

THE MRT BULLETIN

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KISLEV 5778 –
SH'VAT 5778

SHABBAT SERVICES

Friday, December 1st

FIRST FRIDAY

5:30 pm Pre-neg sponsored by the 4th & 5th grade

6:00 pm Shabbat Service followed by a Pot Luck Dinner & Scholar-In-Residence Rabbi Gary M. Bretton-Granatoor

A-G & R-Z Pasta or Chicken

H-P Salad

Please bring enough for 10-12 people

Thanks!

Saturday, December 2nd

10:00 am Bat Mitzvah of Marisa Seckular

Friday, December 8th

7:00 pm Shabbat Services

Saturday, December 9th

10:00 am Bar Mizvah of Dylan Nifoussi

Friday, December 15th

6:00 pm Shabbat Services - Chanukkah Party

Friday, December 22nd

6:00 pm Shabbat Services

Friday, December 29th

6:00 pm Shabbat Services

Friday, January 5th

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A-P Pasta or Chicken

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Friday, January 12th

7:00 pm Shabbat Services - with choir for Justice Weekend

Friday, January 19th

7:00 pm Shabbat Services

Friday, January 26th

7:00 pm Shabbat Services



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Martin Luther King Weekend Shabbat Services at MRT

Friday, January 12th at 7pm

Featuring The MRT Choir



Guest Speaker: Reverend Gilbert H. Caldwell

When attending services, and other events at MRT, remember that people around you are sensitive to sound, fragrance, and distraction. Please always enjoy being here in ways that help others enjoy being here, too.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15TH HANUKKAH PARTY

**6PM: SHABBAT SERVICE
7PM: DINNER AND PARTY**



Fun and games for the whole family!

Please bring a side dish to share.

Chicken, latkes, and dessert will be provided by the Sisterhood and Men's Club.

Feel free to also bring a bottle of your favorite adult beverage.

Please RSVP to Anne Goodman by December 8th at
GoodmanAnneM@gmail.com

WANT TO SHOW YOUR LOVE FOR MRT?

Shirts with the design shown below will be available through the link at the bottom of the page throughout the end of the year. All purchases should be made online and the orders will be available for pick up at the temple.



<http://lymdesigns.bigcartel.com/category/monmouth-reform-temple>



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The Rev. Gilbert H. Caldwell is a retired United Methodist minister who lives in Asbury Park, N.J. Having started his Civil rights Career as a close friend of the now late Reverend Dr. Martin Luther king, Jr., he was active in the Massachusetts unit of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and participated in the civil-rights movement throughout the nation. In 2000 he, with others, organized the RMN Extension ministry United Methodists of Color for a Fully Inclusive Church (UMOC), an organization committed to the full inclusion of LGBT people in every aspect of church and society. Gil is a member of the PFLAG National Board of Directors, honoree with degrees and citations, active member of two local churches, author of four books, and alongside Rabbi, active in framing our community conversation around justice and peace.

Saturday evening, January 13th—Movie: “Rosenwald” at MRT

Sunday, January 14th 4pm-9pm—possible benefit concert for Puerto Rico hurricane relief at Red Bank Regional High School

Monday, January 15th—YMCA Breakfast at Branches restaurant

Monday, January 15th—MLK Memorial ceremony at Pilgrim Baptist Church, Red Bank

FROM RABBI MARC KLINE



Let's start by taking a deep breath, and, looking past the tryptophan-filled turkey dinner, big parade, and football overload, for what did you give thanks on Thanksgiving? We take so much for granted. I just wanted to make sure that we took all of the opportunities available to us, to be appreciative of life's many blessings.

Thanksgiving begins the season of appreciation. In most of the western world, the next month will be filled with parties and celebrations, gift buying and giving, and opportunities to share sacred moments with special people in our lives.

What are the gifts you most want to give this season? I know that we have a list of the things we want to receive for the holidays, but have we thought about the gifts that we want to give?

So, I want to offer a few gifts:

1. I want to offer us perspective. People are so entrenched in who they hate on the other side that they blind themselves to anything that does not comport with one's preferred perceptions. Too often the baby gets thrown out with the bathwater as we so strongly condemn "the other," that we blindly ignore another's entire human dignity.

2. I want to offer a gift of love and compassion. No, I am not being sappy. In fact, the gift is for me. I cannot ever really understand another's needs if I cannot first appreciate my own blessings. If I want to be meaningful in this world, I first have to come to grips with my blessings and challenges so that they don't become obstacles to my work and service to the community. I pray that each of us gives ourselves this gift this year.

3. I want to offer the gift of vision: spiritual vision. We have become increasingly myopic in our world views. There exists a huge and complicated world out there, filled with blessings and challenges, I pray that our eyes and hearts open wide enough to see our true potential for bringing healing into this world. We have to see both the problems with which people struggle and also the path to and value of potential solutions. In working for the creation of Israel. Theodore Herzl said, "Eem tirtzu, aen zo aggadah – If you really want something, it is not a dream." If we really want good things to happen, we have to make them happen; and it all begins with being able to see past what we think we already know.

4. I wish I could offer the gift of peace, but I need you to help make that happen. It begins with knowing that there is something bigger than anything we are. It begins by knowing that the loudest voices may be the least authentic. Divinity whispers with the "Kol d'mama – the still small voice." To hear the whisper of God, you must turn down the volume, tune out the noise, open your heart and your mind. We must disconnect from our ego and our insecurities before we can feel ourselves in the presence of divinity. Our fiercest obstacle is our inability to disconnect, and we are the only ones who can make it so.

May it be a month of joy and blessing and lead us into a year of blessed joy.

FROM CANTOR GABRIELLE CLISSOLD



I hope you had a beautiful Thanksgiving with your family and friends! We give thanks to our choir and director Alice Berman who worked so hard to make the music of our annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service so special and memorable with our joint choirs. I am deeply grateful to Helene Messer in our temple office for all she did to make this a meaningful observance at MRT.

I always hope to see you often – but especially on December 15th at our 6 pm Chanukah service and dinner to follow. If you are planning to attend please email Anne Goodman at GoodmanAnneM@gmail.com. She could use your help setting up the dinner along with our Men's Club and Sisterhood!

I hope you will come celebrate the work of our senior youth group – sMaRTy on December 22 at 7 pm. Our youth lead the service, deliver the sermon and a presentation highlighting their year and all they have accomplished. Then we all “sleep” over for the Shul In! I thank Amy Greenberg for all she does for our youth along with her collaboration in leading our youth!

I am thrilled that our temple trip to Cuba is happening from January 21 to 28. We have 14 people participating and it should be an amazing trip. In my absence the music of worship will be led by student cantor Ilana Goldman. Please give her a warm MRT welcome when she comes!

FROM PRINCIPAL STEPHANIE FIELDS



Developing a life-long positive Jewish identity in each of our children is a goal of the Religious School. We are accomplishing this goal in our 4th grade Judaics curriculum of lifecycle events by visiting different classes that are celebrating Jewish milestones. For example, our 4th graders visited our Kindergarteners when learning about Consecration, our Mitzvah Academy (7th-9th graders) when learning about Bar/Bat Mitzvah and 10th grade when learning about Confirmation. In order to internalize a life infused and enhanced with Judaism they are also learning about Jewish wedding rituals and what it means to welcome someone into the Jewish faith as they learn about conversion to Judaism.

The Religious School is deeply committed to creating a solid Jewish foundation in all of our students. Please talk to Stephanie to learn more about how we are setting and accomplishing this goal.

SAVE THE DATE:

Friday, December 1 5:30/6:00pm – First Friday Pre-Neg Sponsored by 4th and 5th Grades/First Friday Service

Saturday, December 2 10:00am – 6th Grade B’nei Mitzvah Preparation

Sunday, December 3 9:30am/12:15pm – 9th Grade Family Education/Madrichim Meeting

Wednesday, December 6 4:00pm – Religious School

Sunday, December 10 9:30am/12:15pm – Religious School, 9th Grade Family Education/Faculty Meeting

Wednesday, December 13 4:00pm – Religious School, Drop off for Chanukiah Contest

Sunday, December 17 9:30/11:00/11:30am – Religious School, Bagels & Blocks, Keshet Kids, Drop off for “Guide a Light” in Lobby, Bridge of Books in Social Hall, Chanukiah Contest/Religious Education Committee Meeting/Flamefest

Wednesday, December 20 4:00pm – Religious School, Kehilah Building

Sunday, December 24 – NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, December 27 – NO SCHOOL

Sunday, December 31 – NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, January 3 4:00pm – Religious School

Sunday, January 7 9:30am/12:15pm – Bagels & Blocks, Keshet Kids, 6th Grade Family Education/Madrichim Meeting

Wednesday, January 10 4:00pm – Religious School

Sunday, January 14 – NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, January 17 4:00pm – Religious School

Friday, January 19 – Monday, January 22 – L’Taken Confirmation Class Trip

FROM PRESIDENT JAY FEIGUS



What brought you to become a member of MRT? For many of us, it is a sense of tradition – the need to belong to an organization that holds fast to and continues to teach the basic ideas and customs that we grew up with. These are the ideals that help identify us as Jews. They are the beliefs and actions that further enhance and grow our personal Jewish experience.

But religion can go way beyond that which focuses on just us as individuals. We can come together as a congregation to share these ideals and customs and bring them to life for our children. As an organized group we can further what we've learned and bring it to our larger "family" so that we can all benefit from spiritual growth.

For many, organized religion brings even more to the table than just traditions, personal growth and a shared spirituality. Some use this as a way to become socially active. They find that, just like coming together to foster a better Jewish experience, we can also use this communal approach to help those beyond our extended Jewish family. Often times the most spiritual people are the ones that unite to affect the most social change. They use the social cohesion created within the smaller religious group to help them combat the larger societal issues. As a result, through helping others with their actions, they grow as well. Their lives are enhanced through the good work done for others.

Can these two approaches coexist at MRT? Can we come together as a group of people with different views and actually make a difference in ourselves, our MRT community and the world at large? I think we can. Though we have these varying opinions, we do not always agree with each other and may even approach religion's purpose in completely divergent ways, I think we can come together respectfully, learn from each other, give what we can and benefit both our world here at MRT and the world beyond.

FROM THE SISTERHOOD

Dear Sistahs,

The Out and About at the Wiesenfeld's was great! Wine tasting and snacks galore. It was fun, entertaining and a lot of great laughs. We seem to do a lot of that at Sisterhood events! The book club discussion of "Americanah," at the Murray's house, was full of great opinions, as are all our book club meetings!

The holiday vendor sale was a busy joint Men's club / Sisterhood endeavor in the kitchen, led by skillful Linda Murray! A special thanks to all the soup, chili makers and bakers, and kitchen volunteers who fed our guests and helped us raise funds for future events, and thanks to Dean Ross for donating the bagels! I'd also like to thank Kay for running the Judaica table!

On December 4th, we will be screening the movie, "The Big Night," followed by a pot luck dinner, at the home of Judy Rivkin – 35 Ward Avenue, Rumson, NJ. Please bring a dish to share. Dinner will start at 6:00 and the movie at 6:45.

Our annual Sisterhood / Men's club Chanukah party will be held this year on Friday night, 12/15 following Shabbat services, and organized by Anne Goodman. We will be asking for some volunteers shortly!

Our January book club meeting will be held on Monday, January 29, 7:15 PM. We will be discussing, "Before We Were Yours" – by Lisa Wingate. Our host for the evening is Maxine Klatsky.

Please remember to always check the weekly e-blasts from MRT as well as emails from Linda Murray, our sisterhood marketing expert, for upcoming events!

A happy Chanukah to you all, and a healthy and happy secular new year!
Karen Kahn, Sisterhood President



FROM THE MEN'S CLUB

I am happy to share that our Men's Club is starting to thrive with new members participating in various events, sharing ideas, volunteering, leading and supporting our temple. Through the efforts of a group of dedicated men, a number of activities and events have been planned / are being planned, to assist MRT's mission to serve our congregants in social and service areas.

A few Men's Club sponsored upcoming events:

Rabbi Gary Bretton-Granatoor, guest speaker breakfast, Sunday 12/3/17
Beer Fest
Passover wine sale
Mother's Day celebration
Beer Run
Attending sports events at local establishments
Family Movie Nights
Fun Social activities
Meet-ups (ex. bowling / ice skating / Silver Ball arcade / Lakewood Blue Claws game)
...and a few more surprises...

And of course we participate in additional upcoming MRT events including:

Chanukah Dinner
Partnering with Sisterhood for social events
Religious School and Youth Group activities

As a reminder, Men's Club meets monthly:

Odd months – 2nd Tuesday of the month 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Even Months – 2nd Sunday of the month 9:30 – 11:30 AM

(scheduled to encourage dads dropping off their children for religious school to participate)

Come to one of our meetings or events and be a part of everything that's happening.

I would like to thank the following members for their MRT Men's Club donations:

Mitch Baum
Stephen Gaudette
Sam Goodman
Scott Schneider
Jay Wiesenfeld
Mark Gruensfelder
David Levinsky

Gene Vicenzi
Larry Avrin
James Berg
Arthur Brawer
James Brewer
Bob Gabel
Zach Gilstein

Ernie Guenzburger
Wayne Hallard
Jim Halpern
Harry Hilson
Stephen Kennedy
Alan Klatsky
Dean Ross
Bob St Lifer

Men's Club needs your energy, ideas, enthusiasm and financial support to continue hosting various events that help unite our MRT family. We welcome men of all ages to share their many talents and ideas for the benefit of the community. Leadership opportunities are available. If you are interested in becoming more fully connected with MRT and our congregants, taking on a leadership role with Men's Club, is a great way to get to know the MRT family and get involved.

Thank you
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FROM MITZVAH DAY CHAIRS

MRT's Annual Mitzvah Day a Huge Success!

Success is sometimes measured in dollars and other times in the pure beauty of community working together. This year's Mitzvah Day, held Sunday October 29, was a success by every measure. Teams throughout the MRT building and offsite worked hard to make a difference in a true sense of Tikkun Olam.

Rainy skies cancelled a few projects such as beach and park cleanups, but the many other projects included: Letters to those in need in our community, Singing for Seniors at Chelsea, Decorating bags for High Holiday food collection, Knitting/Crocheting Hats for Premies, Holiday Express Warehouse Organization, Painting the "Blue Room" former Youth Lounge, CPR Training, Gan Mazon Garden, Blood Drive, Painting and Cooking at The Center. The MRT Kitchen Crew served lunch that was generously provided by local restaurants, thanks to the hard work of Tami Gottfried who procured the many food donations.

Cheryl Gaudette reports that 104 meals were made by the kitchen crew at The Center in Asbury Park for the many residents who live there. There were 21 volunteers who packed supplies at Holiday Express Warehouse, according to team leader Rachel Placitella.

Madelyn Kalb thanks Co-Chair Sheila Leavin and ALL of the MRT students, their parents and family members for their support in the blanket project. "Several MRT parents were most helpful and assisted their own children during the process. Table and floor spaces were all being utilized and the energy level was high. Most of our volunteers worked in pairs or small groups which contributed to a sense of community and a shared goal," says Madelyn.

"Lisa, our contact person from JFCS, helped by providing first names and brief descriptions about each blanket recipient, (ages ranged from newborn through senior citizen). Each volunteer created a handwritten note that was attached to a hand-knotted blanket," she says. After all completed blankets were cleaned and wrapped, 20 hand-knotted fleece blankets were delivered to Jewish Family & Children's Services. The blankets will then be delivered by the agency's support personnel.

Collections throughout the month included coats, eyeglasses, cell phones and socks for local agencies. Thank you to everyone who donated!

Because of the rain, a crew cleaned up the Henry Hudson Trail a week later, showing that Mitzvah Day is not a "one and done". Another trail cleanup is planned for the spring, according to team leader Jay Wiesenfeld. A special thank you to Karen Seligman for creating the Sign-Up Genius that helped make the sign up and coordination of teams so very much easier!

Perhaps the most exciting part of this year's Mitzvah Day was the participation of congregants from Congregation B'nai Israel in Rumson. CBI hopes to do its own Mitzvah Day in 2018 and we look forward to collaboration efforts.

No possible way to thank every single person who contributed and that's a good thing! We had many many people doing great things. We are so appreciative of all who lent a hand and contributed in whatever way they could.

Mitzvah Day Chairs:

Kerry Krachman, Dean Ross and Margie Wold

FROM ISRAEL AFFAIRS CHAIR ELEANOR RUBIN



I recently read an Opinion piece in the New Jersey Jewish News by E. Robert Goodwin, a member of the Board of Trustees of Repair the World in which he advocates for national service in the United States for high school graduates and college graduates. His focus is mostly on Jewish youth in America but promotes the program for all young people across the nation. Goodwin feels that a year of national service in a variety of placements providing needed services unmet by government agencies not only offers the opportunity for young people to “give back” to this country but also will transfer benefits to the individual servers, improving their skills, opportunities and outcomes in later life. He says, “a national commitment to voluntary service would link the rights and privileges of being American with a clear sense of responsibility, engendering habits of civic engagement that last a lifetime.”

We know, of course, that Israel requires all young men and women, at age 18, to serve in the Israel Defense Force (IDF) or, for those exempted, to do national service, 3 years for men, 2 years for women. Conscription takes place for all Israeli citizens, Jewish, Druze and Circassian. (Circassian people are a Sunni Muslim sect, a small ethnic minority that have always been loyal to Israel. They have lived in the land since Ottoman rule and their men serve in the army. The youth are educated in separate school systems that respect their culture and heritage). The army does not recruit Christian or Muslim Israelis although many volunteer to serve as do Bedouins who have served with distinction. After required years in the army, soldiers are in the Reserves until around 40 years of age and are called up once or twice a year to stay in touch with their skills. In recent years the IDF has become more modern with a shift toward career oriented attributes and a more professional military.

What about those who choose not to serve in the military such as Yeshiva students who can postpone their service or may never serve as they continue Torah studies? Those who identify as Religious Zionists serve in the Hesder unit that combines advanced Talmudic studies with military service. Certain segments of the population are given easier terms or exemptions from service including older age persons, those with families, athletes and musicians of note. Consideration of the more vulnerable population as well as the highly culturally regarded is an interesting example of values and morals practiced by the IDF.

And what about young women who cannot serve because of religious restraints? Sherut Leumi is a national service option that provides young adults an opportunity to give back to their country through diverse placement options. Participants in Sherut Leumi are afforded the opportunity to work intensively in a professional environment and provide much needed services to the general public. As a result, these young women learn about themselves, their strengths and weaknesses, their capabilities and are able to explore fields of interest that may become long term career options. Placement venues include hospitals, nursing homes, schools, immigrant assistance offices, environmental programs, museums and many more. My four granddaughters served in a variety of places. Gavriella was a tutor and mentor in a residential high school for Russian and Ethiopian girls. Noa worked with autistic adults in a special setting. Talia was an art councilor for mentally challenged youth and Eden worked in an Absorption Center where Lone Soldiers would come for assistance and guidance.

Our American youth could personally benefit by participating in a national service program that would also bring valuable services to communities around the country.

MAZEL TOV TO OUR UPCOMING B'NAI MITZVAHS

Marisa Seckular will celebrate her Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, December 2 at 10am. Mazel Tov to Marisa and her family! The oldest of three children, Marisa loves to spend her time with friends playing soccer for the NJX Spurs, goofing around with her brothers and enjoying time outdoors with her family on hikes and skiing. Marisa is currently a student at Thompson Middle School in Middletown, where she made honor roll each marking period last year and represented the school on the track team.



Dylan Nifoussi is a 7th grader at Markham Place in Little Silver, NJ. He is an avid fisherman, snowboarder, and all-around waterman and outdoorsman. He has been working hard toward the goal of his Bar Mitzvah and is looking forward to celebrating with you all.

For Dylan's Mitzvah project, he chose to work with Clean Ocean Action on Beach Sweeps and other local beautification projects. His love for the water and the enjoyment he and others get from it's beauty prompted him to get involved in this wonderful organization, Cleanoceanaction.org.

Dylan will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, December 9th. Mazel Tov to Dylan and his family!

THE CONGREGATION EXTENDS CONDOLENCES TO

Lynn Shapiro on the loss of her aunt, Shirley Greene
Rabbi Robert & Linda Ourach on the loss of his mother, Iris Ourach
Richard & Stacy Bernstein on the loss of his father, Barry Bernstein

THE CONGREGATION EXTENDS MAZEL TOV TO

Chris & Mary Leverett on the birth of two granddaughters, Alice Lily Hartman & Rebecca Ellen Hartman
Bob & Susan St. Lifer on the marriage of their daughter Lillian to Andrew St. Germaine

YAHRTZEITS (read date based on when they occur)

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

NAMES TO BE READ ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1ST SERVICES AT 6PM

*Mildred Abis, *Gussie Avrin, *Abba Mayer Beerman, *Morris Berg, Roger Kenneth Berman, *Sheldon Hillel Brown, William Howard Chess, Helen Danzig Scorben, Phyliss Deitch, Joseph Dow, *Ida Mann Falk, *Joan Feigus, *Mary Fleischman, Charles P. Gelber, Albert B. Gomberg, *Ruth Gottlieb, Carol Gutterman, Charles Kirschner, Bessie Kline, Shirley Kroen, Beatrice S. Leeds, *Bernard Levy, David Litwin, Cary Lowenstein, *Sol Mandel, Sylvia Mink, Morton Rechnitz, *Jay Schulman, Helen Singer, *Steven Stone, Howard Strauss, *Miriam Leavitt Welner, Ruth Kahn Wolff, *Risa A. Yagoda

NAMES TO BE READ ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8TH SERVICES AT 7PM

Delores Abramowitz, *Betty Bermann, *Isidore Bermann, *Flora Braunstein, *Benjamin Bregmann, Ted Choate, Leda Cohan, *Helen Davis, Leo Deitch, Lawrence Friedman, Gertrude T. Gelber, Abraham Golden, Richard Graboyes, *Nancy Louise Egan Grant, Harry Haback, Melissa Haback, *Louis E. Jacobson, Nancy Karl, *Harry Kohn, Eleanor "Peach" Krachman, Joseph Levinsky, Lester Morris, Hervey Mozer, Brian Murray, Ace A. Orange, Ruth Pearlman, Clara Reiss, Samuel Rivkin, *Hilda D. Salomon, *Ruth Silverberg, *Celia Spring, Joel Wisenfeld, Gertrude Wolf

NAMES TO BE READ ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15TH SERVICES AT 6PM

Lena Attias, Lewis A. Bernard Sr., Frank Boujou, *Mortimer Brandwene, Florence Elias, *Abraham Glasser, Robert Gordon, Irwin Kaltenbacher, Harry Katz, *David Lane, Marilyn Lappen, Herbert Leifman, Martha Meurer, *Ida Reisner, Caryl Rubin, *Pearl Seitz, *Lois Baker Smith, Patricia Ann Turner, Morris Weinstein

NAMES TO BE READ ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22ND SERVICES AT 6PM

Emanuel Barouch, Raymond Becker, Dorothy Davis, Harry Field, Evelyn Garfield, *George Glasser, Molly Gurevitz, Elizabeth Heidema, Irving Hoffman, Collette Katz, Pearl Katz, Sylvia Katz, Ann Klatsky Kobrin, *Richard Klein, Edward Klein, Joff Lipson, Judith Lissy, Vivianne Meistrich, *Nettie Morse, Clara Newman, Lillian Pintow, Jennie Rosenweig, *Bette Halpern Schmelzle, *Beth Tanzman, Jessie Weiss, *Ann Weissman

NAMES TO BE READ ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29TH SERVICES AT 6PM

*Samuel Avrin, *Goldie Bialy, George Brandwene, Salma Burdas, *Baldwin Davidson, Sylvia Davis, Herbert Friend, *Leonard Gettelson, Evelyn Anna Roe Gilstein, *Edith R. Ginzburg, Irving Greenberg, Rose Hildenbrand, Samuel Aaron Janney, Sal Katz, *Esther Komar, *Joseph Lansky, Alice McDermott-Pitchell, Marshall Neuhauser, Irving Priesand, *Hyman Reisner, Lillian Rifkin, Harold Rubin, Howard Semer, *Sylvia Shertzer, Gertrude Snyder, Joseph Weisfogel, Herman Wilk, Morris Zaslowe

NAMES TO BE READ ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 5TH SERVICES AT 6PM

Sam Auerbach, Donald Bain, Eva Bernstein, Ruth Bernstein, Fanny Bogdonoff, Rose Bette Kosberg Brinkmann, Richard Gaudette, Betty Goodstein, Dorothy Eleanor Grauer, Arthur Hayet, Fred Kardos, Abe Kipnis, Jordan Matthew Levinsky, Ruth Lubell, *Lora G. Miller, Betty Rivkin, Rose Rosen, Martin Ross, *David Sandman, *Bernice Schneider, Slemma Littman Schwartz, Louis M. Smith, Irving Weiner, *Murray Zatt

NAMES TO BE READ ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 12TH SERVICES AT 7PM

Aaron Bernstein, Leonard Bleetstein, Allen Borack, Gary Douglas Brown, Larry Brown, Josiah Eugene Chess, Henry Civins, Robert Davidson, Saul Dersh, Nathan Lewis Franklin, Harold Grauer, Edith Joseph, Leon Kornbluth, Roslyn Mann, *Abraham W. Miller, Charles Mindel, David Moss, Lena Mozer, *Delores Phillips, Earl H. Priesand, *Aaron Risick, Philip Schiller, *Dora Solomon, Maurice Solomon, Manuel Unterman, *Dorothy Woolf, *Jean Yagoda, Sol Yellenberg

NAMES TO BE READ ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 19TH SERVICES AT 7PM

Irving Bogdonoff, *Esther Bregman, Beatrice Cohen, *Philip Finebloom, Ziskin Flaum, *Simon Goldsmith, *Joan Goodman, *Harry Greenfield, Amy Hayet, Harriet Phyllis Herman, *Louis Hershey, *Jules R. Huber, *Herman Kahn, Helen Kahn, Mae Kaplan, Jerome Kroen, Ida Levin, *Ben Lite, Angela Malek, Emanuel Marks, *Adelaide Meyer, Henry Miller, *Samuel Morse, Charles Ostroff, Irving Prince, Saul Schatten, Stella Seligman, *George Silver, Michael Sporn, *Ruth Stark, Howard Teitelbaum

NAMES TO BE READ ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 26TH SERVICES AT 7PM

Lillian Atlas, Marcia Bain, *Howard Bodner, Meryl Broad, *Florence Cohen, Hilda G. Conklin, Malvina Elenbogen, *Shirley Zeitlin Gardy, Tillie Greenberg, *Minnie Greenfield, *Herbert Halpern, Harriet Hetchkop, Felice Kardos, Inez Kargon, *Michael Katz, Esther Kesselman, *Raymond Klein, Ronald Lipsky, *Nathan Marx, *Max Mausner, Delia McDermott, Lillian Morrison, Joseph Moskowitz, *Harry Obstgarten, Jack Ourach, Alice Perlman, *Eleanor Peskoe, Lori Pudles, Inez Rickard, Robert Rosenberg, Mox Rosenweig, Ruth Safran, *D. Gloria Salomon, *Philip Samo, *Tillie Schneider, Allan Shechet, Jesse Sklarin, *Fred Straus, Josephine Tesoriero, Beatrice Tobin, *Martin L. Wachtel

**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. Space is available on both walls. Cost per plaque is \$400.*

DONATIONS

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:

Maurice & Irma Meyer

Rich Ciarcello & Jesslyn Tankel

In Memory Of:

Sally T. Frankel – Susan Frankel

In Honor Of:

Great High Holy Day Services – Gloria Kaplan

Josh's marriage to Emily – Bob & Susan St. Lifer

Matt Berman reading Torah – Nancy Baskin

Adult Education Fund:In Memory Of:

Robert Goodman, David Marks – Eleanor Goodman

Charlotte Apter Rems – Brenda Tuller

In Honor Of:

Marjorie Levy's special birthday – Bobbie Goldstein

Brick Walkway:In Memory Of:

Shirley Greene – Gene & Nadine Vicenzi, Jane Graver

Cantor's Fund:

Lois & Joseph Wilkes

In Memory Of:

Stanley G. Familant – Lynne & Elliott Familant

David Spellman – Donald & Elleyne Byck

Diane Feigus – Rabbi Bob & Linda Ourach

Sandy Brandwene, David Giovacchini, Frank Singer –

Bernard Brandwene, Martha Brandwene, Rita

M. Mc Williams

Edith Halpern – Jim Halpern

In Honor Of:

Matt Berman reading Torah – Nancy Baskin

Caring Network Fund:In Memory Of:

Diane Feigus – Karen & David Levinsky

Stephen Schwirck – Karen & David Levinsky

Gan Mazon Fund:In Memory Of:

Patricia Hallard – Wayne & Deborah Hallard

General Fund:

Robert & Catherine Schur

In Memory Of:

Charles Bernstein – Gregory Bernstein

Diane Feigus – Anne & Sam Goodman, Eleanor Rubin,

Joel & Marilyn Morgovsky

Phillip Gutsin – Anna Gutsin

Cynthia Fox – Barbara Fox

Bernard Peskoe – Al Peskoe

In Honor Of:

Marjorie Levy's special birthday – Betty Salzer

Homeless Fund:In Memory Of:

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
					3:45pm Shabbat @ Chelsea FIRST FRIDAY SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE Rabbi Gary M. Bretton-Granatoor 5:30pm Pre-neg 4/5 6pm Services Followed by Pot Luck	9am Torah Talks Study 6th Grade Bar/Bat Mitzvah Workshop 10am Marisa Seckular Bat Mitzvah 1-3:30pm SIR Rabbi Gary M. Bretton-Granatoor Talks with Kiddush
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9:30am Rel School 9:30am 9th Gr Fam Ed 10am SIR Talk with Breakfast by Men's Club 12:15pm Madrichim meeting	Office Closed 7:15pm Sis Book Club offsite	9:45am Study Group 6pm Smarty 7pm Orchid	4pm Religious School 7:30pm MCC		12pm Office Closed 7pm Shabbat Services	9am Torah Talks 10am Dylan Nifoussi Bar Mitzvah
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9:30am Rel School 9:30am 4th Gamily Ed 9:30am Men's Club 12:15 Faculty 12:15 Smarty	Office Closed 6pm RBY using SH 7:15 Membership	9:45am Study Group <i>Chanukah 1st candle</i>	4pm Rel School 7pm Ritual 7:30pm MCC <i>Chanukah 2 candles</i>	7:30pm Men's Club Poker 7:45pm Choir SET UP FOR CHANUKAH PARTY <i>Chanukah 3 candles</i>	12pm Office Closed 3:45pm Chelsea 6pm Shabbat Services followed by Chanukah Party <i>Chanukah 4 candles</i>	9am Torah Talks <i>Chanukah 5 candles</i>
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
9:30am Rel School 9:30am Bagels & Blox 11am Rel Ed 11:30am Flamefest 12 Jr. Youth 12:15 Smarty <i>Chanukah 6 candles</i>	Office Closed <i>Chanukah 7 candles</i>	NO Study Group 7pm Board <i>Chanukah 8 candles</i>	4pm Rel School <i>Last DAY Chanukah</i>	6pm RBY in SH 7:45pm Choir	12pm Office Closed 6pm Shabbat Services by Smarty Shul-In	9am Torah Talks
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
No Religious School	Office Closed	No Study Group 12pm Office Closed	12pm Office Closed No Religious School	12pm Office Closed	12pm Office Closed 6pm Shabbat Services	9am Torah Talks
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No Religious School						

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

January 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Office Closed	NO Study Group 7pm Exec Com	4pm Rel School 7:30pm MCC	7:45pm Choir	1pm Office Closing 3:45pm Shabbat @ Chelsea 6pm Shabbat Services followed by Pot Luck	9am Torah Talks Study 3pm Smarty at Soul Kitchen
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:30am Rel School 9:30am 6th Gr Fam Ed 12:15pm Madrichim	Office Closed 7pm Orchid	9:45am Study Group 7pm Men's Club 7:45pm Choir	4pm Rel School 7pm Ritual 7:30pm MCC	7:30pm Men's Club Poker	MLK "Justice" Weekend 1pm Office Closing 7pm Shabbat Services Choir, Rev. Gil Caldwell	9am Torah Talks Study Evening Movie: <i>Rosenwald</i> Time: TBA
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
NO Rel School	Office Closed Event at Pilgrim Baptist Church in Red Bank	NO Study Group 7pm Board Meeting	4pm Rel School 7:30pm MCC		1pm Office Closing 7pm Shabbat Services	9am Torah Talks Study
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9:30am Rel School 12:15pm Madrichim 9:30am Bag & Blox 12:15pm Smarty	Office Closed	No Study Group	4pm Rel School 7:30pm MCC		OFFICE CLOSED 7pm Shabbat Services	9am Torah Talks Study 10am 6th Grade Bar/Bat Mitzvah
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
9:30am Rel School 11am Rel Ed 12:15pm Faculty	OFFICE CLOSED	9:45am Study Group				
4	5	NOTES				

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