

MJCBY NEWS

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Theme: Shabbat & Gearing up for the High Holidays



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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

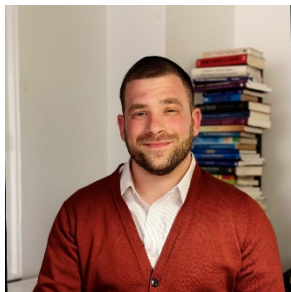
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Meeting ID: 657 629 7611

Passcode: MJCBY

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

FROM THE RABBI'S DESK



Embracing Resiliency & Hope as we welcome the New Year of 5785

Rabbi Adam Gillman

Dear Friends,

As we prepare to enter, we bring the year 5784 to a close and begin 5785, knowing that this past year has been unlike any other. The horrors of October 7th and the ensuing war have left a mark on our collective memory. We have felt and continue to feel and experience the pain, loss, uncertainty, and fear to which there are no easy answers. And yet, we've remained resilient and continue to remain so, a hallmark of our collective strength.

As we stand on the cusp of a new year, may we be blessed to step even more deeply into investing in the vitality and resiliency of our beloved community.

“What is resiliency?”

Resiliency is the ability to adapt to stressors in the face of adversity and the capability to “rebound” from difficult experiences. It isn't just about surviving hardships; it's about responding to them with a sense of purpose and hope, moving forward, and enabling ourselves to be strengthened through our collective power in coming together.

When we come together in community, whether it's at Saturday morning kiddush after services, in the line of Scream Ice-Cream Truck, at the Hebrew School play, or on Morristown Green as we light the menorah, let us be reminded and feel that our greatest strength comes from coming together.

As we enter this new year, may we be blessed with the resiliency to stand strong and the flexibility to adapt to the unknown.

As we come together as a community during the *Yamim Norai'im*, these days of awe and wonder, let us support one another in our grief, fears, and hopes.

May the cries of the shofar penetrate our souls, calling us to awaken to the possibilities of the new year and to remember that even in our darkest moments, there is the potential for light.

Wishing you and your families a *Shanah Tovah Umetukah*—a good and sweet year,
Rabbi Adam Gillman

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 Rabbi Gillman at (973) 538-9292 before you make any plans. He will be the most helpful in making these preparations in a proper Jewish manner.

CANTOR'S NOTES



The Torah and the Time of year

Cantor Shana Onigman

One of my favorite skills to teach my students is how to perform Hagbah, that is, the ritual of lifting and displaying the scroll after it has been read publicly on Shabbat and holy days. Nothing beats experiential learning, and just about any middle school student is generally happy to be up on their feet instead of sitting at desks and dealing with an actual object rather than reading a text from a page or a screen.

There is always great anticipation, and some anxiety attached to this endeavor: the students know well that the Torah scroll is precious, deeply important to the community, and often quite heavy, and that dropping it or damaging it would be a big problem. Of course, I don't tell them how much of a metaphor the moment is at the time, because they probably wouldn't get it anyway, and that's too much pressure to place on a child who is only 12 or 11 years old -- besides, students that age come in a wide range of sizes, strengths, and levels of confidence, and for some, hagbah with a large-size Torah scroll is simply not going to be possible yet. However, a surprising number of the 6th and 7th grade students are able to lift our standard Torah scroll when it is rolled to the middle, somewhere in the book of Leviticus, so that the weight of the parchment is distributed evenly between the two *atsei hayyim*, the handles upon which the scroll is rolled. We also have a small but kosher Torah scroll, referred to as the "Junior Congregation" Torah, that anyone can lift.

As the summer winds down and the High Holy Days approach, we move later into the book of Deuteronomy each week. This time of year, most of the text of the Torah is behind us, as we began the Torah with Simchat Torah and read a piece of it each week. The buildup of the parchment around the right-hand side dowel thus becomes a marker of the passage of time throughout the year. An upcoming student, preparing for Bar Mitzvah, commented on what looked to him like an imbalance -- so much of the parchment wound around the scroll on the right side that we had read throughout the year, with so little left to go, what a dramatic change from the way the scroll looked in the middle of the year when we practiced Hagbah! But this is one of the ways Jewish ritual marks the passing year, as subtle and slow as the seasons changing, and always coming around again seemingly of its own accord, with new insights to be discovered when revisiting the experience each year.

Last year, the world Jewish community began the yearly cycle of the Torah overshadowed by wrenching pain, uncertainty, and fear, a cloud that has not dissipated. And yet there has been joy: children have been born, couples have married, hostages have been reunited with loved ones, and -- almost unbelievably -- there have been those who have chosen to join the Jewish people. May this year's cycle begin with joy rather than grief, and may we find more to celebrate in 5785, in our community and throughout the world.

PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE



Introducing Marci Charm & Alexis McGrath



Shalom! We, Marci Charm and Alexis McGrath, are thrilled to be MJCBY's 2024-2025 Co-Presidents. Thank you for your vote of confidence in electing us to lead Morristown Jewish Center Beit Yisrael. It is both an honor and a privilege, and while the many tasks at hand may be difficult at times, they are worthwhile, meaningful, and important. As we step into these new leadership roles, please know that we are committed to ensuring the success of the synagogue. While we may make mistakes, we will always strive to do the best we can.

While we know many of you and many of you know us, we would like to re-introduce ourselves!

Marci Charm has been a member of the synagogue since 2011 and lives in Randolph with her husband Joshua, their thirteen-year-old son Ari, and their nine-year-old daughter Ellie. Her husband grew up at MJCBY and it didn't take long for Marci to call it home as well, especially once her son was born and she began attending weekly Mommy and Me classes with him at Shalom Yeladim. Being an attendee at Mommy and Me eventually led Marci to teach the class for five wonderful years. Her involvement in the school also included being a member of the Shalom Yeladim Parent Organization where she designed and created the school's photo yearbook for eight years. Prior to becoming Co-President, Marci served as 1st Vice President of the Board of Directors for three years, chaired the Religious School's Board of Education for four years and was a member of both the ritual and membership committees.

Marci grew up outside of Philadelphia, PA and has a dual major in Psychology and Political Science from the University of Michigan. Before children, she worked as a Cardiovascular Sales Representative for the Chicago based pharmaceutical company, Abbott Laboratories, where she was consistently ranked in the top 20% of her sales force. Now, she spends the majority of her days volunteering at her children's schools and chauffeuring them to and from their many extracurricular activities. Marci is also an active member of the Holocaust Council of the Jewish Federation of Greater MetroWest NJ, making sure that Holocaust Education is front and center in schools' curriculums. She is also a trained 3GNY speaker, frequently speaking about her grandmother's Holocaust story to schools, synagogues, and other forums. But Marci's true passions include cooking, entertaining, crafting and spending time with loved ones. She also never turns down a 4-star book, good cup of coffee or strong margarita!

Alexis McGrath has been a member of MJCBY since 2017. Alexis lives with her husband Jason and two daughters, Abby (10) and Maddy (7) in Parsippany. She started her time in New Jersey at Pinebrook Synagogue but quickly realized that her family's true home is with Morristown Jewish Center's community. Immediately upon joining, Alexis began working with MJCBY's Security Committee and eventually took over as committee Chair in 2019, continuing to serve in this position today. She applied for and administers shul security improvement projects funded by federal and state grants. This includes a new security camera system, alarm system, and exterior lighting fixtures. In addition, she has served as a member of the Board of Directors for several years and as a Co-Vice-President for the past two years. Alexis loves to volunteer in a wide variety of capacities, from Door Greeter to filling in at the front office to running errands.

Alexis grew up in Los Angeles, CA and holds a BA in Political Science and French from the University of CA at Santa Barbara and an MA in International Policy Studies/Security Studies from the Monterey Institute of International Studies. She began her career working as a nuclear policy analyst working in nuclear non-proliferation and international treaties for the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA). She later shifted to a position as Lead Policy Analyst with the Homeland Security Studies and Analysis Institute. While there she crafted threat and risk analyses and assessed threat-related strategic, operational, and tactical operations of U.S. Department of Homeland Security agencies (e.g., TSA, US Coast Guard, Customs and Border Protection, DHS Intelligence & Analysis). After Alexis moved to New Jersey with her family and her second child was born, she chose to shift gears, opening her own security consulting firm, AM Precision Insights. As owner and Principal Analyst, Alexis provides commercial, non-profit, and house of worship clients with physical security assessments, designs and manages their security programs, and applies for and administers security grants on their behalf. She is currently studying for her Certified Protection Professional (CPP) certification, which will facilitate work with larger corporations.

Owning her own business provides Alexis with the flexibility to maintain and grow her career, be with family as much as possible, volunteer at her girls' school, and give time and effort to MJCBY. In her free time (ha!) Alexis enjoys reading, relaxing at the beach, and learning to use watercolors.

We are looking forward to embracing both the challenges and opportunities together as a synagogue family. We will make it a priority to honor the traditions of the past, while at the same time, being mindful of the direction the present and future may take us. Once again, thank you for entrusting the synagogue leadership to us. We are always a phone call or an email away if you wish to talk.

Best,
Marci & Alexis

HIGH HOLIDAY INFO & SCHEDULE



ROSH HASHANA



LOCAL RAW HONEY SALE

1 LB GLASS JAR \$14.00
\$1.50 PER JAR DONATED TO MJCBY

PRE-ORDER ONLINE BY SEPTEMBER 19
PICKUP AT MJCBY BETWEEN 9:30AM-12:00PM
ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

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.



MORRISTOWN JEWISH CENTER

**SHOFAR
SOUNDING
CLASS**

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

Sunday, Sept. 22, 10:00 am
MJCBY Chapel



ROSH HASHANAH SCHEDULE 2024



LEIL SELICHOT SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH |

- 8 PM | Temple B'nai Or

EREV ROSH HASHANAH WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2ND

- 6:15 PM | Evening Services
- 6:15 PM | Parallel Children's Service
- Communal Rosh Hashanah Dinner

ROSH HASHANAH DAY 1 THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

- 9 AM | Morning Services | The Main Sanctuary
- 9:30 - 10:15 AM | Family Services | Frigand (for children up to 2nd grade with parents)
- 10:30 - 11:30 AM | Junior Congregation | Conference Room | For grades 3 and up
- 9:15 - 11:20 AM | Alternative Service with Rabbi Amy Small | The Ballroom
- 11:30 AM Those at Alternative Services invited back to Main Sanctuary

ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2 FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

- 9 AM | Morning Services | The Main Sanctuary
- 9:15 - 11:20 AM | Alternative Services | The Ballroom
- 11:30 AM Those at Alternative Services invited back to Main Sanctuary
- 5:00 PM | Tashlich | Speedwell Lake | Followed by Friday Evening Services
- Please note, there will not be a Shabbat dinner after Tashlich)

*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.

YOM KIPPUR SCHEDULE 2024

EREV YOM KIPPUR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11TH

- 6:15 PM | Kol Nidrei | The Main Sanctuary
- 6:15 PM | Parallel Children's Service

YOM KIPPUR SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

- 9 AM | Morning Services | The Main Sanctuary
- 9:30 - 10:15 AM | Family Services | Frigand Hall (children up to 2nd grade w/Parents)
- 10:30 - 11:30 AM | Junior Congregation | The Conference Room (grades 3 and up)
- 9:15 - 11:20 AM | Alternative Service with Rabbi Amy Small | The Ballroom
- 11:30 AM | Those at Alternative Services invited back to Main Sanctuary
- 5:10 PM | Mincha | The Main Sanctuary.
- 6 PM | Neilah, Ma'ariv & Havdalah | The Main Sanctuary
- Break Fast

REGISTER FOR ALL HIGH HOLY DAY EVENTS HERE

Scan QR code to fill form online and pay online



*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.

Please refer to your high holiday mailing for details and signup sheet. This chart is your quick reference guide.

Morristown Festival ON THE GREEN
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29, 12-5 PM

Come by to the festival to enjoy all of the vendors and stop by the MJC BY Tent! Books and activities for children to enjoy.

We're also looking for volunteers to represent the MJC BY community at our tent during the festival!

To volunteer, email Lewis Stone lewisstone522@gmail.com

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 MJC BY Office, 973-538-9292, to purchase your copy which can be picked up in the office prior to the holiday.

MJCBY Memorial Book Form 2024-5785

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

- a) fill out this form online where you can submit your names AND donation all at the same time, or
- b) 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 6th, 2024**.

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



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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: _____

In Memory of:

____ Please use the same names as last year.

SECURITY CORNER



High Holidays Security Plan

Alexis McGrath, Security

As summer winds down, many MJCBY congregants return from vacations and begin preparations for an active Fall season. Instead of relaxing the past several months, however, MJCBY's Security Committee and our staff have been busily working behind the scenes to ensure your family's safety and security when you're here. We continue to operate throughout the year, although many of our efforts aren't visible to the public.

Our summer activities have included moving forward with replacement of our exterior lighting systems and fortifying our windows and doors against attack, preparing quarterly staff, clergy, and volunteer security training sessions and drills, and conducting necessary maintenance of our security systems. We constantly monitor international and national news and intelligence reports to identify potential threats to the MJCBY community, including antisemitic incidents occurring at our nation's universities, and share guidance when needed. As always, the Security Committee maintains frequent contact with local, county, and state law enforcement and intelligence agencies to conduct joint planning and ensure fast and effective emergency response.

Each year, the Security Committee crafts a security plan for the High Holidays. Our plan is developed in concert with local police and the Morris County Office of Emergency Management to ensure collaboration at all levels. This is the most visible time of year for the Jewish community, and we must do everything possible to preserve our congregants' safety and security as they enter our space, pray, and leave for home.

Within the next few weeks, you will notice requests from the Security Committee for High Holiday volunteers. Please don't take these requests lightly – WE NEED YOUR HELP. It's important to remember that security is community activity, that we need to take care of each other, and that *we are our own best, first, and last defense*. **Please volunteer for as many position types and shifts as you can.** Volunteering helps your fellow congregants and ensures that services proceed smoothly, but it's also a great opportunity to greet old friends and meet new ones!

As a preview, we need to staff several volunteer positions each day, taking turns in shifts:

- Usher – Chapel Door Attendant
- Usher – Sanctuary Door Attendant
- Usher – Sanctuary Seating
- Usher – Alternative Service Door Attendant
- Usher – Rotunda Greeter
- Door Greeter – Front Entrance
- Door Greeter – Eastern Entrance

Several of these positions can be done while seated (e.g., Chapel and Sanctuary door attendants), and we welcome volunteers at all levels, ages 16+.

Once you respond with your interest in volunteering, we will send you an on-line link with a sign-up sheet.

If you have any questions about security at MJCBY, want to suggest a Security Corner topic, or would like to volunteer, please email the security committee at security@mjcby.org.

WEBSITE FACELIFT SUMMARY

August 2024

Our website has needed some love and attention for quite some time. This summer we embarked on a facelift project that is being led by Bob Small with the help of many others.

The scope of the facelift project is to work within the existing framework and structure while achieving these design goals:

- **Mobile first:** the current website displays well on mobile and desktop displays thanks to its "responsive" design elements. However, there is too much navigation (context switching) for it to be easy to use on a phone and almost half of our website visitors are using mobile devices.
- **Simplified navigation:** Merge related content from separate pages and eliminate the IN THIS SECTION sidebar menus.
- **More welcoming:** As our "front door" on the Internet, we want the language used in the website to be more welcoming. Specifically, writing in the first person, active voice, and simplifying the text. Using bulleted lists makes the content easier to scan.
- **Highlight the many things that are going on:** One of the most important things we want the website to communicate is that we have a lot going on. We will be adding an Upcoming Events listing on the homepage and will consider adding group-specific events to interior pages for individual groups - Sisterhood, Men's Club, Jewish Young Community, Religious School, Social Action.
- **Improved accessibility features:** As part of our commitment to inclusivity, we are making the website more accessible. The first steps are to:
 - Add "alt text" to every image that is descriptive of the image so that a user who is using a screen reader can have a real understanding of what the image is about.
 - Enhance the visibility and descriptiveness of hyperlinks throughout the site, we're 1) making the link text more descriptive and 2) making the color of each link a bright blue and adding an underline to make the links stand out (see link below).
- **Standardizing page layout:** People expect the page layouts to be consistent (not necessarily identical). We are using existing page templates but fewer of them and using layouts and heading structures in a consistent manner. We're eliminating "landing pages" that don't add value.
- **Consistent use of language:** We are standardizing how we spell Hebrew and Yiddish words. When we use them, they will be in italics (with English in parentheses). The homepage will introduce MJCBY as the shorthand for our name, and we'll use that throughout.

The facelift project is being done incrementally. The project will continue into September, and we'll be able to make improvements on a continuing basis. [Your feedback is always welcome - please email your comments and suggestions to Bob Small.](#)

SHALOM YELADIM—THE JUDIE GERSTEIN EARLY LEARNING CENTER

We are thrilled to announce that Haley Blanchard will be joining the MJCBY family as Director of Shalom Yeladim-The Judy Gerstein Early Learning Center, following an extensive search by a committee of parents, early childhood educators and board members.

In this role, Haley will lead year-round programming for children ages 16 months through pre-K, including half-day and full-day programs, enrichment programs, Caregiver and Me classes, Summer Fun Program, and Shabbat and other year-round holiday programming for preschool families.

Let us tell you a little about Haley:

Haley has always felt a deep connection to working with children. For as long as she can remember, her heart has been set on helping young minds grow and thrive. After earning a BS in Early Childhood/Family Studies and a Master's in Elementary Education from the University of New Hampshire, she comes to us with over 25 years of early childhood experience. She has worked with students aged between 2 and 10, as well as with special needs children.

During her time at the Charlotte Jewish Preschool, Haley discovered the joy of incorporating Jewish traditions into her students' lives. She found great satisfaction in celebrating Shabbat on Friday mornings with songs and stories, baking challah together, and teaching about Jewish holidays such as Hanukkah, Passover, and Sukkot. She also enjoyed organizing special events like Purim carnivals and Tu B'Shevat tree-planting activities, which helped her students connect with their cultural heritage in meaningful ways.

Haley has always cherished the relationships she built with the families of her students. She knows that a strong, supportive community is vital to a child's success, and she works hard to create one. Whether it was organizing family picnics, hosting bingo nights, or simply taking the time to listen and connect with parents, Haley made sure that every family felt valued and included. She believes that when children see their families engaged and connected, it enhances their own sense of security and well-being. She is committed to creating a welcoming space where every student feels supported academically, emotionally, and culturally. Haley is excited to bring this same warmth and dedication to her new school community.

Haley lives in Madison with her husband Harry and their three children—Matthew, Morgan, and Madison. Her own experiences as a mother have deepened her belief in the importance of strong family values and community connections, and she is eager to share that with the children and families she will work with next. In addition to her work in education, Haley is actively involved in volunteer work within her community, further reflecting her dedication to family values and the power of community.

Please join us in welcoming Haley to the MJCBY family!

Shalom,

Marci Charm, Co-President

Alexis McGrath, Co-President

Fern Spitzer, SY Committee Chair

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR		
9/2	LABOR DAY	NO SCHOOL
9/3	FIRST DAY FOR STUDENTS	

My Grownup and Me Baby/Toddler Class

Wednesdays at 9:30am



Connect with other caregivers and enjoy songs, books,
and more with your little one!

September: 11, 18, 25

October: 9, 16, 23, 30

November: 6, 13, 20

December: 4, 11, 18



Classes are free and open to the public

Morristown Jewish Center
177 Speedwell Ave. Morristown

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SamanthaRaye@gmail.com



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



Gearing up for a new Religious School year!

Miriam Loew, Director

We are so excited to kick off the 2024/25 5784/85 Religious School year! Come join us for a delicious pancake breakfast on opening day. Meet your teachers and enjoy special activities before heading to your classroom for your very first class of the year.

This year, we have a few weeks together before the high holidays begin. This offers us a great opportunity to learn all about Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah, in depth. On September 29th, we will be joined by Flo Sager's daughter Michelle who will be showing us how she and her honeybees make delicious honey! There will be honey for sale, and of course we will have special Rosh Hashanah honey snacks.

We also hope to see our 3rd - 7th graders at our first Junior Congregation on September 14th. Minyonaires (grades 8 - 12) meets on September 7th.

Our A.L.P. (Advanced Learning Program for our grade 8 - 12 students) starts on Monday, September 23rd. As always, there will be dinner as well.

Stay tuned for lots of excitement in October when we celebrate all of the fall holidays. Wishing all of our families, students and staff a very happy and healthy, sweet New Year! Shana Tova!

Miriam Loew & the RS Morahs



SEPTEMBER

Sundays:
 8 Opening Day
 15 Classes
 22 Classes
 29 Classes

Wednesdays:
 11 Classes
 18 Classes
 25 Classes

DECEMBER

Sundays:
 1 No Classes - Thanksgiving
 8 Classes
 15 Classes
 Hanukkah Play & Party
 22 No Classes - Winterbreak
 29 No Classes - Winterbreak

Wednesdays:
 4 Classes
 11 Classes
 18 Classes
 Hanukkah on the Green
 25 No classes - Winter Break

MARCH

Sundays:
 2 Classes
 9 Classes
 16 Classes
 Purim Shpiel & Party
 23 Classes
 30 Classes

Wednesdays:
 5 Classes
 12 Classes
 19 Classes
 26 Classes

OCTOBER

Sundays:
 6 Classes
 13 No Classes
 20 Classes
 Lunch in the Sukkah
 27 Classes

Wednesdays:
 2 Erev Rosh Hashanah
 Service & Dinner
 9 Classes
 16 Sukkot Service & Dinner
 23 Simchat Torah/Dinner
 30 Classes

JANUARY

Sundays:
 5 Classes
 B'Mitzvah Workshop
 12 Classes
 19 No Classes - MLK
 26 Classes
Wednesdays:
 1 No classes -New Year's
 8 Classes
 15 Classes
 22 Classes
 29 Classes

APRIL

Sundays:
 6 Classes - Model Seder
 13 No Classes - Pesach
 20 No Classes - Pesach
 27 Classes
Wednesdays:
 2 Classes
 9 & 16 No Classes - Pesach Break
 23 Classes - Yom Hashoah Program
 30 Classes - Yom Hazikaron Program

MJCBY

R E L I G I O U S S C H O O L

2024/25
 5784/85

NOVEMBER

Sundays:
 3 Classes
 Parshat Noah Petting Zoo
 10 No Classes (NJEA week)
 17 Classes
 24 No Classes - Thanksgiving

Wednesdays:
 6 No Classes (NJEA week)
 13 Classes
 20 Classes
 27 No Classes - Thanksgiving

FEBRUARY

Sundays:
 2 Classes
 9 Classes
 16 No Classes -President's Day
 23 Classes

Wednesdays:
 5 Classes
 12 Classes
 Tu B'shvat Seder
 19 Classes
 26 Classes

MAY

Sundays:
 4 Classes
 Yom Haatzmaut Program
 11 No Classes - Mother's Day
 18 Last day
 Grade 7 Graduation
 Lag B'omer Picnic

Wednesdays:
 7 Classes
 14 Classes - last Wednesday

Junior Congregation Shabbat - Grades 3 - 7

Saturdays, 10:30am

September 14
 October 26
 November 23
 December 14
 January 11
 February 8
 March 1
 April 19
 May 10



Grades K - 2

Saturday, January 11, 6:30PM
 Havdalah & Hot Chocolate PJ's Party

Grades 3 - 5

Friday, March 7, 6:15 PM
 Services & Shabbat Dinner

Grades 6 & 7

Friday, January 31, 6:15 PM
 Services & Shabbat Dinner

Saturday, May 3, 9:30 AM
 Services & Kiddush Lunch

YOUTH + FAMILY

High Holy Day Programming

2
OCT

EREV ROSH HASHANAH

- 6:15 PM | Parallel Children's Service

3
OCT

ROSH HASHANAH DAY 1

- 9:30 - 10:15 AM | Family Services | Frigand (for children up to 2nd grade with parents)
- 10:30 - 11:11:30 AM | Junior Congregation | Conference Room | For grades 3 and up
- 9:30 Babysitting

4
OCT

ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2

- 5:00 PM | Tashlich | Speedwell Lake | Followed by Friday Evening Services

11
OCT

EREV YOM KIPPUR

- 6:15 PM | Parallel Children's Service

12
OCT

YOM KIPPUR

- 9:30 - 10:15 AM | Family Services | Frigand Hall (children up to 2nd grade w/Parents).
- 10:30 - 11:30 AM | Junior Congregation | The Conference Room (grades 3 and up)
- 9:30 Babysitting



Children under 18 at any children services or babysitting must have parent form completed. Use this QR link to easily access the form. Children cannot be dropped off without this information submitted prior to the holiday.

LIFELONG LEARNING



Getting Ready for Another Year of LLL!

Miriam Loew, Director

Summer is over but don't be too sad, we have lots of opportunities to brighten your fall!

Come join us for one more Shabbat in the Park on September 6th. We will have a BBQ, with vegetarian options available. Shabbat in the Park is also an open house so please spread the word and bring your friends who might be interested in joining MJCBY.

On September 23rd, please join us for a very special screening of the film "Deciding Vote". We will be joined live for a Q & A with the executive producers Sherry & Doron Steger.

We also have two fall hikes planned! Come join us for one or both (weather permitting). If you're not quite up for a hike but want to get out with your MJCBY friends for a comfortable walk, come join our new walking club! We will be meeting weekly on Sunday mornings and Wednesday afternoons and we hope to see you there.

Our Kadima group (grades 5 - 7) will meet on September 15th for exciting kick off games and lunch. USY (grades 8 - 12) will meet on September 22nd for a scavenger hunt out on the town!

We are looking forward to celebrating the high holidays together! Come to a family service, children's service and/or Junior Congregation. Shana Tova U'metukah!

For families with children up to 2nd grade

Shabbat sing-along Service with Cantor Shana
Shabbat Story with Rabbi Gillman
Shabbat activity with Miriam
Delicious Shabbat Dinner

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

Oct 18 - Samech in the Sukkah
Nov 15 - Aleph Shabbat
Dec 13 - Bet Shabbat
Jan 24 - Gimme! Shabbat
Feb 21 - Daled Shabbat
March 21 - Mem Shabbat
Apr 25 - Yud Shabbat
May 16 - Lamed Shabbat

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

USY USCJ's youth movement

KADIMA GRADES 5 - 7
SUNDAYS 12 - 1PM LUNCH INCLUDED!

FRIENDSHIP! KICK OFF GAMES! SEPTEMBER 15

FUN! LEADERSHIP! SUKKAH SCAVENGER & SUSHI OCTOBER 20

THANKSGIVING PIE BAKING NOVEMBER 17

DRAIDEL TOURNAMENT & LATKES DECEMBER 15

MAD SCIENTIST & PIZZA JANUARY 12

TU B'SHVAT FRUIT CREATIONS FEBRUARY 9

PURIM TRIP GAME VAULT MARCH 9

ESCAPE EGYPT! APRIL 6

ISRAEL ADVENTURE MAY 4

INFO: MIRIAM@MJCBOY.ORG

FREE FOR MEMBERS
NON MEMBERS: \$300 FOR THE YEAR OR \$50 DROP IN

2024/25



SOCIAL ACTION!
TRIPS!
FRIENDSHIPS!
FUN!
LEADERSHIP!
BOOST YOUR COLLEGE APPLICATION:)

JOIN OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS:

- SEP 22
- OCT 20
- NOV 17
- DEC 15
- JAN 12
- FEB 9
- MAR 9
- APR 6
- MAY 4



A.L.P.

ADVANCED LEARNING PROGRAM

MONDAYS 6:30 - 8:30 PM WITH DINNER

- SEP 23
- OCT 21
- NOV 18
- DEC 16
- JAN 13
- FEB 10
- MAR 10
- APR 7
- MAY 12

MJCBY TEENS GRADES 8 - 12



VOLUNTEER AT RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

BE A ROLE MODEL FOR OTHERS!

LOOKS GREAT ON YOUR COLLEGE APPLICATION!

MADRICHIM

OPTIONS FOR SUNDAYS & WEDNESDAYS



ATTENTION MJCBY TEENS!

WE HAVE LOTS OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU TO GET INVOLVED!

SPECIAL MEMBER RATES!

BRING YOUR FRIENDS! THEY DON'T HAVE TO BE MJCBY MEMBERS.

MINYONAIRES

COME LEAD SATURDAY MORNING SHABBAT SERVICES!

SPECIAL PERKS + END OF YEAR TRIP!

- SEP 7
- OCT 19
- NOV 16
- DEC 7
- JAN 4
- FEB 1
- MAR 1
- APR 19
- MAY 31



INFO: MIRIAM@MJCBY.ORG




MJCby



Kadima

KICK-OFF

LUNCH & GAMES

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
12:00 - 1:00 PM

Grades 5 - 7

RSVP: miriam@mjcby.org
BRING YOUR FRIENDS!



USY USCS's youth movement

GRADES 8 - 12

SCAVENGER ON THE GREEN

DON'T MISS OUR FIRST EVENT OF THE YEAR!

Free for members! RSVP: miriam@mjcby.org
 Your non MJCby member friends are welcome, please have them email miriam@mjcby.org

SEPTEMBER 22
12PM- MEET AT MJCby





MORRISTOWN JEWISH CENTER PRESENTS

Shabbat in the Park

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
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 - BBQ Dinner
6:15pm - Community Shabbat service

RSVP ON SHULCLOUD
 *VEGGIE BURGERS AVAILABLE (REQUEST IN ADVANCE!)

\$15 per person
FREE for kids under 5 and prospective members

IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, WE WILL SEND AN E-BLAST AND MOVE SHABBAT TO MJCby





MONTHLY

Israeli Dancing

with Reut Segall

Wednesdays 7-8pm
 December 4 | January 8 | February 5 | March 5 | April 2 | May 7



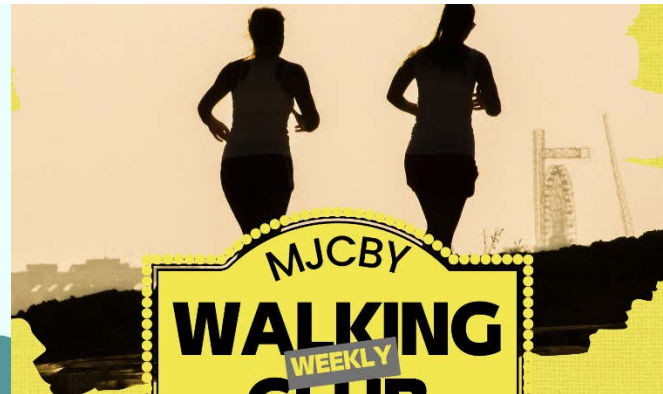
MJCby, LET'S GO HIKING

Sunday, September 15, 1:30 PM @ Jockey Hollow
Sunday, October 27, 12:45 PM @ Hacklebarney

Weather permitting | Bring water & snacks | All ages welcome




RSVP:
MIRIAM@MJCby.ORG



MJCby
**WALKING
WEEKLY
CLUB**

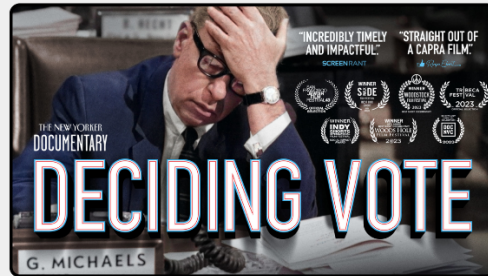
Sundays, 9:45 - 10:45 AM
Wednesdays, 1 - 2 PM
when RS is in session



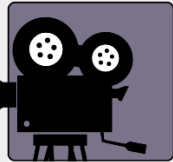
Walk and shmooze with your MJCby friends and leadership!

Comfortable Pace
Meet at Speedwell Lake.
In case of inclement weather we will meet for online yoga at MJCby (bring a mat)

RSVP & more INFO:
alexis.zeiger@gmail.com
or
miriam@mjcby.org



**MONDAY
SEPTEMBER 23
7 PM**



AT MORRISTOWN JEWISH CENTER

177 SPEEDWELL AVENUE, MORRISTOWN NJ

50 YEARS AGO, ASSEMBLYMAN GEORGE MICHAELS CAST A SINGLE VOTE ON NEW YORK'S ABORTION BILL THAT CHANGED THE COURSE OF AMERICAN HISTORY BUT DESTROYED HIS POLITICAL CAREER IN THE PROCESS

LIVE, IN PERSON
Q & A
WITH
EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS
DORON & SHERRY
STEGER

RSVP ON SHULCLOUD

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. We are taught, "*Lo alecha hamlacha ligmor, v'lo atah ben chorin l'hivatel mimena*" – "You are not expected to complete the task, but neither are you free to avoid it." (Rabbi Tarfon, Pirkei Avot 2:21) 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 and LGBTQ+ communities. We have begun with 2 small working groups focused on addressing these areas. If you are interested in participating in either group, please contact Becca Wanatick at rwanatick@gmail.com.

KIDDUSH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED/SPONSOR A KIDDUSH

With Dorothy Cohen stepping down as head of the Kiddush Committee, we thank her for the fantastic job she has done and know it will be hard to fill her shoes. With that said, MJCBY is looking for volunteers to be a part of a newly formed Kiddush Committee-same fantastic food but with a more collaborative approach. For example, one or two people purchase the food for the week and another few prepare it. The next week it rotates and so on and so forth. The goal is that if we get enough volunteers, people should only have to help once a month or so (of course, if you wish to help out more, then that is totally welcome and appreciated!). Please reach out to Karen Jenkins, kjenkins04@verizon.net if you are interested! Also, share a special occasion with us by becoming a KIDDUSH SPONSOR. To donate, send your check made out to: MJCBY Kiddush, Attn: Kiddush Fund, 177 Speedwell Ave, Morristown, NJ 07960. Please include the occasion and your honoree! Questions? Email kjenkins04@verizon.net

VOLUNTEER OFFICE HELP

MJCBY is looking for additional volunteers to help cover the office during absences or to help during peak times (think High Holy Days). This is a great opportunity to do a mitzvah that doesn't require a regular time commitment so it can fit into your schedule. We have a small crew who have been pitching in, but it would really help to have a bigger roster. Your presence here helps keep the synagogue office open for business!

You can do anything from stuff envelopes to answer the phones and let people in. Shifts for manning the front desk are *usually* 9:00-12:30 and 12:30-4:00 but we can be flexible. You only need to answer the phone and let people in. There is even a cheat sheet with all the info you need to know. It's a great way to meet fellow members or even see old friends!

If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Rita Gotfried at rgotfried@gmail.com

Thanks,
Rita

SISTERHOOD NEWS & EVENTS

SAVE THE DATES:

NOV 17th, 2024 – MEMBERSHIP DINNER
APRIL 5th, 2025 – SISTERHOOD SHABBAT
MAY 4th, 2025 – TORAH FUND BRUNCH

MARJORIE ELKIND SISTERHOOD BOOK GROUP

We will begin the year by reading SIGNAL FIRES by Dani Shapiro.
Our first meeting will be on Tuesday September 24th.
Join us even if you have never attended before. It's a wonderful group of women.
Questions? contact Amy Brunswick, Marcy Needle or Tamar Stern.

JOIN SISTERHOOD FOR 2024-2025 YEAR!

If you have not joined the Sisterhood yet, we encourage you to do so. Your \$36 membership donation supports our Synagogue & Women's League for Conservative Judaism, providing us with the opportunity to offer educational and fun community building events. Send a check payable to MJCBY Sisterhood, and you'll be able to take part in all of the fun and exciting events we have to offer!

The August 1st Mahjong Tournament was a big success!



Our "Olympians"--gold medalist Diane Lapreta in the middle; silver winner Nancy Blumenthal on her right; and bronze awardee Marcy Guilder sitting down.



MJCBY SISTERHOOD HIGH HOLY DAY FUNDRAISER

The High Holy Days begin on October 2nd, 2024.

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

THIS IS OUR MAJOR FUNDRAISER FOR THE YEAR!!!

____ Please send my wishes for a Sweet Year to the entire congregation at \$154.00.

____ Please send my wishes for a Sweet Year to the families listed below at \$8.00 per family. Please use additional paper if needed.

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY **SEPTEMBER 10th** WITH A CHECK PAYABLE TO MJCBY SISTERHOOD. If Cash, drop off in office.

Cannot be billed to synagogue account.

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

Name(s) _____

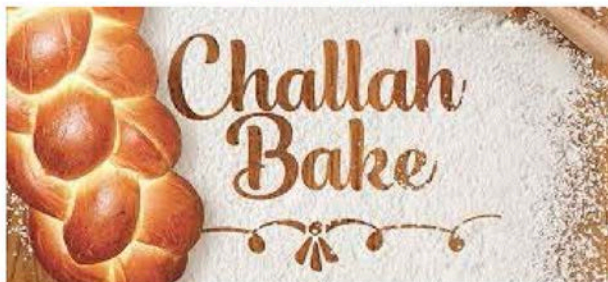
Email Address _____

Home or Cell Phone Number _____

Address _____

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

____ I can help deliver the Sisterhood High Holy Day package.



Learn to bake challah for Shabbat or the High Holidays!

Led by our own Cantor Shana Onigman!

Tuesday, September 10th 7- 9 pm

at Morristown Jewish Center Beit Yisrael (MJCBY)

177 Speedwell Avenue, Morristown

Cost: **\$5** if paid in advance or **\$10** if paid at the door
(to be donated to the Shabbat Dinner Fund)

Cash or check (made out to MJCBY Sisterhood) can be mailed in,
dropped off, or paid at the door- not billable to Synagogue Account

Register by **Tuesday, September 3rd** to sisterhood@mjcby.org
even if paying at the door



Light snacks will be served!
Questions? Contact Ivy Rubin ivysnj18@gmail.com

All are welcome – you don't have to be a member of Sisterhood!



WANTED!

New Items
for
MJCBY Sisterhood Basket Raffle
to be held at the
Annual Sisterhood Membership Dinner
(Formerly known as Paid-up Dinner)



Clean out your home of unwanted items!
Any food/wine items **MUST** be certified kosher!
*New/unused gift cards or gift certificates are also accepted



Please drop off no later than **Sunday, November 3rd** at:
Dorothy Cohen's front porch with a note "for Basket Raffle".
19 Copeland Road, Denville, NJ 07834

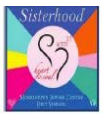
or
MJCBY Office



Thank you for your support!



Any questions, please contact:
Ivy Rubin ivysnj18@gmail.com or Heidi Schleifer Fleischman edheid2@verizon.net



Insights into Sculpture

Sunday, Sept 15th, 2024

9:45 to 11:30am at MJCBY



Our very own member, Sculptor Peppi Glass, will give an insightful and informative talk, called "Sculpture from Start to Finish," tracing the process of sculpting and creating stone sculpture. She will use photographs to show stones at the start of her work all the way through to the end of the process when the sculpture is finished and mounted. She will also bring along some tools and

finishing material.

"People yearn to touch a sculpture. This is different from any other artistic creation. Each stone is different. The stone is 'perfect', and we attempt to shape it to our vision."

Her artist's devotion and commitment to sculpting began in 1983. She has won numerous awards for artistic excellence. Her work has been included in juried shows throughout the greater metropolitan area and is included in private collections in the U.S. and abroad.



TORAH FUND CAMPAIGN OF WLCJ PIN 5785 (2024-2025)



Am Yisrael Chai!

The People of Israel Live

Am Yisrael Chai is an expression of Jewish solidarity for the Jewish nation and the continuity of the Jewish people. We help ensure the future of worldwide Jewish communities through our support of the five Conservative/Masorti institutions of higher education.

For more information, contact Linda Rosenbaum

Text or call: 973-214-0704

Send checks to: 4 Ascot Lane, Morristown, NJ 07960

Torah Fund Cards are also available in the Gift Shop!

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 4th 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

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@mjcby.org to make an appointment during the week.

שבת שלום

GIFT SHOP NEWS

BABY NAMING CERTIFICATES NOW AVAILABLE!!!!

Certificates can be personalized for boys and girls and printed on fine paper and placed in a protective folder -
\$54 per Certificate



BRING THEM HOME NOW!

2 sided – IDF Israel Military Style Dog Tag Necklace to Stand with Israel & Show Support – Stainless Steel w/30” Ball Chain.

Get yours at the Sisterhood Judaica Shop for \$18 each. Profits will be donated to Israel.

Quantities are limited – Contact Sharon Barkauskas to reserve yours now!



HIGH HOLIDAYS COMING SOON – October 2nd!!!!

The very first reference to the shofar is in Genesis when Abraham was about to sacrifice his beloved son Isaac.

As an angel stops Abraham, we are told that a ram gets caught as his horn is tangled up in a thicket. The animal gets substituted for Isaac. Hence, we are taught that the shofar represents continuity and a hopeful future.

A long and loud shofar blast marks the end of the fast day of Yom Kippur. While the blower must first take a big breath, the shofar only sounds when the air blows out. This is a symbol for Rosh Hashanah: we must turn inward to fix ourselves so we can then burst out and contribute to the world.

Your Sisterhood Judaica Gift Shop carries a large selection of shofarim of all sizes, shapes - Ram Horns, Yemenite, and Oryx, and even plastic ones for small children!



MEN'S CLUB

MEN'S CLUB DUES

\$36.00

for 2024-2025

We need your Support!

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

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.**

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!

Men's Club Book Club

All start at 7:30pm. Questions?

Interested in joining?

Howard Buxbaum at

howardbuxbaum@gmail.com

Sep 4th - 4321 by Paul Auster

Oct 9th – The Wager by David Grann

Books are yet to be selected for Nov-Jun



SUKKAH BUILD

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29AT 8:30AM

Coffee, Juice and Bagels served



Men's Club

**Want to volunteer? RSVP to Mark Levine
MENSCLUB_PRES@MJCBY.ORG**

GOOD & WELFARE

MAZEL TOV TO:

Roy & Ellen Solondz on the birth of their Grandson Born on June 4, 2024, Eli Rhone Solondz to their son and daughter in law Samuel Solondz and Rebecca Chornock.

Jonah Gardberg on earning the ranking of Eagle Scout, the highest honor in the Scouts of America

CONDOLENCES TO:

Sheila Gudis and family on the loss of her beloved mother, Elaine Chesnov

REFUAH SHLEMA TO:

Meryl Balaban, Debbie Brody, Cookie & Morton Wertheimer, Joan Cohen, Steve Neibart, Sharon Kellman, Joyce Litchman, Jeff Czeisler, Sue Jacobowitz, Ron Saltzman, Rabbi David Nesson, Joel & Ginger Beecher, Linda Rosenbaum, Richard Rubenstein, Tom Schofield, Meredith Charak, Larry Levin, Rhea Attias, Robin Kane



**SUNDAY MOVIE
NIGHT SERIES
PRESENTS**

**SEPTEMBER 29
AT 7:00PM**

**DANIEL CRAIG
DEFIANCE**

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

Defiance, a tale of courage and fortitude starring Daniel Craig and Liev Schreiber. This is the true story of the Bielski brothers. Simple farmers - outnumbered and outgunned - who turned a group of war refugees into powerful freedom fighters.

We are pleased that joining us for the showing of Defiance will be Rosalyn Lipka, daughter of Bielski Partisan survivor Ann Monka z"l. Ann's miraculous survival and that of her parents and 2 siblings will be shared with us after viewing the film.

SOCIAL ACTION

Start Your New Year with a Mitzvah!

Lou Bodian & Howard Buxbaum, Social Action Chairs

Loub48@Gmail.com - 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 operating in our area, and with whom we at MJCBY help out: NourishNJ, Homeless Solutions and Table of Hope.

We are asking that you bring to MJCBY, either before the High Holidays, or on the Holidays, one or more of the following items:

- Sugar packets or canisters
- Sugar substitute
- Cold breakfast cereal
- Flavored oatmeal
- Coffee
- English or Black Tea bags
- Vinyl or Latex gloves
- Heavy duty paper plates (lunch and dinner size)
- Paper towel
- Toilet paper
- 8 oz foam cups
- 5 or 7 oz paper cups
- Cleaning sprays
- Liquid dish soap
- Dish washing tablets
- Sponges
- Plastic utensils
- Napkins
- Shampoo/conditioner/body wash
- Toothpaste/toothbrushes
- Deodorant
- Body lotion
- Disposable razors
- Laundry pods
- Sanitary napkins
- Soft granola bars
- High socks for adults
- Gift cards - ShopRite or Dunkin Donuts
- Cold weather sleeping bags
- New white men's t-shirts medium - xlarge
- New boxers medium – xlarge
- Toilet paper
- Disposable Gloves (XL) - latex & rubber free gloves for healthcare & food handling
- Baby wipes
- Quart sized zip lock plastic bags

Thank you for your support. Any questions, please contact Lou Bodian (LouB48@Gmail.com) or Howard Buxbaum (HowardBuxbaum@Gmail.com)

Thank you to all who contributed these items last year. They were very much appreciated.



MEMBERSHIP

New Member Announcement!

Eliane Pandy (mother of RS student) has been approved for Young Family membership!

ADULT ED SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

MJCBY ADULT ED INVITES
YOU TO AN IN-PERSON ONLY
BREAKFAST AND PROGRAM
WITH

GREGORY DRUCKS, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SECURITY TRAINING AT JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER METROWEST

Greg will be speaking about Internet fraud and scams which target everyone -- teens and adults. Learn how to:

- spot scammers on the phone, web, email, and texts
- keep your personal information safe from con artists
- take steps to prevent identity theft



GREG RETIRED AS A LAW ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONAL AFTER MORE THAN 27 YEARS OF SERVICE. HE FIRST BEGAN HIS LAW ENFORCEMENT CAREER WITH THE ROSELAND POLICE DEPT IN 1996, THEN TRANSFERRED TO THE LIVINGSTON POLICE DEPT IN 1999 WHERE HE RETIRED WITH THE RANK OF SERGEANT IN 2023. GREG WAS ALSO AN EMT FOR MORE THAN 10 YEARS WITH THE LIVINGSTON FIRST AID SQUAD AND THE BRANCHVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 22

AT 10:00 AM

**RSVP ON SHULCLOUD
REQUIRED**

JEWISH YOUNG COMMUNITY OF NEW JERSEY (JYC)

Nathan Vaisbord jycnewjersey@gmail.com or (862) 217-4942, Program Director
Jacob Levy, Writer/Editor

Shabbat

On Friday, September 20th, 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. Secure your spot early through OneTable! Click [here](#) to register. Admission is free for the first 30 registrants. All subsequent registrations will be just \$18. The registration deadline is Wednesday, September 18th. New members are always welcome to attend!

Apple Picking

On Sunday, September 15th at 12:00 p.m., JYC will be heading to Melick's Town Farm for apple picking. Explore a 50-acre orchard where you can choose from a wide array of apples including macintosh, granny smith, and honey crisp. Admission is \$5.99 per person and includes a free tractor wagon ride (10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.). Apples are priced at \$1.59/lb (over 10 lbs) and \$1.99/lb (under 10 lbs). RSVP on JYC's [Meetup](#) or [Facebook](#).

JYC Book Club

On Sunday, September 22nd, at 6:30 p.m. JYC will be discussing *Outlander* Part 1 Inverness 1945: Chapters 1-5 by Diana Gabaldon. The event will take place on Google Meet. For more information, please email Heather Sloan at heathersloan799@gmail.com.

Stay Up to Date

Be sure to follow JYC on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Meetup](#), and its website, jycnewjersey.com, for news about upcoming events.

Impact Through Giving:

Consider becoming a partner in shaping the future of the local young adult Jewish community. Your generous donations contribute to our mission.

Select "Jewish Young Community (JYC)" under "Payment Details" using this link: [Donation Link](#)

We'd Love to Hear from You!

We're thrilled to have you at our events. Afterward, we'd love to hear from you – your feedback helps us grow and improve!

- Have Questions? Email: jycnewjersey@gmail.com

- Enjoyed the Event? Share your thoughts in a review: Click here or visit: <https://g.page/r/CU8I2Bcan1fWEBM/review>

Stay Connected

Join us on [Facebook](#); [Instagram](#); [Meetup.com](#) to stay informed about upcoming events. Discover more on our exclusive JYC Website at JYCNewJersey.com.

Policies:

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SEPTEMBER YAHRZEITS

To Be Remembered Shabbat Sep 6 & 7		
9/7/2024	4 Elul	Rose Rachlin
		Annette Dunn
		James Josephson
		Eva Cooperman
		Kate Klein
		Daniel Karger
9/8/2024	5 Elul	Jill Josephson
9/9/2024	6 Elul	Joseph Kronish
		Morris Weinstein
		Bruce Kane*
		Roslyn Van Wiemokly
		Joyce Levin
9/10/2024	7 Elul	Max Katz*
		Philip Miller
		Jerald Reingold
		Richard Bodner
		Florence Suval*
		Burton Brenman
9/11/2024	8 Elul	Armand Feldman*
		Maurice Rubin*
9/12/2024	9 Elul	Katherine Schweber
		Morton Nesson*
		Milton Goldband
9/13/2024	10 Elul	Geraldine Graf
		Family Salomon Goldfinger*
		Nathan Frost

To Be Remembered Shabbat Sep 13 & 14		
9/14/2024	11 Elul	Jules Max Gerwin
		Ethel Pfeffer*
9/15/2024	12 Elul	Dorothy Stern*
9/16/2024	13 Elul	Florence Kefford
		Albert Bender
		Frances Grobman
9/17/2024	14 Elul	Max Klein
		Charles Segal
		Philip Kantrowitz*
		Regina Kesten Fisch*
9/18/2024	15 Elul	Ida Silinsky
		Ellen Lewin
		Sidney Levine
		Sol Gutes
9/19/2024	16 Elul	Emanuel Wolf
		Edward Berman
		Harry Ginsberg
		Alfred Rueff
		Robert Miller
		William Ray Elman
9/20/2024	17 Elul	Abraham Silverstein*
		Bertel Hirsch
		Mark Levin

To Be Remembered Shabbat Sep 20 & 21		
9/21/2024	18 Elul	Leslie Zweiback
		Moshe Goldin*
		Helen Schlosberg*
		Joseph Thal*
9/22/2024	19 Elul	Rose Gordon*
		Jack Cohen
		Jonathan Kelter
		Robert Weinstock
		Walter Jacobowitz*
		Jerome Gottesman
9/23/2024	20 Elul	Harry Cutler*
		Sherry Rosenbaum
		Arthur Hertz
9/24/2024	21 Elul	Philip Nadler
		Louis Rudich
		Albert Levinsky*
9/25/2024	22 Elul	Joseph Frost
9/26/2024	23 Elul	Jessica Levin
		Irving Lieb
		David Chanin
		Edith Adler*
		Howard Kane*
		Bonnie Sheller
		Lucille Rovak
9/27/2024	24 Elul	Dorothy Mullivor
		Clara Bellings*
		Sadie Seiden*
		Diana Levy
		Harvey Benison

To Be Remembered Shabbat Sep 27 & 28		
9/28/2024	25 Elul	Morris Beck
		Hyman Rubinstein*
		Jacques Shapiro*
		Bernice Balaban*
		Samuel Schwartz
		Lily Mandel
		Jack Suval*
		Robert Heiser
9/29/2024	26 Elul	Gertrude Levine
9/30/2024	27 Elul	Anne Jenkins
		Sidney Rubin
		Dale Jacobs
10/1/2024	28 Elul	Meyer Rehert
		Sarah Neibart
		Madeline Socol*
		Emil Koupf
		Flora Weissman
		Bentsion Gervits
10/2/2024	29 Elul	Abraham Glazer
		Arthur Krauser*
		William Diamond
		Abraham Spiegel*
		Martin Sternberg
		Louis Dorf
		Grace Bandes
		Madelynne Schulman
10/3/2024	1 Tishrei	Hal Zweiback
		Sam Lement*
		Barbara Saltzman
10/4/2024	2 Tishrei	Samuel Weingarten
		Harvey Hess

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