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KOL JESHURUN

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TERUMAH

TORAH: ANNUAL TRIENNIAL Exodus 25:1 - 27:19
Exodus 26:31 - 27:19
1: 26:31 - 26:33
2: 26:34 - 26:37
3: 27:1 - 27:3
4: 27:4 - 27:8
5: 27:9 - 27:12
6: 27:13 - 27:16
7: 27:17 - 27:19
Maftir: 27:17 - 27:19

HAFTARAH I Kings 5:26 - 6:13

NEXT WEEK: **TETZAVEH**

SHABBAT ZAKHOR

TORAH: ANNUAL TRIENNIAL Exodus 27:20 - 30:10

Exodus 29:19 - 30:10

HAFTARAH I Samuel 15:1 - 34

! SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

2013 NYC Mayoral Candidates Forum on Education

Tuesday, February 26, 6:45PM (doors open at 6:00PM), Central Synagogue, 652 Lexington Avenue: The Metro Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF), including its Manhattan Together and South Bronx Churches affiliates, will hold its second mayoral forum. Lay leaders will ask key questions on public education and mayoral candidates Tom Allon, Bill de Blasio, Joseph Lhota, John Liu, William Thompson, and Christine Quinn will respond. Moderated by Errol Lewis, NY 1 *Inside City Hall*. Please email Channa at ccamins@bj.org or call x259 for tickets (limited availability). Co-sponsored by Metro Industrial Areas Foundation and the *NY Daily News*.

• **Upcoming Economic Justice Hevra Meeting**
Tuesday, March 5, 6:30-9:00PM, R.S.V.P. for meeting location: The Economic Justice Hevra is part of Panim el Panim, BJ's Community Organizing and Advocacy Initiative. The Hevra is currently working hard on their upcoming educational event focusing on public subsidies for economic development and job creation. This is a continuation of our participation in the Living Wage NYC Coalition. If you are interested in attending one of these meetings or have questions, contact Sandy at cheiten8644@gmail.com.

February 15-22, 2013

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:30 PM - 88th St. Sanctuary

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Shabbat Morning Services 9:30 AM - 86th St. Sanctuary
Junior Congregation 10:30 AM - 86th St. Social Hall
Children's Services 10:45 AM - 86th St. Chapel and Parlor

Community Kiddush Following Services - 86th St.
BJ Sings Havurah Following Services - 86th St.

Helen Radin Memorial Zayin Adar Teaching 4:30 PM - 88th St. (SEE P.2)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Morning Minyan 9:30 AM - 88th St.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18

BJ OFFICE CLOSED
Morning Minyan 9:30 AM - 88th St.
BJ Hebrew School Closed
Limud: Introduction to Judaism No class

Presidents' Day

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th St.
Limud: Great Jews and Their Writings 8:30 AM - 88th St.
Limud: Avodah ShebaLev—Prayer of the Heart 12:30 PM - BJ Office (SEE P.4)
Limud: Engaging Israel 6:30 PM - 89th St.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th St.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th St.
Judith Bernstein Lunch Program 12:00 PM - 88th St. Frankel Hall
Limud: Stories of the Talmudic Rabbis 12:30 PM (SEE P.4)
Shushan on My Mind: 2:00 PM - 88th St. (SEE P.3)
Mishloah Manot Bag Assembly
BJ Hebrew School No class
Limud: Davening 101 7:00 PM - BJ Office (SEE P.4)
Sculpture, Tradition, and Art 7:00 PM - 88th St. (SEE P.2)

TA'ANIT ESTHER

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th St.
Bim Bam 9:15, 10:15, and 11:15 AM - 88th St. Frankel Hall

ISRAEL

To learn more, visit www.bj.org/israel or contact Orli Moss at omoss@bj.org or at x229.

• **BJ Israel Book Group: Love and War in Contemporary Israeli Fiction**
6 Mondays (remaining sessions March 4, April 22, and May 20), 7:30-9:00PM, 270 West 89th Street: The next selection is *And the Rat Laughed* by Nava Semel.

To register for classes and events, please visit www.bj.org.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Bill Platt on his recent engagement to Debra Lusman.

B'RUKHIM HABA-IM

- Rabbi Alison Kobey and Confirmation/Post-Confirmation Class, Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple, Beachwood, Ohio.

- Rabbi Marci Bellows and Confirmation Class, Temple B'nai Torah, Wantagh, New York.
- Staci Cohen and Confirmation Class, Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple, Beachwood, Ohio.
- Rabbi Susan Talve and Confirmation Class, Central Reform Congregation, St. Louis, Missouri.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

• Helen Radin Memorial Zayin Adar Teaching:

Descriptions of Moses' Death in The Bible

Saturday, February 16, 4:30PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Zayin Adar (the 7th of Adar) is the date assigned to the birth and death of Moses. Join us for this teaching by Rabbi David Silber which honors the work of Hevra Kadisha of which Helen Radin, z"l, was a committed volunteer. Rabbi Silber is the Founder and Dean of Drisha Institute for Jewish Education. The teaching will include Minḥa, Ma'ariv and Havdalah. Free. Registration is not required.

• Scripture, Tradition, and Art: Jewish, Christian and Muslim Texts, Images, and Performance

4 Thursdays (remaining classes February 21, 28), 7:00-9:00PM, 88th Street: Co-sponsored by Mekusharim and the Interfaith Committee, Rabbi Lewis Warshauer will present works of art inspired by Abraham and his sons, Ishmael and Isaac, and also by the stories of Joseph. Because these stories are integral to all three faiths, we will study texts and view images of these two key narratives in order to deepen our understanding of how artists from different times and different traditions have interpreted and shared these stories. Free of charge; registration required at www.bj.org.

• Hakhanah laTefillah: Preparing for Prayer

2 Saturdays each month (February 23; March 9, 23; April 6, 20; May 4, 18; June 1, 15), 8:45-9:20AM, 86th Street Chapel: Please join Rabbi Roly Matalon to prepare the soul and open the heart for Shabbat morning prayers through the singing of piyutim and reflections on kavannah.

• Yozma Open Meeting

Tuesday, February 26, 6:30-8:30PM, location given upon registration: Yozma, which means "initiative", is BJ's community of singles and couples ages 35-55 living in and around New York City. Having just completed our first year of programming, we would like to hear from you. What kinds of events would you like to see? Would you like to get involved with the Yozma working group? Please join us for an open meeting to meet new people and share your thoughts. R.S.V.P. to Belinda Lasky at blasky@bj.org for location.

• Hebrew Marathon

Sunday, March 3, 10:30AM-2:30PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Want to feel more comfortable in the prayer service but feel inhibited because you can't read Hebrew? This unique seminar is perfect for you. Come in for an intensive Hebrew marathon with teacher Michal Nachmany that will leave you wanting more. Learn the letters and vowels, and by the end of the day you will be reading Hebrew. Cost: \$60 for BJ members; \$80 for non-members. Registration required at www.bj.org by February 27.

• Refuah V'Nehama: Service for Healing and Comfort

Wednesdays, March 6, April 3 and May 1, 7:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Join Rabbi Felicia Sol for an evening prayer service with song, silence, study and connection devoted to healing and comfort. All are welcome—whether you are ill, praying for someone who is ill, looking for strength to get through a difficult time, seeking comfort following the death of a loved one or desiring a community of prayer. Contact Andrea at abrecker@bj.org with any questions.

• Teacher-in-Residence Community Shabbat Dinner with Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller

Friday, March 15, following the service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join us for a community dinner with teacher-in residence Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller, director of UCLA Hillel. Enjoy a three-course kosher dinner with wine, and great company. Rabbi Seidler-Feller has taught Kabbalah and Talmud at the University of Judaism, is a Fellow of the Shalom Hartman Institute for Advanced Jewish Studies, and is a member of the Academic Advisory Board of the Wilstein Institute for Social Policy. Register by March 13 at www.bj.org.

• Teacher-in Residence Shabbat Afternoon Teaching with Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller

Saturday, March 16, 6:00PM, 270 West 89th Street: Join Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller, director of UCLA Hillel, for Shabbat afternoon teaching.

• Pre-Pesah Shabbat Dinner: Out with Hametz... In with the Basics

Friday, March 22, following the service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: On this, the last Shabbat before Pesah, let's examine together how we can get rid of the debilitating "fluff" in our lives. Let's embrace simple joys. Clear ourselves and our shelves. Let's share our personal strategies and learn from each other just what is "fluff" and what is basic, while enjoying a Shabbat meal. This dinner is open to all and coordinated by Mekusharim. \$36/members; \$46/non-members. Register at www.bj.org by Wednesday, March 20.

• Community Second Night Pesah Seder

Tuesday, March 26, 6:30-10:30PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: For the fifth year, Rabbi Marcelo Bronstein will be leading the Community Second Night Pesah Seder. This event is for members only. Reservations will be honored on a first-come, first-served basis. We welcome additional donations to help other BJ members attend. Register early to ensure your seat at the table and/or volunteer to help with preparation at www.bj.org. Contact Naomi at ngoodhart@bj.org if you need financial assistance or more information.

CREATING KEHILLAH

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

• Explorations in Caregiving and Care Receiving – Part 3 Workshop 1: Aging Wisely Education Series

Wednesday, March 13, 7:00-9:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Join us for round table discussions to address the complexities and changing nature of being a caregiver for family members and/or friends. We will hear from BJ

members about their personal experiences with caregiving and receiving. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together, share our stories, hear from others, and work through our questions and challenges as a community. Doors will open at 6:30. This is a rescheduled event. Re-register for the workshop at www.bj.org/agingworkshop.

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• **Save the Date: Economic Justice Hevra Educational Event**
Thursday, April 11, 7:00-9:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Join Panim el Panim's Economic Justice Hevra for an evening of discussion and presentations on public subsidies for economic development and job creation in New York City. How do we create good jobs? The evening will feature case studies including Fresh Direct and sports arenas. Be sure to put the date on your calendar for what will be an informative and exciting evening. More detailed information to come. Registration for this event will open in March.

YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

• **Parenting Toward Bar/Bat Mitzvah: The Blessing of Release and Ascent**

Tuesday, March 5, 7:00-9:00PM, home of Jennifer Sylvor and Steve Greenberg: Parents of current 5th and 6th graders are invited to join Rabbi Felicia Sol for an evening of study and discussion on spiritual questions raised in traditional texts. This evening of learning is only for parents, and will be hosted in the home of Jennifer Sylvor and Steve Greenberg. R.S.V.P. at www.bj.org by Friday, March 1 to receive the address.

TZE'IRIM: 20s/30s

• **Story Slam: Love In the Time of Internet**

Thursday, February 21, 7:00-9:00PM, Museum at Eldridge Street (12 Eldridge Street): Got great stories about looking for "the one" online? Bring your friends and share your best, bad dating experiences and your triumphs at this Moth-inspired story slam. Prizes awarded for most outrageous tales. Hosted by writer and actress Rachel Evans, author and

star of Jew Wish, a one-woman show on online dating. Non-storytellers welcome! Wine and beer served. Cost: BJ members, \$5; non-members, \$10. R.S.V.P. to the Museum at Eldridge Street at eldridgestreet.org.

• **Tze'irim Cooks for Shelter**

Monday, February 25, 6:00-7:30PM, 88th Street Kitchen: Join us as we make dinner for the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter. We'll meet at 6:00PM downstairs in the kitchen (88th Street between Broadway and West End Avenue). As usual, there is a suggested donation to help cover the cost of groceries (\$6-10), and no cooking experience is necessary. R.S.V.P. by Sunday, February 24 at www.bj.org.

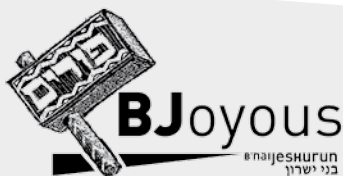
• **Volunteering at Purim Brunch to Honor Holocaust Survivors**

Sunday, March 3, 10:30AM-3:00PM, 225 West 83rd Street: Celebrate Purim with Holocaust survivors who would enjoy our company immensely and have been through so much in their lives. We will help with setting up, serving and cooking the brunch food, and socializing with the seniors. You do not have to stay the whole time. We look forward to seeing you at what promises to be a rewarding event. R.S.V.P. by February 24 at www.bj.org

• **Tze'irim Shabbat Dinner**

Friday, March 8, 8:00PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Come join the rest of your peers in the BJ community as we celebrate Shabbat together. Mingle with Tze'irim for a night of dining, schmoozing, and singing after Kabbalat Shabbat services. Bring your friends or come make new ones. And most important, have fun. Cost: BJ members, \$29; non-members, \$39. Register by Wednesday, March 6 at www.bj.org.

**PURIM
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• **Fulfill Two Important Purim Mitzvot—
Order Mishloah Manot**

Place your order by February 20, see the Mishloah Manot flyer for details: Order BJ's mishloah manot now to fulfill Purim mitzvot of giving gifts, and matanot l'evyonim, providing for those who are less fortunate. Use the order form at www.bj.org/purim before February 20. Contact Andrea at abrecker@bj.org if you have questions.

• **Shushan on My Mind—**

Volunteer to Continue BJ Purim Traditions

Thursday, February 21, 2:00-9:00PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: **Mishloah Manot Bag Assembly.**
Saturday, February 23, 7:00PM-12:00AM, 88th Street Sanctuary: **Purim Party.** Are you interested in volunteering without a long term commitment, meeting other BJ members and having a good time? Mishloah manot (Purim gift bags) assemblers are needed and volunteers are needed to help serve drinks and snacks during the Purim Party. DJ Jerry Laskin will be returning to BJ to rock the house and dancers will get thirsty. Volunteer for either or both dates at www.bj.org/purim.

HEAR THE WHOLE MEGILLAH

Saturday, February 23, 88th Street Sanctuary:

- **Family Megillah Reading, 6:30PM-7:30PM:** Families with children in elementary school or older are invited to join BJ Rabbis and Hazzan for a joyous telling of the Megillah.
- **Adult Megillah Reading and Then... Party On, 8:00PM-12:00AM:** Hear a full Megillah reading complete with a shpiel. Perform along with the BJ rabbis and Hazzan in the telling of the tale of Shushan long ago and Esther's bravery. Costumes are encouraged! Following the reading there will be celebrating 'til midnight. Vashti may not have wanted to dance, but you can to the music of crowd-pleasing DJ Jerry Laskin.

Sunday, February 24, 88th Street Sanctuary:

- **Purim Morning Services with Megillah Reading, 9:30AM:** Continue to BJoyous as you start your day with Esther and Mordechai.
- **Tot Puppet Show and Carnival, 10:30AM:** Children ages 6 and under should come dressed in their finest Purim costumes and be ready to sing, play games, and eat delicious hamentaschen as we bring in Purim!
- **Purim Carnival, 11:30AM:** Children of all ages are invited to craft crafts, play games, eat hamantaschen and celebrate Purim with all of their friends.
- **Purim Play, 1:15PM:** BJ's longest-running Off-Broadway show is back! Join us after the carnival for a Lion King-inspired original Purim shpiel by BJ members Michael Kelberg and Jerry Korman. Presented by BJ's 3rd-6th graders. Prior to the show our Kindergarten through second grade chorus will share a medley of Purim songs. Support our rising young stars as they sing, dance, and retell the story of Purim for all ages!

WELCOME TO B'NAI JESHURUN!

• **Membership at B'nai Jeshurun:** We invite you to become a member of our living, thriving community. The simple act of joining BJ is transformative. It is an acknowledgement that BJ is your community, its rabbis are your rabbis, and its sanctuary is your space. Our fair share dues system ensures no one will be turned away based on financial reasons. For more information, contact Belinda Lasky, Assistant Executive Director, at x224 or blasky@bj.org.

• **"BJ Speak" Glossary:** Do you have questions about commonly used words and phrases at BJ? We have the answer: a BJ Speak Glossary. Visit the back of the 88th Street Sanctuary for a laminated sheet filled with definitions and explanations of everything you want to know. Brought to you by the Education and Communications Team.

• **A Note From the Ushers:** To prepare for the comfort and security of all, doors open 30 minutes before services begin. Both kipot and tallitot are available in the back of the Sanctuary. Photography, cell phone use, writing and food are not permitted in the Sanctuary. Damaged books may be brought to the back of the Sanctuary.

• **Assistive Listening Devices for Services at BJ** are available during services at both 88th and 86th Streets. Ask an usher if you need one and please return the device when you leave.

• **Expand Your Social and Professional Network on LinkedIn and Facebook!** Hundreds of BJ members connect with each other through LinkedIn and Facebook. Become a member of the private "B'nai Jeshurun - New York City" LinkedIn group and benefit from your connection to this large community. You can share your professional information, post jobs, and be part of ongoing discussions. "Like" BJ's Facebook page, "B'nai Jeshurun NYC," and stay up-to-date with what's happening in the community.

JOIN US AT THE BJ MORNING MINYAN: The morning minyan is an opportunity to experience BJ tefillah in a more intimate setting and a wonderful way to get to know one another better. Please make every effort to attend so our members are able to say kaddish with the required minyan and in a supportive environment. Learn more and find the current schedule at www.bj.org/minyan.

UPCOMING LIMUD Please visit www.bj.org for more information and to register.

• **Stories of the Talmudic Rabbis Lunch and Learn**
Rabbi J. Rolando Matalon

Part III, 9 Thursdays (remaining classes February 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21), 12:30-1:30PM, Midtown location provided upon registration (please bring your own lunch): We will study stories that reflect the concerns and struggles, fears and fantasies, even the dark side of our Talmudic sages. We will attempt to look at ourselves in the mirror of the Talmud in order to understand and confront our own nature. No knowledge of Hebrew is required. Free of charge. Registration is now closed as the class is full.

• **Engaging Israel: Foundations of a New Relationship**
Rabbi J. Rolando Matalon and Orli Moss

9 Tuesdays (remaining classes February 26; March 5, 12, 19), 6.30-8.00PM, 89th Street: Rabbi Roly Matalon and Orli Moss will explore the significance of the State of Israel for contemporary Jews through Jewish text, video and discussion. Based on The Shalom Hartman Institute's iEngage curriculum, this conversation about Israel is rooted in values and ideas. The program is for BJ members only and the cost is \$90. Registration is now closed.

• **Lunch and Learn: Avodah ShebaLev—Prayer of the Heart**
Rabbi Felicia L. Sol

14 Tuesdays (through May 21), 12:30-1:45PM, BJ Office Conference Room: Our Hassidic Rabbis give voice to the search for authentic prayer and the possibility of being in connection with God. Join Rabbi Felicia L. Sol for an exploration of Hassidic texts on prayer and a conversation of how we might cultivate a more engaged and profound prayer life. Participants are encouraged to come for the entirety of the class but each class will stand alone so new participants are always welcome. No prior knowledge is expected. Free of charge; please register at www.bj.org.

• **Davening 101**
Jonah Geffen, BJ Rabbinic Fellow

Thursdays (through May 30), 7:00-8:30PM, BJ Office, Conference Room: The siddur is the guidebook of tefillah, and though central to our practice of prayer, the siddur is all too often difficult or impossible to access. Its structure is a mystery, its words foreign, its relevance to our own experience unclear. And yet, it is entirely knowable. Together we will explore the deep meaning of the words of our people's prayers, gain greater understanding of the structure of services, and learn the techniques and choreography of tefillah. Registration encouraged at www.bj.org.

BJ is proud of the *Kol Hadash* magazine and strives to make it a piece that best serves the community. To accommodate article submissions and create a more seasonal feel to the *Kol Hadash*, we will start publishing quarterly issues beginning with Spring 2013. Look for it in your mailbox at the beginning of April.

Ana Bekhoah

Ana bekhoah gedulat yeminkha tatir tzerura
Kabel rinat amekha sagevenu taharenu nora

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