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Rabbis write about the concept of the Mishkan (portable sanctuary) as a model for the concept of unity in diversity. The Torah details each aspect of this building of the Mishkan, including the many different contributions needed for building it. It

was a project built by the generosity of heart. Individuals were so generous and the building of the Mishkan was successful.

The success of this sacred project teaches us a crucial lesson, whether speaking about the world, our nation, our community, our families, or our shul. Each of us matters, and each of us has something unique to share.

In March 2020, Rabbi Michael Schwab, wrote, "For example, the Mishkan would not have been built if every person gave the same gift or knew the very same craft. So our differences can actually be our strength. Unity in diversity may be difficult, but when it succeeds there is nothing holier or more powerful." I want our shul to succeed amidst all of our differences.

At the time of this writing, I have been interim President for about a month and I have four previous years as President. As in those years, today we continue to face the challenges most faith communities face. Budget, membership, volunteerism. Along with our Board, and in adherence to our bylaws and standard practice for synagogues which are members of the USCJ, I will work to build upon our multitude of strengths and shore up areas that need shoring up. You can be sure that I will be open with communication (you've already received two

letters from me!), and I will be available for discussion (not on Shabbat, please).

While I understand you may not agree with every decision our Board and congregation makes, I ask you to consider this question once asked by a synagogue president during a meeting of the Rochester Area Synagogue Presidents' Council: Can you live with it?

Even if something doesn't seem like it's going your way, can you still grow and thrive with the situation? Since I heard that question, I have found that in almost all situations the answer is indeed "Yes. I can live with it."

Why am I writing this? We use information as a commodity when we're engaged in or building relationships and alliances, and sometimes gossip gets woven in. We all know that gossip, about a person or a process, is detrimental to success. As we move forward let's keep the conversation going in positive ways. The word *chesed* means grace, benevolence, compassion, and loving-kindness. Let those words be the foundation for words and action at Temple Beth David.

l'shalom, Helen

PS: At the time you receive this issue of The Bulletin, I expect to be traveling in Poland with teens from Modi'in, Israel and Rochester as part of our Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester's Journey for Identity. We will, through our travels, learn about Jewish life before, during and after the Holocaust. Our community is fortunate to have this very unique program to offer our teens, and a number of teens from Temple Beth David have participated in the past. I look forward to sharing more about this experience when I return.

The mission of Temple Beth David is to provide an environment where the concepts of community prayer, education, and service to the greater Jewish community are provided within the context of Conservative Judaism. We take pride in being a friendly, participatory, egalitarian community, welcoming all to be a part of our synagogue family.



The next **Temple Beth David Board of Trustee Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, **August 16 at 7:00 pm** via Zoom. All temple members are invited to attend or you may submit your questions or concerns in advance of the meeting for consideration by the board of trustees. Board member names are listed on the last page of this bulletin. For more information on how to attend the meeting, please contact the temple office at 585-266-3223.

Shabbat Service will be held in the Temple Beth El Chapel on Saturday, August 13 at 10:00 am

AUGUST 2022 JEWISH MOVIE CLUB LINE-UP



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2022

The Jewish Movie Club will not meet this week.



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2022

The Jewish Movie Club will not meet this week.



Watch the movie whenever it suits you and discuss it with the Jewish Movie Club at 8:00pm on Wednesday. Contact rabbi@TBDrochester.org for the Zoom Link.

August Yahrzeits

August 1 Michael Zeif	August 17 Mary Rubin
August 2 Hena Gerwertz Bromberg	August 18 Fronie Hoffman
August 3 Linda Brodsky Haid	August 19 Samuel Messinger Elizabeth Palagyi
August 8 Sam Kinel*	August 21 Ira Lurie
August 9 Norman Steinberg	August 23 Rose Zoghlin*
August 10 Nuftule Feinberg* Burton Freedman Joe Priceman*	August 25 Harold Fishman*
August 11 Jay Matthew Levine	August 27 Roses L. Gordon*
August 12 Max Kessler*	August 28 Mildred Ganon* Marsha Greenberg
August 16 Arthur Caplin Belle Kessler* John Herbert Skiba*	August 29 Beatrice Goldman Evelyn Sharf
	August 31 Benjamin Spitulnik

**Memorial plaque on display in the Temple Beth David sanctuary.*

The yahrzeit date that appears above is the date of observance using the secular calendar. These dates match those of the Hebrew calendar for the actual date of death.

All in the Family

August Birthdays

Michael Berke	August 2
Howard Kashtan	August 2
Andrew Berger	August 8
Scott Bauman	August 9
Ronald Brandwein	August 18
Leon Zoghlin	August 18
Linda Phillips	August 19
Bernard Roth	August 19
Neal Eckhaus	August 22
Sarah Eckhaus	August 22
Dolly Fishman	August 22
Sherry Goldman	August 23
Daniel Nussbaum	August 23
Jonathan Feldman	August 24
Sidney Markus	August 24
Benson Zoghlin	August 26
Alison Helms	August 28
Shelly Braiman	August 30

August Anniversaries

Scott & Merrie Franklin	August 20
Philip & Joanne Katzman	August 20
Arthur Stoler & Nancy McDonald	August 20
Leon & Sarisa Zoghlin	August 24



Bernie Roth has a new great granddaughter, Serach Reena Roth, born July 7, 2022 in Boca Raton, FL. Her parents are Jessica and Ezra Roth and grandparents, Laura and Michael. In the picture of Serach, she is nine days old, with her brother, Betzalel, five years old. The other is a photo of her four siblings and her father. Serach is named after the daughter of Asher, one of the 12 sons of Jacob. The Midrash has many accounts of her wisdom, her longevity and her ability to play the harp

Take Home Treats

If you would like to help with take home treats distributed after Shabbat service each week or wish to sponsor "Take Home Treats" in honor of a good news event, please contact the temple office or speak with Alison Helms (her contact information is listed in the temple directory).

Riverside Cemetery Plots

are available to purchase from

Temple Beth David

at reduced temple member rates for Jewish burials in adherence to Temple Beth David ritual requirements. For questions regarding purchase, contact the temple office. For questions pertaining to Jewish burial ritual requirements, contact Rabbi Silbert.



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Philip Lurie

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Temple Beth David Summer Picnic

When: August 28, 2022

Where: Buckland Lodge, 1341 Westfall Rd, Brighton

Time: 11:30 - 4:00



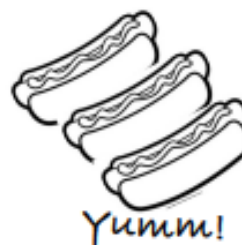
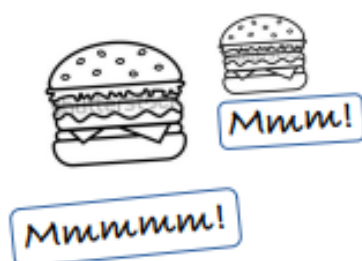
R.S.V.P. by Wednesday August 17 (to be sure there is enough food)

To: Carol Schott 585-329-3546 or Bev Zwick 585-737-4525

Bring lawn chairs!!! Bring outdoor and indoor games!!!



Food Fun Friendship
Tennis courts
Playground Beverages



This event is free for Temple Family members, guests and local community.
Donations are welcome!!!



COVID Prevention Protocols – Updated July 2022

We will monitor community COVID transmission and modify these protocols as necessary.

Masking:

Masks remain mandatory in the sanctuary and other synagogue spaces.

Our goal is to keep the sanctuary a safe and welcoming environment for all who attend services.

The continued wearing of masks allows us to ease some of the restrictions we have had within the sanctuary.

Kiddush:

Eating outdoors is preferable during warm weather months. Indoor kiddish will be an option. Eating indoors without a mask is not a "safe space" and can be done with common sense for social distancing to reduce risk.

- Masks may be removed **ONLY** when seated at a table.
- Masks are required when not seated, such as walking about, in food service lines or standing in any area.

Covid Pre-Services Screening

1. Do you have any of the following symptoms?
 - Fever of 100.4°F or higher, chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea
 - **If you have any symptoms, do not come to services.**
2. Have you had any known exposure to someone who tested positive or had presumed COVID in the past 7 days?
 - **If yes and asymptomatic**, you can take a rapid antigen (home or medical facility) test and attend if negative.
 - Test must be taken the day of services prior to your arrival.
3. Has anyone in your household tested positive for COVID in the past 10 days?
 - If yes, you can attend only if a rapid antigen test (home or medical facility) is **negative on Day 5 or later since your last exposure to that household contact.**
 - Test must be taken the day of services prior to your arrival.

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