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**August 10 - 17, 2007****6 Av - 3 Elul, 5767****RE'EH**

MEVARKHIM HAHODESH

**TORAH: ANNUAL** Deuteronomy 11:26 - 16:17**TRIENNIAL** Deuteronomy 15:1 - 16:17**HAFTARAH** Isaiah 54:11 - 55:5NEXT WEEK: **SHOFTIM****TORAH: ANNUAL** Deuteronomy 16:18 - 21:9**TRIENNIAL** Deuteronomy 19:14 - 21:9**HAFTARAH** Isaiah 51:12 - 52:12

### SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK

Komen for the Cure (formerly Race for the Cure)

*Sunday, September 9 • Prayer Service and  
Breakfast, 8:00AM at 88th Street*

*Team Bnai Jeshurun will join the Race/Walk at  
9:30AM at Central Park West  
and West 88th Street.*

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. This year the B'nai Jeshurun team will be dedicating its participation to all of the survivors of breast cancer among us. 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](http://www.komennyc.org); go to Race for the Cure, and click on "Register" and then "Join a Race Team." We are team Bnai Jeshurun. Last day to join our team and register online is **September 8**. Don't miss the deadline! Please register early and recruit your friends. For more information contact Glenda Frank at [glfrank@verizon.net](mailto:glfrank@verizon.net) or x261.

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 10**

Meditation

5:45 PM – Riverside Park (SEE P.2)

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

7:00 PM – 88th St.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 11**

Shabbat Services

9:30 AM – 88th St.

Children's Services

10:45 AM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 12**

Morning Minyan

9:30 AM – 88th St.

BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter

7:00 PM – 86th St. Social Hall

**MONDAY, AUGUST 13**

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM – 88th St.

BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter

7:00 PM – 88th St.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 14**

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM – 88th St.

BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter

7:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

**ROSH HODESH ELUL****WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15**

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM – 88th St.

BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter

7:00 PM – 86th St. Social Hall

Rosh Hodesh Women's Group

7:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

(SEE P.2)

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 16**

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 17**

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM – 88th St.

**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.

**JOIN US AT THE BJ MORNING MINYAN:** See updated information about the Morning Minyan at [www.bj.org/schedule.php](http://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.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HA-MAKOM YENAHEM

The community of B'nai Jeshurun mourns the death of our beloved member Nicholas Catinella and extends sincere condolences to Susanne, Francesca, Matthew and Sal Catinella on the death of their husband and father.

### MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Adam and Eli Klotz and Cori Darling on the birth of their son and brother, Isaiah Klotz.
- Susan Schwartz on the birth of her grandson, Daniel Haden Levy.

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

### • BJ Contemplative Practice

**Friday, August 10, 5:45PM:** Join us for meditation before services. We'll meet in Crabapple Grove in Riverside Park. Enter the park at 91st Street; make a right, then make a left where the path forks at the lamp post. Make a sharp right at the bottom of the path through the fence into Crabapple Grove. For more info, contact Naomi Goodhart at [ngoodhart@bj.org](mailto:ngoodhart@bj.org) or x240.

### • 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. The focus of the first year will be the Biblical and Talmudic worlds; the second year, the Medieval and Modern periods. Classes are taught by university-level 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](mailto: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 haknusat orhim, of welcoming guests into our homes. What better way to begin the New Year than by sharing holiday meals together! Please consider being a host or guest for Rosh Hashanah dinner or Yom Kippur Break Fast. 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 more information, please contact Yael Hammerman at [yhammerman@bj.org](mailto: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, indi-

cating which services and times you prefer and the site where you will be praying. Feel free to email any questions to [sguthartz@bj.org](mailto: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](http://www.bj.org) (click on "Membership") or contact Belinda Lasky, Director of Membership, at x224 for an application.

### SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

#### • GREEN TIP: Is Bottled Water Better?

Approximately 1.5 million gallons of oil—enough to run 100,000 cars for a whole year—are used to make plastic water bottles each year. The growth in bottled water production has increased water extraction in areas near bottling plants, leading to water shortages that affect nearby consumers and farmers. In addition to the millions of gallons of water used in the plastic-making process, two gallons of water are wasted in the purification process for every gallon that goes into the bottles. Only about 10 percent of water bottles are recycled, leaving the rest—over one billion in the U.S. alone!—in landfills, where it takes thousands of years for the plastic to decompose. So the next time you feel thirsty, forgo the bottle and turn to the tap. You'll not only lower your environmental impact but also save money. And because the Environmental Protection Agency's standards for tap water are more stringent than the Food and Drug Administration's standards for bottled water, you'll be drinking water that is just as safe as, or safer than, bottled.

### YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

#### • Rosh Hashanah Junior Congregation

On **Friday, September 14**, the second day of Rosh Hashanah, there will be a Junior Congregation for children ages 7-12 and their families at 10:30AM at 88th Street Frankel Hall. Just like in our Shabbat morning Junior Congregations, we need children to lead prayers. If you would like to lead or learn to lead a prayer, please contact Rebecca Rosenthal at [rrosenthal@bj.org](mailto:rrosenthal@bj.org). Shabbat morning Junior Congregations will resume on Saturday, September 15.

## UPCOMING LIMUD

Please see the BJ website, [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org), or contact Amanda Schanfield at x233 for more information and how to register.

#### • 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 by classic and contemporary Jewish thinkers such as Rav Kook, Abraham Joshua Heschel and Robert Cover, and consider how retelling these stories during the Yamim Nora'im can be an important part of teshuva.