



Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

Rabbis: Marshall T. Meyer (1985-1993) • J. Rolando Matalon • Marcelo R. Bronstein • Cantor & Music Director: Ari Priven

May 5 – May 12, 2000

Friday, May 5

Omer 15 (hesed shebe-tiferet)
Rosh Hodesh Iyyar
Tot Shabbat 5:45 PM – 86th Street
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 PM - 88th Street
Vav Shabbat Dinner After 6:00 PM service – 88th Street
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:45 PM - 86th Street
Community Potluck Dinner with guest speakers from Tzvi Aryeh AIDS Foundation After 6:45 PM service – 86th Street

Saturday, May 6

Omer 16 (gevurah shebe-tiferet)
Shabbat Parashat Kedoshim
Rosh Hodesh Iyyar
Silent Meditation Service 9:00 AM - 86th Street Chapel
 9:30 AM - 86th Street
Torah: Leviticus 19:1 – 20:27, Pg. 894
Triennial: Leviticus 19:1 – 19:37
Maftir: Numbers 28:9 – 15, Pg.1210
Haftarah: Isaiah 66:1 – 24, Pg. 1684

Bat Mitzvah Haya Kramer

Bar Mitzvah Justin Barbosa

Speaker Vered Livne
 Executive Director, Association for Civil Rights in Israel

PS 166 Kiddush Luncheon 1:00 PM - 86th Street

Community Minhah, Study and Havdalah
 6:30 PM – 86th Street

Sunday, May 7

Omer 17 (tiferet shebe-tiferet)
Morning Minyan 9:30 AM - 88th Street
Singles Basherte Workshop 11:00 AM – 88th Street
BJ/St. Luke's Brunch 11:00 AM – meet at 86th Street

Monday, May 8

Omer 18 (netzah shebe-tiferet)
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
Environment Committee Meeting 6:30 PM
 315 W. 70th St. (West End Avenue) Apt. 10H
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 88th Street

Tuesday, May 9

Omer 19 (hod shebe-tiferet)
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 88th Street
Yom Hazikaron Contemplative Service and Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration 6:45 PM – 88th Street

Wednesday, May 10

Omer 20 (yesod shebe-tiferet)
YOM HA'ATZMAUT: BJ OFFICE CLOSED
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
Kesharim 2:00 PM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 86th Street
Parenting Workshop with Rabbi Anne Ebersman 7:30 PM – 88th Street

The Weekly Potion: Torah Soup for the Soul with Amichai Lau-Lavie: "Her-Story - The terrible tale of the only woman mentioned in Leviticus" 8:30 PM – 86th Street

Thursday, May 11

Omer 21 (malkhut shebe-tiferet)
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
Judith Bernstein Lunch Program 12:00 PM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 86th Street
Minhah Class with Rabbi Felicia Sol 7:00 PM – 88th Street

Friday, May 12

Omer 22 (hesed shebe-netzah)
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street

Parashat Emor

Torah: Leviticus 21:1 – 24:23, Pg. 912
Triennial: Leviticus 22:17 – 23:22, Pg. 915
Haftarah: Ezekiel 44:15-31, Pg. 1001

Social Justice Opportunity of the Week

Join The Million Mom March For Gun Control
 Mother's Day, **Sunday, May 14th**

BJ buses leave 88th Street & West End for Washington, D.C. at 6 AM & depart Washington for New York at 4 PM the same day. Due to popular demand, we've extended the deadline to 4 PM Monday, May 8th. To reserve a place on the BJ bus, send in \$30 per person (including kids) along with full name, address & phone number to the BJ Office. For more information contact Cindy Rosenthal at 516-463-4966, at cdnyc@aol.com or call x310. MAY IS MARCHING MONTH: JOIN THE BJ TEAM for AIDS WALK SUNDAY, MAY 21 (SEE FLYER)

Volunteer Opportunity of the Week

An Invitation to Invite: Community Wide-In-Home Kiddush: On **Saturday, May 20th**, live the mitzvah of hakhnasat orhim. Following Shabbat services, we plan to have enough hosts on the Upper West Side so that any person who comes to Shabbat services has a place to go for kiddush. If you would like to host guests in your home for a light lunch (nothing extravagant) and live between West 65th & 110th Streets, please call x382. Leave your name, number and how many people you would like to host.

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.

Condolences:

The community of B'nai Jeshurun extends its sincere condolences to the following BJ members and their families:

- Nancy and Charles Posternak on the death of Nancy's beloved father, George Barron.
- Lilian Schubert on the death of her beloved father Reinhard Schubert.

Mazal Tov To:

- Haya, Jay, Laura and Seth Kramer on the occasion of Haya becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- Justin, Joseph and Daniel Barbosa and Karen Adler on the occasion of Justin becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Malka Margolies and Walter Scott on the birth of their son, Gabriel.
- Shoshana Avner of the birth of her grand-nephew, Yosef Dov Lichtenstein (#44).
- Alan Slifka who will receive a Citation of Honor for supporting and encouraging dialogue in Israel through the work of the Abraham Fund. The award ceremony will take place at the Knesset on May 7th.

B'ruchim Haba'im To:

- Members of Tzvi Aryeh, who will be speaking tonight at the community-wide potluck dinner.
- Rabbi Eric Stark and the Confirmation Class of Temple Oheb Shalom, Baltimore, Maryland.
- Rabbi Arthur Nemitoff and the Confirmation Class of Temple Israel, Columbus, Ohio.

Parenting Workshop with Dr. Ron Taffel

The next Parenting Workshop with Dr. Ron Taffel, originally planned for **May 16th and May 30th**, has been rescheduled for next Fall. Watch future issues of the Kol Hadash for further information.

Judith Bernstein Lunch Program Kiddush

Saturday, May 13th after morning services at 86th Street: There will be a kiddush honoring Lunch Program volunteers. For more information, please call Julie at x376.

Reminder: Reading the Kol Jeshurun is a great way to remind yourself of upcoming events you've read about in the Kol Hadash or on the web site as well as to monitor new information or program changes. Further information on events can be found in the Kol Hadash (mailed to members only), on our web site (www.bj.org) and in the back of the sanctuary at 86th and 88th Streets. **Please note:** *All announcements or registration forms for the next Kol Jeshurun are due at the BJ office on the Tuesday before printing at 12:00 noon.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Community Minhah, Study and Havdalah

Shabbat afternoon, May 6th from 6:30 - 8:30 PM in the Chapel and Parlor Rooms at 86th Street: Come end Shabbat with the community as we pray, study and sing together. The topic for study will be "The Modern Pilgrimage: How do we understand our relationship to the land of Israel?"

BJ/St. Luke's Hospital Brunch

Sunday, May 7th 11:00 AM meet at 86th Street: There is still time to volunteer for this Sunday's brunch. For more information, please call our coordinator Merrill Feinstein-Feit at 744-2349.

Jews for Racial & Economic Justice presents Mission Impossible: NYC's Public Schools

Monday, May 8th at 6:00 PM at 154 West 93rd Street: Two interactive political performances with a multi-racial group of NYC high school students based on their own stories & experiences. Discussion on strategies to improve school conditions will follow. Co-sponsored by B'nai Jeshurun, the Brownstone Brooklyn Jewish Coalition, the Crown Heights Youth Collective, Goddard-Riverside, PS 210 & PS 84 among others. For more information, contact JFREJ at 647-8966 or at jfrej@iqc.org.

Next Environment Committee Meeting

Monday, May 8th at 6:30 PM, at the home of Allison Kleiner 315 West 70th Street (West End Avenue) Apt. 10H.

Yom Ha'zikaron (Day of Remembrance) and Yom Ha'Atzmaut (Israel Independence Day)

Tuesday, May 9th beginning at 6:45 PM at 88th Street: Join us for an evening of contemplation, meditation, song, dance, food and frolic in honor of Israel. The evening will include meditation on the theme of Zikaron (memory), followed by the viewing of the acclaimed documentary "Peace of Mind: Co-existence Through the Eyes of Palestinian and Israeli teens." The festivities continue as we invite you to a Mediterranean feast complete with delicacies, live music, drumcircle, bellydancing and more! Live performances will be provided by George Mordechai and Sami Feldman with BJ's Matt Turk and Mordechai Schram. There is no charge for these festivities, so join us in the celebration! Co-sponsored by the Singles and Israel committees.

Finding a Spiritual Home: An Evening with Author Rabbi Sidney Schwarz

Tuesday, May 16th from 7:30 - 8:30 PM at 88th Street: What makes BJ so different from other synagogues around the country and world? Join Rabbi Sid Schwarz, author of the new book Finding a Spiritual Home, which explores the ins and outs of modern synagogue life, and features B'nai Jeshurun. A nationally known speaker and leader in the Jewish community, Rabbi Schwarz has important and challenging information about the future of synagogue life in America. There will be an opportunity to ask questions, engage in discussion and purchase the book at a discounted price.

BJ Softball ("Happy Days are Here Again")

Tuesday night, May 16th, 7:00 PM, North Meadow Field #4 in Central Park (at 97th Street): Our annual, summer-long, weekly "pick-up" games will begin. NOTE: This is a different location than where we've played the last few years -- we've made the big leagues!! Come join what one of our weekly participants from last year called "the most fun I've ever had with a glove on." Questions or comments? Call the BJ sports voicemail box x383.

Non-Member Seminar

Wednesday, May 17th at 7:00 PM at 88th Street: So what is the difference between being a member of BJ and a non-member who participates? If you have ever wanted to know the answer to this and many other questions about the BJ community, then come to our annual **Non-Member Seminar!** This will be your opportunity to ask questions of the BJ staff as well as a chance to meet members of the community who have taken that important step and joined us. Our membership year begins shortly, so come and find out how to "own" a piece of one of the most vibrant communities in New York.

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Raising A Jewish Family

Rabbi Anne Ebersman, Principal, BJ Hebrew School

Wednesdays, May 10th (For parents with children ages 5 and younger) and **May 24th** (For parents with children ages 6 and older), both will be at 7:30 PM at 88th Street: These workshops for parents will have two parts: (1) An exploration of classic and contemporary Jewish texts relating to parenting issues and 2) Practical guidance about ways to create meaningful, developmentally appropriate Jewish experiences for children.

Prayer & Synagogue Skills

Rabbi Felicia Sol, Marshall T. Meyer Rabbinic Fellow

Thursday, May 11th from 7:00 – 8:30 PM at 88th Street: The workshop will delve into the structure of the minḥah service. It will begin with a learner's minyan and proceed into a class setting.

Lecture Series with Dr. Avivah Gottlieb Zornberg

Thursday – Saturday, May 18th – 20th at 88th Street: You are invited to a lecture series with teacher-in-residence, Dr. Avivah Gottlieb Zornberg, author of "Genesis: The Beginning

Havurot (small fellowship groups of 10-20 people)

Havurot are meant to create a more intimate community amongst the larger whole. The hope is that they meet monthly in participant's homes to celebrate Shabbat and holidays, study and do acts of social justice. The following groups are in the process of being formed:

- 30's singles havurah, there will be an initial gathering on **Wednesday, May 17th** at 7:30 PM
- Single/divorced parents havurah, there will be an initial gathering on **Thursday, May 11th** at 1:00 PM.

Both gatherings will be at the BJ office. Please call Rabbi Felicia Sol at x222 to RSVP or fill out the havurah form on the website.

Sefer HaMo'adon HaTov - BJ's Book Club

Monday, June 19th at 7:00 PM in the Parlor Room at 86th Street: Discussion for the BJ Book of Every-Other-Month Club. The book for May and June: A Journey to the End of the Millennium by A. B. Yehoshua. The story chronicles Europe in the 10th century and explores the religious and legal differences between the European Sephardic tradition and that of the Middle Eastern Ashkenazic Jews. These differences are reflected in the current social and ideological conflicts in Israel today.

of Desire" and one of Jerusalem's most respected and admired Torah commentators.

- **Thursday, May 18th**: "Law and Narrative in the Book of Ruth" 7:00 PM. Cost: \$10 for members / \$20 for non-members. To register for this study session, please call x379 AND send your check marked "Zornberg study" to the BJ office by Monday, May 15th.
- **Friday, May 19th**: "And I Did Not Know: The Secret of Prayer" – Shabbat B'Yahad (SBY) dinner after the 6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat service at 88th Street: \$20 members and \$30 non-members. To sign up for the dinner and lecture, please fill out the registration form on the separate SBY flyer AND call x304 or go to www.bj.org and fill out the SBY registration form in the upcoming events section (please remember to include ALL names of people attending.) For more information, please call x304.
- **Saturday, May 20th**: "The Pit and the Rope: Judah reveals Joseph": 5:30 PM. Cost: Free for members/\$10 for non-members. To register for this study session, please call x379 AND send your check marked "Zornberg study" to the BJ office by Monday, May 15th.

For more information, please call Arielle at x241.

SINGLES ACTIVITIES

Basherte - The Kabbalah of Soulmates

Sunday, May 7th from 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM at 88th Street: Ever wonder how you might be keeping love out of your life? Join us as we host our next brunch/workshop with special guests Rosalie and Efram Eisen, founders of the Basherte Workshop. The workshop theme: "Receiving and Giving Love," will explore what it means to be ready to both receive and give love. The cost at the door is \$25.

Yom Ha'zikaron Commemoration & Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration

See Upcoming Events section.

Warm Nights Ahead

Friday, May 12th after the 6:45 PM service in the Social Hall of 86th Street: Help us welcome in the sweet smells of Spring and the warm nights ahead with an Oneg Shabbat. Join us for lite fare, beverages and schmoozing and don't forget to bring a business card with your e-mail address.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Special Needs/Reserved Seating

If you have special needs (physical, hearing, or visual) and would like reserved seating for Shabbat services (aisle, close to the front, etc.), please call x320.

New to BJ?

If you are unfamiliar with our services and would like

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

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.

MEMBER/AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES

Basya Schechter to Release Second CD

Saturday, May 6th at 9:00 PM and 10:30 PM at the Knitting Factory (74 Leonard Street): Basya Schechter who plays percussion for Friday night services at BJ and who played percussion and sang on the B'nai Jeshurun CD, "With Every Breath." She is celebrating the release of her second CD, "Out of the Reeds" (JAM/Knitting Factory) with her own band, Pharaoh's Daughter. For more information, call 219-3006 Cost: \$8.

Zionline 2000

Wednesday, May 10th the Consulate General of Israel is launching the "Zionline 2000" web contest, designed for Jewish children of all ages. To compete, participants of this on-line experience will be required to log on to

www.zionline2000.com on the above mentioned date. They will be presented with an on-line adventure, complete with quizzes and other challenges and can win a cool Israeli vacation: An El Al flight to Israel for a child and an adult, and a week in a luxurious hotel. For more information call 499-5420.

American Jewish-Israeli Book and Discussion Group

Monday, May 15th at 6:30 PM at the American Jewish Committee headquarters (56th and 3rd Avenue): Professor Gold of the University of Pennsylvania will lead the discussion on "The Times My Father Dies" as well as several poems by Yehuda Amichai. Please RSVP to Erica at 751-4000, x254 or sancheze@ajc.org. There will be a \$10 fee to cover administrative costs and dinner.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

Instead of using toxic moth balls, you can use cedar blocks or cedar chips to control moths.
This message was brought to you by the Environment Committee at x313.

Pasuk of the Week

**“.tyj uhkg ta, -tku l, hng-, t j hfu, j fuv l cckc l hj t-, t tba, -tk”
(zh:yh trehu)**

**“You shall not hate your kinsman in your heart.
Reprove your neighbor, but incur no guilt because of him or her.”
(Leviticus 19:17)**

Please see the back of the sanctuary for flyers and registration forms for the following events and opportunities:

- May 8th JFREJ School Theater Project
- May 14th Million Mom March
- May 19th Shabbat B'Yahad with Dr. Avivah Gottlieb Zornberg
- Lecture Series with Dr. Avivah Gottlieb Zornberg May 18th and 20th
- AIDS Walk Registration Information & Registration Cards
- May 26th - 29th Family Retreat
- June 16th - 18th Congregational Retreat
- BJ Study Trip to Israel 2000
- Havurot Applications
- Employment Bank Listings
- Upcoming Singles Events