



This Week at BJBE

April 17, 2017

Dear Friends,

Please join us this morning for a last day Passover Service with Yizkor at 9:30am.

Our Adult Learning series, *Holocaust Stories: In Their Own Words*, begins this Sunday with Rabbi Kedar introducing us to Regina, The World's First Female Rabbi. Don't forget to stop by the Beit Cafe for coffee and delicious treats before the program.

There is an opportunity to volunteer at the Inspiration Cafe this Saturday. Please see Social Action Network section below.

Please see sections below for information on these and other upcoming programs.

We look forward to celebrating the B'nai Mitzvah of Jared Fischer and Joey Manone at the morning service this Saturday. Mazel tov to Jared, Joey and their families.

For many of us, BJBE is truly a Canopy of Peace. It is our spiritual community where we join together to pray for the sick, find inspiration in beautiful melodies, learn Torah, pack meals for those less fortunate & share our Jewish values with young minds so that our enduring traditions are passed on from generation to generation. During the month of Passover we are asking for your help to further nurture our Jewish heritage by making a contribution to BJBE's Sustaining Gifts Program. Visit bjbe.org/sustaining-gifts for more information or to donate. Contact us if you have any questions: [Howard Rosenblum](mailto:Howard.Rosenblum@bjbe.org) or [Lisa Wilson](mailto:Lisa.Wilson@bjbe.org).

The BJBE office is closed today, Monday, April 17, in observance of the last day of Passover.

Chag sameach,
Arlene

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Upcoming Programs

Tuesday Symposium, April 18 & 25, 10:00-11:30am, *Beruriah: Talmudic Heroine*, Instructor: Rabbi Wendi Geffen, North Shore Congregation Israel

Sunday Adult Learning, *Holocaust Stories, In Their Own Words*.
April 23, 9:45-11:45am, screening of *Regina, The World's First Female Rabbi* followed by discussion led by Rabbi Karyn Kedar
April 30, 9:45-11:00am, Fritzie Fritzhall
May 7, 9:45-11:00am, Barney Sidler

3 ways to celebrate Sandy! Please join us as we honor Sandy Robbins on her retirement:

Friday, May 5, 7:30pm Mizmor L'Shabbat Service followed by a celebratory oneg.

Saturday, May 6, 9:30am Kol Shabbat Service & Torah Study followed by a **Rabbi's Table Luncheon** at 12:00pm

Sunday, May 7, 9:30am last day of school featuring a festive goodbye assembly, a community art project & a sweet treat.

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Saturday, May 6, 8:00pm, *Vanya and Sonya and Mash and Spike*, a comedy at the Citadel Theater, Lake Forest. This event is sponsored by the **Post Carpool Club**, but all are invited to join us for this comedy about a family with long-repressed resentments that bubble over in a weekend full of wild costume parties, voodoo dolls, and surprise romance. To purchase tickets, call the Citadel Box Office at 847 735-8554 x1. Please state that you are from BJB to purchase discounted tickets at \$20 each (regular price is \$38.00). Be sure to advise the ticket agent if you need accessible seating. You must purchase your own tickets. The theater is located on the SW corner of Rt 60 & Waukegan Road. Questions? Contact [Carol Berger](#) or by phone at 847-205-9793.

Monday, May 8, 7:30pm, **New Careers & New Directions - Changing Course: Different Career, Same You** featuring world traveler Kim Svoboda. Presented by the BJB Stars for Business. Open to all BJB members. Please RSVP to [Jeff Segal & Dave Kaufman](#).

Wednesday, May 10, 5:30pm, **Sisterhood Games Galore** - You don't want to miss this exciting event, with a delicious dinner, gourmet desserts, your favorite games, raffles with great prizes, and fun! You and your guests get all this *plus more* for only \$36.00. [Click here](#) for the registration form & more information. Call Lois Stiglitz at 847-498-3337 with any questions.

Tuesday, May 16, 7:00pm, **JUF Speaker & Dessert Reception**, featuring Consul General Aviv Ezra. Watch your mailbox for your invitation. For information and to RSVP [click here](#). 2017 JUF Event Co-Chairs Jennie & Scott Cohen, Holly & Barry Metzger and Sofiya & Paul Stepankovskiy

Community-wide Tikun Leil Shavuot, Standing on the Edge of Sinai, Tuesday, May 30, 7:00pm at Am Shalom, 840 Vernon Avenue, Glencoe. Join BJB clergy and 11 other area congregations as we celebrate an evening of music, poetry and prayer featuring Neshama Carelbach. [Click here](#) for information or call 847.835.4800.

Shabbat Torah Study: Numbers, Saturdays, 11:00am-12:00pm; Instructors Rabbi Karyn Kedar and Rabbi Brian Stoller

Talmud Study, Wednesdays, 7:45-9:00am; Instructor Rabbi Brian Stoller. For more information about the Center for Adult Learning, contact [Andrew Abrams](#)

YOUTH PROGRAMS

SYG and KYG

Do a mitzvah! On **Sunday, April 23, 8-12th graders** have the opportunity to help serve meals to the homeless, through the PADS program. All 8-12th graders are invited to serve food from **6:00-9:00pm** at **1st Presbyterian Church, 824 Waukegan Rd, Deerfield**. Please contact JYG & SYG advisor [Eddie Simon](#) to RSVP and fill out emergency contact form.

Love to sing? You don't have to be in choir to attend the **Chicago Area Youth Choir retreat at OSRUI**. This year's Youth Choir Retreat will take place the weekend of **April 21-23** at Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute (OSRUI) in Oconomowoc, WI. All **children in grades 2-7 are invited to participate** in this special weekend! A talented faculty of cantors and song leaders make this choir weekend a memorable experience. Learn new music, make new friends, perform in concert, and, above all, have fun! You will have the opportunity to compose new melodies based on our theme, Tikun Olam, Repairing the World. On Sunday, these original songs will be presented as we perform a mitzvah in singing at a senior home in our area. Contact [Cantor Green](#) if you are interested in your child attending and/or learning more.

All events take place at BJB unless otherwise stated. For questions or information about youth programs, please contact [Cantor Rayna Green](#).

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SERVICES

Last Day Passover Service with Yizkor, Monday, April 17, 9:30am

Matzah Ball Shabbat, Friday, April 21; 5:15pm for delicious matzah ball soup followed by a Multi-generational Service at 6:00pm.

Shabbat mornings feature our **Kol Shabbat service** at **9:30am** followed by **Torah Study** at **11:00am** led by BJBE clergy.

Please join us for 15 minutes of silent **meditation** from **9:10-9:25am** in the Sanctuary before Kol Shabbat.

Wednesday Morning Minyan: Begin your day in a beautiful and powerful way by attending our Wednesday morning Minyan from **6:45am to 7:15am**. Each week we pray in the intimate space of the Chapel with Rabbi Stoller and a supportive, welcoming group. Experience a prayer service grounded in communal song, thought-provoking liturgy, and deep silence, followed by camaraderie over bagels and coffee. Morning Minyan participants have commented that this worship has connected to their lives in many unexpected and transformative ways. For more information, contact Rabbi Stoller. The weekday prayer melodies are [available here](#), although all are welcome to attend regardless of musical or prayerbook knowledge.

Services in both the Sacred Hall and Sanctuary are streamed.. To view our live or recorded streams, [please click here](#). You may have to watch an initial commercial before the stream begins, but this is a free and open program accessible to anyone. To access:

<http://www.ustream.tv/channel/bjbelive>. Questions? [Click here](#) to contact Arlene Mayzel.

DAYTIME AT BJBE

Monday Canasta/Mahjong: The Sisterhood will host Canasta and Mahjong games on the **2nd and 4th Mondays** of each month at **1:00pm**. All are welcome to join in the fun. To participate, RSVP to [Sharon Krivitzky](#) and let her know which game you will be playing and if you can bring supplies.

Wednesday Morning Minyan: Our weekday morning Minyan meets in the BJBE Chapel from **6:45 - 7:15am**. Contact [Rabbi Stoller](#) for an audio CD of the weekday prayer melodies.

Mishkan Shalom - Jewish Mindfulness and Meditation Group. Join us for this drop in group to learn more about how mindfulness can help you stay present and calm in the midst of frantic living. We will explore the weekly Torah portion and other readings with a spiritual sense of love (chesed) and acceptance (emet).

Wednesdays, 1:00-2:00 pm. New meditators welcome! For more information, call Margot Andersen 847-525-1710.

Thursday Tai Chi Chu'an: We offer a weekly Thursday morning Tai Chi class led by Dr. Drew Serlin at **7:30am**. There is no charge for these classes.

Prepare for Prayer-Open Your Heart. Please join us for 15 minutes of **silent meditation** from **9:10-9:25am** in the Sanctuary, **Saturdays** before Kol Shabbat. This ancient custom is meant to help you transition from busy life, settle your mind and open your heart prior to your prayer practice. No meditation experience necessary! Margot Andersen, 847-525-1710.

SOCIAL ACTION NETWORK

Looking for a group to volunteer at the Inspiration Corporation Saturday, April 22. Congregants and B'nai Mitzvah students have the opportunity to plan a menu, shop for groceries, cook and serve a nutritious

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dinner with a dash of hope served in a restaurant-style setting to individuals who are on their journey from homelessness toward self-sufficiency. There are other open dates during 2017 available. Please contact [Joey Waldman](#) if you are interested.

Project Nourish, Sunday, April 23, 9:30am in the kitchen. Please join our friendly group of volunteers as we make sandwiches and assemble lunches for needy people in the city and Lake County. For more information, contact [Merrilee Waldron](#).

Please help support Camp CAR, NFTY's three-day overnight camp for economically disadvantaged children held annually at OSRUI. This year, many BJBE teens will be counselors and would appreciate your generous donations of linens, toiletries, or books. Find donations bins at the tzedakah nook and the back entrance beginning on Sunday, April 23. Monetary donations are also welcome on the website: chicago.nfty.org/camp-car. Thank you for supporting Camp CAR!

We the People, Making our Voices Heard:

Participate in the democratic process and learn about important current issues and how to make your voice heard. Christ Methodist Church, 600 Deerfield Road, Deerfield is hosting the following non-partisan presentations followed by Q&A:

Education, Tuesday, April 18, 7:00pm, Speaker: *State Representative Scott Drury and Representatives from the League of Women Voters*

Environment, Monday, May 8, 7:00pm, Speaker: *U.S. Congressman Brad Schneider and The Sierra Club*

[Click here](#) to register or call 847-945-3040. [Click here](#) to see information on the BJBE website.

We are collecting toiletries, batteries, hearing aids, eyeglasses, ink cartridges, and cell phones. Thank you for your generous donations. **We are NOT collecting used clothing at this time.**

April Tzedakah

[The Illinois Holocaust Museum](#)

The founding principle of the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center is Remember the Past, Transform the Future. The Museum is dedicated to preserving the legacy of the Holocaust by honoring the memories of those who were lost and by teaching universal lessons that combat hatred, prejudice and indifference. The Museum fulfills its mission through the exhibition, preservation and interpretation of its collections and through education programs and initiatives that foster the promotion of human rights and the elimination of genocide.

CARING COMMUNITY

BJBE's Caring Community is a team of volunteers who can act as your extended family when your family needs additional support. Caring Community provides the following services: home delivered meals in times of need, transportation to/from temple or a medical appointment, phone support for people who are ill or lonely, senior education and caregiver support, chicken or vegetable soups (always available in the kitchen!) and a virtual food pantry. To access these services confidentially, please call Gloria Kaiz at 847-945-3741.

The Caring Community and CJE Senior Life are pleased to offer individual appointments at no charge with **Senior Health Insurance Counselor Esther Craven**. Esther has over 25 years of experience at CJE. As a benefits specialist, she offers assistance and advocacy in areas of Medicare, health insurance and resources for retirement. Individual appointments with Esther are available at BJBE on **Mondays, April 24 and June 12, 3:00 - 6:30pm**. Please email [Debbie Heywood](#) or call her in the temple office at 847.940.7575.

BJBE is certified as a Safer Synagogue by Jewish Community Abuse Resources, Education & Solutions (JCARES). Our leadership has been trained in understanding the impact of abuse across the lifespan and improving access to support for congregants experiencing abusive

situations. For more information, please contact the clergy at 847-940-7575.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Help BJBE while you shop! AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support BJBE every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at [AmazonSmile](#) (using either your Amazon or AmazonPrime account), you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price back to BJBE. *Once you've selected **Congregation B'nai Jehoshua Beth Elohim**, every eligible purchase you make at [smile.amazon.com](#) will result in a donation.* For more information about **AmazonSmile**, [click here](#).

BJBE Sisterhood wants you to know...Whatever you are celebrating.....whether it is a special birthday, anniversary, baby naming, auf ruf, new job, retirement, special trip or any life cycle occasion that you want to share with your temple family, consider sponsoring an oneg to share your simcha! BJBE Sisterhood will help you share your joy at the Friday night oneg shabbat after the service honoring your event. The fee is \$150 which includes our generous dessert trays as well as your name in the Shabbat Bulletin and a thank you at the end of services. You may contact [Sharon Silver](#) with any questions. Checks payable to BJBE Sisterhood. Thank You and Mazel Tov!

Book BJBE for your upcoming celebration!! Your spiritual home is also a premier venue with beautiful reception space in the Village Center, Sacred Hall and Courtyard. With completion of the Sanctuary, we have new opportunities available for you to celebrate your special events at BJBE. For information and reservations, contact [Erica Stone](#) or by phone at 847-940-7575.

JUDAICA (GIFT) SHOP

Hours for the Judaica Shop are Fridays 30 minutes prior to and following Friday Night Services, Wednesdays 4:30pm-6:30pm, Sundays 9:30am-11:30am, and always by special appointment by calling Lynne 847-215-1357.

Looking for a fun and easy way to meet other BJBE members? How about helping out in the Judaica Shop? Don't worry -- we will train you. For information, please call Arlene Wineberg, 224-676-1112.

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