

Message



SEPTEMBER 2016

Our 85th

AV/ELUL 5776

Madison Jewish Center

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER 2016

Friday September 2

Candle Lighting 7:07 pm

Family Service 7:30 pm

Saturday September 3

Services 9:00 am

SHABBAT ROSH HODESH

2 SIFREI TORAH, HALF HALLEL

Weekly Portion: R'EI

Deuteronomy 15:1-16:27

MAFTIR: Numbers 28:9-15

HAFTARAH Isaiah 66:1-24, 23

Friday September 9

Candle Lighting 6:56 pm

Installation of Officers

and Board Members 7:30 pm

Saturday September 10

Services 9:00 am

Weekly Portion: SHOFETIM

Deuteronomy 19:14-21:9

HAFTARAH Isaiah 51:12-52:12

Friday September 16

Candle Lighting 6:44pm

Family Service 7:30 pm

Birthday/Anniversary Shabbat

Saturday September 17

Services 9:00 am

Jr. Congregation 10:30 am

Weekly Portion: KI TEITZEI

Deuteronomy 24:14-25:19

HAFTARAH Isaiah 54:1-10+54:11-55:5

Friday September 23

Candle Lighting 6:23 pm

Family Service 7:30 pm

Saturday September 24

Services 9:00 am

Jr. Congregation 10:30 am

Weekly Portion: KI TAVO

Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8

HAFTARAH Isaiah 60:1-22

S'LIHOT

8:00 PM SHOWING OF DOCUMENTARY

THEODORE BIKEL-IN THE SHOES OF SHOLOM

ALEICHEM, FOLLOWED BY S'LIHOT SERVICES IN

MAIN SANCTUARY

Friday September 30

Candle Lighting 6:21 pm

Family Service 7:30 pm

Saturday October 1

Services 9:00 am

Jr. Congregation 10:30 am

Weekly Portion: NITZAVIM

Deuteronomy 29:9-30:20

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ROSH HASHANNA

Sunday October 2 6:00 pm

Monday October 3 9:00 am

Tashlich 5:00 pm

Minhah 6:00 pm

Immediately followed by

Ma'ariv

Tuesday October 4 9:00 am

Shabbat Shuvah

Friday October 7 7:30 pm

Saturday October 8

SHABBAT SHUVAH

***SPECIAL HAFTARAH**

Services 9:00 am

Weekly Portion:

VAYEILECH

Deuteronomy 31:1-30

***HAFTARAH Hosea 14:2-**

10;

Micah 7:18-20; Joel 2:15-27

YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday October 11

Minhah 5:45 pm

Immediately followed by

KOL NIDREI

Wednesday October 12

YIZKOR 9:00 am

MINHAH 5:00 pm

Immediately followed by

N'ilah-Ma'ariv-Havdallah &

Shofar

HAFTARAH: Zechariah

2:14-4:7

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MESSAGE ARTICLE – SEPTEMBER 2016**Rabbi Shae J. Kane D.D.**

There is a difference between happiness and goodness. This would explain why in Hebrew we greet each other during the High Holiday days with Shannah Tovah, wishing for a year of goodness rather than a year of happiness or fun. When “the pursuit of happiness” becomes the pursuit of fun, life will, of necessity, show a negative balance sheet. The “highs” will always be far shorter than the “lows” in between. Contrasted to fun is the Jewish concept of Simhah - joy. Joy is a constant state which derives its sense of connection to something outside ourselves, something eternal, which gives purpose and meaning to life. Of course, we all seek to have fun, be happy and have a good time, but true Simhah is not a commodity we pursue or purchase. Chase it and it eludes us. Authentic Jewish Simhah is an outgrowth of doing something for someone else. It is the embodiment of goodness.

Rosh haShannah reminds us that each of us is born incomplete. Our natural tendency is to identify that which is missing from our lives and extend our time and energy to attaining what we feel is missing – material possessions or some physical pleasure. If a person has one hundred dollars, say our sages, he wants two hundred dollars. If he has two hundred, he wants four hundred. For that reason, no person leaves this world with all their material desires realized. This reflection shows us why seeking fun is doomed to failure. Simhah focuses on our spiritual needs, looking at what is wrong with us: who are we, what are we, why are we here? When we conquer our anger or resist the impulse to speak ill of someone else, or train ourselves to reach into our pockets to give Tz’edakah and perform deeds of goodness, kindness and generosity – this is real Simhah. This is Jewish fun; this is authentic happiness. May each of us, during this coming New Year, be blessed with the nourishment of our soul and the fulfillment of our spiritual desires.



President's Message

SEPTEMBER 2016

Welcome back from summer, from vacation, from whatever adventures you've had during July and August. Services have continued on Shabbat during the summer. Thanks go to David Abels for arranging our very successful lay D'Var Torah program. Each has been excellent and greatly appreciated. Our only social event during July and August was "A Night At The Brooklyn Cyclones". Who won? All those MJC members who had an evening of fun and camaraderie.

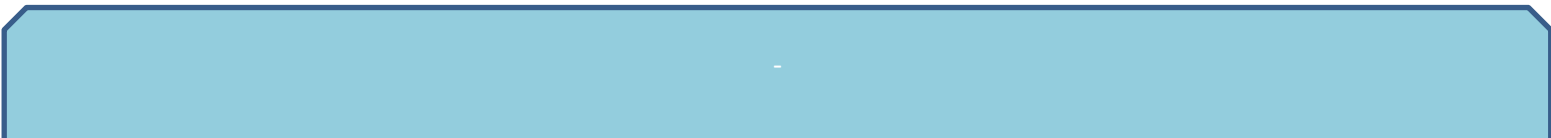
We have several important events this September. Friday, September 9th is our annual installation of Officers and Board Members. Sunday, September 18th is a special golf outing fundraiser done together with the Genesis Lodge Knights of Pythias Sunshine Foundation. The event is for golfers, duffers and spectators and includes a delicious barbecue. S'lihot services this year are on Saturday evening, September 24th, in conjunction with Temple Sholom and will be preceded by a wonderful film, Theodore Bikel: In The Shoes Of Sholom Aleichem. Don't miss it. Then, on Sunday, September 25th we have prepared a special rededication ceremony for all of our memorial plaques. Rosh Hashanah this year is Sunday evening October 2nd. Please make sure that you have reserved your tickets, made your Kol Nidre and Yizkor pledges and contacted the office to acknowledge and accept your holiday honors. Our Hebrew School will begin shortly. If you haven't registered your child, please send back your registration forms and the appropriate tuition. Personally, I'm looking forward to seeing each and every one of you at services as well as you and your friends at social functions during the course of the year. Please join us on a regular basis.

This month's "spotlight" falls on Andrew Menkes, the chairman of our ritual committee and our gabi of many years. You can find him standing at the bima, alongside our Baal Korah (Torah reader) every Shabbat, calling up members and guests for an aliyah. Andrew grew up in the Madison neighborhood and became a Bar Mitzvah right here at MJC under the tutelage of Rabbi Lindenberg and Cantor Friedman. He attended P.S. 197 where he spent many hours playing ball in the large schoolyard. After graduating from Madison H.S. he went to City College and then received his Master's degree at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. He retired from the N.Y.C. Police Department as a lieutenant after 28 years of service and is a member and past president of the Shomrim Society.

Andrew became more involved at shul when his son Jeremy attended Talmud Torah. Jeremy also became a Bar Mitzvah here and is now engaged to be married. Daughter Laura and son-in-law Jonathan have two children, Hayden, 12 and Paige, 7. Some years back Cantor Rimer tapped Andrew to be in the choir where he is now a steady member. Andrew is in a long term relationship with Ruth Richards who is also a choir member. Andrew is also one of the "regulars" at our morning minyanim. Two years ago he was honored as "Man of the Year" at our annual Journal celebration.

Andrew has always found Madison Jewish Center to be a comfortable, friendly home. He appreciates its egalitarian nature and is somewhat sad to see the changes in the neighborhood that have led to a diminished number of "conservative" Jews here. Andrew Menkes is an invaluable member of Madison Jewish Center.

Shalom,



THE LATEST FROM SISTERHOOD SEPTEMBER 2016

On Tuesday, August 23rd, Sisterhood in conjunction with the Congregation of Madison Jewish Center attended a Brooklyn Cyclones Game at MCU Park. All of the members of MJC who went to the event had a very good time. We thank Sheila Goodman and Norman Green for chairing this event.

Our annual Sisterhood Opening Brunch and Board Meeting will be held on Sunday, September 11th. The topic will be “Getting to know our Sisterhood Members”. We will have a discussion and serve food at this event. Please look for the flyer in the mail and on the MJC website.

Save the Date for our next Sisterhood Board Meeting on Wednesday, October 19th which will be “Pizza in the Succah”.

Look on the MJC website for our next Maj and Mingle game.

Save the date for Sisterhood’s Annual Shabbat Services and Dinner on Friday, November 4th. Details and flyer to follow.

Wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. L’Shanah Tova!

Harriett Cohen and Shelli Feldman
Sisterhood Co-Presidents



MJC SOCIAL CLUB HAPPENINGS ----- SEPTEMBER 2016

Welcome to a new and exciting season at MJC. I hope everyone had a very enjoyable and healthy summer and is ready for a wonderful time with the many varied activities that are being planned by the Social Club. Please let us know if you have any ideas or suggestions.

Our annual trip on August 23rd to see the Cyclones at MCU Park was a great success. Everyone received a free baseball cap. The event was co-sponsored with the MJC Sisterhood and the Knights of Pythias.

The golf outing at Riis Park Pitch and Putt is scheduled for Sunday, September 18th. The \$50 fee also includes breakfast and lunch. Please join us for a fun filled day of golf. It is not too late to make your reservations.

Our annual trip to Atlantic City is on Sunday October 9th. The day will begin with breakfast in the shul. It continues with Bingo on the bus. Then there is a fun filled day consisting of gambling, eating, shopping, and walking on the Boardwalk. Please mark your calendars and watch for further information.

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 (info@madisonjc.org).

Ilene Karpas



Parents' Association – SEPTEMBER 2016

Shalom Parents,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a great summer. We look forward to a very positive and productive year together, and we extend a special, yearlong invitation to our parents to join us at school activities and events whenever you can. We want, we need, and we value your involvement in your child's Hebrew School education. It is key to your child's success in Hebrew School.

Hebrew school begins on Wednesday September 14th. We are starting a new program for three and four year olds (pre-Gan) which will include fun, games, and religion Wednesday afternoons during the regular Hebrew School hours. If you know of anyone who has youngsters in that age group, please have them contact the MJC office.

Again, we hope you all had a great summer! We look forward to seeing you all rested and ready for another school year!

Melanie Green

The Parents' Association

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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.

SAVE THE DATE

Social Club

Sunday, September 18	8:30am	Golf Outing and Barbecue
Sunday, October 9	9:00am	Atlantic City trip

Sisterhood

Sunday, September 11		Opening Brunch
Wednesday, October 19	7:00pm	Pizza in the Succah
Friday, November 4	6:15pm	Shabbat and Dinner

Parents' Association

Wednesday, September 14	4-6pm	Hebrew school begins
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Congregation

Friday, September 9	7:30pm	Installation of officers and board members
Saturday, September 24	8:00pm	MJC & Temple Sholom present a Theodore Bikel movie, Sholom Madison Café, coffee, dessert, and S'lichot services
Sunday, October 2	6:00pm	Rosh Hashanah (see schedule of services)



MEMORIAL FUND

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS HAVE BEEN SENT

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A donation has been made in memory
of your beloved son Andrew
By: Judy Posniack

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A donation has been made in memory of your
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To: Marc Teitelbaum & Family
A donation has been made in memory of
your beloved father, grandfather & great grandfather
Marcel Teitelbaum
By: Sandy Sharrin & Family

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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5. Now you will be able to order your gift cards online through M.J.C.
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.



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By: Sheila & Bert Goodman
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For: Sheila Goodman

By: Arlene, David & Jonathan Abels
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Hannah Dreifus & Family
Harriett & Stephen Cohen
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Irma & Roy Alexander
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To: Irina Makarovskaya

A donation has been made in honor
of your son's graduation

By: Ilene Karpas

To: Harriett & Stephen Cohen

A donation has been made in honor
of the marriage of your son Mark
to Sue Wisla

By: Ilene Shapiro

To: Ellen & Norman Green

A donation has been made in honor
of the birth of your new grandson
Ian Syras Green

By: Judy Posniack

Edith Novikoff

Ilene Shapiro

Beverly & Seymour Hoffnung

Irma Lifshitz

To: Wilma & Ron Pollock

A donation has been made in honor
of your 50th Wedding Anniversary

By: Judy Posniack & Family,
with love

To: Melanie & Steven Green

A donation has been made in honor
of the birth of your new son

Ian Syras Green

By: Judy Posniack

To: Vicky & Gary Dreifus

A donation has been made in honor of
the naming of your granddaughter
Chloe Beattie

By: Irma Lifschitz

To: Irma Lifschitz

A donation has been made in honor of
the birth of your new great grandson
Owen Henry Spira

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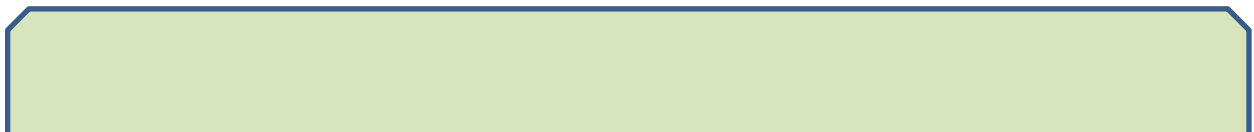
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To: Hannah Dreifus & Family

A donation has been made in honor
of the naming of your great
granddaughter Chloe Beattie

By: Edith Novikoff

Irma Lifshitz





To: Wilma & Ron Pollock
Mazal Tov and Best Wishes on your
50th Wedding Anniversary
By: Diane & Greg Posniack

To: Joshua Hilsenrath
A donation has been made in honor
of your 85th birthday
By: Dr. Ron Diamant & Family

To: Rachel Kaylie Streich
A donation has been made in your honor
By: Judy Posniack

PERSONALS AND THANK YOUS

To: Judy Posniack

Thank you for all your help, hospitality, understanding, support, and patience.
I really appreciate everything you did for me.
Ilene Karpas

Thank you for all your donations and good wishes for
a speedy recovery during my recent illness.
Irma Lifschitz

I want to thank everyone for their good wishes for my speedy recovery.
I hope to see everyone soon.
Ilene Shapiro

Thank you to our Madison family for your donations and kind wishes in honor
of the marriage of our son Marc to Sue.
Harriett and Stephen Cohen

The morning minyan would like to thank Cecile Kops for her donation of a new Cuisinart 4-slice Toaster.

IN MEMORIAM

We record with sorrow the passing of our esteemed member Aviva Salner
May her soul be bound up in the bonds of eternal life
Heartfelt sympathy is extended to her family

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To Dorel Salner & Family
On the loss of your beloved Aviva Salner

To Babs Dobbs
On the loss of your beloved brother Dennis Unterman

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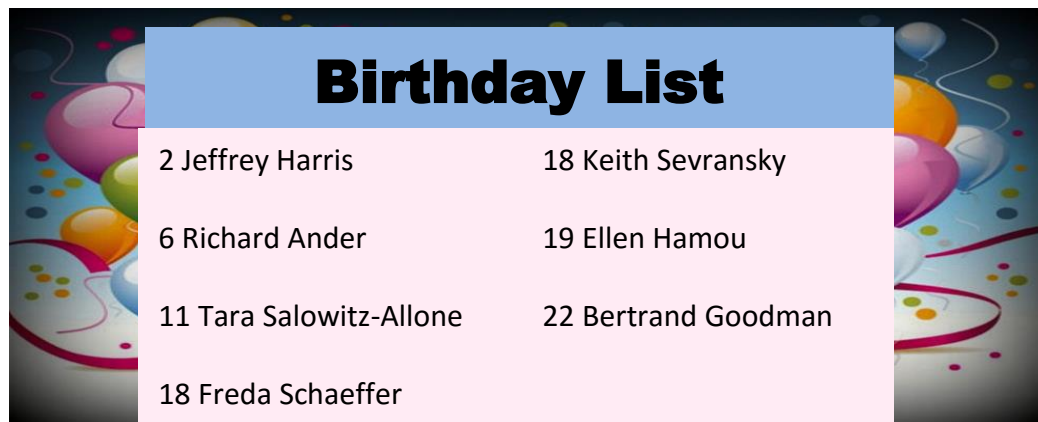
To: Marcia & Don Rivin

A leaf on our Tree of Life reading:
Congratulations on your 60th Wedding
Anniversary
August 19, 2016
Judi & Lacey & Ellen & Norman

To: Ellen & Norman Green

A leaf on our Tree of Life reading:
Ellen & Norman Green 50th Anniversary
August 28, 2016
Don & Marcia Rivin
Judi & Lacey Goldberg

SEPTEMBER 2016



Birthday List	
2 Jeffrey Harris	18 Keith Sevransky
6 Richard Ander	19 Ellen Hamou
11 Tara Salowitz-Allone	22 Bertrand Goodman
18 Freda Schaeffer	



Anniversary List	
2 Helaine & Curtis Packer	6 Sara & Jacob Koprak
3 Marilyn & Howard Madans	8 Arlene & Rabbi Shae Kane
3 Robin & David Sutherland	20 Lilian & Harvey Horn

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4 Elul 1	5 Elul 2	6 Elul 3	7 Elul 4	8 Elul 5	9 Elul 6 Candle Lighting 6:55 pm Services 7:30pm Installation of Officers and Board Members	10 Elul 7 Services 9am
11 Elul 8 Sisterhood Opening Brunch	12 Elul 9 Officers Meeting 7:30pm	13 Elul 10 Congregational Board Meeting 8:00pm	14 Elul 11 Hebrew School begins	15 Elul 12	16 Elul 13 Candle Lighting 6:43 pm Services 7:30pm Birthday Anniversary Shabbat	17 Elul 14 Services 9am Jr. Cong. 10:30am
18 Elul 15 Golf Outing and Barbecue 8:30am	19 Elul 16	20 Elul 17	21 Elul 18	22 Elul 19	23 Elul 20 Candle Lighting 6:31 pm Services 7:30pm	24 Elul 21 Services 9am Jr. Cong. 10:30am Movie, Café, and S'lichot Services at 8pm
25 Elul 22 Rededication of Memorial Plaques	26 Elul 23	27 Elul 24 Social Club Board Meeting 8:00pm	28 Elul 25	29 Elul 26	30 Elul 30 Candle Lighting 6:20 pm Services 7:30pm	