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Happy Tu B'Shevat!



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SERVICES ZOOM OR LIVESTREAM

Friday Night Services
6:15 PM

ZOOM <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6576297611>

Passcode: MJCBY

Livestream <https://www.mjcbby.org/service-livestream/>

Saturday Morning Services
9:30 AM

ZOOM <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6576297611>

Passcode: MJCBY

Livestream <https://www.mjcbby.org/service-livestream/>

Go to www.MJCBY.org for more information

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.

We are looking for volunteers to make an occasional meal for a MJCBY member who is in need.



ELISA UDASKIN

If you are interested in helping others or in need, contact the MJCBY office or the Elisa Udaskin at e.udaskin@gmail.com. We will discuss your needs and provide meals for you and your family.

From the Desk of the Rabbi



A PEEK AHEAD AT 2022

As the calendar turns to January, a new year (secular) is upon us. Without going into why some Jewish people call January first Sylvester day, (and why some Jews don't celebrate this day at all because of that), nevertheless New Years can be seen as one more way to think about the past year to plan for the New Year.

To be sure, New Years is not Rosh Hashanah. New Years is a time of merriment, drinking and fireworks. The resolutions we make are more about dieting and exercise than about the soul searching and reflections of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

With a new secular year right around the corner, I thought we should take a look ahead at some of the highlights already planned for our Congregation as we continue to stay connected and, as best as we can and be Together Again.

The new year will see the return of **Coffee, Conversation and Current Events** with Rabbi Nesson once a month.

January will feature a congregational Tu B'Shevat Seder, an evening commemoration of Martin Luther King Day with author Scott Seligman, and Israeli Dancing.

For the Philosophically minded, Rabbi Nesson will present Philosophy in **February** and lead a study in Martin Buber and Franz Rosenzweig. **February** will also celebrate Sisterhood Shabbat. We will present a program on Mental Health Issues in a Covid World, and you will be asked, How High Can You Kick? -as we meet a former member of the Rockettes!

Purim rolls around in **March**, with our 6th-7th graders Purim Schpeil and a Purim Carnival.

Adult Education has confirmed an evening (via Zoom) with Former Governor Christine Todd Whitman in **April**, and we will once again celebrate Passover at a Women's Seder and a Congregation Seder. Towards the end of April we will commemorate Yom Ha-Shoah.

The shul will be alive with the sounds of Music in **May** as Kol Dodee, the Community Jewish Choir, when they will perform at MJCBY under the direction of Matthew Onigman and featuring our own Cantor. You will also have the chance to show us your building skills as we build Jerusalem from Legos to celebrate Yom Ha-Atzmaut, Lag B'omer and Yom Yerushalayim.

These are just some of the highlights of what is to come.

Wishing each of us a good and healthy 2022!

Rabbi Nesson



A warm welcome...

To Our Newest Members:

*Rosanne and Andrew Auslander and Family
Hannah and Yonatan Beker and Family
Leah and Tamir Bloom and Family
Jessica and Justin Goldberg and Family
Jennifer and Adam Harter and Family
Amy Herbitter
Amy Keyishian and Randy Hauser and Family
Sally and Scott Lissner and Family
Lisa and Dan Price and Family
Erica and Andrew Schwarz and Family
Amy and Erik Stover and Family*

Presidents' Message



REBECCA & AMY

RESOLUTION -"A FIRM DECISION TO DO OR NOT TO DO SOMETHING."

Happy New Year! It's 2022. In December, did you ponder over the past year thinking about your "shoulds"? I should have gone to the gym more, I should really go on a diet, I should call my parents more often, I should volunteer more, I should . . . January 1st hits and you think it's time to turn those shoulds into firm decisions and actions. Then all of a sudden it's March and you say to yourself, "I haven't gone to the gym yet", or "I'll start that diet soon", and you think, my resolutions have failed. Why did they fail? Why do they always seem to fail?

You made a firm decision to do or not do something, but did not put your decisions into actions. You needed to change your "shoulds" to "dids."

As this New Year begins, are there any MJCBY resolutions that you've thought about? Any "should" that you resolved to do that you can turn into an "I did."

I should go to a Friday night service > I will go to a Friday night service > I went to services last Friday and realized how much I missed going.

I should reach out to _____ who I sit in front of on the High Holidays > I will reach out to _____ > I called _____ and it was so nice to hear that her daughter is getting married.

I should attend more events to reconnect with old friends and meet new ones > I will go to a few programs or classes this year. > We went to see the Purim shpiel and it was amazing.

I should make the board's lives a bit easier by sending in my dues payment earlier in the year than I usually do > I will send my payment to MJCBY today > I sent my check to MJCBY and got such a nice "thank you" note from Becca and Amy.

I should really volunteer more > I will volunteer > I purchased and helped assemble backpacks with school supplies for children in need.

In 2022, MJCBY will continue to offer so many opportunities to say "I did", such as participating in the "Big Game" raffle, donating blood at the Men's Club Blood Drive, attending the MJCBY

Sisterhood Shabbat, taking an adult education class, purchasing (or delivering) Shalach Manot for your friends while making a donation to MJCBY and too many others to list here.

What will your MJCBY resolutions be?

Will they become 'I did.' We hope they will.

Amy and Becca



MJCBY News



MORRISTOWN JEWISH CENTER

HEBREW CLASSES FOR ADULTS

with Mora Ruth Barbut

Winter Session

Beginners 10 am
Intermediate/Advanced 11 am

January 9, 23, 30
February 6, 13, 20, 27

Classes will be Via Zoom

\$96 MEMBERS/\$120 NON MEMBERS

CONTACT OFFICE@AJCBY.ORG OR CALL
(973) 538-9292 TO REGISTER

MJCBY INVITES YOU TO JOIN
COFFEE, CONVERSATION
& CURRENT EVENTS WITH RABBI NESSON



JANUARY 13TH FEBRUARY 16TH
MARCH 10TH APRIL 7TH
MAY 12TH JUNE 9TH

AT 12 PM

Good & Welfare

Mazel Tov to:

Fern and Donald Spitzer on the birth of a grandson, born to Zach and Mandy.

Richard Gebel the birth of granddaughter, Abigail Elaine Chaiken.

Condolences to:

John Salsberg on the passing of his brother, Jesse.

Joyce Lantzman on the passing of her husband, Joel.

Refuah Shlema to:

Alan Berger, Joan Cohen, Jeff Newmark, Dr. Steve Neibart, Shane Neibart, Sharon Kellman, Joyce Litchman, Jeff Czeisler, Sue Jacobowitz, Nancy Medford, Sonya Oppenheimer, Barbara Saltzman, Barbara Stein, Rabbi David Nesson, Shirley Storgion, Robin Kane, Lisa Pollak, Dr. Lance Kovar, Joel Beecher, Robin Zeiger, Linda Rosenbaum, Phyllis Levin.

MJCBY ADULT EDUCATION
PREVIEW



STUDY WITH RABBI NESSON AT THESE CLASSES:

Philosophy In February:
The Lives & Times Philosophies
& Theologies of
Martin Buber & Franz Rosenzweig
February 3, 10, 17, 24 7:30 pm

Meet two Jewish Thinkers who changed
Jewish thinking in the 20th Century.
Through their seminal works
(Martin Buber's "I and Thou" and
Franz Rosenzweig's "Star of Redemption")
we will reflect on their approaches to G-d
& how to give meaning to our own lives.

Other classes and learning opportunities
will be announced during the year

Shalom Yeladim The Judie Gerstein Early Learning Center

It is hard to believe we are already starting the second part of the school year. Our first semester was a great success! The weather has been so nice, we have had many opportunities to enjoy the outdoors. Our students love to go outside and learn all about nature.

We are very excited because last month we started a new soccer enrichment run by "kiddie soccer". The children, the teachers and the coach are having a blast!

We want to thank all of our SY parents for donating items to benefit the families of the Deirdre's House, the Child Advocacy Center for Morris County's child victims of abuse and/or neglect. The preschoolers sorted the items and they learned about helping our community.

Warm regards,

Michelle Nulman

JANUARY

1/3

SCHOOL REOPENS

1/17

MLK DAY NO SCHOOL



Join us for our "Mommy and Me" class.
Play group for babies and toddlers
up to 24 months and their parent/caregivers.
Wednesday mornings 9:15 am

January 5, 12, 19
February 2, 9, 16, 23
March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

For more information please email michelle@mjcby.org
or call (973)538-8284

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No charge

SORTING ITEMS FOR DEIRDRE'S HOUSE



Big Game Chance

Support
the

MJCBY



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50/50 RAFFLE



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH
half of the proceeds go to support MJCBY

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\$36.00 per box
WINNER PAYOFF:
1ST QTR: \$225 1/2 TIME: \$450
3RD QTR: \$225 FINAL: \$900
(amounts can vary depending on how many boxes are filled-if there is no winner, money will be returned)

CASH, CHECK OR ACH
contact the MJCBY office to pay
office@mjcby.org or 973.538.9292

Email Amy Weinstock at amyweinstock3@gmail.com
for the link to choose boxes

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Life Long Learning



It was a Hanukkah to remember at MJCBY!

To kick off the festivities, Morah Randi Kushell from Shalom Yeladim led young families in a fun and delicious Hanukkah cookie bake. Prior to the cookie bake, families received a beautiful package with Hanukkah shaped cookie cutters (and of course gelt, dreidels and more)!



Our Hanukkah on the Green event was attended by well over 200 people! Participants enjoyed songs by Cantor Shana. Temple B'nai Or joined our event, and their youth choir led by Cantor Galit Dadoun enhanced the evening with their beautiful music! Senator Anthony Bucco and Mayor Tim Dougherty were also in attendance and addressed the crowd. Special thanks to Starbucks for donating hot drinks for all! Gelt, Doughnuts, and glow-in-the-dark Menorah and Dreidel Jewelry added to the fun.



The MJCBY Hanukkah Party was a great way to end the excitement of the holiday. The play directed by Cantor Shana and performed by grades 6 and 7 Religious School students was a hit! Competitive Dreidel games, and hot latkes with applesauce to go were enjoyed by all.

Our Adult Education Programs are in full swing. Dr. Perry Bell, an esteemed Morristown psychologist, enlightened us with insights and strategies for 'How to raise a Mensch'.

Hebrew Classes for Adults with Morah Ruth Barbut continue regularly, and Rabbi Nesson is once again facilitating the popular "Coffee Conversation and current events" series!



Our young families enjoyed another fantastic T.G.I.S. (Thank G-d It's Shabbat). We sang Shabbat songs with Cantor Shana, heard a Shabbat story from Rabbi Nesson, and played a Shabbat game with Miriam. And of course we went home with delicious fresh Challah and grape juice to enjoy in honor of Shabbat!

Please mark your calendars for two special events in January you don't want to miss:

In honor of MLK Day, we will be joined (via zoom) by Dr. Scott Seligman who will share insights from his new book: "A Second Reckoning: Race, Injustice, and the Last Hanging in Annapolis". The book tells the tragic story of John Snowden to shine a light on racial injustices, and explores the power of posthumous pardons as part of the national conversation about amends for past racial injustices.

On January 23, Reut Segall will lead us in Israeli dance to shake off the winter blues. You don't need to be a skilled dancer to join. Please join us for some fun and socializing with friends!

Our Youth Programs are gaining steam! MJCBY has once again officially joined USY. If you have children in grades 6 - 8, please check out our Kadima calendar of events for the year! If you have children in grades 9 - 12, please check out our USY calendar of events for the year!

Our USY group enjoyed a wonderful gathering during Hanukkah where we learned to make Sufganiyot (Israeli jelly doughnuts) from scratch, played dreidel, and had a great time socializing! At our next USY event we will be watching a special movie to commemorate MLK Day.

Our Kadima group met for an exciting Mitzvah-Minute-To-Win-It program, where we had a blast competing in 60-second challenges. Our next Kadima event will be ice skating in January!

MJCBY Happenings



**CONGREGATION
TU BISHVAT SEDER**

PLEASE JOIN US
FRIDAY, JANUARY 14TH

AS CANTOR SHANA & RABBI NESSON
LEAD US IN A CONGREGATION
TU BISHVAT SEDER

7:30PM VIA ZOOM
(FOLLOWING SHABBAT SERVICES)

**A LIST OF 7 SPECIES OF FOODS WILL
BE PROVIDED**

Tu Bishvat, the 15th day of the month of Shevat -
the New Year for the Trees. We celebrate our land
and its capacity for growing things.
It is also a day to commemorate our connection to
Eretz Yisrael and the foods which grow there.

**ISRAELI DANCING WITH
REUT SEGALL**



In-Person at MJCBY
January 23rd 10:30am - 11:30am

*An adult beginner's class with
easy-to-follow routines and some
insights into the Israeli dance culture.*

Please RSVP to Miriam at miriam@mjcbby.org



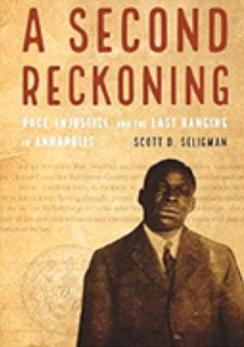
MJCBY
presents

In commemoration of Martin Luther King Day

**A Second Reckoning:
Race, Injustice,
and the Last Hanging in Annapolis**
with author Scott D. Seligman

January 17, 7pm
ZOOM

A Second Reckoning tells the tragic
story of John Snowden to shine a light
on racial injustices.
The book explores the power of
posthumous pardons as part of the
national conversation about amends
for past racial injustices.



Scott D. Seligman is an award-winning
historian and biographer interested in the
history of hyphenated Americans.
He holds an undergraduate degree in his-
tory from Princeton University and a mas-
ter's degree from Harvard University.
He is the author of several books and
numerous articles.

FAMILY WINTER HIKE

FEBRUARY 6, 1 PM

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MORRISTOWN NJ



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MJCBY KADIMA 6TH - 8TH GRADERS
OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY!

Men's Club

MEN'S CLUB DUES
\$36.00 2021/22

We need your Support!

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: _____

We welcome new members. Contact Doug to get involved.

Mensch

Someone to admire and emulate, someone of noble character. The key to being "a real mensch" is nothing less than character, rectitude, dignity, a sense of what is right, responsible, decorous.
- Leo Buscaglia



MEN'S CLUB MENORAH LIGHTING

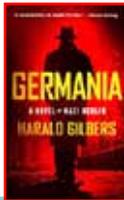
Men's Book Club

Interested in becoming a book club member?

Contact Howard Buxbaum at
HowardBuxbaum@gmail.com

January 19

Germania
Harald Gibbers



BLOOD DRIVE

SUNDAY - January 16
8:30am to 1:00pm
Frigand Hall

NEEDED: Volunteers to help us direct foot traffic between the synagogue entrance and Frigand Hall. If you can volunteer an hour or two, please contact Doug Goldstein at dgldstn@yahoo.com with your availability.

If you wish to donate blood, please sign up at: smarturl.it/NJBS_Drive sponsor code 13702 or call 1-800-933-BLOOD(2566) or text Barb Pearson 732-616-8146

Blood drive guidelines:

- 16 year olds must have signed New Jersey Blood Services Parental Consent Form
- Eat a good meal, drink plenty of water & bring photo ID
- Appointments are strongly recommended (but not required) to keep donors spaced out. Walk ins will be taken.
- All staff & donors will be required to wear a face covering at the blood drive.
- Anyone entering the blood drive will be prescreened (temp taken, travel questions, basic health questions).
- Canteen items are individually packaged and will be brought to the donor by a staff member.
- All stations will be wiped down after the donor leaves the area (registration, medical history, donation bed, canteen area). The blood center will provide sanitizing wipes and gloves.
- Some criteria changes have been made including malarial country deferral time reduced from 1 year to 3 months, donors living in UK in the past are able to donate now, tattoo/piercing changes, etc. Some updates can be found here: <https://www.nybc.org/donate-blood/become-donor/can-i-donate-blood/>

Sisterhood News

\$36.00 DUES - 2021-2022

Sisterhood is comprised of women of all ages who support each other and the synagogue, women who work together for the benefit of our MJCBY community and so much more.....

Note: New members to MJCBY receive complimentary first year Sisterhood membership.

Please accept my \$36.00 Sisterhood dues for the year 2021/2022.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Checks payable to MJCBY Sisterhood and mail to:
 MJCBY Sisterhood * 177 Speedwell Ave.
 * Morristown * NJ * 07960



DOROTHY COHEN



& DONNA GROSS

Welcome 2022! This New Year brings a glimmer of hope as more and more people get vaccinated. MJCBY is allowing more activities to take place in the building. After Shabbat services on December 4, we served a Kiddish lunch in the Frigand Hall. Twenty-four congregants attended and the following Shabbat we were a total of twenty-nine. As the saying goes a good time was had by all. That being said, we need some of our sisters to offer some time on Friday mornings to help prepare. As we go forward, the Kiddush committee will need even more help to prepare larger kidduses.

Sisterhood Shabbat is February 5. This year we will have this spiritual service in person. (ZOOM for those who prefer it) Contact Judy Diring for a part in Hebrew or English judysilver@yahoo.com and also to receive the ZOOM link. We will also have a sumptuous Kiddush following Sisterhood Shabbat.

We are still hopeful the we will be able to honor our two Eschet Chayils', Rita Gotfried and Flo Sager, in the spring. It has been a long time in coming.

We look forward to a new year as Sisterhood members and MJCBY congregants.

Donna and Dorothy



SISTERHOOD

SHABBAT

Saturday, February 5

Contact Judy Diring for a part in Hebrew or English and also to receive the ZOOM link.
judysilver@yahoo.com

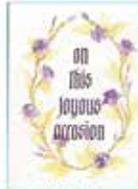
Kiddush Lunch to follow!

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1. All Purpose



2. Mazel Tov



3. Friendship



4. Thank You

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or
5 for \$20.00



5. Mazel Tov



6. Condolence
Psalm 42



7. Condolence



8. Get Well

Your card purchase helps in preserving, promoting and perpetuating Conservative/Masorti Judaism through active giving to the Torah Fund Campaign of Women's League in support of the Jewish Theological Seminary, Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies, Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies, Seminario Rabinico, and Zacharias Frankel College.

Make checks payable to Torah Fund and mail to Torah Fund C/O Linda Rosenbaum, 4 Ascot Lane, Morristown, NJ 07960. We will get the cards to you.

Card #1 qty. _____	Card #3 qty. _____	Card #5 qty. _____	Card #7 qty. _____
Card #2 qty. _____	Card #4 qty. _____	Card #6 qty. _____	Card #8 qty. _____

Contact Linda Rosenbaum at bir1836@icloud.com or 973-895-2190 for more information

Religious School



Our Religious School students enjoyed a Hanukkah to remember! During our music classes we learned to sing Hanukkah songs in Hebrew, Yiddish and Ladino. Students engaged in Hanukkah plays, created unique Menorahs, wrote Hanukkah stories, and played a variety of games to learn about the holiday. By engaging with all our senses in this way, we not only learn more and retain more information, but we also create positive and meaningful memories of Judaism for life.



We walked together to the Morristown Green where we got to experience the joy of gathering as a Jewish community to proudly celebrate our heritage and traditions. Families joined us for a morning in Religious School to watch the amazing Hanukkah performance directed by Cantor Shana and performed by grades 6 & 7. As a school community we also played a variety of competitive and fun dreidel games, and enjoyed delicious latkes, doughnuts, applesauce, and gelt to take home. It was a Hanukkah for the books!

After a nice long winter break we are excited to welcome our students back in January and are gearing up for another zoom Tu B'Shevat Seder with delicious foods and Seder items that will be sent home to each student.

Our Junior Congregation and Minyanaires continue to meet once a month to celebrate Shabbat together. Our A.L.P. (Advanced Learning Program for Teens) also continues its monthly meetings, where we explore a variety of contemporary Jewish themes.

If you are interested in learning more about MJCBy's Religious School, please reach out anytime!

Miriam Loew

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL WEDNESDAY CALENDAR 2021/22		
DECEMBER CLASSES HANUKKAH DAY 3 8 CLASSES 15 CLASSES 22 NO CLASSES 29 NO CLASSES	JANUARY 5 CLASSES 12 CLASSES 19 CLASSES TU B'SHIVAT MODEL SEDER 26 CLASSES	FEBRUARY 2 CLASSES 9 CLASSES 16 CLASSES 23 CLASSES
MARCH 2 CLASSES 9 CLASSES 16 CLASSES PURIM SHPIEL, DINNER & MEGILLAH 23 CLASSES 30 CLASSES	APRIL 6 CLASSES 13 NO CLASSES 20 NO CLASSES 27 CLASSES YOM HASHOAH PROGRAM	MAY 4 CLASSES YOM HAZIKARON PROGRAM 11 CLASSES LAST WEDNESDAY

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SUNDAY CALENDAR 2021/22		
DECEMBER 5 CLASSES HANUKKAH DAY 7 - PLAY 12 CLASSES 19 CLASSES 26 NO CLASSES	JANUARY 2 NO CLASSES 9 CLASSES 16 NO CLASSES 23 CLASSES 30 CLASSES	FEBRUARY 6 CLASSES 13 CLASSES 20 NO CLASSES 27 CLASSES
MARCH 6 CLASSES 13 CLASSES PURIM PALOOZA 20 CLASSES 27 CLASSES	APRIL 3 CLASSES 10 CLASSES MODEL SEDER 17 NO CLASSES 24 NO CLASSES	MAY 1 CLASSES PARENT COFFEE 8 NO CLASSES 15 CLASSES END OF YEAR CELEBRATION

Religious School



Teens in Grades 9 - 12

In honor of Martin Luther King Day & Black History Month
Movie and discussion



January 9, 1:45pm @ MJCBy

"They Ain't Ready For Me" is the story of Tamar Manasseh, the African American Rabbinical student who is leading the fight against senseless killings on the south side of Chicago and across the country. The film highlights how Tamar's unique perspective as both authentically Jewish and authentically Black influences her activism.

RSVP to miriam@mjcby.org

Bring your friends!

Free to MJCBy USY members. \$5 for guests.

MJCBy FAMILY ICE SKATING

Join us for a fun afternoon!

JANUARY 9 11:45 - 1 PM

OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY!

Hosted by
USY USCJ's youth movement
KADIMA 6th - 8th graders

Admission \$8
Skate rental \$5
RSVP: miriam@mjcby.org

Meet @
Mennen Sports Arena
161 East Hanover Ave,
Morris Township,
NJ 07950

JUNIOR CONGREGATION

GRADES 3-7

SATURDAYS, 10:30 AM
OCT 9
NOV 20
DEC 18
JAN 29
FEB 26
MARCH 26
APRIL 23
MAY 7

YOUTH Shabbat

SATURDAYS, 9:30 AM
SEPT 25
OCT 23
NOV 13
DEC 11
JAN 8
FEB 12
MAR 12
APR 2
MAY 14

MINYANAIRE

AGES 12/13 +

Advanced Learning Program for Teens

with Rabbi, Cantor, Miriam & Guest Speakers

September 20	October 18	November 15
December 13	January 10	February 7
March 7	April 4	May 2

MONDAY NIGHTS, 6:30 - 8:30 PM
Morristown Jewish Center
177 Speedwell Avenue
INFO: miriam@mjcby.org

Family News



**ELIJAH WILLIAM
FORMAN**

Sara and Eric Forman invite the Congregation to share in their pride and joy as their son, Elijah William, is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, January 15. Eli is a 7th grade honors student at Briarcliff Middle School in Mountain Lakes where math and Spanish are his favorite subjects.

Eli is an excellent athlete, whether it's playing ice hockey, lacrosse or as a cross country runner. He plays on multiple teams at the travel and recreation level for both ice hockey and lacrosse, and has been on skates since he was two years old. In 6th grade, he decided to take on one of the hardest positions in all of sports - and became a goalie for his Mountain Lakes lacrosse team. His love for the game only increased after he moved to the position, and he is now also playing goalie for the Thunder West lacrosse club team. Eli is very much looking forward to one day playing for the legendary Mountain Lakes High School varsity lacrosse coach Tim Flynn, and is also excited to play ice hockey on the same team with his brother Benji when he is a freshman and Benji is a senior. Eli also loves going skiing in the winter, surfing and playing golf.

A proud alumni of Shalom Yeladim, (he still remembers the penguin story told by Morah Susan!), Eli loved learning with all of the Morahs, especially Morah's Susan, Sharon, Shari, Janice and Fern. Eli's commitment to Judaism has continued to grow stronger through the years and our family trip to Israel in 2019 was a very meaningful and memorable trip for him.

For the past five summers (and, most significantly, in the Summer of 2020 after all of the pandemic-related lockdowns) Eli has attended Jewish sleepaway camp at Camp Modin in Belgrade, Maine. Modin is a special place for Eli, where he has made many great friendships and also learned how to water ski and sail.

Eli chose to honor the memory of his beloved family cat Frank Sinatra for his Tikkun Olam project. Eli setup pet food collection bins at his school and in key locations around Mountain Lakes to donate to the Parsippany Animal Shelter. He also plans to make a financial contribution to the Guinness Dunn Foundation to help families who can't afford veterinary care for their pets.

Eric, Sara, Benji, Eli and Madeleine want to thank everyone at MJCBY who has made Eli's Bar Mitzvah experience unique and special, beginning with the faculty of Shalom Yeladim and extending to his Religious School teachers, Rabbi Nesson and especially to Cantor Shana. We are thrilled to share this special day with our family, friends and you all and look forward to seeing you on January 15!

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Social Action



MJCBY's Social Action programming is back on track, after being on hold during much of the pandemic. As protocols have changed, we have had to change the way we solicit volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering at Nourish.NJ (formerly the Community Soup Kitchen), please contact me at LouB48@Gmail.com. I will then forward your name to the Volunteer Coordinator at Nourish who will invite you to register on their volunteer website. Once registered on that site, you can select those volunteering activities that meet your interests and availability. Among the opportunities are the following:

- Work at a Farmers Market, where folks can get fruits, vegetables, eggs and milk. Farmers Markets are conducted in and around Morristown, and in Dover.
- Help out at a "Grab and Go" where folks can pick up a bagged lunch and bring that back to their living quarters. These are conducted at 36 Sussex Ave, a block and a half from the Jewish Center.
- For those who are kitchen trained (they know who they are), opportunities are available to work in Nourish.NJ's new kitchen located at the United Methodist Church, which is on the Green in Morristown.
- Help Packing Meals and Grocery Bags for Delivery to Guests. This is done at 36 Sussex Ave.

There are several other ways congregants can volunteer, either as an individual or as a group:

- Rise and Shine Breakfast Bags – Put together a collection of breakfast items
- Purple Apron Meal Kits – provide and package all the ingredients needed to prepare a healthy, delicious homecooked dinner.
- Purposeful Acts of Kindness (PAK) Kits –Prepare a kit with the following items:
 - pocket-size hand sanitizer
 - bottle of water
 - protein bar
 - baggie filled with laundry pods
 - roll of toilet tissue
 - hand towel
 - FULL SIZE Toiletries- shampoo, conditioner, body wash

Thank you to those congregants who have participated in one or more of these programs over the past 2 months:

Howard Buxbaum, Rita Fand, Amy Jones, Carol Leiwant and Flo Sager.

Thanks also go to those who participated in Homeless Solutions' A Night in the Cold.

Now is the time to help our neighbors in need.

Lou Bodian, Social Action Chair LouB48@Gmail.com

Yahrzeits

December 31 & January 1

Tevet	January		
28	1	Dora Diamond *	
		Isaac Sokol	
		Beatrice Spector *	
		Sydelle Wallenstein	
29	2	Edward Eig	
		Irving Lakind	
		Charlotte Schimel	
		Ida Silverstein *	
Shevat	January		
1	3	Isadore Liss *	
		Ann Lee Stein	
		Sophie Stolzenberg	
		Leslie Warsaw	
2	4	Mildred Gold *	
		Victor Iskowitz	
		Sylvia Kletzkin *	
		Rose Rosner *	
		Marilyn Schwartz	
		Garry Weingarten *	
3	5	Ethel Epstein *	
		Donald Ganz	
		Rhoda Rosenbach	
		Edward Schwartz	
		Samuel Stern *	
4	6	Esther Elman	
		Benjamin Fishman	
		Richard Hart *	
		Harry Kornbleuth *	
		Roger Levy	
		Bertha Loeb *	
		Sima Pincow	
		Kraime Poner *	
January 7 & 8			
5	7	Lynne Cowan	
		Lena Gruber *	
		Abraham Lavein	
		Natalie Richter *	

Yahrzeits

January 7 & 8

6	8	Leah Bayever
		Rookie Friedman *
		Herbert Hirsch *
		Glela Sharp
		Ruth Weinstein
7	9	Norman Galembro
		Rita Hertz
		Theodore R. Kates *
		Rachel K. Lewis
8	10	Louis Cohen *
		Sheila Cohen
		Irvin Dansicker *
		Harry Hoch
		Arlene Reff
		Jerry Rovak
		Martha Spivak
		Karl Steinberger
		Frank L. Stifelman
9	11	Theodore Barkauskas
		Norman Scheer
		Ruth Slotsky
10	12	Golda Brandt
		Harry Ginsberg *
		Theodore Held
		Don Juros
		Sumner Nudel
11	13	Abraham Koenig
		L.D. Kornreich
		Marvis Rosenbaum *
		Max Schapiro
		Pauline Glass Seifer *

January 14 & 15

12	14	Gabriela Ginsberg
		Mark Lakind
		Shirley Levy
		Morris Potash *
		Goldie Sklaver
		Pauline Zudick *

January 14 & 15

13	15	Irving Grossman
		William Kolsky *
		Nacie Salny
		Celia Shustin *
		Paul Weiner
		Herman Weissman
		Eleanor Loeb Yellin *
14	16	Marjorie Elkind *
		Mary Feurstein
		George Golding *
		Harry Pikus
		Ralph Segal *
15	17	Irwin Bialer *
		Rose Hirsch
		Joseph Katz *
		Samuel E. Lewis
		Bertha Mansfield *
16	18	Seymour Forman *
		Diane Levitt
		Judy Newmark
		Philip Rosenberg
		Stuart Rosenblum *
		Hilde Spain
17	19	Sigmund Beck
		Margie Sidman *
18	20	Irving Chojnowski
		Roberta Gerwin
		Sigmar Guggenheimer *
		Frieda Reinheimer *
		Benjamin Schatman
		Richard Schleifstein *
		Sol Stolzenberg
		Harry Welinsky *

January 21 & 22

19	21	Trudie Baum
		Rachel Berger *
		Betty Dickinson
		Kurt Lewin
		Jack Ulman

January 21 & 22

20	22	Anna Charm
		Frances Ellenberg
		Edith Fleischman
		Joseph Freid
		Alexander Glasser *
		Nathan Kolsky *
		Sylvia Leff
		William Samuels
		George Wolff
21	23	Alexander Fox *
		Anna Friedman *
		Henry Katz
		George Michaels
		Rachel Shraer
22	24	Rose Ossre
		Sidney Sawyer
24	26	Albert Abraham
		Evelyn Strelzoff Berger
		Ethel Cohen Ginsberg
		Rose Packer *
		Harry Sklaver
		Donald Squire
25	27	Milton Buchbinder *
		Louis Cohen
		Lillian Evans *
		Samuel Goldblatt *
		Esther Pinker
January 28 & 29		
26	28	Evelyn Reiter *
		Donald Squire
27	29	Faye Abriola *
		Cecelia Friedman
		Sam Hirsh
		George Karp
		Moshe Kesten
		Ann Steinberger
28	30	Victoria Rochlin Badik
		Lola Friedman
29	31	Anita Bienstock
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