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from the Cantor:

Jacqueline Rawiszer

Gratitude and A Jewish Musical Journey - A CRJ Story Featuring Justice Milsom

By Cantor Jacqueline Rawiszer

"A person must be grateful to a place [e.g. synagogue, school, college, hospital, etc.] where he derived some benefit."

- B'reishit Rabbah 79:6, 5th Century CE, Palestine

I remember the first time I heard Justice Milsom play the cello. I was sitting in the choir loft during the High Holy Days in 1999. It was the first time I heard the Bruch Kol Nidre and I was fascinated because the arrangement featured Julie Kogan on violin, as well. The interplay between them and the expressivity struck a chord with me, but even more deeply was the great love and gratitude that emanated from the sounds of the cello and the spirit of the musician who brought that to life.

I have asked Justice over the years where his connection to Judaism through music - and more specifically CRJ - emerged from. He shared, "I started playing the cello in fifth grade, mostly as an excuse to get out of going to gym class. The string orchestra teacher put a cello in my hands and I liked it from the start. I continued to study and improve at the Arts Magnet HS in Dallas and Interlochen Arts Academy in Michigan, where I first learned the *Bruch Kol Nidrei*.

But, my connection with music and Judaism goes back to before I converted. When Rachel and I started dating, we would sometimes drive into Dallas from Denton to go to Shabbat Services at Temple Shalom. I had no ideas what the prayers were, but the melodies engaged me and drew me in. It was the first time I really experienced comfort in a religious setting.

When we moved to Central Florida in 1997, work and family didn't give me much time to play. After about a year I approached Beth Schafer and asked about being playing for the High Holidays. 1998 was my first time getting to be a part of the music here at CRJ. It was a thrill to be a part of the Kol Nidre service that year and I have been honored to play every year since then."

"We don't express gratitude in order to repay debts or balance ledgers but rather to strengthen relationships (learned from Sara Algoe)...feelings of gratitude make us want to praise the other person publicly, to bring him or her honor."

- Jonathan Haidt, social psychologist and Professor of Ethical Leadership, NYU

After 2002, when my cantorial journey began, it was through the gratitude for the kindness and support of the Rabbi, leadership, and community and the loving relationships within this congregation that have nurtured and sustained me. As a teacher, I have always been aware of my concurrent role as a student. This has only become more present as time continues to move forward.



CRJ Synagogue Musician Extraordinaire, Justice Milsom, sharing the Bimah during a "Got Shabbat" service with Orlando Jazz Great, Check Archard. April, 2011

"How strange we are in the world, and how presumptuous our doings! Only one response can maintain us: gratefulness for witnessing the wonder, for the gift of our unearned right to serve, to adore, and to fulfill. It is gratefulness which makes the soul great."

- Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, 20th century philosopher, theologian, activist

"I am so grateful to have Cantor Jacki as a dear friend, musical colleague, and general inspiration! I know that I am blessed with the ability to move people through music. Music can express prayer and emotions when words are inadequate. And once I began playing services regularly at CRJ with Cantor Jacki, that connection deepened. Playing cello and being part of the CRJ family became an important part of my life. It's hard to express just how grateful for the support, through my conversion process, the incredible journey of my ABM, and the life cycle events of my family. I don't really have the words, which is probably why it's a good thing I'm a musician!"

Justice Milsom exemplifies the Jewish value of gratefulness - *HaKarat HaTov* - and shares it, along with his many gifts, with all of us on a daily basis. On Shabbat, Festivals, High Holy Days, in the classroom, during a life cycle event, with his family and in his own space. And although Justice's unique talents have illuminated this particular story...he is not alone. Each member of our congregation, in one way or another, in relationship with one another, helps to transform our own sense of gratitude and our community.

"Thanksgiving is as important to societies as it is to individuals. It protects us from resentments and the arrogance of power. It reminds us of how dependent we are on others and on a Force greater than ourselves. As with individuals so with nations: thanksgiving is essential to happiness and health."

- Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks

I hope you and your families will join us the day following Thanksgiving on Friday, November 23, 2018 at 6:00 PM, as we celebrate with a very special "Gratitude Shabbat" service through prayer and music together.

With deepest thanks and love,

Cantor Jacki



**from the President:
Mark E. Levitt**

Although the High Holidays are now a couple of months ago, this is my first Chai article since that time. I want to express our gratitude to

the Rabbi, Cantor and entire staff for making the services and this special time such a warm and meaningful experience. Friends and guests have commented with such thoughts as “we are thrilled to be new members of the synagogue and look forward to many years of smiles and songs”; “thank you for meaningful holidays filled with inspiration and beautiful music”; and the “clergy and staff were just incredible”. There were a lot of new faces at our services and thank you to everyone for joining us and being part of the CRJ family.

Thank you to those of you who generously responded to our High Holiday Appeal; and let me remind you that it is not too late to make a contribution. Please visit www.crjorlando.org/donate. We continue to need your help to continue to provide the outstanding programming for everyone in our congregation, including our youth programs and programming for all ages. The agenda for the rest of the year, and into next year, has something for everyone.

I hope you will join me at these upcoming events:

- Trivia Night on November 3rd featuring 3 rounds of Trivia, a celebration of Rabbi Engel’s Birthday, and lots of food and drink!
- Sisterhood Hanukkah Dinner and Temple Lego Hannukiah Construction on December 7th .
- Magic and Comedy Night featuring Magician Dave Maldo on February 2nd - a fun night not to be missed!

• Cirque de CRJ, our Spring Gala, which will be a fun-filled evening of music, artistry, and cirque acts on April 13th at the Orlando Museum of Art filled with decadent food and drink.

Your Board of Directors is working hard to fulfill CRJ’s mission “to offer a synagogue culture that is inviting and respectful, with inspiring worship services and programs that promote lifelong Jewish learning within a caring, innovative and vibrant congregation.” There are always ways to improve; please share your suggestions with us. You are what makes our congregation “your connection to faith, family and friends.”

B'Shalom,

Mark



Cantor Jacqueline Rawiszer sharing a special moment with her dedicated student, esteemed colleague, loyal friend, and dear congregant, Justice Milsom, at his Adult Bar Mitzvah celebration at CRJ, May 2012



Adult Choir

- Brittany Armbrust, Daniel Barkowitz
Joel Baumgarten, Sallie Brown,
Robyn Cooperman, Stuart Dropkin
Linda Flower-Gross, Arielle Kaplan
Layla Kaplan, Beth Kassander
Robert Kushner, Jennifer Landa
Justice Milsom, Maya Milsom
Terri Misek, Tim Niemi, Alex
Sacharoff, Justin Sacharoff
Kathy Slage, Mitch Walk,
Bill Yahner



**Directed by
Cantor Jacqueline Rawiszer**

Kol Tikvah:

- Anabelle Adelson, Jacob Kassander, Andrew Paolantonio, Joshua Paolantonio, Hope Adelson, Lila Gerber, Ashlyn Hoffman, Abigail Jacques, Ava Paolantonio, Bradleigh Wilcox. Assistant Director: Maya Milsom, Parent Coordinator: Beth Kassander

Shir Joy:

- Jacqui Gerber, Layla Kaplan, Levi Kaplan, Lexi Landa, Rachel Long, Jaden Slone, Reese Shams



Shirim Ensemble:

- Kathy Slage, Justice Milsom, Steady Joseph, Adam Milsom, Sam Fender



from the Director of Education:

Sheryl Sacharoff, Ed.D

"Our goal should be to live life in radical amazement.get up in the morning and look at the world in a way that takes nothing for granted. Everything is phenomenal; everything is incredible; never treat

life casually. To be spiritual is to be amazed."
- Abraham Joshua Heschel

As I watch our students each week, I am grateful for the radical amazement that I see and hear in their enthusiasm for living Jewish lives. Watching Morah Charlie's third graders build their own sukkahs with sheets over their desks in teams to make their own little holy studying huts filled me with joy. Hearing the words of one of Morah Scanlon's second graders who was completely captivated by the balancing scale that was made in class to symbolize our weighing of our positive acts and our behaviors that we are sorry for as we began our new year of 5779, completely moved me. Listening to Moreh Sacharoff's sixth graders discuss the challenges of war based on a Golda Meir quote gave me hope for our future. I have to admit that seeing the faces of our Pre-K through 2nd graders as they peered into the Torah and held a yad for the first time filled me with the phenomenal cycle of our children growing up and becoming b'nai mitzvah. Knowing that these children would one day be on the bima holding that yad while they

fulfilled the mitzvah of becoming young adults in the eyes of Judaism gave me a true spiritual lift.
This year, we are doing even more to meet the ever-changing needs of our families. A program that we started this year continues to get rave reviews! Zoom Hebrew is our Wednesday option for students who for many reasons are unable to make it to the school campus on Wednesdays. In order to ensure that these students are learning to read Hebrew and not falling behind their peers, we have begun an online Hebrew program taught by Morah Hochstetter for grades three through six. Students log on to their computer at their specific grade's time each week and work together via distance learning. Parents have filled us with positive feedback on this option and our school is stronger because of it.

I am so excited to be welcoming a most talented contemporary Jewish musician to CRJ on Sunday, December 2nd! Thanks to the outstanding vision and generosity of Cantor Jacki, artist Beth Hamon will be bringing her soulful folk talent to our school. Not only that, but our students learned about the Oseh Shalom prayer and Beth Hamon is creating a song just for us based on our students' thoughts which we sent to her on that beautiful prayer! You may find out more about Beth Hamon at <http://www.beth-hamon-music.com>.

As Rabbi Heschel taught us, to be spiritual is to be amazed. May we continue to look at the world through the lens of curiosity and marvel.

L'Shalom,
Sheryl

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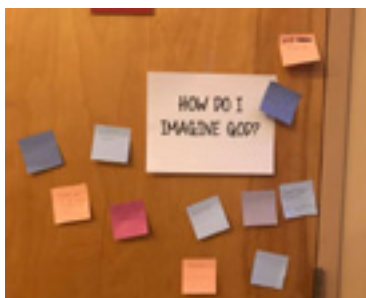


from the Director of Youth & Experiential Education
Lauren Oback

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT at CONGREGATION OF REFORM JUDAISM

Highlights

When our teens participate in Yala, they learn about and connect to Jewish life by actively experiencing it! Yala combines experiential education and social experiences in a cohesive program that fosters Jewish identity development, community-building, leadership skills and deep connection to Jewish life.





from the Director of Youth & Experiential Education
Lauren Oback

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT at CONGREGATION OF REFORM JUDAISM

Highlights

Wow! What a great start to a new year at CRJ! Thanksgiving is upon us and there is so much to be thankful for... including 5 fabulous youth groups, 110+ kind-hearted youth group members, an exciting teen education program, 7 incredible Jr. Advisors, and 2 amazing teammates! Check out these highlights from our first youth group events of the year! Wishing you all a Happy Thanksgiving!

B'ahava (with love),
Lauren

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YELADIM
פרק | ליובאוויטש | חתן ארזים



Yala, Yeladim! (Let's Go, Kids!)

A day of exciting mixers and ice-breakers! We all got to know each other better, while playing new games never played before! So fun!

Kickball H2O

Slip & Slides, swimming pool bases, water balloons?? That's what we call Kickball H2O!



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Splish Splash Fun!

Peace out, summer! We're ready for a great year... and what a great way to begin! We had a fabulous day bouncing around on the water!

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Shabbat Splashtacular

There's no better way to transition from Shabbat into the new week... Havdalah with GORFTY is truly special. GORFTY's Religious & Cultural VP, Sam, led us in another beautiful ritual!



Shabbat Splashtacular

We LOVED the aqua park! What a fun day together!
Fun Fact: "Bottomless Fries" does not mean "French fries with the bottoms cut off.... Yup, we have A LOT of fun with Jr. GORFTY! :-)



Mazel Tov

Zach Engel on the opening of his restaurant Galit that will open in early 2019 in Chicago.

Donna Abramson on the completion of her conversion to Judaism in late September.

Jason Mendelsohn was honored at the Jewish Pavilion's Gems & Jeans 2018 Gala on October 28th.



Sheloshim List

Zichronam Livracha, May their memories be for a blessing

Gail Mastando, Mother of Michael Mastando

Macene Zusmann, Sister of Sally Silberman

Ruth Feldman, Grandmother of Nikki Mastando,
Grandmother of Erin Hays

Hal Sherwin, Father of Rick Sherwin

Charles Steinberg, Brother of Arlene Guss, Uncle of
Leslie Benzion, Uncle of Nan Bressler

Cathy Sulkes, Daughter-in-Law of Zena Sulkes Freeman



RSVP & Info crjorlando.org/kids_community

All Programs listed are open to the community

*Calendar subject to change

Friday, November 2nd | 6pm

SHABBAT MISCHPACHA

For children under 6 featuring songs, crafts, and stories

Saturday, November 3rd | 9:30am

BUBBLES ON THE BIMA

An all new Shabbat experience for children under 8 featuring songs, crafts, and stories. Followed by a light breakfast for all!

Friday, December 7th | 6:00pm

SHABBONAKKAH

A Hannukkah Celebration for the whole family followed by a congregational Latke & Chicken Shabbat Dinner

RSVP to dinner www.crjorlando.org/calendar

Saturday, December 22nd | 9:30am

BUBBLES ON THE BIMA

Family Shabbat experience for children under 8 featuring songs, crafts, and stories.

Friday, January 4th | 6pm

SHABBAT MISCHPACHA

For children under 6 featuring songs, crafts, and stories

Mommy & Me

Hannukkah Hoopla! We're getting ready for Hannukkah this month join us with your little ones 4 and under. Mommies, daddies, and allcaregivers - Join Us!

Thursdays Nov 1, 8, 15, 29, Dec 6, 13, 20 at 9:30 AM

Sunday Dec 9 at 9:30 AM



Sisterhood

Check out the lighted window display for our theme:

Gift Shop

Chanukah in PARIS

Celebrate the Festival of Lights in the City of Lights!

Your gift shop has Chanukah Candles, dreidels, Menorahs, Chanukah toys featuring soft, stuffed toys including Maccabees and gifts for all age groups.

Chocolate Gelt available, **Yum!**

As always, your gift shop has gifts for all occasions and a large selection of discounted tallit sets.

Gift Shop Hours:

Sunday 9:15am – 12:45 PM or call the office for appointment.

Gift shop is owned and operated by the CRJ Sisterhood. All proceeds go to CRJ and Steinmetz Family School of Chai for materials and improvements.



WOMEN OF CONGREGATION OF REFORM JUDAISM

CONGREGATION OF REFORM JUDAISM

CELEBRATE
HANUKKAH

Festival of Lights

Friday, December 7, 2018

"Shabanukkah" Service: 6:00pm

Chicken & Latke Dinner to follow

Bring your Hanukkiah and candles

Following services we will all light them together

Adults \$ 18 Seniors \$16

Children (under 13) \$12

Family of 4 (2 children under 13) - \$52

MUST RSVP by November 27th

*Vegetarian option available

Contact Beverly Smith thetink@hotmail.com

RSVP Online at www.crjorlando.org/calendar

CRJ Justice Advocacy Group



Members of the Second Chances Working Group of the CRJ Justice Advocacy Group plan for outreach and education on Amendment 4. Say Yes to Second Chances! Donna Abramson, Susan McKenna, Sammy Goldstein, Jill Goldsmith, Cathy Lieblich, Jola Cope. Not pictured: Robert Kushner, Joan Kaspin, Bill Yahner, Norma Ball, Cantor Jacqueline Rawiszser

Why Amendment 4 Matters

If passed in November, Amendment 4 could allow more people to vote than any other single referendum since women's suffrage. So said the New York Times in an extensive, eight-page story in its Sunday Magazine, "Exiled From Democracy," Sept. 30, that focuses solely on Florida and the move to restore voter eligibility to more than 1.4 million citizens with felony convictions who have paid in full their debts to society yet are barred from the polls for life unless they petition the governor and the cabinet for clemency. (The measure excludes murderers and sex offenders.)



Featured in the article are stories of real people who made a mistake and have completed all the terms of their sentences. They want a second chance to return to society as full citizens. Out of the only three states now that disenfranchise felons for life across the board, Florida has the largest number who can't vote, including 10,000 veterans.

As Jews, we know how dangerous it is to our democracy when our neighbors and friends are automatically silenced. Pursuing justice for a marginalized group and fixing a broken world (*Tikkun Olam*) are central to our culture. We believe in the power of atonement, in restorative justice, in self-improvement and giving others and ourselves second chances.

The CRJ clergy, Board of Directors and Justice Advocacy Group join the Religious Action Center of the Union of Reform Judaism and many groups around the state in endorsing Amendment 4. Our aim at CRJ is to persuade every member of our congregation to vote and vote yes on Amendment 4.

The Second Chances Working Group is determined to do just that. Please fill out a voting pledge card at the welcome

Opportunity to be Part of the CRJ's Delegation to the RAC's Consultation on Conscience

What is Consultation on Conscience? Consultation on Conscience is the Religious Action Center (RAC) of Reform Judaism's biennial social justice leadership conference. To be held from May 19 to 21, 2019 in Washington, D.C., Consultation empowers the Reform Jewish Movement through leadership development; opportunities for networking and community building; and active dialogue culminating in an afternoon of advocacy on Capitol Hill.

CRJ is one of over 40 congregations who have signed up to bring a Delegation consisting of at least four people to the 2019 Consultation on Conscience. By bringing a Delegation, CRJ is taking the next step to strengthen our social justice effort, connect with other Reform congregations across the country, and leverage their power to affect positive change on the local, state and federal level.

Benefits to CRJ and to you for being part of our Delegation:

- Registration discount - Registration opens Nov 1, 2018
- Pre-conference materials designed to help our Delegation share, reflect, and learn
- Opportunities for pre-conference and on-site for coaching for our Delegation
- Special Monday lunch program for Delegations
- Post-conference follow-up opportunities for continued network-building among Delegations

For more information and to sign up to be a CRJ Delegation Member, contact Delegation Co-Leaders: Cantor Jacki at jrawiszser@crjorlando.org, at 407-645-0444 or Joan Kaspin at joan@kaspincoaching.com at 609-851-7747.



table and put it in the box. Look for the yellow buttons proclaiming "Say YES to Amendment 4, Second Chances" if you have any questions or want to get on the Justice Advocacy Group's mailing list or just want to help. Or contact Donna Abramson at Donna.miskin@gmail.com or Robert Kushner at kushnewyork@aol.com.

(For the NYT article, go to: www.nytimes.com/2018/09/26/magazine/ex-felons-voting-rights-Florida.html)

CRJ Prime Timers

This time of year is so very special. We have spent days in the synagogue praying - sitting, standing, fasting, listening, learning and reflecting. I leave these holidays, after many hours of contemplation, with a new perspective on the year to come. Just as after the first of January, I come away with a grand set of New Year's resolutions. I have spent this month reflecting, scrutinizing all of my mistakes for which I now wish to be forgiven and thinking about the future. The outcome is a renewed commitment to tackle all that I would like to change in my life.

Sometimes those changes are resolutions like eating less sugar or exercising more frequently. However, at times, my commitment is more spiritual, like committing to meditation or prayer.

One common pledge that I hear at this time of year is to get more involved in shul. For some, that means coming to Friday evening services more frequently; others commit to testing the waters of Bagels and Bible on Saturday mornings. Some congregants contemplate education, others imagine social action. We are all different, with varying needs. Our diversity is why there are so many offerings at CRJ.

The side effect of most of these commitments is.... connection. Showing up, reaching out, or giving back all lead to the miracle of getting to know other congregants, for the first time, or in a unique way, or in a different context. The more we see the same faces, the more familiar they become and the more connected we feel.

The areas of CRJ offerings that I didn't list above are the purely social events. Getting together with old friends—and making some new friends- can top the list of "things to do in the new year". Social connection doesn't have to be a side consequence of another type of involvement. It's OK to come to CRJ for the pure pleasure of hanging out with friends, or better yet, meeting new ones.

Isn't connection what the notion of congregation is all about? And as we get older and have fewer structured ways to socialize through avenues like work, utilizing the means available to us becomes even more crucial. Isolation is the greatest cause of illness and deterioration. Yes, seniors face failing eye sight and tolerate achy joints. It's spending time at home alone, however, that exacerbates any ailment and leads to depression, weight loss, and decline.

Prime Timers, then, is just the resource you have been looking for! It's a win-win: you get to be more involved with CRJ, re-connect with old friends, make new friends, AND, improve your health! What more could you ask for?

You could ask for a good time—right? And that's what you will experience when you join us at Prime Timer events. Last month's Prime Timers gathering, 'Game Show Showdown', was great fun for all of us who participated. Not only did we chow down on terrific Chinese Food—always a hit—but we competed, in good humor, with one another-- just like you see on TV.

Tables of congregants took on the role of family to figure out the answers for Family Feud and, just like families on TV, we struggled amongst ourselves to discern which member of the 'family' really could deliver. Our intellect

was challenged with Jeopardy and our senses of humor were tested while playing "The Perfect Pair Gameshow". We laughed, dug deep into our memory bank, laughed, challenged, laughed, held forth on what we believed to be correct—and laughed some more. After a couple of hours, we went home with both our belly full and our spirits lifted.

Mark your calendar for our future monthly Prime Timers events:

- Does your smartphone get the best of you? Could you use a little tutoring and guidance on using social media, cleaning up your backlog of emails, managing your photos, or other tech issues? If so, come to Teen Tech Tanach at 6:15 pm on November 5th and learn from the experts: our youth!

- Our annual coral concert and Hanukkah party featuring the Lake Brantley Choir on Thursday, December 6th at 6 PM

If you are any age above 55, our group is for you. We're not just for the "older folk" any more. Prime Time is YOUR time. Once those kids start leaving the nest and you begin to wonder how to shape a new life, you can turn to Prime Timers as one of your regular activities. Whether you are 55 or 85, or any age in-between, we know you will have a good time. Come join us!

L'Shalom,

Eloise Stiglitz

Prime Timer's Advisory Council



Anil Aggarwal, Gary Becker, Alan Breus, Louise Frankel, Paula Streimish, Eloise Stiglitz



Reminder to all 5th Grade Parents

Please join us for an introduction to your child's B'nai Mitzvah at CRJ on November 14th at 5:00pm.

Please RSVP to Dr. Sacharoff,
ssacharoff@crjorlando.org



SNEAKERS THAT FIT

In memory of Dr. Barry Levin

Honors Judy Godorov



DID YOU KNOW? Twenty-one years ago, 1997, the CRJ religious school director forwarded an article to the Social Action Committee. The article stated that in the midst of Orlando's booming growth and prosperous economy there were children in our local school systems lacking a decent pair of sneakers to cover growing feet. Immediately, plans were in the works to answer the call for help. That was the beginning of the SNEAKERS THAT FIT project. Sharon Silver along with Robin Angel joined efforts to organize the first shoe drive. JUDY GODOROV, then a teacher at Rock Lake Elementary School and A CRJ member, notified the committee that her school, identified as Title I, with 100% of the children on the free school lunch program, was one of those in dire need. Judy's school was the first school CRJ was able to serve. Over the next few years other schools from both Orange and Seminole Counties, with the same credentials, were added to our list. These schools included Hamilton Elementary School as well as Lake Weston Elementary School. These three schools have been the foundation of CRJ's Sneakers That Fit project ever since. Through the years, in addition to these schools we have added charities such as Mending Hearts (serving the homeless) and New Hope for Grieving Children and Families. This past year, 2017, we welcomed Aspire Academy, an Orange County Charter school housed here at CRJ.

This year we have the pleasure to honor Judy Godorov as a founding member of this project. Judy works tirelessly for Sneakers That Fit and calls it her "baby." You will find her on the religious carpool line literally shoving student ID cards or donation envelopes into every hand she can find. No one gets away empty handed from Judy! When I became chairperson, I could depend on her phone calls checking on our progress, collecting donations, and offering her sage advice.

Judy will be honored at our "KICK OFF" Shabbat, Friday, November 2, 7 p.m. Additionally, in Judy's honor, her family will sponsor the Oneg following services.

SNEAKERS THAT FIT officially begins November 1 and concludes December 7. There are two ways you can support this campaign. For those who love to shop or want to make this a Hanukah Mitzvah project with family participation, you will find the student information cards posted on the bulletin board outside of the main sanctuary. If shopping is inconvenient, leave it to us. We would greatly appreciate your monetary donations. Donations can be online on the CRJ website or by taking a prepared envelope and dropping it in the mail. We have established a wonderfully generous relationship with the Reebok Outlet; \$25, with the discounts they afford us, buys a pair of sneakers and a pair socks. From our past history, in addition to the shoes we will need to raise approximately \$4000 to shop for the remainder of the shoes and socks needed.

Other synagogues, in our community, partner with us to achieve the goal. Temple Israel had been a dedicated supporter and this year we welcome the participation of Beth Am. Also, many thanks to the Print Station on 434 in Altamonte Springs for donating the printing of the student information cards.

PLEASE JOIN US IN HONORING JUDY GODOROV AND CELEBRATING THE KICK OFF OF THE 21ST ANNUAL SNEAKERS THAT FIT, NOVEMBER 2. GRAB A STUDENT INFORMATION CARD, DONATION ENVELOPE, OR DONATE ONLINE. Make this your family holiday project, an office holiday project, or a special mitzvah. **THERE ARE LOTS OF LITTLE FEET DEPENDING ON US!**

From the bottom of my heart and "sole",

Pam Levin,

Chairperson SNEAKERS THAT FIT

	Cocktails: 5:30 pm
	Dinner: 7:00 pm
	Comedy: 8:30 pm

Men's Night Out will unite Greater Orlando's Jewish men for an evening of comedy, steak and whiskey! Featuring comedian Cory Kahaney, Men's Night Out will bring our community's affiliated and unaffiliated Jewish men together to network, forge new friendships and celebrate our common bond, all while benefiting local Jewish education. For more information or to register visit: <http://orlandojewishfed.org/mens-night-out/>

Please Join Us...

Sunday, December 9th

Join us for brunch including Bagels/lox, fruit, yogurt, juice, coffee at 10 AM and then at 10:30 AM, CPA Marty Glickstein will address 2018 tax planning and new changes to the tax law. Open to both men and women.

Cost: \$5 (Free CRJ Brotherhood)

RSVP:

www.crojorlando.org/calendar





Sisterhood

"Without You, We Are One Sister Short"

Greetings, and we hope the new year finds you well. Now that the High Holy Days are behind us, we are excited about what's to come this year. We have a variety of events planned and hope you will join us.

Our Sisterhood year got off to a running start September 16th with an informative presentation by Adrienne Katz of the League of Women Voters. The event focused on the amendments to the Florida Constitution that will appear on the November ballot and was very well-attended. Many thanks to Adrienne and to Rachel Sacks and Barbara Zaslofsky, who coordinated the event. If you missed it and haven't voted yet, get your voter's guide at bereadytovote.org or vote411.org. Above all, vote and let your voice be heard!

Does your smartphone get the best of you? Could you use a little tutoring and guidance on using social media, cleaning up your backlog of emails, managing your photos, or other tech issues? If so, come to Teen Tech Tanach at 6:15 pm on November 5th and learn from the experts: our youth!

On November 8th, please join us at 7:00 pm for Art & Wine with Sheryl Odza. Enjoy schmoozing and sipping wine while creating your masterpiece under Sheryl's guidance. It will be lots of fun and we hope to see you there.

Everyone looks forward to the Chanukah Dinner, which will be at 7:00 pm on December 7. Bring your Chanukah and your appetite for latkes! We will join together as a community to light candles, eat, and celebrate the Festival of Lights.

Sneak preview: Save the date! Our YES (Youth, Education, Special projects) Fund luncheon will take place January 13, 2019 at 1:00 pm. We are very excited to announce that we will be honoring Helene Becker! Don't miss it! More details to follow later.

If you have recently joined or renewed your membership, we welcome and thank you. If not, please join Sisterhood, either online or at the Gift Shop. Your membership entitles you to a 10% discount in the Gift Shop, where you can do all your Chanukah shopping, and also helps us support CRJ and WRJ (Women of Reform Judaism). Without you, we are one sister short!

Your Sisterhood Co-Presidents,
Allison Levie and Jean White

Thank You

to **Roberta Marowitz** for refurbishing and refreshing our main office. Your time, donation, and dedication to this project is so appreciated!



How to Get Kids to Eat Healthier Workshop

Instructor: Renee Seltzer

Sunday, Nov 4, 2018, 9:30-11:00

Come join the discussion on how to get your kids to eat healthier.

- We will be discussing how to help kids overcome some of their picky eating habits, be open to trying new foods and, most importantly, how to make mealtimes less stressful for everyone!
- We will also talk about what to do if your child is overweight or underweight.

The session is an open forum to encourage everyone to ask questions and share advice. Please bring your questions. If we run out of time, I will make sure your questions are answered by email or phone.

Please feel free to visit <https://www.FeedingMyKid.com> to learn more about me and our mission. Plus, we have over 150 articles covering these topics and thousands of awesome recipes on the website.

If you're interested in new recipes, video tips on overcoming picky eating and so much more, be sure to follow and subscribe:

<http://www.youtube.com/feedingmykid>

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The important Jewish Questions and Answers: Illness, Death and End of Life Issues

Instructor: Rabbi Steven Engel

Thursdays, Nov 15, 29 and Dec 6, 13, 20 | 7:00 - 8:30pm

Explore these relevant issues to all of us through looking at traditional texts and modern commentaries. These ethical questions and responses set the context for Jewish views on healing and afterlife. Join us for these important and lively sessions.

Mussar: An Introduction

Instructor: Joan Kaspin

Sunday February 10, 2019 | 11 AM to 12:30 PM

Mussar, a Jewish spiritual practice, is a structured method that begins with knowing yourself. Identify inner traits and behaviors that are potential areas of growth. The areas in which there is either deficiency or excess are our personal spiritual curriculum. Mussar, with its origins in Torah, has developed as a perspective on life, an insightful body of knowledge about human nature, and as a path of spiritual practice. This helps us to overcome negative tendencies, strengthen the positive, and take steps in the direction of the holy. Rabbi Yechezkel Levenstein, a Mussar teacher posits: "A person's primary mission in this world is to purify and elevate his soul." (Every Day, Holy Day, Alan Morinis, page ix).

Torah Study - Bring Your Lunch and Join Us For a Stimulating Conversation Wednesdays at 12:00 Noon
November 7, 14, 28 and December 5, 12, 19.

REGISTER FOR THESE CLASSES:

www.crjorlando.org/adult-education/

CRJ
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CHANT
CIRCLE

Saturday, November 3, 2018
6:15 a.m. at New Smyrna Beach

Linda Flower Gross/Shira Orit & Friends

CRJ's GORFTY Members

Alex & Justin Sacharoff

Hope Community Center Dancers

Donations to the Scott Flower CRJ Chant Fund are greatly appreciated
and will go toward the purchase of CRJ's new piano.

Complimentary light breakfast provided by CRJ's Brotherhood & Sisterhood.

Details & directions on the CRJ website: www.crjorlando.org/chantcircle

RSVP on-line by October 26th: crjorlando.org/calendar

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Shabbat Ha'olam: The Jews of **India**

Please join us as we celebrate Shabbat Ha'Olam – Shabbat Around the World with the Jews of India. Experience the beautiful sights, unique sounds, and flavors of Jewish Greece as we discover the rich traditions of the ancient community.

Friday, November 30th

6 PM Indian Shabbat Dinner | 7 PM Shabbat Service

RSVP for dinner a must, www.crjorlando.org/calendar

Birthdays

NOVEMBER 2018

1 Samuel Bernbaum
1 Allan Clayman
1 Brian Davis
1 Rabbi Steven Engel
1 Dori Gerber
2 Julie Begani
2 Leah Bisbee
2 Arlene Guss
2 Justin Hendelson
2 Velaina Koren
2 Mark Kruger
2 Deborah Mintzer
2 Marian Posdamer
2 Jacob Robinson
2 Shelley Taylor
2 Jennifer Warren
2 Gavin Wheeler
3 Andrea Anderson
3 Scott Miller
3 Andrew Paolantonio
3 Joshua Paolantonio
3 Julia Saffer D'Anna
3 Elissa Sherwin
4 Cassandra Flores
5 Judy Albertson
5 Sarah Kunkel
5 Paige Rosenblatt
5 Mia Wolman
6 Reese Odza
7 Joshua Kahky
7 Matthew Maulfair
7 Charles Steinmetz
8 Ashlyn Hoffman
8 Mitch Menaker
8 Simon Snyder
8 Matthew Steinmetz
9 Michelle Carlton
9 Elena Haas
9 Bernis Hecht
9 Brooke Levitt
9 Kevin Perry
10 Jake Wheeler
11 Jack Wilson
12 Lillian Fender
12 Charlotte Hill
12 Seth Kaplan
12 Nicole Mastando
12 Jamie Mendelsohn
12 Ainsley Powers
12 Keith Schiff
12 Jill Theisen
13 Jeanne Armbrust
13 John Blum
13 Sarah Fidelo
13 Stan Heyman
13 Danny Rosenblum
13 Judith Schaffer
13 Jordan Spector
14 Shoshanah Dietz
14 Raleigh Kaplan
14 Herbert Mendelsohn
14 Toby Mendelsohn
14 Janna Ossinsky
14 Dennis Pope
14 Katie Reents
14 Riley Wilcox
15 Brady
16 Alfredo Mendez Saldana
16 Jill Shargaa
17 Harrison Gold
17 Ruth Wallace
18 Barbara Aggarwal
18 Sarah Cantor
18 Heidi Fiacco
18 Evan Forster
18 Jack Freeman
18 Alice Gamson
18 Rosalind Greenhut
18 Kari Miller
18 Joshua Weiss
19 Joshua Birnholz
19 Dirce Smily
20 Beverly Herman
20 David Newman
20 Sarah Peisner
20 Sylvia Smily
20 Brian Wheeler
21 Afsahneh Eframian
21 Jan Ellington
21 Jory Engel
21 Cody Henderson
21 Benjamin Makler
21 Faye Wall
21 James Welch
22 Joseph Begani
22 Lee Chepenik
22 Reid Intro
23 Edith Mintzer
23 Betty Monroe
23 Marc Ossinsky
24 Arlene Blackmore
24 Barry Kudlowitz
25 Gayle Reis
25 Jeffrey Wilcox
26 Lois Alpert
26 Linda Bender
26 Sarah Blechman
26 Bradley Freed
26 Jay Glick
26 Sharon Kudlowitz
26 T'anjuiming Marx
26 Gillia Silver
27 Jason Chepenik
27 Susan McKenna
27 Sallee Ann Rosen
27 Gary Walton
27 Allison Watzman
28 David Albertson
28 Michael Masur
28 Teresa Paolantonio
28 Alissa Zimbardi
29 Gary Borenstein
29 Debbie Kantor
29 Steven Madow
29 Michael Meyer
29 Liza Pinsky
29 Colby Turner
30 Isabella Barkin
30 Judith Isaacson

DECEMBER 2018

1 David Cohen
1 Dana Demsky
1 Ava Rappaport
2 Brittany Armbrust
2 David Borenstein
3 Susan Harman
3 Adam Tanielian
4 Nadia Fakira
4 Diane Horowitz
4 Leslie Intro
4 Jeffrey Lang
4 Suzanne Salzman
4 Samara Schwartz
4 Jason Silver
4 Barbara Silverman
5 Angela Blum
5 Jason Paul
6 Shane Davis
6 Melvin Kohn
6 Abigail Kutschinski
6 Bethanne Weiss
6 Karen Wolman
7 Cathi Epstein
7 Ian Pope
7 Charles Render
7 Nina Scanlon
8 Mimi Hull
8 Mark Levitt
8 Elizabeth Stack
8 Marni Ward
9 Adam Berger
9 Michael Conrad
9 Sheri Croft
9 Alan Helman
9 Danielle Mastando
9 Renner Silver
9 Adam Yeager
10 Jill Goldsmith
10 Shelby Kurland
10 Jonathan Landa
10 Miriam Levy Pope
11 Owen Marx
11 Lucas Mastando
11 Jessica Nolte
11 Stacey Paul
11 Matthew Poteshman
11 Erin Rosenblatt
12 Jodi Ackerman
12 Rachel Barkowitz
12 Teagan Chaney
12 Lisa Gold
12 Kyle Spector
13 Michele Bloom
13 Andrea Eliscu
13 Jacob H. Rappaport
13 Leah Unell
14 Robert Birnholz
14 Jennifer Peltz
15 Jonathan Knudsen
15 Angelina Ludwig
15 Marvin Newman
15 Mason Osber
15 Dana Shimkoski
15 Hal Shimkoski
15 Michael Slone
15 Beverly B. Smith
15 Laura Toye
16 Malcolm David
16 Valerie Feldman
16 Etta Lazarus
16 Ryan Leavitt
16 Ella Miller
16 Mark Theisen
17 Stacy Conrad
17 Marilyn S. Goldman
17 Logan Intro
17 Aaron Smargon
18 Elwood Dodge
18 Ellen Prague
18 Audrey Unger
19 Richard Cantor
19 Les Goldberg
19 Asher Pinsky
19 Mandy Warren
20 Aaron Isler
20 Adam Milsom
21 Diane Clayman
21 Elise Cohn
21 Gary Weissman
22 Julia Kahky
22 Arnold Sherman
22 Brian Yeager
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23 Robyn Lagina
23 Valerie Silberstein
24 Sharon Gralish
24 Mitchell Maulfair
25 Austin David
25 Wendy Fisher
25 Lorie Lee
26 Mark Ackerman
26 Marni Chepenik
26 Avery Bayla Silverman
27 Eric Adelson
27 Gary Becker
27 Morton Bender
27 Larry Feinberg
27 Emma Coco Fiore
27 Bette Ann Leider
28 Casey Henderson
28 James Knudsen
28 Rebecca Kurzon
28 Jessica Watzman
28 William Zornek
29 Ryan Rudd
29 Stephanie Schott
29 Susan Ventura
30 Dan Bachrath
30 Natasha Rudd
30 Jaden Slone
31 Rebekah Barkowitz
31 Luis Flores
31 Gail Gold
31 Kayla Gould
31 Allyson Wolman

Anniversaries

NOVEMBER 2018

1 Charles & Carol Haile
2 Jonathan & Rika Albert
2 Richard & Gayle Reis
2 Lee & Renee Seltzer
3 Marty & Emily Glickstein
3 Jason & Stacey Paul
5 David & Gail Cohen
5 Philip & Dale Perreault
6 Dan Freeman & Zena Sulkes Freeman
6 Wayne & Shelley Taylor
7 Mati Braun & Rachel Heimovics Braun
8 Martin & Ellen Prague
9 Larry & Cathy Slung
10 Rob & Becca Bauer
11 Lee & Elizabeth Bernbaum
12 Joseph & Lindsay Schwartz
13 David & Judy Rosen
15 Marc & Maggie Morrison
16 Marvin & Judith Schaffer
17 Gordon & Shirley Engel
19 Jeffrey & Sheila Keiner
21 Brian & Michelle Davis
21 Gary & Andi Gould
21 Brent & Felecia Ziegler
23 Stuart Lewis & Dana Sussmann Lewis
23 Jeffrey & Bonnie Yarmuth
24 Harold & Rosalind Kaplan
24 Tim & Michele Niemi
25 Steven & Laurie Bedell
27 Mark & Jodi Ackerman
28 Jeffrey & Renee Kaplan
30 Michael & Lauren Oback

DECEMBER 2018

1 Lawrence & Cathi Epstein
2 Jack & Catherine Adler
7 Brian MacLeod & Debra Sirkin
8 David & Risa Katz
8 Christopher & Heather Sauls
11 Jeffrey & Heather Barkin
14 Bert & Ronni Schoemann
15 Mitch Barnett & Michele Brennan
16 William & Adrienne Katz
17 Sean Bogle & Lauren Sigman Bogle
18 Irv & Vicky Benedon
18 Seymour & Peggy Benson
19 Stan & Robyn Heyman
20 Barry & Sharon Kudlowitz
20 Steven & Elizabeth Stack
21 Greg & Diane Warren
22 Albert Gross & Linda Flower Gross
22 Mitch Menaker & Jacki Rawiszer
23 Arnold & Lynne Sherman
24 George & Jackie Greenblatt
24 Evin & Carole Rubin
26 Michael & Ava Maxwell
26 Jack & Del Titen
27 Eric & Andrea Adelson
27 Gary & Lorna Forster
28 John & Edie Blum
28 Lee & Marni Chepenik
28 Alan & Laura Landerman
29 Tim & Tracey Dunbrack
29 Michael & Andrea Sperling
30 Alan Breus & Eloise Stiglitz
30 Darren & Rachel Pierce
30 Morey & Mollie Solomon

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Julie Begani at jbegani@crjorlando.org so we can celebrate with you!

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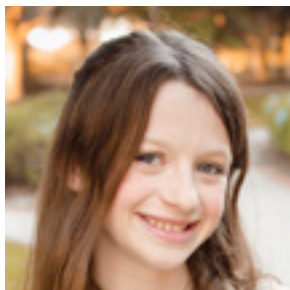


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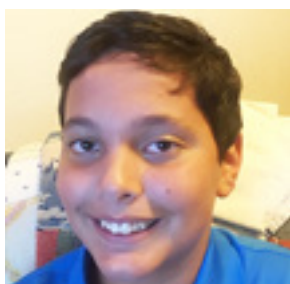
B'nai Mitzvah



Isabel Marie Tanner, daughter of Jessica Boudreau and Scott Tanner, will be called to the Torah on Saturday, November 10, 2018.

As an 8th grade student at Howard Middle, Izzy is in the magnet performing arts program and a competitive dancer at Danzforce Extreme

in Orlando. In addition to her after school activities, Izzy has been a member of Yala for the past couple of years. What makes her Bat Mitzvah so special here at CRJ is the fact that she was tutored by Dr. Zena Sulkes-Freeman, who happened to be her father's Bar Mitzvah tutor back in 1988 at Temple B'nai Israel in Clearwater, Florida! It has been an honor to have Dr. Sulkes-Freeman, Cantor Jacki, and Rabbi Engel prepare Izzy for this special day, and be a part of this wonderful congregation.



Jamie Hoffman Chepenik, son of Marni and Lee Chepenik, will be called to the Torah on Saturday, November 17, 2018.

An eighth grader at Maitland Middle, Jamie is an avid athlete and loves to participate in after school activities ranging from baseball, basketball and flag football. He is an honor student,

involved with the National Junior Honor Society, and his goal is to make straight A's all through middle school. Another hobby of his, is that he learned to play bridge by attending the local bridge center with his grandparents. He has placed top 3 in national and regional tournaments. He also participates in Yala, Jr. Gorfty and BBYO. His mitzvah project was to coordinate a game drive for the JCC youth department, where he goes to camp every summer and feels like it's a second home. Overall, Jamie is a tenacious and kind person who will always be there for family and friends.



Brooke Lee Chepenik, daughter of Marni and Lee Chepenik, will be called to the Torah on Saturday, November 17, 2018.

An seventh grader at Maitland Middle, Brooke is a gifted student who loves to bake and enjoys after school activities ranging from volleyball and

the National Junior Honor Society. She participates in middle school activities at the JCC, where she chose to give back by coordinating a game drive for the youth department. She is very active in Yala and Jr. Gorfty. One of her many past-times, is that she learned to play bridge

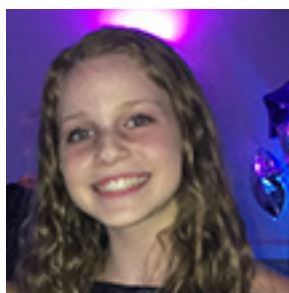
with her grandparents at the local bridge center. Along with her brother, she has placed top 3 in national and regional tournaments. Overall, Brooke is a very loving, sweet person who would do anything for her family and friends.



Sadie Tru Church daughter of Melissa Perry and Michael Church will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, December 1, 2018.

Sadie and her family moved to Orlando 7 years ago from New York. Sadie has a genuine love for animals and hopes to continue pursuing her passion by being a

junior assistant at her local animal hospital and eventually, a veterinarian. She has spent the last 5 summers at Camp Blue Star in North Carolina and will return for season 6 this June! Sadie is extremely excited and so very proud to have family and friends traveling from all over the country to join her in this very special milestone.

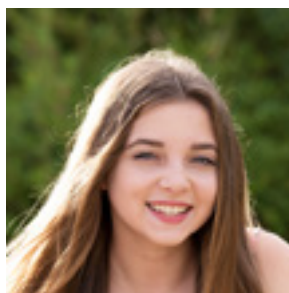


Isabella "Izzy" Barkin, daughter of Jeff and Heather Barkin, will be called to the Torah on Saturday, December 8, 2018

Izzy is a seventh grader at South Seminole Middle School where she is an Honor Roll student in their Pre-IB Leadership Program. In addition to her school

schedule, Izzy is an accomplished

competitive gymnast and has been competing for seven years. She is a fourth-generation member of CRJ and loves her time spent at temple participating in Yala and Jr. GORFTY. Izzy would like to thank her family, religious school teachers, Dr. Sacharoff, Cantor Jacki and Rabbi Engel for their guidance over the past year.



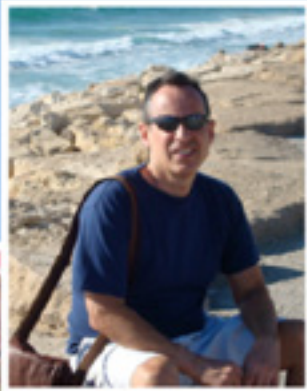
Danielle Mastando, daughter of Nicole and Mike Mastando will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on December 15, 2018.

Danielle, aka "Dude" to her fellow Hebrew school friends, is a 7th grader at Rock Lake Middle School. She currently enjoys playing for the Rock Lake JV volleyball team, participating in

all of the fun Jr. Gorfty/YALA events at CRJ, and she looks forward to exploring other interests, like performing arts, after she becomes a Bat Mitzvah (and has a bit more free time). A star student and a born leader, Dani has always set goals, generally money-making ones, and followed through with them, as demonstrated by the successful dog-walking business she started this past summer. Dani would like to thank her Mom and Dad, Dr. Zena Sulkes-Freeman, Cantor Jacki and Rabbi Engel for their guidance and patience over the past year.

CRJ Israel

August 1-12, 2019



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2018 November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	Oct 31	1	2	3
				9:30 AM Mommy & Me	GORFTY Shabbat Lock-In 6:00 PM Tot Shabbat 7:00 PM Shabbat Services 7:00 PM Sneakers that Fit Kickoff 8:30 PM Shabbat Oneg	8:15 AM Sunrise Shabbat Chant Circle 9:30 AM Bubbles on the Sims 10:00 AM Bagels & Bible with Rabbi Engel 8:30 PM Trivia on Tap
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Daylight Savings Time 9:30 AM School of Chai 9:30 AM E.J.L. Kibah Aleph 9:30 AM S.M. Fun foods kids will actually eat with Renee Setzer 11:00 AM LEAD (Leadership Exploration and Development) Training 12:30 PM Chavrim 12:30 PM Yaladin	5:30 PM Yala (7th-12th Grades) 8:15 PM Tech and Teams Technology		12:00 PM Torah Study 4:00 PM School of Chai 4:15 PM SOC Pizza & Snack Sales	9:30 AM Mommy & Me 6:00 PM Brotherhood Men's Night Out 7:00 PM Sisterhood Program	NFTY-STR Hakivah Kallah (8th-8th graders) 7:00 PM Shabbat Services 8:30 PM Shabbat Oneg	Bat Mitzvah of Isabel Tanner 10:00 AM Shabbat Service
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
NFTY-STR Hakivah Kallah (8th-8th graders) 9:30 AM E.J.L. Kibah Bet 9:30 AM Mishpacha Day - 5th Grade 9:30 AM School of Chai 10:00 AM LEAD (Leadership Exploration and Development) Training 2:00 PM HaZamir Rehearsal	5:30 PM Yala (7th-12th Grades)	5:30 PM Sisterhood Meeting	12:00 PM Torah Study 4:00 PM School of Chai 4:15 PM Jr. GORFTY Lounge Night 4:15 PM SOC Pizza & Snack Sales 5:00 PM 5th Grade Parent Meeting 7:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting	9:30 AM Mommy & Me 6:00 PM GORFTY Lounge Night 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM Important Jewish Questions and Answers: Bless, Death and End of Life Issues.	5:30 PM Club56 Shabbaton 7:00 PM Shabbat Services 8:30 PM Shabbat Oneg	B'nei Mitzvah of Brooke and Jamie Chapanik 10:00 AM Shabbat Service
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
No School of Chai 2:00 PM HaZamir Rehearsal	No Yala (7th-12th Grades) 9:30 AM Cooking for the Homeless @ CRJ 5:45 PM Serve homeless @ Coalition	9:30 AM Yala Day of Service	No School of Chai 4:15 PM SOC Pizza & Snack Sales	CRJ Office Closed Thanksgiving Day	6:00 PM Shabbat Services	10:00 AM Bagels & Bible with Cantor Jacki 12:00 PM Rosh Chodesh
25	26	27	28	29	30	Dec 1
No School of Chai	5:30 PM Yala (7th-12th Grades)		12:00 PM Torah Study 4:00 PM School of Chai 4:15 PM SOC Pizza & Snack Sales	9:30 AM Mommy & Me 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM Important Jewish Questions and Answers: Bless, Death and End of Life Issues.	6:00 PM Shabbat Ha Oam Jews of India 7:00 PM Shabbat Dinner	





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					Nov 30	1 Bat Mitzvah of Sadie Church 10:00 AM Shabbat Service
2 SOC Hanukkah Celebration 9:30 AM School of Chai 9:30 AM SOC Musical Guest: Beth Hamon 9:30 AM E.L. Kitan Aleh 12:30 PM Chaverim 2:00 PM HaZemir Rehearsal	3 Hanukkah 5:30 PM Yala (7th-12th Grades)	4	5 12:00 PM Torah Study 4:00 PM School of Chai 4:15 PM SOC Pizza & Snack Sales	6 9:30 AM Mommy & Me 6:00 PM Whole Lotta Fun: Prime Timers 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM Important Jewish Questions and Answers: Illness, Death and End of Life Issues.	7 5:30 PM GORFTY MIBR 2018 6:00 PM "Shabbatukkah" 6:00 PM Tai Shabbat 6:45 PM Sisterhood Hanukkah Dinner 8:30 PM Shabbat Oreg	8 Bat Mitzvah of Isabella Barkin 10:00 AM Shabbat Service
9 Hanukkah 9:30 AM Mishpacha Day- 3rd Grade 9:30 AM School of Chai 9:30 AM Mommy & Me 10:00 AM Brotherhood Brunch & Speaker 12:30 PM Jr. GORFTY MIBR 2018 2:00 PM HaZemir Rehearsal	10 5:30 PM Yala (7th-12th Grades)	11 5:30 PM Sisterhood Meeting	12 12:00 PM Torah Study 4:00 PM School of Chai 4:15 PM SOC Pizza & Snack Sales 7:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting	13 9:30 AM Mommy & Me 7:00 PM Important Jewish Questions and Answers: Illness, Death and End of Life Issues.	14 7:00 PM Shabbat Services 8:30 PM Shabbat Oreg	15 Bat Mitzvah of Danielle Mustando 10:00 AM Shabbat Service
16 9:30 AM E.L. Kitan Bet 9:30 AM God, Torah & Israel (3rd-5th Grades) 9:30 AM School of Chai 12:30 PM Club96 2:00 PM HaZemir Rehearsal	17 9:30 AM Cooking for the Homeless @ CRJ 5:30 PM Yala (7th-12th Grades) 5:45 PM Serve homeless @ Cowellton	18	19 12:00 PM Torah Study 4:00 PM School of Chai 4:15 PM Jr. GORFTY Lounge Night 4:15 PM SOC Pizza & Snack Sales	20 9:30 AM Mommy & Me 6:00 PM GORFTY Lounge Night 7:00 PM Important Jewish Questions and Answers: Illness, Death and End of Life Issues.	21 7:00 PM Shabbat Services 8:30 PM Shabbat Oreg	22 10:00 AM Bagels & Bible with Rabbi Engel 11:30 AM Bubbles on the Bima
23 No School of Chai	24 No Yala (7th-12th Grades)	25 CRJ Office Closed	26 NFTY-STR Winter Regional Kallah No School of Chai 4:15 PM SOC Pizza & Snack Sales	27	28 6:00 PM Shabbat Services	29 10:00 AM Bagels & Bible with Carbor Jack 12:00 PM Rosh Chodesh
30 NFTY-STR Winter Regional No School of Chai	31 No Yala (7th-12th Grades)	Notes				



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