



CONGREGATION B'NAI JESHURUN

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KOL JESHURUN

**NASO**

**TORAH: ANNUAL** Numbers 4:21 - 7:89

**TRIENNIAL** Numbers 5:11 - 6:27

- 1: 5:11 - 5:15
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**HAFTARAH** Judges 13:2 - 25

**NEXT WEEK: BEHA'ALOTEKHA**

**TORAH: ANNUAL** Numbers 8:1 - 12:16

**TRIENNIAL** Numbers 9:15 - 10:34

**HAFTARAH** Zekhariah 2:14 - 4:7

**June 5-12, 2009**

**13-20 Sivan, 5769**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 5**

**Young Families Tot Shabbat Service and Kiddush**

**Kabbalat Shabbat Service**  
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*Community Retreat*

5:30 PM - 88th St. Frankel Hall

6:00 PM - 88th St. Sanctuary

7:30 PM - 88th St. Sanctuary

**SATURDAY, JUNE 6**

**Shabbat Services**

*Community Retreat*

9:30 AM - 86th St. Sanctuary

**Bat Mitzvah**

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Miranda Einhorn

Leah Scholnick

**Junior Congregation**

**Children's Services**

10:30 AM - 86th St. Social Hall

10:45 AM - 86th St. Chapel and Parlor

**SUNDAY, JUNE 7**

**Morning Minyan**

*Community Retreat*

9:30 AM - 88th St.

**MONDAY, JUNE 8**

**Morning Minyan**

7:30 AM - 88th St.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 9**

**Morning Minyan**

7:30 AM - 88th St.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10**

**Morning Minyan**

7:30 AM - 88th St.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 11**

**Morning Minyan**

**Judith Bernstein Lunch Program**

**BJ Hebrew School Open House**

7:30 AM - 88th St.

12:00 PM - 88th St. Frankel Hall

5:30 PM - 88th St. (SEE P.3)

**FRIDAY, JUNE 12**

**Morning Minyan**

**Bim Bam With BJ**

7:30 AM - 88th St.

10:45 AM - 88th St. Frankel Hall

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**SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE**

**Kabbalat Shabbat Service: PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME!** Beginning *Friday, June 19*, there will be one service only at 7:00PM at 88th Street.

**Shabbat Morning Services: PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION!** Beginning *Saturday, June 20*, Shabbat morning services will start at 9:30AM at 88th Street. Children's services will start at 10:45AM at 88th Street Frankel Hall.

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

**Summer Shelter Volunteers Needed!**

Many homeless shelters close their doors during the summer because they cannot find enough volunteers. Not the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter! We stay open all year round, five nights a week. However, to do so we need your help. While many of our regular volunteers are away, we need to fill gaps in the schedule with temporary volunteers. Even if you can volunteer only one night this summer, you will help us provide a safe and welcoming environment. If enough kind-hearted people volunteer, we could all sleep more soundly. For more information, contact Anne Millman at [anniemill@aol.com](mailto:anniemill@aol.com) or x340.

## Announcements

### HA-MAKOM YENAH<sup>EM</sup>

The community of B'nai Jeshurun mourns the death of our beloved member David Sternoff, and extends sincere condolences to his wife, Nancy Schwartz Sternoff, and their entire family.

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

- Elizabeth Lynn, and David, Dan, Soshannah, and Emma Block on the death of their beloved mother, mother-in-law and grandmother, Judith Edelman Lynn.
- Frank, Julie, Melanie and Adam Kern on the death of their beloved father, father-in-law and grandfather, Ralph Kern.

### MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Leah, Alan, Mylene, Noah and Maya Scholnick on Leah becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

- Miranda and Richard Einhorn and Amy Singer on Miranda becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

### YASHER KOAH

- Alan Cohen and Robert Bank, who are being honored by Avodah, the Jewish Service Corps, at the Partners in Justice Event in New York on June 4.

### TODAH RABBAH

This week's flowers for the bimah are sponsored by Amy Singer and Richard Einhorn in honor of their daughter Miranda becoming a Bat Mitzvah and Alan, Mylene, Noah and Maya Scholnick in honor of their daughter and sister, Leah, becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

### B'RUKHIM HABA-IM

- Vadim Kelebeyev, Yaacov Caseti, and IDF officers participating in the G'vanim program

## Community Activities

### • BJ Softball 2009

**Thursdays (remaining dates June 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30),**

7:00-8:30PM, Central Park Field 12 North Meadow (96th St. entrance): Pray with your feet: step up to the plate and hit one out of the park for BJ! Please contribute a one-time donation for the season—one game or all, it's your choice—of \$18.00, payable to B'nai Jeshurun. Friendly, lively, all-inclusive, self-governing-pick-up games. More information: Jody Prusan, jpmazel@aol.com.

### • Friday Night Off-Broadway: Oneg Shabbat

**Friday, June 12, 10:00PM, 88th Street:** The entire BJ community is invited to enjoy dessert and celebrate Shabbat together with Hazzan Ari Priven and the BJ musicians, who will perform and lead us in joyful Shabbat music. For more information, contact Guy Felixbrodt, gfelixbrodt@bj.org, or x255.

### • Community Kiddush

**Saturday, June 13,** following Shabbat morning services, 86th Street Social Hall: Please join us for a Community Kiddush honoring Ezra Weinberg on his Rabbinic ordination and Yosef Goldman on the conclusion of his year as a Cantorial Intern. Contact Guy, x255, for more information.

### • Shabbat Teaching: "Never Again" is "Again, in Darfur"

**Saturday, June 13,** following the Community Kiddush after Shabbat morning services, 86th Street Chapel: The words uttered after the Holocaust, "never again," have become "over and over again" from Cambodia to Rwanda, Bosnia, and now the first genocide of the 21st century in Darfur. Dr. Ellen Kennedy, Interim Director, Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies and recipient of this year's Anne Frank Outstanding Citizen Award, will speak about the Darfur crisis and what ordinary citizens can do to make the vision of a world without genocide a reality. Contact Guy, x255, for more information.

### • Google Docs: Increasing your Online Efficiency

**Tuesday, June 16, 7:00-8:30PM, 88th Street:** Would you like to catch up on one of the most recent effective online tools? Seeking practical help on how to become more efficient with your time on the Internet? Then Google Docs is a fantastic way to share documents and keep systems in place in order to automate and eventually outsource your daily tasks. Join the BJ Employment Help Task Force as we host Sarah Leah Gootnick, founder of [www.secretaryinIsrael.com](http://www.secretaryinIsrael.com), as she reveals the benefits to your business and efficiency through using Google Docs. Please bring a laptop, if you have one, to use during the workshop. Free; R.S.V.P. IS REQUIRED to Sara Levine at [sarae\\_levine@yahoo.com](mailto:sarae_levine@yahoo.com).

### • Shabbat B'Yahad: A Night of Havurot at BJ

**Friday, June 19,** following the 6:00PM service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Are you a current havurah member? A past member? Looking into joining a havurah at BJ? Then this night is for you! Join us for a night of BJ havurot in an intimate setting where there will be time to reflect and share about the havurah experience. Cost: \$36 members/\$41 non-members. To sign up, please visit [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org) or contact Guy, x255.

### • Students! Summertime Help in the BJ Office

Summertime is a busy season at the BJ office. We are offering opportunities to reliable people who can assist with computer data entry, interesting projects, and general office assistance in the Membership Department. An ideal experience for high school or college students available in June, July and/or August. Community service hours available. Please contact Belinda Lasky at [blasky@bj.org](mailto:blasky@bj.org) or x224 for more information.

### • Membership & High Holy Day Information

Visit the BJ website at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org) for 2009-2010 membership renewal and High Holy Day information—it's easily accessible from our home page. We encourage new members to join our community. Contact Belinda Lasky, [blasky@bj.org](mailto:blasky@bj.org), or Sarah Verity, [sverity@bj.org](mailto:sverity@bj.org), for more information.

### • Non-Members Changes for the High Holy Days

This year's High Holy Day services, including the Family Service, will only be open to members with valid entrance cards. Due to space constraints, we will not be able to accommodate non-members as we have been able to do in the past. We invite new members to join our community to ensure entry to High Holy Day services. Please contact Membership Associate Sarah Verity, [sverity@bj.org](mailto:sverity@bj.org), or visit [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org) for a membership application.

### • Memorial Plaques

As seasons change, we recall those who are no longer with us and are grateful for the gift of their lives, their companionship and the cherished memories that endure. BJ reserves a special area in the sanctuary to honor their memory by having their name permanently inscribed on black granite memorial plaques. To honor the memory of your loved one in this way, please call Elizabeth Stone at x233. Names will be inscribed before the High Holy Days. All requests must be received by August 14.

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## Community Activities, *continued from page 2*

### • Mahzorim Fund

As our congregation continues to grow, we have noticed the need for more High Holy Day prayer books. This year we are pleased to announce that additional mahzorim will be added to ensure that there are enough books for our members. We are offering the community the opportunity to honor and memorialize a loved one or an occasion; for each donation of \$36, a personalized bookplate will be added to a book. To participate, please contact Elizabeth Stone at x233.

### • The BJ Jewish Skills Bank

Every BJ member has a "Jewish Skill"—whether it is baking challah or laying tefillin—that another BJ member would like to learn. The BJ Jewish Skills Bank will pair BJ members through an online system, creating opportunities for members to learn from each other and build community. The system is expected to be online by the fall. Let us know what you would like to teach—as well as what you would like to learn! Contact David Karnovsky, davidkarno@aol.com or Harriet Goren, harriet@goren.com, to learn more and help build the online BJ Jewish Skills Bank.

## Creating Kehillah

### SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

#### • Calling All BJ Bicycle Riders (and Non-Riders too)!

Once again, B'nai Jeshurun will be sending a team of riders and non-riding support crew to Hazon's New York Jewish Environmental Bike Ride. Become a member of our proud team, the B'nai Jeshurun Revolutionaries, and join 400+ participants from NYC, across the East Coast, and around the world. We need riders and non-riders alike; this is a great opportunity to meet tons of people of all ages, help the environment, and get fit. Although the ride is not until Labor Day weekend, we'll be doing activities as a team between now and the ride—and we'd love to have you join us! To learn more about the ride itself, see [www.hazon.org](http://www.hazon.org) and click on "NY Ride" on the left side of the page, or please contact team captains Mark Lipsy, remark1@gmail.com or Carol Silberfeld, cberfeld@gmail.com.

### YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

#### • Bim Bam with BJ: Pre-Shabbat Class for Babies and Toddlers

**7 Fridays** (June 5, 12, 19, 26, July 3, 10, 17), 10:45AM, 88th St. Frankel Hall: Celebrate Shabbat early with your child at B'nai Jeshurun as we sing those catchy BJ songs, say traditional blessings, eat challah, and teach our children (and remind ourselves) all about Shabbat. Children will learn about Tikkun Olam (repairing the world) by giving tzedakah (charity), so please bring your coins each week. Members with all levels of observance are encouraged to register. We will create community and start Jewish traditions in our homes. Children ages 0-3 and their parents or caregivers are encouraged to attend. Sign up at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org).

#### • BJ Hebrew School Open House

**Thursday, June 11**, 5:30-6:30PM, 88th Street: Thinking about your child's Jewish education? Do you know about the Hebrew School at BJ? Come to a B'nai Jeshurun Hebrew School prospective parent meeting. Meet Ivy Schreiber, Director of Education for Youth and Family and learn about the Hebrew School's vision and curriculum. Contact Elana Ayalon, eayalon@bj.org or x260, for more information.

### TZE'IRIM: 20s/30s

#### • Tze'irim Scavenger Hunt

**Sunday, June 7**, 1:00PM, meet at 88th: Let's kick off summertime with BJ's 1st Annual TZ Scavenger Hunt around NYC! Try to accomplish as many tasks as possible in five short hours. We will all gather back together for drinks after the Hunt. Plans will proceed whether it's sunshine or rain, so be prepared and dress for the weather! For more details and to sign up, please contact [deborah.blumberg@gmail.com](mailto:deborah.blumberg@gmail.com). Cost to participate: \$5.

## Upcoming Limud

### • Special Rosh Hodesh Women's Group for Tammuz

**Rabbis Felicia L. Sol and Esther Lederman**

**Monday, June 22** • 7:00PM • City Hall Restaurant • Free; R.S.V.P. required to Yaffa Garber at [ygarter@bj.org](mailto:ygarter@bj.org) or x256. Celebrate Rosh Hodesh Tammuz with Felicia and Esther. Reunite with friends from the recent Women's Retreat, and raise a glass to toast Esther as she heads on her way to a new position in Washington, DC. Space is limited.

### BEKEF: 35+

#### • Friday Night Dinner: Bekef

**Friday, June 12**, following the 7:30PM service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Extend your Shabbat experience beyond services. BJ member and non-member singles 35-55 ONLY are invited to share an intimate Shabbat dinner together. Cost: \$15 members/\$20 non-members. Please visit [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org) to register. Questions? Guy Felixbrodt, [gfelixbrodt@bj.org](mailto:gfelixbrodt@bj.org), x255.

### HAVUROT

#### • Men's Havurah

**Saturday, June 27**, 5:00-7:00PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join us for the last meeting of the Men's Havurah this season. Early preparation for the High Holy Days: Is teshuvah possible? Meet Rabbi Michael Weisser, who transformed a Nazi into a Jew. His story was featured in the *New York Times*. You just have to be male, whether straight, gay, single, married, or in any other self-definition. The Men's Havurah Committee includes Michael Yoeli, Moshe Horn, Chuck Gold, Bob Kanter, Nahum Precel, Jonathan Adelsberg, Marcelo Bronstein, Yosef Goldman and Ezra Weinberg. Please check the BJ website, [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org), for the 2009-2010 meeting schedule. Free, registration not required. For more information, contact [ngoodhart@bj.org](mailto:ngoodhart@bj.org).

### AFFILIATES

#### • Dr. Eva Fogelman Honored at National Yiddish Theatre Gala

**Monday, June 8**, 7:30PM, The Town Hall, 123 West 43rd Street: "Fun Dor Tus Dor (From Generation to Generation)." BJ member Dr. Eva Fogelman is to be honored at the 2009 fundraiser for the National Yiddish Theater-Folksbeine. Tickets: \$37.50, \$75, \$125, \$500. For reservations, call 212-213-2120.

#### • Cooking Classes at the JCC

Spring has sprung—and the JCC Culinary Arts Center is bursting with classes from packing the perfect picnic to making the best melt-in-your-mouth chocolates! For a complete listing of instructors, classes and ingredients, visit [www.jcckitchen.org](http://www.jcckitchen.org). All classes are held in the Patti Gelman Culinary Arts Center at the JCC in Manhattan, 334 Amsterdam Ave. at 76th St. Register online or call 646-505-5708 for more information. See you in the kitchen!

## General Information

**WELCOME TO B'NAI JESHURUN!** If you are unfamiliar with our community and Shabbat services, see our "Welcome to BJ" brochure at the back of the Sanctuary, or ask an usher to be seated next to a congregant familiar with the services.

• **Membership at B'nai Jeshurun:** You've attended services, you're inspired by social action, and you love the community... now consider joining BJ as a member! With membership packages for local and out-of-town visitors alike, there is one that is right for you. Special new member orientation included! Visit the BJ website, [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org), or contact Belinda Lasky, Director of Membership at x224 or [blasky@bj.org](mailto:blasky@bj.org) for more information.

• **A Note from the Ushers:** For those at the 7:30PM Friday night service, please bring books to the back as you leave. Tallitot and damaged books may be brought to the back of the Sanctuary after Shabbat services. Men are asked to wear kippot during services. Photography, cell phone use, and food is not permitted in the Sanctuary. To prepare for the comfort and security of all, doors open 30 minutes before services begin.

• **Assistive Listening Devices for Services at BJ** are available during services at both 88th and 86th Streets. Contact the ushers at the back of the Sanctuary—and please remember to return the devices when you leave.

• **Silver Name Badges:** New to BJ? Have questions about membership? Look for people wearing silver name badges—feel free to approach them with your questions or even just to introduce yourself—they can help!

• **LinkIn to Help Out!**

In these difficult times, we are trying many ways to help members find jobs and network. *Join us in this very important effort* simply by joining "B'nai Jeshurun-New York City," the BJ group on LinkedIn, [www.linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com). There you can share your professional network, post jobs and respond to any ongoing discussions that are posted in the group.

**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. If you are interested in receiving a weekly minyan email, please contact Ari Priven at [apriven@bj.org](mailto:apriven@bj.org).

## Tzedakah

Commonly translated as *charity*, the Hebrew word *tzedakah* has a richer and deeper meaning. Its root, *tzedek*, conveys righteousness, fairness and justice. Our tradition teaches us that *tzedakah* is a responsibility and a moral commitment of faith. However, it is also an opportunity for us to come together, reaffirm our commitment to each other and emerge as a strong, invested, spiritual community.

Your gift to BJ allows over 2,000 people of all ages to pray each Shabbat at BJ, provides teachers for our children's Jewish education, supports adult programs, runs a lunch program and a homeless shelter, organizes members to visit the sick and comfort mourners, and much more. Membership dues and money raised through the Kol Nidre Annual Partnership Appeal represent two-thirds of BJ's budget. The remainder is raised through various giving opportunities that fund programs and support our community.

To make a donation online, visit us at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org); by mail, B'nai Jeshurun, Attn: Development, 2109 Broadway, Suite 203, New York, NY 10023; or by phone, please call Elizabeth Stone at 212-787-7600 x233.

Together, we will continue to work toward our mission. We are most grateful for your support.

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