



### Madison Jewish Center

#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY 2022

#### ALL SERVICES ON ZOOM and SOME SERVICES IN PERSON

Friday February 4th

Candle Lighting 4:55pm ZOOM Service 7:30pm

Saturday February 5<sup>th</sup>

ZOOM Service 10:30am

TRIENNIAL WEEKLY READING:

**T'RUMAH** Exodus 26:31-27:19

HAFTARAH: 1 M'lakhim 5:26-6:13

**EARLIEST HAVDALLAH 5:38pm** 

Friday February 11<sup>th</sup>

Candle Lighting 5:04pm

ZOOM Service 7:30pm

Saturday February 12<sup>th</sup>

ZOOM Service 10:30am

**TRIENNIAL WEEKLY READING:** 

**T'TZAVEH** Exodus 29:19-30:10

HAFTARAH Y'hezk'el 43:10-27

EARLIEST HAVDALLAH 5:47pm

Friday February 18<sup>th</sup>

Candle Lighting 5:12pm

ZOOM Service 7:30pm

**BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY** 

**SHABBAT** 

Saturday February 19<sup>th</sup>

ZOOM Service 10:30am

TRIENNIAL WEEKLY READING:

KI TISSA Exodus 33:12-34:35

HAFTARAH 1 M'lakhim 18:1-39

EARLIEST HAVDALLAH 5:55pm

Friday February 25th

Candle Lighting 5:21pm

ZOOM Service 7:30pm

Saturday February 26<sup>th</sup>

ZOOM Service 10:30am

SHABBAT SH'KALIM SHABBAT

M'VAR'KHIM HAHODESH

TRIENNIAL WEEKLY READING:

VAYAKHEIL Exodus 36:20-38:20

**MAFTIR Exodus 30:11-16** 

HAFTARAH 2 M'lakhim 12:1-17

EARLIEST HAVDALLAH 6:04pm

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#### MESSAGE ARTICLE – February 2022 Rabbi Shae J. Kane D.D.

In my younger years I was an avid baseball fan and am still a diehard Brooklyn Dodger fan - never having forgiven Walter O'Malley for moving the Dodgers out of Brooklyn. In the autumn of the year here in the United States I looked forward to the beginning of the World Series. And especially if the Dodgers were playing - which seemed like every year, I remember pleading with my teachers to let us listen to the games on the radio during afternoon classes. Now that the games are played at night, I usually get a chance to watch the game and if my schedule is not conducive to that, the game can be recorded allowing me to watch it at a more convenient time.

But, since the beginning of my career in the rabbinate, in the autumn of the year I began to focus on the World Series of Judaism - Rosh haSHannah and Yom Kippur which are almost immediately followed by the holiday of Sukkot - the most ritually intense of all the Jewish Holidays. Due to the intricasies of the Jewish Calendar our High Holidays occur either too early – as they did this past year, or too late as they will in the coming autumnal season. The Jewish month that follows the HIGH HOLIDAYS and the Holiday of Sukkot is called Heshvan or MarHeshvan – the bitter month of Heshvan, because it is the only month in the Jewish Calendar in which there are no Jewish Holidays to celebrate. In fact, it is at the end of the next month in our Calendar which is Kislev – before we celebrate the Holiday of Hanukkah.

This year, here at Madison in the Jewish month of SH'vat we celebrated the Holiday of Tu B'SH'vat, the harbinger of spring, with our Tu B'Shvat Seder. The year 5782 in our Jewish Calendar is a leap year. This means that a thirteenth month called Adar Rishon or Adar 1 is added to the Jewish year. This is done in order to keep the seasons of the Jewish calendar synchronized with our secular solar calendar. In a normal non leap year - the Rabbis of the Talmud commented that: "mi shenikhnas Adar marbim b'simhah-when the month of Adar approaches our joy is increased." This is because in the Month of Adar we celebrate the holiday of Purim and as the song we sing at that time says, "Hag Purim hag simhah lay'hudim — the holiday of Purim is a joyous Holiday for all Jews." This year tradition dictates that we postpone the celebration of Purim until the Month of Adar Sheini or Adar 2 so that it comes one month before the Holiday of Pesah. And therefore, the month of Adar 1 joins the month of Heshvan as a month bereft of any Jewish holidays and in a sense, we can call it Mar Adar 2, the bitter month of Adar 2 joining it with Mar Heshvan.

#### **RABBI KANE'S OFFICE HOURS FOR FEBRUARY 2022**

Rabbi Kane's office hours at MJC, during the month of February 2022, will be on Monday afternoons from 3:00pm to 5:00pm. You may call him at the Synagogue number 718.339.7755 during that time. If you need to reach Rabbi Kane at any other time, please feel free to reach out to him without any hesitation whatsoever as he welcomes your calls or texts on his cell phone 718.813.1158. If you call Rabbi Kane, and he is temporarily unavailable, please be kind enough to leave a message and he will get back to you as soon as possible. If you prefer, you may also email Rabbi Kane at <a href="mailto:rabsik4@gmail.com">rabsik4@gmail.com</a>.

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#### President's Message





#### February 2022

When writing this month's President's Message for February, it was difficult to come up with something meaningful and inspiring. After all, February is still winter, the days are slightly longer, but only slightly, and it seems that spring will never get here. And the Covid 19 pandemic that we all thought would be over by now still rages on, keeping us shuttered indoors.

Then I thought about it some more and realized that February, albeit the shortest month of the year, is also filled with joyous holidays and days of commemoration. On Valentine's Day, we celebrate the greatest gift humans can give one another, love. We honor our Presidents, past and present, and we even have a day for the celebration of the ground hog with the hope of an early spring. We also commemorate Black History Month as we learn about the racial injustices others have suffered and overcome, that we as Jews can relate to in our own history. We learn to speak on behalf of others as we hope others will speak on our behalf. The Jewish mandate, "Thou shall not stand idly by" comes to mind. At a time when our very democracy is at risk, speaking out is our greatest weapon to combat ignorance and hatred. Only light and love can conquer darkness and hatred.

"In the coldest February, as in every other month in every other year, the best thing to hold on to in this world is each other." Linda Ellerbee, Journalist

Stay warm and safe this February, keep faith that spring will soon be here, celebrate love, and let's hold on together as a congregational family!

Rachel

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# The Latest from Sisterhood February 2022

Winter 2022 started very cold, and we were thankful we could stay warm in our homes for the January virtual Sisterhood Meeting. We discussed the previously watched movie "Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story". Thanks to Rachel Streich for chairing the program and leading the extremely interesting discussion of the movie.

Due to the uncertain times in which we live, we are moving from in-person events to virtual ones for the next few months.

Join us at our February 28<sup>th</sup> virtual meeting featuring a video presentation by Randi Herman entitled "How to Make Hamentashen". The chairs for the evening are Ilene Marcus and Eva Hirsch.

Chair Marlene Podell invites us to join the Zoom Torah Fund Brunch on Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup>, at 10am, and listen to a discussion of the "Synagogues of the United States" delivered by Oscar Israelowitz. The cost for the event is \$12 per person, payable to Sisterhood and mailed to Teresa Gottesmann. Include your email address to receive a Zoom link which will only be sent to paid participants. All proceeds go to the Torah Fund Campaign of the Womens' League for Conservative Judaism.

The March 21<sup>st</sup> Health Night meeting will feature a talk by psychologist Dr. Yoni Sabin. The chair for the evening is Rachel Streich.

May  $25^{th}$  is the projected date for the Sisterhood Fashion Show. Chair Barbara Stein tells us to stay tuned...

The times are tough, but the resilient members of Sisterhood keep moving forward!

Please join us.

Mady Kiner

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## MJC SOCIAL CLUB HAPPENINGS

#### February 2022

Due to the rise of Covid cases, all services and events are once again only on zoom. The situation seems to be getting a little better. Hopefully we will be live again soon.

Our monthly mini raffle is still ongoing. For only \$10, you have a chance to win \$200. Please send in your entry forms as soon as possible. Checks are now being accepted for \$120 for an entire year of raffles. Paul Podell won the December raffle. Barbara and Barry Stein are the January sponsors. Ellen and Bernie Greenberg are the February sponsors.

BINGO was scheduled live for January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022. It has now been postponed to sometime in the spring. Further information will be forthcoming. The Social Club Shabbat will take place on Friday evening, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Let's hope it will be a live service. Please let us know if you have any additional suggestions.

Our annual trip to Caesar's Casino Hotel in Atlantic City is returning. It is scheduled for Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Bagels and coffee will be served at MJC before we get on the bus. Each player will receive slot play from the casino. All this for only \$36.

Please keep MJC alive by supporting as many activities as you can. Check your email and the Message for further information. Phone trees have been going out every week. Also check our website madisonjc.org. Watch for flyers.

#### Ilene Karpas

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#### Shalom parents,

Last month the Hebrew school had its Tu B'Shevat Sedar and the Rabbi did an excellent job. All of the students and family members who attended had a fun and informative time. It was nice to finally be able to have a Hebrew school event where we could invite family members and students. Thank you to all who attended and helped out.

Thank you all who keep supporting our gift cards and we are still selling them. You can either order them online at www.glscrip.com or you can email myself at stevenmel718@aol.com or Ellen Green and we will put an order through for you. We truly appreciate those of you who always continue to support the Parents' Association.

Melanie Green for the PA

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To: Jennifer Abramowitz & Family A donation has been made on the loss of your beloved Judy Klein By: Erwin Schussel

#### R'FUAH SH'LEIMAH PRAYER

#### DONATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR SPEEDY RECOVERY **PRAYERS**

For: Keith Sevransky By: Ellen Green Linda & Stephen Bell Monique & Richard Ander Bunny & Brian Bender Irma & Roy Alexander Ellen & Aviva Hamou

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Marlene & Paul Podell

For: Bruce Herman Linda & Stephen Bell Monique & Richard Ander Bunny & Brian Bender Irma & Roy Alexander Ilene Karpas



Marlene & Paul Podell Judy Posniack Ellen Green Irina Makarovskaya Bella Benders Michael Sosin Fran Liebowitz Linda & Michael Parnes Shelli & Ronald Feldman Ilene Shapiro Harriett & Stephen Cohen

For; Beverly Hoffnung

By: Myra Lee & Albert Fleischman

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#### FROM THE BIKKUR HOLIM COMMITTEE

Please contact us if you know of anyone who is ill, hospitalized, a shut-in, or in need of a phone call.

We will get in touch with them and/or visit them.

Irma: 718-375-9842 or Judy: 718-377-0809



Thank you for your prayers and donations for my recovery. They are deeply appreciated. Eugenia Genyuk

Thanks to all who wished me a speedy recovery. It has boosted my spirits and I am healthy again!

Bruce Herman

Thank you so much for your get well wishes after my accident. You've made the recovery process much easier and quicker.

Sincerely, Stu Cohen

To: Ellen Green & Family A donation has been made in honor of her grandson Brandon's engagement to Devan By: Linda & Stephen Bell Monique & Richard Ander Bunny & Brian Bender Irma & Roy Alexander Ellen & Aviva Hamou Marlene & Paul Podell Judy Posniack Barbara & Barry Stein Bella Benders Irina Makarovskaya Michael Sosin Fran Liebowitz Ilene Shapiro Shelli & Ronald Feldman Linda & Michael Parnes Harriett & Stephen Cohen Randi & Bruce Herman Ilene Karpas



To: Melanie & Steven Green
A donation has been made in
honor of their son Brandon's
engagement to Devan
By: Ellen Green
Linda & Stephen Bell
Monique & Richard Ander
Bunny & Brian Bender
Irma & Roy Alexander
Ellen & Aviva Hamou
Marlene & Paul Podell
Judy Posniack

To: Brandon Green
A donation has been made
in honor of your engagement
to Devan
By: Ellen Green
Linda & Stephen Bell
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Ellen & Aviva Hamou
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Judy Posniack

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#### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **Social Club**

Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am Bus Trip to Atlantic City Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm Social Club Shabbat

**Sisterhood** 

Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm Board meeting will be followed by a Video

Presentation by Randi Herman on Making

Hamentashen.

Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> 9:30am Sisterhood's Annual Torah Fund Brunch.

Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup> 7:30pm Meeting will be followed by a Health Program

with Psychologist Yoni Sabin. This evening will

be informative and helpful.

#### Parents' Association

#### **Congregation**

Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> TBA Journal Dinner Dance honoring couple of the year

Randi and Bruce Herman

#### THE MESSAGE

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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**

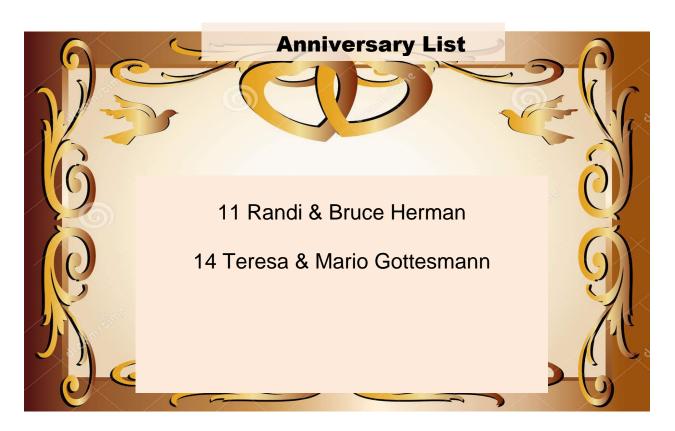
The Synagogue office will be open Monday through Thursday from 9:00am to 4:00pm,
Friday from 9:00am -12 noon
We are closed on all Jewish and legal holidays.

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## February

## **Birthday List**

2 David Newman 20 Mitchell Kaufman 5 Brian Bender 23 Linda Bell 7 Ilene Shapiro 23 Marvin Pereira 8 Alison Beckman-Buturla 24 Beth Flash 11 Robin Sutherland 24 Hope Lieber 15 Roy Alexander



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#### Online Gift Cards are now available at M.J.C. through the Parents

#### Association. It is easy, fast, and available all year lon

- 1. Go to www.shopwithscrip.com
- 2. Click on family signup and then click on create an account.
- 3. Next fill out all the necessary info and set up an account.
- 4. You will see "join a nonprofit." Underneath will be a box marked "enrollment code." Enter A3897D5229989 and then click on join.
- 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.

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













# Madison Jewish Center Social Club 2989 Nostrand Ave.

Email: info@madisonjc.org

### Social Club Bus Trip to Atlantic City

Date: Sunday April 24, 2022

Time: 8:30 AM

Where: From Madison Jewish Center

2989 Nostrand Avenue Brooklyn, New York

Donation: \$36.00

We will be going to Caesar's Casino Hotel in Atlantic City.

Each passenger will receive Slot Play from the casino.

Coffee and bagels will be served in MJC before the bus leaves. We will start boarding the bus at 9:00. Bingo game on the bus- \$2.00 for one Bingo Board - 3 boards for \$5.00!!

#### Paid reservations due by April 11, 2022

Ellen- email: <a href="mailto:emg522@aol.com">emg522@aol.com</a>
The MJC Office: (718) 339-7755

Checks should be written to Madison Jewish Center – att. Social Club

Get your reservation in ASAP to make sure you have a seat on the bus!







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#### THE FEBRUARY MINI RAFFLE DRAWING

Barbara and Barry Stein are the January sponsors.

Ellen and Bernie Greenberg are the February sponsors

Winner will be chosen on March 1.

Send in your \$10.00 donation along with the Raffle form

Donating to
MJC is a
Mitzvah.
Do this
Mitzvah, and
you can be a
winner!

If you missed out on our automatic raffle system for an entire year of monthly raffles, we are sorry but there are technical issues which require this offer to be made only once a year.

Madison Jewish Center
ATT: Social Club
2989 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11229

Form and donation must reach MJC before the end of the month!

| Name:      | <br>February |
|------------|--------------|
| Address:   |              |
| Telephone: |              |
| Email:     |              |

Your \$10.00 donation enters you in a drawing for a \$200.00 cash prize!

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# Play our raffle: see page 14

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## IN PERSON SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN THE MAIN SANCTUARY FEBRUARY 2022 SHEVAT-ADAR 5782

| Sunday        | Monday                                             | Tuesday                                | Wednesday     | Thursday                                      | Friday                                                                            | Saturday                                        |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
|               |                                                    | 1<br>Shevat 30                         | 2<br>Adar 1   | 3<br>Adar 2<br>ZOOM<br>services at<br>7:30am  | 4 Adar 3 Candle Lighting 4:55 pm ZOOM Services 7:30pm                             | 5<br>Adar 4<br>ZOOM<br>services at<br>10:30am   |
| 6<br>Adar 5   | 7 Adar 6 ZOOM services at 7:30am Exec Board 8:00pm | 8<br>Adar 7<br>Admin Board<br>8:00pm   | 9<br>Adar 8   | 10<br>Adar 9<br>ZOOM<br>services at<br>7:30am | 11 Adar 10 Candle Lighting 5:04pm ZOOM Services 7:30pm                            | 12<br>Adar 11<br>ZOOM<br>services<br>10:30am    |
| 13<br>Adar 12 | 14 Adar 13 ZOOM services at 7:30am                 | 15<br>Adar 14<br>ZOOM                  | 16<br>Adar 15 | 17<br>Adar 16                                 | 18 Adar 17 Candle Lighting 52pm ZOOM Services 7:30pm Birthday Anniversary Shabbat | 19 Adar 18 ZOOM Services at 10:30am             |
| 20<br>Adar 19 | 21<br>Adar 20<br>ZOOM<br>services<br>7:30am        | 22<br>Adar 21<br>Social Club<br>8:00pm | 23<br>Adar 22 | 24 Adar 23 ZOOM services at 7:30am            | 25 Adar 24 Candle Lighting 5:21pm ZOOM Services 7:30pm Speaker Series             | 26<br>Adar 25<br>ZOOM<br>services at<br>10:30am |

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|---------|---------------|--|--|--|
| Adar 26 | Adar 27       |  |  |  |
|         | ZOOM Services |  |  |  |
|         | 7:30am        |  |  |  |
|         | Sisterhood    |  |  |  |
|         | Meeting       |  |  |  |
|         | 7:30PM        |  |  |  |
|         |               |  |  |  |