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September 9 - 16, 2005

5 - 12 Elul, 5765

SHOFTIM

TORAH: ANNUAL Deuteronomy 16:18 - 21:9

TRIENNIAL Deuteronomy 16:18 - 8:5

HAFTARAH Isaiah 51:12 - 52:12

NEXT WEEK: KI TEKTZE

TORAH: ANNUAL Deuteronomy 26:1 - 29:8

TRIENNIAL Deuteronomy 26:1 - 27:10

HAFTARAH Isaiah 54:1 - 10

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

6:00 PM - 88th St.

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6:45 PM - 86th St.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Shabbat Service

9:30 AM - 88th St.

Children's Service

10:45 AM - 88th St.

Bar Mitzvah

Matthew Wager

Bat Mitzvah

Melanie Kern

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Morning Minyan

9:30 AM - 88th St.

September 11th Memorial Service
with SPSA

7:00 PM - 88th St. (Pg. 2)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM - 88th St.

First Day of Hebrew School

4:00 PM - Heschel School

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM - 88th St.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM - 88th St.

Kesharim

2:00 PM - 88th St.

Limud: Preparing for High Holy Days
With our Rabbis

6:30 PM - 88th St. (Pg. 2)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM - 88th St.

Judith Bernstein Lunch Program

12:00 PM - 88th St. Frankel Hall

First Day of Hebrew School

4:00 PM - Heschel School

(for Thursday Sections of Bet)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM - 88th St.

VOLUNTEER NOW TO HELP THE HOMELESS: BJ/SPSA SHELTER TO OPEN SUNDAY NIGHTS

Starting September 18, the BJ/SPSA Shelter will provide our guests with the comfort of a bed each Sunday night.

You have seen our recruitment ads all summer. With just a few weeks before our starting date, now is the time to step forward. We especially need folks who can commit one Sunday a month to:

- Sleepover (9 PM - 7 AM): You'll stay overnight, put out a light breakfast, put away beds and tidy up.

We are always looking for volunteers to set-up, sleepover, or donate a meal, one night per month, Sundays - Thursdays.

It's not hard - we'll even train you! Prospective volunteers should attend a training session scheduled for **Wednesday, September 14**, 5:30PM in the Chapel at 86th St.

Interested in volunteering? Need more info? Contact Robert Imerstein, Shelter Co-chair, at rimerstein@capstarny.com or (212) 339-4250.

HIGH HOLY DAY ENTRANCE CARDS

We have begun to mail High Holy Day entrance cards to members who have submitted their applications and reserved holiday locations. Please note that we will not be issuing Youth entrance cards this year. Children ages 12-18 may attend services with their parents. Seating is still available at Symphony Space and 86th St. For membership forms received after September 12, entrance cards must be picked up at the BJ office beginning Monday, September 19. Contact Belinda Lasky, Director of Membership at x224, for info.

BJ RESPONDS TO HURRICANE KATRINA

Our prayers go out to the victims and families of Hurricane Katrina living in the devastated areas of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Western Florida. To make contributions, contact:

-The United Jewish Communities, PO Box 30, Old Chelsea Station, NY 10113 or online at www.ujc.org

-UJA-Federation of New York, 130 E. 59th St. Room 1145, NY 10022 or online at www.ujafedny.org

-American Red Cross online at www.redcross.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Melanie, Frank, Julie and Adam Kern in honor of Melanie becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- Matthew, Steven, Lisa, and Rachel Wager in honor of Matthew becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Naomi, Steve and Joshua Brunnlehrman, Helen, Hal, Mark, Marya and Eilam Lehrman on the arrival of their adopted son, brother, grandson, nephew and cousin, Aaron Matan Brunnlehrman.

The flowers for the bimah are sponsored by Frank, Julie and Adam Kern and the Wager family in honor of Melanie Kern and Matthew Wager becoming B'nai Mitzvah.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

• September 11th Memorial Service

This **Sunday, September 11**, marks the 4th anniversary of the destruction by terrorists of the Twin Towers in New York City, damage to the Pentagon Building in Washington, DC and the destruction of a jet plane in Pennsylvania killing all on board. B'nai Jeshurun and The Church of St. Paul & St. Andrew will hold a joint interfaith memorial service at 7PM on Sunday evening at 88th Street. All are welcome.

HIGH HOLY DAYS

• Bereshit Membership - An Introduction to the BJ Community!

The Bereshit membership is a special opportunity available to individuals or families requesting membership for Rosh Hashanah and/or Yom Kippur who are not already members of the BJ community. It is intended for those who are looking to gain more information about B'nai Jeshurun before making the commitment to begin a full membership. Bereshit memberships begin with Selihot and continue through Simhat Torah. For info, please contact Belinda Lasky, Director of Membership at x224 or blasky@bj.org

• Limud: PREPARING FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

Join our rabbis in this class on preparing for the High Holy Days. **3 Wednesdays (September 14, 21, 28)**, 7-8:30PM at 88th Street Sanctuary. Cost: Free; Registration is required. Register online or call x221.

• Selihot

Saturday September 24, 9:45PM at 88th St.: Join us for an evening of music in preparation for Selihot when Galeet Dardashti will sample and teach liturgical poems of the Yamim Nora'im as rendered in various Sephardic traditions. Galeet Dardashti is an accomplished singer, anthropologist, and hazzan, as well as the founder and leader of the all-female Mizrahi/Sephardi ensemble Divahn. She is completing her Ph.D. in anthropology on contemporary Mizrahi and Arab music in Israel. Following a tradition of Jewish Iranian singers and hazzanim in her family, Galeet currently serves as the part-time hazzan at Shomrei Emunah in Montclair, NJ. A coffee hour will follow and the Selihot service will begin at midnight.

• DOROT's Rosh Hashanah Package Delivery

Sunday September 25, 10AM - 12PM at DOROT (171 W. 85th St.): Share the joy and warmth of Rosh Hashanah with an elder in a meaningful way, by delivering a package of holiday foods and visiting for about an hour. For info and to volunteer call (212) 769-2850 or www.dorotusa.org

• BJ Community Yom Kippur Break-Fast

Join us on **Thursday, October 13** following Yom Kippur Services at 88th St. (Frankel Hall) for a Community Break-fast. TO REGISTER: Go on-line to www.BJ.org. Checks can be sent to the BJ office marked "Community Break-fast - 10/13," 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: October 6, 2005.

• High Holy Day Flower Fund

Help enhance the beauty and atmosphere of our High Holy Day services by making a donation to the Flower Fund in honor of, or in memory of a loved one. Call Naomi at x228 or ndovdavy@bj.org

• Ushers Needed for High Holy Days

SPSA (86th St.) & Symphony Space (95th St.). We are greatly in need of volunteer ushers for all shifts at 86th St. and at Symphony Space for Yom Kippur. It has been a long-standing tradition at BJ for members to participate in ushering over the Yamim Nora'im and we need your help. Look for the ushering form online on the BJ website or mail or fax in the form that was sent to your home. For info, contact Carol at x255 or cdikman@bj.org

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

• Join BJ Reads

Do you love to read? Do you love children? Join us at BJ Reads and help a child discover the joy of reading. BJ Reads is a program in partnership with PS 166 on W. 89 St., co-chaired by Ellen Schechter and Judy Gitenstein. Come read one-on-one for an hour with a first- or second-grader on Monday or Wednesday mornings throughout the school year. Help reading skills blossom and create a strong bond as you and your partner enjoy books together. For more information or to sign up, contact bjreads@mac.com or x391.

• New York Cares Fair, Education Volunteer Expo

Thursday, September 15, 12 – 8PM, Times Square Hotel, (255 W. 43 St. at 8th Ave.): Drop by this fun and informative Education Volunteer Expo and learn about the many ways that you can make a real difference in the lives of children and adults, by becoming a New York Cares Education Volunteer this school year. New York Cares staff and volunteer project leaders will be on hand to help you choose a project that fits your schedule and interests, such as morning reading with 3rd – 5th graders, SAT preparation tutoring, financial literacy for low-income families and many others. Register at www.nycares.org.

• Tutor with the Children's Action Hevra

There are still students seeking adult reading partners at the Ralph Bunche School. Tutors work one-on-one with students on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays, from 9:00-9:45AM and/or from 9:45-10:30AM. To become a tutor, call the Children's Action Hevra at x301 or rjoseph@aaahawk.com. **September 15**: OPEN HOUSE at School; **September 20 and 22**: Training for volunteers. **September 29**: Thursday tutoring begins; **November 1**: Tuesday tutoring begins.

• Support BJ's Race for the Cure Team

Race for the Cure is a 5K run/walk that brings awareness to the prevalence and prevention of breast cancer. The Komen Foundation, which educates the public, funds community organizations, and furthers breast cancer research, sponsors Race/Walks in over 50 cities and countries. All contributions can be made online at www.komennyc.org. We are looking for participants and fundraisers in this year's race, scheduled for **Sunday, September 25**. For info, contact Glenda Frank, Co-captain of BJ's Race for the Cure team, at glfrank@erols.com or (212)749-0160. We begin with a prayer brunch at 8AM at 88 St.

SINGLES

• Yankees Game

Thursday, September 22, 7:05PM: Take me out to the Ball Game...Yankees vs the Baltimore Orioles. Don't miss a great game and a great opportunity to meet great people on a warm summer night enjoying our favorite past-time. Go to www.bj.org for more info!

BJ COMMUNITY

• **Tze'irim: Update for BJ's 20 and 30-Something Singles and Couples**
Want to connect with other young BJ members? Get involved, meet your peers, and create a vibrant Shabbat community through Tze'irim, the connecting place for BJ's 20 and 30-somethings. Some upcoming events:

- **Visioning Meeting, Wednesday September 14**, 7PM, RSVP to x264 or kmizrahi@bj.org

- **Tze'irim Share Shabbat, Friday September 16**, hosts needed for in-home pot luck dinners with a 20 and 30 something focus. Sign up at www.bj.org under "Share Shabbat."

• "Share Shabbat:" BJ's Community Shabbat-At-Home Dinners

Friday, September 16 : Join us in celebration of Shabbat as members open their homes to guests for Shabbat dinner. To sign up and participate, you must be a member of BJ. Go to "Share Shabbat" at www.bj.org and follow directions. The host form is now online. Guests may sign up on-line through the evening of Wednesday, September 14. For more info, contact Carol at Cdikman@bj.org or x255.

• World Congress of GLBT Jews 30th Anniversary

Saturday September 24, 8:30PM at The Lesbian and Gay Community Center, (208 W 13th St): Join us for a Kosher Cocktail Party in celebration of the 30th Anniversary of the first meeting of the GLBT Jewish Organizations. Tickets: \$18 in advance (\$20 door) cash or credit. Contact: Jonathan@JonathanBaron.com (212)663-6702.

• Yossi Beilin at B'nai Jeshurun

Sunday, October 23, 7:30PM at 88th St.: Former Member of Knesset and Israeli architect of the Geneva Accords, Yossi Beilin, will speak at B'nai Jeshurun. Beilin will discuss the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the prospects for peace in the region in light of the Gaza disengagement and other recent events. To RSVP, please call Carinne at (212) 366-1760, or nyc@btvshalom.org. All are welcome. This event is being co-sponsored by the New York chapter of Brit Tzedek v'Shalom.

YOUTH & FAMILY EDUCATION

• Rosh Hodesh: It's a Girl Thing! Orientation

Sunday, September 11, 6:30PM at SPSA Parlor Room: 7th and 8th grade girls and their parents are invited to join us for our Rosh Hodesh: It's a Girl Thing! open orientation session. You will be able to get a taste of the program, meet our group facilitator and have your questions answered. Please contact Kerrith Solomon with any questions x253

New Members Looking for Sublet

B'nai Jeshurun welcomes new members from New Orleans, who have recently been affected by Hurricane Katrina and are staying in New York with their daughters. The couple and their dog are looking for a short-term sublet. We ask the BJ community to help us locate an apartment in New York City until they can find more permanent housing. If you have any leads, please contact Latricia Friend in the rabbinic office at x234.

WEEKLY DIVREI TORAH 5766

You have an opportunity to be one of 54 teachers of Torah in our community this year! Throughout the year, a weekly D'var Torah on the parashat hashavu'a is disseminated to our community. With the new year just around the corner, there are still many openings for **BJ members** to be teachers of Torah. If you are a BJ member and would be interested in writing a D'var Torah, please call or email Helen Radin at x233 or HRadin@bj.org

GENERAL INFORMATION

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 bring your books to the back 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.

FOCUS ON ISRAEL

BJ is pleased to announce our list of 180 pioneers going on our 180th Anniversary Israel Trip Dec. 25, 2005-Jan.3, 2006! Here are the participants who have given us permission to publish their names:

Lois Alexander and Robert Mandel; Marcia Annenberg and Suzie Scher; Jane and Robert Baum; Ted Becker and Christine Lin; Tamar Baumgold; Emily Benedek and Shira and Noa Zhukovsky; Melvin Berger and Barbara Pleshko; Isabel and Hanna Berkowitz; Jeannie Blaustein and Livia, Peter, and Sophie Bokor; Marcelo and Micaela Bronstein; Sandra Cheiten and Martin Rosenblatt; Richard Chused and Elizabeth Langer; Robert Daley, Terry Edelstein; Deborah Fine and Martin, Abby, Philip, and Jordan Schneider; Susan Fine and Arnon, Allison, and Pamela Mishkin; Lynda Fisher; Barbara Goldman; Robin Fleischner and Ted Metzger; Donna Freireich; Rochelle Friedlich; Anita Haravon; Sheila Gabins; Judy Gitenstein; Harriet Goren; Jerry Goldfeder; David Gottlieb; Marcy, Bennet, Jonathan, Shara, and Aaron Grau; Ester Gruszkiewicz Perez-Sanz; Phyllis Harlem and Jerome Siegel; Miriam and Sam Herscher, Leslie and Joy Hyman; Helen Iemola; Robert, Margie, Rachel, Jordana, and Julia Imershein; Ruth Jarmul and Irvin and Sarah Rosenthal; Ruth Joseph; Franklin, Julie, Melanie, and Adam Kern; Stephen and Susan Kippur; Martha Kransdorf; Marleen Krieger; Stef and Mary Krieger; Susan Landau and Thomas Reiner; Ellen Landsberger; Anne Landsman and Tess, James, and Adam Wagman; Sara Levine and Phil Friedman; Cindy Levy; Sara, Andy, Rebecca, and David Litt; Mimi Lox; Elenor Radzivilover; Marc and Linda Luxemburg; Enrique Malamud and Jaime Szpigiel; Jack David Marcus; Roly Matalon; Allan, Aviva, Benjamin Malz and Karin Bruckner; Dan Michaels; Edward Miller and Bena Green; Nancy Beal Mostow and Michel Mostow; Andrea Newman; Renee O'Leary; Shelley Ostro; Marie Peterson, Michael and Chloe Piazza and Laurel and Maia Kallen; Deborah and Ryna Pinsky; Jordan D. Polly; Ari, Mariel, and Aaron Priven; Irma Radus; Robin Sacknoff; Nirdi, Sandy and Nurie Relis; Gail Ressler; Lisa Safier; Larry Riskin and Andrea Bigelisen; Ilene Rosenthal and Amelia, Louis, and Cara Geser; Margrit Rustow; Sheila Salama and Samuel Schnapps; Henry and Ann Schwartzstein; Jody Seltzer; Roma and Maya Serdtse; Andrew Sherman and Joanne Palmer; Frank Shifreen; Andrea Siegel; Barbara Simon; Alan Slifka*; Lucy and Eliana Slurzberg; Sharon Stein; Stephen Stulman; Kerrith Solomon; Lisa Siegel Solomon and Jenna, David, and Jonathan Solomon; Sydell Sloan; Ellen Small; Felicia Sol; Audrey and Bruce Soloff; Helen and Robert Stark; Richard Sussman and Ellyn Rabinowitz; Carol Weissman.

*Alan Slifka will be hosting a BJ group at his home in Yemin Moshe one evening during the trip.

We are now fully booked and there are no more remaining spaces currently available. However, we do have a waitlist. Please contact Andrea at x243 for more information.

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

• Welcome to BJ • Membership at BJ • Membership Packets • BJ Annual Catalogue • Limud Catalogue • Bikkur Holim • New Havurot Applications