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Presidents Message

Shalom, Everyone -

The entire congregation of Temple Beth Am, and its Board of Trustees would like to extend a warm welcome to Rabbi Ben Goldstein. Rabbi Goldstein joined Temple Beth El's Clergy on July 1st, 2025. Please see Temple Beth El's website for Rabbi Goldstein's biography.

On behalf of the entire congregation, I would like to say Mazel Tov to Ronnie Guillet upon her retirement from URMC and we wish you all the best as you round the corner to start the next chapter in your life. Mazel Tov to our own Rabbi Aaron Marsh on his appointment as Rabbi of Congregation B'nai Israel in Sylvania, Ohio.

Also, on behalf of the entire congregation, I would like to wish Refuah Shlema and a speedy recovery to Cindy Halpern and Gene Brodsky. We would also like to wish Candi Nelson good luck with her forthcoming surgery and hope that you have a speedy recovery.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

On Sunday, August 10th, 2025, at 10:30 am, there will be an unveiling for Leonard Schwartz. The unveiling will be at Britton Road Cemetery with Rabbi Bitran officiating.

Friday, August 15th, 2025, there will be Kabbalat Shabbat services starting at 6 pm, followed by a dinner immediately after at 7 pm. RSVP to our Secretary,

Avivah Steinberg, NO LATER THAN Tuesday, August 5th, 2025, by 7 pm. You may RSVP to Avivah by emailing her at: Avivah. Steinberg@gmail.com or call her at (585) 392-3125 [landline]. Be sure to inform her of any food sensitivities and/or food allergies. We apologize for the shortness of this dinner's RSVP deadline, but both Avivah and I have been away house and pet sitting and/or traveling, with no internet access, for the past two weeks.

Kabbalat Shabbat Services on Friday, September 12th, 2025. Services will be followed by a dinner at 7 pm. RSVP to Avivah, NO LATER THAN Monday, August 25th, 2025, by 7 pm. Again, please inform her of any food sensitivities and/or food allergies.

I must reiterate that all RSVP's MUST be made by either email or phone call to Avivah Steinberg by the requested deadlines. Again, her email is Avivah.Steinberg@gmail.com and her phone number is (585) 392-3125. This is necessary for us to meet Temple Beth El's requested deadline. If you RSVP late, past the provided date, you will be responsible for the meal cost and Temple Beth El's late fee (meal cost = \$18; late fee = \$5 for most dinners) per person listed in your party. The Temple will not cover your late submission. Due to the rising food costs and the fact that Temple Beth El does not use a private caterer, meals are planned and made according to the number of RSVP's received before Temple Beth El's deadline. All Temple Beth Am members MUST RSVP directly to our Secretary, Avivah Steinberg, without exception by the deadline requested! This is the protocol that Temple Beth El and Temple Beth Am agreed to in 2022 and it has

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 in the Temple Beth El building. (no Zoom), on Shabbat at 9:30 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.

not changed. So please, do not put Debbie Zeger, Rabbi Bitran, Rabbi Goldstein, or any other Temple Beth El staff and/or Board members on the spot by asking them directly whether you can attend on the day and/or evening of the event, to avoid this established protocol. All RSVP's must include the following information: Your name and the name of each individual attending with you, as well as whether the individual is an Adult or a Child, along with any food sensitivities and/or food allergies you or they may have. Your Board of Trustees and I thank you kindly for your understanding of this protocol and for following it.

We are fast approaching the High Holy Days, which begin on Monday evening, September 22nd, 2025. Due to circumstances, I have been asked by Temple Beth El to submit the names of relatives being remembered by Temple Beth Am's members for the joint 2025-2026 Yizkor Book by Wednesday,

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August 13th, 2025, without exception, as it is being sent to the Printer on Friday, August 15th, 2025. Also, please review last year's book and submit any corrections. Since Congregation Beth Hamedresh-Beth Israel and Temple Beth David will be having their own sections in the Yizkor Book, please do not list any of their members' relatives, unless they are directly related to you. Temple Beth Am's section should only include the names submitted by people whose primary membership is at Temple Beth Am. This is to prevent duplication and reduce printing costs. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Also, due to circumstances, we need to submit the names of those people who would like to attend High Holy Day services in person by Wednesday, August 13th, 2025. Please RSVP to our Secretary by either emailing her at Avivah.Steinberg@gmail.com or calling her at (585) 392-3125. Please be sure to list everyone in

your family, including any guests, who will either be attending or who intends to attend High Holy Day services individually. Also, please indicate whether the person is an Adult or Child. We will need your complete mailing address and a contact phone number, which we will be providing to Temple Beth El for tickets to the High Holy Days services and Security. Temple Beth El will in turn mail out the tickets directly to you, as well as place your name on the list for Security Personnel. Thanking you in advance for your understanding and cooperation in these matters.

Temple Beth Am members are invited to the first annual BHBI mini golf tournament at Whispering Pines Miniature Golf, 4353 Culver Road, SeaBreeze, NY On Sunday, August 17, at 3 pm. The cost is \$10 per person, paid at the door. Email BHBI at BHBIRochester@gmail.com if you plan to come and if you wish to carpool.

Two Fridays ago, July 25th, I found myself unable to attend services in person as I was dog sitting, Bailey, for my brother-in-law and sister-in-law. Since I had no access to internet, I decided to try accessing services by Zoom through my cell phone. I went out in the back yard with Bailey and Ginger, my newest Chihuahua, and managed to join services by Zoom. It was an idyllic setting as I sat outside under a tree listening to services and watching the two dogs playing as the sun was beginning to set. There was no traffic or noise to be heard, except for a few birds. It was a perfect setting for the deep breathing exercise that Rabbi Goldstein had us do. A wave of serenity and peace came over me with a sense of renewal and quiet energy, as if I was in an impermeable bubble. That Friday evening reminded me of the many High Holy Days that my family and I spent at the Public Gardens in Halifax, Nova Scotia quietly praying, reflecting, and communing with nature, surrounded by the beautiful blooms and the sound of a running brook throughout the gardens. The sense of renewal and serenity that we all felt is indescribable. It is the same sense of renewal that I receive each year at the High Holy Days. There is something intangible something that occurs when following age-old traditions, from changing the Synagogue over to white with the Leil Selichot service to hearing the liturgy, and praying with others, knowing that there are congregations all over the world joining in the same prayers seems to make the world a bit smaller and full of hope.

May this High Holy Day period bring you much hope, peace, and renewal of spirit.

Wishing you and yours a L'Shanah Tova from my family to yours. May you each be inscribed in the Book of Life.

Ruth Kei Steinberg President



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August-September Vahrzeits

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES AUGUST 1-2

- Av 7 (Aug 1) Hila Babin, sister of Lou Babin
- Av 8 (Aug 2) Anna Berman
- Av 8 (Aug 2) Regina Bornstein
- Av 8 (Aug 2) Sylvia Tulin, Mother-inlaw of Dotty Tulin
- Av 9 (Aug 3) Morris Klass
- Av 9 (Aug 3) Anna Weiner
- Av 11 (Aug 5) Jacob Maroz
- Av 12 (Aug 6) Louis Arons

Av 12 (Aug 6) Ida Maroz

Av 12 (Aug 6) Walter Yankauer, Grandfather of Debbie Kummer

Av 13 (Aug 7) Josephine Yankauer, Grandmother of Debbie Kummer

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES AUGUST 8-9

- Av 15 (Aug 9) Leo Greenwald

• Av 15 (Aug 9) Simon Maroz Av 15 (Aug 9) Janet Skolnick, Mother of Jay Skolnick

- Av 16 (Aug 10) Arthur Kaplan, Father of Ronna Marsh
- Av 18 (Aug 12) Betty Astrove Kaufman, Aunt of Debbie Kummer
- Av 18 (Aug 12) Natley Tilis
- Av 19 (Aug 13) Donald F. Schneiderman, Father of Martin Schneiderman
- Av 20 (Aug 14) Louis Schulder
- Av 21 (Aug 15) Eva Broutman

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES AUGUST 15-16

- Av 22 (Aug 16) Kenneth Kaplan, Brother of Ronna Marsh, Uncle of Rabbi Aaron Marsh
- Av 23 (Aug 17) Joseph Jacobs Av 26 (Aug 20) Samuel Nelson, Father of Bruce Nelson
- Av 27 (Aug 21) Katherine Navis Schroeder
- Av 28 (Aug 22) Kitty Yellen

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES AUGUST 22-23

- Av 30 (Aug 24) Mary Levin Elul 1 (Aug 25) William Greenhouse, Grandfather of Ann Cohen
- Elul 1 (Aug 25) Joseph Klafter Elul 1 (Aug 25) Morris Michlin, Uncle of Dotty Tulin
- Elul 1 (Aug 25) Louis Weiner, Uncle of Ronna Marsh

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES AUGUST 29-30

- Elul 6 (Aug 30) Hyman Egar
- Elul 6 (Aug 30) Jacob Klass
- Elul 6 (Aug 30) Charles Silberberg, Grandfather of Helen Arditi
- Elul 8 (Sep 1) Meyer Kaplan, Father of Gerald Kaplan and Darlene Yaravitz
- Elul 10 (Sep 3) Fran Gulack, Wife of Steve Gulack

- Elul 10 (Sep 3) Gloria Fox, Mother of Candi Nelson
- Elul 11 (Sep 4) Betty Block

Elul 11 (Sep 4) Louis Rubin, Grandfather of David Rubin

Elul 12 (Sep 5) Gloria Babin, Wife of Lou Babin

• Elul 12 (Sep 5) Raymond Babin, Father of Lou Babin

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES SEPTEMBER 5-6

Elul 15 (Sep 8) Dorothy Moscov, Aunt of Dottie Tulin

• Elul 15 (Sep 8) Julius Rogosin

Elul 16 (Sep 9) Charles Steinberg, Father of Ruth Steinberg

•Elul 17 (Sep 10) Helen Garelick Mallard, Sister-in-law of Sharon Garelick, Aunt of Laurel Schneiderman and Paul Breese-Garelick

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES SEPTEMBER 12-13

- Elul 20 (Sep 13) Peter Silverstein
- Elul 23 (Sep 16) Louis Sigelow
- Elul 24 (Sep 17) Elizabeth Cenzer

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES SEPTEMBER 19-20

- •Elul 27 (Sep 20) Daniel Alter, Father of Sharon Garelick, Grandfather of Laurel Schneiderman and Paul Breese-Garelick
- Elul 28 (Sep 21) Jane Freeman
- Elul 28 (Sep 21) Ida Kaplan, Mother of Ronna Marsh
- Elul 29 (Sep 22) Leah Babbin
- Tishrei 1 (Sep 23) Anna Bornstein
- Tishrei 1 (Sep 23) Bernhard Bornstein
- Tishrei 1 (Sep 23) Ella Bornstein
- Tishrei 2 (Sep 24) Frank Cohen Tishrei 2 (Sep 24) Max Orlen, Uncle of
- Lou Babin • Tishrei 3 (Sep 25) Murray Greenberg
- Tishrei 4 (Sep 26) Susan Lichtenstein

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES SEPTEMBER 26-27

Tishrei 6 (Sep 28) Susan Horwitz, Sisterin-law of Dotty Tulin

• Tishrei 10 (Oct 02) Florette C Klafter, Wife of Samuel Klafter

Tishrei 10 (Oct 02) Rose Sibitt, Aunt of Ronna Marsh

REMEMBERED AT SERVICES OCTOBER 3-4

- Tishrei 12 (Oct 04) Anne Lubitow Tishrei 12 (Oct 04) Mary Babin, Mother of Louis Babin
- Tishrei 12 (Oct 04) Max Zlotnick
- DENOTES A PLAQUE ON THE MEMORIAL BOARD.

Anniversaries

Happy Anniversary in August to: David and Candace Rubin Bruce & Candi Nelson Paul and Deb Breese-Garelick

Happy Anniversary in September to: Dr Mitchell Ehrenberg & Dr Ruth Goldberg Ruth Steinberg-Barnhart & Jeff Barnhart

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Happy Birthday in August to: Barbara Caplan, Rabbi Aaron Marsh, Marvin Fishman

Happy Birthday in September to: Dotty Tulin

Sisterhood Upcoming Programs

Oct 9 - Torah Fund Benefactors Afternoon Dessert, in the Sukkah

Please consider becoming a Torah Fund Benefactor. Your \$180 donation will help support the USCJ Rabbinical and Cantorial seminaries.

Nov 16 - Hiddur Mitzvah Art Project, 2-4 pm

This is special. Watch for details.

Dec 21 - Chanukah Party

Always a great time!

Jan 17, 2026 - Sisterhood Shabbat Volunteer now. Contact Gail at gailfink49@gmail.com

Feb 22, 2026 - P.A.D. Party, 10 am

May 31, 2026 - Sisterhood Annual Meeting & Brunch









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