

nd, the series will be held bi-weekly, on

**Thursday evenings, from 7:00-9:00 PM.**

For more information, visit the IDS website ([www.institutefordemocracy.org](http://www.institutefordemocracy.org)) or contact Lew Daly at 423-9237 or [lewisdaly@institutefordemocracy.org](mailto:lewisdaly@institutefordemocracy.org). Admission is free for BJ members.

**Save the Date: Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00 AM at Lincoln Square Synagogue: BJ will be co-sponsoring a forum featuring all four Democratic candidates for NYC Mayor.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Condolences To:**

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

- Jan Gaines on the death of her beloved friend, Mel Goldberg.
- Nancy Bravman and her family on the death of her beloved mother, Muriel Bravman.

## **Mazal Tov To:**

- Pamela, Matthew and Clarey Pass on the naming of their daughter and sister, Amalia Jennifer Pass.
- Hannele Rubin and Nick Duffield on their recent engagement.

## **Kiddush Sponsor:**

This week's kiddush is sponsored by the families of the BJ teens in honor of Teen Shabbat.

## **Relief for India and Central America**

The American Jewish World Service is currently accepting contributions to aid the victims of the latest earthquakes in India and Central America. AJWS responds to humanitarian disasters around the world by providing desperately needed emergency relief, and helping to fund long-term construction. Immediate emergency relief assistance often includes clean water, shelter, sanitation, medical supplies, professional staff and other necessary assistance. To contribute, send a check to AJWS, 989 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10018, call 1-800-889-7146 or contribute online at [www.ajws.org](http://www.ajws.org).

**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 ([www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org)) as well as to monitor new information or program changes.**

**Please note: All announcements or registration forms for the next Kol Jeshurun are due on Tuesdays at noon (e-mail edited announcements to [mrotstein@bj.org](mailto:mrotstein@bj.org)).**

## **UPDATED INFORMATION - The Rae Tobey Food Collection**

Please participate in our monthly food collection by bringing non-perishable kosher foods to Shabbat services this Shabbat, **February 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>** (please see food list below). Donations made to 88<sup>th</sup> Street will go to the Judith Bernstein Lunch Program and donations made to 86<sup>th</sup> Street will be donated to the West Side Campaign Against Hunger. Volunteers are needed on Shabbat morning after services to help carry donations and carts downstairs to the Social Hall. For more information and to volunteer, contact Irene Tobey at [itobey@hotmail.com](mailto:itobey@hotmail.com).

## **Non-Perishable Food Items: (MUST BE MARKED KOSHER)**

**Dry Foods:** Fresh bulbs of garlic, onions, dried pinto beans, kasha, bulgar wheat, nuts (especially peanuts), peanut butter, boxes of hot cereal (wheatena, farina, cream of wheat, etc.), tuna (albacore), corn bread, fruit juice (plastic jars or boxes) that don't require refrigeration, stuffing, teas, coffee, hot chocolate

**Dairy:** Boxes of Parmalat milk

**Fruit:** Hard pears (that will wait to ripen), lemons, oranges and all types of dried fruit (including raisins)

**Vegetables:** Potatoes, acorn squash, butternut squash

**Canned Goods:** Pumpkin

**Baking Items:** Flour, baking powder, yeast, brown sugar, non-refrigerated piecrusts, graham crackers, nutmeg, cinnamon, vanilla

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **Leah Shakdiel at BJ**

**Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>** at 4:00 PM at 88<sup>th</sup> Street: Join us as we welcome Leah Shakdiel, an Israeli teacher who developed a model for feminist pedagogy for Israel during her time as a School for Educational Leadership Fellow. Shakdiel currently works in teacher training at Ben Gurion University, gender equity programs for the Ministry of Education and teaches Jewish feminism at The Shechter Institute in Jerusalem. She will speak about women studying Torah as deviation from "natural" sex roles. Free. Co-sponsored by Lincoln Square Synagogue and the JCC on the Upper West Side.

## **An Evening in Rio**

**Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>** from 8:00-11:00 PM at 88<sup>th</sup> Street: BJ's Latin America Committee will present "An Evening in Rio." Enjoy

the samba, bossa nova and Brazilian jazz sounds of SABOR BRASIL, featuring BJ members Susan Davis Pereira and Vanderlei Pereira. Singles and couples of all ages are welcome. There will be a cash bar and light refreshments. Admission is \$15 for BJ members/\$20 for non-members. For more information, please call x 371.

## **Israel Trip**

**March 17<sup>th</sup> - March 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Post-election. Do you want to be part of a short yet spiritual study trip to Israel? Would you like to meet with Israeli political, military and strategic leadership? Would you like to study the current situation with its many forces? For more information, please contact BJ member Rabbi Hillel Friedman at 595-3006. Sponsored by the BJ Israel Committee.

# SINGLES ACTIVITIES

## **Wash Away Your Winter Blues**

**Tonight, February 9<sup>th</sup>** after the 6:45 PM service at the 86<sup>th</sup> Street: Join us for a Singles Oneg Shabbat in the Social Hall.

## **Sunday Brunch with Author Wendy Orange**

**Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>** from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at 88<sup>th</sup> Street: Please join us for brunch where our special guest lecturer will be author Wendy Orange. Come hear Wendy share a timely personal, passionate and compelling journey of her life in Israel. Please Note: if space is available, cost at the door will be \$30 for all.

## **Beit Kafé: Dance to the Beat of Salsa**

**Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>** at 8:00 PM at 88<sup>th</sup> Street: Put on your dancing shoes and join BJ singles and couples for a night of Latin rhythms with the sounds of the **LOS JARDINOS BAND**. The evening includes a free salsa lesson, a short introduction to the salsa of the Cuban Isles and one free beverage of your choice. Refreshments will be served. Cost: \$15 members/\$25 non-members. To register, send a check marked "Singles Beit Kafé 2/24" to the BJ office by **Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**. If space is available, the cost at the door will be \$30 for all.

**Singles Catered Shabbat Dinner at 88<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>** following the 6:00 PM service at 88<sup>th</sup> Street: Celebrate the Festival of Purim with a catered Shabbat dinner. Cost: \$20 members/\$30 non-members. To make your reservation please call voicemail x 306 **AND** send check marked "3/9 Singles

Shabbat Dinner" to the BJ office no later than **February 28<sup>th</sup>**. Please include a note with your day/evening phone numbers, your membership status and whether you require a vegetarian meal. **Please Note:** if space is available, add a \$10 late fee for reservations received after February 28<sup>th</sup>.

## FAMILY ACTIVITIES

### **Families Cooking for the Shelter**

**Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>** from 5:00 - 7:00 PM at 88<sup>th</sup> Street: This month, 5<sup>th</sup> grade BJ kids, their parents and siblings are invited to cook meals for guests of the Homeless Shelter. Please call this month's coordinators, Marilyn Gurtman-Oppenheimer, at 721-8629, to volunteer and to find out which food ingredients to bring. Future dates are as follows: March 12<sup>th</sup> (1<sup>st</sup> grade) and May 22<sup>nd</sup> (7<sup>th</sup> Grade). Also, please look out for a rescheduled date for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade dinner. To maintain this program, we need one or two coordinators per month and a host of participating families. For more information, please call Beth Kern at 724-5336, Harriet Saltzman at 496-1892 or Donna Kahan at 362-9595.

### **B'nai BJ 2001**

B'nai BJ is a wonderful summer program designed for children ages 4-7. It will begin July 2<sup>nd</sup> through August 2<sup>nd</sup> and run from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Due to space limitation and programming quality, we will accommodate a total of 36 participants. Our policy is based on a first-come, first-serve basis. Your registration will only be processed after a non-refundable security deposit of \$200 and the registration form are received. This year's tuition is \$1750 and \$1650 for siblings; payment plans and financial aid are available. For additional information call Guy at x 244.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### **Special Needs/Reserved Seating**

If you have special needs (physical, hearing, or visual) and would like assistance with seating for Shabbat services (aisle, close to the front, etc.), please call x308.

### **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.

### **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.

## MEMBER/AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES

### **Classic Stage Company Presents: Race**

**Beginning Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup>** at 8:00 PM at the Classic Stage Company (136 East 13<sup>th</sup> Street): BJ member Ronald Guttman will be appearing in the powerful play, "Race." This remarkable play was written by Ferdinand Brockner, a leading Jewish playwright in the summer of 1933, months after the events it portrays. For ticket information call 677-4210.

### **Storytelling at the Museum of Jewish Heritage**

**Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00 PM at the Museum of Jewish Heritage (18 First Place, Battery Park City): BJ member and storyteller Peninnah Schram and singer/guitarist Gerard Edery will be featured as "The Minstrel and the Storyteller." For information and reservations call 945-0039.

## PASUK OF THE WEEK

"uvbnrntu hct hvktuvvbtu hkt vz vguahk hk-hvhu 'v , rnzu hzg"  
(c:uy , una)

"Adonai is my strength and might; Adonai is my salvation.  
This is my God and I will praise God; the God of my parent, and I will exalt God."  
(Exodus 15:2)

## **PLEASE SEE THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY FOR FLYERS AND REGISTRATION FORMS FOR THE FOLLOWING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES:**

February 17<sup>th</sup> Leah Shakdiel at BJ  
February 17<sup>th</sup> "An Evening in Rio"  
Letter to President Bush – Urging Mideast Peace  
Membership Packets  
New Havurot Applications  
Upcoming Singles Events  
Upcoming Gay and Lesbian Events  
Information on Support Groups offered by organizations serving the Jewish community  
Information on Breast Cancer Havurah  
Text Study on International Human Rights