

Kol Jeshurun



תורה לכולנו Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

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March 29th - April 5th 2002

Friday, March 29

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 PM - 88th Street
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:45 PM - 86th Street

Saturday, March 30 Shabbat Hol HaMoed Pesah
Service 9:30 AM - 86th Street
Children's Services 10:45 AM - 86th Street

Torah: Exodus 33:12 - 34:26, Pg. 657
Maftir: Numbers 28:19 - 28:25, Pg. 1211
Haftarah: Ezekiel 37:1 - 37:14, Pg. 1660

Baby Naming **Jessica Elizabeth Katzman**

Singles Beit Café 8:00 PM - 88th Street

Sunday, March 31 **Hol HaMoed Pesah**
Morning Minyan 9:30 AM - 88th Street

Monday, April 1 **Hol HaMoed Pesah**
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 88th Street

Tuesday, April 2 **Hol HaMoed Pesah**
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
Talmud Introduction 8:15 AM - 88th Street
Seventh Evening Pesah Service 6:00 PM - 88th Street

BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 88th Street

Wednesday, April 3 **Pesah Seventh Day - Office Closed**
Seventh Day Pesah Service 9:30 AM - 88th Street
Seventh Day Pesah Children's Service 10:45 AM - 88th Street
Eighth Evening Pesah Service 7:00 PM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 86th Street

Thursday, April 4 **Pesah Eighth Day - Office Closed**
Eighth Day Pesah Service 9:30 AM - 88th Street
First Day Pesah Children's Service 10:45 AM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 86th Street

Friday, April 5
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street

NEXT WEEK **Parashat Shemini** **M'Varkhim HaHodesh**

Torah: Leviticus 9:1 - 11:47, Pg. 798
Triennial: Leviticus 9:1 - 10:11, Pg. 798
Haftarah: II Samuel 6:1 - 7:17, Pg. 986

SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK

Mayor Bloomberg is proposing elimination of city-wide recycling of glass, metal, and cans because it costs more compared to paper recycling and regular garbage collection and disposal. The BJ Environmental Working Group suggests that all congregants call or write their Councilmember and the Mayor urging them to oppose cuts in recycling.

Please include the following points when you call or write:

1. If recycling is inefficient and costly, make it more efficient, don't scrap it.
2. If recycling is eliminated, more garbage will have to be trucked out of the city, leading to more cases of asthma and worse air pollution.
3. New York City has reached a level of recycling far greater than any city official ever thought possible. If the program is scrapped now it will tarnish the city's reputation and set the wrong example for the rest of the country.

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- Mayor Michael Bloomberg, City Hall, NYC 10007: Leave the Mayor a message at (212) 788-9600 or visit home.nyc.gov, click the "mayor's office" link, and you'll see a button to e-mail him.
 - Councilmember Gale Brewer, 2374 Broadway, NYC 10024: (212)873-0282 or brewer@council.nyc.ny.us.
 - Councilmember Bill Perkins, 163 West 125th St., NYC 10027: (212) 662-4440 or perkins@council.nyc.ny.us.
 - Or if you live in a different neighborhood and aren't sure who your Councilmember is, visit <http://www.council.nyc.ny.us/index.cfm>.

Would you like to help the Environmental Working Group on issues like this one? You can contact us by calling our voice mail at x310.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Condolences to the Following Members and Their Families:

- Katherine Eckstein on the death of her beloved grandmother, Liese Lotte Eckstein.

Mazal Tov To The Following Members And Their Families:

- Ken, Nicole and Jonathan Katzman on the naming of their daughter and sister, Jessica Elizabeth.
- Sanford and Lisa Fisher and Joanne and David Goldkrand on the birth of their son and grandson, Russell Harris Fisher.
- Eleanor Harrison Bregman and Peter Bregman on the birth of their daughter, Isabelle.
- Alice and Jon Fisher and Samantha and Daniel Fisher on the birth of their granddaughter and daughter, Madelyn Rose.
- Jan Hoffman, Daniel Nachman and Aviva Bella Hoffman Nachman on the birth of their daughter and sister, Amalia Dora Hoffman Nachman.
- Esther David and Saul Rosenberg on the birth of their daughter, Claire Rachel.
- Letty and Bert Pogrebin, David Pogrebin and Alina Arenal on the birth of their grandson and son, Arlo Joseph Arenal Pogrebin.
- Michael Miller and Tara S. Goodman on their recent engagement.

Spring Service Schedule

Friday Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 PM - 88th Street
6:45 PM - 86th Street

Family Shabbat Service 6:00 PM - 88th Street
First Friday of the Month

Wandering Minyan 6:00 PM - 88th Street, Frankel Hall
First Friday of the Month

Tot Shabbat 5:45 PM - 86th Street
Third Friday of the Month

Saturday Shabbat Service 9:30 AM - 86th Street

Look for information about the New Israel Fund Haggadah on BJ's website, www.bj.org.

Please note: the Torah Tales Untold class will not meet on Thursdays April 18 and 25 and May 2 and 23. The last class will be May 30.

We attempt to be as accurate as possible concerning the information contained in the Kol Jeshurun. Due to the tight deadlines under which we work, errors can sometimes occur. We apologize in advance for any mistakes.

PESAH 5762: Schedule

Pesah Services

Tuesday, April 2nd

Seventh Evening 6:00 PM - 88th Street

Wednesday, April 3rd

Seventh Day **BJ Office Closed**
Children's Services 9:30 AM - 88th Street
10:45 AM - 88th Street

Eighth Evening 7:00 PM - 88th Street

Thursday, April 4th

Eighth Day - Yizkor **BJ Office Closed**
Children's Services 9:30 AM - 88th Street
10:45 AM - 88th Street

Glimpses of Passover Cookbooks Are Here!

If you ordered copies of *Glimpses of Passover* and chose to pick them up, they are now available at the BJ office, 100A W. 89th Street. If you haven't ordered one yet, order forms are available at the back of the sanctuary or at BJ's office.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Families Cook for the Shelter

Tuesday, April 16th, 5:00 PM, 88th Street: Sixth graders and their families are invited to help prepare a simple meal for guests of our Homeless Shelter. We'll meet at 88th Street to assemble the meal and set the table together, and will enjoy a brief learning discussion about this most special mitzvah. If you are interested in participating, please call Harriet Saltzman at 496-1892, Beth Kern at 724-5336, or Donna Kahan at 362-9595 in advance. We also need a parent volunteer for that evening. The next shelter gathering is scheduled for May 21st for 7th Graders.

Tot Shabbat

Friday, April 19th, 5:45 PM, at 86th Street: Join Hollis Kramer and Jody Prusan for a Shabbat service created especially for families with children 4 and under. For more info, contact Hollis at x244.

B'nai BJ 2002: Applications Available Online!

B'nai BJ 2002 Summer Program: Is your child registered? Applications are now being accepted for this fun program for children entering kindergarten, first, second, and third grade. If you would like more information, please call the B'nai BJ Information Line x380.

LIMUD (LEARNING)

Finding a Meaningful Relationship: For Single Men and Women

Ten Thursdays, starting April 18th, 7:00 PM: This participatory workshop is open to single men and women (anyone in a relationship is also welcome to join). The course will explore individual perspectives on intimacy and commitment, help clarify what we're looking for, articulate what we bring to the table, and define ways to create what we wish for in a relationship. Taught by Anne Kohn, CSW. Cost: \$150 members/\$225 non-members (priority will be given to members). Code: 278. For more info and the location, call x240.

Rosh Hodesh Women's Group

Thursday, April 11th, 8:00 PM, at 88th Street: Join Rabbi Felicia Sol and Rabbi Sharon Brous as we welcome in the month of Iyar.

Kashrut

Three Tuesdays, April 23rd - May 7th, 7:00 PM, at 86th Street

This class focuses on the exploration of the Jewish dietary laws in the traditional sources. Included in our discussion will be a focus on Eco-Kashrut, the environmental and ethical aspects of keeping kosher which make the mitzvah relevant and meaningful. Taught by Rabbi Felicia Sol. Cost: Free - registration required. Code: 263.

SOCIAL JUSTICE/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

BJ Responds: Economic Help

Please leave a message on the BJ Career Resources Line at x315 or email slachow@hotmail.com if you have work opportunities or if you are currently looking for work. We will inform you of upcoming networking and skills-based workshops.

BJ Responds: Volunteers Needed to Sit Shemira at NYU

Sitting *shemira* or 'guarding the dead' is one of the greatest *mitzvot* a Jew can perform. We are desperately in need of many more volunteers to participate in this 24/7 effort at NYU Hospital where bodies of WTC victims are still being brought. For further info, please contact Carol Dikman at cdikman@bj.org or x255.

Shelter Volunteer Opportunity for Havurot

Members of havurot and havdalah groups are invited to prepare

a meal for the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter. To discuss the possibilities, please call Anne Millman at x340.

Special Spring Concert at The Jewish Home and Hospital

Sunday, April 14th, 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM, at the Jewish Home and Hospital, in the auditorium: Join the BJ Choir and the Bikkur Holim Committee for a Spring Concert with residents. To participate, please call Donny Lee, BJ's Team Leader, at (212) 316-4423.

Volunteer Opportunity For People With Computer Skills

If you have computer skills and some time to volunteer at the BJ office, we are very much in need of help with data input. For more info, please contact Carol Dikman at x255.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BJ's Latin America Committee Presents: Scattered Among the Nations - A Photographic Presentation

Sunday, April 7th, 5:30 PM, at 88th Street: BJ's Latin America Committee will present *Scattered Among the Nations*, a photographic presentation on the Inca Jews in Peru, Jungle Jews in the Amazon, and Argentina's Gaucho Jews by world traveling speaker, writer and photographer Bryan Schwartz. Cost is \$10, payable at the door. This event is open to the public and reservations are not required. To join the Latin America Committee's email list, please send an email to: BJ LatinAmerica-subscribe@yahoogroups.com or call us at x371.

Yom HaShoah 5762/2002

Monday, April 8th, 6:45 PM at 88th Street: There will be a service and a reading of the names of Jews who perished in the Shoah by BJ members and friends. If you wish to read your family's names at BJ, please contact Anne Kohn at akohn@bj.org or x240.

Greek Jewry Film Screenings

Monday April 8th, 8:00 PM, at 88th Street, after the Yom HaShoah service and reading of names, join us for two very special films of about Greek Jewry. *Farewell My Island* is the story of one of the last transports during the Shoah when Greek Jews were removed the island of Korfu. *Kehila Kedosha: A Sacred Community* examines the odyssey of this Romaniote Jewish community from Greece to the Lower East Side of Manhattan. There will be a question and answer session with filmmakers Isaac Dostis and Ed Askinazi following the screenings.

Yom HaShoah All Night Hearing and Reading of Names

Monday, April 8th, 10:00 PM and continuing until **Tuesday, April 9th**, 6:00 PM, at the JCC Auditorium, 334 Amsterdam Avenue at 76th Street: Join members of neighborhood congregations and other institutions for an all-night recitation of names from Yad Vashem's *Onto Every Person There is a Name*. Names of friends and relations of the BJ community will be read from 2:30 AM - 3:15 AM Tuesday morning.

Shabbat B'Yahad with Kehila Kedosha Janina Synagogue

Friday, April 12th, after the 6:00 PM service, at 88th Street in Frankel Hall: Join us as we welcome the Lower East Side Greek Romaniote Congregation for Greek cuisine and traditional Romaniote nigunim. Hy Genee, president of the Kehila Kedosha Janina Synagogue, and film maker Isaac Dostis, the synagogue's museum director, will speak on their Congregation's history and will lead us in song with BJ's Mordechai Schram. Cost: \$25 members/\$35 non-members; add a \$10 late fee after the deadline if there is room. To make your reservation, please call x304 with your name and number AND send a check to the BJ office marked "4/12 Dinner" by **Friday, April 5th**.

Renee Kaufman Memorial Program: Trembling Before G-d

Monday, April 15th, 7:00 PM at 88th Street: Following its enormously successful theatrical run at the Film Forum, we are privileged to present a screening of the acclaimed film, *Trembling Before G-d*. Sandi Dubowski, the director of the film, Rabbi Roly Matalon, and participants in the film will be present for a panel discussion following the viewing of this compelling and moving documentary about Orthodox gays and lesbians. Cost: free.

BJ's Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration: Remembrances and Dreams

Tuesday April 16th, 6:45 PM, at 88th Street: Come as we gather together as a community to celebrate Israel's 54th day of independence. Join us as we welcome renowned foreign correspondent and award winning author Ruth Gruber for an evening of stories, memories, songs, poems, and images of Israel through the years. Program will proceed the Yom Ha'Zikaron and Ha'Atzmaut service. Refreshments will be served. Cost: free.

Chava Alberstein Concert

Wednesday, April 17th, 8:00 PM, at 88th Street: BJ will be hosting celebrated Israeli musician Chava Alberstein to benefit SchoolsOnline-Israel, a non-profit organization that uses the internet to promote connection and interaction between a diverse group of young people from different religious, cultural, ethnic and economic communities in Israel. Seating is extremely limited. Cost: \$40, \$75 (reserved seats) or \$150 (includes pre-concert reception). Please call (800) 252-2192 to purchase tickets.

Intimate At-Home Community-Wide Shabbat Dinners

Friday, April 19th, following the 6:00 PM Service: Share Shabbat with others at an At-Home Catered Shabbat Dinner. These gatherings of 12-18 people are a great way to meet and share a Shabbat meal with your community. To sign up, send in an application form which can be found on BJ's website under the singles and members links **AND** mail in your check for \$25

members/\$35 non-members made payable to BJ and marked "4/19 At-Home Shabbat Dinner" by **April 10th**. We are also looking for BJ members who live on the Upper West Side within a 15-block radius of BJ to host a dinner. To host a dinner, please sign-up online or call x351 by **April 5th**. Co-sponsored by the Singles and *Hakhnasat Orhim* (welcoming guests) Committees.

Calling all BJ Artists!

Monday, May 13th, 7:30 PM, place to be determined: All BJ artists - writers, painters, dancers, singers, actors, musicians - and if

you're a lawyer by day and play the sax or take photographs by night, this still means you! - the Theatre and Interfaith Committees of SPSA and BJ are having a BIG PARTY to create a network between artists in our joint communities for future productions and round table discussions. Snacks will be served. Musicians who wish to bring instruments for a group jam session must contact interfaitharts@yahoo.com. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to interfaitharts@yahoo.com.

BJ Women's Retreat

Singles Beit Café:

Fiddler on the Roof Sing-Along Screening Party, NYC Premier!

Saturday, March 30th, 8:00 PM, at 88th Street: Join us at our annual Beit Cafe. This Passover, return to the land of the original Matzo Ball. *Sing* with Tevye, *Dance* with the matchmaker, *Drink* and *Nosh* at the cafe bar, *Dress* as your favorite Anetevka character and *Win* Prizes for best costumes. Our M.C. is **Amichai Lau-Lavie** and other guest musicians! Cost is \$10 in full costume/ \$20 without, payable at the door. Doors open at 7:30 PM. Not recommended for children.

Sunday Night Fever Dance Series

Sunday, April 7th, 7:00 PM, at Ansche Chesed, 100th Street and WEA: Swing, Funk, R&B, Reggae and House Dancing! Cut loose to an unbeatable DJ mix of dance party favorites. Drinks, hors d'oeuvres and a free lesson at 7:30 PM will be provided. Cost \$15 members/\$20 non-members, payable at the door. Volunteer and get in

Friday, April 19th - Sunday, April 21st, at Elat Chayyim: Join Rabbis Felicia Sol and Sharon Brous on the first BJ Women's Retreat. The *Shabbat* and weekend will be devoted to encountering the tradition and ourselves through *kol nashim* (the voice of women). Take this sacred time to retreat from the city for a weekend of building community, being in nature, and finding our voices together. Applications are available on BJ's website.

SINGLES ACTIVITIES

free! To volunteer, call Michael at 678-7881 before 9:00 PM and not on Shabbat. This event is co-sponsored by BJ and Ansche Chesed.

Singles Oneg: Spring is in the air!

Friday, April 12th, following the 6:45 PM service, at 86th Street in the Social Hall: Come share the sights and smells of spring with new and old friends at an Oneg Shabbat. Join us and meet and greet old and new folks in the casual environment of the Social Hall. Light refreshments will be served.

Finding a Meaningful Relationship Workshop: For more info, please see the Limud Section.

Intimate At-Home Community-Wide Shabbat Dinner

Friday, April 19th: For more info, please see the Upcoming Events Section.

A Teaching on Hol haMoed Pesach: Its Not All About the Gefilte Fish

"One is obligated to be joyous and happy of heart during the Festivals, together with his/her partner, children, and everyone else who is with him/her."

-Shulchan Aruch 529:2

While it is a mitzvah to delight in Hol haMoed with food and drink, nevertheless its sanctity is primarily one in which the soul, not the body, takes pleasure. On these days, one should set aside more than the usual time for deep study and contemplation.

-R. Yosef Ometz

PLEASE SEE THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY FOR FLYERS AND MORE INFO ON:

Welcome to BJ - Membership at BJ - Membership Packets - Morei Derekh
BJ Annual Catalogue - Spirit of BJ Journal - Limud Catalogue - New Havurot Applications
Community-Wide In-home Dinners - Shabbat B'Yahad with Kehila Kedosha Janina

Synagogue

Yom HaShoah at BJ - Pesah Cookbook Order Form - Amnesty International Information
Upcoming Singles Events - Singles Fantastic Dance Series - Singles Beit Café: Fiddler on the Roof

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