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August 3 - 10, 2007**19 - 26 Av, 5767****EKEY****TORAH: ANNUAL** Deuteronomy 7:12 - 11:25**TRIENNIAL** Deuteronomy 10:12 - 11:25**HAFTARAH** Isaiah 49:14 - 51:3NEXT WEEK: **RE'EH**

MEVARKHIM HAHODESH

TORAH: ANNUAL Deuteronomy 11:26 - 16:17**TRIENNIAL** Deuteronomy 15:1 - 16:17**HAFTARAH** Isaiah 54:11 - 55:5**FRIDAY, AUGUST 3****Kabbalat Shabbat Service** 7:00 PM – 88th St.**SATURDAY, AUGUST 4****Shabbat Services** 9:30 AM – 88th St.**Children's Services** 10:45 AM – 88th St. Frankel Hall**SUNDAY, AUGUST 5****Morning Minyan** 9:30 AM – 88th St.**BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter** 7:00 PM – 86th St. Social Hall**MONDAY, AUGUST 6****Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – 88th St.**BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter** 7:00 PM – 88th St.**TUESDAY, AUGUST 7****Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – 88th St.**BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter** 7:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8****Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – 88th St.**BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter** 7:00 PM – 86th St. Social Hall**THURSDAY, AUGUST 9****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**FRIDAY, AUGUST 10****Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – 88th St.

JOIN US AT THE BJ MORNING MINYAN: See updated information about the Morning Minyan at www.bj.org/schedule.php where you can indicate what days you plan to attend and view how many people have signed up for the current week—and see where our need is greatest.

HIGH HOLY DAYS 5768 AT JAZZ AT LINCOLN CENTER

Join us at our newest High Holy Days venue: Jazz at Lincoln Center. The Rabbis and Ari are very excited about this exquisite site, the newest concert hall to be built in New York City and host to many premiere events in the Jewish community. They have wanted such a location for many years and look forward to the coming Yamim Nora'im at this sought-after location. When joining or renewing, choose JALC on your application.

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK

Volunteer at the Judith Bernstein Lunch Program

Every Thursday between 12:00–1:00PM, we welcome an average of 150–200 guests at BJ for a nutritious, five-course sit-down meal. We welcome families with children, homeless men and women, seniors unable to cook for themselves, and members of the working poor—regardless of age, gender, religion, ethnicity, or background. Our guests are individually addressed, personally welcomed, and served with kindness, dignity, respect and generosity. It takes a dedicated cadre of volunteers to make this happen every week and we need your help. If you can lend a hand to prepare food, set tables, serve lunch and clean up on a Thursday, or if you would like to be part of a great team of cooks to prepare lunch on Wednesday nights from 5:30–7:30PM, please email Susan Samuels at ssamuels@aol.com or call Channa Camins at x261.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

• All Together Now: Summer Kabbalat Shabbats Are Here!

Through Labor Day, we join together at 7:00PM at 88th Street to celebrate Shabbat at one service. To preserve the sanctity of Shabbat and to accommodate as many congregants as possible, we ask you to kindly observe the following guidelines:

- Please turn off cell phones and other devices before entering the synagogue and keep them turned off the entire time you're inside.
- Please arrive on time.
- Please do not save seats.
- Please honor the Reserved Seats signs.

• Me'ah Begins Fall 2007

Don't miss out on an incredible opportunity to participate in Me'ah, a two-year intensive Judaic studies adult education program. The course will include the study of Jewish texts, ideas and history, consisting of 20 weekly sessions annually over two years for a total of 100 hours ("me'ah" means 100 in Hebrew). The focus of the first year will be the Biblical and Talmudic worlds; the second year will be dedicated to the Medieval and Modern periods. Classes are taught at a high caliber-equivalent to a university-level course, with instructors who combine scholarship with an ability to teach adult learners. Spaces remain for both Monday and Thursday night classes. If you are interested in participating, please contact Amanda Schanfield at aschanfield@bj.org or x233. Space is limited.

YAMIM NORA'IM 5768

• High Holy Day Se'udah Meal Match

Wednesday, September 12 (Rosh Hashanah First Night)

Thursday, September 13 (Rosh Hashanah Second Night)

Saturday, September 22 (Yom Kippur Break Fast)

As the New Year approaches, we are reminded of the importance of community and the mitzvah of *hakhnasat orhim*, of welcoming guests into our homes. What better way to begin the New Year than by sharing holiday meals together! This High Holy Day season, please consider being a host or guest for Rosh Hashanah dinner or Yom Kippur Break Fast. As a host, you may choose to prepare a dinner yourself, coordinate a potluck meal, co-host with a friend, or have the meal catered—most importantly, you will not only create a warm holiday experience for yourself, but will enable the same for others in the BJ community. Please sign up by **Wednesday, August 29**. For further information, please contact Yael Hammerman at yhammerman@bj.org or x255.

• Ushering For the Yamim Nora'im 5768

Now is the time for BJ members to sign up to usher during the Yamim Nora'im. Ushering at BJ has always been a special community experience; at least 250 people are needed to insure that prayer at services will be comfortable for all. Please fill out the form that was sent to

you in the mail and return it to the BJ office, att. Sarah Guthartz, indicating which services and times you prefer and the site where you will be praying. Feel free to email any questions to sguthartz@bj.org

• Membership & High Holy Days Information

The membership season is in full swing and we gratefully acknowledge those members who have renewed or recently joined the community. As always, we invite members to renew and we welcome new members to join our community. However, we ask that you do so by Friday, August 24 to ensure you receive your entrance cards in time for the holidays. You may choose to attend High Holy Day services at our beautiful new venue Jazz at Lincoln Center or at 86th Street (SPSA); 88th Street is filled. Please use our membership form at www.bj.org (click on "Membership") or contact Belinda Lasky, Director of Membership, at x224 for an application.

• High Holy Days Flower Fund

One way to help enhance the beauty and atmosphere of our High Holy Day services is by making a donation to the Flower Fund in honor of, or in memory of a loved one. Please contact Erzsebet at x228.

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

• Komen for the Cure (formerly Race for the Cure)

Sunday, September 9: What could be better than a late summer walk with friends and colleagues to raise awareness for the fight against breast cancer? Join Team Congregation B'nai Jeshurun in Central Park as we once again raise funds to fight breast cancer and demonstrate our support for all who suffer from this disease. All money raised will support the Susan G. Komen Foundation's fight against breast cancer. You can register online with a credit card at www.komennyc.org; go to "Race for the Cure," and click on "Register" and then "Join a Race Team." We are team Bnai Jeshurun. Please register early and recruit your friends. We also need volunteers to help organize our team and plan for the event. Please join us for our first planning meeting on **Monday, August 6** at 6:30PM at the BJ office. RSVP to Glenda Frank at glfrank@verizon.net or 212-749-0160.

YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

• 2007–2008 Hebrew School Registration Now Available Online

Go to www.bj.org and click on "Information about BJ's Hebrew School."

TZE'IRIM: 205/305

• Movie Night Like No Other!

Saturday, August 4, 9:00PM, 88th Street: Why is this movie night like no other? Because we'll be watching "Keeping the Faith" in BJ's sanctuary, where the movie was filmed! So bring a bottle of wine or soft drinks to share, and join us for havdallah and a movie. RSVP to Faryn at Fhk881@aol.com

Please see the BJ website, www.bj.org, or contact Amanda Schanfield at x233 for more information and how to register.

UPCOMING LIMUD

• Women's Rosh Hodesh Group for Elul

Rabbi Felicia Sol and Chen Ben Or Tsoni, Marshall T. Meyer Fellow
Wednesday, August 15 • 7:00PM • 88th St. Frankel Hall • Cost: Free, registration not required. Come celebrate the new month of Elul and prepare for the New Year. Please bring a dairy/vegetarian kosher snack to share with the group as part of the celebration of Rosh Hodesh.

• Elul: Retelling Our Stories—Preparation for Yamim Nora'im

Rabbi Brent Chaim Spodek, Marshall T. Meyer Fellow
2 Wednesdays (August 29, September 5) • 6:30–8:00PM • 88th St. Frankel Hall • Cost: Free, registration required. We are always telling ourselves stories about ourselves—it's how we as individuals and as Jews construct the realities in which we live. Come study texts in which classic and contemporary Jewish thinkers such as Rav Kook, Abraham Joshua Heschel and Robert Cover consider the role that narrative stories, or aggadah, play in our religious realities, and consider how retelling these stories during the Yamim Nora'im can be an important part of teshuva.