



Madison Jewish Center

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR JANUARY 2017

Friday January 6

Candle Lighting 4:26 pm Family Service 7:30 pm

Saturday January 7

Services 9:00 am
Jr. Congregation 10:30 am
Weekly Portion: VAYIGASH
Genesis 44:18-45:27
HAFTARAH: Ezekiel 37:15-28

Friday January 13

RABBI'S STUDY SESSION

Candle Lighting 4:33 pm Family Service 7:30 pm

Saturday January 14

Services 9:00 am

NO Jr. Congregation

Weekly Portion: VAY'<u>H</u>I *Genesis 47:28-48:22*HAFTARAH: 1 Kings 2:1-12

RABBI'S SERMON

Friday January 20

Candle Lighting 4:41 pm
Service 7:30 pm
BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY SHABBAT

Saturday January 21

Services 9:00 am

Jr. Congregation 10:30 am

BIRKAT HaHodesh

Weekly Portion: SH'MOT

Exod. 1:1-2:25

HAFTARAH: Isaiah 27:6-28:13; 29:22-23

ASK THE RABBI

Friday January 27

Candle Lighting 4:49 pm Family Service 7:30 pm

Saturday January 28

Services 9:00 am
Jr. Congregation 10:30 am
SHABBAT ROSH HODESH

2 SIFREI TORAH, HALF HALLEL

Weekly Portion: VA'EIRA

Exod. 6:2-7:7

MAFTIR: Numbers 28:9-15 HAFTARAH: Isaiah 66:1-24, 23

RABBI'S QUIZ

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MESSAGE ARTICLE – JANUARY 2017 Rabbi Shae J. Kane D.D.

As we begin 2017 I thought it might be an opportunity to gain a new perspective on our relationships to our children and grandchildren. Happy and Healthy New year to you and yours.

IDEAS FOR BRINGING OUT THE BEST IN OUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN

- Love them unconditionally. And each day tell them you love them. All you should say is three words, "I love you." If this is difficult for you, there is a greater need to say it.
- Speak and act in ways that you give them a positive selfimage. Believe in your child. Believe in their abilities and potential. Say explicitly, "I believe in you." How do you know when you are successful at this? When they say, "I see that you believe in me."
- Be a role model for the traits and qualities that you want them to have.
- Clarify the main positive qualities you want them to develop.
 Keep praising those qualities. Reinforce those qualities when they speak or act in ways consistent with that quality.
- Realize that each of them is unique and different. Understand each child's uniqueness and take it into consideration when challenges arise.
- Word your comments positively. Focus on the outcome you want. For example, "By developing this quality (i.e. taking action right away), you will be more successful in life" (rather than saying the opposite.)
- Keep asking yourself, "What is the wisest thing to say to them right now?" Especially say this when they have made a mistake.
- Read great books to them.
- When you come across a story that could have an important positive lesson for them, relate it. Look for stories that teach

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lessons. Ask people for stories that had a positive influence on their lives. Share your day with them so they know what you do and can learn from you and your experiences.

- Create a calm, loving atmosphere in your home. Consistently speak in a calm and loving tone of voice. Even when challenges arise for you, speak in a tone of voice that is balanced.
- Master patience. Life is a seminar in character development.
 Your children are your partners in helping you become a more patient person.
- Conquer anger. See, hear, and feel yourself being a calm person who has mastered the ability to maintain an emotional and mental state of being centered, focused, and flowing.
- If you make a mistake when interacting with them, apologize. They will ultimately respect you more than if you try to deny a mistake.
- Keep asking people you know and meet, "What did you like about what your parents said and did?"
- Watch other parents and grandparents interact with their children and grandchildren. Notice what you like. Apply the positive patterns.
- Express gratitude daily in front of your children and grandchildren. Ask them regularly, "What are you grateful for?"
- Become a master at evaluating events, situations, and occurrences in a realistic positive way. Frequently ask them, "What would be a positive way of looking at this?" Or, "How can we grow from this?"
- When they make mistakes, help them learn from those mistakes. Have them mentally picture themselves at their best.
- Each day we should ask ourselves, "What can I say and do to be an even better parent and grandparent?"

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President's Message January 2017

Greetings everyone and happy secular New Year. We hope this year brings joy and health to everyone. Thank you, Parents' Association, for providing us with another delicious Friday night dinner on December 9th. The dinner was followed by a most delightful Madison Youth Chorus concert led by Arlene Kane. Those of us who attended were enthralled. Then, Saturday evening December 17th, we all had a fun time at our annual Vodka and Latke party complete with dancing. We held our annual <u>Hanukkiah lighting ceremony</u> on the first night of Hanukkah.

For the month of January we can look forward to a delightful Saturday evening, January 14th. The evening features wine cocktails, a ceramics decorating session and a dinner. Everyone will get to color their own "dishwasher safe" piece. There is another flea market on Sunday, January 29th. For February, we can look ahead to Super Bowl game day and Maj and Mingle on Sunday the 5th at 4PM.

This month's "spotlight" falls on Ruth Siegel, a member of Madison Jewish Center for 61 years. Ruth was born and raised in the small southern town of Danville, Virginia. Her father, a pediatrician and prolific writer came from Poland at the age of 19. Her mother, a teacher of Latin and German came from Ponevezh, Lithuania at the age of 4. Ponevezh was the home of the world-renowned Yeshiva that now bear its name in Bnei Brak, Israel. Ruth's father was a firebrand and very active in the civil rights movement; her mother was the peacemaker. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was once a dinner guest in their home. As a result, swastikas were painted on their house. Danville had a sizable Jewish presence. There were two synagogues: one reform and one orthodox. Some of Ruth's neighbors went to one and some to the other. Things haven't changed. Eventually, Ruth headed off to college in the "far north": Goucher College in Baltimore. She then got her master's degree even farther north at Columbia Teachers College. It was there she met her husband-to-be, Stanley. She felt he was too young for her (he was 10 days her senior) so she tried to set him up with a friend. That didn't work out. Later, they became more acquainted when they both happened to be visiting at the same location in Bel Harbor, Rockaway. It was love at first sight; they walked along the beach all day long and never looked back. They bought a home in Marine Park where they lived happily for many years. Stanley was president of MJC from 1973 to 1975. Next time you're in the building notice that the first classroom is the "Stanley Siegel" room. Sadly, he died in 1977. Ruth taught English, speech and drama at Madison, South Shore and Jefferson High Schools. At one point, she was interviewed by a newspaper because her students had improved so much. They now knew to begin a sentence with a capital letter and to end it with a period.

In the past Ruth was extremely active with Sisterhood having been in charge of programming for years. She is a past president of the Brooklyn branch of the Women's League of Conservative Judaism. At that time, there were 19 conservative synagogues in Brooklyn. Sadly, so many of her friends have moved on or even passed on. Although she's not too excited about it, she is looking ahead to a possible move to Manhattan to be nearer her daughter, Amy. I, personally, will miss her presence in my Sukkah and at my Passover Seders.

Shalom,

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All contributions to the MJC Message need to be in by the 20th of the month in order to be placed in the following month's Message.

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THE LATEST FROM SISTERHOOD

JANUARY 2017

Last month we joined forces with Social Club to help organize the annual Vodka and Latke night that was held on December 17th. There was music, dancing, latkes with varied toppings, dessert, and of course, vodka tasting. Never knew there were so many different flavored vodkas! It was a delightful evening. Thank you to all who helped to make the evening successful.

Sisterhood continues to work on many exciting programs. Movie night is scheduled for January 16th, featuring the movie, "Woman in Gold." It is a remarkable and true story about one woman's journey to reclaim a painting belonging to her family that was stolen by the Nazis. Thanks to Rachel Streich for chairing the program and obtaining the movie, and to Barbara Stein for donating the refreshments for the evening. Please contact Rachel to make a reservation. Cost is \$5 per person.

Save the date for the Super Bowl party on February 5th with Social Club at MJC. Also, February 27th is Health Night featuring a guest speaker from NAMI (National Association of Mental Illness). Sunday, March 5th is the Torah Fund Brunch with guest speaker, author Lisa V. Kogen and we are also planning a craft night for the March 20th meeting. Also in the planning stages is an April trip and of course, the Fashion Show is scheduled for May 18th.

The "Tree of Life Growing at Madison Jewish Center" fundraiser will be an ongoing project for the year, which will appear in the Message every month beginning in February. We welcome your support and contributions to make this a successful project. Flyers will be sent out for all of the above events as well as a listing on the website (MadisonJC.org).

We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Harriett Cohen and Shelli Feldman Sisterhood Co-Presidents

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MJC SOCIAL CLUB HAPPENINGS ----- JANUARY 2017

I hope everyone had a wonderful <u>H</u>anukkah and a very happy and healthy secular new year.

Our annual Vodka and Latka celebration, co-sponsored with the Sisterhood, was a huge success. It was well attended. All the guests enjoyed tasting vodka, eating latkas, and socializing. A great time was had by all.

A new and exciting event is being planned for Saturday evening, January 14. It will be a night of ceramics, wine, and dinner. Watch for the flyer for more information.

The Super Bowl party is on Sunday, February 5th. The Purim Ball is on Saturday evening, March 11th. The Social Club Shabbat is on May 13th. The end of year party is on June 4th. Please mark your calendars.

Every member of MJC is also a member of Social Club. Please take advantage of the many opportunities to spend time with friends. Let's keep MJC as the center of Egalitarian Conservative Judaism in this part of Brooklyn.

Check our website (madisonjc.org), watch for flyers, and check the Message for further information. Reservations for all activities can be made through our email address (info@madisonjc.org).

Ilene Karpas		

JEWISH HUMOR

I was in conversation with my wife about Jews we knew of different nationalities. We both found that we knew no Jews who were Chinese. As we were in a Chinese restaurant at the time, I took it upon myself to inquire of the waiter. He politely said he would go check. Five minutes later he returned and said, "Very sorry. We have orange juice and tomato juice, no Chinese juice."

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Parents' Association - JANUARY 2017

Shalom Parents,

giving us such a lovely evening.

Wow, I can't believe how the school year is flying by. It's already 2017! I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the P.A. to wish you all a very happy and healthy 2017. Our children, under the direction of Morah Kane, did a wonderful job at the <u>Hanukkah dinner and concert last month</u>. Thank you for

Next month we will be starting our annual Miss Chocolate Candy Sale. It is important that all of our parents support our sales. Through our sales, we raise money to have the Tzivos Hashem workshops that the children love. Thank you to all who always show support, we really do appreciate it. We couldn't do it without you. You can still purchase gift cards online or you can pick up an order form in the office, whichever you prefer. Thank you for your support.

Melanie Green

The Parents' Association

The Tree of Life will make its debut in the February Message.

Many thanks to everyone who has already purchased a leaf.

We look forward to watching the tree grow as more people purchase leaves.

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SAVE THE DATE

Social Club

Saturday, January 14, 2017	7:00pm	Ceramics and Dinner
Sunday, February 5, 2017	4:00pm	Super Bowl game day

Sisterhood

Monday, January 16, 2017	7:00pm	Movie Night
Sunday, January 29, 2017	10:00am	Maj and Mingle
Sunday, February 5, 2017	4:00pm	Maj and Mingle

Parents' Association

Sunday, January 29, 2017 10:00am – 4pm Flea Market

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MEMORIAL FUND

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS HAVE BEEN SENT

To: Irving Eli Teviovitz

A donation has been made in memory of your beloved Judy Weintraub

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TREES PLANTED IN ISRAEL

A tree will be planted in Israel in memory of Marvin Pereira's beloved sister Jacqueline Daitch By Burt Siegel

Four trees will be planted in Israel in memory of Jacqueline Myrna Daitch
By Marcia Freeman & Marvin Pereira
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R'FUAH SH'LEIMAH PRAYER

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To: Linda Ossad & Family

A donation has been made in honor of the

birth of your grandson

By: Judy Posniack

Etz Hayim Humash

To: Drs. Bonnie Kiner Strachan & Paul Strachan A donation has been made to The Prayer Book Fund in honor of the Bar Mitzyah of Russell

Benjamin Strachan

By: Arlene & Rabbi Shae J. Kane & Family

To: Mady Kiner

A donation has been made to The Prayer Book Fund in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Russell

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CONDOLENCES

To: Alan Cohn, Roberta Kaufman, Carol Safran, & Family On the loss of their beloved mother& grandmother Ethel Cohn

IN MEMORIAM

We record with sorrow the passing of our esteemed member Ethel Cohn

May her soul be bound up in the bonds of eternal life Heartfelt sympathy is extended to her family

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who made donations to the Memorial Fund in memory of my beloved Judy Weintraub.

I really appreciate it. Irving Teviovitz

Thank you to all out wonderful Madison Family for all their good wishes

for my daughter's wedding and my mother's speedy recovery.

We love you.

Your thoughts & prayers made my mom feel better.

Irene & Frank Cimini

If we have misspelled a name, left something out, or have failed in any way to properly acknowledge anyone who should have been acknowledged, please forgive us. Please note that some names may not have not been included. madisonjc.org Page Thirteen

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If you need a Minyan at any other time, please call the office and we will attempt to assemble one.

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The Synagogue office will be open Monday through Thursday from 9:00am to 4:00pm,
Friday from 9:00am -12 noon
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	Exec. Bd.	Cong. Bd.			Candle Lighting 4:33 pm	Services 9am No Jr. Cong.
	Meeting	Meeting				Ceramics and Dinner
	7:30pm	8:00pm				7pm
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Tevet 17	Tevet 18 Sisterhood Movie Night	Tevet 19	Tevet 20	Tevet 21	Tevet 22 Candle Lighting 4:42 pm Services 7:30pm	Tevet 23 Services 9am Jr. Congregation 10:30am
	7:00pm				Birthday Anniverary Shabbat 7:30pm	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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