

Madison Jewish Center

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY 2017

Friday February 3 Candle Lighting 4:58 pm Family Service 7:30 pm

Saturday February 4 Services 9:00 am Jr. Congregation 10:30 am Weekly Portion: BO *Exodus 10:1-11:3* HAFTARAH: Jeremiah 46:13-28 RABBI'S STUDY SESSION

Friday February 10 Candle Lighting 5:07 pm Early Services 7:00 pm TU B'SHVAT SEDER TO FOLLOW WITH THE MADISON YOUTH CHORUS

Saturday February 11 Services 9:00 am Jr. Congregation 10:30am SHABBAT SHIRA Weekly Portion: B'SHALLA<u>H</u> Exodus 14:26-17:16 HAFTARAH: Judges 4:4-5:31 RABBI'S SERMON Friday February 17 Candle Lighting 5:15 pm Service 7:30 pm SISTERHOOD/BROTHERHOOD SHABBAT BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS MJC CHOIR Guest speaker: Rev. Chermain V. Lashley, Pastor Kings Highway United Methodist Church

Saturday Feb. 18 Services 9:00 am NO Jr. Congregation Weekly Portion: YITRO Exodus 18:1 - 20:22 HAFTARAH: Isaiah 6:1-7:6; 9:5-6 ASK THE RABBI

Friday February 24 Candle Lighting 5:23 pm Family Service 7:30 pm

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26TH @ 3:00pm RABBI KANE WILL DELIVER THE SERMON AT THE KINGS HIGHWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Saturday February 25 Services 9:00 am NO Jr. Congregation SHABBAT SH'KALIM 2 SIFREI TORAH BIRKAT Ha<u>H</u>ODESH Weekly Portion: MISHPATIM Exodus 23:20 - 24:18 MAFTIR Exodus 30:11-16 HAFTARAH: Kings II 12:1-17 RABBI'S QUIZ

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

February reminds us of Brotherhood/Sisterhood Month and it is a time upon which we reflect on relationships to our neighbors who have different religious beliefs and different national origins. It is a worthy effort to set aside this period for thought and contemplation. However, we must take the message of Brotherhood/Sisterhood seriously throughout the entire year, not only for a span of a single month or special week.

Our tradition has no unique occasion called "Brotherhood/Sisterhood Day" or "Brotherhood/Sisterhood Month" and yet Judaism has always been vitally concerned with our relationships to others. If we understand the opening chapters of Genesis properly, we can readily see the framework, which Judaism sets for us and for our relationships with our fellow human beings. The foundation of Scripture is that all people have been created by God, and that we all bear God's stamp and imprint. Human beings are infused with worth and dignity, and responsibility for one another becomes a moral obligation, not merely an existential necessity.

Our sages ask the question why only one Adam was created by God and not more than one Adam. Their answer is significant: in order that no person might ever dare to say or imagine that his Adam was better than the Adam of someone else! And the dust which God took from the earth, to form the first human being was gathered from the four corners of the earth shows and teaches us that all people are equal in the eyes of God, and must be accorded similar opportunities for fulfillment, development, and personal happiness.

Jews, because of our history and tradition, must be the first to be concerned with the welfare and well-being of others. We are obligated to put brotherhood and sisterhood into practice on every level and in each area where we can. Only then will we be living up to the concept of one humanity as envisioned by the Prophet: "Have we not all one Parent? Did not One God create us all?" [Malachi 2:10]

President's Message February 2017

Greetings everyone. It's now deep winter but Madison is a busy place. In spite of the occasional bursts of cold and snow we continue to have services every Friday evening and Shabbat morning. We appreciate the efforts of all of you who come out of hibernation to attend. Our special events in January included Sisterhood Movie Night and an evening of ceramics and dinner. All who attended were mesmerized by the story of Maria Altman's efforts to recover "The Woman In Gold", a painting stolen by the Nazis. She was ultimately successful and the painting is now on permanent display at Ronald Lauder's Neue Galerie on 5th Avenue, Manhattan. More than 40 Madison members and friends had their own artistic experience decorating ceramic ware on a Saturday evening followed by an "all you can eat" dinner at Savor across the street. Finally, we had another flea market and "Maj and Mingle" afternoon.

This month we can look forward to our annual Super Bowl Party and games night on Sunday, February 5th. Deli will be served and reservations are a must. Our Tu B'Shevat Seder is on Friday evening, February 10th. Kings Highway United Methodist Church joins us for services Friday night, February 17th for our annual Sisterhood-Brotherhood Shabbat. Our Madison choir will be singing. Reverend Lashley will deliver the sermon. Then, returning the favor, Rabbi Kane will deliver a sermon at the United Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon, February 26th at 3:00 pm. Try to attend both services. Then, Friday evening, March 3rd we host a "Shabbat Across America" dinner. This is always a wonderful occasion. Details for these events are in flyers and on our website.

This month's "spotlight" falls on our own Rabbi Shae Kane. Rabbi Kane was born and raised in the Midwood section of Brooklyn. He and his family were members of Beth Sholom People's Temple, (currently Progressive Temple Beth Ahavat Sholom), where he celebrated his Bar Mitzvah and where he and his wife Arlene were married. He attended Lafayette High School and graduated from Pace University. He received his ordination from the Academy for Jewish Religion in New York City and received his honorary Doctor of Divinity degree in recognition of his more than twenty-five years of service in the Congregational Rabbinate. When asked why he decided to become a Rabbi he replied that his close and lasting relationship with his Hebrew School Rabbi was a major factor in his career choice. Rabbi Kane has served congregations in upstate New York, Connecticut, Long Island and Brooklyn. In addition, Rabbi Kane has been very active in community affairs. He is a member of the New York Board of Rabbis and is currently Vice President of the Brooklyn Board of Rabbis.

Rabbi Kane is married to the former Arlene Fisher (also a Brooklynite and Lafayette graduate). Arlene is a professional singer and stage director with degrees in music and theater. She is currently employing her musical talents as music teacher in our Hebrew School and is the director of the Madison Youth Choir. She is, also, using her creative talents composing flyers and posters for Hebrew School and Madison events. The Kanes have three children. Daughter Aviva and her husband Chris have an eight year old son, Dexter Ruel. Daughter Arielle and her husband Tom have a five year old son, Jacob Asher and a two year old daughter, Tessa Grace. Son Gabriel is currently on the staff of the Great Neck Public Library.

Rabbi Kane is honored to serve Madison Jewish Center and continues to be impressed with the warmth, enthusiasm and vitality of its members who represent the best of what Judaism and Brooklyn have to offer.

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

FEBRUARY 2017

Sisterhood had their annual movie night this year on January 16th, showing, "Woman in Gold," which was an excellent movie and all who attended were in awe of the (true) story as well as the mesmerizing painting. Thank you Rachel, for chairing the program, and Barbara for donating the refreshments.

Maj and Mingle was held on Sunday, January 29th: Thank you Teresa for organizing this event. Please note that this event will reoccur during the next scheduled Flea Market. Flyers will be distributed.

This month's Super Bowl Game Day party will be held on February 5th. It is a great event and an opportunity to spend an enjoyable time watching the game while socializing with friends at Madison Jewish Center. Flyers have been distributed. Contact either Norman or Paul for details.

On February 27th there will be a guest speaker from NAMI (National Association for Mental Illness). Program time is 7:30 with a board meeting preceding the program at 7:00 pm. Cost is \$5 pp. This is an important topic presented by a wonderful organization that provides both counseling and treatment. Please try to attend. Refreshments will be served as well.

Save the following dates: Sunday, March 5th- will be the annual Torah Fund Brunch with guest speaker, author Lisa Kogen, and a Craft night with Babs is scheduled for Monday evening, March 20th. Also in the planning stages is an April trip and of course, the Fashion show on May 18th!

The "Tree of Life Growing at Madison Jewish Center," fundraiser is an ongoing project for this year. Thus far we are very pleased, and appreciate the support received from our members for this project. Flyers have been sent out. If you have any questions, please call either Judy (917 748 4980) or Babs (917 733 7349). Thank you Judy, Babs and Arlene K for chairing this project!

Please check the website (MadisonJC.org) which lists all of our events. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Harriett Cohen and Shelli Feldman Sisterhood Co-Presidents Page Six

MJC SOCIAL CLUB HAPPENINGS ------ FEBRUARY 2017

A new and exciting event took place on Saturday evening, January 14th. It was a wonderful night of ceramics, wine, and dinner. Everyone had a great time painting. Afterwards, there was a delicious dinner at Savor. People are still talking about how much fun they had.

The Super Bowl party is on Sunday, February 5th. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. It will also be an evening of Mah Jongg for those who do not want to watch the game. Dinner is included.

The Social Club in conjunction with the Sisterhood is planning a trip to the Museum of Jewish Heritage in February. More information will be coming soon.

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 the 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 (<u>info@madisonjc.org</u>).

Ilene Karpas



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Parents' Association – FEBRUARY 2017

Shalom Parents,

We will be starting our annual Passover Miss Chocolate



candy sale this month. The sale will begin on Wednesday February 6th and will end on Wednesday March 8th. This year we are pleased to offer Barton's Kosher for Passover candy and a second (non-Passover) catalog featuring Timeless Treasures for your kitchen and Home. All are perfect for your own holiday table or as gifts. If you are interested in purchasing, please fill out the order form below and either bring it to the office, or mail it back with the correct payment. Or, for your convenience, you can see what we are offering online at <u>www.misschocolate.com</u> .Check out the Passover brochures, then pick up an order form in the office. Please make your check payable to Madison Jewish Center PA. Thank You for your support!

Melanie Green The Parents' Association

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Madison Jewish Center

SAVE THE DATE

Social Club

Sunday, Feb. 5	6:00pm Super Bowl Party	
	Sisterhood	
Sunday, Feb. 5	6:00pm	Maj and Mingle during Super Bowl Party
Monday, Feb. 27	7:00pm	Board Meeting followed by Speaker
Sunday, Mar. 5	10:00am	Torah Fund Brunch

Parents' Association

Wednesday, Feb. 6 – Wednesday, March 8	Candy Sale
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Congregation

Friday, Feb. 10	7:00pm	Tu B'Shvat Seder following services
Friday, Feb. 17	7:30pm	Sisterhood/Brotherhood and
		Birthday/Anniversary Shabbat
Sunday, Feb 26	3:00pm	Rabbi Kane will deliver the sermon at
		Kings Highway United Methodist Church
Friday Mar 3		Shabbat Across America



FEBRUARY 2017

R'FUAH SH'LEIMAH PRAYER

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To: Mady Kiner In honor of Russell Benjamin Strachan's Bar Mitzvah: Barbara & Barry Stein Ilene Karpas Andrew Menkes & Ruth Richards Teresa & Mario Gottesmann madisonjc.org

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Sh'vat 5777

February, 2017

Dear Member of Madison,

I would like this letter to inform you that once again this year we are going to observe our annual long standing

<u>Sisterhood/Brotherhood/Shabbat</u> on

Friday Evening February 17, 2017 at 7:30 pm

here at Madison Jewish Center.

As in the past, there will be an exchange of pulpits between myself and Reverend Chermain V. Lashley, Pastor of The Kings Highway United Methodist Church. <u>Pastor</u> <u>Lashley</u> will preach the sermon on Friday Evening February 17th here at Madison. The MJC Choir will be participating in the service that evening to welcome Pastor Lashley and the members of her congregation.

Also, at that service, we will welcome those who observe their birthdays and anniversaries during the month of February. Celebrants will be called to the front of the Sanctuary for the Friday Evening Kiddush and a special blessing will be recited in their honor.

On Sunday February 26, 2017 at 3:00 pm,

I will be preaching the sermon at the Kings Highway United Methodist Church at 1387 E. 37th Street (Corner of Kings Highway). There are some who say that I have given my best sermons in Church. You will have to be there so that you can make your own decision.

I look forward with great anticipation to this pulpit exchange and I eagerly anticipate greeting our members and the members of the United Methodist Church at each of these services.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Shae J. Kane D.D.

Madison Jewish Center

CONDOLENCES

To: Bella Benders

On the loss of her beloved mother Tatyana Mazepa

THANK YOU

Thank you for your contribution to the honor fund in my name. See you at MJC a lot sharper and clearer Richard Ander

Thank you to all my MJC friends for your prayers, visits, thoughts & gifts during my recent surgery. It truly was appreciated. Barry Stein

Allan Cohn, Roberta Kaufman and Carol Safran would like to thank you for your kind words and generous donations in memory of our dear mother, Ethel Cohn. Madison Jewish Center always held a special place in her heart and we are grateful for all that you have bestowed in her honor.

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.

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SERVICE SCHEDULE

Friday Evening & Erev Yom Tov......7:30 PM Saturday Morning & Yom Tov Morning.....9:00 AM Weekday Minyanim (Mon. & Thurs.)......6:45 AM Sunday Morning & Legal Holidays......8:30 AM

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

TEMPLE OFFICE HOURS

The Synagogue office will be open Monday through Thursday from 9:00am to 4:00pm, Friday from 9:00am -12 noon We are closed on all Jewish and legal holidays.

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- 6. All money for gift cards must be checks payable to M.J.C and sent to the office after you order

your gift cards online. Please Label the envelope Attention Melanie or Steven Green.

7. For those of you who are not comfortable ordering online we also have a printed list of gift cards that are available and a printed order form. These also get sent to the office with a check payable to M.J.C and marked attention Melanie or Steven Green.

No gifts cards will be sent to us unless we send them a check first.







FEBRUARY 2017

SH'VAT/ADAR 5777

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					7:30pm	
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Sh'vat 30 3:00 pm Rabbi Kane's sermon at Kings Highway United Methodist Church	Adar 1 Sisterhood Board Meeting and Speaker	Adar 2 Social Club 7:30				

Sisterbood Tree of Life



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