

BJBE Celebrates Jewish Disabilities Awareness and Inclusion Month

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BJBE is proud to have been recognized at the 2017 URJ Biennial as a URJ Disabilities Inclusion Exemplar Congregation!

Join us!

Matzah Ball Shabbat

Friday, February 17, 2018, Matzah Ball Oneg at 5:15pm, Family Service at 6:00pm
Rabbi Fenster will be speaking about the importance of inclusion from the bimah.

BJBE and HUGS present Purim Hamantashen Making for Adults with Disabilities

Tuesday, February 20, 2018, 6:30-7:30pm

Please join us for music, telling of the story of Queen Esther, craft projects and of course hamantashen making and eating! This event is FREE and open to the entire community. Family members and caretakers are always welcome. BJBE is proud to be a member of HUGS. HUGS is a collaborative effort of Chicago north suburban synagogues. HUGS values welcoming people of all abilities and strives to offer meaningful holiday celebrations for children and adults with disabilities.

RSVP to Dani at dglass@bjbe.org

Low-Sensory Purim Carnival Experience

Sunday, February 25, 2018, from 9:00-10:00am

We are proud to open our Purim Carnival early between 9:00-10:00 a.m. for families who have a child with special needs and would benefit from a quieter, lower-stimulating carnival experience. No charge, but registration is required by email to Dani at dglass@bjbe.org.

Did you know?

Our Jewish Learning Center has a Special Needs Coordinator.

The goal of this program is to provide a safe and nurturing Jewish education within the general BJBE classroom for students requiring additional support or accommodations. Diana Slatopolsky, long time BJBE member, Sunday School teacher, and school psychologist, provides guidance to our classroom teachers, students, and parents.

Everyone deserves to become Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

At BJBE, we believe that every child is capable of becoming a Bar or Bat Mitzvah in their own way. We look forward to working in partnership with you and your child. We are confident that together we can meet the needs of each student and make the Bar or Bat Mitzvah experience meaningful.

BJBE is fully accessible.

We have wheelchairs, walkers and large print prayer books available. Please let us know if there is any way that we can help you reach your or your family's needs.



For more information on the BJBE Inclusion committee, contact Jen Gendel, gendeljennifer@gmail.com

