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

Schedule of Services August 2014

Friday, August 1st
6pm Shabbat Services
Music by Sara Hayet

Friday, August 8th
6pm Beach Shabbat Services at
Seven Presidents Park
Weather permitting
*Venue change to MRT due to inclement weather
will be announced via email and website by 2pm on
August 8th.*

Friday, August 15th
6pm Shabbat Services
Music by Sara Hayet

Friday, August 22nd
6pm Shabbat Services
Music by Mark Gruensfelder

Friday, August 29th
6pm Shabbat Services
Music by Sheila Leavitt

Summer Services

Friday evening
August 1st-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.

Shabbat Beach Service

BRING a FRIEND!

Friday, 8 August

dinner at 5pm

service at 6pm

**JOIN us and meet
Rabbi Kline, Cantor Clissold
and our congregation as we
ENJOY the serenity of Shabbat
at the ocean
BRING your dinner, beach chairs**

7 President's Beach
221 Ocean Ave Long Branch

From Rabbi Marc Kline



Change is an amazing phenomenon; it is absolute; it is unstoppable; it is devastating to many and exhilarating to many others. What we know for sure is that ... change is, and if not handled with intention, it will be costly. When we act intentionally and with integrity we can manage change and evolve alongside it ... maybe even manage it instead of letting it manage us. This is really the intention behind so much of what our religion teaches. Torah teaches that the world continues to evolve and social norms continue to change. Torah admonishes us to pay attention to the world around us so that we can always be relevant even in the midst of continual renovation. Torah also teaches us that when we watch change happen, not participating in the process of evolution, we are stuck with what we get ... and what we get is often to our own disadvantage.

The world in which we live is a very different one today than the ones in which our grandparents lived. For those of us who are already “experienced” in years, we exist knowing that we did not want to be stuck with what our grandparents had, and do not understand what the young parts of societies wants. In this sense, we find ourselves stuck. We cannot think of going back to 8 Track tapes and also do not know what to do with saving data in clouds. This is why I love our tradition, it accommodates incredible diversity.

There are some things, however, that span all time, all change, and all unique takes on text. We all need each other. I do not care what our political, religious, economic, or cultural differences might be; ultimately, we need each other. This is our home ... equally all of ours. We all matter equally. As the world continues to evolve, we need to realize that we are all marching into uncharted water and despite whatever we think might happen, it is ultimately a leap of faith. While we know that opposing change is an attitude to which many of want to default, the world will evolve any way. It would be wonderful if we could trust and make this walk together, working through any differences in our points of view ... dignifying each other with each step that we take.

As we begin to approach the holidays, we need to remember that the liturgy of the Makhzor (prayer book) calls on us to change who we are into who we want to be. Along the way, we also need to remind ourselves of the many blessings that we bring and of the things that we do well for ourselves and for each other. This is not a call for one of us, but to all of us, and the task we accept as members of this community are to help each other along the process. Take this next month and let people know of the way in which they make the world a better place. Make the commitment to share more blessings with them in the year to come.

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Summer can be quiet, many of us take time away, and Friday Shabbat services are early (6 pm). During this time, many preparations for the next year are underway.

Rabbi Kline has completed his first month here and has already met many of us. The Transition-in Committee, led by Karen Levinsky and Karen Seligman, is preparing a series of Meet and Greets. Everyone will receive invitations to meet Rabbi Kline in a personal and intimate setting. Rabbi Marc has made clear that the congregation is built on relationships—between member and member, member and clergy/staff, member and lay leadership, and all the other permutations. Make sure to participate in the activities organized by the Transition-in Committee and also make an opportunity to meet directly with Rabbi Kline.

Last year we received the report from the ATID Task Force, which built on the strengths of MRT to look forward with our congregation (Atid is the Hebrew word for “future”). Having completed a year of transition with interim Rabbi Ourach, we are now looking forward in many ways. The Board has already created the **Leadership Development Task Force**, led by Mark Gruensfelder. This Task Force is now in process of implementing a Leadership Training Program. Beyond that, the Board is in the process of creating several other task forces concerning member role policies at MRT, capital projects, and fundraising. *Task forces differ from committees, in that they have specific purposes with defined time limits.* These new task forces will be working over the next 6 – 12 months. Let me describe them to you:

Task Force on Member Role Policies at MRT: Our congregation, as is true for most Reform congregations, has many families with both Jewish and non-Jewish members. The minhag (customs) and constitution at MRT make some distinctions between Jewish and non-Jewish members in certain areas, including ritual practice and leadership. About 25 years ago, our congregation created a set of policies to guide us through these distinctions. Time has passed and the world has changed, as has the congregation of Monmouth Reform Temple. We have had several recent rabbinic transitions, and it is now time to re-examine our customs and policies. Accordingly, we are creating a task force to study our history and new issues and to make recommendations going forward, in areas including ritual, membership, education, leadership. We want to make sure that our policy is relevant to our congregational needs and Torah.

Capital Projects Task Force: We have many needs and wishes at MRT, which involve our physical building, as well as decorative and ritual objects. At the Board, we have continually addressed and planned for such needs, through the House Committee, Arts and Deco Committee, Sisterhood, and the Men’s Club. The redecoration of the social hall, under the auspices of the Arts and Deco Committee, is a current project. (You can read about this elsewhere in the current and previous bulletins.) This task force on capital projects will continue with our existing needs and wishes, expand and solidify the list, and coordinate our planning for the next several years

Fundraising Task Force: As you know, the operating budget of MRT relies significantly on fundraising activities to augment our income from dues and rental fees. For example, the High Holy Days Appeal is one of our major fundraisers. In addition, the Ways and Means Committee has successfully run additional fundraisers for our operating budget. Funding for capital projects also needs fundraising activities and several are ongoing, such as for the social hall redecoration and fundraisers by the Sisterhood for updating the kitchen. The Fundraising Task Force will examine the totality of MRT’s fundraising for operating expenses and capital projects, and work across committees to recommend optimal plans and schedules.

Please let me know if you have questions or are interested in serving on any of these task forces. There are a limited number of task force positions, so not everyone can be accommodated.

So, while summer is an easy time, there is much happening to prepare us to move forward. Enjoy the rest of the summer.



Prospective Member Open Houses

Friday, August 22nd at Shabbat Services at 6pm

Sunday, September 14th in the Social Hall for Coffee and Bagels at 10am

- Prospective members are invited.
- Please let your friends know!
- All MRT Congregants are encouraged to attend.

From Cantor Gabrielle Clissold



High Ropes and Zip Lining: A challenge I never knew I needed to overcome.

I have been on the faculty of Camp Harlam for five years. Every single day at Harlam is amazing and different. On Tuesday July 29th something I never expected unfolded and it affected me very deeply.

I have two children at camp—Simon in Sharon aged 10 and Asher in K'far Noar aged 14. Like every Jewish organization, Camp Harlam has meetings—more meetings than you can ever imagine. This day began like all others, a meeting with my unit Carmel, a brief meeting with staff of Carmel, a meeting with J-life staff and our daily Faculty meeting with Lisa Davids. Lisa told us that extra help was needed at Adventure. At Camp Harlam, Adventure is what some would describe as more "extreme" outdoor sports: Rock

Wall Climbing, Mountain Biking, Swing, High Ropes, Zip Lining, Tower. Cantor Rebecca Robins and I volunteered and walked up to the Adventure site. We cheered and hung out with climbers at the Tower. We headed over to the High Ropes Zip Lines which begin in the woods up near the K'far Noar section of camp. After five years at camp I never knew that the zip lines and high ropes were one mingled activity. I was wholly ignorant and only knew of a BIG zip line. All of that was about to change.

At the adventure site was part of K'far Noar, including my son Asher who has been the most FEARLESS person his whole life. When we go hiking John and the kids jump off high cliffs into water...not me. I maintain that I have to hold the camera, water and snacks. I don't like fear, I hate horror movies. I will do water slides at parks with my kids but under duress and strong looks from my husband that indicate (silently) Gabrielle, you need to be fun! I am probably described as funny, but not a FUN daring thrill seeker up for any challenge.

At the Adventure site Cantor Robins (CR) and I were having a wonderful time talking to the counselors and kids. Then one of the girls whom I have known for years said, "Cantor Gaby, are you going to climb?"

This means I get in harness, climb up the net that looks like ship rigging, walk across a high tight rope and then come down. It looked doable to me so I said, "SURE!" Asher and his friends looked thrilled and amazed as he lent me his sneakers and into the harness I went.

There are many shining stars in the firmament of Camp Harlam and all deserve Kavod. The ropes counselor called Skippy is one of those shining stars. His actual name is Jonathan Neff and he is also a wonderful Carmel counselor. For the past 2 years I have admired Skippy and yesterday Skippy and I changed roles, he became the adult and I, the scared child. CR was thrilled and an amazing motivation to me. I could not fathom why they were so impressed...I began my climb up the netting with CIT Jesse Kaplan and Skippy, awed cheering children, a shocked son and CR snapping a picture. It was like the launch of the Titanic, this huge cheering party and an ignorant vessel completely ignorant of the challenges ahead.

Halfway up the netting, it became really physically hard....great advice was given "stay on the little side...have a foot in both sides". I persevered, felt fatigued but just kept on. Once you get to the top you have to then throw your foot and leg over this tiny little shelf. It looks like a small circus tower when the cartoon character jumps into a small glass of water. Then you have to clip two carabiners and hoist yourself up on this shelf...this was very hard. Somehow, I did it and I was exhausted. You then stand up and realize how very far up you are and that the tight rope isn't so tight, nor are the side ropes that you use to balance. Three steps into the rope I turned and wanted to go back...this was not fun, I was not enjoying this and it was scary. At the same moment I saw all of the kids, counselors and CR cheering me on. I saw Asher—so amazed that his mom who "doesn't do this sort of thing" was walking between high swaying

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From Cantor Gabrielle Clissold

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trees. I could not let him down in front of all his friends...so I finished the tightrope and said, "Skippy, I am ready to come down."

"Cantor Gaby you can't come down, there is no way down, you have to finish".

Finish? I was finished! I had no idea that this was like math with one correct answer. Everyone who knows me knows I am bad at math and giving one short answer.

The answer was to keep onto a "mini zip line" which is far from mini. I was scared, panicked and was losing it. This zip line requires jumping off that second small tiny platform out of a tree. It does not feel natural to jump out of high trees!

Down on the ground CR was left below keeping me focused like a Dula in Lamaze class. The next group was coming and Skippy had to help them. I was really afraid of jumping out of that tree. I didn't have a choice. Asher and CR stood below as guardian and encourager. CR said, "Gaby just sit back, lift your legs and go." And so I did...right onto the first of three zip lines into Shaina Dorow's arms. I wasn't finished because now I had to walk across another tightrope. At each juncture you are moving your clips and slider barely standing on this tiny third platform. This next tightrope was in the shape of an X with ropes on the side which hung far apart like vines in a Tarzan movie. You have to walk across and lean into each side to grasp each rope-vine. I did not love this part, but I was better with tightropes than zip lining. I felt so worn down. However I made it across the X and there was my nemesis...another mini zipline, like the other-not so mini. I stood there feeling as scared as before, this zipline was really daunting. Even though I just did the other zipline, I was back at square one but somehow with CR and Asher below...I did it again. I just raised up my feet, lay backward and left the high platform into thin air hanging onto my thread right into CIT Ethan Yarow's arms.

Ahead of us was the huge zipline that runs across the back of the camp. It starts up VERY high in these extremely tall trees and there is no where to go. You can't turn back and can't let everyone down. You can't cry and you have no choice, so you do it. I said to myself, "I will probably never do this again. I am safe. I am afraid but I might as well, try and enjoy this." And so Ethan, Shaina, Jesse, Skippy, CR and Rebecca watched me just do it....I landed into Yarden Negby at the end of the field. Asher and CR were there and it was done. I was so happy and proud of myself but I shook for a good 30 minutes and was very shaken up the rest of the afternoon.

I called my husband who has no fear-he was happy and now hopes I will watch scary shows with him. CR and Asher were just amazed and so happy with me. Simon heard I did it and told everyone in his unit, "my mom did the high ropes adventure zipline!" Asher's friends thought I was cool (which I know I am not). I called my parents who for 20 years owned and worked at a Camp in Connecticut. They were thrilled and my dad Jo Jochnowitz said, "Gaby, if it were me I would have acted unafraid and gone through with one hand on a pirate sword like Peter O'Toole but the truth is that I would have been just as scared." My brilliant mom Carol said, "Gaby, all I can say is that you are so much stronger than you know. Imagine how those soldiers in Israel feel. They have no choice, they cannot turn around and it is not safe."

My mom is so smart, she sees so deeply. And she is right, here I am so covered in fear over a SAFE zipline and everyday our children in Israel are in extreme danger. Everyone needs to know they are so much stronger than their fears. I learned so much about myself and the incredible people who helped me achieve something I never set out to do. Thank you to everyone who help people like me conquer fears and achieve things we never even dreamed. That is what being at Harlam is about.

Summary of July 15th Board of Trustees meeting: from Jim Halpern, MRT Recording Sec'y

The Board of Trustees met on the evening of July 15, 2014. I would like to thank Mark Gruensfelder for recording the minutes of this meeting while I was away.

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

We celebrated Shabbat on July 4th with the first service conducted by Rabbi Kline and Cantor Clissold. Our softball team, "The Hebrew Nationals" won a game! Visual T'Fillah for the summer was held in June – as beautiful as always! The Arts and Deco Committee has been hard at work planning for the redecoration of the Social Hall. Our Congregation wants to warmly welcome Rabbi Kline and his family.

Here are some important dates for MRT: 8/8—Beach Service. Non-members welcome. Everyone brings his/her own food. 8/22—Friday Shabbat service (6 pm)—open house. 9/14—Sunday morning brunch open house for prospective members. 10/17—New Member dinner and Shabbat (Friday evening). 10/22—New Member orientation (Sunday) 12/12-12/14—Rabbi Kline Installation service and events.

The Arts and Deco Committee has finalized plans for redecoration of the Social Hall. All work will be completed by September 1. A special fundraiser, managed by the A&D committee is underway.

The Transition-In committee is in the process of planning a series of Meet and Greets in the August and September time frame to facilitate introductions to Rabbi Kline. Every Congregant will receive an invitation to one of these events.

Registration for Camp Olami is underway. If you are interested in learning more, contact the Temple Office.

The Board voted to create the position of Assistant Treasurer, who will support the MRT Treasurer in all functions. The Board approves Stu Tuchband for this position for the 2014-2015 FY. He shall retain his check-signing authority.

The Board voted to create the position of Assistant Financial Secretary, who will support the MRT Financial Secretary in all functions. The Board approves Bob St. Lifer for this position for the 2014-2015 FY. In this position he shall have access to the same confidential information as the Financial Secretary.

Rabbi Kline thanked everyone for the warm welcome he and his family have received. He highlighted his philosophy "EVERYONE matters – we need to be relevant to each other." As a congregation will need to look at our many programs and systems to help us move forward.

Cantor Clissold reported that the service music for the upcoming year is being organized. The HHD choir starts practice soon. The Cantor and the Rabbi have been meeting to plan the HHD services. Our new advisor for both Senior and Junior Youth Groups will be Wendy Roman and she has many good ideas. If anyone wishes to read Torah next year on a Friday night please give the Cantor the date/s you are looking for and we will be happy to have you read.

In the President's Report, Jay Wiesenfeld indicated that no one has stepped forward to lead the Monmouth Festival of the Arts and the program will move to long-term hiatus. Several Task Force Committees are being formed, including ones to discuss "The Role of the Non-Jew at MRT", "Capital projects," and "Fund Raising at MRT". If you are interested in becoming a member of a Task Force, please contact Jay Wiesenfeld or the Temple Office. Plans to organize events during the High Holidays are underway.

Submitted by Jim Halpern
Recording Secretary MRT Board of Trustees
Minutes of Meeting recorded by Mark Gruensfelder

From the Arts & Deco Committee, Rita Sperling, Chair



The Arts & Deco Committee is happy to report that the redecoration of the Social Hall begins this month! On behalf of the committee, we especially want to thank Kari and Adam Hershey for their interest and commitment to the redecoration and to laud Kari's indefatigable efforts in this project.

We also thank those members of the congregation who have recently shown their support of these efforts by making a donation to the Social Hall through the Arts & Deco fund. Donations are whole-heartedly appreciated by Arts and Deco, and fundraising is necessarily on-going, so feel free to donate at your convenience. We look forward to celebrating with you in September when we participate as a Jewish community in MRT's beautiful Social Hall!

MRT Softball:

**The Hebrew Nationals
are playing!**

All games are at 6pm
Thursday August 7 at
Dorbrook Park in Colts Neck



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2 PARTIES!

Meet our new youth advisor **WENDY ROMAN!**
and hang out with new and old friends!

Mark Your Calendars



Mitzvah Academy 8/9th grades

Fun and study!

Camp Harlam

November 21-23



Junior Youth Group
September 3 @ 4.30

Senior Youth Group
September 4 @ 4.30

Swim and Snacks Parties
20 Hidden Meadows Drive
Ocean Township

Mitzvah Academy Retreat with 5 other temples:
Sharrei Emeth, Temple Shalom, Beth El and Beth Miriam

Contact Cantor Clissold for additional information.

RSVP: 732.207.2217 or
wendyaroman@gmail.com

Ways and Means Committee—David Levinsky, Chair



RUMMAGE SALE NOVEMBER 9 & 10, 2014

(Proceeds subsidize MRT'S annual budget)

Eleven reasons why every temple family should actively support
MRT's Rummage Sale on November 9 & 10:



1. Received many favorable comments and support from patrons during our first sale.
2. Unneeded, unused and unwanted --- clothing/shoes, household items, toys, baby items and recreational items become valuable sources of revenue.
3. MRT's most successful fundraiser in the 2013-2014 fiscal year.
4. Monetary donations are not requested.
5. A tax deductible certificate is available upon request.
6. Gives temple members reason to purchase new clothing, toys, recreational items and household items.
7. Event completed in only three weeks.
8. Sale benefits empty nesters, and members down-sizing.
9. A great way to connect with old friends and make new ones.
10. Lots of opportunities to volunteer.
11. Extraordinary win-win for MRT and patrons.

There are so few win-win situations when it comes to fundraising, that MRT temple members should embrace the upcoming Rummage Sale. We netted almost \$9,000 from last year's event. With our temple membership's assistance, Ways & Means expects greater financial success this November.

The win-win nature of a rummage sale should not be underestimated. Aside from making money on a small financial outlay, the entire event - from start to finish - is completed in a few weeks. The quality and quantity of your donations last year were appreciated by our patrons. Household items, clothes/shoes, baby items, small appliances and higher valued boutique items were especially coveted.

Sorry, no books, bathing suits, under garments and upholstered furniture. As a general rule for ALL donations: we can only accept items able to be carried by one person.

Lastly, please **volunteer, volunteer and volunteer**. Cora Tuchband is waiting for your email at coralea@comcast.net. For questions, contact Karen Cole at kmcole84@comcast.net. Volunteers are needed November 2 – 10, Shabbat excluded.



**MRT Sisterhood presents our
Annual Fabulous Foodie Fundraiser**

In the spirit of the festive and sweet holiday of Rosh Hashanah, we have paired two favorites for you to enjoy or gift to others.

New Apple Crumb Cake & Honey
or
Delectable Chocolate Babka & Honey



This **NEW**, fabulous Apple Crumb Cake is all natural (no preservatives) and the honey is the result of the labor of many local bees!

These treats are packaged beautifully together so that you may bring as a gift wherever you are sharing your holiday meal, or just bring it home.

Each bundle of sweet and fresh deliciousness costs \$22
(This directly supports the Community Hanukkah Party!)

Orders Must be in by: Wednesday September 10th
(no Lollygaggers allowed!)



Packages will be available to pick up on:
Tuesday, September 23rd 4pm – 7pm or
Wednesday, September 24th 10am -12 noon

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I want _____ Apple Crumb Cake Bundles bundles (\$22)

I want _____ Chocolate Babka Bundles (\$22)

Total enclosed: \$ _____ Make checks payable to MRT Sisterhood.

Detach and mail to MRT attn: **Sisterhood**
332 Hance Avenue, Tinton Falls NJ 07724

Questions? Contact: Maxine Klatsky: [732-935-0508](tel:732-935-0508) or mklatsky1@verizon.net

Spread the sweet cheer of a fabulous New Year

From Vera Galleid, Religious School Principal



I arrived in Israel from South Africa yesterday, July 22nd, and I am staying with friends in Kfar Saba until my course begins. A bomb struck a house a mile away from Ben Gurion

Airport yesterday so many airlines have now suspended service to Tel Aviv. My course is still on and I hope all the participants will be able to fly in. El Al continues to fly.

We sat around the dinner table last night discussing the situation here. Over 2000 rockets have been fired into Israel since the beginning of the offensive. The people in the South have only 15 seconds to seek shelter when they hear the sirens. In the Tel Aviv area, where I am staying, we have 90 seconds to reach a protected space. If you are driving, you have to pull over and lie down on the side of the road and cover your head with your hands. Israel has the amazing Iron Dome that measures the trajectory of the rocket and if it is headed towards a populated area, the Iron Dome will intercept the rocket and lives are saved. You wait for

the "boom boom" sound of the Iron Dome striking the target. Then you wait 10 more minutes for debris to fall before you can leave your protected space.

What country would sit on it's hands while its citizens are being bombed? Israel launched Operation Tzuk Eitan, Operation Protective Edge, to try and stop the Hamas terrorists and protect Israeli citizens. The goal is to target rocket launchers, weapon supplies and terrorists. Unfortunately, Hamas continues to use civilians as human shields and hides weapons in mosques, schools and homes. Israel tries hard not to hurt civilians by sending text messages and dropping warning pamphlets saying they are going to destroy a weapons arsenal, but Hamas encourages citizens to ignore the warnings, so many civilians are killed.

Israel sent ground troops into Gaza to destroy underground concrete tunnels which militants use to slip into Israel and attack Israeli towns and villages. Soldiers have to find trap doors and concealed shafts in Gaza in order to

expose and destroy the tunnels. Many of my friends have children who have been called up and everyone is very tense. We are glued to the news and are praying for the soldiers and for peace. People are donating money and goods for care packages that will go to the soldiers and toys and games for children who have to spend many hours in bomb shelters. Our hearts are broken for those who have lost family members.

We need to support Israel and our people in this time of crisis. You can help by circulating accurate material about the situation in Israel to your family and friends. Go to Ynet news, i24NEWS, or Jerusalem Post or Times of Israel to get an accurate picture of what is really happening here. You can send care packages to soldiers in the IDF and write letters of appreciation. You can make donations to Israel through Federation. You can pray. You can buy Israeli products and services. You can attend rallies in support of Israel.

Let us all pray for peace,
Vera Galleid.

**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 ongoing
\$90.00 Regular Rate**

Email: campolami@monmouthreformtemple.org

OR

Click on the link below for more information and registration.

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

Gan Mazon (Garden of Plenty) MRT's Vegetable Garden, David Levinsky, Chair



This season has turned out to be very challenging for MRT's garden committee. Wilt caused the loss of about half of our first planting, necessitating the replacement of 30 plants during the week of July 4. Whereas last season at this time, I reported a harvest of 140 lbs., this July concluded with about 50 lbs. delivered to local food pantries. Soil samples will be submitted to the Rutgers laboratory to determine the general health of the garden's soil and more specifically the cause of the wilt.

A second incident occurred on July 8 when a tree, shown in the attached picture, fell across one of our two 1,000 sq. ft. gardens. The tree wasn't touched until July 19, and I want to thank Bob Gabel, Bob St. Lifer, Judy Rivkin, Jay Wiesenfeld, and Frank Whyman for removing most of the tree. The remainder was tackled by Christine Gold, her son Nicholas and nephew Peter, plus me, on July 20. This was a very taxing endeavor and I am extremely appreciative for their physically demanding efforts.



To complicate matters even more, deer have discovered our tasty beans and cucumbers. Arriving at 8:00 am on a recent morning, I was greeted by a lone animal prancing through one of our two gardens. On another morning, a deer and I matched stares as she stood between the two gardens wondering why I was invading her territory. Deer are not unusual around our temple, but they have not been an issue at the garden until this season. As I said, gardening is a challenging endeavor and certainly a humbling one.

The replacement plants are growing and the good news is that the garden's squash rows show promise. The garden has not had a substantial winter and summer harvest for several seasons and the hope is that by planting their seeds after July 4, the garden will escape the perennial squash borer problem. With cooperative weather for the remainder of August and into September, we should be able to produce a meaningful harvest.

Now let me report why I still garden in spite of the forces seemingly conspiring against gardeners. Between the wilt and fallen tree, our garden's two cucumber rows are obviously less productive than normal for the middle of the summer. Two days before writing this article, I managed to pick and deliver 6 lbs. of cucumbers and one eggplant to the Freehold food pantry. The manager smiled as I entered the storefront, gave me a warm welcome and thanked me for thinking of the pantry's clients. Then, she called over another staff person to show her the fresh produce. Priceless!

THE CONGREGATION EXTENDS CONDOLENCES TO:

- Scott and Rebecca Schneider on the loss of his father, Irving Schneider

THE CONGREGATION EXTENDS MAZEL TOVS TO:

- Jay and Kay Wiesenfeld on the birth of a grandson Sebastian Booth Wiesenfeld
- Deborah and Robert Weissman on the birth of a granddaughter Abigail Janice Cohen

August Yahrts (date based on when they occur)

Names to be Read on Friday, August 1 (Services at 6pm)

*Bradley Blonder, Rachel Bolotin, *Rose Brenner, Addie Gabel, *Jack Gardy, David Frank Goldberg, Samuel Hoffman, Celia Kahn, Annette Katz, *Frank Kipnis, *Rhoda Leisner, *Jessie Levine, Irving Mandelbaum, *Blanche Marx, *Samuel Offenhenden, Rhea Rath, *Annette Cohen Ravitz, *Irving Schulman, Nancy Silver, Lela Weissglass, Eva Zelda Yanowitz

Names to be Read on Friday, August 8 Services at 6pm at 7 Pres Park)

*Esther Baker, Alfred Berger, Harold Cohan, *Mildred B. Cohen, Vera Cooper, Morris Cowan, Arthur Farber, Rhoda Ferencz, Edith Fleischer, *Louis Gold, Phyllis Herbert, *Samuel L. Miller, Frances Morrison, *Reba Ostroff, Ralph Rapisardi, Marvin Rosenberg, *Lt. Howard Jon Schnabolk, *Maurice Schwartz, Paul Scott, Lloyd Shapiro, Michael Simms, *Renee Sosin

Names to be Read on Friday, August 15 (Services at 6pm)

Nettie Auerbach, Anita Basen, Daphne Calderwood, Harold Gabel, *Lee Garin, Robert D. Gelber, MD, Gerritt Heidema, William Hillson, Harold Kaplan, Mina Kasdan, *Charles Komar, Bertha Lowenstein, Anne Potter, Esther Rapisardo, *Arthur Rosenzweig, *Ralph Schlosberg, Ethel Alpine Semer, *Louis Sternberg, Angelo Vicenzi, Joseph Vogel, Millicent Weissman, *Rose Halpern Zager

Names to be Read on Friday, August 22 (Services at 6pm)

Esther Adelstein, *Arthur H. Baker, Alonzo Brewer, Dorothy Choate, Philip Cole, Leonard Danzig, *Samuel Friedman, Michael Garin, Jacob Gilstein, Carl Goodstein, Ferol Elaine Gult, *Frieda Heffes, Anna Holzman, *Philip Huber, Gwen Kurry, Sidney Sabin, *Jack Shiffman, Louis Sills, Elinor Tischman, Max Ulanet, *Emanuel Yagoda, *Janet E. Zatt

Names to be Read on Friday, August 29 (Services at 6pm)

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*Indicates that a Memorial Plaque is hanging in the MRT sanctuary ensuring that their yahrzeit 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.

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From Eleanor Rubin, Israel Committee Chairperson—Tzeva Adom Tzeva Adom

TZEVA ADOM, TZEVA ADOM (COLOR RED) warning of 15 seconds to run for the shelter.

An Art Therapist teaching in Sderot created a tool to help children deal with the fear and panic on hearing the all too familiar siren blast. Schachar Bar composed a song that has been taught to hundreds of school children within firing range of Gaza's rockets to help them cope with the trauma when the Color Red siren sounds.

I share with you this somewhat crude translation, melody unknown:

*Tzeva adom, Tzeva adom
Hurry, hurry, hurry to a protected area
Hurry, hurry because now it's a bit dangerous
It's dangerous outside and we must seek shelter
My heart is pounding boom, ba-ba, boom, boom, boom
My body is shaking doom, dada doom, doom, doom
But I am overcoming because I am a little bit different.
THE IMPACT!!! BOOM!!! Now we can get up
Our body we shake, shake, shake
Our legs we loosen, loosen, loosen
Breathe deep, blow far, breathe deep, now we can laugh
It all passed and I'm glad it's over — YES!*

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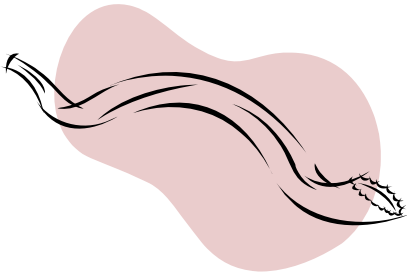
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Rosh Hashanah
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Wednesday, October 15th

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