Exodus of the Children of Israel), when, according to Exodus (12:29): "...God struck every firstborn in the Land of Mizrayim (Ancient Egypt).

Those who are fasting are invited to attend a siyyum at morning services, followed by breakfast, at Temple Beth El, on Friday, April 14th at 7:30 am.

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Our Federation has already raised over \$400,000. Please make your gift today at <https://jewishfederations.org/crisis-in-ukraine2022>

Thank you for your assistance and may the people of Ukraine find peace in the near future.

April Yahrzeits

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES APR 1 - 2

- Nissan 1 (April 2) Gertrude Swartz, Mother of Sue Baker
- Nissan 3 (April 4) Jennie Cohen, Mother of Irving Cohen
- Nissan 4 (April 5) Abraham David Slayton
- Nissan 5 (April 6) Marion Lippman
- Nissan 5 (April 6) Hortense Schoenfeld
- Nissan 6 (April 7) David Berger

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES APR 8 - 9

- Nissan 9 (Apr 10) Kayla Marcus
- Nissan 11 (Apr 12) Irving Fiske
- Nissan 13 (Apr 14) Pearl Navis
- Nissan 14 (Apr 15) Howard Fox, Father of Candi Nelson
- Nissan 14 (Apr 15) Pauline Fox, Grandmother of Candi Nelson
- Nissan 14 (Apr 15) Sol Getzlek
- Nissan 15 (Apr 16) Simon Diamond

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES APR 15 - 16

- Nissan 15 (Apr 16) Anne Perlman
- Nissan 15 (Apr 16) Benjamin Swartz, Uncle of Ronna Marsh
- Nissan 16 (Apr 17) Joseph Freedman
- Nissan 17 (Apr 18) Gertrude Morris, Mother of Herb Morris
- Nissan 18 (Apr 19) Else Lowenstein
- Nissan 18 (Apr 19) Meyer Navis
- Nissan 20 (Apr 21) William Tulin

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES APR 22 - 23

- Nissan 22 (Apr 23) Isadore Levin
- Nissan 23 (Apr 24) Benjamin Cantor, Father of Jackie Sonders
- Nissan 23 (Apr 24) Israel Morris, Father of Herb Morris
- Nissan 24 (Apr 25) Solomon Rosenberg
- Nissan 24 (Apr 25) Samuel Weiner, Uncle of Ronna Marsh
- Nissan 27 (Apr 28) Lillian Orlen, Aunt of Lou Babin
- Nissan 28 (Apr 29) Mark Rosenbaum, Son of Don Rosenbaum

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES APR 29 - 30

- Nissan 29 (Apr 30) Marian Glowinsky, Mother of Dan Glowinsky
- Nissan 29 (Apr 30) Samuel Leff
- Nissan 30 (May 1) Isadore Lippman
- Iyar 2 (May 3) Isadore Cohen
- Iyar 3 (May 4) Ezra Lasker

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES MAY 6 - 7

- Iyar 6 (May 7) Tzodick Michlin, Grandfather of Dotty Tulin
- Iyar 7 (May 8) Leonard Cohen, Father of Ann Cohen
- Iyar 8 (May 9) Louis Curwin
- Iyar 8 (May 9) Dorothy Rubin, Mother of David Rubin
- Iyar 11 (May 12) Philip Michlin, Uncle of Dotty Tulin
- Iyar 11 (May 12) Evelyn Paulin
- Iyar 12 (May 13) Rosalind Fisher,
- Iyar 12 (May 13) Henry Katz

• **DENOTES A PLAQUE ON THE MEMORIAL BOARD.** Contact Bruce Nelson, 585-334-5513, to purchase a plaque.

April Birthday

Happy Birthday to:
Don Rosenbaum

Mazel Tov

Mazel Tov to Sharon Garelick on the birth of her granddaughter, Leela Rose Schneiderman to Daniel and Becca Schneiderman.

The Temple Beth Am congregation has been invited by Temple Beth El to join them for their Annual 2nd Night Passover on Saturday, April 16th, 2022
Please call Temple Beth El at 473-1770 for further information.



**PLEASE JOIN
US FOR OUR**

ANNUAL SECOND SEDER

APRIL 16, 2022

6:00 PM | MINCHA

6:30 PM | SEDER

Our menu will include matzah ball soup, roasted turkey, matzah stuffing, brisket, kugels, and fresh vegetables and dessert. Vegetarian/Vegan options available!

Adults (13 years and older):
_____ \$55 per person

Kids' Meals (12 and younger):
_____ \$20 per person

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**Prices increase April 11
Adult \$65 | Child \$25**

Nisan - Iyar 5782 - April 2022

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| 27 24 Adar II 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI | 28 25 Nisan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI | 29 26 Nisan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI | 30 27 Nisan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI | 31 28 Nisan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI | 1 April C.L 7:18 pm 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI on TBA Zoom and Room 103 | 2 S.E. 8:20 pm 10:00 am BHBI in-person service @ East Ave location Rosh Chodesh Nisan |
| 3 2 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom | 4 3 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom | 5 4 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom | 6 5 Nissan 7:00 pm Temple Board | 7 6 Nissan 7:00 pm Temple Board | 8 C.L 7:26 pm 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI on TBA Zoom and Room 103 | 9 S.E. 8:29 pm 10:00 pm Beth Am TBA Zoom and Room 103 |
| 10 9 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI | 11 10 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI | 12 11 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI | 13 12 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI | 14 13 Nissan Sale of Chametz forms must be received by mail or email by 6 pm | 15 C.L 7:34 pm 7:30 am Shacharit services with shlyum at Temple Beth El (No evening services due to Seder) Fast of First Born Passover 1 st Seder in evening | 16 C.L > 8:38 pm 9:30 am BHBI in-person Passover service @ East Ave location Passover Day 1 Passover 2 nd Seder in evening |
| 17 16 Nissan H.E. 8:39 pm 9:30 am Beth David in-person Passover service and on TBD Zoom @ TBD Sanctuary Passover Day 2 At eve Count 2 of Omer | 18 15 Nissan H.E. 8:42 pm 9:30 am Beth David in-person Passover service and on TBD Zoom @ TBD Sanctuary Passover Day 3 At eve Count 3 of Omer | 19 14 Nissan H.E. 8:45 pm 9:30 am Beth David in-person Passover service and on TBD Zoom @ TBD Sanctuary Passover Day 4 At eve Count 4 of Omer | 20 13 Nissan H.E. 8:48 pm 9:30 am Beth David in-person Passover service and on TBD Zoom @ TBD Sanctuary Passover Day 5 At eve Count 5 of Omer | 21 C.L 7:41 pm 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI, Beth David Passover service on TBA Zoom and Room 103 Passover Day 6 At eve Count 6 of Omer | 22 C.L 7:42 pm 9:30 am BHBI in-person Passover service at East Ave location 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI, Beth David on TBA Zoom and Room 103 w/Yizkor Passover Day 7 At eve Count 7 of Omer | 23 H.E. 8:47 pm 9:30 am Beth David in-person Passover service and on TBD Zoom @ TBD Sanctuary w/ Yizkor Passover Day 8 At eve Count 8 of Omer |
| 24 23 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom At eve Count 9 of Omer | 25 22 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom At eve Count 10 of Omer | 26 21 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom At eve Count 11 of Omer | 27 20 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom At eve Count 12 of Omer | 28 19 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom At eve Count 13 of Omer | 29 C.L 7:51 pm 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI on TBA Zoom and Room 103 At eve Count 14 of Omer | 30 S.E. 8:56 pm 10:00 am BHBI in-person service @ East Ave location At eve Count 15 of Omer |
| 1 30 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Rosh Chodesh Iyar At eve Count 16 of Omer | 2 29 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Rosh Chodesh Iyar At eve Count 17 of Omer | 3 28 Nissan 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Rosh Chodesh Iyar At eve Count 18 of Omer | 4 27 Nissan 7:00 pm Temple Board At eve Count 19 of Omer | 5 26 Nissan 7:00 pm Temple Board At eve Count 20 of Omer | 6 C.L 7:59 pm 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI on TBA Zoom and Room 103 At eve Count 21 of Omer | 7 S.E. 9:06 pm 10:00 am BHBI in-person service @ East Ave location At eve Count 22 of Omer |