

MJCBY NEWS

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Rosh Hashanah!



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**STRONGER
THAN EVER**

Schedule of Services

Friday, September 6
6:15pm Services
7:02pm Candle lighting

Saturday, September 7
9:30am Services
Sedra: Shoftim

Friday, September 13
5:45pm TGIS
7:30pm Services & Board
Installation
6:51pm Candle lighting

Saturday, September 14
9:30am Services, Minyonaires &
Jr. Congregation
Sedra: Ki Teitzei

Friday, September 20
6:15 Services
6:39pm Candle lighting
Saturday, September 21

9:30am Services,
Bar Mitzvah of Noah Most
Sedra: Ki Tavo
8:00pm Selichot Program

Friday, September 27
6:15pm Services
6:27pm Candle lighting

Saturday, September 28
9:30am Services
Sedra: Nitzavim

Sunday, September 29
Erev Rosh Hashanah
5:00pm HHD Family Friendly Service
8:00pm HHD Traditional Service
6:24pm Candle lighting

Monday, September 30
Rosh Hashanah 1st Day
Lunch with the Clergy follows service
5:15pm Taschlich at Speedwell Lake
Mincha 5:30, Ma'ariv 6 pm
In case of inclement weather,
services will be at the Jewish Center
6 pm Mincha, 6:30 Ma'ariv

Tuesday, October 1
Rosh Hashanah 2nd Day
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Friday, October 4
6:15pm Services
6:19pm Candle Lighting

Saturday, October 5
9:30am Services –
Shabbat Shuva
Sedra: Vayeilech

Tuesday, October 8
Erev Yom Kippur
6:00pm Kol Nidre Services
6:09pm Candle lighting

Wednesday, October 9
Yom Kippur
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FROM THE DESK OF THE RABBI

'Hazak Ve'ematz- Be Strong'

In 1974, Bob Dylan released his now famous song "Forever Young." By that time Dylan was a father of four children and according to the lore of "Forever Young," he composed the lyrics as a blessing to his youngest son, Jakob. Despite the title, the song actually centers on Dylan's hopes for the kind of human being his son will grow up to become over time. In particular, he asks (or maybe prays?), "May you always be courageous / Stand upright and be strong."

It is that word 'strong' that catches my attention. As the summer comes to a close, so does the cycle of reading through the Torah, and Dylan's words (perhaps purposefully) echo Moses's words to Joshua as he prepares to give over leadership of the people.

Hazak Ve'ematz, be strong and resolute.

As the high holidays approach and we reflect on the year that has passed, all of us know and feel a new reality, both as Americans and as Jews. It is a reality that not one of us would have dreamed of, nor imagined for ourselves. Our country doesn't feel as safe as it used to be, neither as Americans nor as Jews.

So I put on the table our theme for the year- 'As Strong As Ever' and put before us this question- what gives us the courage to face these uncertain times?

Our history has guided us. Through every trial, we remind ourselves of those words of Moses- Hazak- be strong- Ve'ematz- and resolute.

In the year that will soon begin, let's remind ourselves of how much we have to lean on and how much we have to teach the world about living in uncertain times, of those things that bring value to our lives, personally, as Americans and as Jews.

Let's enter this year reminding ourselves- we are as strong as ever.

Now, let's live that way.

Rabbi Nesson

GOOD & WELFARE

Condolences to:

Rabbi Nesson on the passing of his uncle, Jacob (Jack) Nesson.
Cantor Onigman on the passing of her grandmother, Cynthia Onigman.

Phillip Rosenbach on the passing of his step mother, Sylvia Fendel Rosenbach.

Stanley Levitt on the loss of his sister, Sylvia Bloom.

Darlene Raisch on the passing of her husband, Richard Raisch.

Mazel Tov to:

Marc and Beth Alterman on the marriage of their daughter, Meredith, to Dr Corey Diamond.

Joel and Ginger Beecher on the marriage of their granddaughter, Meredith, to Dr Corey Diamond.

Dr. Susan Neigher, on being awarded the Hannah G. Solomon Award by the National Council of Jewish Women, the highest award of the NCJW and is named after it's founder.

Rebecca Gold on her appointment to the Board of Trustees of the NJ Healthcare Foundation.

Dr. Peter Loeb on being named Distinguished Professor at Rutgers University.

Dr. Peter and Marilyn Loeb on the marriage of their daughter, Jennifer, to Michael Caltabellotta.

Refuah Schlema to:

Steven Abend, Ray Chimoff, Jeff Czeisler, Jacob Green, Ellis Hoch, Sue Jacobowitz, Nancy Medford, Sonya Oppenheimer, Barbara Saltzman, Andrew Schwartz, Hilde Spain, Barbara Stein, Eli Diringier, Eileen Goldman, Jeff Pancis, Tamara Goldberg and Dennis Frigand.

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YOUR QUICK
LOOK GUIDE
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Notes from the Cantor



The opportunity to welcome Shabbat with the music and text of Kabbalat Shabbat and Ma'ariv services on Friday evening is my favorite moment of the week. The texts evocative of the majesty and power of God's creation as we see it in the natural world, the tunes that are catchy and easy to sing along with and beautiful, the flickering beauty of the candle light, the service that lasts only about an hour or so, all while the setting sun creates gorgeous colors through the stained glass of our historic synagogue's beautiful chapel and front doors. What's not to love?

But, I get it! At the end of a busy week of work or school or other activities, we're often just too exhausted to go back out to the synagogue — whether or not we've had the chance to have Shabbat dinner yet. I, myself, found that I was rarely able to sit down to Shabbat dinner at home with my own family, let alone invite guests over, because Friday afternoons were just too busy and the timing just didn't work. Besides, my kitchen just never seemed big enough or organized enough to pull off a real dinner.

So, I started cooking dinner in the big beautiful kitchen at the Morristown Jewish Center. At some point I realized that it was easier than cooking dinner at home in my own kitchen and I can invite as many guests as are willing to come to join Rabbi Nesson and me for dinner in the Frigand Hall. I do ask for RSVP's so I can make sure to set enough places and cook enough food, but it's an open invitation and everyone is welcome — and I do my best to take individual food allergies/intolerances and other dietary needs into account each week. If you haven't yet come to a Shabbat service and home-cooked dinner at MJCBY, consider this your invitation — but please email me at cantorshana@gmail.com to let me know when you're coming, and with any questions you may have. Services *usually* start at 6:15pm on Friday nights, followed immediately by dinner. We hope you can join us!

Cantor Shana Onigman

From our



I'd like to share the following story with you, which I believe really sets the tone for the upcoming High Holy Days, or more specifically, the Yamim Nora'im or "Days of Awe."

Once upon a time, a few weeks before the High Holy Days, G-d spoke to one of his angels and said, "For this Rosh Hashanah, I want you to bring me the most precious thing in the world." The angel bowed low, accepted the assignment, and flew to Earth to get started. The angel knew that G-d did not always give detailed instructions and hoped that completing this assignment would not be too difficult. What is the most precious thing in the world, he wondered, but no obvious answer came, so he started looking.

He searched around the beautiful mountains and lakes, flew to the top of tall peaks and swam to the bottom of the deep waters, without success. One afternoon, it started to rain, and as the rain moved across the mountains, the sun came out and the angel saw something amazing...a giant rainbow that spread from one end of the horizon to the other. Not sure how to bring a piece of the rainbow to G-d, the angel grabbed a few rain drops, returned to G-d and told the story to him. G-d replied, "A rainbow is indeed beautiful and fleeting, but it is not the most precious thing in the world. Keep looking!"

The angel flew back to Earth and started looking inside buildings, hoping to find something precious. In a small, rural town, he searched houses and offices, where he found happy people, sad people,

Administrator

but nothing precious. Then, one night, he noticed a light in the window and discovered a woman smiling in a way the angel had never seen. The woman was cradling an infant in her arms and she was playing with the baby's small hands and feet. The angel knew that the woman's smile was extremely precious. Quietly, the angel borrowed one of the mother's smiles. Upon being presented with the mother's smile, G-d said, "Indeed, this is something beautiful and precious, but it is not the most precious thing in the world. You are headed in the right direction. Keep looking."

Disappointed, the angel flew back to Earth, wondering where to look next. He searched all over the city. One afternoon, while taking a break at a street corner, the angel noticed a blind man with a cane, waiting to cross the street. As the traffic light went through many cycles, many people walked past the man, not even noticing him. Then a young girl walked up to the man and said shyly..."May I help you across the street?" The man breathed a sigh of relief and thanked the girl for caring about him.

Excitedly, the angel flew back to G-d with the story of the young girl and blind man. This kind of deed- a mitzvah- must be the most precious thing in the world, but when presented to G-d, he said, "A mitzvah is indeed very special and important, but it is not the most precious thing in the world. I want you to look one more time. Look everywhere, but especially in the hearts of people. I am sure you will succeed."

By this time, the angel was almost exasperated. Usually, angels have an easy time pleasing G-d, but this month has been a tough one. Determined not to give up, the angel again flew back to Earth to keep looking. Before he began to look, he decided to rest on a park bench. Soon after sitting down, the angel heard

sobs from a crying man on an adjacent bench. Curious, the angel went over to the man, who was writing in his journal, as the tears flowed down his cheeks. As the angel leaned over the man to see what he was writing, he read "Rosh Hashanah is approaching and my relationship with my brother is still strained. We haven't spoken or seen each other in months. Will he ever forgive me for how I treated him this summer?" As the man wrote this last sentence, he paused and looked up, and began writing again. "He won't forgive me until I ask him to, until I tell him how sorry I am for what I did. I must find a way to tell him how sorry I am that my anger has caused so much unhappiness."

Another tear rolled down the man's cheek. But before it could reach the pages of his journal, the angel quickly reached out and caught it. The angel hoped and prayed that his search was over. When he presented the man's tear to G-d, G-d said, "My faithful angel, this is indeed the most precious thing in the whole world... the tear of someone who is truly sorry. It is a tear from the heart, and it will bring peace into the world. The two brothers will forgive each other and they will enjoy a loving and happy new year. My dear angel, I bless you for your good work. Now, go tell this story to others, so that all who hear it can learn from it.

This story is based on a Chasidic tale and has an important message for Yamim Noraim. It highlights one of the major themes for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur...the theme of Repentance or Teshuvah. Our tradition teaches that repentance is so important that it is considered one of three things that can affect the divine decree of judgment. The words of the Unetaneh Tokef solemnly declare: "Let us proclaim the sacred power of this day; it is awesome and full of dread. For on this day your dominion is exalted,

your throne established in steadfast love; there in truth you reign. In truth you are judge and arbiter, counsel and witness. On Rosh Hashanah it is written, on Yom Kippur it is sealed: How many shall pass on, how many shall come to be, who shall live and who shall die. But Teshuvah, Tefilah and Tzedakah temper judgment's severe decree."

Repentance is not a word that we use often during the rest of the year. For some, it falls into a category of religious language that borders on inaccessibility; or meaninglessness. For others, it has connotations of Christian evangelism. But the concept of repentance is of grave importance for us Jews at this time of the year.

The root of the word teshuvah has the connotation of "turning" or "returning." The man in the story was writing about teshuvah, turning to his brother and turning towards G-d. Our tradition teaches that the type of teshuvah we should do depends on the sin committed. For sins against G-d, we ask for forgiveness on Yom Kippur. But for sins against our fellow human beings, we must ask for forgiveness from those we have wronged. While the concept of asking G-d for forgiveness for sins against G-d is relatively straightforward, the concept of asking others for forgiveness is a classic case of something that is easier said than done. Most of our sins against others happen in our closest relationships-in our relationships with those who are most important in our lives. And by its very nature, such close relationships are tangled. Often, both parties in a relationship have responsibility for the way we behave inside that relationship. This makes the process of teshuvah very complicated. We feel upset, or guilty, and we want to apologize, but we are not sure what to apologize for.

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Rabbi David Nesson, Cantor Shana Onigman,
Noam Marans, Guest Rabbi and Cantor Maimon Attias, Cantor Emeritus

EREV ROSH HASHANAH - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Services

Family 5:00 pm Sanctuary 8:00 pm
Candelighting 6:24 pm
Services timed to allow a Yom Tov meal with family following services.

FIRST DAY ROSH HASHANAH MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Pseukei and Shacharit ** 8:45 am	Main Sanctuary
Family Service* 9:15 am	Frigand Hall
Torah Service & Musaf 10:00 am	Main Sanctuary & Ballroom
Children's Programs, Junior Congregation & Teen Discussion 10:30 am	Religious School Classrooms
Lunch with the Clergy following services	Frigand Hall
Taschlich 5:00 pm	Speedwell Lake
Mincha 5:30 pm	
Maariv 6:00 pm	
In case of inclement weather, services will be at the Jewish Center	
Mincha 6 pm, Ma'ariv 6:30 pm	

SECOND DAY ROSH HASHANAH, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

Pseukei and Shacharit** 8:45 am	Main Sanctuary
Family Service* 9:15 am	Frigand Hall
Torah Service & Musaf 10:00 am	Main Sanctuary & Ballroom
Children's Programs, Junior Congregation & Teen Discussion 10:30 am	Religious School Classrooms

**PLEASE NOTE: **Taschlich Family Program
Sunday Morning, October 6- 10:15 am**

Speedwell Lake

YOM KIPPUR KOL NIDRE, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

Parallel Services 6:00 pm
Candlelighting 6:09 pm

YOM KIPPUR DAY WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

Pseukei and Shacharit 8:45 am	Main Sanctuary
Family Service* 9:15 am	Frigand Hall
Torah Service, Yizkor & Musaf 10:00 am	Main Sanctuary & Ballroom
Children's Programs, Junior Congregation & Teen Discussion 10:30 am	Religious School Classrooms
Mincha 4:30 pm	Main Sanctuary
Ne'ilah 5:50 pm	Main Sanctuary
Ne'ilah 6:00 pm	Ballroom
Maariv, Havdalah & Sounding of the Shofar 7:14 pm	Main Sanctuary

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LUNCH WITH THE CLERGY

Stay and enjoy lunch
with our clergy and families

Monday, September 30 following services

RSVP by September 22 to Joel@mjcby.org

Cost \$20 per adult, \$10 per child (8-18)
\$5 per child (2-7)



Rosh Hashanah begins
on September 29.

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book today.

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at \$36 per book. Contact the MJCby Office, 973-538-
9292, to purchase your copy.

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Therefore, the pain and hurt, and this confusion of feelings can
prevent us from taking the first step.

The stories of our lives are complicated, they have a history;
they cannot be unraveled with simple answers and simple
lessons. It is with these complex realities in mind that the
rabbis, over many generations, have developed the themes and
traditions of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. These holy days
can hold power over even the most complex challenges in our
own lives.

We find comfort in the fact that others around us are going
through the process of self-reflection and teshuvah at the same
time as we are. We find solace in the music and prayers that are
chanted and read by Jews around the world. We find strength
in a 3,000 year old tradition that gives us a framework for
repairing the damage in our lives that has been carried over
the past year.

As we go through this cathartic introspection, let us mimic the
behavior of two characters in the story. Let us mimic the angel
by searching relentlessly for the things that are most important
in our lives. And let us mimic the man on the park bench who
finds the strength to reach out to a loved one who is far away.
While neither of these tasks is easy, surely, both of them will go
a long way towards making the next year a Shana Tova.

For Rosh Hashanah, we extend the following greeting to you:
SHANA TOVA U'METUKAH.

Between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, our hopes to you are
for a: G'MAR CHATIMAH TOVA.

From Eileen, Joshua, and myself, we wish you, your loved ones
and your extended families a year filled with good health and
peace.

Family Taschlich at Speedwell Lake with Rabbi Nesson

Sunday, October 6, 2019 at 10:15am

OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY

Grades 3-7 Walk from MJCby at 9:45am
K-2 Meet at Speedwell Lake at 10:15am



Tossing Away Our Mistakes

(regular, gf bread crumbs & environmentally friendly alternatives available)

For information contact: Joel Goldman
joel@mjcby.org

Annual Memorial Service at Beth Israel Cemetery

Sunday, October 6, 2019 at 12:30 PM

SUKKOT

Celebrate Sukkot with Men's Club

MEN'S CLUB SUKKAH RAISING

Sunday, October 6 at 8:00AM

Join the Men's Club as they raise
the sukkah for MJCBy.

To volunteer, email
mensclub@mjcby.org

Bagels and Coffee Provided



SCOTCH & CIGARS IN THE SUKKAH
(OR HAVE A KNISH OR A HOT DOG)



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19
at 7:30PM

\$20 FOR MENS' CLUB MEMBERS \$25 FOR NON-MEMBERS

Join the Men's Club as they enjoy premium
scotch and cigars under the stars in the sukkah.

RSVP by October 14 to Doug Goldstein:
dggldstin@yahoo.com so we can have enough scotch
and cigars for all to enjoy.



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\$40 Per Set

Deadline: Wednesday, October 2nd

Send orders to Joel@mjcby.org

MJCBy INVITES YOU TO

PIZZA IN THE HUT

AND MAKE YOUR OWN SUKKAH CONTEST

Sunday, October 13 @ 11:45am
(for children and adults of all ages)



Make your
own pizza

Followed by a
make your
own sukkah
contest
(materials
provided)



RSVP to Miriam: Miriam@mjcby.org

DINNER IN THE SUKKAH

Mr. Fish and the Fantastic Forces



\$20 pp 6 years & up
5 & under FREE
Max \$60 per family

Friday, Oct 18, 2019

6 pm

**followed by Program
& Services**

177 Speedwell Ave.,
Entrance in Rear

**For
Adults & Children
of all ages!**

RSVP miriam@mjcby.org

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MJCBY News

WHAT IS GEMILUT HASADIM?

The Gemilut Hasadim Committee is here to help support you and your family. We provide assistance to our MJCBY families who are experiencing illness, recovering from surgery or need help at a difficult time. We provide meals to help comfort them and lessen one burden of needing to cook during these times.

Join Us!

The Gemilut Hasadim Committee is looking for volunteers to make an occasional meal for a member of our congregation who is ill, returning from the hospital or a rehab facility.



ELISA DAY-UDASKIN

If you are in need of such support or interested in helping others contact the MJCBY office or the Committee Chair Elisa Udaskin at eudaskin@gmail.com. We will discuss your needs and provide meals for you and your family.

The Jewish Center
invites you to the

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 - 7:30 pm

A festive oneg shabbat follows services

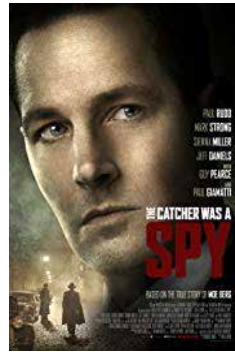
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Sunday, September 15

7 pm



THE CATCHER WAS A SPY



A major league baseball player, Moe Berg, lives a double life working for the Office of Strategic Services during WWII. Born in Manhattan but raised in Newark, New Jersey, Berg graduated from Princeton—quite an accomplishment for a young Jewish man in the anti-Semitic Ivy League university system—and went on to play for a number of minor and major league teams, including the Cleveland Indians, the Washington Senators, and the Boston Red Sox.

As always, the movie and refreshments are free.
We look forward to seeing you there.



LOOKING TO GIVE BACK TO YOUR COMMUNITY THROUGH GOOD DEEDS?

We serve less fortunate members of the Morristown community at the Morristown Soup Kitchen, the 4th Sunday of every month.

Our **SOUP**-er volunteers for July were:

Rita Fand, Julie Guss, Coby and Sabrina Schneider, Linda Forgosh, Laurie Ebner-Lyons, Flo Rudich, David Ganz, Kim Kramer, Mark Feldman, Rachel Richman, Yale Levine, Alana Levine and Lou Bodian.

The Social Action Committee is looking for new members. If you are interested in extending what MJCBY does beyond the Soup Kitchen and Family Promise activities, we would like to hear from you. MJCBY prides itself on doing Tikkun Olam to benefit our community, and your suggestions will help us to expand our mission.

If interested, please e-mail either Lou Bodian (Loub48@gmail.com) or Howard Buxbaum (howardbuxbaum@gmail.com).

Synagogue News & Events

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in just 24 weeks

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your religion?
Thinking about
converting to Judaism?
Thinking about being
part of a Jewish family?
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Then this Introduction to
Judaism class
is for you

3 locations in New Jersey:
Hoboken (Wed eves starting Oct 30, 2019)
Marlboro (Sun mornings starting Nov 3, 2019)
Morristown (Thurs eves starting Oct 24, 2019)

See www.IntroJudaismNJ.com for registration info

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Judaism, but interest in conversion is not a prerequisite for
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Judaism and the Rabbinical Assembly, NJ Region

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WELCOME...



Allisyn Derian is our new administrative assistant who comes to us with more than 15 years of experience as a professional in the business world, having worked for major players in advertising and marketing. She brings a professional demeanor to the front desk, together with a great skill set including knowledge of Microsoft Suite and a personality that exudes warmth and significant customer service/relationship building.



Nancy Zaklukiewicz replaces our current bookkeeper, Tamara Goldberg, who retired on June 30. Nancy brings almost 30 years of experience in the areas of accounting, finance and bookkeeping. She is certified as a QuickBooks bookkeeper and has already begun to review existing policies and procedures.



Miriam Krinsky will be our new Program Director and Youth Advisor, who comes to us from the Chabad Center for Jewish Life in Hillsborough. She is a Jewish educator, program director, nonprofit manager and community builder with over 16 years of experience. Stay tuned for the exciting programs that will be happening in the coming months as Miriam launches her creativity at MJCBY.



Synagogue News & Events

Saturday, September 21



Community Selichot Program and Service
at the **Morristown Jewish Center**
with Pine Brook Jewish Center, White Meadow Temple and Temple B'nai Or

featuring a reading of
THE GATES ARE CLOSING
by Merle Feld

Starring members of all our congregations!
Doors open at 8:00PM Havdallah is at 8:15PM
Program 8:30PM Service at 9:30PM
followed by sounding of the Shofar and a dessert reception

 The entire community is invited.
RSVP to Joel@mjcby.org 973.538.9292
177 Speedwell Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960

T.G.I.S
THANK G-D IT'S SHABBAT
Travel around the world as we celebrate Shabbat!

- 🌐 Taste Delicious International Cuisine (kid and allergy friendly)!
- 🌐 Learn about Jewish communities around the World!
- 🌐 Fun for the whole Family!
- 🌐 Open to the Community!



Sep 13 AUSTRIA	Jan 31 SINGAPORE
Oct 11 ITALY	Mar 13 RUSSIA
Dec 6 MEXICO	May 8 ISRAEL

Services & Shabbat Dinner for Children & Parents,
followed by BYOB and shmoozing for the adults
& educational activities for the kids!

 **RSVP: miriam@mjcby.org**
177 Speedwell Ave, Morristown
Entrance in Rear

Service 5:45 pm
followed by Dinner - \$10 p
(2 yrs and up Fam Max \$25)

Classes begin Sunday September 8, 2019

Is your child reading Hebrew better than you?

Adult Hebrew Classes

Classes to be held Sundays during religious school sessions

Beginners 9:30 _____ Intermediate 10:20 _____
Conversational 11:10 _____

FREE to Religious School Parents & Teens

MJCby Members \$50.00
Non Members \$100.00

Name _____
Phone _____
email _____

Questions please contact flo@mjcby.org

 **CELEBRATE**
SIMCHAT TORAH!



Come unroll the Scroll!
Monday, October 21, 2019
5:30 pm (optional) Dinner
6:15 pm Services

Ice Cream
& make your own
Caramel
Apples!

5:30 pm
Cantor Shana's
Spaghetti Dinner
\$ 5 per person.
Children
under 13 free

RSVP by Oct 16
miriam@mjcby.org

Welcoming our 3rd Grade families to Religious School

Legacy



MJCBY'S LEGACY SOCIETY



*"As my parents planted before me, so do I plant for those who will come after me."
- Talmud [Ta-anit 23a]*

MCJBY is Stronger than Ever and the reason for that is You.

By becoming a member of the MJCBY Legacy Society along with the 59 current members you continue to strengthen the bonds of our 120 year old community.

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Special note: Let us know if you or a family member would like a visit from the Rabbi due to illness. HIPPA privacy laws prevent us from receiving this information.

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Religious School News

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL OPENING DAY - SUNDAY SEPT. 8 - 9:30AM

Classes begin
Sunday
September 8, 2019

Is your child reading
Hebrew better than
you?

Adult Hebrew Classes

Classes to be held Sundays during religious school sessions

Beginners 9:30 _____ Intermediate 10:20 _____
Conversational 11:10 _____

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MJCBY Members \$50.00
Non Members \$100.00

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Phone _____
email _____

Questions please contact flo@mjcb.org

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Sunday, September 15, 9:00am - 10:30am

Adult \$10-each
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(under 2 free)

**\$20 maximum
per family**

9:45 - Special
Performance
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Children !

Pancakes
Scrambled eggs
Orange juice and
Coffee
will be served

RSVP by September 12th to
Debbie Goldstein
debbiegoldstein24@yahoo.com

Checks payable to MJCBY. Mail to MJCBY Pancake,
177 Speedwell Avenue, Morristown NJ, 07960

Proceeds will benefit the
Religious School

*For special dietary
requests, or questions
please contact
Debbie Goldstein



Family News



NOAH MOST

Noah Most, son of Orli Langer-Most and Michael Most of Chester, and brother to sixteen year old Mady, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on September 21. He became a bar mitzvah on June 27 in Jerusalem.

Noah is an honor role student at Gill St. Bernards who does karate, tennis and loves learning about space and building legos. As his Mitzvah project, Noah has been collecting blankets and toys to donate to a local animal shelter.

We are very proud of Noah for his hard work that has gone into preparing for this important Jewish milestone. He approached this milestone with the same compassion and dedication that he shows in everything he does. We can't wait to see what else he will accomplish in his lifetime.

The Judie Gerstein Early Learning Center

Shalom Yeladim Challah Time!

The challah we offer is fresh baked. It will be delivered every week SY is in session. The challah is made locally in a nut free facility, certified kosher, freezes well and is really delicious!



We have two options for delivery: October 16, 2019 to June 3, 2020

- **WEEKLY** - \$140 for the year - delivered every Wednesday, pickup after 12pm in office — or
- **MONTHLY** - \$45 for the year - delivered the first Wednesday of each month. If school is closed on the first Wednesday of the month it will arrive the following week

There are four varieties: Water (egg-free), Egg, Whole Wheat and Egg Challah Rolls.

Challah will not be delivered during NJ Teacher Convention, Thanksgiving, the week before and during Passover. The yearly order does not include the Holiday challahs delivered for Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur).

Your completed form and checks payable to **SHALOM YELADIM** should be completed by **October 7** and sent to SY or the office Attn: **CHALLAH ORDER**

Please email shalomyeladim@mjcby.org if you have any questions.

2019-20 Shalom Yeladim Challah Order Form

Family Name: _____
Contact Phone: _____
Contact Email: _____

Type of Challah	Would you like it pre-sliced? Yes or No	Quantity	Total Cost Weekly: \$140 Monthly: \$45
Water Challah (egg free)			
Egg Challah			
Whole Wheat			
Challah Rolls			
Total			

If I cannot pick up my challah please: (circle one) **Donate to Preschool** **Freeze**

The Judie Gerstein Early Learning Center

September is a very exciting time for Shalom Yeladim. Our classrooms and halls are decorated, and we are ready to begin a new school year. The Shalom Yeladim staff has been working during the summer to prepare for a wonderful year filled with laughter and learning.

During the High Holy Day months, there are many different programs for you and your families. Please join us and participate in all the activities.

Spread the word and come be a part of this amazing preschool.

Feel free to stop by, call or email. I would love to hear from you.

From the entire Shalom Yeladim staff - have a happy, sweet and healthy New Year!

Michelle Nulman

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Sep. 12, 19, 26

Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Nov. 1, 15, 22

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Organize support at caringorganizer.com

Be kind. Be meaningful. Take care of your community.

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SEPTEMBER

9/2	LABOR DAY	NO SCHOOL
9/3-4	BRIDGES	7:30 am-6:00 pm
9/5	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL	
9/24	BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT	7:00 pm
9/30-10/1	ROSH HASHANA	NO SCHOOL

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YOUR QUICK
LOOK GUIDE
ON PAGE 23

Men's Club



TEFILIN AND SCHMOOZE

Sunday, Sept 8 - 9:30 a.m.

With bagels and coffee and Entenmanns.

BALLROOM SETUP

Sunday, Sept.22 - 8 a.m.

Ballroom set-up for the High Holy Days.

SUKKAH RAISING

Sunday, October 6 - 8:00 am

SCOTCH & CIGARS

Saturday, October 19 - 7:30 p.m.

Scotch & Cigars in the Sukkah. Hot dogs and knishes, too.

SUKKAH TAKE DOWN

Sunday, October 27 - 8 a.m.

Help take down the sukkah. Coffee and a light nosh.

Any questions, Contact Doug Goldstein
dgldstn@yahoo.com or (973) 895-3082.

MEN'S CLUB DUES

\$36.00

2019-2020

MENSCH

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2. Food for our blood drive!
3. Bagels at our many events!
4. Ice cream for everyone on Simchat Torah!
5. B'Nai Mitzvah Gifts! Kiddush cup/boys - Candle sticks/girls!
6. Tallit and tefillin brunch for 6th grade students and families!
7. Special talks and lectures and Book Club!

Make checks payable to "MJCBY Men's Club" - mail to:
Doug Goldstein, 24 Forrest Road, Randolph, NJ 07869
Questions - dgldstn@yahoo.com or (973) 895-3082.

Name: _____

Tel #: _____

Email: _____

Celebrate Sukkot with Men's Club

MEN'S CLUB SUKKAH RAISING

Sunday, October 6 at 8:00AM

Join the Men's Club as they raise the sukkah for MJCBY.

To volunteer, email
mensclub@mjcby.org

Bagels and Coffee Provided



SCOTCH & CIGARS IN THE SUKKAH (OR HAVE A KNISH OR A HOT DOG)

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19
at 7:30PM**



\$20 FOR MENS' CLUB MEMBERS \$25 FOR NON-MEMBERS

Join the Men's Club as they enjoy premium scotch and cigars under the stars in the sukkah.

RSVP by October 14 to Doug Goldstein:
dgldstn@yahoo.com so we can have enough scotch and cigars for all to enjoy.

MEN'S CLUB BOOK CLUB

September 18

Nemesis, Phillip Roth

October 16

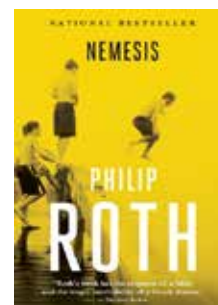
In My Brother's Image,
Eugene Pogany

November 20

People of the Book, Geraldine Brooks

December 18

Last Watchman of Old Cairo, Michael Lukas



Contact Howard Buxbaum for more information
(201) 519-6667 howardbuxbaum@gmail.com

Sisterhood News

Sisterhood would like to wish everyone "L'Shana Tovah" and we are excited to be starting a new year of programs and activities to serve the wonderful women of MJCBY. Hope you will join us!

Please Save the Date for the annual "Paid Up Membership" Dinner on Sunday, November 3rd at 6pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Reasons to support and join Sisterhood.....

- Diverse membership of unique women spanning all ages
- Annual "Paid-Up" Membership Dinner
- Social and Cultural programming
- Beautification and Support of the congregation
- Become part of Women's League for Conservative Judaism
- Support Torah Fund and the Jewish Theological Seminary Book Club
- Sisterhood Shabbat
- Gift to all B'nai Mitzvah students on their special day
- Send goodie bags to college students
- Judaica Gift Shop supplies all your Judaica needs
- Flowers on the Bimah for all holidays
- Prepare Break Fast after Yom Kippur

Join today! Send your \$36 dues payment to MJCBY-Sisterhood.

Presidium,

Beth Schreiber, Rachel Richman and Sharon Barkauskas

Contact us at Sisterhood@MJCBY.org

SISTERHOOD'S HIGH HOLY DAY CAMPAIGN

The High Holy Days begin on September 29, 2019.

Please consider contributing to Sisterhood's High Holy Day fundraiser.
Each member receives a New Year's token of appreciation.
Your name appears on an enclosed letter as a contributor.
Your donation makes you a partner in all the wonderful contributions
Sisterhood does for MJCBY!

THIS IS OUR MAJOR FUNDRAISER FOR THE YEAR!

____ Please send my wishes for a Sweet Year to the entire congregation at \$136.00.

____ Please send my wishes for a Sweet Year to the families listed below at \$7.00 per family. Please use additional paper if needed.

____ I can help deliver the Sisterhood High Holy Days thank you package.

Please return this form with a check payable to Sisterhood by September 15th to MJCBY Sisterhood
177 Speedwell Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960
For more information, contact,
Marcie Charm at 267-566-1113 marciecharm@gmail.com

Name _____ Email _____
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Chesed means "kindness" in Hebrew. The word can also be translated as "lovingkindness," to convey the deep love that animates Jewish acts of kindness, done without thought of reward.

The Bible has numerous examples of chesed, such as Abraham and Sarah welcoming three strangers to their tent in the heat of the day; Abraham's servant's prayer for a wife for Isaac, answered by Rebecca who offers water to him and to his camels; and Ruth, who shows loyalty and kindness to Naomi, adopting her religion and peoplehood, after Naomi has experienced great loss. The rabbinic tradition enacted many laws to formalize our commitment to kindness, making chesed one of the three central pillars of Jewish life, as Shimon HaTzaddik taught: "The world rests on three things, on Torah, on service of God, and on deeds of kindness" (Pirkei Avot 1:2).

The 5780 (2019-2020) Torah Fund pin depicts a heart surrounded by three circles, one larger than the next. This symbolizes the heart of kindness, which Jews enact in ever-widening realms of generosity: from family, to community, to the larger world; from North America, to Israel, to the world; or from sisterhood, to region, to the larger world of Women's League for Conservative Judaism. And as it is said in Psalm 89, may we build a world of kindness.

For more information or to receive your pin, Contact Linda Rosenbaum (973) 695-2390

Yahrzeits

SHABBAT SEPTEMBER 6 & 7

Elul	September	
7	7	David Goldberg Florence Suval Jerald Reingold Max Katz * Philip Miller Richard Bodner
8	8	Armand Feldman * Bluma Rothman * Fannie Hochman * Hyman Kravetsky * Joseph Cohen * Lena Clurman Maurice Rubin * Robert Ehrlich Samuel Smukler *
9	9	Katherine Schweber Morton Nesson *
10	10	Solomon Goldfinger * Geraldine Graf Murray Gruber * Nathan Frost Rose Wenarsky *
11	11	Ethel Pfeffer * Jack Mintz * Jules Max Gerwin Laurie Gordon * Minnie Dunay *
12	12	Dorothy Stern *
13	13	Albert Bender Florence Kefford Frances Grobman

SHABBAT SEPTEMBER 13 & 14

Elul	September	
14	14	Charles Segal Max Klein Philip Kantrowitz * Regina Kesten Fisch *
15	15	Devorah Kotlarskaya Ellen Lewin Ida Silinsky Sidney Levine Sol Gutes
16	16	Alfred Rueff Edward Berman Emanuel Wolf Harry Ginsberg Robert Miller

SHABBAT SEPTEMBER 13 & 14

Elul	September	
17	17	Abraham Silverstein * Bertel Hirsch Mark Levin Rose Epstein *
18	18	Esther Balter * Helen Schlosberg * Herman Grandis Joseph Thal Moshe Goldin *
19	19	Jack Cohen Jerome Gottesman Jonathan Kelter Robert Weinstock Rose Gordon * Walter Jacobowitz
20	20	Allan Miller * Arthur Hertz Bentsion Gervits Harry Cutler * Sherry Rosenbaum William Elman

SHABBAT SEPTEMBER 20 & 21

Elul	September	
21	21	Albert Levinsky * Irwin Wasserman * Louis Rudich Philip Nadler
22	22	Joseph Frost
23	23	Bonnie Sheller David Chanin Edith Adler * Frank Stave Howard Kane Irving Lieb Jessica Levin Simon Spivak
24	24	Abraham Diamond * Clara Bellings * Diana Levy Dorothy Mullivor Sadie Seiden *

SHABBAT SEPTEMBER 20 & 21

Elul	September	
25	25	Bernice Balaban * Hyman Rubinstein * Jack Suval * Jacques Shapiro * Lily Mandel Morris Beck Robert Heiser Samuel Schwartz
26	26	Arnold Boxer * Gertrude Levine
27	27	Fanny Newmark * Sidney Rubin

SHABBAT SEPTEMBER 27 & 28

Elul	September	
28	28	Emil Koupf Flora Weissman Madeline Socol * Max Rifshin * Meyer Rehert Sarah Neibart
29	29	Abraham Glazer Abraham Spiegel * Arthur Krauser * Grace Bades Louis Dorf Madelynne Schulman Martin Sternberg Minnie Adler * William Diamond
Tishrei	September	
1	30	Sam Lement *
Tishrei	October	
2	1	Harvey Hess Samuel Weingarten
3	2	Max Eig * Stuart Salny * William Drucker *
4	3	Ida Glick * Louis Sager Mollie Smith * Morris Miller
5	4	Beverly Gruber * Harry Fainglas * Hildegard Rosenheck

*denotes a plaque on the Yahrzeit wall.

Contributions

BUILDING RENOVATION FUND

Susan Wallenstein in memory of husband, Monty.

Harriet and David Sakofs in honor of Kathy Neibert and in honor of the marriage of Matthew and Jen Sakofs.

CANTORS FUND

Amy Brunswick and Aron Schwartz in honor of Jack Benvent joining the Jewish people. Israela Halpern in honor of Susan Wallenstein's son Eric's marriage to Dr. Evelyn Borchert Billik and in memory of Cantor's Bubbi, Rabbi's uncle, Fern's parents, and her mother.

Ilene Manahan in memory of Cantor's Grandmother.

EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Jack and Robin Benvent in memory of Irving Cohen's beloved sister, Barbara Fleischacker.

Karen Secular and Doron Grosman in honor of Peppi Glass' special birthday.

Linda and Larry Kornreich in honor of the birth of David and Aileen Hirsch's granddaughter; in honor of Fern and Donald Spitzer on the engagement of their son Zachary; in honor of Harriet and David Sakofs son's upcoming marriage and in honor of Peppi Glass's special birthday.

Beverly Levine and Sanford Greenberg in memory of Sylvia Fendel Rosenbach.

Meyer and Sue Rosenthal in memory of Irving Cohen's sister, may her memory be a blessing and in honor of Susan Neigher receiving Hannah G. Solomon Award from the National Council of Jewish Women.

Sol and Meri Barer in honor of Kathy Neibert's birthday.

EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND

Debbie and David Solomon in memory of Arlene Shapiro, Nanci Kane's mother.

Leslie and James Bolin in honor of Cantor Shana's bible class.

Shirley Linder Storgion in honor of her father Louis Linder's July yartzeit.

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Norman and Babette Kornbleuth in memory of Frieda Feuer.

HISTORY FUND

Peppi Glass, Charles and Harriet Leff in honor of Lew Stone with sincere appreciation for his ongoing support of the arts.

KIDDUSH FUND

Larry and Laura Dunn contribution to their special Kiddush.

Ira and Beverly Hammer to sponsor Kiddush.

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Joan Alterman in honor of Yahrzeits for husband Herbert, father Benjamin, and mother Helen.

Diane Ruderman and Ira Rogal in honor of Jack Benvent.

Peter and Marsha Lewin in honor of Peppi Glass' special birthday.

Nina and Peter Blank in memory of Leo Blank and Adele Greenberg.

Beatrice Mintz in memory of Nelson Mintz Bonnie Welsh as a token of her appreciation for the Rabbi's concern while she was in the hospital.

Eileen Glasser in honor of the marriage of Dr. Steven and Sheila Gudis' daughter.

Joy and Justin Stone in honor of Peppi Glass special birthday.

Ilene Manahan in memory of Rabbi's uncle.

SHALOM YELADIM FUND

Peter and Marsha Lewin in honor of the birth of Laurie Lyon's grandson, Miles.

Dorothy and Irving Cohen in memory of Hildegard Joseph.

SIMCHA SHABBAT FUND

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MEN'S CLUB TEFILLIN & SCHMOOZE	SUNDAY	SEPT. 8	9:30AM
TGIS	FRIDAY	SEPT. 13	5:45PM
BOARD OF DIRECTORS INSTALLATION	FRIDAY	SEPT. 13	7:30PM
BACK TO SHUL PANCAKE BREAKFAST	SUNDAY	SEPT. 15	9:00AM
ADULT MOVIE NIGHT "THE CATCHER WAS A SPY"	SUNDAY	SEPT. 15	7:00PM
SELICHOT SERVICE	SATURDAY	SEPT. 21	8:00PM
FEDERATION CAMP BIKE EVENT	SUNDAY	SEPT. 22	5:45AM
FESTIVAL ON THE GREEN	SUNDAY	SEPT. 29	12:00PM
EREV ROSH HASHANA FAMILY FRIENDLY SERVICES	SUNDAY	SEPT. 29	5:00PM
EREV ROSH HASHANA TRADITIONAL SERVICES	SUNDAY	SEPT. 29	8:00PM
ROSH HASHANA SERVICES DAY I	MONDAY	SEPT. 30	8:45AM
ROSH HASHANA SERVICES DAY II	TUESDAY	OCT. 1	8:45AM
FAMILY TASCHLICH AT THE LAKE	SUNDAY	OCT. 6	10:15AM
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