

קול ישורון

KOL JESHURUN

B'nai
Jeshurun
בני ישורון

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VAYESHEV

TORAH: ANNUAL Genesis 37:1 - 40:23

TRIENNIAL Genesis 37:1 - 37:36

1: 37:1 - 37:3

2: 37:4 - 37:7

3: 37:8 - 37:11

4: 37:12 - 37:17

5: 37:18 - 37:22

6: 37:23 - 37:28

7: 37:29 - 37:36

Maftir: 37:34 - 37:36

HAFTARAH

Amos 2:6 - 3:81

NEXT WEEK: **MIKETZ**

SHABBAT **HANUKKAH**

TORAH: ANNUAL Genesis 41:1 - 44:17

TRIENNIAL Genesis 41:1 - 41:52

HAFTARAH Zechariah 2:14 - 4:7

November 22-29, 2013

19-26 Kislev, 5774

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Preparing for Shabbat With Song

6:15 PM - 88th St. Sanctuary

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

6:30 PM - 88th St. Sanctuary

Teen Shabbat Dinner

Following Service - 88th St. Frankel Hall

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Hakhanah laTefillah—Preparing for Prayer

8:45 AM - 86th St. Chapel (SEE P.2)

Shabbat Morning Services

9:30 AM - 86th St. Sanctuary

Bat Mitzvah

Sophia Reiss

Naming

Silvia Amelie Syrowicz

Alicia Margot Syrowicz

Shabbat Discovery and Children's Services

10:30 AM - 86th St. Parlor, Chapel, 2nd Floor

Community Kiddush

Following Services - 86th St. Social Hall

BJ Sings for the Holidays

1:00 PM - 86th St. Parlor (SEE P.2)

Thanksgivukkah with Yozma

7:00 PM - 89th St. (SEE P.2)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Paint with BJ and Habitat for Humanity

9:00 AM-4:00 PM - The Bronx (SEE P.3)

Morning Minyan

9:30 AM - 88th St.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM - 88th St.

BJ Hebrew School

4:00-6:00 PM

Limud: Introduction to Judaism

7:00 PM - BJ Office

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM - 88th St.

Limud: Great Jews and Their Writings

8:30 AM - 88th St.

Limud: The Language of Truth

No class this week

Tze'irim Cooks for the Shelter

6:00 PM - 88th St. Kitchen (SEE P.4)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Morning Minyan

1ST CANDLE HANUKKAH

7:30 AM - 88th St.

Interfaith Community Thanksgiving Service

7:00 PM - 86th St. (SEE P.2)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28

BJ OFFICE CLOSED

2ND CANDLE HANUKKAH • Thanksgiving Day

Morning Minyan

9:30 AM - 88th St.

BJ Hebrew School

Closed

Judith Bernstein Lunch Program

Cancelled today

Limud: Stories of the Talmudic Rabbis

No class this week

Limud: Sparks: Hassidic Thoughts on the Weekly Torah Portion

No class this week

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29

BJ OFFICE CLOSED

3RD CANDLE HANUKKAH

Morning Minyan

9:30 AM - 88th St.

Bim Bam

Cancelled today

! SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK

• **Community Conversations on the Environment with Panim el Panim**

Monday, December 2 and Wednesday, December 18, 6:30-9:00PM, and **Sunday, December 15,** 2:30-5:00PM, R.S.V.P. for meeting locations:

Climate Change is Here: Where are we? Attend a House Meeting. Discuss your concerns about the environment, explore connections between Judaism and environmental stewardship, and consider potential BJ environmental advocacy campaigns. Please pick a date that works for your schedule to join this community conversation. You can expect dinner and good discussion with BJ members who share your concern for the environment. To attend one of the house meetings, R.S.V.P. at www.bj.org/greenhousemeeting or for more information contact Larissa at lwohl@bj.org or call x272.

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

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BJ's Ner Tamid at 88th St. is powered by the light of the sun.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HA-MAKOM YENAH^{EM}

The community of B'nai Jeshurun mourns the death of our member Shirley Gordon, and we extend our sincere condolences to her entire family.

The community of B'nai Jeshurun mourns the tragic death of our member Sarah Berenbeim, and we extend our sincere condolences to her entire family.

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

- Jonathan Green, Hilary Thomas, and Devon Green on the death of Jonathan's father, William Green.
- Craig Rosenberg on the death of his father, Saul Rosenberg.
- Andy, Laura, Tyler, and Oliver Chonoles on the death of Andy's father, Jack Chonoles.

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Sophia Reiss, her parents, Micki Kaplan Reiss and Jonathan Reiss, and her brother Teddy Reiss, on Sophia becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- Tova and Diego Syrowicz on the naming of their twin daughters, Silvia Amelie Syrowicz and Alicia Margot Syrowicz.
- Michael and Nancy Mostow on the birth of their granddaughter, Annette Louise Irving.

TODAH RABBAH

- This week's Community Kiddush is sponsored by Micki and Jonathan Reiss in honor of Sophia becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- This week's flowers for the bimah are sponsored by Rosalie Kaplan and Ruthetta and Harry Reiss in honor of their granddaughter, Sophia, becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

• Hakhanah laTefillah: Preparing for Prayer

2 Saturdays each month (remaining sessions Nov. 23; Dec. 7 and 21), 8:45-9:25AM, 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.

• BJ Sings for the Holidays

Saturday, November 23, 1:00-2:30PM, 86th Street Parlor: It's not too early to prepare for Hanukkah. Everyone is welcome to join BJ Sings as we usher in the winter holiday season following Kiddush.

• Thanksgiving with Yozma

Saturday, November 23, 7:00-10:00PM, 89th Street: Let's be honest: Thanksgiving is the word of the season! The first day of Hanukkah coincides with Thanksgiving this year, and Yozma wants to get you in the holiday spirit. Party with us on the Saturday night before both holidays with tasty treats, music and study about the meaning of giving thanks. Special guests the Y-Studs will treat us to an a cappella concert. Cost: \$5/person. Register at www.bj.org.

• Interfaith Community Thanksgiving Service

Wednesday, November 27, 7:00PM, 86th Street Sanctuary: Join with our neighbors of all faith traditions to give thanks on the eve of Thanksgiving. Clergy from several churches and synagogues will be participating in the service. This year there will be a special focus on food justice. Please bring checks made out to the West Side Campaign Against Hunger.

• Yozma Grooves to the Rhythms of North Africa

Tuesday, December 3, 7:30PM, CUNY Grad Center Elebash Hall 365 Fifth Avenue (between 34th and 35th Streets): Join Yozma for a Sephardic music journey with the New York Andalus Ensemble's winter concert. Musicians and choir (including Yozma co-chair Debbie Leiderman) bring the audience straight to the Iberian Peninsula with engaging melodies in Ladino, Hebrew and Arabic, complete with explanations of the songs' meanings. Tickets are \$12; register at www.bj.org.

• Community Shabbat Dinner with Ari and Shoshi

Friday, December 6, following the Service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join this post-Hanukkah, three-course dinner with wine, and enjoy the company of your fellow members in an intimate setting. Hazzan Ari Priven and BJ's Student Hazzan Shoshi Rosenbaum will lead us in a joyous musical journey! Registration on the BJ website at www.bj.org, or contact Guy at gfelixbrodt@bj.org

• Bless This House: A Holiday-ish Benefit Celebration

Monday, December 9, 7:00PM, 86th Street Sanctuary: Join singers Victoria Clark, Ari Priven, Kelli O'Hara, Greg Naughton, David Hyde Pierce, and Jane Kelly Williams for an evening of song! SPSA is raising funds to help fix the West End steps, the roof, and replace the sidewalks. Tickets: \$40/general admission: \$20/seniors and students; \$100/sponsor; \$250/patron. Tickets available at brownpapertickets.com/event/513884.

• New Members Cook Dinner for the BJ/SPSA Shelter

Tuesday, December 10, 5:00-7:00PM, 88th Street Kitchen: Join fellow new members as we concoct culinary creations for the guests of our shelter. We will work together and cook up a storm all while getting to know one another and experiencing the beauty of providing for those in need. R.S.V.P. to Monty at mmiller@bj.org by Friday, December 6.

• God, Wonder, and a Passion for Justice: The Spiritual Legacy of Abraham Joshua Heschel

Tuesday, December 10, 7:00-9:00PM, 88th Sanctuary: Join us for a remarkable evening of conversation as Rabbi Roly Matalon interviews Rabbi Shai Held about Heschel and his theological and spiritual legacy. We'll talk about wonder, revelation, the nature of God, the meaning of prayer, the call to social justice and more. In partnership with Mechon Hadar. Free and open to the public. Registration suggested at www.bj.org.

• New Member Orientation Programs

Tuesday, January 14 and Thursday, January 23, 6:30-9:00PM, Location provided upon registration: If you've joined B'nai Jeshurun in the past year, the New Member Orientation Programs are the best way to meet new and current BJ members, become involved with meaningful programs at BJ, and hear the history and music of your community. Register with Monty at mmiller@bj.org by Monday, January 6.

CREATING KEHILLAH

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

• Paint with BJ and Habitat for Humanity

Sunday, November 24, 9:00AM-4:00PM, Marble Hill, Bronx, R.S.V.P. for location: Looking for a hands-on project? Join us as we spend the day painting and helping to revitalize a senior community center with Habitat for Humanity's Brush With Kindness Project (BWK). BWK is about connecting the community through simple acts of kindness so that families can once again live in safe and decent neighborhoods. Volunteers age 14 and up may participate with a signed waiver by a parent or guardian. For more information and to sign up, contact Larissa at lwohl@bj.org or call x272.

• Upcoming Economic Justice and Aging in NY Hevra Meetings

Aging in NY Hevra: Wednesday, January 8, 6:30-9:00PM, R.S.V.P. for meeting location. **Economic Justice Hevra: Tuesday, December 3**, 6:30-9:00PM, R.S.V.P. for meeting location: The Economic Justice Hevra and Aging in

NY Hevra are part of Panim el Panim, BJ's Community Organizing and Advocacy Initiative. Join the Economic Justice Hevra to get involved in our new Justice for Farmworkers Campaign and the Aging in NY Hevra to get involved with our Elder Care Campaign. If you are interested in attending one of these meetings or have questions, please contact Amy at alavine@thetaskforce.org for Economic Justice or Ellen at ejlands@hotmail.com for Aging in NY.

• Give the Gift of Life at the BJ Blood Drive

Wednesday, December 11, 3:00-9:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Twice a year we have the opportunity to provide a very important service to the community. Give the gift of life by signing up now for the BJ Blood Drive. Learn more about how you can prepare to donate and learn about any restrictions that may apply by visiting www.nybc.org. R.S.V.P. to Trudi at trudil531@aol.com or call x272 with the best time slot for you and with any questions.

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HANUKKAH AT BJ



• Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins

Monday, December 2, 3:30PM and 4:45PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: See event description under "Youth and Family Education," page 4.

• Searching for Mothers as Daughters in Our Traditions: Rosh Hodesh/Hanukkah

Celebration with Our Muslim Sisters

Monday, December 2, 6:30-9:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Each year we gather as women to celebrate Hag HaBanot (The Festival of the Daughters), an ancient Algerian, Moroccan and Tunisian Jewish celebration on Rosh Hodesh Tevet, by cooking and sharing in a festive meal. This year we have the blessing to share the evening with our Muslim sisters from ASMA. We ask everyone to contribute, members \$10/non-members \$15 for dinner, and to bring wine, appetizers or dessert. Volunteer to cook dinner, set-up or clean-up. R.S.V.P. at www.bj.org/rhhanukkah.

• Yozma Grooves to the Rhythms of North Africa

Tuesday, December 3, 7:30PM, CUNY Grad Center Elebash Hall 365 Fifth Avenue (between 34th and 35th Streets): See event description under "Community Activities," page 2.

• Eight Nights of Lights, One Fun Happy Hour

Tuesday, December 3, 7:30PM, Session 73 (1359 First Avenue): Join Tze'irim for a spirited celebration of Hanukkah. Enjoy happy hour specials, dreidels, gelt, and great company. We won't have latkes, but we'll have the next best thing: vodka latke shots. Registration is free and we encourage you to invite friends. Please sign up by Monday, December 2 at www.bj.org.

• Mini-Mitzvah Moment:

Israel and Hanukkah, and a Community-Wide Celebration

Wednesday, December 4, 5:00-7:30PM, 88th Street: See event description under "Youth and Family Education," page 4.

• Community-wide Hanukkah Celebration Featuring the Beit Tefilah Israeli Ensemble

Wednesday, December 4, 6:00-7:30PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Celebrate the eighth night of Hanukkah at an intergenerational BJ party. Mekusharim and teens are hosting Rabbi Esteban Gottfried and the Beit Tefilah Israeli ensemble, our partners in Tel Aviv. This special evening features music from the BJ Children's Chorus, candle-lighting, Hanukkah trivia, sufganiot, latkes and more. Bring your family and friends. Registration is recommended at www.bj.org.

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

• Lunch and Learn: The Language of Truth: The Gerer Rebbe's Commentary on Parashat HaShavua (The Weekly Torah Portion) Rabbi Felicia L. Sol

9 Tuesdays (remaining classes December 3, 10), 12:30-1:45PM, BJ Office, Conference Room: Join Rabbi Felicia L. Sol to study the weekly parashah for an exploration of the Hassidic commentary to delve deeper into the richness of our tradition while exploring our own spirituality through these texts. Each class will stand alone so new participants are welcome. All texts will be translated. Free of charge. Register at www.bj.org.

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

7 Thursdays (remaining classes December 5, 12), 12:30-1:30PM: We will study stories that reflect the concerns and struggles, fears and fantasies, and dark side of our Talmudic sages. We will attempt to look at ourselves in the mirror of the Talmud to understand and confront our own nature. Free of charge. Registration is closed.

• Sparks: Hassidic Thoughts on the Weekly Torah Portion Alex Braver, BJ Rabbinic Fellow

Thursdays (through May 22), 7:00-9:00PM, BJ Office, Conference Room: The Hassidic masters of 18th-early 20th century Europe believed that a hidden divine spark could be found in everything. Together, we will learn some of their teachings on the weekly Torah portion, and explore the ways their words might affect us in a deeply personal way. Free of charge. Register at www.bj.org.

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 sliding scale 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 kippot 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.

CREATING KEHILLAH *(continued from page 3)*

• Upcoming Elder Care Dialogue

Wednesday, December 11, 7:00-9:00PM, 88th St. Frankel Hall: Join the Aging in NY Hevra in our next Elder Care dialogue, which will continue to engage care workers and care receivers from BJ and partner organizations in meaningful discussion and collaboration. We are preparing to launch new innovative worker and consumer training in elder care. To R.S.V.P. or for information, contact Ellen at ejlands@hotmail.com or call x259.

YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

• Mini-Mitzvah Moment:

Serve Guests at the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter

Tuesday, November 26 or Monday, December 16, 6:00-9:00PM, 88th Street: Many of you have cooked for our shelter guests, but few have had the honor of hosting them during dinner. Educators Blair Nosan or Natalie Sela will lead a discussion about the mitzvah of Haknassat Orhim, Welcoming Guests, before you serve our guests. Each Mitzvah Moment is limited to two families in order to respect our guests' space; we'll continue to offer it throughout the year to make widely available. Register at www.bj.org for November 26 or December 16.

• Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins

Monday, December 2, 3:30PM and 4:45PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Join Play Me a Story as they tell how Hershel outwits the goblins that prevent the villagers from celebrating Hanukkah in a show featuring Klezmer-style music! The 3:30PM show is for families with children 5 and younger; the 4:45PM show is for families with children in K-2. Register at www.bj.org.

• Mini-Mitzvah Moment:

Israel and Hanukkah, and a Community-Wide Celebration

Wednesday, December 4, 5:00-7:30PM, 88th Street: Enjoy a light dinner with Orli Moss, BJ's Director of Israel Engagement, and uncover the myths and facts about Israel's connection to Hanukkah. After dinner, we'll join the BJ community to celebrate the eighth night of Hanukkah and a concert with Rabbi Esteban Gottfried and the Beit Tefilah Israeli ensemble, our partners in Tel Aviv. This celebration also includes music from the BJ Children's Chorus, candle-lighting, Hanukkah trivia, sufganiot, latkes and more. Register at www.bj.org.

TZE'IRIM: 20s/30s

• Tze'irim Cooks for the Shelter

Tuesday, November 26, 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. 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 Monday, November 25 at www.bj.org.

• First Tze'irim Shabbat Dinner of 5774

Friday, December 13, 8:00PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: After welcoming Shabbat at B'nai Jeshurun's exuberant, lively services, stay for dinner with Tze'irim. We'll keep the spirit of Shabbat going with songs, wine, conversation and new friends. Cost: BJ members, \$29; non-members, \$39. Register at www.bj.org by Tuesday, December 10.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

• The 17th Annual Rabbi Marshall T. Meyer Risk Taker Awards

Thursday, December 5, 6:00PM cocktails; 7:00PM program, 88th Street Sanctuary: This year Jews for Racial & Economic Justice will be honoring Communities United for Police Reform, the unprecedented, multi-sector campaign for accountable policing; Alan Levine, passionate representative of movement activists and marginalized communities since the 60s; and Rinku Sen, visionary author, activist, publisher of Colorlines, and President and Director of Applied Research Center.

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