

MJCBY NEWS

Sept 2025, Elul 5785 – Tishrei 5786
Theme: HIGH HOLIDAYS!!!



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NEWSLETTER

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WHAT IS GEMILUT HASADIM?

Gemilut Hasadim means “bestowing kindness.” In Judaism, an attribute of G-d is said to be imitated by those who show personal kindness towards others.

The Gemilut Hasadim Committee at MJCBY is here to help support you and your family during times of need. Whether experiencing an illness, recovering from surgery, or having lost a loved one, we are here to help make difficult times a little easier.

We can cook and deliver meals, provide support during shiva, or help connect you with other resources. If you or a fellow congregant could benefit from our services, please contact Debbie Goldstein.

If you would like to be added to the list of those available to help when needs arise, please contact Debbie as well.

debbiegoldstein24@yahoo.com
973-713-3869

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Friday Night – 6:15pm

Saturday Morning – 9:30am

IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM

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

Meeting ID: 657 629 7611

Passcode: MJCBY

Join us online for Havdalah at the end of Shabbat every week! Havdalah time is listed in the weekly e-blast.

FROM THE RABBI'S DESK



An Ordinary Morning in the Mountains

Rabbi Murray Ezring

Steve Goodier shares the following story: I stumbled out the door of a mountain cabin where I was spending the weekend working with youth and their families at a rustic resort center. I squinted from the early autumn sun peeking over pine-blanketed mountaintops. I was startled by a voice behind me. "Today is a miracle!" I turned to find one of the teenagers following behind me.

It looked like a fairly ordinary day to me. The word "miracle" seemed like an overstatement. I wasn't sure I could handle much excitement this early in the morning.

She smiled. The sun rose, didn't it? I found it easy to hide any enthusiasm. It seemed to rise every other morning without my getting involved. "That's a miracle! It is miraculous that the earth turns as it does. At night, the sun goes down and in the morning it rises. It just happens!"

I rubbed sleep from my eyes, thinking about how to get a cup of coffee. "Look at the mountains! Covered with trees and grass. They look so beautiful. There is a valley. It's incredible." Was she always this perky? Shouldn't there be a rule against perkiness this early in the morning? Especially before coffee?

"Did you notice the wildflowers? It all smells so fresh and clean and so good." She took a deep breath. I thought I might have caught a sparkle in her eyes."

Now I started to worry. I was actually coming around. Is perkiness contagious? I felt something stirring inside. Up until then, I thought this was just an ordinary morning in the mountains. I didn't know what spell she was secretly weaving, but she had a point. It really was beautiful, even if there was nothing magical about it."

Then, with a smile, she said: "Best of all, it will happen again tomorrow, and the next day and the next!" Then she sighed. "See? It's a miracle morning!"

Like Pastor Goodier, we often miss the power and glory of the world in which we live. I always travelled through life trying to be the best I could be and doing the best I could. But the day I awoke after surgery for the second cancer that threatened my life, I saw things in the world in a different light. This world truly is a gift from G-d, not just for me but for all of us. All we need to do is open our eyes to see the beauty of the world, nature and the people with whom we share it.

The ancient Rabbis believed that before God created this world, *bore olamot u'machrivin ad shebara et elu*: God created many worlds and destroyed them one after another until finally this world came into being. Somehow the other worlds could not exist. Our omnipotent G-d tried over and over without success until *yom harat olam*, the day this world came to be.

As Rosh Hashanah approaches, we prepare to celebrate the birthday of Creation. It took a tremendous effort from the Divine to succeed in this creation. May we all commit ourselves to appreciate each minute, each hour of each day of 5786. May we learn to love everyone with whom we share this world. May we rediscover the wonders of this magnificent planet G-d created for us.

L'Shana Tova U'metukah - May we all be blessed with a wonder filled sweet 5786.

CANTOR'S NOTES



The High Holy Days Cantor Shana Onigman

Have you ever tried to explain Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur to someone who is not Jewish and not familiar with Judaism, but who really wants to understand it?

"It's not exactly a happy day, but it's not sad either," I found myself saying. I went on to explain that we take the idea of the anniversary of the creation of the world, and we turn it into a fresh start. But for that fresh start to happen, each of us must really think about how we can be better in the coming year, and that means taking the time to think about what our shortcomings were in the past year, a

process we call *teshuva*.

Self-Reflection? Yes, but we do it communally, using ancient texts.

I still had this on-one-foot explanation of the High Holy Days fresh in my head when I sat down to review the structure and liturgy of the Rosh Hashanah service itself, because, as you know, there's a lot of text there, and no matter how many years I've sung it, it's still worth reviewing.

Especially the special additions to the Musaf Amidah on Rosh Hashanah: *Malkhuyot* — containing Biblical references to God's rule; *Zikhronot* — containing Biblical references to how God remembers us; and *Shofarot* — containing Biblical references to the Shofar. The sages of the Talmud and modern scholars have a lot to say about this liturgy, each section of which is punctuated by blasts of the shofar when we chant it on Rosh Hashanah. This set of texts constitutes the longest and most unique aspect of the Rosh Hashanah liturgy.

Since I was thinking about both the basic-level concept of Rosh Hashanah as a new beginning, when our goal is to begin living a better version of our best possible selves; and the liturgy of *Malkhuyot - Zikhronot - Shofarot*, I found myself asking the question: what do these two concepts — that of this season of self-assessment and self-improvement, and that of the messages of the liturgy, have to do with each other?

I read one take on *Malkhuyot*, *Zikhronot*, and *Shofarot* that interpreted them as expressions of the collective past, present, and future of the Jewish people: the idea that the verses of *Malkhuyot* reflect the establishment of Judaism as a monotheistic religion in our ancient past; that *Zikhronot*, somewhat paradoxically, represents our present in the sense that much of our current liturgy and practices are built on our collective memory of that ancient past; and that *Shofarot*, some of the verses of which describe the revelation of God to the ancient Israelites, represents the idea that God continues to be revealed to us with each generation and each individual's interpretation and understanding.

While I appreciated this idea in general, I found that I couldn't quite make it mesh with the concept of *Teshuva*, assessing our shortcomings and committing ourselves to do better in the coming year. So, I decided to try my own hand at interpreting these concepts:

Malkhuyot - Power. Just as we recognize God's power over all creation, we recognize our own power to make change, to overcome our own bad habits, prejudices, pre-judgements, and self-limiting thinking. Rather than thinking we can't improve or change, or "that's just the way we are," each of us must first recognize the power we have in order to use it.

Zikhronot - Memory. In order to improve our behavior, we must remember what we have done, who we have been, how we have behaved in the past. To know what we need to change, we first need to know where we are starting from, which means remembering our own actions.

Shofarot - Awareness. The sound of the shofar is described as a wake-up call and was often used as an alarm. Some of the verses reflected the revelation of God at Sinai. We need ourselves to be revealed to ourselves — that is, we need to be able to see our own actions and choices clearly, and the jolt of hearing the shofar should be a reflection of coming to that awareness.

May we all have a High Holy Day season in which our memory of our own behavior leads us to an awareness of our own power to change.

L'Shanah Tovah Tikateivu - May you be written for a good year — a year of Power, Memory, and Awareness!

Our clergy is here for you. Please let us know when you need us or when you want to share your good news: a new baby, a marriage, or other simcha. We want to know, but you must tell us. Please call the office at (973) 538-9292 or email office@mjcby.org. When you have experienced the death of a loved one, please contact Cantor Shana before you make any plans. She will be the most helpful in making these preparations in a proper Jewish manner.

ROSH HASHANAH



LOCAL RAW
HONEY SALE

1 LB GLASS JAR \$14.00

\$1.00 PER JAR DONATED TO MJCBY

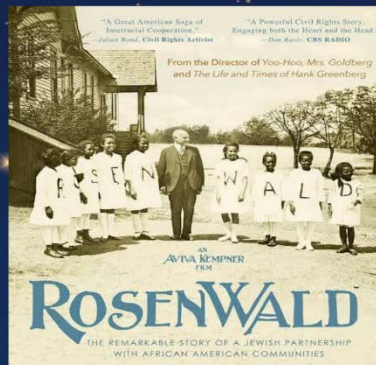
PRE-ORDER ONLINE BY SEPTEMBER 7TH

PICKUP AT MJCBY BETWEEN 9:30AM-12:00PM
ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MJCBY, CASH OR CC VIA SHULCLOUD
CAN NOT BE BILLED TO ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT. MUST BE PAID
BEFORE ORDER IS PICKED UP.



SUNDAY MOVIE
NIGHT SERIES
PRESENTS



SEPTEMBER 7 AT 7:00PM @MJCBY

FREE MOVIE, FREE REFRESHMENTS
BRING A FRIEND!

Rosenwald, a documentary on the incredible story of how businessman and philanthropist Julius Rosenwald joined with African-American communities in the South to build schools for them during the early part of the 20th century. This historical partnership as well as the modern-day attempts to maintain or reconfigure the schools is a great dramatic story, yet too little-known.



MORRISTOWN JEWISH CENTER PRESENTS

Shabbat
in the Park

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

5:30 pm at Freedom Park -
Randolph

OPEN HOUSE!

Meet MJCBY staff and families at our fun
outdoor Shabbat in the Park services!

5:30pm - Dinner

6:15pm - Community Shabbat service

RSVP ON SHULCLOUD

*VEGETARIAN
AVAILABLE (REQUEST
IN ADVANCE!)



Members: \$18 per person
Nonmembers: \$22
Kids under 8: Free



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ETROG

ORDER ONLINE OR CALL THE OFFICE

\$48

ORDER BY

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH

PICK UP

Pick up from the office
conference room after
October 3rd

Purchase on ShulCloud
Today!



AUGUST SHABBAT IN THE PARK PICTURES



AUGUST SHABBAT IN THE PARK PICTURES – CONT'D



MJCBY Memorial Book Form 2025-5786

FILL OUT THIS FORM
ONLINE



To include the names of your loved ones in this year's Yizkor Book of Remembrance, you can either

- fill out this form online where you can submit your names AND donation all at the same time, or
- email your names to paula.czeisler@gmail.com (Yizkor Book in the subject line) and send or drop off your donation to the shul by **September 8nd, 2025**.

Please include exactly what you want written for the Remembered By line.

If you are including names in this year's Memorial Book, it is highly recommended that you take a hard copy home with you so that you know who you listed this year in preparation for next year.

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While donations are not required, please consider honoring your loved one's memory by making a donation to MJCBY. A time-honored Jewish tradition is to give Tzedakah in memory of each of your loved ones based on the number Chai (\$18.00) or its multiples.

A donation of \$ _____ per each of my loved ones to be remembered in the Yizkor Memorial Book is enclosed with this form.

Checks should be made payable to MJCBY and sent to

MJCBY – ATTN Yizkor Book of Remembrance
177 Speedwell Avenue
Morristown, NJ 07960

Remembered By: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

____ Please use the same names as last year.

Or add names In Memory of:

ADULT ED

Join us for a free Zoom program with
DAVID DENBY, author of

EMINENT JEWS: Bernstein, Brooks, Friedan, Mailer

Learn about four American Jews who emerged after the Second World War and triumphed by means of their own gifts and the new media of television, the long-playing record, mass-market paperbacks, and the like. Leonard Bernstein, Mel Brooks, Betty Friedan, and Norman Mailer were free in a way that Jews had never been free before. They led creative and tumultuous lives, made trouble for themselves and others, and changed American culture.



David is a staff writer and former film critic for *The New Yorker*, and his reviews and essays have appeared in *The New Republic*, *The Atlantic*, and *New York* magazine, (where he was film critic from 1978 to 1998), among other places. David is the author of *American Sucker*, *Snark*, *Do the Movies Have a Future?*, *Great Books*, and *Lit Up*.



Please
Register Here

TUESDAY, SEPT. 16, 7PM

Cosponsors: Morristown Jewish Center Beit Yisrael Adult Ed, Gottesman RTW Academy, NCJW-West Morris Section, Pine Brook Jewish Center, Temple Beth Am, and Morristown & Morris Township Library

To purchase a copy of *EMINENT JEWS*, with a 20% discount, contact your organization or email: questions4event@gmail.com



Join the MJCBY Choir for High Holy Days

Rehearsals @ 7:00 PM

Wed Aug 20
Thurs Aug 28
Thurs Sept 4
Tues Sept 9
Thurs Sept 11
Tues Sept 16
Thurs Sept 18
Mon Sept 29

Performance dates:

Erev Rosh Hashanah
Mon Sept 22

Rosh Hashanah Day 1
Tues, Sept 23, Morning

Rosh Hashanah Day 2
Wed, Sept 24, Morning

Kol Nidrei
Wed Oct 1, 6:00 PM

Yom Kippur
Thurs Oct 2, 10:00 AM

All ages welcome
contact Cantor Shana
cantorshana@gmail.com



SHOFAR SOUNDING CLASS

Learn how to sound the shofar with Matthew Onigman during Religious School

Open to all ages, adults and kids

Sunday, September 14, 10:30 am
MJCBY Chapel



No shofar? Don't fret!

The MJCBY Sisterhood Judaica Gift Shop has plenty to toot about—come find your perfect pick!

ROSH HASHANAH SCHEDULE 2025

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2025 | LEIL SELICHOT

- 8 PM | Temple B'nai Or | In-Person and via Zoom

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2025 | EREV ROSH HASHANAH

- 6:15 PM | Evening Services | The Main Sanctuary | In-person and via Zoom
- Communal Rosh Hashanah Dinner following services (pre-registration required)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD, 2025 | ROSH HASHANAH DAY

- 9 AM | Morning Services | The Main Sanctuary | In-person and via Zoom
- 9:15 AM | Alternative Style Service I | The Ballroom
- 9:30 - 10:15 AM | Family Services | Frigand Hall (for children up to 2nd grade with parents)
- 10:30 - 11:30 AM | Junior Congregation | Conference Room (for 3rd through 7th graders)
- Childcare available in Shalom Yeladim classrooms (pre-registration required)
- 4:30 PM | Tashlich | Speedwell Lake (rain date, Rosh Hashana Day 2 at 4:30 pm)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2025 | ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2

- 9 AM | Morning Services | The Main Sanctuary | In-person and via Zoom
- 09:15 AM | Alternative Style Service | The Ballroom
- Childcare available in Shalom Yeladim classrooms (pre-registration required)

For all events with participants under the age of 18, the Parent Form MUST be completed prior to High Holy Days.



HIGH HOLY DAY PRAYER BOOK MACHZOR LEV SHALEM

This holiday season, whether you are zooming or attending in person, owning your own Machzor makes sense.

If zooming, you'll need a book to follow along at home.

If attending in person, your own book is necessary.

\$45 per book. Contact the MJCBY Office, 973-538-9292, to purchase your copy which can be picked up in the office prior to the holiday.

Ma'ariv and Communal Dinner

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 6:15 PM

ADULTS - \$36

CHILDREN (8-17) - \$18

CHILDREN UNDER 8 FREE

Please register via ShulCloud




TASHLICH

AT SPEEDWELL LAKE
TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 23 4:30PM

TASHLICH FOLLOWED BY
ROSH HASHANAH MINCHA SERVICE



BYOB (BRING YOUR OWN BREAD)
IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER
WE WILL MEET WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 24TH

CHILDREN HHD EVENTS

Must register in advance



SEP 23

- 9:30 - 10:15 AM | Family Services | Frigand Hall (for children up to 2nd grade with parents)
- 10:30 - 11:30 AM | Junior Congregation | Conference Room (for 3rd through 7th graders)
- Childcare available in Shalom Yeladim classrooms (pre-registration required)

SEP 24

- Childcare available in Shalom Yeladim classrooms (pre-registration required)

OCT 2

- 9:30 - 10:15 AM | Family Services | Frigand Hall (for children up to 2nd grade with parents)
- 10:30 - 11:30 AM | Junior Congregation | The Conference Room (for 3rd through 7th graders)
- Childcare available in Shalom Yeladim classrooms during morning services only (pre-registration required)

YOM KIPPUR SCHEDULE 2025

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1ST, 2025 | EREV YOM KIPPUR

- 6:15 PM | Kol Nidrei | The Main Sanctuary | In-person and via Zoom

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2ND, 2025 | YOM KIPPUR

- 9 AM | Morning Services | The Main Sanctuary | In-person and via Zoom
- 09:15 AM | Alternative Style Service | The Ballroom
- 9:30 - 10:15 AM | Family Services | Frigand Hall (for children up to 2nd grade with parents)
- 10:30 - 11:30 AM | Junior Congregation | The Conference Room (for 3rd through 7th graders)
- 4:30 PM | Mincha | The Main Sanctuary | In-person and via Zoom
- 5:45 PM | Neilah, Ma'ariv & Havdalah | The Main Sanctuary | In-person and via Zoom
- Break Fast following services
- Childcare available in Shalom Yeladim classrooms during morning services only (pre-registration required)

REGISTER FOR ALL
HIGH HOLY DAYS
EVENTS HERE



PARENTS - COMPLETE
THIS FOR CHILDREN
ATTENDING EVENTS



*Babysitting available from 9 am to end of Services.
For all events under the age of 18 Parent Form MUST
be completed prior to High Holy Days.



Beth Israel Cemetery
The Annual Memorial Service

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 AT 12:30PM (RAIN OR SHINE). GPS ADDRESS: 23 RIDGEDALE AVE. CEDAR KNOLLS, NJ

PARKING IS AVAILABLE DIAGONALLY ACROSS THE STREET AT PLAZA I.
 PLEASE DO NOT PARK AT PROGRESSIVE GARDEN CENTER.
 THERE IS NO STREET PARKING.

VIEW NEW WEBSITE FOR CURRENT INFO:
[HTTPS://BETHISRAELCEMETERYNJ.ORG/](https://bethisraelcemeterynj.org/)

SIGN UP FOR EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS:
[HTTPS://BETHISRAELCEMETERYNJ.ORG/CONTACT-US/](https://bethisraelcemeterynj.org/contact-us/)



Morristown Festival ON THE GREEN

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025
 12 TO 5 PM - RAIN OR SHINE



To volunteer, email Lew Stone lewisstone522@gmail.com or on ShulCloud

Join us at Morristown on the Green!
 Enjoy this free community event and show your support for MJCBY. Want to get more involved? Volunteer at our table for a few hours—we'd love to have you!



Judaism: Exploring Jewish traditions, wisdom and culture

www.IntroJudaismNJ.com

Always wondered about Judaism?
 Thinking about converting to Judaism?
 Thinking about being part of a Jewish family? Or just curious?

Classes will begin in Fall 2025:
 Hoboken, NJ (Wed eves beginning 10/29)
 Morristown, NJ (Thurs eves beginning 10/30)

ALL REMOTE CLASS (Sunday mornings beginning 11/2, by Zoom)

In each location, the course runs for 24 sessions of 2.5 hours each. See www.IntroJudaismNJ.com to register.

This course fulfills many of the educational requirements towards conversion to Judaism, but interest in conversion is not a prerequisite for the class. A project of the Rabbinical Assembly, NJ Region.
 Questions? 973-214-4553 or ellen.nesson@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

יום הולדת שמח Yom Huledet Same'ach

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Irwin Berns	Oliver Henig	Penny Miller	Evan Smith
Joshua Bienstock	Michelle Herman	Isaac Morganstein	Danny Sobol
Sarah Borax	Marcy Hersh	Adriana Mound	Amy Soled
Amy Brunswick	Aaron Iskowit	Isaac Najarian	Aubree Tobias
Ellie Charm	Fred Iskowit	Gabriella Neibart	Sara Vinogradsky
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Gabriel Diring	Emily Kaufman	Jonathan Nulman	Beth Weissman
Paige Epstein	Michael Kerwin	Michael Papish	Mindy Weissman
Madeleine Forman	Babette Kornbleuth	Emily Meredith Prentiss	Abby Wolff
Neil Frigand	Linda Kornreich	Laurie Reingold	Jessica Wolff
David Ganz	Joyce Lantzman	Jonathan Rogoff	Dahlia Yoskowitz

MEAL TRAIN FOR LARRY AND PHYLLIS LEVIN:

Larry and Phyllis Levin are longtime MJCBY members. Phyllis taught Religious School at MJCBY for many years. Larry has been undergoing treatment for a prolonged illness, requiring many extended doctor's appointments. Larry and Phyllis would greatly appreciate some dinners during this challenging time. Details are provided in the link. Please sign up for a meal if you can.

Thank you very much for your support.

With my Best Wishes,

Debbie Goldstein

G'milut Hasadim Committee Chair

<https://mealtrain.com/ow127l>

Meal Train for Beverly Levine and Sanford Greenberg

Beverly Levine and Sanford Greenberg are longtime MJCBY members. Beverly is recovering from an illness, and they would appreciate meals for the next few weeks. Please help if you can. Beverly and Sanford would greatly appreciate some dinners during this challenging time.

<https://mealtrain.com/83l4w2>

INCLUSION COMMITTEE

At MJCBY, we pride ourselves in being an inclusive and welcoming Jewish community. Feeling that each of us has a place to belong and contribute to community is key to wanting to be more involved. We are doing a great job, but we also know that there are ways in which we can do better. As we continue to grow and expand our programming to best meet the needs of our community, we are seeking your input to better understand how we move forward. We have developed an Inclusion Committee to explore the ways in which we can better engage and meet the needs of all members of our community, with an initial focus on disability, LGBTQ+ communities, and the elderly. Creating a more accessible ritual experience is important to many in our community. Our sanctuary regularly has assistive listening devices, large print siddurs and the large digital display available. Over last summer we added magnifying sheets and magnifying glasses as additional resources for those with vision loss. Last year, we had 20 new large print machzors that have been made available to our congregation. We are grateful for the generous support of the Balabans, Gotfrieds, Sagors and an additional anonymous donor who helped us reach this goal. If you are interested in helping on this committee, please contact Becca Wanatick at rwanatick@gmail.com.

DEVELOPMENT

Giving Opportunities

Major Fundraising

- General Fund — We will apply your donation to the areas with the greatest need.
- Building Renovation Fund — To maintain and refurbish the building.

Clergy Funds

- Cantor's Discretionary Fund — To support music, special concerts and other activities and programs organized by the Cantor.

Caring Funds

- Chevra Kadisha (Burial Society) Fund — To help cover the cost of materials, supplies and additional training for the members of the Chevra Kadisha. The synagogue's Chevra Kadisha acts as Shomrim (Guards) and/or prepares the body for burial on request.
- Gemilut Chasadim Fund - To provide food for shiva and when congregational members are unable to prepare food due to illness or otherwise.
- Social Action Fund — To support the community soup kitchen and homeless needs by providing school bags and supplies to underprivileged children.

Education Funds

- Alex Csillag Memorial Fund — To support musical programs and the Religious School.
- Educational Endowment — Used to support the costs of education at the synagogue, to include Adult Ed.
- Shalom Yeladim Nursery School Fund - To support scholarship and extracurricular activities for Shalom Yeladim Nursery School.
- Frigand Minyonaires & Israel Experience Fund — For extra activities not covered in the budget for Minyonaires, a Hebrew High School stipend, and to subsidize the cost of teen trips to Israel or other USCJ teen programs.

History & Preservation

- History Fund — To cover costs of preserving and preparing materials for presentations regarding MJCBY history.
- Yahrzeit Fund — To purchase and repair prayerbooks, *Chumashim* (Bibles) and Library Books.

Shabbat Meals at the Shul

- Shabbat Dinner Fund — We provide a delicious dinner every Shabbat from our own kitchen, prepared by volunteers. This fund supports the cost of the food we serve.
- Kiddush Fund – This is where you can make a donation to sponsor a kiddush lunch.

Donations to the funds and membership dues are tax deductible.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL



SHALOM YELADIM
The Judie Gerstein Early Learning Center

WELCOME NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2025

SUMMER FUN

The children had such an incredible summer filled with weekly themes, water play, bubble time, science experiments, and so much more! A huge thank you to Robin Haskel for helping to run the day to day operations throughout the summer!

SUMMER SPECIALS

We were fortunate to have our Grow it Green, gardening program, as well as, The Little Dance Project throughout the summer for our children! Can't wait to have them for the school year!



THANK YOU

Thank you to Fern Spitzer for taking over the day to day operations for SY as we continue our search for a new director! We appreciate everything you do!



CONTACT INFO

We are still accepting new students! Please help us spread the word! our website is shalomyeladim.org! We'd love to have you!





SY YEARLY CALENDAR

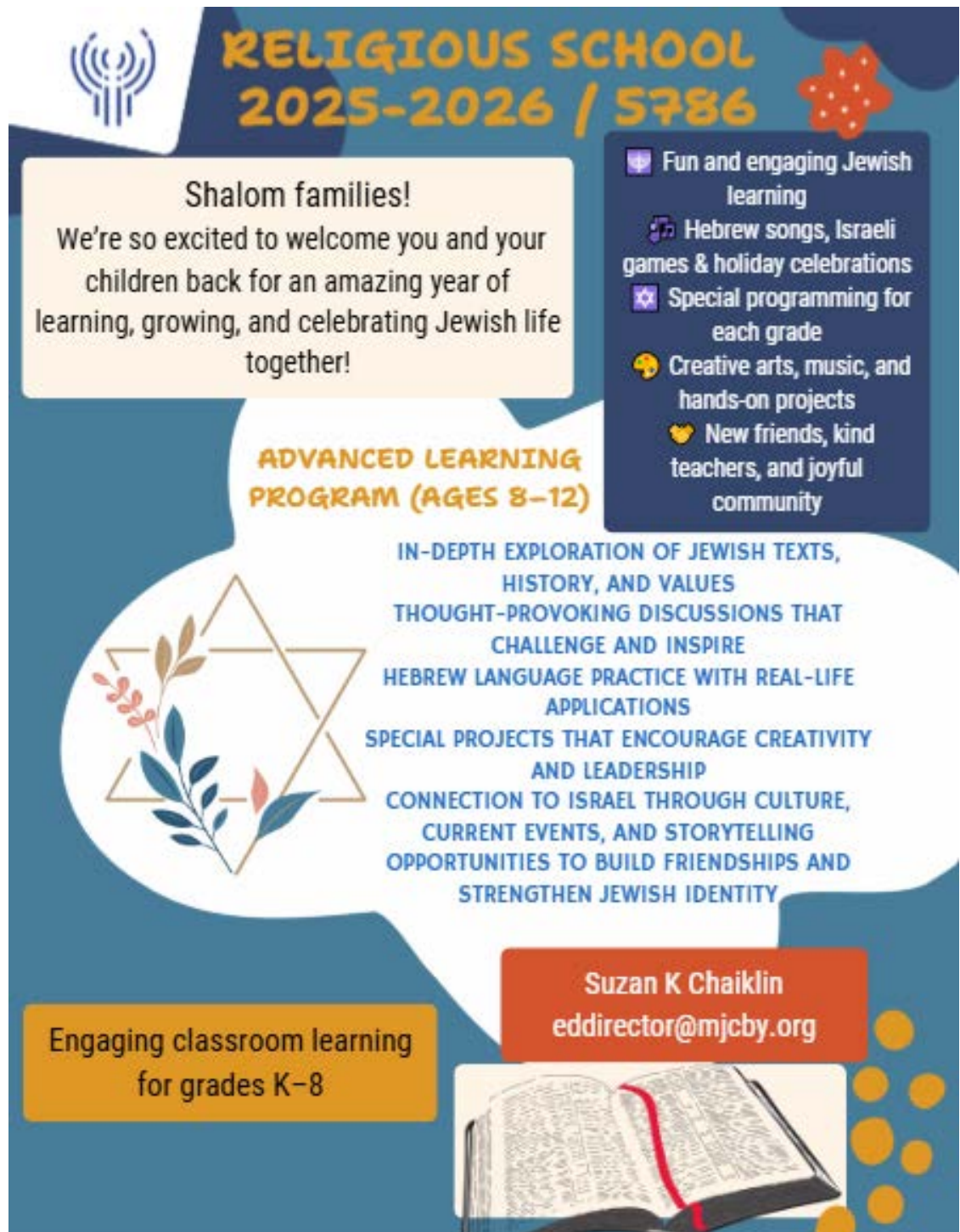
AUGUST			OCTOBER		
8/18-8/27	BRIDGES	8:30am - 5:30pm	10/1	EREV YOM KIPPUR	NO SCHOOL
8/28	FIRST DAY FOR TEACHERS		10/2	YOM KIPPUR	NO SCHOOL
8/29	OPEN HOUSE/MEET THE TEACHER	10:30am-11:30am	10/7-10/8	SUKKOT	NO SCHOOL/COME AND PLAY
			10/13	COLUMBUS DAY	NO SCHOOL
			10/14-10/15	SHEMINI ATZERET/ SIMCHAT TORAH	NO SCHOOL / COME AND PLAY
SEPTEMBER			NOVEMBER		
9/1	LABOR DAY	NO SCHOOL	11/6-11/7	NJ TEACHER CONVENTION	NO SCHOOL
9/2	FIRST DAY FOR STUDENTS		11/10-11/14	CONFERENCES	CHILDREN IN SCHOOL
9/22	EREV ROSH HASHANAH	NO SCHOOL	11/26	THANKSGIVING FEAST	EARLY DISMISSAL AT NOON
9/23-9/24	ROSH HASHANAH	NO SCHOOL	11/27-11/28	THANKSGIVING	NO SCHOOL
			JANUARY		
			1/5	SCHOOL REOPENS	
			1/19	MLK Jr. DAY	NO SCHOOL
DECEMBER			FEBRUARY		
12/18	HANUKKAH SHOW	10:00 AM (FOR ALL FAMILIES)			
12/23	LAST DAY BEFORE BREAK	EARLY DISMISSAL AT NOON			
12/24-1/2	WINTER BREAK	NO SCHOOL	2/16	PRESIDENT'S DAY	NO SCHOOL / COME AND PLAY
			MARCH		
			3/5	PICTURE DAY	
			3/3	PURIM CARNIVAL	
			3/24	PASSOVER SHOW	10:00 AM (FOR ALL FAMILIES)
			APRIL		
			3/30-4/9	SPRING BREAK/PASSOVER	NO SCHOOL
			MAY		
			5/1	YOM HA'ATZMAUT	9:45 am
			5/26	MEMORIAL DAY	NO SCHOOL
			JUNE		
			6/4	GRADUATION (4 YEAR OLDS)	10:00am
			6/5	LAST DAY- Family Field Trip Celebration	
			6/8-6/12	BRIDGES	8:30am - 5:30pm
			6/15	FIRST DAY OF SUMMER FUN	

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



Religious School Begins on Sun Sept 7th!

Suzan Chaiklin, Director



The poster features a blue background with white and orange geometric shapes. At the top left is a stylized menorah icon. At the top right is a red star of David. In the center is a large white speech bubble containing text about the 'Advanced Learning Program'. To the right of the speech bubble is a dark blue box with a list of activities. At the bottom left is an orange box about classroom learning. At the bottom right is an orange box with the director's name and email. At the very bottom is an image of an open book with a red bookmark.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL
2025-2026 / 5786

Shalom families!
We're so excited to welcome you and your children back for an amazing year of learning, growing, and celebrating Jewish life together!

ADVANCED LEARNING PROGRAM (AGES 8-12)

IN-DEPTH EXPLORATION OF JEWISH TEXTS, HISTORY, AND VALUES
THOUGHT-PROVOKING DISCUSSIONS THAT CHALLENGE AND INSPIRE
HEBREW LANGUAGE PRACTICE WITH REAL-LIFE APPLICATIONS
SPECIAL PROJECTS THAT ENCOURAGE CREATIVITY AND LEADERSHIP
CONNECTION TO ISRAEL THROUGH CULTURE, CURRENT EVENTS, AND STORYTELLING
OPPORTUNITIES TO BUILD FRIENDSHIPS AND STRENGTHEN JEWISH IDENTITY

- Fun and engaging Jewish learning
- Hebrew songs, Israeli games & holiday celebrations
- Special programming for each grade
- Creative arts, music, and hands-on projects
- New friends, kind teachers, and joyful community

Engaging classroom learning for grades K-8

Suzan K Chaiklin
eddirector@mjcby.org

Religious School Calendar

2025/26
5786



September	October	November
Sundays: 7 - Opening Day/ Pancake Breakfast 14 - Classes 21 - Classes 28 - Classes (Sukkah Building) Wednesdays: 10 - Classes 17 - Classes 24 - Rosh Hashana Day 2	Sundays: 5 - Classes 12 - Celebrate Sukkot! Pizza in the Hut 19 - Classes 26 - Classes Wednesdays: 1 - Special Program 6:15 pm Erev Yom Kippur Family Service 8 - Classes - Sukkot Holiday Dinner 15 - Classes - Simchat Torah, Unroll the Scroll, and Dinner 22 - Classes 26 - Classes	Sundays: 2 - Classes 9 - No Classes (NJEA week) 16 - Classes 23 - Classes 30 - No Classes - Thanksgiving Break Wednesdays: 5 - No Classes 12 - Classes 19 - Classes 26 - No Classes - Thanksgiving
December	January	February
Sundays: 7 - Classes 14 - Classes 21 - Classes (Hanukkah Play & Party) 28 - No Classes - Winter Break Wednesdays: 3 - Classes 10 - Classes 17 - Classes Hanukkah on the Plaza 24 - No Classes - Winter Break 31 - No Classes - Winter Break	Sundays: 4 - Classes 11 - Classes - (B'nai Mitzvah Workshop) 18 - No Classes - MLK 25 - Classes Wednesdays: 7 Classes 14 Classes 21 Classes 28 Classes Friday, January 30, 6:15 PM Grades 5, 6, & 7 Services & Shabbat Dinner	Sundays: 1 Classes - Tu B'shvat Seder 8 Classes 15 No Classes President's Day Weekend 22 Classes Wednesdays: 4 Classes 11 Classes 18 Classes 25 Classes Saturday, February 7, 6:30 PM: Havdalah & Hot Chocolate PJ's Party - Grades K-12
March	April	May
Sundays: 1 - Classes - Purim Shpiel & Carnival 8 - Classes 15 - Classes 22 - Classes 29 - No classes - Pesach/ Spring Break Wednesdays: 4 - Classes 11 - Classes 18 - Classes 25 - Classes - Model Seder! Friday, March 20, 6:15 PM Grades 3 & 4 Services & Shabbat Dinner	Sundays: 5 - No Classes - Pesach / Spring Break 12 - Classes 19 - Classes 26 - Classes Wednesdays: 1 - No Classes - Pesach / Spring Break 8 - No Classes - Pesach / Spring Break 15 - Classes - Yom HaShoah Program 22 - Classes - Yom Haatzmaut Celebration 29 - Classes	Sundays: 3 - Closing Day & Lag B'Omer Celebration; Grade 7 Graduation 10 - No Classes - Mother's Day Wednesdays: 6 - Classes - Last Wednesday


 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

2025 Religious School Kick-off

PANCAKE breakfast



Open to the Community!
Bring your friends & interested families!

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7

9:30-10:30AM

WELCOME ACTIVITIES & OPEN HOUSE & 1ST DAY OF SCHOOL

MEET OUR TEACHERS, RABBI & CANTOR

RSVP & more info
eddirector@mjcby.org

ALP

ADVANCED LEARNING PROGRAM

For Teens Grades 8 - 12

SEPTEMBER 15 Youth Lounge Ribbon Cutting	OCTOBER 13	NOVEMBER 17
DECEMBER 15 Hanukkah	JANUARY 12	FEBRUARY 9
MARCH 9	APRIL 13	MAY 11

MONDAY NIGHTS 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Dinner included

Youth Lounge

OFFICIAL YOUTH LOUNGE RIBBON CUTTING



YOU ARE INVITED

Monday, September 15, 2025

6:30 PM During ALP
at MJCBY Youth Lounge



For more information and registration, please contact Suzan
EDdirector@MJCBY.org

LIFELONG LEARNING



Look at what we have planned this year for LLL!

Suzan Chaiklin, Director

For families with children up to 2nd grade

Shabbat sing-along Service with Cantor Shana
Story-Time with Rabbi Ezring
Shabbat activities with Suzan
DELICIOUS SHABBAT DINNER

T.G.I.S. THANK G-D IT'S SHABBAT!
HEBREW LETTERS

Sep 12
Oct 10
Nov 21
Dec 19
Jan 23
Feb 20
Mar 20
Apr 17
May 8

Fridays, 5:30pm
Free of charge
Open to the community!

USY USCJ's youth movement
KADIMA GRADES 4 - 7
SUNDAYS 12 - 1PM LUNCH INCLUDED!

AROUND THE JEWISH WORLD
NOVEMBER 16

JEWISH GRAFTTI WORLD
FEBRUARY 8

END OF YEAR PARTY
MAY 17

CANDY SUSHI
SEPTEMBER 14

TIE-DYE WEAR YOUR JEWISH VALUES
DECEMBER 14

WHO'S THAT MITZVAH?
MARCH 15

ROCK PAINTING
OCTOBER 19

SHOW & TELL JEWISH VALUES
JANUARY 11

MARSHMALLOW CHALLENGE
APRIL 12

FRIENDSHIP! FUN! LEADERSHIP!

RSVP - EDDIRECTOR@MJC.BY.ORG

MONTHLY Israeli Dancing
with Reut Segall
Wednesday 7:00 PM- 8:00 PM

September 10, October 8, November 12, December 10, January 14, February 11, March 11, April 29

Get ready to roll Candy Sushi,

Join us for a sweet night of fun as we make (and eat!) our own sushi... made entirely of candy! Gummy fish, fruit roll-ups, rice krispies, and more delicious surprises.

Who: All 5th-7th grade Kadima + USY teens 09/14/2025 Sunday 12-1

KADIMA TEENS USY

SISTERHOOD NEWS & EVENTS

MJCBY Sisterhood
177 Speedwell Ave
Morristown, NJ 07960
973-538-9292
sisterhood@mjcby.org



Co-Presidents,
Heidi Schleifer-
Fleischman &
Ivy Rubin

\$36.00 DUES STATEMENT - 2025-2026

Sisterhood is comprised of vibrant 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! We write today to invite all perspective and returning members to commit to Sisterhood and to the idea of having a dynamic and supportive fun year together.

We are planning many great programs this year. Save the dates for our Floral Arrangement Program on September 18th, 2025; Membership Dinner on October 26th, 2025; Torah Fund Brunch on March 15th, 2026; and Sisterhood Shabbat on April 18th, 2026! For those of you who were not Sisterhood members for 2024/2025 year, we seriously urge you to consider joining for 2025/2026! For just \$36 dollars, you can take part in all that Sisterhood has to offer, including our Marjorie Elkind Book Group. Our programming co-chairs planned very interesting events this past year, including our Sisterhood Show and Tell of Judaica items.

Come join us and see all that Sisterhood has to offer! We are always looking for new board and committee members as well! Please reach out if you would like to help out in any way or have any ideas to contribute! Please come join in our fun!

IMPORTANT NOTES:

New synagogue members to MJCBY receive complimentary first year Sisterhood membership.
Sisterhood is open to all women in the community at \$36.
Book Club members must pay Sisterhood dues.
Former Torah Fund Brunch Honorees must pay Sisterhood dues each year.

Please use ShulCloud to sign up for Sisterhood Membership. Use the QR code below or type in the website below



<https://morristownjewishcenter.shulcloud.com/event/2025-2026-sisterhood-membership.html>

Credit Card or ACH payments can be made on ShulCloud. If paying by check, please make check out to MJCBY Sisterhood and mail to: MJCBY Sisterhood, Attn: Membership Dues, 177 Speedwell Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960
Any ShulCloud questions, Call or email the office, 973-538-9292 or office@mjcby.org

MAHJONGG INTEREST



Are you interested in learning how to play Mah Jongg? Do you want to teach others how to play Mah Jongg?

If so, please contact Ivy Rubin at ivysnj18@gmail.com and include your phone number.

Sisterhood is trying to organize a Mah Jongg Lesson group. We need to have a certain # of participants. Ivy will contact you to discuss possibilities. There will be a fee for the lessons. The fee will depend on the teacher selected and the # of sessions.

AUGUST 7TH MAHJONGG TOURNAMENT



IS YOUR PRIDE AND JOY OFF TO COLLEGE?



Do you have a child going off to college in the fall?

Sisterhood supports MJCBy members' college students by sending occasional care packages throughout the year.

Recipients must be undergraduate students, and they must be children or dependents of MJCBy members, not grandchildren, nieces, nephews, or neighbors (unless you are the student's legal guardian).

Please fill out our online form to enroll in the program!
(undergraduate only)

Another good reason to support Sisterhood!

<https://forms.gle/4upAJUBhi9NBHQyJ8>



MARJORIE ELKIND SISTERHOOD BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, September 16 – Sam
by Allegra Goodman

Thursday, November 13

Monday, January 26

Tuesday, February 18 MOVIE
NIGHT

Wednesday, March 18

Tuesday, April 28

Wednesday, May 27



Come Make a Beautiful Floral Arrangement for Your Rosh Hashanah Table
with Guided Instructions by Vanessa Biscaia from Love at First Bloom

Thursday, September 18th, 2025

7:00-8:30 PM in Frigand Hall

Doors open at 6:30 PM with light refreshments and socializing

What is Provided:

Floral Arrangement Demonstration

Fall Flowers

Vase

Flower Shears

Cost is \$36.00 for Sisterhood members, \$45.00 for non-Sisterhood members

RSVP and Payment due no later than Tuesday, September 2nd, 2025

No Walk-Ins

Questions? Email Heidi Schleifer-Fleischman at edheidi2@verizon.net

Register on ShulCloud using the QR code or the following link

<https://morristownjewishcenter.shulcloud.com/event/sisterhood-floral-arrangement.html>



Please make checks payable to MJCBY Sisterhood and mail
them to:

MJCBY Sisterhood

177 Speedwell Avenue

Morristown, NJ 07960

A credit card payment option is available online. Please make
sure that your payment is made by 9/2/25, as flowers need to be
ordered for this event.

Any ShulCloud questions,
call or email the office

973-538-9292 or office@mjcby.org



MJCBY SISTERHOOD HIGH HOLY DAY FUNDRAISER

The High Holy Days begin on September 22nd, 2025.

Each member family will receive a New Year's token of appreciation to enhance their holiday! Your donation makes you a partner in all of the wonderful things Sisterhood does for MJCBY!

THIS IS OUR MAJOR FUNDRAISER FOR THE YEAR!!!

Wishes for a Sweet Year to the entire congregation at \$154.00.

Wishes for a Sweet Year to the families listed below at \$8.00 per family.

PLEASE USE SHULCLOUD TO REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2025



<https://morristownjewishcenter.shulcloud.com/event/2025-2026-mjcbysisterhood-high-holy-day-fundraiser.html>

Credit Card or ACH payments can be made on Shul Cloud.

If paying check, please make check out to MJCBY Sisterhood and mail to:

MJCBY Sisterhood, Attn: HH Fundraiser, 177 Speedwell Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960

For more information, contact Ivy Rubin 973-781-0844 ivysnj18@gmail.com

We need volunteers to deliver the Sisterhood High Holy Day package.

Please volunteer when registering on ShulCloud.

Any ShulCloud questions,
Call or email the office
973-538-9292 or office@mjcbby.org



Announcing Our 2025-2026 Campaign Theme:

Oseh Shalom

עשה שלום

Maker of Peace

We strive to make a significant impact through scholarships and programs that benefit students at The Jewish Theological Seminary, Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies, Schechter Institutes, Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano, and The Abraham J. Heschel Seminary.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we help committed Jewish students become the rabbis, cantors, educators, synagogue administrators, social workers, scholars, researchers and lay leaders of tomorrow.

When you support Torah Fund, you help educate students in New York, Los Angeles, Israel, Latin America and Europe—and you align with those who value learning, knowledge and providing the future generation with relevant skills to fortify the Jewish people.

Visit www.jtsa.edu/torah-fund

Oseh Shalom Bimromav, "may the One who makes peace in the heavens, make peace for us and all the people of Israel," appears at the end of Kaddish and in other prayers, and is also a song. We help foster Jewish unity by our support of the five global Conservative/Masorti institutes of higher education.



PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY TO TORAH FUND!

TORAH FUND GIVING LEVELS

Golden Supporter: \$8,100
 Keter Kavod \$5,000
 Scholarship Patron \$2,500
 Patron \$1,200
 Associate Patron \$600
 Guardian \$300
 Benefactor \$180

For more information, contact Meryl Balaban or Harriet Sakofs at sisterhood@micby.org
 DONATIONS can be made in the following 2 ways:

Credit Card or Electronic donations can be made online at jtsa.edu/torah-fund
 Affiliate is: Morristown Jewish Center Beit Yisrael

Send checks made out to **Torah Fund** to:
 Morristown Jewish Center Beit Yisrael, Attn: Sisterhood
 177 Speedwell Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960

People who donate \$180 or more will get a beautiful pin!

For more information on TORAH FUND CARDS, please contact Mimi Czeisler at misquared@aol.com or 973-219-1795

GIFT SHOP NEWS



FOR APPOINTMENTS, EMAIL
GIFTSHOP@MJCBy.ORG

OR CONTACT
SHARON BARKAUSKAS • 201-874-8744
JANET APPELBAUM • 973-886-0702
KIM SYNALOVSKI • 973-714-7636
VIVIAN LASKA • 973-714-6489

177 Speedwell Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960
973-538-9292

It is easy to shop online....
But did you know?

Your purchases from the Sisterhood
Judaica Gift Shop support both
Sisterhood AND MJCBy.

The Sisterhood Gift Shop has just about
everything you could want "Judaically"
and, if we don't have what you want, we
can most likely get it for you!



WOMEN'S LEAGUE FOR
CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM

Torah Fund Cards

\$4 per card

4 cards for \$12

Cash or Checks payable to MJCBy Sisterhood

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**Need a Card for a Special Occasion**

*The Sisterhood Gift Shop also carries a full selection  
of beautiful cards for all occasions and holidays.*

### **BABY NAMING CERTIFICATES NOW AVAILABLE!!!**

**משנת אבות ד'ת"ל**  
רבי שמעון אמר, שלשה כתרין הם, כתר  
תורה וכתר מלכות וכתר שלום  
טוב עולה על גביהן

**Pirkei Avot 4:13**  
Rabbi Shimon said: There are three  
crowns: the crown of Torah, the  
crown of priesthood, and the crown of  
royalty, but the crown of a good name  
supercedes them all.

**BABY ENGLISH NAME**  
May the One who blessed our ancestors bless this child  
and let their name among the people of Israel be:

**HEBREW NAME**  
May they grow to embody the virtues of our people:  
a life of learning, love, and making the world a better place.

BORN DATE NAMED DATE  
Hebrew Date Hebrew Date

**PARENTS NAME**

**OFFICIANT NAME AND TITLE**

MORRISTOWN JEWISH CENTER BEIT TIKVAH  
MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY

Please browse our catalogs:

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**L'Shana Tova – It's that time of year again!  
Are you ready?**

Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, is one of Judaism's holiest days. Rosh Hashanah commemorates the creation of the world and marks the beginning of the Days of Awe, a 10-day period of introspection and repentance that culminates in the Yom Kippur holiday, also known as the Day of Atonement. Blowing of the shofar symbolizes a call to repentance. Sukkot follows right after Yom Kippur.



**Your Sisterhood Judaica Gift Shop has  
everything you need to celebrate the holidays:**

*Honey Dishes*

*Shofars – Display Stands and Carrying Bags.*

*Plastic Shofars for Children*

*Kiddush Cups*

*Challah Covers and Cutting Boards/Knives*

*Candlesticks and Candles*

*Decorative Pomegranates*

*Miscellaneous Serving Pieces*

*Lulav Sets for Children, Etrog Box*

**Support Your  
Sisterhood.... Support  
Your Shul!!!**

Sundays when Religious  
School is in Session or by  
Appointment

Contact  
[giftshop@mjcbjy.org](mailto:giftshop@mjcbjy.org)





## SISTERHOOD JUDAICA GIFT SHOP



Support your Sisterhood....Support your Shul!

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy!

Shabbat, one of the most important Jewish observances, is the 4<sup>th</sup> of the Ten Commandments. We greet it with the happy blessing "Shabbat Shalom" which means in English – hello, goodbye and, of course, peace...and celebrate Havdalah as the sun goes down on Saturday.

**How do we observe Shabbat?**

- By lighting the candles traditionally done by women
- Reciting the blessing over a cup of wine
- Make the blessing over the challah
- Enjoy a delicious Shabbat meal especially with family and friends and even the stranger who may not have a place to experience Shabbat.
- Perform Havdalah with a special candle and spices to signify the end of Shabbat

שבת שלום

So, the question is.... where does one get all that is needed to celebrate Shabbat and Havdalah? The Sisterhood Judaica Gift Shop, of course, has everything you need! Come see us during Religious School on Sundays or by sending an email to [giftshop@mjcbjy.org](mailto:giftshop@mjcbjy.org) to make an appointment during the week.







## MEN'S CLUB

### **MEN'S CLUB DUES**

**\$36.00**

**for 2025/2026**

***We need your Support!***

Make checks payable to "MJCBY Men's Club" - mail to:  
MJCBY Men's Club, 177 Speedwell Ave, Morristown, NJ  
07960  
Questions – Mark Levine - mensclub\_pres@mjcby.org

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

We welcome new members. Contact Mark to get involved.

**\*New MJCBY members receive complimentary first year Men's Club membership.**

### **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 Rosten

### **The MJCBY Men's Book Club**

September 10<sup>th</sup> - Demon of Unrest  
by Erik Larson

November 5<sup>th</sup> - Nightingale by  
Kristen Hannah

Book titles for the rest of the year  
will be determined soon.

All start at 7:30pm.

If you are interested in joining the  
Men's Book club, please  
email [howardbuxbaum@gmail.com](mailto:howardbuxbaum@gmail.com)

*If your wife is a Sisterhood Member, then you should be a Men's Club Member! All  
men welcome! We need ALL of your support!*

## GOOD & WELFARE

### **CONDOLENCES TO:**

David Sagor and family on the loss of his beloved father, Julian Theodore Sagor  
Alexis McGrath and family on the loss of her beloved aunt, Audrey Sellin Weinberg

### **REFUAH SHLEMA TO:**

Rhea Attias, Ron Axelrod, Meryl Balaban, Joel & Ginger Beecher, Debbie Brody, Meredith Charak, Joan Cohen, Jeff Czeisler, Rita Gotfried, Karen Gooen, Sue Jacobowitz, Robin Kane, Larry Levin, Steve Neibart, Jeff Newmark, Linda Rosenbaum, Richard Rubenstein, David Sagor, Ron Saltzman, Tom Schofield

## MEMBERSHIP

Amy Brunswick & Marcy Needle, Co-Chairs  
[abrunswick4321@gmail.com](mailto:abrunswick4321@gmail.com) – [marcy.needle@gmail.com](mailto:marcy.needle@gmail.com)

Please welcome our newest members, Caitlin & Chris Carney!

# SOCIAL ACTION

## Start Your New Year with a Mitzvah!

Lou Bodian & Howard Buxbaum, Social Action Chairs

Loub48@Gmail.com - [HowardBuxbaum@Gmail.com](mailto:HowardBuxbaum@Gmail.com)

This year, we will again be collecting items needed by impoverished members of our community. These are people who are served by one or more of the social service agencies listed below that we have partnered with.

### ~ Goods You Can Donate ~

Please select one or more agencies helping the needy and bring the requested food and other items to the Schul as noted above.

- Pack your donations in a bag or box with the name of the organization you are donating to. Use separate bags or boxes for each agency.
- We are asking that you bring donated items to the MJCBY office, *before* the High Holidays, or to the back of the Ballroom *during* the High Holidays.

**Bobrow Jewish Food Pantry** – located at Oheb Shalom Congregation in South Orange, the pantry helps a cross section of people facing food insecurity.

- Can you bring 5 of these items to help out? vegetarian cake mixes, vegetable oil, salad dressing, box of sugar, coffee and tea, cereal/kid's cereal, rice/pasta, shelf-stable milk, peanut butter, jam. All items must be kosher with a hechsher label, not past their expiration date, and not in glass bottles or jars.

**Homeless Solutions** – has been helping the homeless and working poor in Morris County since 1983.

- Can you bring 5 of these items? a sleeve of 5 or 7 oz Dixie cups, a sleeve of 8 oz foam cups, antibacterial hand soap, paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, tea bags, sugar or honey.

**Table of Hope** – provides food, supplies, and clothing to Morris County families in need.

- Can you bring 5 of these items? full-size foil pans, disposable forks and knives, 3-compartment to-go containers, 6 x 6-inch clamshell to-go containers, snack-size or quart-size zipper bags, disposable cups with lids, 18-inch shrink wrap, 45- to 65-gallon trash bags, ground coffee, toilet paper, tooth brushes (child and adult), soap bars, toothpaste.

**Nourish.NJ** – provides pre-prepared meals, dairy items, fresh fruits and vegetables, as well as counseling and other services to address homelessness and poverty in Morris County communities.

- Can you bring 5 of these items? toothpaste, deodorant, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, disposable razors, laundry pods, sanitary napkins, new white t-shirts (XL or L), new underwear for men or women (M, L, XL).

Any questions, please contact Howard Buxbaum ([howardbuxbaum@gmail.com](mailto:howardbuxbaum@gmail.com)) or Lou Bodian ([loub48@gmail.com](mailto:loub48@gmail.com)).

**Thank you in advance for your participation!**

# JEWISH YOUNG COMMUNITY OF NEW JERSEY (JYC)

Paula Czeisler, Writer/Editor



*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](mailto:jycnewjersey@gmail.com)

**save the dates**  
JYC SHABBAT SERVICE AND DINNER @ 6:15 PM

September 26, 2025

October 17, 2025

November 21, 2025

December 19, 2025

January 23, 2026

February 20, 2026

March 13, 2026

April 17, 2026

May 22, 2026

June 19, 2026



## Shabbat

On Friday, Sept 26th, JYC will be having Shabbat dinner at Morristown Jewish Center Beit Yisrael (MJCBY). Services will begin at 6:15 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:15 p.m. Due to a generous grant, admission is free for the first 30 registrants. All subsequent registrations will be just \$18. The registration deadline is

Wednesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Secure your spot early through OneTable!

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# SEPTEMBER YAHRZEITS

| To Be Remembered Shabbat Sep 5 & 6   |    |      |                        |  | To Be Remembered Shabbat Sep 19 & 20 |    |         |                            |
|--------------------------------------|----|------|------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|----|---------|----------------------------|
| 2025-09-06                           | 13 | Elul | Albert Bender          |  | 2025-09-20                           | 27 | Elul    | Anne Jenkins               |
| 2025-09-06                           | 13 | Elul | Frances Grobman        |  | 2025-09-20                           | 27 | Elul    | Dale Jacobs                |
| 2025-09-07                           | 14 | Elul | Philip Kantrowitz*     |  | 2025-09-21                           | 28 | Elul    | Bentsion Gervits           |
| 2025-09-07                           | 14 | Elul | Charles Segal          |  | 2025-09-21                           | 28 | Elul    | Emil Koupf                 |
| 2025-09-08                           | 15 | Elul | Ellen Lewin            |  | 2025-09-21                           | 28 | Elul    | Sarah Neibart              |
| 2025-09-08                           | 15 | Elul | Ida Silinsky           |  | 2025-09-21                           | 28 | Elul    | Madeline Socol*            |
| 2025-09-09                           | 16 | Elul | Harry Ginsberg         |  | 2025-09-21                           | 28 | Elul    | Flora Weissman             |
| 2025-09-09                           | 16 | Elul | Robert Miller          |  | 2025-09-22                           | 29 | Elul    | Ira Antin                  |
| 2025-09-10                           | 17 | Elul | Bertel Hirsch          |  | 2025-09-22                           | 29 | Elul    | Grace Bandes               |
| 2025-09-10                           | 17 | Elul | Mark Levin             |  | 2025-09-22                           | 29 | Elul    | William Diamond            |
| 2025-09-10                           | 17 | Elul | Abraham Silverstein*   |  | 2025-09-22                           | 29 | Elul    | Louis Dorf                 |
| 2025-09-11                           | 18 | Elul | Moshe Goldin*          |  | 2025-09-22                           | 29 | Elul    | Arthur Krauser*            |
| 2025-09-11                           | 18 | Elul | Joseph Thal*           |  | 2025-09-22                           | 29 | Elul    | Madelynne Schulman         |
| 2025-09-11                           | 18 | Elul | Leslie Zweiback        |  | 2025-09-22                           | 29 | Elul    | Abraham Spiegel*           |
| 2025-09-12                           | 19 | Elul | Rose Gordon*           |  | 2025-09-22                           | 29 | Elul    | Martin Sternberg           |
| 2025-09-12                           | 19 | Elul | Walter Jacobowitz*     |  | 2025-09-23                           | 1  | Tishrei | Sam Lement*                |
| 2025-09-12                           | 19 | Elul | Jonathan Kelter        |  | 2025-09-23                           | 1  | Tishrei | Barbara Saltzman           |
| 2025-09-12                           | 19 | Elul | Terry Marsha Rosenberg |  | 2025-09-23                           | 1  | Tishrei | Hal Zweiback               |
| 2025-09-12                           | 19 | Elul | Robert Weinstock       |  | 2025-09-26                           | 4  | Tishrei | Louis Sager                |
| To Be Remembered Shabbat Sep 12 & 13 |    |      |                        |  | 2025-09-26                           | 4  | Tishrei | Mollie Smith*              |
| To Be Remembered Shabbat Sep 12 & 13 |    |      |                        |  | To Be Remembered Shabbat Sep 26 & 27 |    |         |                            |
| 2025-09-14                           | 21 | Elul | Albert Levinsky*       |  | 2025-09-28                           | 6  | Tishrei | Jack Stein                 |
| 2025-09-14                           | 21 | Elul | Philip Nadler          |  | 2025-09-28                           | 6  | Tishrei | Irene Weingast             |
| 2025-09-14                           | 21 | Elul | Louis Rudich           |  | 2025-09-30                           | 8  | Tishrei | Lee Brunswick              |
| 2025-09-16                           | 23 | Elul | Edith Adler*           |  | 2025-09-30                           | 8  | Tishrei | Sam Fogel                  |
| 2025-09-16                           | 23 | Elul | Barry Glick            |  | 2025-09-30                           | 8  | Tishrei | Arnold L. Sutta*           |
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| 2025-09-16                           | 23 | Elul | Bonnie Sheller         |  | 2025-10-01                           | 9  | Tishrei | Irene Stern*               |
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| 2025-09-18                           | 25 | Elul | Jacques Shapiro*       |  | 2025-10-03                           | 11 | Tishrei | Silvia Seligman*           |
| 2025-09-18                           | 25 | Elul | Jack Suval*            |  | *denotes plaque on Yahrzeit wall     |    |         |                            |
| 2025-09-19                           | 26 | Elul | Gertrude Levine        |  |                                      |    |         |                            |

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