

The Beth Jacob Beat

כ"ג באדר ב' תשע"ט

Parshat Shemini

Shabbat HaChodesh

23 Adar II, 5779, March 30, 2019

The beat goes on...

There's no need to take this home on Shabbos... these announcements can be found on our website at www.BethJacobOakland.org

MAZEL TOVS

Birthdays: Gary Gershony, Leora Hahn, Jed Gilbert (10), Yedidya Naiman (9), Allison Kent Weiss, Vered Links, Nicole Smith, Miriam Friedkin, Mary Friedman, Sarah Luks, Ariana Bennett (7), Eli Dilworth (10)

Anniversaries: Ben & Melanie Marcus, Jonathan & Ellie Hajdu, William Taeusch & Ethel Zivotofsky, Mark & Vered Links

KIDDUSH: This week's Kiddush is sponsored by Phil and Daphna Ross in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Meir Ross – Mazal Tov! Kiddush will be a fleishig (meat) Kiddush.

Mazal Tov to Aaron Harris and Jenna Statfeld Harris as well as big sister Annie and big brother Max on the bris of Robert Avery (Ori Avraham), whom they are calling Robbie.

Kiddush sponsors are requested for May 11th. Please contact office@bethjacoboakland.org to sponsor. Thank you.

MINYAN TIMES

Shacharit: Sunday: 8:00 AM; Mon - Fri: 6:45 AM
Mincha/Maariv: Sun - Thurs: 6:45 PM

Please Note: Shabbat Mincha will take place after the Kiddush luncheon at approximately 1:35 PM

PARSHAT SHEMINI SHABBAT HACHODESH FRIDAY, MARCH 29 – SATURDAY, MARCH 30	
Candle Lighting	7:11 PM
Friday Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv	6:45 PM
Shabbat Morning Services	9:00 AM
Final Time to Say Shema	10:06 AM
Shabbat Mincha	1:35 PM
Shabbat Ends/Havdalah	8:10 PM
Maariv	8:25 PM

Special Torah Reading: This week we take out a second Torah to read Parshat HaChodesh after Parshat Shemini, which some commentaries view as a Biblical commandment to hear on the Shabbat before the new month of Nissan.

Rosh Chodesh Nissan: Next Shabbat, April 6 is Rosh Chodesh Nissan. We will recite the Hallel together in Shul, and please remember to include Yaaleh V'Yavo in your private Amida and Birkat Hamazon.

EVENTS & CLASSES

- **Sunday Morning Breakfast & Tefillah Talks in Memory of Henry Ramek:** Learn together this Sunday morning, March 31 after Shacharit.
- **Pathways through the Parsha:** Join Rabbi Albert Monday morning, April 1 for the Parsha class at OHDS at 8:30 AM. The class will also be livestreamed on Rabbi Albert's Facebook page. If you would like to participate but can't make it to OHDS, make sure to friend Rabbi Albert to watch the class live.
- **BJC University Part 3:** Fundamental Feuds: The Essential Place of Machloket in Jewish Life starts this Tuesday, April 2 at 7:30 PM. The topic will be: *Written by God, but Read by Man: The Two Schools of Midrashic Interpretation and their Two-Thousand Year Legacy.*
- **Lunchtime Talmud:** Thursday, April 4 at noon at the home of Shelley Zak, 901 Hillcroft Circle.
 - **Pre-Pesach Seder:** Pre-Pesach community dinner on Friday, April 12 where you will be able to enjoy Hajdu wines and learn from Rabbi Albert. Babysitting available. **RSVP has been extended until Monday, April 1.** RSVP now by clicking [HERE](#). Everyone is welcome to join for learning after dinner, even if you do not RSVP for the dinner.
 - **Pesach Program for Youth run by Noam and Hila:** Sunday, April 14 from 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM for ages 3-11. Middle Schoolers are welcome to join and help. Lunch will be served. Parents, we hope you can use this time to shop/clean/cook/prepare for Pesach! Please email chani.naiman@gmail.com to sign up.

- **Pre-Pesach Mimouna with Noam and Hila!** Sunday, April 14 from 7:00 -8:00 PM - Mimouna is a North African Jewish celebration held the day after Passover, marking the return to eating chametz. Yes, we know this is the wrong order, but we wanted to join together before Pesach to discuss the deeper meaning of the holiday, and prepare tasty traditional Mimouna treats. Take a break from Pesach preparation to spend time with your friends and prepare spiritually for the holiday. Space is limited, so please RSVP [HERE](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Passover Hospitality:** If anyone is in need of Passover hospitality, or if anyone is able to host a Seder or Yom Tov meals, please contact Meira Albert at bjcholidaymeals@gmail.com by Friday, April 7th.
- **Website Makeover:** Our website is still being developed, but you can visit www.bethjacobokland.org for information about our schedule, to use the member directory, and to make payments. Questions? Please contact Adira: accounting@bethjacobokland.org.
- **Safety Reflector Belts:** The Orthodox Union has spearheaded a campaign to encourage the use of safety reflector belts due to the tragic death of Dr. Richard Friedman z"l in Cedarhurst, NY on December 1. To encourage safe travel on foot, BJC has free safety belts in the office provided by the OU. Please feel free to pick one up.

COMMUNITY MESSAGE BOARD

- **RebbeSoul Havdallah Concert:** Saturday night, March 30 with special guest, Blue - The Fluteman, master of Native American flutes and the RebbeSoul Power Percussion Trio at Duvin, 5736 Thornhill Dr., Oakland CA. Kosher wine will be available for purchase. For more info click [HERE](#).
- **Scholarship to Israel for Jewish Mothers:** JWRP provides an 8-day mostly free trip to Israel for non-Shabbat-observant Jewish mothers with at least one child at home under 18. The experience is extraordinary with very rich programming specific to the needs of Jewish mothers. For details visit JWRP's website: <https://jwrp.org>. Bay Area application: <https://jwrp.secure.force.com/applyenglish?gender=W>.
- **Be the Match Campaign:** Five-year-old Norah is searching for a bone-marrow donor. Visit the link for details at www.norahneedsyou.com.
- **Free Pilates/Yoga for BJC Women:** Join Mindy Berla for a free Piloga class on March 31st at 3:00 PM at BK ROOTS, 300 4th St, Oakland, 94607. For more information visit www.bkrootsfitness.com. RSVP at <https://goo.gl/forms/QnIF9Bta3vTpHQ0E2>.

- **Mommy and Me Yoga:** Join Mielcah for Mommy and Me Yoga class at Meira Albert's home - 1063 Mandana Blvd. on Tuesday, April 2 from 10:30-11:30 AM. \$20/class. Please email Mielcah with any questions at mielcah.a@gmail.com.
- **Monthly Shabbat Open Table:** Anyone and everyone (including children) are invited to a Shabbat dinner hosted by Kirsten Barrere on April 5, 2019. There is a maximum of eleven seats. Please RSVP to Kirsten at barrere0424@sbcglobal.net by April 3.
- **Jewish Coalition for Literacy needs Volunteers:** In just one hour a week, you can help a struggling student learn to love reading. Join the Jewish Coalition for Literacy as a volunteer reading tutor and make a difference in a child's life. To become a JCL tutor, you must first attend a free training and orientation session. No previous tutoring experience is necessary! Next training will be Wednesday, April 10 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at the Jewish Federation, 2121 Allston Way, Berkeley. For more info please go to www.jclread.org.
- **Summer Day Camp:** Camp Shemesh is a fun camp for Jewish kids who are **currently** in grades 1-3. Every day will have a mix of sports, arts & crafts, and Jewish themed experiences as well as swimming three times a week. Teamwork, leadership, and "vi'ahvta li'reacha kamocha" - loving others - are also topics that will be heavily emphasized. **Registration is now live! Space is limited. Rabbi Naiman has made it an option to sign up for a week at a time, for those who needed that flexibility. For more information, and to register, please click [HERE](#).**
- **Camp Gan Israel:** 6 weeks of fun, adventure, and growth mixed with Jewish joy and pride for over 25 years along the sunny shores and amongst the majestic trees of Lake Temescal. For more information visit <http://www.ganisraelberkeley.com/>.
- **Save-the-Date:** Yom HaShoah community commemoration on Thursday, May 2, sponsored by the Jewish Federation and The Jewish Community Foundation of the East Bay from 7:30 – 9:00 PM at Temple Isaiah, 945 Risa Rd., Lafayette. For more information please visit <https://www.jfed.org/shoah/>.

BJC YOUTH EVENTS

B'NAI J YOUTH GROUPS (Tots – 5th grade)

- **Shabbat Groups:** All ages meet in the Downstairs Social Hall at 9:30 AM. Parents, please pick up your children at the end of services (before Kiddush). The Gan will be locked at the completion of groups.
- **B'nai J Tots (1yr - Kindergarten):** Join us this week for special guest Meira Albert as she leads us in circle time!
- **B'nai J Club:** Arcade Shabbat PLUS Super Duper Kiddush! We are excited to see you this week!
- **B'nai J²:** Middle Schoolers are welcome to be junior group leaders. Thank you for your help!

NCSY EVENTS

- **NCSY Annual Celebration Dinner** – All community members and teens ages 6th grade and up are welcome to join us for a fun night reflecting on the incredible year of growth for NorCal NCSY this year! Save the date, April 10th from 6:45 – 8:15 PM at BJC! RSVP at norcal.ncsy.org. Questions - please contact Rabbi Akiva Naiman at namana@ncsy.org.

GRADES 6-8

- **Tuesdays:** Lunch club at OHDS and every other Tuesday at CCJDS.

GRADES 9-12

- **Mondays:** Latte N Learn in Berkeley
- **Tuesdays:** Lunch Club at Piedmont High and JCHS and every other Tuesday at Head Royce
- **Tuesdays:** Lunch Club at Oakland Tech
- **Thursdays:** Learn N' Earn at BJC! 7:45 PM-8:45 P.M.
- **Fridays:** Lunch Club at JCHS