



April 3 – April 9, 1998

Friday, April 3		Street	
Morning Minyan	7:30 AM – 88 th	BJCOTS	6:00 PM – 86 th
Street		Street	
Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:00 PM – 88 th		
Street			
Shabbat B'Yachad Dinner with Rabbi David Lazar		Monday, April 6	
Following Services – 88 th Street		Morning Minyan	7:30 AM – 88 th
Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:45 PM – 86 th	Street	
Street		BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless	86 th
		Street	
		Monday, & Thursday nights.	
Saturday, April 4		Introduction to Judaism	6:30 PM – 88 th
Shabbat HaGadol Services	9:30 AM – 86 th	Street	
Street		Beit Midrash	6:30 PM – 88 th
Parashah: Tzav, Leviticus 6:1 – 8:36 Pg. 781		Street	
Triennial: Leviticus 8:1 – 8:36 Pg. 795		Choir Auditions	7:45 PM – 86 th
Haftarah: Malakhi 3:4 – 24 Pg. 1654		Street	
		Choir Rehearsal	8:00 PM – 86 th
Minyan Hazzanut (ages 8-12)	10:15 AM –	Street	
Chapel			
		Tuesday, April 7	
Children's Services (all ages)	10:45 AM –	Morning Minyan	7:30 AM – 88 th
Chapel		Street	
Following the service these minyanim meet:		Talmud with Rabbi Hillel Friedman	8:10 AM – 88 th
Minyan HaK'tanim (pre-K, ages 2-4)	Parlor Room	Street	
Minyan Gan Aleph (ages 5-7)	Board Room	BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless	88 th
		Street	
B'not Torah	Abbey Katz	Tuesday & Wednesday nights.	
	Ilene Katz	Opening Your Inner Eye with Arthur Green	
	Mimi Lox	7:30 PM – Anshe Chesed, 251 West 100 th Street	
	Candace Martin	Parenting with Dr. Ron Taffel	7:00 PM – 86 th
	Anne Millman	Street	
	Karen Zivan		
Aliyat Hatan veKallah	Mark Kurlansky and Marian	Wednesday, April 8	
Mass		Morning Minyan	7:30 AM – 88 th
Speaker:	Rabbi David Lazar	Street	
Pre-Pesa <input type="checkbox"/> Gathering	5:00 PM – 88 th	Kesharim	Cancelled this
Street		week	
Gay and Lesbian Havdalah Study Group		Call, Empathy, and Response: A Study of A.J. Heschel's	
6:00 PM – 430 West 119 th St. (at Amsterdam Ave.), #47		The Prophets with Rabbi Matalon	6:45 PM –
		88 th Street	
Sunday, April 5		Thursday, April 9	
Morning Minyan	9:30 AM – 88 th	Morning Minyan	7:30 AM – 88 th
Street		Street	
BJ/St. Lukes Brunch	11:00 PM – 86 th	Judith Bernstein Lunch Program	8:30 AM – 88 th

Street
BJLIFE 5:00 PM
Parashat HaShavuah 6:30 PM – BJ Office
Advanced Beginner Hebrew 6:30 PM –Heschel
School

Next Week's Parashah: Pesa□
Torah: Exodus 12:21 – 51 Pg. 460
Maftir: Numbers 28:16 – 25 Pg. 1211
Haftarah: Joshua 5:2 – 6:1 Pg. 3

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

Volunteer Opportunity of the Week

Volunteers Needed

The Jewish Home and Hospital needs as many volunteers as possible Friday, **April 10th** from 4:00 – 7:00 PM to allow its residents and patients to enjoy a seder. Volunteers are needed to transport, serve and sing along. You should be finished just in time to make it to you own seder in the neighborhood. Because it's Shabbat, we'll also be doing a Ma'ariv service before the seder, so you can get in your Shabbat davenning with all your favorite BJ melodies. To help, please call Tami Crystal at (212) 870-4959.

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 Jo Ann and Robert Werbel, and Lee, Julian, and Jeffery Sachs on the death of Jo Ann's beloved mother, Lillian Berry.
- The community of B'nai Jeshurun mourns the loss of its beloved member, Bella Abzug, and extends sincere condolences to her family, Liz Abzug and Erica Forman, Eve Abzug and Joan Caplan, and Helene Alexander.

Mazal Tov To:

- Abbey Katz, Ilene Katz, Mimi Lox, Candace Martin, Anne Millman, and Karen Zivan and their families on the celebration of their becoming B'not Torah.
- Rev. K Karpen and Charlene Floyd on the birth of their daughter, Jessie Christie Floyd Karpen.
- April, Paul, and Gabriel Klausner on the birth of their son and brother, Jonah Maxwell.
- Mark Kurlansky and Marian Mass on their upcoming wedding.
- Joseph Godin and Hillary Kessler on their recent engagement.

Todah Rabbah To:

Original Ray's Pizza on Broadway (between 88th and 89th) for providing the Judith Bernstein Lunch Program with gift certificates (at a discounted rate) for our guests on Thursday, April 16th because the program will be suspended during Pesa□.

Hebrew School Food Collection for the Month of Nisan

This month, the BJ Hebrew School is collecting **cans of tuna** for Dorot. Drop-off points will be at the BJ Offices at 100A West 89th Street, or at the Hebrew School at 270 West 89th Street. Please do not bring any donations to the synagogue. Thank you for your support.

Tonight's Shabbat Dinner

There **may** be a little room at tonight's catered communal dinner following the 6:00 PM service when Rabbi David Lazar of Congregation Kehilat Ya'ar Ramot will lead us in a study on how Israeli society views the "other." The event will be ASL interpreted. See the 'Israel at 50' flyer in the back of the Kol Jeshurun for more information. If you have not made a reservation, please see Lenny downstairs in the

Be a Part of History (With the Israel Committee)

As part of Israel's 50th anniversary, the New Israel Fund is co-sponsoring a campaign in Israel called "Israel Signing Anew" to encourage Israelis to rededicate themselves to the values articulated in their Declaration of Independence. The NIF is also inviting Jews throughout the US to demonstrate support for this campaign by signing a Statement of Solidarity. A copy of the Statement of Solidarity is reproduced in this issue of the Kol Jeshurun. We encourage everyone to participate in this unique opportunity. After you and up to 13 others have signed the statement, please mail it to: New Israel Fund, 1625 K Street NW, Suite 500, Washington, D.C. 20006-1604. Signatures received by the NIF national office by Tuesday, **May 5th** will be assembled for presentation to the President of Israel shortly after Yom Ha'Atzmaut, together with the hundreds of thousands of Declarations that have already been signed by Israelis.

BJ and Westside Judaica

If you make a purchase of any kind from Westside Judaica on Broadway (between 88th and 89th Streets) and mention that you are affiliated with BJ, the store will donate 10 percent of the proceeds to the synagogue. Non-members should not be discouraged from asking for the donation.

Food Coordinator

Carol Gelles handles all food needs for BJ's community events. So, if you are planning to sponsor a kiddush or are planning a BJ activity that will involve food (including meetings, concerts, etc.), please call Carol at x344.

Apartment Needed!

Our Marshall T. Meyer Rabbinic Fellow Shoshana Dworsky will be joining the staff full time this summer and is looking for a one-bedroom or studio apartment within walking distance of BJ to rent or sublet for a minimum of one year. If you can help, please call x337.

Modern Hebrew

Join our on-going beginner and intermediate levels of Modern Hebrew with a Touch of Israeli Culture. Beginners: Thursdays, 8:00 PM; Intermediate: Thursdays: 6:30 PM. Morning classes are being organized. Call Michal Nachmany at (212) 865-4050.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Social Hall immediately after services to see if we can accommodate you. Our next dinner will be Friday, **May 1st** and will be cosponsored by the Social Action Committee in preparation for this year's AIDS Walk. Our next lunch will be on **May 16th**, when Rabbi Diane Cohler-Esses will lead us in study. Call x304 for more information.

More with Rabbi David Lazar

Rabbi Lazar will be speaking on Sunday, **April 5th** at 4:00 PM at the Mathilda Schechter Dormitory (415 W. 120th St.) of JTS. He will be speaking as part of Tnuat AM, the Movement for Conservative Aliyah. The event is free. Please RSVP to (212) 533-7800, x2021.

BJ/St. Luke's Hospital Brunch

The next BJ/St. Luke's Hospital Brunch will take place Sunday, **April 5th** at 11:15 AM at the hospital. If you are interested in volunteering for the brunch, please call our coordinator Merrill Feinstein-Feit at (212) 744-2349.

Choir Auditions

If you would like to be in the choir, there will be an audition on Monday, **April 6th** at 7:45 PM at 86th Street. For more information call x303.

Arts & Culture Meeting

If you are interested in becoming a part of the Arts & Culture Planning and/or production teams, come to a meeting on Tuesday, **April 14th** at the Montana Apartment Building (Broadway between 87th and 88th Streets), 6:30 – 8:30 PM. We'll discuss past events and plans for the future, and start to establish committees for publicity, technical production, receptions, and other A & C assignments.

Upper West Side "Make a Difference Day"

The JCC on the Upper West Side is sponsoring its third annual "Make a Difference Day" on Sunday, **May 3rd**. More than 500 volunteers come together to engage in hands-on work projects cleaning, painting rooms and murals, planting, entertaining seniors, reading to children in hospitals, etc. One of the projects we will be doing is clearing up and planting an area in Riverside Park, The BJ Environment Committee will be organizing a group from

BJ to work in the park and have brunch afterwards. Les Judd will have 25 registration forms in early April for this project. Other registration forms, for other projects, will be available in the BJ office and the back of the sanctuary. Call Ricki Segall at (212) 873- 0198 or Helen Barer at the JCC at (212) 580-0099. Everyone must be registered to participate.

From the Israel Committee

Join the American Friends of Neve Shalom/Wahat Al-Salam (NW/WAS) on Tuesday, **May 5th** at the Walter Reade Theater at Lincoln Center for a fund raising gala featuring the U.S. premiere of the first joint Israeli/Palestinian children's program: a bilingual co-production of Sesame Street, supported by the Children's Television Workshop. See the flyer on the back table of the Sanctuary for more info. For tickets and/or if you want an opportunity to participate in making it all happen, call (212) 226-9246.

Save the Date: AIDS Walk

Plan on walking (and singing) with the BJ team on Sunday morning, **May 17th**, in the annual AIDS Walk. Last year's team raised the 16th largest amount of money of all teams in the Walk. **We need your help to assure that we go higher into the top 20 teams this year! Volunteers are needed to walk, sponsor, and help organize the BJ AIDS Walk team.** FAST TRACK AIDS WALK REGISTRATION: Either email jackdavidm@aol.com or call the AIDS Walk voicemail box at x335. Leave the name of each walker, including children, plus address and phone number. Registration forms can also be found in the back of the sanctuary. Coordinators are needed for food and data entry. For more info, call Jack David Marcus at (212) 873-7567.

PESA □ INFORMATION

Pesa □ Service Schedule

First Evening Pesa □	Friday, April 10 th	6:00 PM	88 th Street
	(Please note: there is only one service this week)		
First Day Pesa □	Saturday, April 11 th	9:30 AM	86 th Street *
Second Evening Pesa □	Saturday, April 11 th	7:45 PM	88 th Street
Second Day Pesa □	Sunday, April 12 th	9:30 AM	88 th Street
Seventh Evening Pesa □	Thursday, April 16 th	6:45 PM	88 th Street
Seventh Day Pesa □	Friday, April 17 th	9:30 AM	88 th Street
Eighth Evening Pesa □	Friday, April 17 th	6:00 PM	88 th Street *
		6:45 PM	86 th Street
Eighth Day Pesa □ – <i>Yizkor</i>	Saturday, April 18 th	9:30 AM	86 th Street *

Children's Services begin at 10:45 AM each morning there are Adult Services.

* ASL (American Sign Language) Interpreted Service

Seder Match – Hosts Still Needed!

If you have room at your table to host people for one (or both!) sederim, please call Shoshana Avner at (718) 847-0765.

Pre-Pesa□ Gathering

Help prepare as a community for Pesa□ through song, art, dance, meditation, and study this Saturday, **April 4th** at 88th Street beginning at 5:00 PM. See the flyer in the back of the Kol Jeshurun for details.

Mekhirat Hametz – Sale of Hametz

During Pesa□, the ownership of *hametz* is prohibited. Before the holiday begins, you can have all of your *hametz* sold to a non-Jew by the Rabbis, and at the end of Pesa□, they will transfer ownership back to you. If you would like your *hametz* sold, please sign up at the Pre-Pesa□ Gathering on **April 4th**, or call x345 and leave your name and address.

Passover Package Delivery

Volunteers are needed to deliver hundreds of packages and to visit with our older friends in the neighborhood as part of Dorot's Passover Package Delivery, Sunday, **April 5th** between 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM at Dorot, 171 W. 85th St. If you have any questions, call Dorot at (212) 769-2850.

Pesa□ Tales

BJ member and storyteller Peninnah Schram and singer/guitarist Gerard Edery will present a Pesa□ family program for all ages, "On Eagle's Wings: Carrying Passover Tales," at the Jewish Museum (1109 5th Ave.) on Sunday, **April 5th** at 1:00 PM. This intergenerational program will interweave themes of freedom, peoplehood, Elijah the Prophet and renewal from Ashkenazic and

Sephardic Pesa□ stories and songs. Admission: \$8 general public; \$5 Jewish Museum members.

Pesa□ Rabbinic Dialogue

Explore the themes and texts of Pesa□ in a vibrant, cross-denominational setting with Rabbi Matalon, Rabbi Gary Bretton-Granatour of Stephen Wise Free Synagogue, and Rabbi Jacob J. Schacter of the Jewish Center on Monday, **April 6th**, 7:15 PM at the JCC (15 W. 65th St). The event is free. Call (212) 580-0099, x216 for more info.

Seudat Mitzvah

On Friday, **April 10th**, 7:30 AM, following Morning Minyan, all are welcome to join in a *siyyum*, completion of a tractate of rabbinic literature, followed by a *seudat mitzvah*, a meal accompanying the performance of a *mitzvah* (here the completion of study). All first born in attendance are then permitted to eat and break the Fast of the Firstborn (Ta'anit B'khorim).

BJ Queens Chavurah Pesa□ Seder

The BJ Queens Chavurah is planning a Pesa□ Seder to be held on the first night of Pesa□, Friday, **April 10th** at the Conservative Synagogue of Jamaica Estates, Queens. The cost is \$35. For reservations, please call Les Judd at (718) 805-4260 or Aliza Felix at (718) 459-7334.

Children's Pesa□ Story

BJ member Fran Manushkin has written a children's picture book called *Miriam's Cup: A Passover Story*, published by Scholastic Hardcover. It tells the story of the prophet Miriam and her contributions to the Exodus story. Fran dedicated her book to BJ, with love and gratitude for being a part of this congregation.

SINGLES ACTIVITIES

Shabbat Dinner on Pesa□

The BJ Singles Committee, in conjunction with the Ansche Chesed Young Professionals, will be sponsoring a dinner on Friday, **April 17th**, at Ansche Chesed (100th St and WEA). This will be a great opportunity to enjoy a Kosher for Pesa□ dinner on Shabbat, which this year falls on the last night of Pesa□. The dinner will begin at 7:30 PM, and will be followed by a musical program and discussion. Application forms are available in the back of the Kol Jeshurun. Call x306 for more info. Sign up today!

Memorial Day Weekend Getaway

Looking for something special to do Memorial Day weekend? Camp Ramah will once again be having a getaway in the Berkshires. Spend Shabbat and a weekend full of activities and entertainment away from the city, with a group of terrific people in their late 20s to 40s. Space is limited (last year sold out). For more information call (212) 678-8000 x8155 and see brochures on the table in the back.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Pre-Pesa□ Gathering!

This Saturday, **April 4th**, the entire BJ community will come together in preparation for Pesa□. A special program for children beginning at 5:00 PM will include various stations of activities, from song to dance to meditation, exploring the themes of the Pesa□ story. Children will be divided into age appropriate groups. Following the children's program, adults and children will gather for Havdalah. The adult program will take place after Havdalah (babysitting will be provided). See the flyer in this Kol

Jeshurun for more details. Call Felicia at x244 if you have any questions.

BJCOTS

The BJCOTS will be meeting at 6:00 PM on Sunday, **April 5th** at 86th Street for our monthly discussion. All are welcome. Call Felicia at x244 for more information.

Parenting Workshops with Dr. Ron Taffel

You are invited to the final session of BJ's series of workshops on parenting with BJ member Dr. Ron Taffel.

The **April 7th** workshop, in the Parlor Room at 86th Street at 7:00 PM, will focus on children ages 12 and up.

1998 Global Youth Village

BJ has been invited to send 2 youth representatives (ages 11-18) to the 20th annual Global Youth Village in Bedford, VA. For three weeks in July/August, BJ reps will enjoy

GENERAL INFORMATION

Questions for Board Members?

Jonathan Adelsberg and Aviva Hay are available during April to answer questions that members may have about the Board, or to discuss issues affecting the BJ community. You may reach Jonathan at (212) 592-1423 or Aviva at (212) 638-4306.

Appointments with Rabbinic Interns and Fellows

BJ's Rabbinic interns are available for counseling, questions, or just to chat. Mark Sameth (x319), by appointment Wed. afternoons; Tami Crystal (x334) by appointment; Mon.-Thurs. afternoons and evenings; and Rabbi Marshall T. Meyer Rabbinic Fellow, Shoshana Dworsky (x337), Wednesdays, 1:00 – 3:00 PM and 5:00 – 7:00 PM or by appointment. Please call.

New to BJ?

If you are unfamiliar with our services and would like to sit

international food and summer fun, build leadership and diplomacy skills, and share NY and Jewish culture with peers from 20+ countries. Make a difference locally and globally. Application deadline: **April 30th**. For more information and application call Abby Friedman at (212) 280-5259.

with someone who can help orient you, our ushers would be happy to direct you to such a person.

Special Needs/Reserved Seating:

If you have special needs (such as physical, hearing, or visual disabilities) and are in need of reserved seating for Shabbat Services (aisle, close to the front, etc.), 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

Divorce Support Groups

The JCC on the Upper West Side is sponsoring support groups for the recently divorced or separated. Facilitated by Judy Levitan, MSW, family therapist, senior supervisor of the JBFCs Borough Park office and Gloria Demby, a psychotherapist in private practice. These seven session groups begin in mid-April and May. For more information, call the JCC at (212) 580-0099, x205.

Study in Jerusalem

Beit Midrash/A Liberal Yeshivah is a new yeshivah dedicated to the progressive and egalitarian study of Jewish text and tradition. The program is situated in the heart of Jerusalem and is now accepting applications for the coming year. Both year-long and single semester study options are available for college graduates. Participants can also choose between full and part time study. For a brochure or for further information, please contact BJ member Lev Robert Herrnson at (212) 824-2294 or beitmidrash@huc.edu.

Jewish Bereavement Support Groups

The JCC on the Upper West Side is sponsoring support groups for people who have experienced loss within the last few years. These seven session groups beginning in March, April and May are facilitated by Rabbi Simkha Weintraub, CSW, Rabbinic Director of the New York Jewish Healing Center, and Greta Mogel, CSW. For more info, call (212) 580-0099, x205.

An Evening with Frank McCourt

Stories, readings, ballads, Klezmer music and the Pulitzer Prize winning author of *Angela's Ashes* at SPSA, **April 13th**, 7:00 – 11:00 PM. Reception to follow. Admission \$20 per person. Proceeds to benefit the Legal Defense Fund of BJ member Rabbi A. Bruce Goldman who faces eviction from his apartment. For more information, call (212) 666-9143 or (212) 362-3179.

Children of Holocaust Survivors Group Expands Again

Due to continued growth in attendance, there will now be three monthly CHS gatherings. There will be a Thursday meeting on **April 16th**, and a Tuesday meeting on **April 21st** (both at 7:00 PM). These gatherings are open to all people who wish to share their experiences of growing up with parents who were Holocaust refugees, hidden children, or camp internees. Call Mark Schleisner at (212) 579-7391 or Nathana Josephs at (212) 769-2198 for more information on the Tuesday and Thursday meetings. A third group, to meet on Mondays, will be limited to 12 people (BJ members only) who can attend on a regular basis. Call Tine Berger at (718) 768-8455 for more information on this group and to register. CHS is also pleased to announce its first potluck (just for fun) on Sunday, **April 19th**; all group members are invited! Call Claire Friedland at (212) 956-6357 to sign up and tell her what you plan to bring. And thanks, everyone, for making CHS such a success.

Summer Interns Needed

Elat Chayyim, the Jewish Renewal Retreat Center in

Accord, NY, is looking for summer interns for the period from **June 22nd** – **August 19th**. Interns are on a work-study program in which Elat Chayyim provides room, board (kosher vegetarian, mostly organic food), and amazing

classes, activities, and prayer experiences each week in exchange for a seven-hour workday, five-and-a-half days a week. For a full packet of information write to elatchayyi@aol.com or call 1 (800) 398-2630.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

While doing your Pesa□/spring cleaning, go through your closets and remove all the old clothes you never wear. You can bring used clothes in good condition to Congregation Ohav Zedek at 118 W. 95th St on the first Monday and Tuesday of each month.

This message was brought to you by the Environment Committee at x313.

Pasuk of the Week

“Lo, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before the coming of the awesome, fearful day of Adonai.”

(Malachi 3:23)

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