



MORRISTOWN JEWISH CENTER

BEIT YISRAEL

Winter 2024 Spring

PROGRAMS



INTRODUCTION

from Rabbi Gillman

As I write this, fall quickly turns into winter, and the beautiful foliage has left the trees. A cold, crisp feeling can be felt in the air, marking a time of transition and change. These are times when it can be difficult to see the light metaphorically, physically, and spiritually, but we must believe that spring will come. We must not only believe in it, but we must also pray, work, strive, and take action to make it a reality.

In such challenging times, we must come together to build and uplift each other, turning the sparks of hope into the light that our world, our homeland, and our people desperately need. You might wonder how to create the light. Our Rabbis teach us that showing up and being present for one another is one of the first steps in harnessing the sparks and bringing forth light.

On the following pages, you will find our programming for events through spring. Each program is a small step, a tiny piece of the puzzle in transforming ourselves, our community, and the world. When we come together in our communities to learn, play, and pray, we can combat indifference and hate. Gathering together enables us to encounter new ideas, and reaffirm our strength, wisdom, and resilience.

Am Yisrael Hai,

Rabbi Adam Gillman

COFFEE, CHAT & SCHMOOZE

with Rabbi Gillman

Grab a cup of Joe, schmooze, and
learn a bissle (tiny bit) of Torah

Wednesdays

11:00am - 12:00pm

Sundays*

9:30am - 10:30am



**During Religious School*



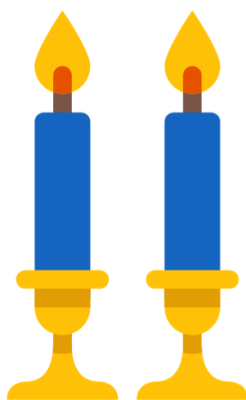
Families of children
grades K - 2 are invited to



Havdalah & Hot Chocolate Pajama Party



Saturday, January 6
6:30 - 7:30 pm





MONTHLY

Israeli Dancing

with Reut Segall

COMING IN JANUARY

stay tuned for dates + times



Sunday
MOVIE
Night

THE LAST SUIT

The poignant story of 88 year old Abraham Burszstein who travels to Poland to find a friend who saved him from certain death at the end of World War II. You will cry and laugh at his efforts to fulfill a promise he made many years ago.

JANUARY 21 AT 7:00PM

**FREE MOVIE, FREE REFRESHMENTS
BRING A FRIEND!**

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Plus, a special speaker in honor of Jewish
Disability Awareness, Acceptance, and Inclusion
Month (JDAIM) - stay tuned for more info!

**HOT
PANCAKES**



coffee



hot chocolate



**FREE
TO ALL**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4
9:30 - 10:30 AM**

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

COMEDY *Night*



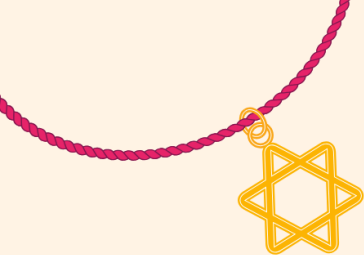
at **MJCBY**

Save the Date

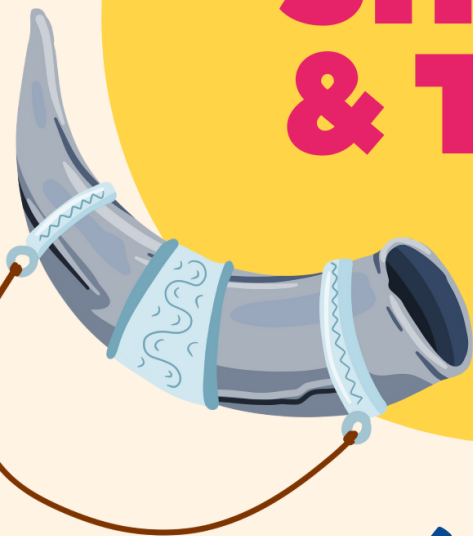
SAT FEB 10 AT 7:30PM

DETAILS TO FOLLOW | OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - EMAIL GRAYZEL@VERIZON.NET



SISTERHOOD SHOW & TELL



Do you have a piece of
Judaica that holds
special meaning to you
or your family? We
want to hear your story!
*Light refreshments will
be served.*



02.25.24

10 - 11:30am Frigid

Questions? Email Mimi:
misquared@aol.com



**GANTZE
MEGILLAH**

**BOO FOR HAMAN AND CHEER
FOR ESTHER AND MORDECHAI
AS WE READ THE WHOLE
STORY OF MEGILLAT ESTHER**

SATURDAY, MARCH 23
DINNER 7 PM
READING + SERVICE 8 PM

Purim

Sunday, March 24

9:30am - 12:00pm

Megillah 9:30am
Modified reading

Shpiel 10:30am
Purim play by grades 6 & 7

Lunch
Fun and festive Purim lunch

Costume Contest
Judged by Rabbi Gillman

Carnival
Face Painting, crafts,
games, & bouncy house





Morristown Jewish Center
BEIT YISRAEL

Community Mitzvah Day

Sunday, April 7
11:00am



Activities:

- Assembling Breakfast Bags for NourishNJ
- Assembling backpacks for HeadStart students
- Collecting non-perishable food and cleaning supplies.



ALL AGES WELCOME!

We have activities for all ages (coloring and decorating paper bags for the youngest kids)

SUNDAY, APRIL 7 | ACTIVITIES BEGIN 11AM

RSVP TO HOWARD BUXBAUM OR LOU BODIAN

Howardbuxbaum@gmail.com

Loub48@gmail.com

LEARN MORE

<https://nourishnj.org/>



Sisterhood Shabbat

APRIL

SATURDAY | **13** | AT 9:30 AM
2024

WE HAVE MANY ENGLISH AND HEBREW PARTS LEFT, PLEASE HELP US LEAD THE SERVICE! SIGN UP WITH ONE OF THE CO-CHAIRS LISTED BELOW.

CO-CHAIRS:

PAULA CZEISLER
PAULA.CZEISLER@GMAIL.COM

DEBBIE MARCUS
DMARCUS@MAC.COM

- SPRING 2024 -

AUTHOR TALKS

WITH ADULT EDUCATION

We are so excited for the authors we have lined up to come speak with our community! Watch the e-blast and monthly newsletter for dates/times for the speakers below.

TIMOTHY BOYCE *From Day to Day: One Man's Diary of Survival in Nazi Concentration Camps*

ROGER HOROWITZ *Kosher USA: How Coke Became Kosher and other Tales of Modern Food*

DEBBY APPLIGATE *Biography of Polly Adler, Icon of the Jazz Age*

KIRSTEN FERAGLICH *A Rosenberg by Any Other Name: A History of Jewish Name Changing in America*

DANIEL GRUNFELD *By the Grace of the Game: The Holocaust, a Basketball Legacy, and an Unprecedented American Dream*



SISTERHOOD JUDAICA GIFT SHOP

*Hoping your Passover is filled
with peace, love, and joy!*

Passover SALE

**18% OFF ALL PASSOVER
MERCHANDISE**

Except special orders

The Judaica Shop is open on
Sundays when Religious
School is in session and by
appointment during the week.

**For appointments, please contact:
GIFTSHOP@MJCBSY.ORG**

**SUPPORT YOUR SISTERHOOD
SUPPORT YOUR SHUL**





Passover First Night Seder

MONDAY APRIL 22 6:00PM

\$30/MEMBERS
\$40/NON-MEMBERS
\$18/CHILDREN 6 -12



Passover Second Night Seder

TUESDAY APRIL 23 6:00PM

\$30/MEMBERS

\$40/NON-MEMBERS

\$18/CHILDREN 6 -12

Mimouna

DINNER & DANCING

*A Sephardic tradition celebrating
the end of Passover with a delicious
Moroccan dinner and dancing*

FRIDAY MAY 3

DINNER & DANCING 6:00 PM

KABBALAT SHABBAT 7:30 PM

MEMBERS \$15

NON MEMBERS \$20

KIDS 6 - 12 \$5

UNDER 5 FREE





YOM HASHOAH

MJCBY CO-VICE
PRESIDENT MARCI
CHARM SHARES
THE HOLOCAUST
STORY OF HER
GRANDMOTHER



MARCI CHARM

Granddaughter of a Holocaust survivor

Come hear Marci Charm share the story of her Grandmother, Esther Lajwand Cane, and how she survived 1 ghetto, 1 death march, 3 cattle car journeys, and 7 concentration camps.

SUNDAY, MAY 5 AT 10:30AM

MOMMY & ME

PLAY GROUP FOR FAMILIES
WITH BABIES UP TO 24MO

WEDNESDAYS 9:30-10:30

JANUARY 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

FEBRUARY 7, 14, 21, 28

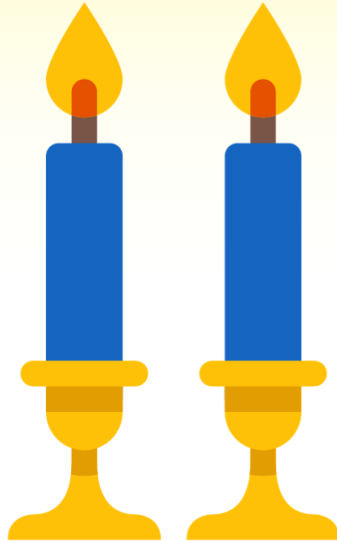
MARCH 6, 13, 20, 27

APRIL 10, 17

MAY 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

OPEN TO THE
COMMUNITY
NO CHARGE

Questions?
becky@mjcby.org
(973) 538-8284



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

GRADE 6 & 7 SHABBAT

Please join us for a special Shabbat Service led by Grades 6 & 7. Parents, families, and friends invited!

FRIDAY, JAN 5, 6:15 PM

SATURDAY, FEB 3, 9:30 AM



January 7 - Chopped! Rugelach Edition

January 21 - Roller Skating Trip

February 25 - Scribe Tribe

March 17 - Purim Unmasked

April 14 - Escape Egypt

ALP

ADVANCED LEARNING PROGRAM

For Teens Grades 8 - 12

*with Rabbi Gillman, Cantor Shana,
Religious School Director Miriam Loew,
and Guest Speakers*

JANUARY

8

TU B'SHVAT &
ENVIRONMENTAL
JUSTICE

FEBRUARY

5

JEWISH LEAP YEAR
& TAKING
PERSONAL LEAPS

MARCH

4

MEGILLAH
OUTTAKES

APRIL

8

PESACH
PRODIGIES

MAY

13

YOM HAZIKARON
REFLECTIONS

MONDAY NIGHTS 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Dinner included

*For more information, please email
Miriam@MJCBY.org*

JYC JEWISH YOUNG COMMUNITY

A PROJECT OF MORRISTOWN JEWISH CENTER

Jewish Young Community (JYC) is a Jewish young adult organization where people of all denominations and observance levels in their 20s-40s can make friends, engage in meaningful prayer, celebrate Jewish tradition and culture, and connect with the larger Jewish community.

Questions? Send an email to jycnewjersey@gmail.com

save the dates

JYC SHABBAT SERVICE AND DINNER

JANUARY 12

FEBRUARY 9

MARCH 15

APRIL 5

MAY 10

JUNE 7



WOMEN AT THE TABLE

Rosh Hodesh Dinner and Discussion

Stories of women in the Torah leave much to be discussed. Join the conversation about how we can apply their stories to modern understanding

JAN 19, FEB 9, MAR 15

APR 5, MAY 10

Following Services



TGIs

THANK G-D IT'S SHABBAT

*Special Shabbat service and dinner
for families with children up to grade 2*

JOIN US FOR COLOR SHABBAT

Jan 19 - Yellow Shabbat

Apr 19 - Red Shabbat

Feb 23 - Pink Shabbat

May 17 - White Shabbat

Mar 15 - Purple Shabbat

Shabbat sing-along Service with Cantor Shana

Shabbat Story with Rabbi Gillman

Shabbat activity with Miriam

Delicious Shabbat Dinner

OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY - NO CHARGE

JUNIOR CONGREGATION GRADES 3 - 7

10:30AM SATURDAYS



JAN 20

FEB 24

MAR 16

APR 20

MAY 11

YOUTH SHABBAT

FALL 2023

MINYONAIRES AGES 12/13+

9:30AM SATURDAYS



JAN 6

FEB 10

MAR 2

APR 6

MAY 4

JUN 1

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL GRADES 3-5 SHABBAZ

Special Shabbat Service led by Grades 3 – 5.
Families and friends invited!

Friday, April 12 at 6:15pm

Saturday, May 11 at 9:30am





Save the date

INSTALLATION
OF RABBI GILLMAN

- AND -

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ANNIVERSARY

of Morristown Jewish Center Beit Yisrael

SUNDAY, MAY 19



TORAH  FUND
WOMEN'S LEAGUE FOR CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM



SISTERHOOD'S TORAH FUND

Brunch

SUNDAY JUNE 9

10:00AM

**Honoring Hilary Spain-Reilly as our
Eishet Chayil for her hard work and
dedication to Sisterhood**

COMPLIMENTARY ADMISSION FOR DONORS OF \$180+ TO TORAH FUND FOR THE 2023/2024 YEAR. ALL OTHERS MINIMUM DONATION OF \$18 TO TORAH FUND. (OR \$25 AT THE DOOR). FORMAL INVITATIONS TO FOLLOW CLOSER TO THE DATE. ALL CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO TORAH FUND.

QUESTIONS? ASK LINDA 973-214-0704

Save the Dates for Spring Events 2024

5/15

YOM HA'ATZMAUT

Celebrate Yom Ha'Atzmaut
with Religious School families

5/26

LAG BA'OMER AT THE LAKE

Come build a bonfire and celebrate
Lag Ba'Omer at Sunrise Lake

6/07

PRIDE SHABBAT

Learn how to be an ally and celebrate
LGBTQ+ diversity in our congregation

6/11

SHAVUOT TIKKUN

Join us at Temple B'nai Or for an
engaging night of studying the Torah

6/15

COLLEGE FAREWELL SHABBAT

Send kids off to college at this special
Shabbat service dedicated to our students



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