



August 21 – August 27, 1998

Friday, August 21

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

Saturday, August 22

Rosh Hodesh Elul
Shabbat Services 9:30 AM – 88th Street
Parashah: Re-e, Deuteronomy 11:26 – 16:17 Pg. 1417
Triennial: Deuteronomy 15:1 – 16:17 Pg. 1440
Maftir: Numbers 28:9 – 15 Pg. 1210
Haftarah: Isaiah 54:11 – 55:5 Pg. 1604; 66:1, 23 Pg. 1684
Children's Service (all ages) 10:45 AM – Frankel Hall
Aliyat Hatan veKallah Mark Finkel and Abby Rosen
 John Good and Beverly Greenfield

Sunday, August 23

Rosh Hodesh Elul
Morning Minyan 9:30 AM – 88th Street

Monday, August 24

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 86th Street
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights.
Choir Rehearsal 8:00 PM – 86th Street

Tuesday, August 25

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street

Wednesday, August 26

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street

Thursday, August 27

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

Next Week's Parashah: Shoftim

Torah: Deuteronomy 16:18 – 21:9 Pg. 1456
Triennial: Deuteronomy 19:14 – 21:9 Pg. 1468
Haftarah: Isaiah 51:12 – 52:12 Pg. 1607

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.

The Ushers' Training Institute

Orientation sessions for the High Holy Day ushers, featuring overly-detailed instructions, will be held on **September 8th** at FCCS (96th Street and Central Park West) and on **September 15th** at SPSA from 6:30 – 8:00PM. Please try to attend the session held at the location you will be worshipping.

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 Rebecca Anderson on the death of her beloved father, Paul Anderson.

Mazal Tov To:

- Warren Kozak and Lisa Krenzle on the birth of their daughter, Claire Rose Kozak.
- Mark Finkel and Abby Rosen and their entire families on their upcoming wedding.
- John Good and Beverly Greenfield and their entire families on their upcoming wedding.
- Alison Pepper on her new position as Assistant Director of the Satellite Child Care Project at the Consortium for Worker Education.

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: 1) Visiting the ill (at home and in the hospital); 2) Providing friendly, supportive visits and phone calls; 3) Accompanying to doctor's appointments; 4) Shopping; 5) Integrating individuals with special needs into our community; 6) Assisting members to Shabbat services and community events. Help us to help each other. Be aware of those around you. Call x308.

Apartment Needed

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

BJ Singles Coordinator

The search for a part time professional coordinator who will work with the BJ singles community is currently underway. Candidates are now being interviewed by the staff and volunteers. An ad for the position is currently running in the classified section of the *Jewish Week*.

Voter Registration

In order to be able to vote in this fall's elections, you must register immediately. If you are not yet registered to vote, please pick up a registration card at the back of the sanctuary, fill it out and return it to the proper address. And don't forget to vote!

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.

BJ and West Side Judaica

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

BJ on the Web

Want to get information about BJ by email? 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 needed to prepare light snacks, set up the Shelter, and, most urgently, to sleep over. Please call x340 to volunteer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Gay and Lesbian Committee Picnic

Following services on Saturday, **August 29th**, we'll head out to the park for a picnic lunch, some schmoozing and some study. It's potluck, so please bring some food (dairy) and drink (liquid) to share with others. If it rains, we'll be inside. For more information, call x325.

Havdalah Study Group Leaders, Past and Present

On Tuesday, **September 8th**, there will be a meeting of people who are leading Havdalah study groups – or who have done so in the past. The rabbinical staff and the Havdalah committee are interested in hearing about your experiences with your groups, to better prepare for expanding the group study program in the coming year. Leaders who can attend should contact Malka Sawyer at (212) 595-2870 or email cmalka23@aol.com. After Sukkot, there will be a congregation-wide event to inaugurate a new year of study groups, with a place for all who wish to participate. Watch for the date!

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.

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.

SINGLES ACTIVITIES

Singles Rosh Hashanah Package Delivery with Dorot

This is a real Mitzvah! On Sunday, **September 13th** visit the homebound elderly on the Upper West Side and then join the BJ Singles for lunch at China Shalom Restaurant. The day will start with a brief orientation by Dorot staff at 11:00 AM at Brandeis High School on 85th Street, between Columbus and Amsterdam Avenues. Following orientation, we will team up in groups of two and three to visit with elderly individuals for about an hour. We will meet again at about 1:00 PM for lunch at China Shalom. Space is limited! You must make a paid reservation in advance for both the package delivery and lunch. Please send a check

marked “9/13 Package Delivery” in the amount of \$15 to the BJ office by Friday, **September 4th**. For more info, call x306.

BJ Singles Retreat

Registration is now available for the 1998 BJ Singles Retreat for ages 25 – 45 on **October 23rd – 25th** at Club Getaway in Kent, Connecticut. Applications have been sent to single members. If you did not receive an application, you can pick one up at the back of the sanctuary. Please note that there is a discount for registration received before **September 1st**, so send in your form as soon as possible!

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

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.

Queens BJ Chavurah

Our next Kabbalat Shabbat service and light dinner will be on Friday, **September 11th**, beginning at 7:00 PM, at a Queens synagogue, (accessible by subway). The cost is \$7, payable in advance. Anyone from the BJ community is welcome. To make a reservation, please call Les Judd at (718) 805-4260 by **September 6th**. Please don't call on Shabbat.

Race/Walk for the Cure

The eighth annual Race/Walk for the Cure to raise awareness and funds for breast cancer research will be held on Sunday, **September 13th** at 9:00 AM in Central Park. For several years, BJ members have participated as individuals. This year let's register as a team even if we participate in private groups. Contact BJ member Glenda

Frank at (212) 749-0160 or glfrank@erols.com for more information and to share ideas. Although only females may walk or run the 3.1 miles (5K), men are encouraged to sign-on for the "Three Miles of Men," led by Al Roker, who offer sympathy and support. Contributions are also welcome.

Simchatyah-Israel – Sukkot Retreat in Israel

You are invited to attend Simchatyah-Israel, the fifth semi-annual retreat of Lev Haolam that will explore ancient Hebrew wisdom through renewed ritual, art, prayer, study, and healing for the celebration of Sukkot, Shabbat, and Simchat Torah. Participating teachers are Rabbi Arthur Green, Gabriel Meyer, Amichai Lau-Lavie, and Melila Helder-Eshed, and members of the Sheva musical ensemble. Workshops will be on ecological building, finding the inner healer, and living midrash and zohar. The cost of the four day retreat on **October 9th – 12th** in Kfar Hanokdim, near Arad, (including full room and board) is \$260 for a room and \$178 for a tent. For info, call Amichai at x355. To register, fax 972-6-6980579.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

Try rechargeable alkaline batteries that can be used many times before disposal because they help reduce the amounts of cadmium, mercury, and lead entering the waste stream. Be sure to use rechargeable alkaline batteries instead of nickel-cadmium ones. Cadmium is a heavier metal that can pose environmental and health hazards when mined, processed or discarded.

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

:ouhv lumn hfbt rat , tzv vumnv-kf-, t , uagk rnak lhvkt 'v kuec gna, guna-ot er

If only you heed Adonai your God and take care to keep all this Instruction that I enjoin upon you this day.

(Deuteronomy 15:5)

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