

Temple Beth Am Newsletter

VOLUME 64 NUMBER 4

MARCH 2025



Presidents Message

Shalom Everyone,

On behalf of the entire Temple Beth Am congregation, I would like to offer our sincerest condolences to Lou Babin and family, Nina Klionsky and family, and the entire family of Leonard Schwartz, z"l. Many will miss your loved one.

We would also like to offer our sincerest sympathy to Howard (Amy) Ressel, Shari (Linda Buttles) Ressel, and families on the passing of your loved one, Susan Judy Ressel, z"l. Judy Ressel, a former longtime member of Temple Beth Am, will be missed by many, including her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Judy's warm and inviting smile was a beacon of light wherever she went.

The entire congregation also extends their condolences to the family of Yeva Volftsun, z"l, and to Yeva's extended family at Heritage Christian Services. Yeva's bright smile and bubbly, outgoing nature will be missed and remembered by everyone whose life she touched and enriched. Yeva was a beacon of light and love; her zest for life and "can do" attitude reflected the loving care and inclusiveness she received from her close knit family from birth.

On behalf of the congregation, we would like to wish Estelle and Herb Morris a very Happy March Anniversary. Also, a very Happy Birthday to our Temple Secretary, Avivah Steinberg, who was inadvertently left off the list of March Birthdays.

Here are some of the March

events happening throughout the Greater Rochester Jewish Community:

Saturday, March 8th, is Temple Beth El's Men's Club Shabbat service.

Also, on Saturday, March 8th at 7 pm, Stephen Papkin, Temple Beth El's Director of Congregational Learning, will be holding a learning session entitled, "*Pints and Purim*," at Three Heads Brewing. The brewery is located at: 186 Atlantic Ave, Rochester, NY 14607-1213.

Sunday, March 9th, the JCC is having their Annual Community Purim Party, from 2:30 – 4:30 pm.

Friday, March 14th, from 4:00 – 5:45 pm, Chabad will be having a Purim Dinner at the JCC.

"A Taste of Shabbat Purim Feast With Israeli Buffet" featuring a Buffet: 4:00-5:45 PM Megillah Reading: 5:00 PM Music & Dancing! Purim Crafts! Fun for the whole Family! Please see the Chabad Rochester website to register for this event.

Saturday, March 15th, after Havdalah, Temple Beth El is hosting Irish-Yiddish Pub singing with Hazzan Matt Austerklein, Rabbi Cece Beyer, and the band *Himself*, from 8 - 10 pm. RSVP to Avivah Steinberg, by Sunday, 3/9/2025, no later than 9 pm.

On Sunday, March 23rd at 5 pm,

Kulanu ROC: A Neurodiverse Jewish Network, is having their first event on Sunday– March 23 at 5pm, Celebrating Jewish Teen and Young Adults of All Abilities in our Rochester Jewish Community. Self-selecting neurodiverse Jewish teens and young adults will lead the community in [Havdalah \(albeit on Sunday\)](#), which will be followed by a celebration of food, a short documentary, and a silent disco! This event is open to everyone. This event is sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester, the JCC, Jewish Family Services, and Temple Beth El to celebrate Jewish Disability Awareness, Acceptance & Inclusion Month

Schedule of Services

IMPORTANT NEW INFORMATION

Our Friday evening services are held in the chapel of Temple Beth El, 139 Winton Rd. S., on Friday evenings at 6:00 pm, unless otherwise announced. Saturday morning services are in the Temple Beth El main sanctuary. Temple Beth El has several virtual connections. See <https://www.tberochester.org/pray/virtual-services> for information.

Beth Hamedresh-Beth Israel has live services at 1369 East Ave. (no Zoom). on Shabbat at 10 am and on Sundays with Zoom at 9 am. N-95 or KN-95 Masks are required at BHBI. See <http://bhbirochester.org>.

Temple Beth David has live services on Saturday morning and other times, in the Temple Beth El chapel which are also streamed. 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.

Temple Beth El conducts services every morning and evening. Weekday services are usually at 7:30 am and evenings at 6:00 pm. Shabbat morning services begin at 9:00 am and Mincha/Maariv is 1 hr 45 minutes before Havdalah. See <https://tberochester.org> for details.

or DAIM. Every February, through JDAIM, Jewish communities around the world highlight personal stories and share expertise, as a way to raise disability awareness and support efforts to foster inclusion in our Jewish communities. This event is being held at Temple Beth El and you must register at the JCC website or contact Rachel Kest at (617) 721-8109 rachelkest@gmail.com

Friday, March 28th, Musical Kabbalat Shabbat services, with Hazzan Matt Austerklein and Justin Zvi Pellis at 6pm, followed by a Kabbalat Shabbat Dinner at 7 pm. RSVP to Avivah Steinberg by Monday, 3/17/2025, no later than 9pm.

The Briskin Cantor-in-Residence weekend at Temple Beth El is Friday 3/28/2025 to Sunday 3/30/2025. RSVP to Avivah Steinberg, by Monday, 3/17/2025, no later than 9pm, if you wish to attend the concert on Sunday 3/30/2025 at 2 pm.

Passover starts on Saturday, 4/12/2025. Temple Beth El is having their annual 2nd Night Seder on Sunday, April 13th at 6:30 pm, after Mincha at 6 pm. RSVP to me by Sunday 3/30/2025, no later than 9pm.

(Continued on page 2)

Temple Beth Am
c/o Temple Beth El
139 Winton Rd. S.
Rochester, NY 14610
(585)334-4855
http://bethamrochester.org



March-April Jahrzeits

President: Ruth Steinberg-Barnhart (585) 392-3125
president@bethamrochester.org
1st Vice President: Martin Schneiderman (585) 334-7774
vicepresident1@bethamrochester.org
2nd Vice President: Paul Breese-Garelick (585) 738-1028
Treasurer: Ami Schmerl 334-1950
treasurer@bethamrochester.org
Secretary: Avivah Steinberg (585) 392-3125
secretary@bethamrochester.org
Membership: membership@bethamrochester.org
Ritual: ritual@bethamrochester.org
Rental & Calendar: calendar@bethamrochester.org
Social: Ami Schmerl (585) 334-1950
social@bethamrochester.org
Judaica Shop: giftshop@bethamrochester.org
Temple Beth Am Newsletter
published monthly by Temple Beth Am
Typesetting by Cobblestone Computer Service,
120 Cobblestone Dr., Rochester, NY 14623, 334-5513

Presidents Message

(Continued from page 1)

Temple Beth El will be having a series of five classes called Dilemmas of Faith, from the Shalom Hartman Institute. These classes will be held at Temple Beth El and will explore the foundational issues of faith vs. reason, history, politics, and the faith experience. Each class will be led by either Rabbi Bitran of Temple Beth El or by Rabbi Silbert of Temple Beth David. All classes for this will be held in-person only on Wednesdays at 7pm. If you wish to attend any or all classes for this series, you need to RSVP to me in advance, no later than Sunday, 3/16/2025 by 9pm. When you give me your RSVP for this series of classes, please let me know which class(es) you wish to attend or if you want to attend all classes. The following dates for this series are:

- Wednesday, 3/19 at 7pm. Class: What does it mean to believe? The Challenge of the Rational and the Reasonable
- Wednesday, 4/2 at 7pm. Class: Dilemma of History: G-d, Evil, and the Book of Job
- Wednesday, 4/23 at 7pm. Class: Dilemma of Theodicy: Where is G-d in the midst of suffering?
- Wednesday, 5/7 at 7pm. Class: Dilemma of Spiritual Role

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES MAR 7-8

- Adar-I 8 (Mar 8) Mary Stadtmauer
- Adar-I 10 (Mar 10) Max Metlay, Father of Leon Metlay
- Adar-I 12 (Mar 12) Benjamin Lubitow
- Adar-II 12 (Mar 12) Susan Ann Scarborough
- Adar-I 13 (Mar 13) Arthur Maier, Uncle of Debbie Kummer
- Adar-I 14 (Mar 14) Joan Schwartz
- Adar-I 14 (Mar 14) Becky Maroz

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES MAR 14-15

- Adar-I 15 (Mar 15) David Brzowsky
- Adar-I 15 (Mar 15) Dorothy Asen, Sister of Eileen Fishman
- Adar-II 16 (Mar 16) Nathan Schoenfeld
- Adar-I 17 (Mar 17) Edith Cravitz
- Adar-I 18 (Mar 18) Marla Pizer
- Adar-I 19 (Mar 19) Sadie Getzlek
- Adar-II 19 (Mar 19) Sylvia Kaiser
- Adar-I 21 (Mar 21) Harry Aronow

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES MAR 21-22

- Adar-II 23 (Mar 23) Jack Freeman
- Adar-II 24 (Mar 24) Garson Marcus,
- Adar-II 25 (Mar 25) Sar Strassman, Mother of Keith & Kevin Strassman
- Adar-I 26 (Mar 26) Harry Perlman,
- Adar-I 27 (Mar 27) Stuart Strassman, Brother of Keith & Kevin Strassman
- Adar-I 28 (Mar 28) Louise Sussman,

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES MAR 29 - APR 4

- Adar-I 29 (Mar 29) Adelaide Lee Gruber
- Adar-I 29 (Mar 29) Ellen Leff
- Adar-I 29 (Mar 29) Stuart Sonders, Husband of Jackie Sonders
- Nissan 1 (Mar 30) Gertrude Swartz
- Nissan 3 (Apr 1) Jennie Cohen
- Nissan 4 (Apr 2) Abraham David Slayton
- Nissan 5 (Apr 3) Marion Lippman
- Nissan 5 (Apr 3) Susan Lippman
- Nissan 5 (Apr 3) Hortense Schoenfeld
- Nissan 6 (Apr 4) David Berger

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES APR 4-5

- Nissan 9 (Apr 7) Kayla Marcuss
- Nissan 11 (Apr 9) Irving Fiske
- Nissan 13 (Apr 11) Pearl Navis

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES APR 11-12

- Nissan 14 (Apr 12) Howard Fox, Father of Candi Nelson
- Nissan 14 (Apr 12) Pauline Fox, Mother of Howard Fox
- Nissan 14 (Apr 12) Pauline Fox, Grandmother of Candi Nelson
- Nissan 14 (Apr 12) Sol Getzlek
- Nissan 15 (Apr 13) Simon Diamond
- Nissan 15 (Apr 13) Anne Perlman
- Nissan 15 (Apr 13) Benjamin Swartz, Uncle of Ronna Marsh
- Nissan 16 (Apr 14) Joseph Freedman
- Nissan 17 (Apr 15) Gertrude Morris, Mother of Herb Morris
- Nissan 18 (Apr 16) Else Lowenstein
- Nissan 18 (Apr 16) Meyer Navis
- Nissan 20 (Apr 18) Jessica Babin, Granddaughter of Lou Babin
- Nissan 20 (Apr 18) William Tulin, Father-in-law of Dotty Tulin

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES APR 18-19

- Nissan 22 (Apr 20) Isadore Levin
- Nissan 23 (Apr 21) Benjamin Cantor, Father of Jackie Sonders
- Nissan 23 (Apr 21) Israel Morris, Father of Herb Morris
- Nissan 24 (Apr 22) Solomon Rosenberg
- Nissan 24 (Apr 22) Samuel Weiner, Uncle of Ronna Marsh
- Nissan 27 (Apr 25) Lillian Orlen, Aunt of Lou Babin

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES APR 25-26

- Nissan 29 (Apr 27) Samuel Leff
- Nissan 30 (Apr 28) Isadore Lippman
- Iyar 1 (Apr 30) Anne Kosoff
- Iyar 2 (Apr 30) Isadore Cohen
- Iyar 3 (May 1) Ezra Lasker

• DENOTES A PLAQUE ON THE MEMORIAL BOARD.

Models: A Biblical view of Redeeming Personalities.

- Wednesday, 5/21 at 7pm. Class: Do I have to believe in G-d to be a good Jew?

As stated in the e-mail that Avivah sent out on Friday, February 28th, we need to be firm about the "RSVP" deadlines to keep costs down. If you "RSVP" late, you are

responsible for the late registration fee. Thanking you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Wishing everyone a very Happy Purim! May you have a joyous and renewing Spring.

Ruth Kei Steinberg
President

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Richard W. Briskin Cantor in Residence Weekend March 28-30 Watch for Details!



<p>2 2 ADAR</p> <p>BE:WISE</p>	<p>3 3 ADAR</p> <p>Keshet Parent Teacher Conferences</p>	<p>4 4 ADAR</p> <p>Keshet Parent Teacher Conferences</p>	<p>5 5 ADAR</p> <p>BE:WISE Keshet Parent Teacher Conferences</p>	<p>6 6 ADAR</p> <p>Keshet Parent Teacher Conferences</p>	<p>7 7 ADAR CANDLE LIGHTING 5:49 pm</p> <p>Keshet Parent Teacher Conferences</p>	<p>8 8 ADAR SHABBAT ZICHOV PARASHT TETZAVEH SHABBAT ENDS* 6:51 pm</p> <p>Men's Club Shabbat</p>
<p>9 9 ADAR ROSH CHODESH ADAR II</p> <p>BE:WISE DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS</p>	<p>10 10 ADAR ROSH CHODESH ADAR II</p> <p>Keshet Parent Teacher Conferences</p>	<p>11 11 ADAR</p> <p>Keshet Parent Teacher Conferences</p>	<p>12 12 ADAR</p> <p>BE:WISE 20/30s Hamantaschen Bake Keshet Parent Teacher Conferences</p>	<p>13 13 ADAR TAYMIT ESTHER EREV PURIM FAST BEGINS 6:01 am FAST ENDS 7:49 pm</p> <p>Megillah Reading & Purim Celebration</p>	<p>14 14 ADAR PURIM CANDLE LIGHTING 6:57 pm</p> <p>Shabbat Schmooze & Kabbalat Shabbat Services Megillah Readings</p>	<p>15 15 ADAR SHUSHAN PURIM PARASHT KI TISA SHABBAT ENDS* 7:55 pm</p> <p>Shabbat Services with Hazzan Matt Austerklein Irish-Yiddish Pub Sing</p>
<p>16 16 ADAR PURIM MESHULASH</p> <p>BE:WISE Community Purim Carnival</p>	<p>17 17 ADAR</p>	<p>18 18 ADAR</p>	<p>19 19 ADAR</p>	<p>20 20 ADAR</p>	<p>21 21 ADAR CANDLE LIGHTING 7:06 pm</p>	<p>22 22 ADAR SHABBAT PADAH PARASHT VAYAKHEL SHABBAT ENDS* 8:09 pm</p>
<p>23 23 ADAR</p> <p>BE:WISE Cantor-in-Residence Weekend</p>	<p>24 24 ADAR</p>	<p>25 25 ADAR</p>	<p>26 26 ADAR</p> <p>BE:WISE</p>	<p>27 27 ADAR</p>	<p>28 28 ADAR CANDLE LIGHTING 7:14 pm</p> <p>Briskin Cantor-in-Residence Weekend Kabbalat Shabbat Services & Dinner with Hazzan Matt Austerklein</p>	<p>29 29 ADAR SHABBAT HA CHODESH MEVARCHIM CHODESH NISAN PARASHT PEKUDEI SHABBAT ENDS* 8:16 pm</p> <p>Briskin Cantor-in-Residence Weekend Shabbat Services with Hazzan Matt Austerklein</p>
<p>30 1 NISAN ROSH CHODESH NISAN</p> <p>Briskin Cantor-in-Residence Weekend BE:WISE</p>	<p>31 2 NISAN</p>	<p>MARCH 2025 ADAR/NISAN 5785</p> <p> office closed All events & times are subject to change *Mincha begins an hour and a half before Shabbat ends.</p>		<p> ROCHESTER TAX GROUP BUILDING FINANCIAL EXCELLENCE</p> <p>Over 20 Years of Accounting and Tax Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accounting and Bookkeeping Tax Planning and Consulting Personal and Business Tax Services <p>www.taxroc.com</p>		<p>585-575-0570</p>

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 3 NISAN	2 4 NISAN	3 5 NISAN	4 6 NISAN CANDLE LIGHTING 7:22 pm	5 7 NISAN PAROSHAH VAVRBA SHABBAT ENDS* 8:25 pm
6 8 NISAN	7 9 NISAN	8 10 NISAN YOM HAALIVAH	9 11 NISAN	10 12 NISAN TANAHT BECHOROT FAST BEGINS 5:07 am FAST ENDS 8:31 pm	11 13 NISAN CANDLE LIGHTING 7:30 pm	12 14 NISAN SHABBAT HA'GIDOL EREV PESACH PAROSHAH TZAV SHABBAT ENDS* CANDLE LIGHTING 8:24 pm
BE:WISE			BE:WISE Family Program			BE:WISE
13 15 NISAN PESACH I CANDLE LIGHTING 8:35 pm	14 16 NISAN PESACH II 1ST DAY OF THE OMER HOLIDAY ENDS* 8:36 pm	15 17 NISAN PESACH III 2ND DAY OF THE OMER	16 18 NISAN PESACH IV (G'PH) 3RD DAY OF THE OMER	17 19 NISAN PESACH V (G'PH) 4TH DAY OF THE OMER	18 20 NISAN PESACH VI (G'PH) 5TH DAY OF THE OMER CANDLE LIGHTING 7:38 pm	19 21 NISAN PESACH VII 6TH DAY OF THE OMER SHABBAT ENDS* CANDLE LIGHTING 8:43 pm
Community Seder Passover 2nd Seder No BE:WISE	Keschet Closed	Keschet Closed	Keschet Closed No BE:WISE	Keschet Closed	Keschet Closed	
20 22 NISAN PESACH VIII 7TH DAY OF THE OMER PESACH ENDS* 8:44 pm	21 23 NISAN 8TH DAY OF THE OMER	22 24 NISAN 9TH DAY OF THE OMER	23 25 NISAN 10TH DAY OF THE OMER	24 26 NISAN 11TH DAY OF THE OMER YOM HASHOAH	25 27 NISAN 12TH DAY OF THE OMER CANDLE LIGHTING 7:46 pm	26 28 NISAN 13TH DAY OF THE OMER ME'ARAGIM CHODESH IYAR PAROSHAH SHABBAT ENDS* SHABBAT ENDS* 8:52 pm
No BE:WISE			BE:WISE			
27 29 NISAN 14TH DAY OF THE OMER	28 30 NISAN 15TH DAY OF THE OMER ROSH CHODESH IYAR	29 1 IYAR 16TH DAY OF THE OMER ROSH CHODESH IYAR	30 2 IYAR 17TH DAY OF THE OMER YOM HAZKARON			
BE:WISE 20/30s Post-Pesach Hike			BE:WISE			



Happy Passover!

APRIL 2025 | NISAN/IYAR 5785

NOTES:

office closed | All events & times are subject to change | Minhcha begins an hour and a half before Shabbat ends.

www.taxroc.com



ROCHESTER TAX GROUP
BUILDING FINANCIAL EXCELLENCE

Over 20 Years of Accounting and Tax Experience

- Accounting and Bookkeeping
- Tax Planning and Consulting
- Personal and Business Tax Services

585-575-0570