

**May 8 – May 14, 1998****Friday, May 8****Family Shabbat Service** 5:45 PM – 86th

Street

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 PM – 88th

Street

ASL (American Sign Language) Interpreted Service**Kabbalat Shabbat Service** 6:45 PM – 86th

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Saturday, May 9**Shabbat Services** 9:30 AM – 86th

Street

ASL (American Sign Language) Interpreted Service**Parashah:** Aare Mot-Kedoshim, Leviticus 16:1 – 20:27 Pg. 863**Triennial:** Leviticus 19:15 – 20:27 Pg. 896**Haftarah:** Amos 9:7 – 15 Pg. 999**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** Jared Friedman**Aliyat Hatan veKallah** Brad Desch and Carolyn

Weinberg

Speaker: Dr. Stephen Arpadi

"Pediatric AIDS"

Kiddush in Honor of Teachers and Service LeadersFollowing Services – 86th Street**Sunday, May 10****Morning Minyan** 9:30 AM – 88th

Street

BJCOTS 6:00 PM – 86th

Street

Monday, May 11**Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – 88th

Street

BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 86th

Street

Monday and Tuesday nights **this week.****Introduction to Judaism** 6:30 PM – 88th

Street

Beit Midrash 6:30 PM – 88th

Street

Hebrew School Prospective Parents Night

7:30 PM – Heschel School

Choir Rehearsal 8:00 PM – 86th

Street

Tuesday, May 12

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th
Street
Talmud with Rabbi Hillel Friedman 8:10 AM – 88th
Street
Evening with Prime Minister Shimon Peres
8:45 PM – 88th Street

Wednesday, May 13

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th
Street
Kesharim 2:00 PM – 88th
Street
BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 88th
Street
Wednesday and Thursday nights **this week.**
Call, Empathy, and Response: A Study of A.J. Heschel's
***The Prophets* with Rabbi Matalon** 6:45 PM –
88th Street

Thursday, May 14

Lag B'Omer
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th
Street
Judith Bernstein Lunch Program 8:30 AM – 88th
Street
BJ LIFE 5:00 PM
Hey Class Torah Service 5:00 PM – 88th

Street

Parashat HaShavuah 6:30 PM – BJ Office
Advanced Beginner Hebrew 6:30 PM – Heschel
School

Next Week's Parashah: Emor
Torah: Leviticus 21:1 – 24:23 Pg. 912
Triennial: Leviticus 23:23 – 24:23 Pg. 929
Haftarah: Ezekiel 44:15 – 31 Pg. 1001

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

Memorial Plaques
We would like to offer members of the community the opportunity to memorialize their loved ones by making a contribution in their honor and having their names inscribed on the black granite memorial plaques on the east and west walls of our sanctuary. We are approximately halfway to filling the first section of these plaques and plan to have names inscribed by the High Holy Days. If you would like the name of your loved one to be put on this plaque, please call Helene Northway in the BJ office at (212) 787-7600, x250.

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 the following BJ members and their families:

- Jeff Feig on the death of his beloved brother, Paul Feig.
- Robin Fleischner Metzger and Theodore Metzger, Adam and Jesse Metzger on the death of Robin's beloved father, Harold Fleischner.
- Trudi Levine and Bruce Smith, Vanessa and Karlin Levine-Smith on the death of Trudi's beloved father, Jack Levine.
- The community of B'nai Jeshurun mourns the loss of our beloved member, Margot Wolff and extends sincere condolences to her family.

Mazal Tov To:

- Victor Friedman and Victoria Shonfeld, Jared and Rumyana Friedman on the occasion of Jared's Bar Mitzvah.
- Brad Desch and Carolyn Weinberg on their upcoming wedding.

Todah Rabbah To:

- Victor Friedman and Victoria Shonfeld for sponsoring the kiddush on the occasion of Jared's Bar Mitzvah.
- Ruth Desch for sponsoring the kiddush on the occasion of the upcoming wedding of Brad Desch and Carolyn Weinberg.
- Ronnie Miller and Julian Gaa for sponsoring the kiddush in honor of the community.
- Dov Bronner and Shula Wiener of By Special Arrangement who are generously donating flowers for community BJ events. If you have any flower needs, please call them at (212) 873-9189.
- The many BJ volunteers who participated in this year's JCC on the Upper West Side Make a Difference Day. They worked with the Jewish Home and Hospital, in Riverside Park, and with book collections, etc.

Hebrew School Food Collection for the Month of Iyyar

The final BJ Hebrew School collection is **baby food** for City Harvest. Their goal is to collect 200,000 pounds of baby food, and they need our help. Please help make this the most successful collection of the year! 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.

Lost and Found

A backpack was lost during the April 29th Yom Ha'Atzmaut service. Please call (212) 977-0501 if you found it. If you find a lost item before, during, or after services, please take it to one of the ushers at the back of the sanctuary. If you have lost something at BJ, please call (212) 787-7600, x0 and speak to Lucy.

Kiddush Chair Needed

After serving our community as chair of the Kiddush Committee, Jackey Gold is stepping down. We need someone who will supervise the set up and clean up of BJ's kiddushim and mobilize volunteers. Call Jackey at (212) 803-8429 for more information or if you are interested in being the new chair of the Kiddush committee.

The Homeless Shelter Needs Your Help

With the summer months approaching, the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter needs additional people to staff the Shelter. Volunteers are needed to prepare light snacks, set up the Shelter, and, most urgently, to sleep over. Please call x340 to volunteer.

BJ Sports Fans

Back by popular demand! Come one, come all to a friendly game of BJ volleyball. All levels welcome. Meet new people and see old friends. Every Tuesday from 7:30 – 10:00 PM at Anshe Chesed (251 W. 100th St., between Broadway and WEA). For more info, call Ulie Bardosh at (212) 665-1333.

BJ Sports Fans

Just when you thought it was safe to head to the 79th Street Boat Basin, BJ's softball season is getting underway. Starting on **May 11th**, we'll be playing every Monday night from 7:00 – 8:30 PM at the Riverside Park fields down by the water at approximately 75-78th streets (enter either at 79th or 72nd street and walk towards the Hudson river). As always, all ages and levels of skill are welcome. Whether or not you can make it on the 11th, please call BJ member Craig Sumberg at (212) 787-1390 and leave your name(s) and phone number(s) so that we can get a sense of how many people are planning to play.

Registration For the 1998-99 Adult Bar/Bat Torah Class

Beginning in September, Marshall T. Meyer Rabbinic Fellow Shoshana Dworsky will lead a small group of BJ members (limit 12) in a nine-month course of study which will culminate in a Bar/Bat Torah celebration. The class is designed for men and women who both read Hebrew comfortably and who have at least a basic knowledge of Judaism. Interested BJ members should call Shoshana (x337) by **June 1st**. Registration is on a first-come first-served basis.

Hebrew in the Summer

Beginning in June and throughout the summer, Michal Nachmany is planning to offer a number of Hebrew classes (modern and prayer book) in the morning and in the evening. Subject to interest, we may start an intensive program with twice-a-week two-hour meetings, or just once a week. Please call Michal at (212) 865-4050.

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.

Help SPSA Restore its Building

Each month, the Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew holds a bazaar, with profits going towards the restoration of their building. They are always in need of donations. If you have any old bric-a-brac such as china, glasses, ashtrays, vases, etc., used clothing, or any other items that can be sold, bring them to the church between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM Monday – Friday.

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Adult Education

The last module of the Introduction to Judaism course – Contemporary Jewish Issues – will cover two issues: **May 11th** – Homosexuality, **May 18th** – Conversion, both at 6:30 PM at 88th Street. To register, please call x300.

An Evening with Shimon Peres

Beit Shalom and B'nai Jeshurun invite you to an evening with former Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres, **May 12th**, 8:45 PM at 88th Street. For security reasons, please do not bring cameras, and please do bring packages if at all possible. The doors will open at 8:00 PM.

May Retreat

There is still room to sign up for the congregational retreat that will take place **May 15th – 17th**. If you would like to attend, please send in your registration form by May 11th. Scholarships are available. **Volunteers are needed to enter names and registration information in the computer for BJ's retreats.** If you can help or have any questions about the retreats, please call x241.

Shabbat Luncheon with Rabbi Dianne Cohler-Esses

Join us for a catered communal Shabbat luncheon on Saturday, **May 16th** in the 88th Street Frankel Hall, following services at 86th Street, when we will be led in text study on "Preparing for Revelation" by Rabbi Dianne Cohler-Esses. For more information and to reserve a place, see the flyer in the back of the Kol Jeshurun. In addition to mailing your reservation, you must also leave your name, phone number, and the number of people in your party in our voicemail box, x304. To volunteer or for more information, call x304.

Gay and Lesbian Pot Luck Dinner

The Gay and Lesbian Committee will sponsor a pot luck dinner in the Parlor room at 86th Street on **May 15th** immediately following the 6:45 PM service. Please join us! (The dinner was postponed from the previously scheduled date of May 1st.) Bring a vegetarian or dairy dish or dessert that you can share with 5-6 other people. For further

information, call x325.

AIDS Walk

Rabbis Roly Matalon, Yael Ridberg, and Rabbinic Intern Tami Crystal invite you to walk with the BJ team on Sunday morning, **May 17th** in the annual AIDS Walk. In order to register, email jackdavidm@aol.com or call the AIDS Walk voicemail box at (212) 787-7600, x335. Please email or leave the name of each walker, including children, plus address and phone number. **Please see the flyer in the back of the Kol Jeshurun for important AIDS Walk Event Day information.** For more info, call Jack David Marcus at (212) 873-7567.

Attention BJ AIDS Walkers

Here is the May 17th Schedule:

- **8:15 AM Sharp!** – Meet at Bethesda Fountain in Central Park for a prayer service.
- **9:00 AM Sharp!** – Meet at the BJ Team table at the Bandshell. Breakfast snacks will be served.
- **9:25 AM Sharp!** – Team photo.
- **10:00 AM Sharp!** – The Walk.

Please make sure all sponsor forms and check are marked “BJ Team #1017.” Please see the flyer in the back of the Kol Jeshurun for more detailed information.

Gay Singles In-Home Shabbat Dinners

Celebrate Shabbat with other gay and lesbian Jewish singles in the homes of BJ members on the Upper West Side. The BJ Singles and Gay and Lesbian Committees are cosponsoring catered Shabbat dinners for gay singles in small, informal group settings following the 6:45 PM service on **June 5th**. The cost is \$20 for BJ members, \$25 for non-members. To sign up, or to volunteer to host a dinner in your home, see the flyer in the rear of the Sanctuary. The deadline for reservations is May 21st, and a completed reservation form must accompany all payments, and please mark on your check “6/5 In-Home GS Dinner.” For more information, send email to june5th@bigfoot.com or call Jon at x306.

SINGLES ACTIVITIES

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.

Singles Shabbat Dinner

BJ Singles will hold their next catered Shabbat dinner on Friday, **June 5th** at 88th Street following the 6:00 PM service. The cost is \$20 for BJ members; \$25 for non-members (priority given to members and is on a first come, first served basis as space is limited). Please send your check, marked “6/5 Singles Catered Dinner” to the BJ Office. Please include a day and evening phone number and

indicate your membership status. Checks must be received by noon on Friday, **May 22nd**. No exceptions can be made. You will be contacted only if we cannot accommodate you. For more information, call x306.

Tour of Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge - Sunday, June 7th

Believe it or not, this wild place is accessible by subway, and is within the borders of New York City, but it seems like someplace far, far away. A national parks ranger will give us a two hour tour of the refuge. Bring your own lunch and water, and binoculars. To guard against ticks, please wear closed shoes, socks, and long pants. A donation to B'nai Jeshurun will be requested (\$10 members; \$15 non-members). For directions and reservations, please call Les Judd by Wednesday, June 3rd at (718) 805-4260. Please do not call on Shabbat and Shavuot. The group size is limited, so please call to make your reservation early.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

BJCOTS

The BJCOTS will **not** meet this Sunday, **May 10th** or **May 24th**. The next event will be Sunday, **May 17th**. It's REC week . . . more information to come. On **May 29th** the BJCOTs will have their last Shabbat dinner of the year. The dinner will take place at 88th Street following the 6:00 PM service. The cost is \$10. Checks may be mailed to the BJ office or brought to the next meeting. Call Felicia at x244 for more information.

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 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: **May 10th**. For more info and an application call Abby Friedman at (212) 280-5259.

Teen Counselors on the May Retreat

Any teens interested in coming on the retreat, **May 15th – 17th** to help lead children's programming should please call Felicia at x244 immediately.

BJ Junior Youth Group

The Junior Youth Group will have a Shavuot picnic on Sunday, **May 31st** following services. Meet at 12:45 PM in the front of 88th Street. There will be a community wide picnic that day in Riverside Park, but the youth group will have a special spot. Call Daniel to RSVP and to sign up to bring food for the picnic.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Questions for Board Members?

Ed Brill and Bob Kanter 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 Ed at (212) 969-3015 or Bob at (212) 924-7070.

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 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

Internships Available

Jews for Racial and Economic Justice is currently accepting applications for 1998 summer and fall interns. Interns can work with JFREJ's: Campus Organizing Initiative, weekly radio show, anti-bias workshops, media monitoring project, coalition work and community organizing, resource library and bibliographic materials, events and membership outreach. Send a letter of interest and a resume to JFREJ, 140 West 22nd Street, #302, New York, NY 10011, fax (212) 647-7124, email jfrej@igc.org or call (212) 647-8966.

Domestic Violence

The National Council of Jewish Women New York Section presents a distinguished panel of experts to discuss the issues of domestic violence in the Jewish community on Thursday **May 14th**, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. The cost is \$10. For further information, call (212) 535-5900, x29.

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 **May 14th**, and a Tuesday meeting on **May 19th** (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 for more information on the Tuesday and Thursday meetings. A third group, to meet once a month on Mondays, will be limited to 12 people who can attend on a regular basis. Call Tina Berger at (718) 768-8455 for more information on this

group and to register. CHS is starting a mailing list. Call Mark Schleisner if you want to be included. And thanks, everyone, for making CHS such a success.

BJ Eastsiders

Our next home service and Shabbat dinner will be on **May 15th**. If you are on our list, you received a letter with information about how to reserve. If you are not on our list and would like to join us, please call Charlotte Schwab at (212) 717-5234 on Monday or Thursday evenings only. Please call only between 7:00 and 9:00 PM. You do not have to live on the East Side or in Manhattan to join us.

Jewish Soul, American Beat

Come see the film *Jewish Soul, American Beat* written and directed by BJ member Barbara Pfeffer. The documentary explores the new vibrant Jewish landscape in America and contains scenes of services at BJ. Rabbi Charles Sheer, Jewish Chaplain at Columbia University will also speak. Wednesday, **May 20th**, 7:00 PM at the Florence Gould Hall of the French Institute/Alliance Francaise, 55 East 59th St.

Plant Propagation

Work with BJ member, David Goldstick to learn how to propagate new plants from mature perennials by dividing them. Sunday, **May 17th** at 1:00 PM. Meet at the Warsaw Ghetto Memorial Garden on the Promenade at 83rd Street in Riverside Park.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

Use recycled paper products. Many stationery, grocery stores, and health food stores now carry a selection of recycled paper, napkins, towels, plates, and toilet paper.

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

Pesukim of the Week

“You shall not hate you kinsfolk in your heart. Reprove your kinsman but incur no guilt because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against your countrymen. Love your fellow as yourself: I am Adonai.”

(Leviticus 19:17 – 18)

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