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November 24 - December 1, 2006

3 - 10 Kiselev, 5767

TOLDOT

TORAH: ANNUAL Genesis 25:19 - 28:9

TRIENNIAL Genesis 27:28 - 28:9

HAFTARAH Malakhi 1:1 - 2:7

NEXT WEEK: VAYETZE

TORAH: ANNUAL Genesis 28:10 - 32:3

TRIENNIAL Genesis 31:17 - 32:3

HAFTARAH Hosea 12:13 - 14:10

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK

A Light That Lasts Beyond Eight Days:
This Hanukkah, Purchase a "Wish List" Book
for 3rd Graders at the Ralph Bunche School

The holiday season is upon us and we are reminded of the miracle of a little light that illuminated longer than the likelihood of its anticipated life. This Hanukkah, as you prepare to celebrate the festival of lights, the volunteers of the BJ/Ralph Bunche School Partnership would like to offer you the opportunity to create an everlasting light in the minds of the children. Third-grade teachers at the Ralph Bunche School have put together a list of books for their classroom libraries. We invite you to contribute by purchasing a book or books through amazon.com by clicking the link on the Social Action/Social Justice page of www.bj.org or at <https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/2ATU8YC12N3H7/>

For more information, please contact Danae Yarnell at DSY621@aol.com or leave a message at x301.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Contemplative Shabbat Service 5:45 PM – 86th St.

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 5:45 PM – 88th St.

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 7:15 PM – 88th St.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Shabbat Services 9:30 AM – 86th St.

Children's Services 10:45 AM – 86th St. Parlor and Chapel

Naming Raphaelle Eckhardt

Bar Mitzvah Zachary Mittman

Community Kiddush Following Services – 86th St.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Morning Minyan 9:30 AM – 88th St.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.

BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

Limud: Introduction to Judaism* 7:00 PM – BJ Office

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.

Limud: Gems of Genesis* 8:10 AM – 88th St.

BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

Limud: Who is Man? Who is Woman 7:00 PM – 88th St. (SEE P.2)

and Where Is His/Her Community?*

Limud: Prayer and Synagogue Skills* 7:00 PM – 86th St. Chapel (SEE P.2)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.

Kesharim 2:00 PM – 88th St.

Limud: Heschel's Heavenly Torah* 6:30 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM – 86th St. Social Hall

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.

Judith Bernstein Lunch Program 12:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM – 86th St. Social Hall

Limud: Parashat HaShavu'a* 7:00 PM – BJ Office

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.

* Please see the BJ website, www.bj.org, for more information and how to register.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HA-MAKOM YENAHEM

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

- Howard Perlman on the death of his beloved father, Max Perlman.
- Jeff Perlah and Pauline Nelson on the death of Jeff's beloved father, Arnold Perlah.
- Jeff, Paula, and Eli Weiss on the death of Jeff's beloved father, Nathan Weiss.

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Zachary, Neal and Alexander Mittman and Candace Martin on Zachary becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Robin Harper and Thomas, Maximillian and Louisa Eckhardt on the naming of their daughter and sister, Raphaelle Eckhardt.

TODAH RABBAH

- This week's Community Kiddush is sponsored by Neal Mittman and Candace Martin in honor of their son, Zachary, becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

• Community Shabbat Dinner: Share Shabbat with BJ Rabbis and MTM Rabbinic Fellows

Friday, December 8, following the 5:45PM service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join the BJ rabbis and MTM Fellows as we welcome incoming MTM Fellows Brent Chaim Spodek and Chen Ben Or Tsoni for an evening of singing, study, and celebration. Register before December 1 for \$35 members/\$45 non-members; after December 1, \$45/\$55. Registration is first-come, first-served. Register at www.bj.org or contact Amanda at aschanfield@bj.org or x233.

• BJ Goes To Israel: June 28–July 8, 2007

Be part of Israel's spiritual renewal when BJ brings a Torah to our partners at Hamidrasha this summer. Our trip will further an extraordinary mission: just as BJ has contributed to the revitalization of Judaism in America, it is now playing a similar role in Israel. Be inspired and energized by our Israeli spiritual partners—groups dedicated to forging new paths into Judaism. Rabbi Roly Matalon will lead 75 BJ members in an exploration of what makes for holiness in space and time. For more information, contact Jillian Cameron at jcameron@bj.org or x241.

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

• Knitters Needed for Holiday Gift Packages!

Each winter, BJ's Judith Bernstein Lunch Program distributes holiday gift packages to our lunch program guests. Each package includes a warm hat, scarf, or gloves contributed by BJ members and friends. If you like to knit or crochet, make hats and scarves for our holiday packages (adult sizes only). Bring finished items or NEW clothing and donations from manufacturers to the BJ office. For more information, please contact Susan Samuels at ssamuels@aol.com or x338.

• Volunteer for the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter: the ONLY Mitzvah You Can Do In Your Sleep!

Sleepover volunteers are desperately needed at the homeless shelter run jointly by BJ, SPSA and West Park Presbyterian. Shifts are from 9:00PM–7:00AM one evening a month, Sunday–Thursday. We wel-

come volunteers for any of the five nights. If you can't sleep over, consider setting up or donating a meal. No experience necessary! To volunteer, contact Anne Millman at anniemill@aol.com or x340.

YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

• Junior Congregation

Saturday, December 2, 10:30AM, 86th Street Social Hall: We are looking for leaders and participants for our next Shabbat morning Junior Congregation. Please contact Rebecca Rosenthal at rrosenthal@bj.org or x243 if you want to lead or learn to lead any of the prayers. Spots fill up fast, so don't delay!

TZE'IRIM: 205/305

• Havdalah and Hanukkah: Let There Be Light!

Saturday, December 16, 5:30PM, 86th Street: Join us at SPSA for candlelighting, live music, wine and dessert as we celebrate the 2nd night of Hanukkah.

LEDOR VADOR

• Shabbat Luncheon: Ledor Vador Celebrates Women in Our Community

Saturday, December 16, following the Shabbat morning services, 88th Street Frankel Hall: We're delighted to host a Shabbat panel discussion featuring four dynamic members of the BJ community across the generations. Join us for a special luncheon as Dorothy Hilf, Harriet Abraham, Andrea Newman and others tell us about their lives, careers, and roles in the Jewish community. Register at www.bj.org and please RSVP at x334 as well, leaving the names of those who will attend. Also, send a check for \$15/member or \$18/non-member (children free of charge) with "Ledor Vador 12/16" in the memo line.

LGBTQ

• Save the Date!

Friday, December 8: Gay and Lesbian Shabbat dinner. Watch the *Kol Jeshurun* and www.bj.org for more information.

UPCOMING LIMUD

Please see the BJ website, www.bj.org, for more information and how to register.

• Who is Man? Who is Woman and Where Is His/Her Community? Questions, Responses, Discourse and Drinks: A Gathering for Singles Rabbi Felicia Sol

3 Tuesdays (November 28, December 5, 12) • 7:00–9:00PM

• 88th St. Sanctuary • Cost: Free, registration required. Explore the nature of the individual and the community through traditional texts, the teachings of Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, and the text of life in New York City in the 21st century. BYOB to share, light snacks provided.

• Prayer and Synagogue Skills

Rabbi Dara Frimmer

4 Tuesdays (November 28, December 5, 12, 19) • 7:00–8:30PM

• 86th St. Chapel • Cost: Free, registration not required. What is the

structure of the service? How does it change on Shabbat and festivals? What are the unique components we offer at B'nai Jeshurun? In this workshop, we will explore the structure and "choreography" of the service and address such questions as: how can we find meaning in the rigidity of daily prayer? How can tallit and tefillin enhance our prayer experience? We will also learn/review some of the popular BJ melodies.

• Abraham Joshua Heschel's Heavenly Torah

Rabbi J. Rolando Matalon

7 Wednesdays (remaining classes Nov. 29, Dec. 6) • 6:30–8:00PM

• 88th St. Frankel Hall • Cost: Free, registration required. As we approach Heschel's centennial in 2007, we will study selections from his gigantic work on rabbinic thought. *Heavenly Torah*.