



May 2 - May 8 1997

Friday, May 2

Shabbat Service

6:00 P.M. - 88th Street

6:45 P.M. - 86th Street

Shabbat B'Yachad - following 6:00 P.M. Service - 88th St.

Saturday, May 3

Shabbat Services 9:30 A.M. - 86th Street

Parasha: Aharei Mot (Lev. 16:1-18-30) Pg. 863

Triennial: Lev. 17:1-18:30 Pg. 875

Haftarah: Ezekiel 22:1-19 Pg. 997

Children's Services (all ages) 10:45 A.M. - Chapel

Following the service these minyamim meet:

Minyan HaK'tanim (Pre-K) - Parlor Room

Minyan Gan Aleph (Grades K-1) - Board Room.

BJ Hazanoots (Grades 2-7) - Library

Mommy and Daddy Minyan - 11:00 A.M. - 86th St. Nurs.

New and Expectant Parents Potluck Lunch - Following Services.

Guest Speaker: Dan Yakir - Association for Civil Rights in Israel

Havdalah - 8:30 P.M. - 88th Street

Yom HaShoah Commemoration - Following Havdalah - 88th Street

Sunday, May 4

BJ/St. Lukes AIDS Brunch

BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless - 86th Street

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday nights.

Make a Difference Day - JCC - 15 W. 65th Street

BJ COTS - 6:00 P.M. - 86th Street

BJ/DJ Champagne Dance Party - 7:00 P.M. - 2182 Bdwy.

Monday, May 5

Executive Committee Meeting

BJ Choir Rehearsal - 8:00 P.M. - 86th Street

Tuesday, May 6

Single Parents Meeting - 7:00 P.M. - Montana Apartments

Wednesday, May 7

Rosh Hodesh Iyyar

Kesharim - 2:00 P.M. - 88th Street

Prayerbook and Prophets Class with Rabbi Matalon -

6:45 P.M. - 88th Street

The Meaning of Jewish Observance with Rabbi

Bronstein - 8:15 P.M. - 88th Street

Thursday, May 8

Rosh Hodesh Iyyar

SCHEDULE FOR MORNING MINYAN

Monday - Friday - 7:30 A.M. - 88th Street

Sun & Nat'l Holidays - 9:30 A.M. - 88th Street

Next Week's Parashah: Kedoshim Pg. 894

It Is Our Custom:

Quiet is the proper setting for prayer and meditation. Kindly refrain from conversation while the organ is playing prior to the beginning of services. Families are requested to be responsible for their children throughout the Service.

Shortly before the beginning of Service, music signals that our tefillot are about to begin. These few minutes preceding the opening of services are intended as a bridge between the clamor of daily pursuits and the quiet devotion of prayer and Shabbat tranquillity.

We encourage you to participate in the liturgy and to sing with the congregation. If the melodies are not familiar, try to sing along and you will quickly learn them. For those of you who do not read Hebrew, we have prepared phonetic transliterations of the services that are in a special booklet appended to the Prayerbook. Our congregation's participation enhances the experience of prayer and the study of Torah for all. If you are unfamiliar with our services, and would like to sit with someone who can help orient you, our ushers will be happy to direct you to such a person.

If you have any questions or comments, the ushers or members of our membership committee will be glad to assist you. Membership application forms are available on the back table.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please call our office to let us know about family events such as births, celebrations, illness, or death, so that we can inform the Rabbis and make the appropriate announcement to our Community.

Attention: All announcements, blurbs or flyers for the next Kol Jeshurun are due at the BJ office on the Tuesday before printing at 12:00 noon.

Mazal Tov To:

The Following BJ Members and Their Families:

- Bob and Amy Pollack, on Bob's appointment as the President of the Jewish Campus Life Fund of the Robert K. Kraft Family Center for Jewish Student Life.
- Bob Owens and Evie Klein on their engagement.
- Don Sussis, for receiving the 1996 International Society of Satellite Professionals Award.

The BJ/St. Lukes AIDS Brunch:

This brunch takes place on the 1st Sunday of every month. Due to overwhelming support from the BJ community, we currently do not need any additional volunteers. Thank you for your support.

Schedule For Shabbat Services During The Summer:

Starting Friday evening, **June 20th**, we will have one service at 6:45 P.M. at 86th Street. This will continue through the summer, until **September 5th**, when we will go back to two services. Saturday morning services (including children's services) will be held at 88th Street at 9:30 A.M. beginning **Saturday, June 14th** This will continue until **August 30th**.

A Note From Nan Stevens:

It was most rewarding to be at BJ on the 7th day of Pesah, to be with Roly and Marcelo and all my friends. I've missed you all. I'll be back. But in the meantime I'd like to invite you to share our "BJ-Style" services at the Jewish Home and Hospital at 4:00 P.M. Fridays and/or 9:30 A.M. Saturdays. I'm sure you will find the same kind of warmth, ruach and singing you

get at BJ, thanks to our Rabbi, Tami Crystal, who brought the BJ Seville up there. We just have a few less people. I hope to see you there and at BJ.

Rabbinic Intern:

Our new Rabbinic Intern, Yael Ridberg, will be moving to New York, and is looking for a one bedroom apartment in the neighborhood. Please call Yael at ext. 235 if you can be of any help.

Make a Difference Day:

The JCC on the Upper West Side will be collecting desperately needed items for children and families in New York, Ethiopia, and Israel. They are collecting COINS (for lunch program in Addis Ababa), SCHOOL SUPPLIES (for children in Israel); PERSONAL CARE ITEMS (for shelter residents), and NON PERISHABLE BABY FOOD (for children in NYC.) You can deliver contributions to the JCC at 15 W. 65th St., **Sunday, May 4th**. For info. call 580-0099.

Employment Bank Volunteer Needed:

The Employment Bank Committee is expanding to meet the growing needs of the community! We are looking for volunteers to produce the career development seminars and support groups. Please leave your name and phone number in our mailbox: 315.

BJ Study Trip to Israel July 14-27, 1997

It's not too late to join Rabbi Roly Matalon on this 12-day exploration combining study and prayer with lots of free time. Participants will have the opportunity to study Jewish texts each morning, followed by free time in the afternoons for your individual interests. Classes will be taught by Israelis who will also lead discussions on Jewish identity and Jewish spirituality. **This special trip is limited to 45 members - first come, first served!** A deposit of \$200 per person should be made out to Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, and mailed to Pamela Cohn Allen at Hearts of Pam Tours, 148 West 80th St., #3R, NY, NY 10024. For registration forms and info on cost and accommodation call Pamela at 799-9232.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tonight's Shabbat B'Yachad:

There may be a little room left at tonight's communal Shabbat dinner following the 6:00 P.M. service at 88th Street. If you do not have a reservation, please see Lenny downstairs immediately following services.

Yom HaShoah Commemoration:

Yom HaShoah Services will take place on **Saturday, May 3rd** in the 88th Street sanctuary. We will begin with Havdalah at 8:30 P.M.; the service will include a reading of the names of relatives and friends who perished in the Holocaust, and a showing of the film Night And Fog. Please see flyer for details.

The BJ COTS:

We will be meeting **Sunday, May 4th**, at 6:00 P.M. at 86th Street. Call Felicia at ext. 244 for more information.

BJ/DJ Champagne Dance Party:

The Singles Committee is sponsoring another champagne dance party for single people of all ages this **Sunday, May 4th**, at 7:00 P.M., at the Fred Astaire Dance Studio. Places are still available for guests who show up at the door. Please see flyer for details.

NY Labor - Religion Coalition - Annual Conference:

Rabbi Matalon will keynote the second day of the two-day conference on the New York State Labor-Religion Conference at the Cardinal Spellman Retreat House in Riverdale, **Monday, May 5th and Tuesday, May 6th**. The conference theme is "Labor and Religion at Work Uniting Conscience and Community." To register or learn more, call Susan Zucker at 518-459-5400, or BJ member Sumner Rosen, at 580-9787.

Gonna Rock This Town!

On **Saturday, May 10th**, at 9:30 P.M., the BJ Singles Committee and Ansche Chesed will be co-sponsoring an evening of good old-fashioned Rock n'Roll at Ansche Chesed (100th St. & WEA). The cost is \$10 BJ/AC members; \$15 non-members. No reservations necessary, but volunteers are needed in exchange for free admission. To volunteer for this event only, call Michael at 678-7881, but do not call after 9:00 P.M. or on Shabbat.

Yom Ha'Atzmaut:

Adults and children of all ages, come celebrate Israel's 49th anniversary **Sunday, May 11th**, at 6:45 P.M. at 88th Street. Join us at our service, followed by lots of singing, Folk dancing, Israeli food, music and fun! Call the Israel Committee, 787-7600, ext. 326 for more information.

Sweatshops, Decent Jobs and Living Wages:

A Spring Forum sponsored by BJ, Rodeph Sholom, and Jews for Racial and Economic Justice **Thursday, May 15th**, at 7:30 P.M. at Rodeph Sholom (7 W. 83rd). Come find out what's going on in the fight against sweatshops right here in NYC and how the Jewish community can get involved! For more information call JFREJ at 954-9210.

Lesbian and Gay Pot Luck Shabbat Dinner:

Please join us at a pot luck dinner sponsored by the Gay and Lesbian Committee on **Friday, May 16th**, in the SPSA Parlor room immediately following the 6:45 P.M. service. Please

bring a dairy or vegetarian dish that can serve 5-6 people. For further information, leave a message in voicemail box 325.

AIDS Walk, May 18, 1997:

Walk with the Rabbis and B'nai Jeshurun team (#1017) members and thousands of other New Yorkers to raise money for the Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC) on **Sunday, May 18th**. AIDS Walk registration forms are in the back of both sanctuaries. Begin looking for sponsors, both corporate and individual now! Mark Lehrman and Tami Crystal will lead the BJ team's ruach (spirit), music, and chanting. Last year's AIDS Walk team was special; let's make 1997's extraordinary. See attached flyer for more information.

Life After 35! A Special Singles Event for the 35+ Crowd:

On **Sunday, May 18th**, enjoy an elegant kosher Italian dinner and an evening of classic Jewish literature and music! We will meet at Provi, Provi for a "progressive" dinner (you'll have time to meet and talk with everyone!), then on to Merkin Concert Hall for Evening Bread: Jewish Short Stories and Music. A champagne and dessert reception follow the performance. Call 787-7600 #306 for more info. or see our attached flyer.

Singles Spring Hike:

Sunday, June 1st, we will be having an (easy!)5-7 mile walk/hike along the Croton Aqueduct Trail in Westchester County, starting in Hastings; going north toward Tarrytown. Meet at Grand Central Terminal Information Booth at 11:00 A.M. We will take the 11:20 A.M. Metro North Train to Hastings (\$5 one way). Bring a bag lunch and water. Call Les (for driving instructions only!) at 718-805-4260. No reservations needed! No calls on Shabbat! A donation of \$5 will be requested from non-members.

Save The Date:

On **Saturday, June 7th**, the first ever Shabbat B'Yachad catered community lunch will be held at 88th Street, featuring a special study session on Bamidbar led by JTS Chancellor Ismar Schorsch. Further details will be forthcoming. Call our voicemail box, #304 with any questions.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

New Schedule for the Mommy and Daddy Minyan:

The FIRST Shabbat of every month we will be having a minyan (led by BJ member Michael Schram) for parents of children below the age of 2 who want to participate in an intimate adult service in a baby friendly environment. The

next minyan will be **Saturday, May 3rd**, at 11:00 A.M. in 86th St. Nursery.

New and Expectant Parents:

BJ's new and expecting parents hold a pot luck lunch each month to meet each other and discuss emerging issues. The next meeting will be on **Saturday, May 3rd**, following Shabbat morning services. Attendees should bring lunch: paper goods also welcome. Note: The group will sponsor a session with one of the rabbis to discuss parenting and Judaism early this summer. Stay tuned. Call Ilene Rosenthal with questions/suggestions 961-0434

Single Parents Group:

The Single Parents Group will be meeting on **Tuesday, May 6th** at 7:00 P.M. in the meeting room at the Montana (*Bdvy btw. 87th - 88th*). This group is open to all single parents who are interested in sharing their experiences. This group has been on hiatus for the past couple of months and is looking for additional leadership for the coming year. Please come with ideas for what you'd like this group to be and concrete ways to make that happen. For more information, please call Elana Roberts between 9:00 P.M. and 10:00 P.M. at 586-2226. Child care available.

Family Shabbat Service and Dinner:

The next Family Shabbat Service and Dinner will be **Friday, May 9th**. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate Shabbat together as a community! The service will be at 5:45 P.M. in the sanctuary at 86th Street, followed by a

dinner in the social hall. Reservations must be accompanied by a check, and will not be taken over the phone. Flyers are on the back table. Call Felicia at ext. 244 for more info.

Talent Search:

Do you have a talent you would like to share with the families of B'nai Jeshurun? Anyone who would like to tell a story, teach a dance, or do drama at our family Shabbat dinners, please call Felicia at x244.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Questions for Board Members?

Tony Fisher and Jim Meier are available during May to answer questions that members may have about the Board, or to discuss issues affecting the BJ community. You may reach Tony at 580-9133 or Jim 662-3631.

Membership at B'nai Jeshurun:

If you have been attending BJ regularly and feel that this community is important to you, we invite you to make a commitment to the ongoing work of our community and become a member. Membership packets and applications are at the back of the sanctuary, or you can call the BJ Office (787-7600 press five).

Expanded Rabbinate, No Waiting!

BJ's Rabbinic interns are available for counseling, questions, or just to chat. Regular hours: Yael Ridberg (ext. 235) Thursday, 2:00-7:00 P.M., Friday, 9:00-1:00 P.M.; Mark Sameth (ext. 319), Wednesdays 2:30-6:30 P.M.; Tami Crystal ext. 334) Tuesdays 1:00-2:30 P.M., 4:30-7:00 P.M., and Wednesdays, 10:45-1:45 P.M. Other times are also available by arrangement. Please call.

BJ Kiddush:

On the second and fourth Saturday mornings of each month, there will be a kiddush following Shabbat services in the downstairs social hall of SPSA. If you would like to sponsor a congregational kiddush at any time to celebrate a happy event in your life with your community; as well as help support the BJ Kiddush Fund, please contact Amy at the BJ Office.

Special Needs/Reserved Seating:

If you have special needs (such as physical, hearing, or visual disabilities) and are in need of reserved seating (aisle, close to the front, etc.) for Shabbat Services, please let us know. Call the BJ Office voice mailbox ext. 320.

Transliterations:

For those of you attending Shabbat services who are not completely comfortable reading the Hebrew but still want to join in the singing and chanting, we have inserted transliterations in our siddurim.

Damaged Prayerbook?

If you find a siddur or Chumash that is in shabby condition, or damaged in any way (torn pages, etc.), please give it to an usher so that it can be repaired. Thank You.

MEMBER/AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES

Park Slope Yom HaShoah Service:

BJ members Johanna Skilling and Jacob Bender will present "The Vanished World" at the Park Slope (Brooklyn)

Jewish Center on **Sunday, May 4th** at 4:00 P.M. Through images, songs, anecdotes, letters and poems, the program brings to life the vanished world of European Jewry that thrived before the Holocaust. The program will be followed by a memorial service. The Park Slope Jewish Center is at *14th St. and 8th Ave.* in Brooklyn (15th Street stop on F train). For more information, please call the Brownstone Brooklyn Coalition at 718-832-6230.

Klezmer at the Knitting Factory:

Yale Strom's (director of The Last Klezmer and Carpati) band

Hot Pstromi will be playing at The Knitting Factory **Sunday, May 18th** at 3:00 P.M. Call 219-3006 for more info.

You Mountains That Skip Like Rams..:

See for yourself on **Sunday, June 1st** in Central Park, as we meet artist and BJ member Mike Davis who will conduct a painting workshop. Meet at 12:30 P.M. at Bethesda Fountain; bring sketching or painting materials and your capacity for amaze. Mike will do a short demo and instruct those who wish it - beginners are especially welcome. Rain date is the following Sunday, same place, same time. Monet and Van Gogh wannabees can come out, be cool, and explore a world of beauty. Bring your shades, and for more information call Michael Davis, at 749-2349.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

Compost your kitchen scraps. The community garden on W. 89th St., btw Col. & Amst. accepts kitchen scraps for composting. Do not include any bones or meat scraps of any kind. They attract rats and retard the composting process. If you can help us, please leave a message, at 787-7600 # 313.

Pasuk of The Week

“You shall not copy the practices of the land of Mitzrayim where you dwelt, or of the land of Canaan to which I am taking you; nor shall you follow their laws.”
(Lev. 18:3)

Yom HaShoah Service at B'nai Jeshurun

The Memorial service will include the reading of victims' names (anyone attending is invited to bring names to read) and continues with a showing of the film:

NIGHT AND FOG

Nuit Et Brouillard

by Alain Resnais

1955 32 mins b&w/color French w/English subtitles

This haunting documentary made soon after the WWII, and now a classic, is narrated by the actor Michel Bouquet; with text by Jean Cayrol, a French survivor; and music by Hanns Eisler, a German composer driven from his country by Hitler's rise to power.

A discussion will follow.

Saturday, May 3rd 88th Street Sanctuary Havdalah Service - 8:30 P.M.



COME CELEBRATE!!

YOM HA'ATZMAUT

Sunday, May 11th, at 6:45 P.M. at 88th Street

Adults and Children of ALL AGES: Join us at our Service, followed by lots of Singing, Folkdancing, Food, Music and FUN!

Call the Israel Committee at 787-7600, ext. 326 for more information.

BJ/DJ Champagne Dance Party

A Post Pesach Matzah Ball

Sunday, May 4, 1997, at 7:00 P.M.
Fred Astaire Dance Studio
2182 Broadway, 2nd Floor
Between 77th and 78th Street

The Singles Committee is sponsoring a Champagne Dance Party for single people of all ages. Admission includes an evening of dancing (rock, Latin, hustle, slow) and champagne. Lessons to be offered throughout the evening.

Room is still available for guests who show up at the door.

BJ Members - \$25 * Non-Members - \$30.

“OUR FEET MUST PRAY” *

AIDS WALK 1997 Sunday, May 18

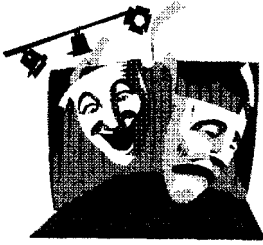
The world is currently experiencing one of the most devastating public health crises faced in modern times: Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). Steeped in our Jewish ethos and observance is the principle of *pikuah nefesh* -- when there is danger to human life we have an obligation to respond to save a life. The Mishna declares that one who saves a single life is like one who has saved the entire world. (Sanhedrin 4:5).

Here is what YOU can do:

- **Register** - Obtain an AIDS WALK NEW YORK registration form available at the synagogue, SPSA and the BJ office. Please make certain that your registration form includes the BJ TEAM #1017. If you obtain a form elsewhere please write the number 1017 on the form.
- **Get Sponsors** - Ask your family, friends, and co-workers to sponsor you for each of the 10 kilometers you will be walking. (For example, sponsors pledging \$2 per kilometer would pay \$20. Sponsors pledging \$5 kilometer would pay \$50.)
- **Buy a T-shirt.** You can purchase a BJ T shirt (\$15 for adults \$10 for children) at the BJ office.
- **Shabbat Services - May 10th** for a special D'var Torah and guest speaker.
- **Shabbat Services - May 17th** - AIDS Walk participants invited to the bimah for a special aliyah.

Call the AIDS Walk Voicemail Box #335 or Jack David Marcus at 873-7567 or David Yam at 854-3748 for more information or to volunteer.

* While marching alongside Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in Selma, Alabama, Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel commented that, along with thousands of others, his “feet were praying” for human and civil rights. We urge you to walk with us so that we can perform our community mitzvot. *Our feet must pray to save lives and minimize pain.*



Life after 35!
The BJ Singles Committee
invites you to a very special evening of
DINNER and THEATER

When: Sunday, May 18, 1997
Where: Dinner at *Provi, Provi*, 228 W. 72nd St. 5:30 p.m.
 Concert at Merkin Concert Hall. 129 W. 67th St. 7:30 p.m.
Cost: B'nai Jeshurun members \$55.00, Non-members \$65.00

(Includes all gratuities, one glass of wine with dinner, theater ticket and champagne reception following concert.)

Tickets are limited, and reservations are essential. Over 35, please. * Deadline for responses - May 5, 1997

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 Singles Dinner and Concert - May 18, 19977

Name: _____ Phone Day _____

Address: _____ Evening _____

Please mark your check "Singles Event: 5/18/97" Please enclose check made payable to: **Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, 100A W. 89th St., NY, NY 10024.** For more information, please call (212) 787-7600, ext. 306 **ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE CONFIRMATION**