

THE MRT BULLETIN

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Monmouth Reform Temple The More Torah, The More Life מרבה תורה, מרבה חיים

Schedule of Services **July 20 | 4**

Friday, July 4th
4:30pm Pre-neg
5:30pm Outdoor service
(weather permitting)
Please bring a chair and bug spray
Welcome Rabbi Kline & family

Friday, July 11th 6pm Service

Friday, July 18th 6pm Service with Rabbi Priesand

Friday, July 25th 6pm Service Music with Jeremy Goldberg

Summer Services
Friday evening
July 1 Ith-August 29th
At 6pm

Followed by a summer oneg

Minyan and Torah Study at 9am every Saturday morning in the MRT Library.

There are members of our Congregation who are very sensitive to scents. MRT strives to provide a "Scent Free" environment in our building.

The MRT community asks that you avoid wearing scents of any kind when coming to our facility and we ask you to tell your guests who visit with us.

Thank you for being our partner in creating a "Scent-Free" environment.



July 4 Shabbat Service

Come and welcome our new rabbi, Marc Kline and his family, wife Lori and daughter Rachel!

Join us for a nosh and a soft drink at 4.30pm

Service is at 5.30pm

Location: the MRT sculpture garden
(to the rear of social hall)
Sanctuary if inclement weather
Bring your own chair and bug spray
Dress is casual

Services are a bit earlier so you can keep your July 4th traditions.

NOTE: The temple office will be closed on July 4.

From Rabbi Marc Kline



"It's not how much or how little you have that makes you great or small, but how much or how little you are with what you have." Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch addressed a world wrestling with a new found emancipation in Europe. Napoleon emancipated all minority groups, as a means of expanding his own control at the expense of the Catholic Church's. He addressed a population unsure of its value in the real world, and reminded them that our tradition always determined one's value based in who he is, not what he has.

We are a people who value the blessing of being above any other tangible gift or property in our possession. It is for this reason, that sages in every generation have reminded us to be thankful for what we have by making sure that we bring blessings into each other's lives as well. In Deuteronomy we read, "*Tzedek, tzedek tirdoff!* (Righteousness, righteousness you must pursue!)" The pursuit of tzedek is our greatest calling, and often one of our greatest challenges.

Being righteous does not equate to perfection. We are not perfect; we are human and even doing the best that we can, sometimes we fall short of even our own sense of what is right. Righteousness roots in doing the best that we can; this is a most wonderful (even if often radical) expectation. It is for this reason that we create communities, celebrate with each other's joys, and support each other through trials. We are dependent on each other, and not one of us can sustain ourselves in blessing without the support of people around us.

I find the value of congregational membership in this appreciation for the ways in which we can all make each other's world more whole. This month, I am blessed to become the Rabbi here, at Monmouth Reform Temple. This is a congregation rich with a heritage of service to our own membership and our wider community. This congregation demonstrates vision for a wonderful and progressive future, even as it honors its iconic past. Lori, Rachel, and I are excited to become part of this vibrant community, and pray that we can be relevant in helping this congregational family grow in spirit and soul moving forward.

From my perspective, the conversation begins with a commitment to tzedakah ... not the dollars of charity, but the engagement of our being. This is not my congregation, it is ours. Torah teaches us that we are a *Mamlekhet Kohanim* - a nation of priests. Each of us owns responsibility for the life of our congregation, and our leadership owns the responsibility of making sure that the needs of our membership are heard and addressed. No one should feel that he or she is an "outsider" in our congregational home, and we need to continue growing our spirit to create even more "WOW" and uplifting moments with every interaction. No, we are not always going to agree, and not everyone wants the same things out of programming or ritual, but respectful conversation bridges every gap, and every member of this family should experience that dignity.

After all, as we join congregations, we really are entrusting our spiritual lives into each other's hands. I look forward to meeting each of you. We are scheduling a series of "Meet and greets;" the guest lists inclusive of every family. Please do not wait, though. If you have concerns, celebrations, stories to share ... please call the office and make an appointment to let us meet.

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From Cantor Gabrielle Clissold



I would like to take the opportunity to thank our temple president Jay Wiesenfeld-who served as Temple president over the last year. When the reins of leadership are transferred from one person to another; there is knowledge to be transferred, stories to be told and the chance to learn and grow. Thank you to Jay and the entire Executive Committee, the Temple Board of Trustees and all the volunteers at MRT for all of your hard work, support and kindness.

On June 28th we will say farewell to Rabbi Robert Ourach as he goes forth. Rabbi, wherever you future leads you I will be watching and cheering for you. I am looking forward to updates from you and seeing where your path leads. Before you go, I want to make sure I say thank you for all that you have taught me. My best wishes as you go forth and I wish you the best of luck in your professional life and your family's exciting future. You will be deeply missed by many.

We had a number of events over the past year which we should feel very proud of. The support from our Temple office was and is always so appreciated. We have many fun and exciting plans on the upcoming temple calendar. I am working over the summer on a number of projects. We just had our fourth Visual T'fillah. The Temple choir begins working on our High Holy Day Music. Children who will be chanting haftarah over the Holy Days are now working on their portions. We are waiting for the 92nd St Y calendar of events for the Fall to come out in July. Children continue studies to become B'nai Mitzvah over the summer. The 4th of July and August beach service are in the works. The Junior and Senior Youth groups have a new advisor Mrs. Wendy Roman. Wendy has been working closely with myself and our youth committee to continue to build a vibrant youth program at our temple. We will have 12 children attending URJ camps this summerwhich is our highest number ever. I hope to get that number to 20 in the years to come. I will be working for two weeks at Camp Harlam and this is my 5th year on the faculty. While I am at camp our music teacher Linda Ourach will come visit and get a chance to learn all the new music. As for my schedule, I will be working with Rabbi Kline until I leave for camp at the end of July and return in August and then go on vacation during the last two weeks in August. If you need anything as always-please let the temple office, Rabbi Kline or me know so we can be there for you.

Most exciting of all is the start of our Rabbi-Marc Kline! We are blessed to welcome Marc, Lori, Rachel and Novus! I want to commend the Rabbinic search committee on their excellent process and decision. I have every confidence they made a wonderful choice. When you finish a book in the Torah you conclude with special words always knowing as you close one book you go on to the next. We say *Chazak Chazak v'nitchazeik*-which can be translated in a number of ways. I recently learned this blessing from Rabbi Annie Tucker which I think we should keep close to our hearts as we open a new book in our Temple history.

Chazak, Chazak v'Nitchazek - Thank You, God, for Your abundant blessings of strength.

For the strength of Your Torah's great wisdom, its puzzling challenges and deep questions, its timeless themes and poetic beauty. For the strength of its enduring power and meaning in our lives - chazak, chazak v'nitchazek.

For the strength of tradition, for being part of an ancient people. For the strength that comes when we link our stories to those who came before us and the strength that comes when we pass on our heritage to those who will come next -- chazak, chazak v'nitchazek.

For the strength of our minds and our bodies, for intellectual curiosity and searching, for insight and illumination. For the strength that allows us to breathe meaning into the old and to discover the new -chazak, chazak v'nitchazek.

For the strength of community, for the connections that form through holy discussion. For the friendships that weave themselves through our dialogue and our questions - chazak, chazak v'nitchazek.

Chazak, chazak v'nitchazek - Be strong, be strong, and let us summon our strength.

May we continue to draw sustenance in the year to come - from our relationships and from our learning. Amen.

May our temple continue to build and grow towards our incredibly promising future!

From the President, Jay Wiesenfeld Email: wiesenfeld@ieee.org



I speak for all of Monmouth Reform Temple when I enthusiastically welcome Rabbi Marc Kline, his wife Lori Bernard, and daughter Rachel to MRT and to New Jersey. Rabbi Kline became our rabbi on July 1. With his family, he is settling into his new home in Red Bank.

Rabbi Kline comes to MRT with 18 years of rabbinic experience, having served two previous congregations. He believes that the congregation is built on relationships, and so community is fundamental to his vision. He began meeting our temple community when he visited in May and is eager to introduce himself to the rest MRT. The transition-in committee, led by Karen Levinsky

and Karen Seligman, is planning many opportunities to meet Rabbi Marc—and you should come to meet him directly too. In the summer time, our Shabbat services are early (6 pm—except July 4 at 5:30) and less formal. These provide excellent opportunities to meet our new rabbi and begin the partnerships that will nurture and enhance our congregation. Besides services, come to MRT when you can, to meet Rabbi Marc.

Rabbi Kline has passion and dedication for pastoral care, social action, and pluralism in the greater community. He has created many significant programs and groups at his most recent congregation—Temple Adath Israel in Lexington, Kentucky. Please look at his bio on the MRT web site, where you will get a sense of his impressive accomplishments and his passionate activities.

For questions of life-cycle events and pastoral care (illness, death), please be in touch with Rabbi Kline, who will share the information with Cantor Clissold. They will work together to serve your needs, joyous and pastoral. This is an exciting transition for MRT. We are fortunate to have Rabbi Marc and his family in our congregation and I am looking forward to the years ahead.

Changing topics, the Board has been discussing long-term plans this year and has begun addressing improvements to our building. As a beginning step, the Board approved a redecoration project for the social hall, which was presented by the Arts and Deco Committee, and a technology upgrade for our infrastructure. The Arts and Deco Committee, led by Rita Sperling, has been active in creating the plan to redecorate the social hall, which is described elsewhere in this bulletin. The project will be completed during the summer and be ready for the new year 5775. Funding will come from donations (supplemented by fundraisers that are new to MRT) and from MRT's capital funds.

The next project the Board approved for installation this summer is a technology upgrade, which involves permanent installation of a projector in the social hall, as well as wi-fi upgrades and computer software, hardware, and, importantly, security upgrades, with funding from MRT's capital budget.

We will be convening a task force to further update, analyze, and prioritize other capital projects for MRT. The task force will also develop the implementation plan for these projects.

As president, I look forward eagerly to the upcoming year and to working in partnership with Rabbi Kline, Cantor Clissold, MRT's staff and lay leadership, and with our membership, to grow and enhance our community. I encourage all of you to participate in our community and I look forward to working with you. May we go from strength to strength!

Summary of June 17th Board of Trustees meeting: from Jim Halpern, MRT Recording Sec'y



The Board would like to acknowledge positive happenings within our congregation.

Our Fundraising Committee (Ways and Means) provided a wonderful night of music with the "Jersey Four in Concert". Our congregation celebrated with our confirmands during Shabbat Services. We also celebrated Shabbat this month honoring Rabbi Robert Ourach, who has helped guide us through transition this year. The Adult Education Committee sponsored "An Evening with Susie Fishbein", an Orthodox Jewish kosher cookbook author. The Transition Committee met this month to work on preparations for the arrival of Rabbi Kline next month. The Arts and Deco Committee met to discuss redecoration of the Social Hall. Our community garden is in full bloom and we are expecting to being harvesting soon. Four teens from MRT, Lauren Vicenzi, Kenny Vicenzi, Sarah Klein and Henry Sillen were honored by the Monmouth

County Freeholders for their dedicated work in the Sea Bright renovation as part of the Sandy Teen Fellowship, a Jewish youth group sponsored by Jewish Federation.

Rich Sachs presented a shofar to MRT as a gift to honor the service of Stu Tuchband, who has served three terms on the MRT Board of Trustees. The Board thanked Stu for his dedication and efforts to MRT and recognized the importance of his contributions.

The Board reviewed and approved our standard teacher's contract for our religious school.

As part of our mission to improve Board practices, we reviewed the role of the Executive Committee at MRT. The Executive Committee is empowered in our By-Laws to make decisions for the Board when the Board is not available. It also is a forum for the high-level discussions and analysis of issues of Temple-wide concern.

The Board continued its discussion from the prior month for making capital improvements at MRT. Board members were asked to assemble a list of projects they or their committees have been working toward. The Board discussed ways to prioritize the list and how MRT goes about funding capital improvements. From this list, the Board did take action on two items.

First, the Board voted to redecorate the Social Hall, as recommended by the Arts and Deco Committee. These improvements will consist of new flooring, window coverings and paint. The Board approved an expenditure of up to \$20,000 for the renovations, of which half will be paid for by private donations and half will be paid for using unexpended interest and dividends from the Wachtel Memorial Fund.

Second, the Board approved a technology upgrade in the amount of \$4,500 to expand wireless service throughout our facility. Also included in the upgrade will be increased data security and data backup enhancements. A new computer will be purchased for Rabbi Kline. The Social Hall will have a new video projector permanently mounted from the ceiling. The new projector was made possible by a \$600 donation by the Confirmation Class of 2014.

Jay Wiesenfeld indicated he will be initiating a Task Force to review all of the items on the capital improvement list and make recommendations for prioritization to the Board.

The Board voted to approve the resignation of one family from our congregation, making our total membership 322 families.

The Board voted to approve the extension of enrollment in Camp Olami until August 1, 2104. Information about the camp may be obtained from our Temple office.

The Chair for the Monmouth Festival of the Arts has remained vacant. Jay Wiesenfeld will send out a final notice of interest with a deadline of June 30.

Stu Tuchband will become Chair of the Human Resources Committee at MRT.

Cantor Clissold announced that our final Visual T'fillah is Friday, June 20 at 7 pm.

Elections for officers at MRTSY were held for the 2014-2015 year. Youth Group Board Co-Presidents will be Sarah Klein and Lauren Vicenzi.

In his President's report, Jay Wiesenfeld indicated that after ballots were returned for the annual meeting, all votes were ratified and approved.

From the Arts & Deco Committee, Rita Sperling, Chair A Bright New Look for MRT

The Arts & Deco Committee works on many levels to beautify and improve the Temple. Recently we've placed artwork on walls, moved ritual objects and updated confirmation class photos. Previous recent projects include bema steps and railings, new bema lecturns, and new doors to the Sanctuary in honor of Rabbi Priesand's retirement. Arts & Deco is committed to support the MRT Board plans to improve the temple, over time, for the use of our entire community. We have begun the process by addressing the Social Hall, the center of our social life at MRT.

Exciting redecorations to bring a fresh new look to our Social Hall are beginning. Arts and Deco is contacting vendors and planning future fundraisers for this project. The MRT Board last month approved a resolution for the project, which is partially funded by private donations and partly by capital expenditures. A congregational family has already started the ball rolling with a significant pledge in anticipation of the beneficial transformation to the Social Hall that includes new carpeting, a new dance floor, fresh paint and beautiful window treatments. The redecoration will be completed by September.

Our building reflects our congregation and should provide a place for all of our community to pleasantly participate in Shabbat Onegs, celebrate events, and socialize. Please consider a donation to Arts & Deco to renovate our Social Hall. For more information, contact Arts & Deco Chair, Rita Sperling, at ritasperling@verizon.net See you in September in the redecorated social hall!



ENJOY the serenity of Shabbat at the ocean BRING your dinner, beach chairs







221 Ocean Ave President's Beach Long Branch

From Vera Galleid, Religious School Principal



It is very quiet at MRT without our students and past year and to make plans for the

New Year . You can help by giving us your feedback on Survey Monkey. It will only take a few minutes of your time.

Bruchim Haba'im (welcome) to Rabbi Marc and Lori Kline and family. I look forward to getting to know and to working with the Klines. We wish them behatzlacha. lots of luck in their new home and new community.

I will be travelling to Cape Town, South Africa to see my family over the summer. It is winter in South Africa! I will also go to Israel to study at the Bergman Seminar for Progressive Jewish Educators. The

seminar emphasizes the three central components of Jewish existence – the Jewish people, the teachers. We use this Torah and the Land of Israel. I time to reflect on the look forward to studying with fellow educators from around the world and to being taught by some of Israel's finest teachers. I hope to return with a greater understanding of the complexity World and with materials, ideas and curricula to use at MRT.

> Please send in your registration forms so that we can make plans and finalize staffing for the new school year.

If your child has not fulfilled the Shabbat service requirements, please make sure to attend services over the summer. Students in grades 4, 5 and 6 are required to attend 4 services at MRT. B'nai Mitzvah students are

required to attend 10 services at MRT. There are many exciting Shabbat services over the summer, an outdoor service on July 4 to welcome the Klines and a Beach service.

Toda rabba to our teachers, tutors, Rabbi Ourach, Cantor Clissold, Mindy, Helene and Sara for all their of the Jewish State and the Jewish hard work, support and caring over the year. Thanks also to our **Religious Education Committee** and our Class Parents for all they do to support our school. Many thanks to Jay Wiesenfeld and the MRT Board for their leadership and devotion

> Please feel free to contact me over the summer if you have anything you would like to discuss.

I wish you all a wonderful, healthy, safe and restful summer.

CAMP OLAMI of Monmouth County REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN



Jump Start Your Child's Hebrew and Judaic Education August 19 & 20 9am-4pm

\$75.00 Early Bird Registration thru July 25 \$90.00 Regular Rate

Email: campolami@monmouthreformtemple.org

Click on the link below for more information and registration.

http://www.monmouthreformtemple.org/index.php/learning/camp-olami

MEN'S CLUB



Hi,

On behalf of the Men's Club I would like to thank Rabbi Ourach and his wife Linda for all their contributions they made during the year. We wish them well as they travel to a new Synagogue. On behalf of the Men's Club, I would like to welcome Rabbi Kline and his family to MRT. We

are looking forward to working with you for many years to come.

July 1st will mark my first year as President of the Men's Club. I didn't know what to expect when I became President of The Men's Club. Not only was I a new member of Monmouth Reform Temple but I was also new to the area. Just about a year later, I can honestly tell you it's been a very rewarding experience. I do find it challenging at times but the good has surpassed the challenges.

By getting involved at MRT I found friendships that will last me a lifetime. There are fantastic people who belong to this synagogue. These are people with big hearts and committed people who care. Many people who put the needs of others above their own.

I think there is a perception that people who get involved in synagogue activities are dry and want to spend most of the time talking about religion. That is so far from the truth. I have met the nicest, brightest, and funniest people at MRT.

If you are involved at MRT, you are involved with something that will make you feel good as well as something worthwhile. There are quite a few committees and/or groups in the synagogue. Some require more time than others. Go on our website and find an area that interests you. We are always looking for help from our congregants. Let me tell you from firsthand knowledge, the time you put in will provide you with tremendous rewards.

Thank You

MRT Softball: The Hebrew Nationals are playing!

All games are at 6pm

Thursday July 10 at AT&T in Middletown
Tuesday July 15 at AT&T in Middletown
Thursday July 24 at Dorbrook Park in Colts Neck
Tuesday July 29 at Allocco Park in Holmdel
Thursday August 7 at Dorbrook Park in Colts Neck



MRT Vision, Mission, Values (approved at August 20th Board Meeting)

Vision

OPEN DOORS -- OPEN MINDS

Monmouth Reform Temple – Our Spiritual Community-Where We Nurture Meaning in Our Lives

Mission

- We are an inclusive community where creativity and openness to new ideas harmonize with the traditions of Reform Judaism. For all ages we provide multiple pathways to spiritual growth and lifelong learning.
- We seek to be inspired and to inspire each other in a spiritual journey. We engage in joyful, participatory, musical and meaningful experiences.
- We build communities of enduring relationships that nourish commitment to each other and to *Judaism*. We are a source of strength to one another as we share the joys and challenges of our lives.
- By speaking out and taking action, we seek to improve the quality of human existence and help heal our world. As we work together we create a Jewish presence in the community.
- We create opportunities for individuals and families to study and learn together. We enable members to learn about and connect with the evolving relevance of Judaism in our lives.
- We affirm our continuing support of Israel. We understand that to be a Jew is to be a part of the extended Jewish family.
- Each of us is a steward of MRT's financial, physical and human resources. This includes our temple's good name.

Values

In all aspects of temple life - spiritual, educational and social - these values are our common bond and support our common effort:

Spirituality

We are guided by Torah as we strive to live ethical lives. In search of spiritual and intellectual nourishment, we become aware of a sense of wonder, amazement and being in God's presence. Our deeds reflect our gratitude for the gift of life and its blessings.

Respect

In all our relationships we treat each other in a way that preserves individual dignity and welcomes new ideas. Courtesy, directness, and openness to others will guide our interactions and demonstrate our trustworthiness.

Inclusiveness

We welcome all who choose to embrace Judaism in their lives and homes, regardless of background. As builders of community, we care about each other in all our diversity.

Lifelong Learning

MRT is a center of life-long learning, where we search for meaning, we study, we question, and we seek the sacred. Learning enables us all to progress from knowledge to commitment to action.

Engagement

In partnership with clergy and staff, we count on our members to contribute their talents, resources and energy to ensure the vitality of MRT's community. We depend on our members to be informed and participate in decision-making.

THE CONGREGATION EXTENDS CONDOLENCES TO:

- Phil Ciorciari on the death of his mother Helen Ciorciari
- Faith Meurer-Rystrom on the death of her father Hal Meurer
- Roz and Gerald Reisner on the loss of her mother Rhoda Dimson

THE CONGREGATION EXTENDS MAZEL TOVS TO:

- Kelly and Daniel Cavise on the birth of a daughter Eva Scarlett
- Elliot and Carol Grand on the marriage of their daughter Elizabeth to Gary Linkov
- Brooke Wainwright on her marriage to Vince Coppola
- Rob and Lisa Sussman on the marriage of his mother Helene Sussman to Lawrence Turkel



At MRT, loved ones are memorialized with Kaddish at the Shabbat service on or following their Yahrtzeit. If you would like someone's name read on a different Shabbat please contact the office or see the Rabbi just prior to services.

*Indicates that a Memorial Plaque is hanging in the MRT sanctuary ensuring that their yahrtzeit will be observed in perpetuity. Plaques can be purchased by contacting the MRT office. They are hung on the side walls of the sanctuary. Spaces are available on both walls. Cost per plaque is \$400.

July Yahrtzeits (date based on when they occur)

Names to be Read on Friday, July 4 (Services at 6pm)

*Leah Alexander, *Irene Barnett, Jack Barshack, Samuel Clyman, *Murray Collier, Gay Fehrenbach, *Abraham Frankel, Hugh Harran, David Kane, *Harry Marks, Martin Marx, George Rosin, Pearl Shagan, Gabriel Silverman, Jennifer Ruth Swift

Names to be Read on Friday, July 11 Services at 6pm)

Lorraine Altholz, Tina Block, Bentley Cooper, Mark Copley, Richard Feinberg, Jack Fleischer, *Col. Morton Grotenstein, Jules Herman, Emma Heyman, Estelle Horn, Ruth Kaplan, Leon Levin, *Milton I. Marx, Reba Pons, Bluma Rubin, *George Ruby, Moses Simon

Names to be Read on Friday, July 18 (Services at 6pm)

Eva Berk, Daniel Compaine, Norma Compaine, Mabel M. Cooper, *Frances Gordon, Leonore Herman, *Jacob Kesselman, Joan Lang, Beth Levy Ben Setton, Fannie Mayzel, Jeanette Mindel, *Dr. Sidney Neiderhoffer, Abraham Reiss, *Becky Rosenbaum, George Seligman, *Martin Slater, *Seymour St. Lifer. Louis Stern, *Glynn Stacey Waldman, Philip Yanowitz

Names to be Read on Friday, July 25 (Services at 6pm)

*Helen Berg, Frances Berk, *Jugo J. Braun, *Julius Brightman, Bruce Bronstein, *Dr. Abraham Collis, Benjamin Einhorn, Edith Karl, Sarah Kligman, *Emily Lansky, Ruth Lilien Levy, Harold Meistrich, *Joseph Singer, Charles Wertheim, Janice Williams, *Henrietta Yagoda, Rose Yellenberg

The Congregation Acknowledges with Thanks the Following Contributions:

Baldwin Davidson Scholarship Fund

In Memory Of Helen Ciorciari

Cheryl and Steve Gaudette

Our granddaughter Ilana's graduation from 8th grade

Cheryl and Steve Gaudette Monica Schneider-Brewer and James Brewer on their son Jonah's graduation from 8th grade

Cheryl and Steve Gaudette Ellie Lipitz on her son Ciaran Bernecker's graduation from 8th grade Cheryl and Steve Gaudette

Oneg Fund

In Memory Of:

Henrietti Cleffi Ferraro

Arwyn and Linda Davies

Lawrence Wigdortz

Judith Wigdortz

Herman Albert

Joyce and John Christie

William Kravitz

Shelley and Laurence Gordon

Etta Unterman

Amy and Michael Unterman

Flower Fund

In Memory Of: Samuel Semer

Susan Martin

Garden Walkway

In Memory Of: Charles Cooper

Judi Cooper

Youth Group Fund

In Honor Of:

The Confirmation Class of 2014

Nadine and Gene Vicenzi

My children Dan and Rachel's achievements

Karen Kahn

Elise and Randy Aptaker on their daughter Melanie's high school graduation

Cheryl and Steve Gaudette

Cantor's Fund

In Honor Of:

Grandson Max's Bar Mitzvah

Helene and David Miller

Cora and Stu Tuchband celebrating their 55th

wedding anniversary

Barbara and Richard Gitlin

Homeless Fund

In Memory Of:

Laura Heimowitz's sister Susan

Anita Spector and Sandy

In Honor Of:

Iris Kelhoffer on her grandson's Bar

Mitzvah

Anita Spector

Lila Singer and her new home

Karen Kahn

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In Honor Of:

Rabbi Ourach

Ellen Nash and Talbot Pratt

Scholar-in-Residence Fund

In Honor Of:

Our son Joshua's college graduation Sheila and Zach Gilstein

From Eleanor Rubin, Israel Committee Chairperson—Eyal, Gilad, Naftali

On June 12th three teenagers were hitchhiking in the West Bank trying to get rides home from a Yeshiva High School in Gush Etzion, a bloc of settlements south of Jerusalem in time for Shabbat. Perhaps they had hitchhiked before without incident. Perhaps other young students had done so as well. But this time, the three boys—Eyal Yifrach, Gilad Shaar and Naftali Frenkel did not reach home in time for Shabbat. They have not been heard of nor seen since that day, several weeks ago.

Imagine the anguish and pain their parents are feeling.

The boys were kidnapped in a terrorist act, as of this writing, by an unknown group. Many believe that Hamas, now part of the Palestinian Authority, is behind the abduction but that remains to be proven. Israeli specialists, including Bedouin trackers are involved in the search for the missing boys.

All of Israel and Jews around the world are united in condemnation of the unprovoked kidnapping of three young students. There has been an outpouring of support for the release of the teens as people gather for a vigil outside the Israeli Consulate in New York and outside the Israeli Embassy in Washington, D.C. This act, of course, underscores the ever constant concern for Israel's security. Leaders of the Conference of Major American Jewish Organizations issued a statement urging everyone to pray for the safe return of the three boys.

We, at home, can call upon the U.S. government and the international community to support Israel's efforts to rescue the boys safely. We pray for the families that their young sons will soon return to the arms of their loved ones unharmed.

June 30: We mourn the murder of the three teenagers as reported in the press. We send our prayers, with great sadness, to their families.

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July 2014

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Monmouth Reform Temple 332 Hance Avenue Tinton Falls, NJ 07724		ı	2 7pm Upcoming B'nai Mitzyah	3 6:30pm Intro to Shofar blowing	4 Office Closed 4:30pm Pre-Oneg	5 9am Shabbat Services & Torah
32-747-9365	threformtemple.org		meeting	Shoral blowing	5:30pm Outdoor service. Bring chairs and bug spray	Study
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Ipm Office Closing	7pm Orchid 7:30pm Exec Board		6pm Softball at AT&T	10:30amKensington Ipm Office Closing 2:15pm Brighton	9am Shabbat Services & Toral Study
	7:30pm Men's Club Board				6pm Shabbat Services	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Ipm Office Closing 7:15pm Sis Book Club Offsite	6pm Softball at AT&T 7:15pm Board			Ipm Office Closing 6pm Shabbat Services with Rabbi Priesand	9am Shabbat Services & Toral Study
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Ipm Office Closing			6pm Softball at Dorbrook Park	Ipm Office Closing 6pm Shabbat Services	9am Shabbat Services & Tora Study
27	28	29	30	31		ember of the Unio
	Ipm Office Closing 5:30pm Sis Pool Party offsite	6pm Softball at Allocco Park		7:45pm Choir Rehearsal	fo	r Reform Judaism



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