

## NEW ORLEANS SYNAGOGUE SOFTBALL LEAGUE

### REVISED AND FINAL 2011 SCHEDULE 3/5/11

All games are played at Girard Playground's "Louis Kieffer Memorial Field," which is located in the Northwest corner of Girard Playground, located on West Esplanade Avenue at St. Martin Street, 4 blocks west of the intersection of Transcontinental and West Esplanade, the closest parking lot being next to the Girard Playground gymnasium building

- 3/13/11 8:45 a.m. Gates of Prayer vs. Beth Israel  
10:05 a.m. Touro vs. Shir Chadash  
11:25 a.m. Northshore vs. Sinai  
12:45 p.m. B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom vs. Chabad
- 3/20 9:00 Sinai vs. Touro [Note: later starting time due to 3 games only]  
10:20 Northshore vs. Shir Chadash  
11:40 Gates of Prayer vs. B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom  
Byes: Chabad and Beth Israel
- 3/27 9:00 Beth Israel vs. Shir Chadash  
10:20 Chabad vs. B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom  
11:40 Sinai vs. Gates of Prayer  
Byes: Touro and Northshore
- 4/3 9:00 Shir Chadash vs. Northshore  
10:20 B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom vs. Touro  
11:40 Chabad vs. Sinai  
Byes: Beth Israel and Gates of Prayer
- 4/10 9:00 Touro vs. Beth Israel  
10:20 Sinai vs. B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom  
11:40 Gates of Prayer vs. Chabad  
Byes: Shir Chadash and Northshore
- 4/17 No Games [Passover Seder the next night – many with family out-of-town]  
4/24 No Games [Easter – no umpires]
- 5/1 9:00 Sinai vs. Shir Chadash  
10:20 Northshore vs. B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom  
Byes: Chabad, Touro, Beth Israel and Gates of Prayer  
[Holocaust Remembrance Day and Jazz Fest 1<sup>st</sup> weekend]
- 5/8 9:00 Touro vs. Gates of Prayer  
10:20 Beth Israel vs. Chabad  
Byes: Sinai, Shir Chadash, Northshore and B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom  
[Mothers' Day Brunches and Jazz Fest 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend]

- 5/15 9:00 Sinai vs. Beth Israel  
 10:20 Touro vs. Chabad  
 11:40 Shir Chadash vs. B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom  
 Byes: Northshore and Gates of Prayer
- 5/22 8:45 Gates of Prayer vs. Shir Chadash  
 10:05 Beth Israel vs. B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom  
 11:25 Northshore vs. Touro  
 12:45 Northshore [**DH**] vs. Chabad  
 Bye: Sinai
- 5/29 No Games [Memorial Day Weekend]
- 6/5 9:00 Sinai vs. Touro  
 10:20 Gates of Prayer vs. Northshore  
 Byes: Shir Chadash, Beth Israel, Chabad and B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom
- 6/12 8:45 Gates of Prayer vs. Sinai  
 10:05 Beth Israel vs. B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom  
 11:25 Beth Israel [**DH**] vs. Northshore  
 12:45 Chabad vs. Shir Chadash  
 Bye: Touro
- 6/19 9:00 Touro vs. Gates of Prayer  
 10:20 Beth Israel vs. Chabad  
 Byes: Shir Chadash, Sinai, Northshore and B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom  
 [Fathers' Day Brunches]
- 6/26 9:00 Gates of Prayer vs. Beth Israel  
 10:20 Shir Chadash vs. B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom  
 11:40 Northshore vs. Sinai  
 Byes: Touro, Chabad
- 7/3 No Games [Independence Day, July 4, weekend]
- 7/10 9:00 Touro vs. Northshore  
 10:20 Chabad vs. Shir Chadash  
 Byes: Beth Israel, Gates of Prayer, Sinai, B'nai Israel / Beth Shalom
- 7/17 Regular Season Rainout Makeup Date [If not needed, then Playoff Semi-Final Games could be moved up to this date and Championship Game moved up a week]
- 7/24 **Playoff Semi-Final Games** (9:00 a.m. and approximately 10:45 a.m.)
- 7/31 **Playoff Championship Game** (9:00 a.m.)

8/7 Rainout Makeup Date, if needed [probable conflict with Maccabi Games, but cannot be avoided]

8/14 Rainout Makeup Date, if needed

### SCHEDULE NOTES AND STATISTICS

Now that this **Schedule** is in print and revised, after putting approximately  $6 + 3 = 9$  “billable hours” into it, it is **ABSOLUTELY FINAL**, i.e., “set in stone”, as other teams and team members are relying upon it. Since all Team Captains and Team Managers have had between my e-mail of January 26 and February 15 to communicate any and all “Bye Requests”, and we have had other late requests now entered into the above schedule by revision, any scheduled game(s) with respect to which a team now should have a conflict, such that it “cannot play” on that date and time, must be deemed a **forfeit**, i.e., a loss in the standings, by the score of 15-0, which score is obtained from the 15-run “Mercy Rule”, SSL Rule 15, unless any proposed resolution to the conflict is agreeable to the two opposing Team Captains / Managers and the two SSL Officers, Shane Finkelstein and Richard Epstein, i.e., unanimously approved by all four of those individuals.

**Ten (10) Regular Season games for each team per SSL Rule 33**, with no scheduled doubleheaders, originally, but now by revision with 2 scheduled doubleheaders (although rainout makeups may require certain other teams to play a doubleheader on a given day later in the season, due to previous rainout, i.e., “an Act of God”), meaning that with 8 teams in the SSL for 2011, **each team plays 7 teams once and 3 teams twice**, those opponents being selected by the schedule-maker in an NFL-type of scheduling [teams who finished higher in 2010 would have a tougher 2011 schedule], and each team has **4 Byes**, originally, but now by revision 2 teams have **5 Byes**, in order to make the season even for all teams, i.e., ending the season on the same date.

**Statistics re game times** by team are as follows, per team time preferences requested, with an attempt to equalize starting times as much as possible after taking the team time preferences into account, but now somewhat skewed by the late schedule revisions:

Sinai – 1 game at 8:45, 4 at 9:00, 1 at 10:20, 1 at 11:25, 3 at 11:40 a.m. – 4 Byes – 2 games against: Touro, GOP, Northshore

Touro – 6 games at 9:00, 1 at 10:05, 2 at 10:20, 1 at 11:25 a.m. – 4 Byes – 2 games against: Sinai, GOP, Northshore

Beth Israel – 1 game at 8:45, 4 at 9:00, 2 at 10:05, 2 at 10:20, 1 at 11:25 a.m. – 5 Byes – 2 games against: B’nai Israel / Beth Shalom, Chabad, GOP

Gates of Prayer – 3 games at 8:45, 3 at 9:00, 1 at 10:20, 3 at 11:40 a.m. – 4 Byes – 2 games against: Sinai, Touro, BI

Chabad – 5 games at 10:20, 2 at 11:40, 3 at 12:45 p.m. – 4 Byes – 2 games against: B’nai Israel / Beth Shalom, BI, Shir

Shir Chadash – 1 game at 8:45, 3 at 9:00, 1 at 10:05, 3 at 10:20, 1 at 11:40, 1 at 12:45 p.m. – 4 Byes – 2 games against: Northshore, B’nai Israel / Beth Shalom, Chabad

Northshore – 2 games at 9:00, 3 at 10:20, 3 at 11:25, 1 at 11:40, 1 at 12:45 p.m. – 5 Byes – 2 games against: Shir, Sinai, Touro

B’nai Israel / Beth Shalom – 2 games at 10:05, 5 at 10:20, 2 at 11:40, 1 at 12:45 p.m. – 4 Byes – 2 games against: Chabad, BI, Shir

The Schedule has room for only one (1) Regular Season **rainout makeup** date, July 17, on which 4 games could be made up, and the Schedule also could accommodate rainout-makeup games at 12:45 p.m. on 8 dates, and at 11:40 a.m. on 2 dates, so we should be able to reschedule all rained-out games. If, however, there are more rained out games than that, or many should occur near the end of the Regular Season, such that we do not have time in the Regular Season to makeup those games, then only games *most relevant or meaningful to the standings or seedings will be made up*, i.e., if such a game were only to determine who comes in 2<sup>nd</sup> versus 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the standings, no great relevance because the 2<sup>nd</sup> seed plays the 3<sup>rd</sup> seed in the Playoff Semi-Finals, but a game to determine 4<sup>th</sup> place vs. 5<sup>th</sup> place would have great relevance, as 4<sup>th</sup> place goes to the Playoffs and 5<sup>th</sup> place does not. Any additional rainout games will not be rescheduled; rather, they would be deemed “an Act of God,” and the standings/seedings would be based on the team records in the standings, e.g., a team that finishes with a record of 9-1 finishes ½-game ahead of a team that finishes 8-1, with one game rained out and not made up.

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