



August 7 – August 13, 1998

Friday, August 7

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:45 PM – 88th Street

Saturday, August 8

Shabbat Services 9:30 AM – 88th Street
ASL (American Sign Language) Interpreted Service
Parashah: Va-Ethanan, Deuteronomy 3:23 – 7:11 Pg. 1333
Triennial: Deuteronomy 5:1 – 7:11 Pg. 1354
Haftarah: Isaiah 40:1 – 26 Pg. 1595

Children's Service (all ages) 10:45 AM – Frankel Hall

Aliyat Hatan veKallah Steve Lehrman and Naomi Brunn

Speaker: Uri Shanas
 "Trans Israel Highway"

Sunday, August 9

Morning Minyan 9:30 AM – 88th Street

Monday, August 10

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 86th Street
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights.

Tuesday, August 11

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street
Choir Audition 7:00 PM – 86th Street

Wednesday, August 12

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street

Thursday, August 13

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street
Choir Audition 7:00 PM – 86th Street
Choir Rehearsal 8:00 PM – 86th Street

Next Week's Parashah: Ekev

Torah: Deuteronomy 7:12 – 11:25 Pg. 1379

Triennial: Deuteronomy 10:12 – 11:25 Pg. 1405

Haftarah: Isaiah 49:14 – 51:3 Pg. 1599

SCHEDULE FOR MORNING MINYAN

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

Volunteer Opportunities of the Week

Join us in Ushering in the New Year

With our community's continued growth, your time, energy and warmth are needed more than ever to welcome and seat those attending our Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. Ushers will be needed at both 86th and 96th Streets, as well as at children's services. A letter providing more detail, and accompanied by a form in which you can indicate your availability, has been mailed to all BJ members. (You must be a member to usher.) Extra copies of the form are available on the back table. Please start thinking now about making a small commitment that will enhance everyone's celebration and worship. If you have any questions, call our voicemail box, x305.

Volunteers Needed

In order to schedule the BJ members who will be offering to usher for the High Holy Days, volunteers will be needed to make phone calls, and to input data into the Ushers Scheduling Computer Program designed by David Goldberg. If you can help us out, leave your name and phone numbers in the Ushering voicemail box, x305, and someone will get back to you with further details.

The High Holy Days Are Just Around The Corner

Please be aware that if you are considering joining BJ for the first time before the High Holy Days, **September 4th** is the last day for signing up before the Yamim Nora'im. Please take a membership packet from the back of the sanctuary and return it to the office prior to that date. If you are currently a member, your renewal must be in the office prior to **September 4th** in order for us to mail your seat cards to you. Call our membership coordinator, Ilene Sameth at (212) 787-7600, x224 if you have any questions.

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:

- Wayne Gorman on the death of his beloved father, Robert Gorman.
- Isaac Stansky on the death of his beloved father, Eliezer Stansky.

Mazal Tov To:

- Deborah Togut on her new position as Hazzan Sheni and Ritual Director at B'nai Israel Congregation in Rockville, MD. The entire community thanks her for her many years of dedication and hard work at BJ and wishes her good luck in the future.
- Laurence Gurwitch and Theodora Saal on their recent engagement.
- Harvey Lipkis and Ruth Shragowitz on their recent engagement.
- Mitchell and Penny Arons, Marilyn Arons, Deborah and Irving Askow, Andrew Arons, Terry Miller, and Jeremy Miller on the birth of their son, grandson, and nephew, Matthew Lawrence Arons.

Brukhim HaBa'im To:

The 1997-98 White House Fellows who join us this evening.

Apartment Needed

BJ family desperately needs a moderately-priced two bedroom apartment, preferably in Manhattan. Please call x233 if you can help.

September Sublet

A large studio or loft is needed for Amichai Lau-Lavie, BJ's Teacher-in-Residence, for the month of September. Location flexible. If you can help, please call x355.

Employment Bank Volunteers Needed

Help us expand and follow up on job listings, enter data into database, and conduct career counseling. Also, to help assist us with setting up and running seminars. If you are interested, please call x315.

BJ Prayer Book Drive

Todah Rabbah to the community members who made donations to the prayerbook fund for the purchase of siddurim. Because of their generosity, we now have a

sufficient number of siddurim. However, we still have chumashim without bookplates and need to purchase big print siddurim and machzorim. Donating a book in honor of a person or happy occasion, or in memory of a loved one, is a lovely commemoration and a way to help your community at the same time. We will place a bookplate in each book you donate as well as send an acknowledgement card as requested. Chumashim are \$50 each, big print mahzorim and siddurim are \$50 each. Checks should be made payable to B'nai Jeshurun and sent to the BJ office. Thank you for your help.

Associate Educator Needed

The B'nai Jeshurun Hebrew School is seeking an associate educator for the 1998-99 school year. The associate will be responsible for developing and supervising special programs related to the Hebrew School including our B'nai Mitzvah training program and our B'Yachad family education program. We are looking for a creative and committed individual who wants to take part in building an educational experience for families which reflects the spirit of our congregation. Contact Anne Ebersman, principal of the Hebrew School, at the BJ Office, x242.

BJ and Westside Judaica

If you make a purchase of any items and/or purchase invitations for any occasion (bar/bat mitzvahs, weddings) from Westside Judaica on Broadway (between 88th and 89th Streets) and mention BJ, the store will donate 10 percent of the proceeds to the synagogue.

Shalom Aleichem

After nearly 7 years, Cantor Deborah Togut is leaving New York this week to assume the new position of Hazzan Sheni and Ritual Director at B'nai Israel Congregation in Rockville, MD, just outside of Washington, D.C. She bids a fond farewell to all her students and friends and looks forward to keeping in touch.

BJ on the Web

Want to get information about BJ by E-mail? If you are a member you can sign up to be on our email list by visiting our web site. Non-members can also find out valuable information about BJ by visiting WWW.BJ.ORG.

BJ Hebrew Hevruta Program

If you a) have Hebrew skills, or b) would like to acquire or work on skills and c) would like to work one-on-one with a fellow BJ member, call Rabbi Shosh Dworsky at x235 so you can be matched up!

Hebrew in the Summer

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, she may start an intensive program with twice-a-week or once-a-week two-hour meetings. Call Michal at (212) 865-4050.

The Homeless Shelter Needs Your Help

During the summer months, the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter needs additional people to staff the Shelter. Volunteers are

UPCOMING EVENTS

BJ Choir

If you are interested in being a part of the choir for the High Holy Days, auditions will be held on Tuesday, **August 11th** and Thursday, **August 13th**, at 7:00 PM at 86th Street. Rehearsals start on **August 13th** at 8:00 PM. For more information, call x303.

Environment Committee Meeting

The next meeting of the Environment Committee will take place at the Montana Building (Broadway between 87th and 88th Streets) on Thursday, **August 20th** from 7:00 – 9:00 PM. For more information, call x313.

An Introductory Day of Hebrew

Learn the Hebrew alphabet in one 8-hour workshop at the 92nd Street Y, taught by BJ member Michal Nachmany. Sunday, **September 13th**, 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM. Cost of the session is \$50. For more information and to register, call (212) 415-5765. Start 5759 on the right foot.

needed to prepare light snacks, set up the Shelter, and, most urgently, to sleep over. Please call x340 to volunteer.

Hold the Date: BJ Walks with SHARE

Sunday morning, **October 4, 1998**, walk with BJ as a part of West Side Jewish Community SHARE-A-WALK (Self Help for Women with Breast or Ovarian Cancer) to assist our friends, neighbors, and loved ones who have breast or ovarian cancer. For more info and to volunteer, call x353.

Hold the Date: BJ to Co-Sponsor Hoshana Rabbah

Join the BJ Environment Committee along with The Shalom Center-Elat Chayyim on Sunday, **October 11th** in Beacon, NY for a celebration of Hoshana Rabbah, the 7th day of Sukkot. On Hoshana Rabbah there are seven dances with the Torah, willow branches are beaten on the earth, and prayers of Hoshana “please save us!” are chanted to save the earth from plague, drought, famine, and other ecological disasters. Pete Seeger's Sloop Clearwater will be docked there that day as part of its Pumpkin Festival. For more info and to volunteer, call x313.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Summer Shabbat Schedule for Children

Shabbat morning services will take place in the 88th Street sanctuary. All children will combine into one minyan for the summer. The minyan will begin at 10:45 AM and will take place in Frankel Hall. The regular schedule of Shabbat services will resume the weekend of **September 11th**.

BJCOTs

BJCOTs, the Council of Teens, is on hiatus for the summer. However, we are looking forward to another exciting year beginning in September. If you have any questions about this group of 8th –12th graders, please call x244.

Family Shabbatot for the Summer

There will be no Family Shabbatot in August.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Questions for Board Members?

Tony Fisher and Joel Citron are available during August to answer questions that members may have about the Board, or to discuss issues affecting the BJ community. You may reach Tony at (212) 995-7521 and Joel at (212) 688-7070.

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.

Lost and Found

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, ext. 0 and speak to Lucy.

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

Senior Trip to Kykuit

JASA West Side Senior Center is offering a trip to Kykuit, the Rockefeller Estate in North Tarrytown, NY, Wednesday, **August 12th**. The day includes a tour of the fine art

collections and elegant sculpture gardens at the estate. Meet at 9:15 AM; return at 4:30 PM. Fee is \$28 (includes 2 hour guided tour, lunch and transportation). Advance registration is required. Please call (212) 712-0170.

Member's Play

A Piece of Earth, a play by BJ member Pete Smith, will be performed in a staged reading at the Knitting Factory, 74 Leonard Street, on Sunday, **August 16th** at 7:00 PM. The play explores themes of Jewish identity and the Biblical roots of the Israeli/Palestinian conflict. Admission is \$8. For reservations, call (212) 219-3055 and ask for the "Sunday Night Performance Series."

BJ Children of Holocaust Survivors Meeting for August

Due to vacation schedules of many members, there will be only one CHS meeting this month, on Tuesday, **August 25th** at 7:00 PM. Call Mark Schleisner at (212) 579-7391 for location and other information. Regular Tuesday and Thursday meetings will resume in September.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

Instead of using toxic insect repellents, use citronella oils and candles to repel mosquitoes, flies and ticks.
This message was brought to you by the Environment Committee at x313.

Pasuk of the Week – g u c a v e u x p

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You shall love Adonai your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.
(Deuteronomy 6:5)

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Bikkur Holim Committee

Do you know us? We'd like to get to know you and those you care about. We are a committee of caring members who are committed to:

- Visiting the ill (at home and in the hospital)
- Providing friendly, supportive visits and phone calls
- Accompanying to doctor's appointments
- Shopping
- Integrating individuals with special needs into our community
- Assisting members to Shabbat services and community events

Help us to help each other. Be aware of those around you.
Call the Bikkur Holim voicemail box, x308. Try us, you'll like us.