



## September 19 - September 25, 1997

### Friday, September 19

**Family Shabbat Service and Dinner** 5:45 PM – 86<sup>th</sup>

Street

**Kabbalat Shabbat Service** 6:00 PM – 88<sup>th</sup>

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### Saturday, September 20

**Shabbat Services** 9:30 AM – 86<sup>th</sup>

Street

**Parashah:** Ki Tavo, Deuteronomy 26:1 – 29:8 Pg. 1508

**Triennial:** Deuteronomy 26:12 – 28:6 Pg. 1509

**Haftarah:** Isaiah 60:1 - 22 Pg. 1614

**Minyan Hazzanut** (ages 8-12) 10:15 AM –

Chapel

**Children's Services (all ages)** 10:45 AM –

Chapel

**Following the service these minyanim meet:**

**Minyan HaK'tanim** (pre-K, ages 2-4) Parlor Room

**Minyan Gan Aleph** (ages 5-7) Board Room

**Bar Mitzvah** Brian Landau

**Aliyat Hatan veKallah** Josh White and Carrie

Glasser

**Naming of:** Laura Hausman

**Speaker** Joanna

Samuels

**Kiddush honoring Shoshana Dworsky,** Following

**Our New Marshall T. Meyer Rabbinic Fellow**

Services

### Sunday, September 21

**BJ COTS Meeting** 6:00 PM – 88<sup>th</sup>

Street

**BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless** 86<sup>th</sup>

Street

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday nights.

### Monday, September 22

**Choir Rehearsal** 8:00 PM – 96<sup>th</sup>

Street

### Wednesday, September 24

**Kesharim** 2:00 PM – 88<sup>th</sup>

Street

### Thursday, September 25

**Annual Interfaith Lecture** 7:30 PM – 86<sup>th</sup>

Street

**Choir Rehearsal** 8:00 PM – 96<sup>th</sup>

Street

**Next Week's Parashah:** Nitzavim-Vayelekh  
**Torah:** Annual, Deuteronomy 29:9 – 31:30 Pg. 1537  
**Triennial:** Deuteronomy 30:1 – 31:6 Pg. 1540  
**Haftarah:** Isaiah 61:10 – 63:9 Pg. 1618

**SCHEDULE FOR MORNING MINYAN**  
**Monday - Friday - 7:30 AM – 88<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Sun & Nat'l Holidays - 9:30 AM – 88<sup>th</sup> Street**

#### 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 the 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.

Shabbat Shalom

#### Fellow Congregants:

We would like to gently remind you that members of the BJ

staff come to services to pray just as all of us do. Shabbat, for them, as for us is a holy and spiritual time. Although we know that no harm is intended, in the spirit of Shabbat, please do not ask them about business matters on Shabbat. Whatever questions you may have should be directed to the office Monday through Friday during regular business hours. Thank you.

## 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.**

### **Condolences**

The Community of B'nai Jeshurun extends its sincere condolences to Robert, Esther, Nahama, and Alexandra Broner, on the death of Robert's beloved brother, Paul.

### **Mazal Tov To:**

- David, Miriam, Brian, and Caroline Landau on the celebration of Brian's Bar Mitzvah.
- Josh White and Carrie Glasser on their upcoming wedding.
- Rob Adler and Ilene Wiener and their families on their upcoming wedding.
- Michael Hausman and Tracy Pogue, and Sidney Hausman on the naming of their daughter and sister, Laura Hausman.
- James Fraiman and Sarah Friedman and their families on their recent engagement.
- Mark Kanter and Sarah Eberle and their families on their recent engagement.
- Anne Millman and her father David Weichman on his 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

### **Todah Rabbah To:**

- David and Miriam Landau for sponsoring the kiddush in honor of Brian's Bar Mitzvah.
- Elaine Nevins for donating the flowers for last Shabbat's meals with Rabbi Jonathan Omer-Man.

### **Brukhim Haba'im**

- The Community of B'nai Jeshurun welcomes Rabbi Harry Danziger, Cantor John Kaplan, and the confirmation class of Temple Israel in Memphis, Tennessee.
- BJ also welcomes Shoshana Dworsky, our new Marshall T. Meyer Rabbinic Fellow. Shoshana is a fourth year rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary. She will formally begin her duties at BJ after the High Holy Days.

### **Attention All BJers**

Hector Priven, Ari's brother, will once again be with us assisting with music for the Yamim Nora'im. We are in desperate need of a room and bath for him from Sept. 27 through Oct. 14th. If you can provide such space, please call Arlene at x223.

### **Rabbi Jonathan Omer-Man**

For those who would like more information on the classes and retreats led by our recent teacher-in-residence, Rabbi Jonathan Omer-Man, and the work of his organization dedicated to contemplative Judaism, please contact: Metivta, 2001 South Barrington Avenue, Suite 106, Los Angeles, CA, 90025. Tel: (310) 477-5370, fax: (310) 477-7501, or by email: metivta@metivta.org.

### **The Homeless Shelter Needs Your Help**

The BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter needs additional people to staff the Shelter (particularly from those of you who said "call me after the summer"). Volunteers are needed to prepare light snacks, set-up the Shelter, and, most urgently, to sleep over. Please call John Morris at (212) 479-6228 or Barbara Blumenthal at (212) 265-0396 to volunteer.

### **Refuah Sh'lemah**

BJ member Ronnie Miller, who is recuperating from a bone marrow transplant, will be coming home from South Carolina in a few weeks. She would like to extend her love and gratitude to the BJ family for all the cards and letters that were sent to her. All mail should now go to: 150 West 96<sup>th</sup> Street, #2A New York, NY 10025.

### **Kol Nidre Fundraising Phonathon Volunteers Needed:**

The Development Committee is looking for additional volunteers to call members during a phonathon on the evening of **October 5<sup>th</sup>**. The phonathon will remind members of the importance of the Kol Nidre fundraising campaign in building a strong Jewish community. This will be a chance to meet other members. No experience necessary - we'll provide training, food, a room with phones, and the telephone numbers to call. To volunteer, or for additional information, please call Liz Cooper at (212) 854 3971 or Ted Becker at (212) 783-0796.

### **Employment Bank Announces Two New Fall Services**

The first new offering is a Resume Review Service in which a committee member works with you in confidence to

upgrade your current resume. Then, on **October 28<sup>th</sup>**, the new Job Search Strategy workshop, led by career consultant Ellis Chase, will begin a 6-week arc. **We are looking for a qualified career consultant volunteer to assist.** In addition, on **November 12<sup>th</sup>**, the first Career Development Seminar of the season will be presented. Subsequent dates are January 14<sup>th</sup>, March 18<sup>th</sup>, May 13<sup>th</sup>, and June 24<sup>th</sup>. Lastly, the Job Matching Service welcomes Joyce Gottlieb and Anne Millman, who will work with Don Cohen to place congregation members. For more information, leave your name and number at x315.

### **Retreat to Bear Witness at Auschwitz**

The Zen Peacemaker Order is sponsoring an interfaith gathering at the concentration camps of Auschwitz-Birkenau, **November 11-15**. This international retreat is open to people of all faiths who are interested in being a part of a powerful experience of prayer and meditation and want to discuss the legacy of the Holocaust and anti-Semitism. The cost of the trip will be approximately \$1600, including airfare. Rabbi Yael Ridberg will be going and would like to lead a BJ group if there are enough people. If you are interested, please contact her ASAP at x235.

### **Israel Tour**

Rabbi Steve Stulman, a BJ member and staff chaplain at the HealthCare Chaplaincy and the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, will be leading a multi-faith tour to Israel in February 1998 with an emphasis on health care facilities and spiritual sites. Everyone is welcome, including health care workers, clergy, and chaplains. If you would like further information, please contact Steve at (212) 639-5982.

### **Join Us in Ushering in the New Year**

Many ushers are still urgently needed to help us welcome and seat those attending our Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. If you are a member and would like to volunteer, complete the scheduling form that was mailed to you, extra copies of which are on the back table, and return it to the BJ office ASAP. If you have already sent in your form, assignments and additional instructions will be mailed to you next week, and hold **November 2<sup>nd</sup>** free for the Second Annual Usher's Trophy Game. Call x305 with any questions of for more information.

### **Volunteers Needed**

To complete the task of scheduling ushers, a few volunteers will be needed to fill out assignment forms, stuff envelopes and make a few phone call this coming week. If you can help, call x305 and leave your name and number.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Lecture on Issues in Judaism- and Christianity**

What are the sources of my spirituality? How do people of different backgrounds experience and respond to their sense of the holy? This year, our Fifth Annual Lecture on Issues in Judaism and Christianity, co-sponsored by the Interfaith program of BJ and SPSA, inaugurates a special series on Spiritual Autobiography. On Thursday, **September 25<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 PM in the SPSA Chapel, Professor Randall Balmer, Barnard College/Columbia University historian of American religion and culture, will share with us his passage through – and beyond – his Evangelical Christian fundamentalist upbringing. Admission is free; all are welcome.

### **SHARE-A-WALK**

Join the BJ team on Sunday, **October 5<sup>th</sup>** as we help raise funds and demonstrate support for SHARE (Self Help for Women with Breast or Ovarian Cancer) by participating in the annual walk-a-thon called SHARE-A-WALK in Central Park. Here are the details:

- **8:30 AM:** Morning Minyan at Bethesda Fountain led by Rabbi Yael Ridberg

- **9:00 AM:** Enjoy the speakers and entertainment at the Bandshell
- **10:00 AM:** The walk begins (through the Upper West Side and back into Central Park)

For further information, call BJ's Team Captains: Dan Cohen at (212) 865-0762, Cathy Schwartz at (212) 866-5254, Ricki Segall at (212) 873-0198, or Helen Lehrman at (212) 988-0497. If you would like to purchase a BJ T-shirt to wear at the walk, please call Ben x241.

### **Sukkat Shalom**

Save the date for a giant Havdalah groups get-together in the BJ sukkah on the Shabbat afternoon of **October 18<sup>th</sup>**, starting at 5:30 PM. Join Rabbi Sam Intrator of the Carlebach Shul for some study, singing, dancing, and a little food. Hear Hasidic tales and learn new niggunim. After Havdalah, new groups will be forming. Whether you are currently a group member, interested in joining or just curious about Havdalah groups, you're invited. Come and help create the joy of Shabbat.

## **FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

**The First Ever BJ Junior Youth Group**

Calling all 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders from the B'nai Jeshurun community who want to get together once a month to have a great time! Come join us for our kick-off event this Saturday, **September 20<sup>th</sup>**, 6:30 – 8:30 PM at SPSA. Feel free to call Daniel Barash at (212) 388-2918 or Felicia Sol at x244 with any questions.

**New and Expectant Parents Potluck Lunch:**

The next New and Expectant Parents meeting will be a potluck lunch held on Saturday, **September 27<sup>th</sup>** (following services) at the **Montana apartment building**, between 87<sup>th</sup> and 88<sup>th</sup> Streets on Broadway. On this special Shabbat of Selihot, Rabbi Yael Ridberg will speak about issues related to Jewish parenthood. If you are an expecting parent, please contact Felicia Sol at x244 and ask that your name be added to the Family Activities mailing list. For any questions regarding the group, call Ilene Rosenthal at (212) 210-3936.

**Family Service and Dinner**

Every month, BJ offers a special Family Service at 5:45 PM at 86<sup>th</sup> Street, geared toward children 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and under, followed by a catered Family Shabbat dinner. Part of making Shabbat a joyous experience is celebrating together. The dinner focuses on the sanctification of Shabbat through singing, eating and community building. The September Family Shabbat is this Friday, **September 19<sup>th</sup>**. The next Family Service will be on **October 17<sup>th</sup>**, but there will not be a dinner in October. Fliers can be found on the back table. Reservations will not be taken over the phone, but you can call Felicia at x244 for more information

**A Moment to Receive Shabbat with the Rabbis**

While the once a month Family Service caters to children in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and below, we encourage children in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and above to attend the 6:00 PM service at 88<sup>th</sup> Street. This year we will inaugurate a new weekly ritual. At 5:45 PM in the Frankel Hall, all children in grades 3-7 will be invited to spend a special moment with the rabbi(s) who is/are leading the service. The time will be spent sharing a moment together in preparation for receiving Shabbat. We hope this sacred time will foster a connection with the rabbis, and help create community amongst the children.

**Minyan Hazzanut**

On Shabbat Morning, there is a new special minyan for ages 8-12 led by Daniel Barash in the Chapel at 86<sup>th</sup> Street. This year, children will gather in the chapel at **10:15 AM** to prepare to lead part of the main children's service.

**Volunteers Needed to Help During the High Holy Days**

Would you like to share a part of yourself with the children of BJ during the Yamim Nora'im? Everyone is invited to read a story, play a game, act out a play, or sing a song, etc. in order to enhance the children's program during the High Holy Days. On the first day of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur, we need volunteers to provide informal learning opportunities from 10:00 – 11:00 AM. On the second day of Rosh Hashanah, volunteers are needed to walk with the children to Central Park from 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM where we will perform Tashlich. Please call Felicia at x244 to volunteer.

**Calling all Teens!**

Are you interested in helping out during the children's program for the High Holy Days? Call Felicia at x244.

**BJ COTS Are Off to an Amazing Start**

BJ's Council of Teens meets every Sunday at 6:00 PM in the Parlor Room at 86<sup>th</sup> Street. This Sunday, **September 21<sup>st</sup>**, bring \$3.00 for pizza. Call Felicia at x244 for more info!

# HIGH HOLY DAY INFORMATION

## High Holy Day Service Schedule\*

**Selihot**

September 27	9:30 PM	Program	88 <sup>th</sup> Street
	12:00 AM	Midnight Service	88 <sup>th</sup> Street

**Rosh Hashanah**

October 1	6:30 PM	First Evening Service	96 <sup>th</sup> Street
October 2	9:00 AM	First Day Services	96 <sup>th</sup> Street & 86 <sup>th</sup> Street
	6:30 PM	Second Evening Service	96 <sup>th</sup> Street
October 3	9:00 AM	Second Day Service	96 <sup>th</sup> Street

**Shabbat Shuvah**

October 3	6:00 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	88 <sup>th</sup> Street
	6:45 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	86 <sup>th</sup> Street
October 4	9:30 AM	Shabbat Shuvah Service	86 <sup>th</sup> Street

**Yom Kippur**

October 10	5:45 PM	Kol Nidre Services	96 <sup>th</sup> Street & 86 <sup>th</sup> Street
October 11	9:00 AM	Morning Services	96 <sup>th</sup> Street & 86 <sup>th</sup> Street
	4:15 PM	Minha/Ne'ilah	96 <sup>th</sup> Street & 86 <sup>th</sup> Street
	7:05 PM	Teki-at Shofar/Havdalah	96 <sup>th</sup> Street & 86 <sup>th</sup> Street

**Sukkot/Shemini Atzeret**

October 15	6:45 PM	First Evening Service	86 <sup>th</sup> Street
October 16	9:30 AM	First Day Service	86 <sup>th</sup> Street
	6:45 PM	Second Evening Service	86 <sup>th</sup> Street
October 17	9:30 AM	Second Day Service	86 <sup>th</sup> Street
October 22	6:45 PM	Shemini Atzeret Service	88 <sup>th</sup> Street
October 23	9:30 AM	Shemini Atzeret Service	88 <sup>th</sup> Street

**Simhat Torah**

October 23	6:45 PM	Simhat Torah Service	86 <sup>th</sup> Street
October 24	9:30 AM	Simhat Torah Service	88 <sup>th</sup> Street

\*Children's Services take place at 10:45 AM on all days there are Adult Services (except Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, when they begin at 10 AM).

### Sponsor Flowers for the Yamim Nora'im

The beautiful flowers that grace the Bimah during the High Holy Days have always been generously donated. Please consider sponsoring flowers – a beautiful gift to your community that may be made in memory or in honor of loved ones. Call Arlene Brandon at x223 for more information.

### High Holy Days Meal Match

If you have room at your table or would like to be a guest for a meal during the High Holy Days, please fill out the form at the back of the Kol Jeshurun and return it to the BJ office ASAP. **Hosts are urgently needed.** The deadline is **Monday, September 22, 1997, 5 PM.**

### **Office Hours for the High Holy Days**

Monday-Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Monday and Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>  
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Monday – Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 AM – 6:45 PM

Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### Questions for Board Members?

Marina Kaufman and Joel Friedman are available during September to answer questions that members may have about the Board, or to discuss issues affecting the BJ community. You may reach Marina at 972-8400 or Joel at 796-4550.

### Expanded Rabbinate, No Waiting!

BJ's Rabbinic interns are available for counseling, questions, or just to chat. Mark Sameth (x319), by appointment and Tami Crystal (x334) by appointment, Mon.-Thurs. afternoons and evenings. Please call.

### 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, x320.

### 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.

## **MEMBER/AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES**

### Jerusalem and the Environment:

The BJ Community is invited to a slide presentation on Saturday, **September 20<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00 PM titled "Jerusalem, City of Gold/City of Soot" presented by Elana Preuss, Sarah Duker Fellow, and Coordinator of the Jerusalem Branch of Israel Union for the Environmental Defense (IUED). The presentation will take place at the home of Jonathan Wolfe: 210 Riverside Drive, #1E (corner of 93<sup>rd</sup> St.). For more information, call Les Judd at (718) 805-4260.

### Book Signing

On **September 22<sup>nd</sup>**, from 5:30 – 7:00 PM at the Barnes & Noble on Broadway and 66<sup>th</sup> Street, BJ member Merrill Feinstein-Feit, and Patti Greenberg Wollman will give a talk and sign their book, *I'm Afraid of the Vampire State Building*.

### Social Change in Israel

New Generations of the New Israel Fund invites you to hear Aliza Mazor, Resource Development Coordinator for SHATIL, the Capacity Building Center for Social Change of the New Israel Fund. She will speak on "Obstacles and Opportunities: Promoting Social Change in Israel," Thursday, **September 25<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 PM at the Nathan Cummings Foundation, 1926 Broadway, Suite 600 (between 64<sup>th</sup> and 65<sup>th</sup> Streets). Please RSVP to (212) 750-2333, or via email: bruce@nifny.org.

### Eastiders Havurah

BJ Eastiders next Shabbat home service and dinner will be **September 26<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 PM at the home of Richard Seaman. If you are already on our list, please call Nancy Schandler at (212) 831-8907 (before 10:00 PM and not on Shabbat)

to

reserve a space and to find out what to bring. To be placed on the list, please call Charlotte Schwab at (212) 717-5234 (between 7:00 and 9:00 PM and only on Mondays and Thursdays). You do not need to live on the Eastside to join us

– we have BJ people from all over Manhattan and the Greater New York area. Our Havurah is a mini BJ, so come lend your special talents to the group!

**Ecological Suggestion of the Week**

Recycle automotive batteries. Return used batteries to your auto shop. It is illegal to discard auto batteries in New York City. Recycling saves you the \$5 surcharge for a new battery.

Write your Congressperson and urge him/her to co-sponsor the Endangered Species Recovery Act of 1997 (HR2351). This bill will help to prevent species from becoming threatened or endangered, as well as help endangered species to recover. The address is: U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515. This message was brought to you by the Environment Committee at 787-7600, x313.

**Pasuk of The Week**

“You shall then recite as follows before Adonai your God: ‘My father was a fugitive Aramean. He went down to Egypt with meager numbers and sojourned there, but there he became a great and very populous nation.’”  
(Deuteronomy 26:5)

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All BJ Members interested in  
**Social JUSTICE, Local EMPOWERMENT, and Interfaith COALITIONS**  
are invited to join the

**B'nai Jeshurun Workshop on  
Social Justice and Community Organizing**

This Workshop will explore power, politics, and accountability on the Upper West Side from a Jewish perspective and a community organizing framework. The Workshop will also prepare for BJ's full-fledged participation in Westsiders Together, a local organizing project of the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF). The Workshop will be led by participants and IAF staff.

**When:** 8 2-hour sessions on Sunday late afternoons/early evenings between November 1997 and February 1998.  
At participants' convenience, commitments to actions/meetings in the intervening weeks between meetings.

**Where:** At the home of a BJ congregant, to be announced.

**How:** For more information on participation in the Social Justice Workshop, contact

Rabbi Yael Ridberg at (212) 787-7600, x235.

*In cooperation with the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF)*