



October 9 – October 15, 1998

Friday, October 9

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 PM – 88th Street
Kiddush in the Sukkah Following the Service
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:45 PM – 86th Street
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Saturday, October 10

Shabbat Ḥol HaMo'ed Sukkot Services

9:30 AM – 86th Street
Parashah: Exodus 33:12 – 34:26 Pg. 657
Maftir: Numbers 29:26 – 31 Pg. 1214
Haftarah: Ezekiel 38:18 – 39:07 Pg. 1640

Minyan Hazzanut (grades 1-3) 10:15 – Chapel
Junior Congregation (grades 4-6) 10:15 – Library
Minyan HaK'tanim (ages 3 and under) 10:45 – Parlor Room
Minyan Gan Alef (ages 4-5) 10:45 – Board Room
All children (except Junior Congregation) will meet at 10:45 for the main Children's Service in the Chapel.

B'not Mitzvah Anna Schechter Altman
 Jocelyn Gordon

Aliyat Hatan veKallah Bradley Phillips and Keren Kazis

Kiddush in the Sukkah Following Services

Singles Havdalah with Peninnah Schram

7:30 PM – 86th Street Sukkah

Sunday, October 11

Hoshana Rabbah
Morning Minyan 9:30 AM – 88th Street
BJCOTS 5:00 PM – 86th Street
Shemini Atzeret Service 6:45 PM – 88th Street

Monday, October 12

Shemini Atzeret
Office Closed
Shemini Atzeret Services 9:30 AM – 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 88th Street
 Monday and Tuesday nights.
Simḥat Torah Service 6:45 PM – 86th Street

Tuesday, October 13

Simḥat Torah
Office Closed
Simḥat Torah Service 9:30 AM – 88th Street
Kallat Torah Phyllis Schatsky
Hatan Bereshit Eric Weston
Kiddush Following Services – 88th Street

Wednesday, October 14

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street
Prozdor LIFE - 8th Grade 5:00 PM
BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 86th Street
 Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Thursday, October 15

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street
Judith Bernstein Lunch Program 8:30 AM – 88th Street
Prozdor LIFE - 9th Grade 5:00 PM
Ecstasy and Discipline with Rabbi Shefa Gold
 6:30 PM – 88th Street

Next Week's Parashah: Bereshit
Torah: Genesis 1:1 – 6:8 Pg. 18
Triennial: Genesis 1:1 – 2:3 Pg. 18
Haftarah: Isaiah 42:5 – 43:10 Pg. 320

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

Committee Chair Needed
 After 4 years of hard work and dedication, Lenny Picker is stepping down as Chair of the Shabbat B'Yachad Committee. If you would like to coordinate large communal Shabbat meals at BJ, please call Patty at x240.

Volunteers Needed
 The Homeless Shelter is in need of someone with carpentry skills to put up shelves or someone who can donate some storage shelves. If you can help, please call x340.

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 James Altman and Ellen Schechter, Alexander and Anna Schechter Altman on the death of James' beloved grandfather, Shim Greengold.

Mazal Tov To:

- James Altman and Ellen Schechter, Alexander and Anna Schechter Altman on the occasion of Anna's Bat Mitzvah.
- Alan Gordon and Ellen Gordon, Rebecca, Danielle, and Jocelyn Gordon on the occasion of Jocelyn's Bat Mitzvah.
- Bradley Phillips and Keren Kazis, Earle and Judith Kazis, Gideon Taylor and Deborah Kazis, and Hannah Taylor on Bradley and Keren's upcoming wedding.

Todah Rabbah To:

- James Altman and Ellen Schechter for sponsoring the kiddush on the occasion of Anna's Bat Mitzvah.
- Ellen Gordon for sponsoring the kiddush on the occasion of Jocelyn's Bat Mitzvah.
- Earle and Judith Kazis for sponsoring the kiddush in honor of Bradley and Keren's upcoming wedding.
- Joy Sardinsky and family for sponsoring the flowers for the Yamim Nora'im.

BJ Blood Drive

BJ will be holding its annual Blood Drive in the Parlor Room of 86th Street on Thursday, **November 12th**, from 5:00 - 8:45 PM. Please note the date in your calendars - this simple, once a year, half-hour commitment can literally save lives. To make an appointment to donate blood, please call Pamela Cohn Allen at (212) 799-9232 (weekday evenings). You can also show up any time between from 5:00 - 8:45 PM on November 12th - you'll be welcomed with a refreshment and sincere gratitude! Brochures are available in the back of the sanctuary.

From the Israel Committee

American Friends of Tel Aviv University will be co-hosting a four-day program entitled "Tolerance and Understanding - A Course for Humanity," which will include a series of presentations (free) and gatherings (admissions charge) though Sunday, **October 11th**. The symposium on Religious

How to Donate or Purchase BJ's New Children's Siddur

Included in this week's Kol Jeshurun is the form for purchasing or donating our new children's siddur. Complete the form and send it to or drop it off at the BJ office. Siddurim are \$18 for purchase or donation. Check the form for more detailed information.

Third Annual Night of 100 Dinners - Volunteers Needed

BJ's party of the year takes place on **January 23, 1999!** Last year's benefit raised over \$70,000. Help us to make this year's event the biggest yet. Join the committee (nonmembers as well as members welcome) and get to know the community while participating in an event that directly supports BJ. Volunteers are needed to serve as host captains and to assist in planning the silent auction, matching guests and hosts, and helping the night of the event with check-in and bartending. Please leave a message at x307.

The Homeless Shelter Returns to 88th Street

The BJ/SPSA Shelter has returned to 88th Street on Mondays and Tuesdays and is at 86th Street on Wednesdays and Thursdays. As always, volunteers are needed to prepare light snacks, set up the Shelter, and, most urgently, to sleep over. Please call x340 to volunteer.

Strollers at BJ

During services, strollers may no longer be brought into the sanctuary or left in the foyer at 88th or 86th Streets. For fire safety reasons, all strollers must be kept downstairs. Thank you for your cooperation.

Hebrew Courses

This fall, BJ will hold beginner and intermediate level synagogue Hebrew classes. If you are interested in Modern Hebrew, Michal Nachmany will teach beginner and intermediate level classes. They begin on **October 12th**, and continue throughout the year. For more information, call Michal at (212) 865-4050.

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!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pluralism scheduled for Sunday, **October 11th** (10:30 AM to 12:30 PM, Plaza Hotel) and featuring leaders of Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform Judaism, should be of particular interest to the BJ community. For more information about this symposium in particular and the rest of the program in general (or to register), please contact

Alexandra Talbot at American Friends of Tel Aviv University, (212) 687-5651.

Hoshana Rabbah Celebration - the 7th day of Sukkot

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. We will be calling special attention to the pollution of the Hudson River caused by General Electric. Pete Seeger and the Sloop Clearwater will be there as part of Beacon's Pumpkin Festival. We will meet at Grand Central Terminal, near the information booth, at 8:30 AM to take the 8:57 AM Metro North train to Beacon. No reservation is necessary. For more information call x313.

Simhat Torah

The community of B'nai Jeshurun invites you to join in celebrating Simhat Torah on Monday, **October 12th**, 6:45 PM at 86th Street, and Tuesday **October 13th**, 9:30 AM at 88th Street and honoring Phyllis Schatsky as *Kallat Torah* and Eric Weston as *Hatan Bereshit*.

Stained Glass Windows of BJ

Save the date for a special discussion and presentation on the Stained Glass Windows of BJ sponsored by the Archives and Havdalah Committees. **October 17th**. See the flyer in this Kol Jeshurun for more details.

Interfaith Arts Workshop with Avodah Dance Company

On Sunday, **October 18th** from 1:00 to 5:00 PM in the Chapel at 86th Street, JoAnne Tucker, Director of Avodah Dance Company will be leading a dance workshop in midrash and improvisational interpretation of biblical texts for members of SPSA and BJ. No prior experience or

training in dance is required, and the workshop is free for members of both congregations. Advance registration is requested. To sign up, contact BJ member Mim Warden at MimWarden@aol.com or (212) 262-8408. Cosponsored by the Interfaith Committees of SPSA and BJ.

BJ Choir

Rehearsals for the year-round choir resume Monday, **October 19th** at 86th Street and will be held every Monday from 8:00 - 9:30 PM. If you are interested in participating, call Marta Felcman at x303.

BJ/SPSA Joint Trip to Museum of Jewish Heritage

On Sunday, **October 25th**, at 1:30 PM, BJ and SPSA members will come together to visit the Museum of Jewish Heritage, located downtown at 18 First Place in Battery Park City. We will all meet at 1:15 in front of the Museum. (SPSA's youth group is also participating, and so we especially extend this invitation to BJ teens). There is a Museum fee of \$5, payable to Hella Moritz, event coordinator, at the time of entrance to the Museum. Advance registration is requested as soon as possible. If you are planning to attend, please leave your name and telephone number on the answering machine of Hella at (212) 288-1846 or by email to MimWarden@aol.com.

Sara Take II

On **November 3rd** and **4th**, 8:00 PM the renowned Theater Company Jerusalem, led by Artistic Director and actress Gabriella Lev, will present a unique fusion of contemporary theater and ancient Jewish texts based upon the life of Sara, matriarch of the Jewish People. The performance will take place at 88th Street. \$18 for BJ members; \$23 for nonmembers; and \$27 at the door. For more info, call the JCC at (212) 580-0099.

Festival Service Schedule*

Shemini Atzeret

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October 12	9:30 AM	Shemini Atzeret Service	88 th Street

Simhat Torah

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*Children's Services take place at 10:45 AM on all days there are Adult Services

SINGLES ACTIVITIES

Havdalah and Coffee House in the BJ Sukkah

The Singles Committee is delighted to announce a special Havdalah and coffee house program with world renowned story teller **Peninnah Schram**, to take place on **October 10th** at 7:30 PM in the BJ Sukkah at 86th Street (if it rains, the event will take place indoors). Join us for song and lots of wonderful stories. Light refreshments will be served. Space is limited and pre-registration is highly recommended. Cost is \$10 for members, \$15 for non-

members. Mark checks "Singles Sukkah Havdalah." We recommend that you wear layered clothing as the Sukkah may get chilly.

Calling all Volunteers

The Singles Committee is looking for volunteers to help facilitate programs, including the upcoming retreat, an Oneg Shabbat, a special Sukkot havdalah and a class to be taught by Rabbi Bronstein. If you have an hour or two to

spare please call x306. It's a great opportunity to meet other people in the community and help with programming.

Early Fall Oneg

Once again we invite you to an Oneg Shabbat sponsored by the Singles Committee, on Friday, **October 16th** following the 6:45 PM service. Join us in the Social Hall for food and schmoozing.

Singles Autumn Hike

On Sunday, **October 18th** join other BJ members and friends for an easy hike and a day out of the city. The hike will be about 6 - 7 miles, along the Croton Aqueduct Trail in beautiful Westchester County, and will be led by Les Judd. We will meet at Grand Central Terminal, near the information booth at 10:00 AM. Please make sure to have purchased your tickets before meeting with us. We will take the 10:20 AM Metro-North train to Hastings, then walk along the trail to Tarrytown, and return on the train from Tarrytown at about 4:00 PM. The train fare is approximately \$11.00 RT. Optional side trip to Sunnyside, the home of Washington Irving, or Lyndhurst, the Gould estate. Bring a hat, water, comfortable walking shoes and your own vegetarian or dairy lunch. No reservation necessary but if you intend to come it would be helpful if you leave your name on our hotline so that we can anticipate how many people will be joining us. To leave your name and for more information, call x306. Steady rain cancels. If in doubt about the weather, call Les Judd at (718) 805-4260.

Chamber Music: Encore!

Back by popular demand! We would like to invite the Singles community to enjoy an evening of music making by The Festival Chamber Music Society on Wednesday,

October 28th. These internationally acclaimed musicians are renowned as much for their good humor and beginner-friendly ambiance as they are for their artistry. The concert features the music of Schubert, Schnyder, and Richard Strauss. The evening will begin with a buffet dinner at Mendy's West (208 West 70th St.), from 6:15 PM to 7:30 PM. We will then walk to Merkin Concert Hall (129 West 67th St) for the 8:00 PM concert. After the concert, there will be a reception, where we will sip champagne, meet the artists, and mingle with friends, old and new. The cost of the evening will be \$35 for members, \$40 for non-members; this includes dinner at Mendy's, a concert ticket, and admission to the reception. To reserve your place, please send a check marked "Singles Concert 10/28" to the BJ office. Please include your name, address, and phone numbers, and indicate whether you would like a vegetarian dinner. Ticket availability is limited, and reservations must be made by Wednesday, **October 21st**.

BJ Retreat for Individual Members

Limited space is still available for our third annual retreat on the weekend of **October 23 – 25** at Club Getaway in Kent, CT. The weekend promises to be a mixture of social, educational, religious, and outdoor activities, as well as all around fun. We will be joined by Rabbis Matalon and Bronstein. Applications are available in the back of the sanctuary as well as on the BJ web site. For more info, call x306.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

BJCOTS

The BJCOTS will meet on **October 11th** at 5:00 PM in the Parlor Room at 86th Street. All teens are invited to participate in this group. Bring \$20 for the food fund for the year and get ready for the teen retreat, and the teen led Shabbat morning service and the dance! For more information call Felicia at x244.

Teen Retreat

The BJ teens will be holding their 3rd annual retreat on **October 23 - 25** at Club Getaway in Kent, CT. Join Roly, Marcelo, and Felicia for this amazing weekend of enjoying the outdoors and spending time together. Applications are in the mail. Please send them in ASAP. The cost is \$200,

which includes transportation, food, accommodations and more. For more information, call Felicia at x244.

What's Up in October for the Junior Youth Group?

On Sunday, **October 25th**, from 4:30 - 6:30 PM, the Junior Youth Group is going to make dinner for the BJ/SPSA Shelter. They'll chop, grate and have fun! When they're finished cooking dinner, they'll play a big-scale version of the classic Pictionary and have dinner. This event will be held at the home of Nick Kahn, 225 West 106th St., #2B (corner of Broadway and 106th). As space is limited, please RSVP ASAP to Daniel Barash at (212) 388-2918 and he will tell you what food ingredient to bring. Parents, if you are interested in helping out, please call Daniel ASAP.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Questions for Board Members?

Marina Kaufman and Joel Friedman are available during October to answer questions that members may have about the Board, or to discuss issues affecting the BJ community. You may reach Marina at (212) 290-4700, x255 and Joel at (718) 796-4550.

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 Madelyn.

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

Member's New Book

BJ member Peninnah Schram's new book, *Ten Classic Jewish Children's Stories* (Pitspopy Press), has just been published. For orders/information, call the publisher at (212) 472-4959.

Sibling Bereavement Group

The HealthCare Chaplaincy, a multifaith pastoral education center for health-related spiritual care, is offering a Sibling Bereavement Group, led by BJ member Lin Saberski, beginning Tuesday, **October 13th**. The group will provide an opportunity to find comfort with others who are also grieving the loss of a sibling. For more info, please call Lin at (212) 678-6393 (home) or (212) 630-1059 (work).

Studied in Israel?

Koach, Marom, and Tnuat AM invite students who have studied in Israel in the past four years to maintain connections with "Israel at 50: A Jewish State or a State of Jews" featuring guest speaker Professor Lee Levine of Hebrew University. **October 16 - 18** at the Ramada Conference Center in E. Hanover, NJ. Cost is \$130. For

more information, call (212) 533-2021 or email aliyahcenter@compuserve.com.

Post War American Jewish History Series

The American Jewish Historical Society presents its first lecture series in New York City called "Margin to Mainstream: The Emergence of the Jewish Community in Post War America." The first lecture is The 1940's: When Jews were G.I.'s taught by Prof. Deborah Dash Moore, Tuesday, **October 20th** at Congregation Shearith Israel, 8 West 70th St. at 6:30 PM. \$10 students and AJHS members; \$15 nonmembers. For more info, call (212) 541-4406.

The Middle East and the U.S. Media

As the peace process unravels, how much influence is the U.S. press exerting on the public opinion and policy regarding Israel and its Arab neighbors? Come to a panel discussion on Wednesday, **October 21st**, 6:30 - 8:30 PM at HBO, 1100 Avenue of the Americas (at 42nd Street), 15th floor. Free for students and faculty; \$10 for others. Reservations required; call (212) 686-5005 or email info@cencom.org and visit www.cencom.org.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

Just recycling isn't enough.

Buy only what you need and look for products with the highest recycled content available and that can be recycled or reused.

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

**Pasuk of the Week – גִּזְעָו עֵינֶיךָ
; , חֲצִי ; קֶשֶׁת הַיָּם , וְכִפְרוּת הַבַּיִת לְיָהוָה , כְּמִגַּע**

Through slothfulness the ceiling sags,

Through lazy hands the house caves in.

(Ecclesiastes 10:18)

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