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February 23 - March 2, 2007

5-12 Adar, 5767

TERUMAH

TORAH: ANNUAL Exodus 25:1 - 27:19
TRIENNIAL Exodus 26:31 - 27:19
HAFTARAH I Kings 5:26 - 6:13

NEXT WEEK: **TETZAVEH**
 SHABBAT ZAKHOR

TORAH: ANNUAL Exodus 27:10 - 30:10
TRIENNIAL Exodus 29:19 - 30:10
MAFTIR Deuteronomy 25:17 - 19
HAFTARAH I Samuel 15:1 - 34

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Gift the Gift of Sight!

Used Eyeglasses Collection at BJ

Friday-Saturday, February 23-24, at services, 88th and 86th Streets: Your old, used, and spare specs can make a world of difference. Bring your old glasses to services this Shabbat, Friday or Saturday, and drop them in the collection boxes. BJ will donate the glasses to the Jewish Guild for the Blind. They may also be dropped off at 88th Street during business hours through the end of February. More info: Dorothy Luft, dorothyluft@yahoo.com or *jgb.org*

Sex and the Synagogue: Judaism and Sexuality
Tuesday, March 6, 7:00-8:30PM, 88th Street: Why is it a double mitzvah on Shabbat? What do our religion, texts, and heritage teach us about sexuality? Join the Women's Rights Hevra and Rabbi Lauren Holtzblatt in a forum at BJ to learn, question, and participate. For more info, contact Jennifer Hirsch at *jsh2124@columbia.edu* or Guy, x259.

ESTHER IN AFRICA:

A Middle Eastern-Themed Concert to Raise Money for Darfur

Thursday, March 1, 7:30PM (doors open at 7:00PM), Congregation Shaare Zedek, 212 West 93rd Street: Two powerful female artists, Galeet Dardashti of Divahn, and Basya Schechter of Pharaoh's Daughter, will sing out against the genocide in Darfur, Sudan. General admission \$20, students \$10 All proceeds go to support the Darfur Action Campaign of the AJWS.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 5:45 PM – 88th St.
Contemplative Shabbat Service 5:45 PM – 86th St. Chapel (SEE P.2)
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 7:15 PM – 88th St.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Shabbat Services 9:30 AM – 86th St.
Children's Services 10:45 AM – 86th St. Parlor and Chapel

Bat Mitzvah Emma Leibman

Ledor Vador Shabbat Luncheon Following Services – 88th St. Frankel Hall (SEE P.2)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Morning Minyan 9:30 AM – 88th St.
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM – 86th St. Social Hall

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

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, FEBRUARY 27

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: Jewish Practice Skills: Shabbat* 7:00 PM – 86th St. Chapel (SEE P.2)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.
Kesharim 2:00 PM – 88th St.
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM – 86th St. Social Hall
Limud: The End of Patriarchy* 7:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall (SEE P.2)

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

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, MARCH 2

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th St.

PLEASE NOTE: **KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE TIMES CHANGE AFTER DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME**

Beginning *Friday, March 16* the early service will start at 6:00PM and the late service will start at 7:30PM, both at 88th Street.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Emma and David Leibman and Julie Kantrowitz on Emma becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- Gail and William Cohen on the engagement of their daughter Bosi Cohen to Yaron Kinar.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

• Contemplative Shabbat Service with Rabbi Rachel Cowan and Harriet Goren

Friday, February 23, 5:45PM, 86th Street Chapel: Service includes chanting, kavannot, and silence. Open to the public. Please contact clenchner@bj.org to sign up for our Contemplative announcement list.

• Ledor Vador Shabbat Luncheon—Honoring the Shekhinah through Dress: One Woman's Journey of Self-Discovery

Saturday, February 24, following Shabbat morning services, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Ledor Vador continues our series of featuring vibrant women in the BJ community through our Shabbat luncheons. Tziporah Salamon will entertain us through a rich tapestry of pictures, stories and costumes. Please RSVP at x334, leaving the names of those who will be attending. Also, send a check to the BJ office for \$15/member or \$18/non-member with "Ledor Vador 2/24" on the memo line. Children are welcome to attend free of charge.

• Community Shabbat B'Yahad with Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller

Friday, March 9, following the 5:45PM service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Share Shabbat dinner with Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller as he explores the topic of "Science and Religion: Concord or Discord." Register before March 2, \$40 members/\$50 non-members; after March 2, \$50/\$60. Register online at www.bj.org, or contact Amanda at x233. Rabbi Seidler-Feller will also speak at 5:00 PM on **Saturday, March 10,** and 7:00 PM on **Thursday, March 15.**

• 6th Annual BJ Women's Retreat

March 16–18, Isabella Freedman Jewish Retreat Center. Register at www.bj.org or contact Amanda at x233 to request an application.

• BJ Pesah Seder Match

Believe it or not, Pesah is less than six weeks away! If you are making a seder, please consider doing the mitzvah of *hakhnasat orchim* (welcoming in guests) by extending your table to host a few people from the BJ community. If you have never before made a Passover seder and would like to give it a try, why not go for it this year—we will be happy to help you along. You can make the seder on your own, we can help you find a seder buddy, it can be done potluck style, or people can chip in and have it catered. To volunteer to be a seder host, contact pesah@bj.org or x234.

UPCOMING LIMUD

• Jewish Practice Skills Workshop: Shabbat

Rabbi Dara Frimmer (first class taught by Ivy Schreiber)
2 Tuesdays (February 27, March 6) and Learner's Shabbat dinner on Friday, March 2 • 7:00–8:30PM • 86th St. Chapel; Shabbat dinner location TBA • Cost: Free, registration required. How do we make our Shabbat practice more meaningful? This class will explore the rituals, blessings, and music of Shabbat. Shabbat dinner is only open to those who register for the class.

• The End of Patriarchy: A Redefinition of the Male Jewish Voice

Rabbi Marcelo Bronstein
5 Wednesdays (February 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28) • 7:00–8:30PM •

B'RUKHIM HABA-IM

- Ellyn Becker Kaufman and Neil Schechter and Confirmation Class, Temple Beth Shalom, Arnold, Maryland.
- Rabbi Howard Apothaker and the Temple Beth Shalom High School youth group, New Albany, Ohio.
- Rabbi Isaac Serotta and Confirmation Class, Lakeside Congregation for Reform Judaism, Highland Park, Illinois.

TZE'IRIM: 205/305

• Tze'irim Learning Salon

Wednesday, February 28, 7:00–9:00PM: Join us at a special salon with the New Israel Fund for a unique perspective on the Arab-Israeli experience. We'll be watching a brief film and looking at this complicated aspect of Israeli society through the lens of sports and the role that soccer has played for Arab and other minority groups. More information and to RSVP: Lfrankel@youngjudea.org

YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

• Junior Congregation

Saturday, March 3, 10:30AM: We're 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. Don't delay—spots fill up fast!



PURIM EVENTS : MARCH 3 AND 4

FOR FAMILIES:

Saturday, March 3, 6:30PM, 86th Street:
Family Megillah reading with special guests.
Costumes encouraged!

Sunday, March 4, 12:30PM, 88th Street:
Purim Carnival—Food, prizes and much, much more!

Sunday, March 4, 1:45PM, 88th Street: Annual Purim Play
Come watch our BJ students shine on stage!

FOR ADULTS:

Saturday, March 3, 7:30PM, 88th Street:
Megillah Reading like never before. Costumes encouraged!
Masquerade Ball immediately following Megillah reading.
Costumes required! Featuring music, exceptional food, spectacular libations, dancing, fortune-telling, and many more surprises! **(PLEASE BRING ID WITH YOU.)**

Sunday, March 4, 9:30 AM: 88th Street:
Megillah reading for all!

Listen to Purim songs by Ari and the BJ musicians! Go to www.bj.org and click on "BJ CDs, Songbooks, & Music"

88th St. Frankel Hall • Cost: Free, registration required. We will study male Jewish voices from the texts of our tradition and examine how these voices have created models of behavior in our collective unconscious for the sake of looking for new paradigms of what it means to be a man. For men only. We also hope to have a Men's Retreat, date TBA.

• Mekhilta de Rabbi Ishmael Continues!

Rabbi Felicia Sol

3 Wednesdays (March 8, 15, 22) • 12:00–1:00PM • BJ Office • Cost: Free, registration required. Lunchtime text study on Mekhilta De Rabbi Ishmael will continue in three hour-long sessions.