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**September 17 – 24, 2004**

**2 – 9 Tishrei 5765**

**HAAZINU**

**TORAH**

**ANNUAL/TRIENNIAL:**

Deuteronomy 32:01 - 32:52

HAFTARAH: Hosea 14:02 - 14:10,

Micah 7:18 - 7:20, Joel 2:15 - 2:27

**NEXT WEEK:**

**YOM KIPPUR**

**SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITY  
 OF THE WEEK**

**Pre-Sukkot Homeless Shelter  
 Convocation on Sept. 28**

6:30-8:30PM. BJ Sanctuary, 88th St:  
 A sukkah is a temporary shelter symbolizing our own vulnerability. That's why Sukkot has become the time for our Homeless Shelter Convocation. This year's convocation features a presentation by Reggie Miller of the Partnership for the Homeless. Who should come? You should if 1) you want to learn more about the issue of homelessness and what you can do about it; 2) you are thinking of volunteering for the BJ/SPSA shelter and want to meet other volunteers and ask questions; and 3) you are a current volunteer and want a chance to learn, mingle with your colleagues and meet the shelter leadership team. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by Sept. 24 to AnnieMill@aol.com or call x340 if you plan to attend.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

Kabbalat Shabbat Service  
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6:00 PM – 88th St.  
 6:45 PM – 86th St.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

Shabbat Service  
 Aliyat Hatan VeKallah  
 Children's Service  
 Volunteer Kiddush

9:30 AM – 86th St.  
 Ken Kaissar and Amy Singer  
 10:45 AM – 86th St.  
 Following services – 88th St.(Pg.2)

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**

Morning Minyan

9:30 AM – 88th St.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

Morning Minyan  
 Choir Rehearsal  
 First Day of BJ Hebrew School  
 Seventh Grade

9:30 AM – 88th St.  
 8:00 PM – 86th St  
 4:00 PM – Heschel School (Pg. 3)  
 4:30 PM – Heschel School

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM – 88th St.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

Morning Minyan  
 Kesharim  
 Choir Rehearsal

7:30 AM – 88th St.  
 2:00 PM – 88th St.  
 7:30 PM – 86th St

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

Morning Minyan  
 First Day of BJ Hebrew School  
 (Thursday sections of K,1 & 2)

7:30 AM – 88th St.  
 4:00 PM – Heschel School

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM – 88th St.

**Purchase our High Holy Days CD in Time for the High Holy Days!**

With the High Holy Days coming up, our newest CD and songbook, **"TekiYah: Echoes of the High Holy Days at BJ,"** are both available now for \$18 each. You can also take home the music of our Shabbat services by purchasing our CD, "With Every Breath," for \$18, and our Pesah CD, "HaLailah Hazeh," and the Pesah songbook, for \$18 each. Buy online at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org), or drop by the office between 9:00 and 4:30, Monday-Thursday, and until 2:30 on Friday.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HAMAKOM YENAH'EM

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

- Bernie Plum on the death of Bernie's beloved mother, Rhoda Plum.

### MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Amy Singer and Ken Kaissar on their upcoming wedding.
- Jessica Lieberman and Bill Jaffe on their recent engagement.
- Jonathan, Sarah, Naomi and Benjamin Mishkin on Benjamin becoming a Bar Mitzvah last week in Bergenfield, New Jersey.  
*Flowers for the Bimah sponsored by Jonathan, Sarah and Naomi Mishkin in honor Benjamin becoming a Bar Mitzvah.*

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

### LIMUD

- **Creating a Meaningful Relationship: Workshop for Single Men & Women**

*Facilitated by Anne Kohn, CSW:* Explore your personal path to finding a meaningful relationship. The workshop, open to single men and women (anyone in a relationship is also welcome to join), will explore our individual perspectives on the role of intimacy and commitment in our lives, help clarify what it is we are looking for in a relationship, articulate what we bring to the table, and define ways to create what we wish for. TIME: 9 Thursdays (Oct. 21 – Dec. 23) and 1 Tuesday (Nov. 23), 7:00 – 8:30PM. LOCATION: TBA. COST: \$150/\$225 CODE: 525.

### COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- **Volunteer Kiddush:**

**Saturday, Shabbat Shuvah, September 18**, following services at the 88th St. Sanctuary: Join us for a special Kiddush to thank all the BJ members who will be volunteering in the Yamim Nora'im services. Torah & Haftorah readers, gabbaim/gabbaiot, ushers, choir members...these people will be helping to make our High Holiday services beautiful and safe. Join us in celebration of their gifts to the community.

- **Sukkot at BJ -**

This year, once again, we will have the opportunity to order a set of Lulav and Etrog imported from Israel, complete with branches of myrtle and willows. Sets are available at the following locations:  
· *By Special Arrangement* 585 Amsterdam Avenue (between 87th and 88th Streets)  
· *West Side Judaica* 2412 Broadway (between 88th and 89th Streets)  
Please be sure to mention that you are a BJ member and they will donate 10% of the income back to BJ.

- **Make Your Voice Count! Be Sure to Vote!**

If you cannot vote or cannot get to the polls, we have absentee ballots available and we will help you fill out the applications. To receive the ballots, please call Susan Kalev at x377 or contact the Women's Rights Hevra, x369.

- **Gay Men's Havurah**

**Monday, September 20**, 7PM. Meets on the third Monday of every month. Next meeting located on UWS. Light kosher meal included, no charge. We are looking for members of all ages with our like minded lifestyle to become a part of this potentially new dynamic spiritually based Havurah experience. For more info, contact Jonathan Baron, 212.663.6702 or designbaron@hotmail.com,

- **Shabbat Dinner: "Argentine Jewry: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow"**

**Friday, October 22**, 7:30PM at 88th Street: Join the BJ Latin America Committee for a Shabbat dinner with Ambassador Hector Timerman, Consul General of the Argentine Republic in New York. Mr. Timerman will share reminiscences about his family and their relationship with Marshall Meyer, as well as his thoughts on the present state and future of Argentine Jewry. The dinner will take place, immediately following the 6 PM service, in Frankel Hall. Cost is \$30 for BJ members/\$40 for non-members. Sign up before the \$10 price increase on October 15th! Register online at: [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org). For further information, please call: x240, or send an email to: [BJLatinAmerica@yahoo.com](mailto:BJLatinAmerica@yahoo.com).

## HIGH HOLY DAYS

- **Se'udah Match for the High Holidays: Hosts Needed!**

Consider hosting BJ members for the High Holidays this year. Places are needed for the Yom Kippur break-fast. If you can make space at your table, please fill out the form on-line at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org) or contact Elana Weinberg at x351.

- **Call for Donations to the High Holy Day Flower Fund**

The High Holy Days are fast approaching. One way to help enhance the beauty and atmosphere of our services is by making a donation to the Flower Fund in honor or in memory of a loved one. Please call Rebekah at x228.

- **High Holy Days Reading**

During the upcoming High Holy Days, we will be studying and discussing the book *The Dignity of Difference: How to Avoid the Clash of Civilizations* by Jonathan Sacks, Chief Rabbi of Great Britain. Please obtain the original hardcover edition, which can be purchased at *West Side Judaica* (WSJ has just received 250 copies of the book, and they donate 10% of the proceeds to BJ if you are a BJ member and tell them so), directly from the publisher at [www.continuumbooks.com](http://www.continuumbooks.com), or at Barnes and Noble.

- **Kol Nidre Food Drive**

B'nai Jeshurun is partnering with the West Side Campaign Against Hunger in our annual Kol Nidre food drive. Last year, we collected nearly \$20,000! We are again asking that contributions be made in the form of a check made out to West Side Campaign Against Hunger. There will be drop boxes for checks or envelopes available at Kol Nidre Services. Please do not bring canned goods or other items for donation to services, as for security reasons we cannot accept these packages. If you would like more information about West Side Campaign Against Hunger, please call Doreen at (212) 362-3662.

- **Kol Nidre Partnership 2004/05**

Your contribution to BJ's Kol Nidre Partnership is essential as membership and fees cover only a portion of BJ's costs. We ask you to respond this year as you always have in the past – with commitment and care for your community and a level of support that reflects both.

## SINGLES

• **BJ Community Break-Fast**

Join us on **Saturday, September 25** following Yom Kippur services at 88th St. (Frankel Hall) for a Community Break-fast, co-sponsored by the Singles and Shabbat B'Yahad committees. Cost: \$20/members; \$30/non-members; \$40 at the door if space is available. Register online or pay by telephone with your credit card by calling x260. If you would like to pay by check, send your payment to the BJ office marked "Community Breakfast 9/25" but you must confirm receipt by calling Michael at x260. DEADLINE: **September 21**.

• **Singles' Celebrate Sukkot Supper & Social**

**Saturday, October 2**; Shake your Lulav and Etrog by joining us for Havdalah at 7:30PM at the Sukkah at 86th Street followed by an informal Buffet Dinner and ice cream party. TO REGISTER: Go on-line to [www.BJ.org](http://www.BJ.org) or register with a credit card by calling Michael at x260. Checks can be sent to the BJ office marked "Singles' Celebrate Sukkah - 10/2," but you must confirm check was received with Michael x260 to be registered. COST: \$20/members; \$30/non-members; \$40 at the door if space is available. DEADLINE: **September 29**.

• **Singles Retreat**

**Friday, October 22 - Sunday, October 24**: People raved about last year's retreat and this one will be even better!!! The best way to meet new people is by spending a Shabbat filled with food, learning and fun. Join Rabbis Roly and Kliel and a cast of BJ characters at the Block and Hexter Vacation Center for the best weekend of your life. Boating, swimming, campfires & Torah!! What's not to love? Special Friday & Saturday night programs. Applications available online at [www.BJ.org](http://www.BJ.org). Questions? Call Michael at x260.

## YOUTH &amp; FAMILY EDUCATION

• **Children's Ne'ilah Procession on Yom Kippur**

Please purchase battery-operated candles for your children to carry in the Ne'ilah procession that concludes Yom Kippur on Saturday night, September 25. Candles are available at *West Side Judaica*, on Broadway between 88th and 89th Street, (212) 362-7846. You can also purchase small flashlights at any drugstore. There will be some extra candles available at the three Ne'ilah locations, but you can guarantee that your child will have a candle to carry by purchasing one ahead of time -- and checking that the batteries are working.

• **Hebrew School Begins Next Week!**

The first day of school for children in Monday sections of kindergarten, first and second grades, as well as all children in third through seventh grades, is Monday, September 20. The first day for children in Thursday sections of kindergarten, first and second grades is on Thursday, September 20. All grades meet at the Heschel School, 270 West 89th Street, between Broadway and West End Avenue. All families MUST submit Learning Covenants before school starts. See you next week!

## SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

• **Panim el Panim: Children's Action Hevra**

The Children's Action Hevra is pleased to announce the initiation of the BJ/Ralph Bunche School Partnership. October events include:

**October 2** at Shabbat Services – Kick Off

**October 5** – Tutoring Training

**October 12 & 14** – Tutoring Begins

**October 18** – Open House at Ralph Bunche School

To volunteer for tutoring, to attend the Open House, or for more information, call x301.

• **Mitzvah While You Sleep**

Volunteer for the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter! We need 6-10 new volunteers to do one of the following: (1) sleep at the shelter once a month or (2) volunteer for set-up one evening a month. Support one of BJ's longest running social justice programs. Sign up and contact Shelter Co-Chair Robert Imershein at 212-339-4250 or [rimershein@capstarny.com](mailto:rimershein@capstarny.com) for more info.

• **Panim el Panim Environmental Action Fair Trade Coffee Campaign**

Panim el Panim's first action campaign began with BJ's pledge to serve fair-trade coffee and tea at all events. As the campaign gains momentum, there will be numerous opportunities for action. You can start now by asking your regular food stores to carry fair-trade coffee. We will be canvassing the major food stores and restaurants on the Upper West Side to persuade them to offer fair-trade coffee, and the more requests they get, the more likely they are to agree. Get involved and call us at BJ's Environmental Action Hotline at x310. Learn more about fair trade at [www.transfairusa.org](http://www.transfairusa.org).

## D'VAR TEFILLAH

Our prayers during the month of Elul are focused on the possibility of repentance or Teshuvah. To repent as individuals is an incredibly difficult challenge, attempting to eradicate evil and wrong-doing in others is simply impossible. The founder of Hassidism, the Baal Shem Tov offers an interesting insight into this realization, "Sinners are mirrors. When we see faults in them we should realize that they only reflect the evil in ourselves." Teshuvah is hard work our hope is that God will be there with us in this process...

*{Based in part on a teaching from Preparing Your Heart for the High Holy Days, by Rabbis Kerry M. Olitzky and Rachel T. Sabath (Jewish Publication Society, 1996).}*

Rabbi Kliel Rose

• **Seeking Divrei Torah**

You have an opportunity to be one of 54 teachers of Torah in our community this year! Throughout the year, as you know, a weekly d'var torah on the parashat hashavu'a is disseminated to our community by e-mail and on the website, and accompanies the Kol Jeshurun. Many BJ members eagerly anticipate receiving the d'var torah and the opportunity it gives them to learn during the course of the work week. It has also been wonderful to see the diversity of teachers of Torah in the community. We have already found people to write divrei torah for some of this year's parashiyot, but there are still many openings for BJ members (first come, first serve). If you are a BJ member and would be interested in writing a d'var torah, please call or e-mail Miya (x256 or mrotstein@bj.org) as soon as possible.

**You Are My Witness: The Living Words of Rabbi Marshall T. Meyer**

Just over ten years after Marshall Meyer's death, Jane Isay, a longtime congregant and friend, has put together a small book of Marshall's wisdom, selected from all his sermons, teachings, lectures, and writings. People who have read the book have said that it is like being in Marshall's presence once again. Now available at a bookstore near you. St. Martin's Press, \$21.00

**The New Yorker Festival: The Middle East Conflict**

**October 3, 1PM** at the Celeste Bartos Forum, The New York Public Library: Can there ever be peace? Jeffrey Goldberg, moderator. With Rashid Khalidi, Benny Morris, Ari Shavit, and Michael Tarazi. Cost:\$20.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

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**WELCOME TO B'NAI JESHURUN!** If you are unfamiliar with our services, see our "Welcome to BJ" brochure at the back of the sanctuary, or ask an usher.

• **Membership at B'nai Jeshurun:** Are you considering joining BJ? Would you like information about becoming a member? BJ is also pleased that visitors choose to connect with us when they are in town. Why don't you consider joining our community as a BJ Friend? Contact Membership Director Belinda Lasky at x224 or blasky@bj.org.

• **A Note from the Ushers:** For those at the Friday night service at 88th St., please leave your siddurim on your seats as you leave. Place damaged books or tallitot in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary. We ask that men wear kippot upon entering the sanctuary and during services. We do not allow food in the sanctuary. So that we may prepare for the comfort and security of all, doors open 30 minutes before the services begin.

• **New! LGBT Information Line x388:** BJ Voice Mailbox takes messages for callers interested in BJ-Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual or Transgendered information. Our volunteers will return calls within 48 hours to help callers feel welcome at BJ or supply updates of LGBT related activities and events.

*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. If you need any Hebrew words translated, please call Kliel Rose, x264.*

**YOM KIPPUR SERVICE TIMES**

**KOL NIDRE** Friday, September 24  
6:15PM – 88th, 86th or Symphony Space\*

**YOM KIPPUR** Saturday, September 25  
9:00AM – 88th, 86th or Symphony Space\*

10:30AM **Family Service**  
Alice Tully Hall - Linclon Center

4:45PM – **Minhah & Ne'ilah:**  
88th, 86th or Symphony Space\*

7:00PM – **Children's Procession:**  
88th, 86th or Symphony Space

7:28PM – **Teki'at Shofar & Havdalah:**  
88th, 86th or Symphony Space\*

7:45PM **Community Break-Fast**  
Frankel Hall (88th)

\*seating is based on assigned seat location

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