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September 16 - 23, 2005 **12 - 19 Elul, 5765**

KI TETZE

TORAH: ANNUAL Deuteronomy 21:10 - 25:19
TRIENNIAL Deuteronomy 21:10 - 23:7
HAFTARA Isaiah 54:1 - 10

NEXT WEEK: **KI TAVO**

TORAH: ANNUAL Deuteronomy 26:1 - 29:8
TRIENNIAL Deuteronomy 26:1 - 27:10
HAFTARA Isaiah 60:1 - 22

SUMMER SUCCESSES FOR SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

Yasher Koah to Health Care and Economic Hardship Hevra

On August 17, City Council passed the NYC Health Care Security Act, which will preserve and expand employer-provided health insurance for thousands of grocery workers and their families. BJ played an important role in this success. At our April 7th Forum Speaker Gifford Miller agreed, for the first time, to support HCSA "in fact and in principle." We are especially proud that the Jobs With Justice coalition passed this precedent-setting bill in less than a year.

For more information, please visit <http://nyhealthcaresecurity.org/press.html>.

BJ/SPSA Shleter Opens Sunday Nights

This Sunday, the BJ/SPSA Shelter will begin hosting guests five nights a week. We wish to welcome our 20+ new volunteers, thank our veteran volunteers for their support, and recognize our Shelter Co-chairs, Anne Millman and Robert Imershein, our new Sunday Coordinator, Jim Melchiorre, whose vision and drive made this expansion possible.

We always need folks who can commit to one night per month, Sundays – Thursday, to set-up, sleepover, or donate a meal. To join our volunteer team, contact Robert Imershein at rimershein@capstarny.com or (212) 339 4250.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Tot Shabbat 5:45 PM – 86th St.
 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 PM – 88th St.
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Shabbat Service 9:30 AM – 86th St.
 Children's Service 10:45 AM – 86th St.

 Bar Mitzvah Eno Freedman-Brodman

 Aliyat Hatan Ve Kallah Warren Usdin and Susan Baer
 Daniel Gornstein and Arin Frome
 David Dreyfuss and Gertrude Chavez
 Daniel Vatner and Amy Charell

Community Kiddush Following Services – 86th St.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Morning Minyan 9:30 AM – 88th St.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.
 Kesharim 2:00 PM – 88th St.
 Limud: Preparing for High Holy Days 7:00 PM – 88th St. (Pg. 2)
 With our Rabbis

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.
 Judith Bernstein Lunch Program 12:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAMAKOM YENAHEM

The community of B'nai Jeshurun extends sincere condolences to:

- Rebecca Jupiter and her family on the death of Rebecca's beloved grandmother, Bernice Pollack.

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Eno Freedman-Brodman and Nina Freedman in honor of Eno becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Warren Usdin and Susan Baer on their upcoming wedding.
- Daniel Gornstein and Arin Frome on their upcoming wedding.
- David Dreyfuss and Gertrude Chavez on their upcoming wedding.
- Daniel Vatner and Amy Charell on their upcoming wedding.
- Meg Levine on the arrival of her son, Samuel Benjamin Levine

B'RUKHIM HABA-IM

- Elaine Sussman and congregants, Adath Israel Congregation, Lawrenceville, New Jersey.

KIDDUSH SPONSORS

We thank this week's Kiddush sponsors:

- Nina Freedman in honor of Eno becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Sam and Silvia Gornstein in honor of the upcoming wedding of Daniel Gornstein and Arin Frome.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

• Ancient Wake Up Call!

Every morning throughout the month of Elul, Jewish communities around the globe will be blowing the shofar in anticipation of the coming High Holy Days. Join us at BJ's daily morning minyan to participate in this ancient tradition.

• Limud: PREPARING FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

Join our rabbis in this class on preparing for the High Holy Days. **Elul Wednesdays (September 7, 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

• Yamim Nora'im Se'udah Meal Match

Hosts Needed: The mitzvah of Hakhnasat Orhim is one of the greatest gifts we can give to one another. Please consider inviting a fellow BJ member to join you at your table during the High Holy Days. If you can provide space for someone to share a holiday meal with you, please fill out the attached form or contact Carol at x255.

• 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 ndovdavan@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. You may now sign up online at www.bj.org or mail or fax in the form that was sent to your home. For info, contact Carol at x255 or cdikman@bj.org

• Interfaith Yom Kippur-Ramadan Break-Fast

Thursday, October 13 at SPSA, following Yom Kippur services: Join BJ and our Muslim friends as we break our fasts together with a dinner catered by SPSA. Further info on pricing will be available soon. To register or for more info, contact Jenny Golub at jlgolub@earthlink.net or (212) 879-4153.

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.

CREATING KEHILLAH

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.

• 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 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

• Singles' Sukkot Havdalah & Dinner

Saturday, October 22: Join the BJ Singles for SUKKOT! - Havdalah & Dinner, when M.T.M. Rabbinic Fellow, Katie Mizrahi will lead Havdalah in the Sukkah at 6:45PM - (Meet at the 86th St. Sukkah) followed by Dinner at 88th St. To register, please go online to www.BJ.org. Checks can be sent to the BJ office marked "Singles' Sukkah Dinner - 10/22", but you must confirm check was received with Michael x260 to be registered. COST: \$30; DEADLINE: October 10.

SHABBAT B'YAHAD

• Save The Date – November 18-19

Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller will be with us at a Shabbat B'yahad dinner on Friday, November 18. He will deliver the D'var at services on Shabbat morning, November 19 and teach a text study at 4:30PM that afternoon at SPSA's Social Hall on 86th Street. We look forward to a most inspiring weekend.

• "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.

BJ COMMUNITY

• 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. MK 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 and B'nai Jeshurun.

• Extreme Sports....Extreme Kavannah

Winter Out-Doors Havurah Beginning: Are you a BJer that refuses to stay inside this winter? Do you love or have an interest in Camping, Biking, Hiking, Sailing, Surfing, Skate Boarding, and Ice Skating? Be inspired by God's great outdoors; experience it from a spiritual perspective as you share the joy with others from your community.. There is great Torah in a wave or a sunset, in a sunrise or a rock. One just needs to go and find it; one has to experience it. For info, call Theo Kisch at (212) 860-8385

• Empowering & Awakening the Sacred Healing Artist

November 30 - December 5: An experiential journey of awakening, healing and creativity at the ancestral & exquisite Lake Atitlan, Santa Cruz - Guatemala. Join Amir Paiss (Sheva, Amen) and Gabriel Meyer (Sulha Peace Project, Amen) for 6 days of sacred sound, movement, healing and interactive meditations in nature. Cost \$1200. Includes three meals a day plus travel to and from Guatemala City Airport.- Contact Lizzy at lizzygerson@yahoo.com or go to www.metasulha.org/workshops for more details.

Second Annual Limmud NY

January 13-16, 2006: Limmud NY is a three-day learning experience that invites Jews of all ages and backgrounds to come together to create a community of learning, teaching, and exchanging ideas. Register online at www.limmudny.org or call (212) 284-6968. Scholarships are available. Register now!

BJ RESPONDS TO HURRICANE KATRINA

Health Care Volunteers Needed to Help in Hurricane Katrina Aftermath

The Department of Health and Human Services has established a website <https://volunteer.hhs.gov> and toll-free number 1-866-KAT MEDI to help identify health care professionals and relief personnel to assist in Hurricane Katrina relief efforts. This website and toll free number are important tools to becoming part of this network of goodness that is taking place in the Gulf region. People interested in helping out are encouraged to visit the website and register to volunteer for appointment by HHS. For further information, visit www.bj.org

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

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; 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