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MRT’s Purim Shpiel & Adults Only Celebration Saturday, March 11th

Schmaltz
[Otherwise known as “Grease” at the malt shop]
Shpiel performed at 7pm

Catered Dinner from Harold’s Deli at 8pm
$18 per person
BYOB

Come Dressed in your Best 50’s Costume

RSVP to the MRT office with payment by March 9th

Community Megillah Reading and Purim Carnival
Sunday, March 12th
Megillah at 10:30am Carnival at 11:30am
Come in your favorite Costume!!!
MRT ROCKS THE RUNWAY
The Fashion Event of the Year!!!
**Ways and Means  Lynn Shapiro , Chairperson**

**MRT ROCKS THE RUNWAY  on APRIL 1st from 7pm-9pm**
Complete with a red carpeted runway and some of the Spring’s hottest fashions, MRT students and youth will truly “Rock the Runway” so don’t miss it!
Here is how you can support it:
Buy tickets to attend
Buy an ad to congratulate our models and/or promote your business
Donate and item to the auction
   Gift certificates, event tickets (sporting, theater, etc), think of re-gifting new items we can put into auction baskets, bottles of wine, etc.
Provide platters of finger food or desserts for refreshment table

**COME ALL YE MAH JONGG MAVENS OR THOSE WHO WANT TO BE – JUNE 11th**
If you play mah jongg and want to participate in the tournament or want to come and learn to play, mark your calendar for June 11th. Lunch will be provided by Shapiro’s Deli!

**SCRIP**
If you shop at ACME, FOODTOWN, STOP & SHOP OR SHOP RITE – and buy scrip, MRT benefits.

**BRICKS**
We have just installed the many new bricks that have been purchased recently. Honor a loved one no longer with us or congratulate someone on a lifecycle event – what a wonderful way to support the Temple and be truly “embedded” in the Garden Walkway!

**Mark Your Calendars….Upcoming Adult Ed Events**
Shabbat Kallah* with Rabbi Norman Patz
Saturday, April 15th
10:30-11:45 AM “Hidden Treasures of the Second Temple”
12-12:45 Lunch
1-2:30 “The End of the American Jewish Golden Era”

“On the Chocolate Trail” with Rabbi Deborah Prinz  Sunday, May 7, 2-3:30 PM

Understanding BDS (Boycott, Divestment, Sanction) with Martin Raffel  Wednesday, May 31 7-9 PM

*Shabbat Kallah is made possible by a generous bequest from Bob Rosin, past MRT president.

**Summary of the February 21st Board of Trustees meeting: Mark Gruensfelder, Recording Secretary**
For those who eagerly await my insightful, entertaining, and suspenseful Board of Trustees Meeting Summary, I’m sorry to say that this month’s Bulletin deadline occurred prior to the February Board Meeting. As I have yet to master my full prognostication powers, I will defer the February Board Meeting summary to April’s Bulletin.
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| **It's Purim time! It's time for us to look at the world around us to take stock of where we are on our journey to... "Being all we can be." Seriously, we have to think about what we need to do to rethink some of our decisions and direction.**

On Purim we dress in costume and give everyone gifts. These are not large gifts but they are thoughtful ones ... Sweet ones. In costume we get to walk in different shoes, almost as if we have an opportunity for an out of body experience. We should use this time to plot our course for focusing on the year to come. As we emerge from our costumes and the holiday, we hope that we have new vision for a better and more hopeful tomorrow. In meantime, let's have fun and celebrate the fun and events for the weekend. |

**Komo estash vozotros?** Mark your calendars for in January 21 to 28th, 2018. I am currently planning to lead an eight day trip to Cuba for our congregation. It is open to all members, individuals of the wider community, your friends and relatives. The details will be publicized shortly. I have been researching this trip for the past two years. I am comfortable leading this trip now because many of the early snafus when travels to Cuba first opened up have been worked out. Please keep an eye out for detailed information. It will be a very exciting trip for our community!

I thank the choir for all they do to enhance the music of our worship. They will sing beautifully on February 24th at Social Action Shabbat. Our volunteer choir will sing again on March 31, April 21 and June 9th all at 7 pm Shabbat services. We are always welcoming new members and if you are interested please let me know!

On March 11th I hope you can attend our Purim Shpiel - Grease, which we have changed to Schmaltz. Keeping with the healthy (ahem) theme of “schmaltz”, dinner afterwards will be catered by Harold’s. It is a BYOB party. Please RSVP with our temple office so we know how much food to order. Everyone is welcome to come in your 50’s garb to celebrate the joy of being with your congregation on Purim! This is an Adult event and not intended or designed for the beloved children of MRT...however the next day-Sunday, please come to our Purim play at our religious school and stay for our carnival at 10:30 am. Bring your children and grandchildren for an amazing Purim celebration. Bring a box of pasta for a grogger and donation to our local food pantry. |

Please consider attending two acclaimed documentaries on March 1st and 29th at 12 pm. "Live Inside" looks at the effects of music on the brain and the other on the Jewish legacy upon Broadway. These films are being offered at no cost. Viewing is open to the entire community. Bring your lunch and come warm up in our newly designed library and media center.

On a personal note, John and I would like you to please mark your calendar for June 17th when our son Simon becomes a Bar Mitzvah. Everyone is invited to the service and Kiddush luncheon to follow. We truly hope to celebrate with our entire Temple family on this special day in our lives.|

**Don’t Forget to return you Sh’lach Manot orders by Wednesday, March 1st.**

**Everyone at MRT has been gifted a Sh’lach Manot bundle!!!!!!**

Pick yours up on Saturday, March 11th at the ADULT PURIM PARTY with Harold’s Deli or Sunday, March 12th during the Megillah reading (10:30am) and Purim Carnival (11:30am)
From the President, Zach Gilstein Email: zachmate2@gmail.com

I am pleased to report that we have promises from 18 charter members of our Legacy Giving Circle, which includes people who commit a contribution to an MRT endowment in their will or trust or who make a contribution to one now. This is an initiative we began about a year ago with training from the Grinspoon Foundation, which helps Jewish organizations around the country start these programs to help sustain their missions into the future. With our achievement of 18 members, the Grinspoon Foundation will be awarding Monmouth Reform Temple a $7500 gift.

Our committee, which includes Bob St. Lifer, Eleanor Rubin, Joel Morgovsky, Rabbi Kline, and me, has been slowly calling on many people to introduce the program and ask for support. But there is no need to wait for us to get around to you. Feel free to reach out to any one of us if you would like to know more about the program or make a promise. We will achieve another award when we have our next 18 Legacy Circle Members.

As I mentioned in my High Holy Day remarks, I am interested in establishing an endowment for MRT Religious Education. We have progressed this with a draft of a Religious School Endowment Trust Agreement and have identified a few members who have agreed to act as trustees. I expect to have this in place by the Annual Meeting in early May.

I mentioned last month that the Board had reviewed the proposed guidelines of the Member Role Policy Task Force on how MRT can be an even more inclusive environment for all of our members. One area that required further consideration is which, if any, Board positions should be open to all members. The Board was surveyed about this and will discuss it at the upcoming February Board meeting. Look for announcements of a couple of congregational meetings to review the proposed guidelines, gather feedback, and answer questions later this month and in early April.

Huge thanks to Cantor Clissold for all the work being done to create another rousing Purim Spiel. Please join us for the Spiel and a great social night of deli and appropriate Purim revelry. Not sure what Purim is about – check out the Holiday Handbook explanation at http://www.monmouthreformtemple.org/images/Documents/Holiday_Handbook_-_New_Version/Purim-About.pdf

Big thanks to all on the Social Action Committee for making, what I am sure will be, a terrific Social Action weekend with Rabbi Danny Siegel.

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**MRT 2016-2017 Auxiliaries**

Karen Kahn Sisterhood Pres.  
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1 March

"Alive Inside"
A documentary on the use of musical therapy on dementia patients showing music's rejuvenating power and capacity to reawaken and uncover the deepest parts of our humanity.

29 March
From Berlin to Sondheim, the film investigates the 50+ year creative period of the modern American musical that is uniquely Jewish and includes rare film clips of Irving Berlin singing "God Bless America," and Sondheim rehearsing Gypsy!

Bring your own lunch!

Begin and end March 2017 with 2 unparalleled documentaries.
Monmouth Reform Temple

2nd Night Seder
Tuesday, April 11th at 6pm

Our dinner will be catered by the famous
Jerry and Harvey’s of Marlboro!

Celebrate Passover at our traditional 2nd night Seder.
Everyone is welcome—singles, families with children.

Cost per person
$25 Adult Members
$36 Adult Non-members
$10 Children 5 and older
Children under 5 free

BYO Wine

Please RSVP to the temple office: info@monmouthreformtemple.org or 732-747-9365
From Stephanie Fields, Religious School Principal

Beginning the month on the first we immediately dove into the Jewish value of chaverut (friendship) during a team building activity as we continue to explore what it means to be a member of a kehilah kedoshah (a holy community). Friday, February 3rd our 2nd/3rd graders lead us in the Shema and enlivened our worship experience. Our 4th graders each received their own siddur and each made their own tallit. Every child in our school celebrated Tu B'Shvat and we are continuing to make progress with our new Hebrew curriculum. We are so proud of each of our children as they continue to grow. We look forward to seeing you for the following events in March!

SAVE THE DATE:
Wednesday, March 1 @ 4:00pm - Midweek Religious School
Friday, March 3 @ 6:00pm - K/1 First Friday Sponsors
Sunday, March 5 @ 9:30am/12:15pm - Religious School, 5th/6th Grade Trip to Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County, 7th-9th Grade Mitzvah Academy Trip to Kula Cafe/12:15pm Madrichim Meeting
Wednesday, March 8 @ 4:00pm - Midweek Religious School
Sunday, March 12 @ 9:30am/10:30am/11:30am - Religious School, Bagels and Blocks/Fun Filled Megillah Reading/Religious School Ends, Purim Carnival Begins
Wednesday, March 15 @ 4:00pm - Midweek Religious School
Sunday, March 19 @ 9:30am/11:00am - Religious School, 6th Grade Family Education/Religious Education Committee Meeting
Wednesday, March 22 @ 4:00pm - Midweek Religious School
Sunday, March 26 @ 9:30am/12:15pm - Religious School/Faculty Meeting

SISTERHOOD, Karen Kahn, President

Hi Sistahs!

Sisterhood's very own Sharyn Ross, is the coordinator of the massage therapist program at Brookdale Community College. Her students have trained for several months now and need YOUR BODIES! She would like to host a special event at Brookdale for Sisterhood. It will be held on a Saturday, March 18th, between the hours of 9-3. On offer are full body Swedish massages, foot reflexology treatments, chair massages and shiatsu treatments. It would be a private event only for Sisterhood for that day. There are 8 student massage therapists, a large classroom with 3 private areas and some open space for seated massage and semi-private treatments. There are time slots for 9, 10:30, and 12 - there will be refreshments... Stay as long as you want for multiple things. Tips are greatly appreciated by the students! Please schedule your time with Kay W.

March 11th is our congregation Purim Shpiel and party. Although this isn't a Sisterhood event, we may be looking for volunteers to help set up/clean up, etc. and would also love your company at the event! March 13th is Book Club 7:15 pm. We will be discussing “The Sympathizer” by Viet Thanh Nguyen, and the evening will be Hosted by Maxine Klatsky. Please RSVP. Sisterhood and Men's club Shabbat will be on Friday 3/24. If you wish to have a part, please indicate if prefer English or Hebrew.

To Recap:
1 - Wednesday - Shalach Manot orders due
13 - Monday - Book Club 7:15 pm - “The Sympathizer” Viet Thanh Nguyen – Host: Maxine Klatsky
8 - Wednesday - Pack Shalach Manot 4:15
11 - Saturday - Purim Party and Shalach Manot pick up and Judaica Shop
12 - Sunday - Shalach Manot pick up and Judaica Shop
18 - Saturday - massage day at Brookdale
24 - Friday - Sisterhood/Men's Club Sabbath

Shalom! Karen Kahn, Sisterhood President
Gan Mazon: MRT’S Garden of Plenty
by David Levinsky, davidlevinsky@optonline.net

I urge you to take advantage of the free event described below.

The gardening public is invited to a superb program entitled “Celebrate Spring! ...a Symposium” sponsored by Rutgers Master Gardeners of Monmouth County. If you are not familiar with the Master Gardener Association of Monmouth County, the Symposium will be an eye-opening introduction to a local horticultural resource.

A helpline table will be staffed to answer your gardening questions. This day-long event features six 45-minute presentations and a demonstration on container gardening. The presenters are knowledgeable, personable and passionate.

No pre-registration is required. Bring your lunch or contact me for a list of local eateries. Available at various times during the day are tours of the Master Gardener gardens. Visit Plant a Row (on which Gan Mazon is modeled), Junior Master Gardener, Herb, Native and Rain Gardens.

Program
8:45 a.m. - 9 a.m. Arrival & Registration
9 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. Welcome, Overview and Housekeeping - Diane Larson, Horticulturist, Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Monmouth County
9:15 a.m. - 10 a.m. Wake Up Your Garden - Bob Magovern
10:15 a.m. - 11 a.m. Native Plants and Pollinators - Irene Wanat
11:15 a.m. - 12 p.m. Weed Control in Lawns - John Connors
12:15 p.m. – 1 p.m. Bring your own lunch to a Container Gardening Demonstration - Sandy Wolfe
1:15 p.m. – 2 p.m. Insect Control in the Community Vegetable Garden - Gayle Williams
2:15 p.m. – 3 p.m. Ground Covers - Kevin Akey
3:15 p.m. – 4 p.m. 10 Common Landscaping Mistakes and How to Avoid Them - Debbie LaGattuta

Location: Ag Building -- 4000 Kozloski Rd., Freehold, NJ 07728
Saturday, March 25, 8:45 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Attendance and Parking are Free.
For Information: 732-303-7614 or David
www.visitmonmouth.com

Gan Mazon will open for the 2017 season mid-March. The first task will be to implement the recommendations made by the Rutgers Soil Testing Laboratory on the soil samples submitted in January. Although Tinton Falls experienced March snow falls in 2015 and 2016, I am hopeful to get an early start with several cold weather crops. We are always looking for volunteers---please consider getting involved with providing fresh, organic produce for the needy families of Monmouth County. Thank you, David

Welcome New Members!

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Max Kelner (9)
Spotlight on our Board

Stephen Gaudette by Kerry Krachman

I had the pleasure of meeting Stephen Gaudette for a cup of Dunkin Donuts coffee and one of his self-confessed weaknesses sugar—this time in the form of donuts. Steve was still excited about the Broadway musical—Get on Your Feet, that he and Cheryl had seen the night before. He was also sporting a tan from his recent vacation on a Windstar Sailing Yacht in the Caribbean.

Steve Gaudette is someone who always smiles as he speaks. He hardly hesitated when asked to list his top three passions in rank order: sailing, model steam engines—some of which he has built, and tinkering in his home shop. Speaking of home—Steve’s home is now an expanded cape with two stories, three bedrooms and two baths—all of which he built over time.

Now retired, Steve worked in maintenance and engineering, utilizing his chosen profession as an Industrial Manufacturing Engineer. He grew up in Norwell, Massachusetts a town 25 miles southeast of Boston. While attending Northeastern University, he met Cheryl who later became his wife and contributed to Steve’s decision to relocate to the New York metropolitan area and to convert to Judaism.

Steve and his family came to MRT after belonging to another local Temple close to their home where their children attended religious school and had their Bar and Bat Mitzvah’s. They found themselves wondering if they might find another congregation in the area where they would feel more connected. Steve and Cheryl explored other Temples—they even explored a Unitarian church.

When Steve and Cheryl entered Monmouth Reform Temple about 15 years ago, they knew that they had finally found the congregation they were seeking. They were warmly welcomed by a number of people—all of whom were unknown to them. As their granddaughter Ilana started attending religious school, they found themselves again active and involved in their synagogue connecting to the Temple’s mission of Tikkun Olam.

Steve is currently serving on the Temple Board as House Chair his second term as House Chair—having first served under Stephanie Fitzsimmons. He has an eye for detail and takes pride in making sure that the Temple’s facilities and grounds reflect caring and attention—believing strongly that this projects the dedication of Temple members to potential new members and the community. Steve also takes his role as a member of the Temple Board seriously feeling strongly about the trust placed in him and all the Board members that all are stewards of every aspect of MRT.

When asked what his top priorities are—Steve responded—more vacations and to enjoy his retirement. In addition to his strong participation as an MRT trustee, Steve is very active and enjoys hiking, biking and sailing. He hiked 50 miles through Yellowstone National Park, biked through the Black Hills of South Dakota and hopes to check off one item on his self-proclaimed “huge bucket list”—hiking in Death Valley, California.

Steve and Cheryl have three children—two sons and a daughter and 5 grandchildren ranging in age from 8 to 17 years. When not executing his responsibilities as MRT’s House Chair, you can find Steve puttering in his shop, driving Illana to and from MRT, sailing in good weather, helping Cheryl with her work at Family Resource Associates and always adding items to his growing bucket list.
From Eleanor Rubin, Israel Affairs Chair

ISRAEL: A Land of Contrasts

Just having returned from a whirlwind tour of southern Israel, these two communities stand out and offer a look into the challenging, but promising future of Israeli society.

I spent a couple of days in the Negev and visited an area in Lachish, population 6000, specifically in a town called Eliav. Why would anyone move to an area in the desert where neighboring towns are a distance away, where there are long distance commutes to any city, where there is a dearth of local employment opportunities, and difficulties starting new business? The answer is that some young Israeli families, yearning to live in a place of beauty, away from the busy cities, choose to live in new affordable homes with yards and gardens for their children to play in, and to join a community of like-minded neighbors. They have chosen to settle in the desert and strive to succeed through creativity and communal problem solving. The homes, by the way, are very attractive and reminded me of Mexican, adobe architecture.

A young mother of 4, a successful lawyer who does much of her work from home with the blessings of technology, has an idea that a business hub for startups, an actual physical place to perform office-type work could benefit those with special skills who cannot or wish not to travel long distances to a 9-5 job. The business hub could benefit those with creative ideas that require administrative assistance. It would allow women, “second salary” partners and child care parents to find a way to grow economically without sacrificing at home responsibilities. The young woman, the originator of the idea, has full support of her community, and I have no doubt that this startup will succeed as others have in this startup nation. The result will be that families will choose to stay in the area and success will bring more families to help inhabit the Negev.

The Bedouin towns of Al Said and Hura, population 23,000, pose a different kind of challenge. Of the 23,000, 89% are under the age of 45. In the Young Adult Center in Hura, there is a plan which focuses on preparing high school graduates for higher education. As we know, Jewish Israelis spend 2 or 3 years after high school in military service or national service where they gain skills, discipline and maturity. College acceptance for many takes place after a year of travel so that Israelis entering college may be 23 or 24 years old. Bedouins, most of whom do not serve in the army, may enter college at the age of 18 or 19 which may put them at a disadvantage. The plan at the Hura Center includes providing young people with good skills and a sufficient level of Hebrew and English. It prepares students for the Psychometric exam (Israeli version of the SAT) and organizes transportation to academic institutions and assists young people to overcome financial barriers.

The Bedouin community, made up of many tribes, is the fastest growing population in the country. We met two young ladies who are about to start their studies at Sapir College. They are 18 and 19 years old. One of them told us that she has 44 siblings. A Jewish Israeli who is part of the program feels strongly that Israelis have a responsibility to help improve the educational and employment opportunities for the Bedouin communities. There has been a suggestion of instituting a “gap” year during which they may do volunteer work in the community. This will enable a better educational experience and provide a measure of maturity. Asked how their families felt about these young women going off to college, one replied that she had to promise that she would not marry until she finished her degree.

These are some of the challenges and promises for the future in Israel.
Mazel Tov to our March/early April B’nai Mitzvahs!

Ty Feller is a 7th grader at Rumson Country Day School. He lives on a farm in Colts Neck and enjoys working on the farm, especially tending to his flock of sheep that now totals 31.

Ty enjoys playing football, basketball and lacrosse. He loves to spend time in Montana with his family. In addition to his parents, Aaron and Kerri, Ty has an older sister, Morgan, and a younger brother, Cameron.

Ty will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, March 4th at 10am. Mazel Tov to Ty and his family!

Gabrielle Pearlman will celebrate her Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, March 18th at 10am. Mazel Tov to Gabby and her family!

Gabby is a 7th grader who attends Cedar Drive Middle school. She is on the middle school cheer team, as well as the Colts Neck cheer competition team. Gabby spends her summers in upstate New York, attending Timber Lake Camp for 7 weeks. She enjoys spending time with her dog Auggy, and has taught him every trick he knows! When she’s not on her phone, she is entertaining her friends and family! Gabby would like to thank Cantor Clissold and Rabbi Kline for their hard work and dedication.

Ethan Brawer will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on March 25th. Mazel Tov to Ethan and his family!

Ethan Brawer is a seventh grade honor roll student at the Ocean Township Intermediate School. He plays on the school basketball team and enjoys other sports as well, including soccer and golf.

Ethan is the oldest of three children. He enjoys traveling with his family and takes an interest in professional sports and current events.

Ethan was born in Miami. He has family in New Jersey, El Salvador and Miami.

Rachel Nicole Howard lives in Colts Neck. She is the daughter of Yolanda and Michael Howard. She is in the seventh grade at Solomon Schechter Day School. Rachel always puts in a tremendous effort to be her best in everything that she does. As a result, she is an exceptional student. As a third child, Rachel works hard to keep up with her older brothers, Zachary and Jonathan. If you ask her she will tell you that they have to try to keep up with her. She also has a strong spirit which makes her a fierce competitor on the soccer field. Rachel has a fun side too. She is constantly balancing her free time between her friends from school, soccer and Point O’Pines Camp where Rachel spends her summers.

Rachel’s mother has been diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis and is fortunate to be symptom free. Helping to find a cure has been a family project for almost a decade. Rachel’s Bat Mitzvah project is to help raise awareness and money for MS. On Sunday April 30, 2017 she will lead a team to participate in the Belmar MS walk.

Rachel has worked hard with Cantor Clissold and Rabbi Kline to prepare for her Bat Mitzvah. She is very appreciative of the time, effort and care they have provided. We look forward to her Bat Mitzvah on March 11.

Mazel Tov to Rachel & her family!

Jack Greenberg is a 7th grader at Cedar Drive Middle School. He enjoys playing sports, especially tennis, and has a knack for finding underdog professional sports teams that ultimately break his heart. For his mitzvah project, Jack raised money to help support Heifer International, a global non-profit working to eliminate poverty and hunger through holistic community development. He would like to thank Rabbi Kline, Cantor Clissold, his Hebrew school teachers, and his family for all of their help with his Bar Mitzvah preparations.

Jack will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on April 1, 2017. Mazel tov to Jack and his family!

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**THE CONGREGATION EXTENDS CONDOLENCES TO:**

- Robert and Marjorie Wold on the death of his aunt, Harriet Hetchkop
- Joan and Peter Spring on the death of her brother, Alan Gottlieb
- Samuel and Louise Olshan on the death of their son-in-law, Iain Thomlinson

**THE CONGREGATION EXTENDS MAZEL TOV TO:**

- Addie and Morry Bogdonoff on becoming great grandparents—their granddaughter Sasha gave birth to a daughter, Pearl Sophia Marra.

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### March Yahrtzeits (read date based on when they occur)

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Have you purchased a Brick on our Walkway yet?

In HONOR of:
Graduations, Weddings, Anniversaries  Confirmations, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, Special Birthdays, etc.

In MEMORY OF:
Those you love. Or other wording you desire.
Then you and others will enjoy seeing them while walking the path when at Temple.
Purchases by individuals or groups are welcome $100/brick, 5 bricks for $400.

Please contact the MRT office for more information!
March 2017
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Sh’lach Manot order due | 12pm Movie: Alive Inside  
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5:30pm Preneg by K/1  
6pm First Friday Shabbat Services | 9am Shabbat Service  
9:30am Torah Talks  
10am Ty Feiler Bar Mitzvah |
| 5th/6th Grade Trip  
7th, 8th 9th Grade Trip  
9:30am Rel School  
12:15pm Madrichim meeting | 1pm Office Closing  
7:30pm Men’s Club Board | 9:45am Study Group  
7:30pm Shpiel Rehearsal | 1pm Office closing  
3:45pm Shabbat @ Chelsea  
7pm Shabbat Services |
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| PURIM  
9:30am Rel School  
9:30am Bagels and Blocks  
10:30am Megillah  
11:30am Purim Carnival | 1pm Office Closing  
7:15pm Sis Book Club | 9:45am Study Group  
11:30am Staff Calendar Meeting  
7pm Orchid  
7pm Exec Comm | 4pm Rel School  
5pm Hazamir | 1pm Office Closing  
7pm Shabbat Services | 9am Shabbat Service  
9:30am Torah Talks  
Talks Study Session  
10am Rachel Howard Bat Mitzvah  
7pm Adult Shpiel Followed by 8pm Harold’s Deli party |
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| 9:30am 6th Grade Family Ed  
9:30am Rel School  
11am Rel Ed Meeting | 1pm Office Closing | 9:45 No Study Group  
7pm Board Meeting | 4pm Rel School  
5pm Hazamir Rehearsal | 1pm Office Closing  
3:45pm Shabbat @ Chelsea  
7pm Sis/Men’s Club Shabbat | 9am Shabbat Service  
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10am Gabrielle Pearlman Bat Mitzvah |
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7pm SMaRTY | 6pm Red Bank Y in Social Hall  
1pm Office Closing  
7pm Shabbat Services with Choir | 9am Shabbat Service  
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10am Jack Greenberg Bar Mitzvah |
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