



Temple Beth Am Newsletter

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President's Message

Shalom, Everyone –

I trust that you and your loved ones had a delicious and happy Thanksgiving. I apologize for the newsletter being late, but I have a lot to juggle right now.

As I write this, people around the globe are getting ready to celebrate their respective “Winter” holidays and usher in the secular New Year. 2022 seems to have flown by as we are all navigating our return to our prior way of living, while integrating parts of the new normal resulting from the Pandemic (i.e., store hours, supply chain issues, having a mask with you all the time, (just in case it is needed), booster and flu shots, etc.) as Winter arrives. Jews around the world are making plans to celebrate Hanukkah. Please see the enclosed sheet and both the JCC and Chabad websites to see what events are planned to commemorate Hanukkah in the Rochester area.

Hanukkah always brings back warm memories of my childhood when we gathered to light the menorah, followed by the joyful memories of passing on the traditions, games, and recipes to my children and grandchildren. Throughout my children's elementary and middle school years, I use to “share” Hanukkah with their classmates by bringing in Latkes and dreidels, along with Hanukkah stories and books. Hanukkah has always been both a family and community celebration that brings

IMPORTANT NEW INFORMATION

K95/KN95 or surgical masks are required at BHBI and at Temple Brith Kodesh.

Our services, when held at Temple Brith Kodesh, are usually held both in-person and via Zoom. 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 and ur Temple Beth Am hosted services in the Temple Beth El Chapel services are at:

<https://tinyurl.com/RocBethAm>

Temple Beth El hosted Chapel services (except YomTov) are at:

<https://tinyurl.com/TBERocChapel>

Temple Beth El Main Sanctuary services are at
<http://tberochester.org/live-stream>

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. They stream their services on YouTube at

<https://tinyurl.com/TBD-Roch-Svc>

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.

Friday, December 2

6:00 pm in person in Temple Beth El Chapel
and via **Temple Beth Am Zoom**

Saturday, December 3

Parashat Vayeitzei
9:30 am in Temple Beth El Sanctuary and TBE LiveStream
10:00 am in-person services at BHBI

Friday, December 9

6:00 pm in person in Temple Beth El Sanctuary
and via **Temple Beth El Zoom**
followed by dinner (RSVP required)

Schedule of Services

Saturday, December 10

Parashat Vayishlach
9:30 am in Temple Beth El Sanctuary and TBE LiveStream
10:00 am in-person services at BHBI

Friday, December 16

6:00 pm in person in Temple Beth El Chapel
and via **Temple Beth Am Zoom**

Saturday, December 17

Parashat Vayeishev
9:30 am in Temple Beth El Sanctuary and TBE LiveStream
10:00 am in-person services at BHBI

Friday, December 23

6:00 pm in person in Temple Beth El Chapel
and via **Temple Beth El Zoom**

Saturday, December 24

Parashat Miketz
9:30 am in Temple Beth El Sanctuary and TBE LiveStream
10:00 am in-person services at BHBI

Friday, December 30

6:00 pm in person in Temple Beth El Chapel
and via **Temple Beth Am Zoom**

Saturday, December 31

Parashat Vayigash
9:30 am in Temple Beth El Sanctuary and TBE LiveStream
10:00 am in-person services at BHBI

Friday, January 6

6:00 pm in person in Temple Beth El Chapel
and via **Temple Beth Am Zoom**

Saturday, January 7

Parashat Yayechi
9:30 am in Temple Beth El Sanctuary and TBE LiveStream
10:00 am in-person services at BHBI

Note: The schedule, including which Zoom or Streaming is the best available when this newsletter went to press. Please watch for possible changes which will be updated via email and/or our website and Facebook

joy. As we light the Hanukkah candles to commemorate the rededication of the 2nd Temple, let us absorb the light and warmth that we see in the dancing and flickering flames. Let us take that joy, light, sense of togetherness, and warmth and reflect it outwards to others in all that we do, so the light will become magnified and passed forward. The war in Ukraine parallels the story of the Maccabees in its essence. May that war end soon, with the Russian government understanding that the Ukrainians have the right to have their own country and freedom to rule that country as they see fit. May HaShem bless the Ukrainians with

victory and watch over all our American military worldwide.

Wishing you and all those you cherish a Happy and Joyous Hanukkah from my family to you!

Sincerely,

Ruth Kei Steinberg, President

Friday, December 9

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Temple Beth El Musical Kab Shab & Dinner

To register, see <https://tberochester.shulcloud.com/event/musical-kab-shab-and-dinner2.html>

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Temple Beth El Hanukkah Offerings

Temple Beth El has eight nights of festivities. Everyone is invited for every night. Each night includes the lighting of the giant menorah with different temple groups leading the ceremony.

DEC. 18: The congregation kicks off the holiday at 6:15 p.m. with "Taste Of Hanukkah." If the weather is good, the menorah lighting will be outdoors, followed by heaping platters of latkes (potato pancakes) and sufganiyot (jelly doughnuts), the "typical fried foods everyone is waiting all year for." The temple will also give out Hanukkah candles.

DEC. 19: The "20 s/30s Low-Key Latkes" celebration focused on young people and families begins at 6:15 p.m. The event includes a latke bar with different-flavored latkes and toppings. As delicious as pota to latkes with applesauce and sour cream are, the bar has been known to offer sweetpotato or beet latkes with various cheese toppings. -yum!

DEC. 20: You're never too old to celebrate! "Life, Legacy & Latkes" caters to older people (40s and up), and highlights members who have left legacy gifts to Beth El. The festivities start at 6:15 p.m.

DEC. 21: Channel your inner Mary J. Blige, Alanis Morissette, and Eddie Vedder at the temple's biggest party of the year. The annual Hanukkah celebration starts at 5:30 p.m. and the theme is "Party Like It's 1999." People are encouraged to wear '90s clothes, and there will be retro decorations and a DJ playing '90s music -as C+C Music Factory sang, "Everybody dance now!" The event also includes kids' crafts and activities, a photo booth, a full bar and a sit-down dinner. The cost is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children. Registration is required.

DEC. 22: Camp may be over for the season, but Scouting isn't. "Scouts & Tots Hanukkah" starts at 6:15 p.m. and includes a

December Yahrzeits

- REMEMBERED AT SERVICES DEC 2-3**
Kislev 9 (Dec 3) Charlotte Nelson, Mother of Bruce Nelson
• Kislev 12 (Dec 6) Harry Fenster, Grandfather of Candi Nelson
Kislev 12 (Dec 6) Marcia Rosenbaum, Wife of Don Rosenbaum
• Kislev 13 (Dec 7) Norman Karch
- REMEMBERED AT SERVICES DEC 9-10**
Kislev 19 (Dec 13) Joseph Astrove, Grandfather of Debbie Kummer
Kislev 21 (Dec 15) Jerome Kaufman, Uncle of Debbie Kummer
- REMEMBERED AT SERVICES DEC 16-17**
• Kislev 25 (Dec 19) Samuel Lapidus
Kislev 25 (Dec 19) Rabbi Laurence Skopitz
Kislev 26 (Dec 20) Teresa Marchioni, Great-Grandmother of Giulia Paris
• Kislev 26 (Dec 20) Samuel Osband
Kislev 27 (Dec 21) Esther J Kaplan, Mother of Darlene Yaravitz, and Gerald Kaplan
• Kislev 28 (Dec 22) Emma Aronow
• Kislev 29 (Dec 23) Irving Birken
• Kislev 29 (Dec 23) Alan S. Tulin, Husband of Dotty Tulin
- REMEMBERED AT SERVICES DEC 23-24**
• Tevet 2 (Dec 26) Clara Jacobs
• Tevet 3 (Dec 27) Frank Broutman
• Tevet 3 (Dec 27) Leon Janchill

presentation by Gareth Evans, the district executive of the Boy Scouts of America Seneca Waterways Council.

DEC. 23: At 4 p.m. the temple will usher in the "Spirit of Hanukkah" with, what else, an alcohol bar. And it's not a proper Jewish celebration without food, so of course there will be nosh.

DEC. 24: Get cozy at 5:30 p.m. with "Havdallah & Hanukkah." Havdallah is a low-key ceremony that marks the end of Shabbat. After that, the temple will serve hot chocolate and cookies.

DEC. 25: Because today is also Christmas, the temple has the traditional Jewish celebration of "Chinese Food & A Movie" from noon to 3 p.m. The cost is \$18 for adults and \$10 for children.

Registration is required.
A lot of Beth El staff and members have dogs, and "Dogs 'N Donuts" returns this year at 6:15 p.m. Family dogs are invited to come celebrate and will receive treats. Their humans can enjoy sufganiyot.

Tevet 3 (Dec 27) Joseph Weiner, Uncle of Ronna Marsh
Tevet 4 (Dec 28) Fannie Horiowitz, Grandmother of Dotty Tulin

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES DEC 30-31
• Tevet 7 (Dec 31) Al Lichtenstein
Tevet 10 (Jan 03) Shirley Greenhouse Cohen, Mother of Ann Cohen
Tevet 10 (Jan 03) Edith Rubin, Mother of Estelle Morris
Tevet 12 (Jan 05) Vera Steinberg, Mother of Ruth Steinberg-Barnhart
• Tevet 13 (Jan 6) Anna Fenster, Grandmother of Candi Nelson
• Tevet 13 (Jan 6) Rebecca Sultar

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES JAN 6-7
• Tevet 14 (Jan 7) Saul Garelick, Father-in-law of Sharon Garelick, Grandfather of Laurel Schneiderman, Paul Breese-Garelick
• Tevet 14 (Jan 7) Morris Navis, Father of Sar Strassman
• Tevet 15 (Jan 8) Nathan Goldstein
• Tevet 17 (Jan 10) Jeanne Horiowitz, Mother of Dotty Tulin
• Tevet 17 (Jan 10) Fajwus Ufner
Tevet 19 (Jan 12) Basha Michlin, Grandmother of Dotty Tulin
• **DENOTES A PLAQUE ON THE MEMORIAL BOARD.**
Contact Bruce Nelson, 585-334-5513, to purchase a plaque.

December Birthdays

Happy Birthday to:
Robin Uebelacker, Ruth Steinberg Barnhart, Hannah Rena Metlay, Mitchell Ehrenberg

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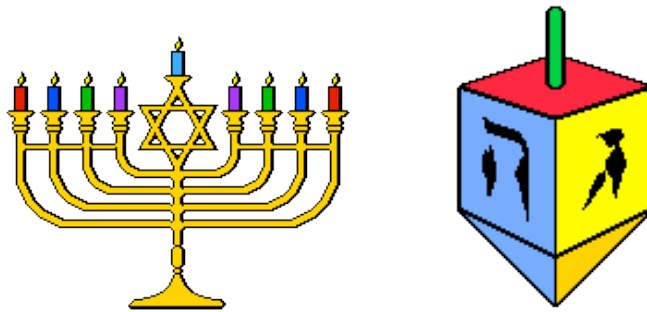
Kislev -Tevet 5783 - December 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 <small>13 Kislev</small> 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom	28	29	30	1 <small>December</small>	2 <small>C.L 4:18 pm</small> 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI In Temple Beth El Chapel or online (see website)	3 <small>S.E. 5:23 pm</small> 9:30 am Temple Beth El and TBE LiveStream 10:00 am BHBI in-person service
4 <small>10 Kislev</small> 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom <small>Rosh Chodesh Tevet</small>	5	6	7	8	9 <small>C.L 4:17 pm</small> 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI in Temple Beth El Main Sanctuary and TBE Zoom followed by Dinner (RSVP)	10 <small>S.E. 5:22 pm</small> 9:30 am Temple Beth El and TBE LiveStream 10:00 am BHBI in-person service
11 <small>17 Kislev</small> 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom	12	13	14 7:00 pm TBA Board Meeting on Zoom	15	16 <small>C.L. 4:18pm</small> 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI In Temple Beth El Chapel or online (see website)	17 <small>S.E. 5:24pm</small> 9:30 am Temple Beth El and TBE LiveStream 10:00 am BHBI in-person service
18 <small>24 Kislev</small> 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom 	19 	20 	21 	22 	23 <small>C.L. 4:21pm</small> 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI In Temple Beth El Chapel or online (see website) <small>Legal Holiday</small> 	24 <small>S.E. 5:27 pm</small> 9:30 am Temple Beth El and TBE LiveStream 10:00 am BHBI in-person service <small>Rosh Chodesh Tevet</small> 
25 <small>1 Tevet</small> 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom 5:00 pm BHBI - TBA Hanukkah Party at BHBI 	26 <small>Legal Holiday</small>	27	28 <small>December</small>	29	30 <small>C.L 4:26 pm</small> 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI In Temple Beth El Chapel or online (see website)	31 <small>S.E. 5:32 pm</small> 9:30 am Temple Beth El and TBE LiveStream 10:00 am BHBI in-person service
1 <small>January</small> <small>8 Tevet</small> 9:00 am BHBI Online Services via BHBI Zoom	2 <small>Legal Holiday</small>	3	4 6:30 pm Temple Board	5	6 <small>C.L 4:33 pm</small> 6:00 pm Beth Am, BHBI In Temple Beth El Chapel or online (see website)	7 <small>S.E. 5:39 pm</small> 9:30 am Temple Beth El and TBE LiveStream 10:00 am BHBI in-person service

Joint BHBI - Temple Beth Am Chanukah Party and Dinner

Sunday, December 25, 5 pm

Congregation Beth Hamedresh - Beth Israel
1369 East Avenue, Rochester, NY



Celebrate the holiday with our Conservative Congregations!

5:00 pm Menorah Lighting -- bring your menorah from home and we'll light them all together!
Followed by dreidels -- sing along -- games

6:00 pm Light Dinner - lentil soup and latkes

Dinner: \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under,
family maximum of \$25. Pay at the door.

Reservations required

Email by 5pm Monday, December 19,
To: BHBI Rochester@gmail.com

Covid restrictions will be in effect: Everyone must be vaccinated and masked, except while eating. To keep social distancing, attendance is restricted to members and close family only.