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MIKETZ
SHABBAT HANUKKAH
ROSH HODESH TEVET
TORAH: ANNUAL Genesis 41:1 - 44:17
TRIENNIAL Genesis 41:53 - 43:15, Numbers 28:9 - 15 (Rosh Hodesh) and 7:42 - 47 (Haunkkah)
HAFTARAH Zekhariah 2:14 - 4:7; Isaiah 66:1 and 23

 NEXT WEEK: **VAYIGASH**
TORAH: ANNUAL Genesis 44:18 - 47:27
TRIENNIAL Genesis 45:28 - 46:27
HAFTARAH Ezekiel 37:15 - 28

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30	6TH CANDLE HANUKKAH
ROSH HODESH TEVET Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:00 PM – 88th St.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31	7TH CANDLE HANUKKAH
ROSH HODESH TEVET Shabbat Services Children's Services	9:30 AM – 86th St. 10:45 AM – 86th St. Parlor and Chapel
SUNDAY, JANUARY 1	8TH CANDLE HANUKKAH
Morning Minyan	9:30 AM – 88th St.
MONDAY, JANUARY 2	
BJ OFFICE CLOSED Morning Minyan Limud: Me'ah and Intro to Judaism	9:30 AM – 88th St. NO CLASSES THIS WEEK
TUESDAY, JANUARY 3	
Morning Minyan Limud: Gems From Genesis with Rabbi Hillel Friedman	7:30 AM – 88th St. NO CLASS THIS WEEK
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4	
Morning Minyan Kesharim Limud: Contemplative Practice with Rabbis Marcelo Bronstein and Rachel Cowan	7:30 AM – 88th St. 2:00 PM – 88th St. 6:00 PM – 88th St. (SEE P.2)
THURSDAY, JANUARY 5	
Morning Minyan Judith Bernstein Lunch Program Limud: Parashat Hashavu'a	7:30 AM – 88th St. 12:30 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall NO CLASS THIS WEEK
FRIDAY, JANUARY 6	
Morning Minyan	7:30 AM – 88th St.

PLEASE NOTE: On Friday, Dec. 30, we will have only one Kabbalat Shabbat service at 6:00PM at 88th St. Shabbat morning services on Dec. 31 will remain as usual (9:30AM at 86th St.).

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK
 BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter
 Needs Sleepover Volunteers

From Sunday through Thursday, homeless guests are bussed to us from The Open Door, a drop-in center under the aegis of Urban Pathways and Grand Central Social Services Corporation. Our volunteers provide a dignified, welcoming atmosphere for our guests. As we enter the winter months, we need additional volunteers to sleep over one night per month (9PM – 7AM). Responsibilities include putting out a light breakfast for the guests, putting the cots away, and tidying up the room before leaving in the morning. To volunteer, please contact Robert Imershein at rimershein@capstarny.com or 212-339-4250.



B'NAI JESHURUN HEBREW SCHOOL
 The B'nai Jeshurun Hebrew School is closed for Winter Break.
 School resumes on Monday, January 9.

MORNING MINYAN DURING HANUKKAH
 Please join us for the daily minyan during Hanukkah, which will include both the service of Hallel and Torah reading each day of the holiday. As always, your support is welcomed for fellow congregants who need to say kaddish. Set your alarms, rise and shine and come to 88th Street Monday – Friday, 7:30AM (except for Mon., Jan. 2 at 9:30AM) and Sunday, 9:30AM.

NEW SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE SCHEDULE—An Experiment

Starting in January, all Friday night Shabbat services will be held in the Sanctuary at BJ's 88th Street synagogue. The new times for these services are 5:30PM and 7:15PM. There will be no changes to the Shabbat morning service time or location.

The Family Kabbalat Shabbat service and Wandering Minyan will still be held at the early services on the first Friday of the month EXCEPT in February when the Family Service and Wandering Minyan will not take place.

We will try this new schedule for 3 months, from January through March, 2006. No matter what the outcome, the early service will begin at 6PM in April because of Daylight Savings Time.

• **Kavanot for Hanukkah**

This Hanukkah, we invite our community to light the Hanukkah in their homes with added kavanah (intention). You will find our annual Hanukkah Kavanot flier at services and on our website, www.bj.org

• **Creating Space for Contemplative Practice**

Wednesday, January 4 at 6:00PM at 88th St.: With Rabbis Marcelo Bronstein and Rachel Cowan. Please join us on the first Wednesday of every month from January to June for meditation, study, and prayer.

• **Erev Niggunim: Ancient Kabbalistic Chants and Havdalah**

Saturday, January 7 at 4:00PM at 86th St.: Rabbi Ohad Ezrahi offers us a rare opportunity to learn these little-known melodies and the legendary stories that contextualize them. Join us for a magical hour of heart-opening niggunim with guitar and drum, woven with Hassidic Wisdom-Stories, silence, and the magic of the moment.

• **Kids' Purim Play Auditions**

Tuesday, January 10 and Wednesday, January 11 from 4:00-6:00PM at the 88th St. Sanctuary: Be a part of the magic that is the Purim Play again this year! Come prepared to have some fun for a few hours of singing, acting and dancing. Plan on staying the whole time, although you will probably be able to leave earlier. Dress comfortably. Come either day. Auditions are only required for children in 2nd grade and above. 1st graders will automatically be placed in the chorus and need not audition, although parents and children should come by on one of the audition days to pick up information and conflict sheets and meet our production team. See you at the auditions. Questions? Please contact Michael at Mkelberg@BJ.org

TZE'IRIM: 205/305

• **Shabbat Lunch**

January 7: Celebrate the New Year with great people, food and spirituality. We will be meeting at Saturday morning services and walking together to lunch at the home of Elizabeth Zeltser (Upper West Side location). To RSVP, and for more info: ezeltser05@gsb.columbia.edu. Please sign up early; spaces are limited (deadline is January 4).

BONE MARROW TESTING NEEDED

Amy Katz, a 13 year old Jew of Ashkenazi descent, needs a bone marrow transplant to fight leukemia. Donors must be between 18 and 60 and in good health. Registration in the Bone Marrow Registry only requires a cheek swab. Blood type does not matter. The drive will take place at the Manhattan JCC, 340 Amsterdam Avenue, on **Sunday, January 8th from 10:00AM to 3:00PM**. Please contact Jane Silverman at 212-362-5132 for further details.



**180TH ANNIVERSARY
COMMUNITY TORAH PROJECT**

Darkhei No'am • Ways of Pleasantness

UPCOMING EVENTS

**A BEIT MIDRASH: FINDING YOUR TORAH—
HOW TO MAKE A MEANINGFUL COMMITMENT**

Thursday, January 12, 6:30–8:00PM at 88th St.
Shabbat, January 21, 4:00PM at 88th St. (with Rabbi Miller)
Monday, February 13, 6:30–8:00PM at 88th St.

Join us for these Beit Midrash sessions led by the Rabbis, who will assist us in making a meaningful commitment, both spiritually and monetarily, to a book, a chapter, a verse, or even a letter of the Torah. Criteria such as character traits, history, names, honoring family members and memorials will be discussed.

January 20-22:

SHABBAT WEEKEND OF LEARNING

with Rabbi Shmuel Miller

THE MAKING OF A SCRIBE

Friday, January 20, following the early service, at 88th St. Frankel Hall: Join us for a Shabbat dinner with Rabbi Miller. Cost: \$40/members only. TO REGISTER: Make out your check to Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, and in the Memo section please write "Miller 1/20/06." Send checks to the attention of Shakeara Hatchett, Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, 2109 Broadway, Suite 203, NY, NY 10023.

A BEIT MIDRASH: FINDING YOUR TORAH (see description above)
Shabbat, January 21, 4:00PM at 88th St.

**THE CRAFT OF THE SCRIBE:
A HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE WITH RABBI MILLER**

Sunday, January 22, 2:00PM at 88th St.

Kindly RSVP, indicating the event, by Friday, January 12 to torahproject@bj.org, or call 212-787-7600 x392.

THE DARKHEI NO'AM COMMUNITY HUPPAH

Calling all quilters, artists, craftspeople or anyone with little or no artistic skill to be a willing participant ...

On Sunday, May 21, 2006, we will welcome our new Sefer Torah to our congregation with a huppah made of 180 squares, made by you: members, havurot, committees, or any BJ group who wishes to participate.

Become part of the Darkhei No'am Community Huppah. We hope that every facet of the BJ community will be represented in this huppah. Please contact our Darkhei No'am Community Huppah coordinator Sandi Borger by calling 212-721-2846 or by sending an e-mail to shb54@hotmail.com for more details or to sign up. Squares will be distributed on a first come-first served basis.