



BULLETIN

East Midwood Jewish Center

*THEY SHALL BUILD ME A SANCTUARY AND
I SHALL DWELL AMONG THEM*

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Cheshvan-Kislev-Tevet 5777

WELCOMING FALL AND WINTER



***SCENES FROM OUR RECENT EVENTS! [SEE PAGES 13-17]
WE'VE GOT MORE COMING, FOR THANKSGIVING, HANUKKAH
& BEYOND! MORE INFO INSIDE THIS BULLETIN!***

SERVICES AT EMJC

MORNING SERVICES

Sundays & Legal Holidays: 8:00 AM

Mondays-Fridays: 7:30 AM

Saturdays: 7:30 AM & 9:00AM

EVENING SERVICES

Sundays-Thursdays: 7:30 PM

Friday & Saturday Services Are Same As
Candlelighting Times Below:

Fri. 11/18 & Sat. 11/19: 4:17pm

Fri. 11/25 & Sat. 11/26: 4:13pm

Fri. 12/2 & Sat. 12/3: 4:10pm

Fri. 12/9 & Sat. 12/10: 4:10pm

Fri. 12/16 & Sat. 12/17: 4:12pm

Fri. 12/23 & Sat. 12/24: 4:15pm

Fri. 12/30 & Sat. 12/31: 4:20pm

CALENDAR

For more info see emjc.org or call 718-338-3800

NightShul: Weds. 11/16, 11/30, 12/7, 12/14:
7pm wine & cheese social hour, 8-9:15pm class
(See pages 10-11 for more info)

Ulpan Hebrew Classes:

Mon. 11/21, 11/28, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19, 12/26
6:30pm Beginners 2 on the above dates
8:00pm Beginners 1 on the above dates

Shabbat Katan: Sat. 11/19: 11am

Teen Night: Sat. 11/19: 8-10pm & future dates TBD

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service:

Sun. 11/20: 4-5:30pm at Our Lady of Refuge Church
(Ocean Ave. & Foster Ave.) (see pages 8-9 for more info)

Shabbat-a-BimBom: Fri. 12/2: 6:30-9:30pm
(see page 12 for more info)

Shabbat Katan: Sat. 12/3: 11:00am

Ricky Pen Concert with Music, Dancing, Food & Fashion Show: Sat. 12/3: 8pm-12am

Human Rights Shabbat Service

Followed by Lunch & Learn:

Sat. 12/10: 9am-12pm Service, 12-2pm Lunch & Learn

Music At The Center, Benjamin Lapidus and Friends:
Sat. 12/10: 8-10:30pm

Share The Care Volunteers Training Workshop / Brunch:
Sun. 12/11: 10:15am-12pm (see page 6 for more info)

The Nutcracker Presented by Alden Moves Dance Theater: Sun. 12/11: 5-7pm

Shabbat Katan: Sat. 12/17: 11:00am

Hanukkah Party in Room J: Sun. 12/18: 9:30am-12:30pm

Hanukkah: Sat. 12/24-Sun. 1/1

Shabbat A BimBom: Fri. 1/6 : 6:30-9:30pm
(see page 12 for more info)

NightShul January: 3 sessions on Jewish attitudes
towards animals, dates to be confirmed
(see page 10 for more info)

More info will be in future bulletins & e-mails!

THOUGHTS FROM RABBI MATT CARL



Dear friends,

It is always a struggle to discuss political matters within and among the congregation. Today my words are especially difficult to find. The election of a new national president is always a significant current event and this year is all the more historic.

I know many are sad, angry, terrified. I am here to listen, to offer comfort, even though, or because, I share these emotions. On the other hand, I assume we all want the best for our country and for our world, even if we disagree on what that is. I hope we as a congregation, as a people, as a country, will act and interact with that assumption in mind. I hope we will find, build on, and encourage in others a sense and spirit of optimism and confidence. I hope we will continue to cherish diversity and inclusivity of race, religion, gender, sexuality, and political leanings, respecting one another as the image of God. We need not agree on everything to see the humanity in one another.

Last week's Parasha opened with Avram being told to leave his country and go elsewhere, where God will bless him, making of him a great nation. In the last months, we have heard much about who will and should leave our country, by choice or force. We have heard much about how to make our nation great again. But last week, the anniversary of Kristallnacht and only hours after this historic decision, America has experienced vandalism with the President Elect's name and swastikas; elsewhere in America, swastikas with "Make America white again". These are probably isolated incidents, but it pains me to say I believe it is only the beginning of an era of emboldened and visible hate. We must fight this darkness with light, emphasizing the best of our values. Here in Brooklyn, we have so many opportunities to support our fellow Jews and other targeted groups. Our annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 20th (see flyer on page 9) will be especially important this year as a time to offer each other solidarity, comfort, and safety. We will praise and we will bless. That's how we become a great nation.

Bivrakha,
Rabbi Matt Carl

WELCOMING OUR ISRAELI STUDENT VISITORS 2016-17



We are very fortunate to have with us this year two young Israelis: Omer Lev and Hadar Harani, who are spending 9 months with us in the Israeli version of a gap year — a year of experiences in American Jewish communities before they begin their army service. They will be with us on Saturdays and Sundays, helping with Shabbat Katan, Room J and other activities. Thanks to the efforts of Rabbi Matt Carl, for the first

time EMJC became eligible for this program, known as ShinShin Year.

Hadar is from Tel Aviv and has 2 brothers. She studied at “Hakfar Hayrok” and majored in biology, sociology and law. She loves to travel, and her Bat Mitzvah project was to walk the Israel Trail, a trail that goes from the north of Israel (Metola) to the south (Eilat) and it’s about 1,000 km overall. She also sings in the Bat Kol Choir, which she joined at age 10, and she’s been singing with them for the past 8 years. She is very excited to get to know the Jewish community in Brooklyn and at East Midwood.

Omer is from “Givat Shmuel” near Tel Aviv. His mom, Ronit, has a distinguished record of military service for the IDF, having served as a colonel. His dad, Arie, works in high tech. His sister Amit-Jasmin is studying fashion design in London. Omer studied in “Blich” high school and majored in computers and physics. His hobbies include arts, music, drawing, reading and acting. He was in a few popular TV shows in Israel as a background character. In addition, Omer was part of a youth movement called “Ilanoar” where he worked with kids of many different ages as a scout’s leader for two years, led leaders for one year, and coordinated the whole movement during his last year. He participated in delegations with youth from many countries such as Poland, Germany and Israel. He is very excited about this shinshin year, and meeting members of our community.

UJA-FEDERATION GRANT: LIVE WITH PURPOSE EMJC'S SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE GRANT

We received a small grant to help us recruit new volunteers among our members and friends to work on the following six projects:

- 1. Share the Care Helping Committee:** Provide phone calls, visits and other forms of help to people who are homebound because of sickness, physical problems, new babies, etc. More information is on the next page (page 6).
- 2. Recruit volunteers to assist every Wednesday** at the Our Lady of Refuge Food Pantry at 2020 Foster Avenue, at the corner of Ocean Avenue.
- 3. Environmental Education for Children & Adults:** Year-round consciousness raising about recycling. More information is on page 7.
- 4. Expand our Interfaith Program** with Our Lady of Refuge Church, Church of the Nativity, the Turkish Community Center and other Muslim groups: Bring in new people and add new events. More information is on pages 8-9.
- 5. Conduct an Interfaith Model Seder on March 26, 2017:** Planned by the Interfaith Committee. More details coming soon!
- 6. Syrian Refugee Crisis:** Educate East Midwood Jewish Center members and our interfaith friends about the Syrian Refugee Crisis, and work with existing organizations to provide useful assistance to refugees. More details coming soon!

If you're interested in participating in any of these programs, or if you have suggestions on how we can accomplish these goals:

Please contact our office: officestaff@emjc.org or 718-338-3800

Thank You!

YOU CAN HELP! GET INVOLVED!

EMJC'S SHARE THE CARE / CHESED PROGRAM

Thanks to so many of you who filled out and returned **the green Share the Care Chesed card** during the Kol Nidre appeal last month. We have begun to match volunteers with those who need some help.

Interested in helping & volunteering?

Join Us on Sunday 12/11 from 10:15am-12pm for a Training Workshop / Brunch!

**Learn helpful tips & guidelines from our clergy,
our social worker Shira Felberbaum and people who have previously volunteered.**

You Can Still Sign Up To Volunteer: officestaff@emjc.org or 718-338-3800

- Tell us your name and how and when you'd like to help. You can also find **a green Share the Care card** in EMJC's lobby, fill it out, fold down the tab indicating what you would like to do, and return it to EMJC's office.
- Weekly, monthly, or seasonally: whatever time you can commit to call or visit someone, send a card, do an errand, provide a ride, go shopping, provide a meal, help with mail, and other small, but effective ways to help another person.

Let us know of people who need help:

Our care of one another depends on being kept informed about our community.

Please tell us if there is someone in your circles of family and friends who could use some help. Confidentiality is respected. You can also contact:

Office: officestaff@emjc.org or 718-338-3800

Rabbi Matt Carl: RabbiMattCarl@emjc.org

Shira Felberbaum, MSW, our social worker from the Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services, 212-632-4735 or sfelberbaum@jbfcs.org

Spread the word and share information with people in your circles about what we are trying to set up.

This is how we can really share the care!

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM INFORMATION

The third of our six Social Action/Social Justice Live With Purpose projects is a Consciousness Raising Recycling Training Program for EMJC.

Under the UJA Grant and through generous member donations, there will be a much improved presence of recycling bins throughout the building.



The bins and regular recycling information tips should help us improve recycling in our building — not just **because it's a good environmental practice** that reduces waste and pollution — but also **because it's the law!**

Not only do we seek to educate synagogue members, but we also plan on going beyond that, and providing recycling outreach to other building users as well as the community at large. We know that NYC's recycling rate hovers around 50%, that means that 50% of what could be recycled actually ends up in the trash. And this is a waste many times over. NYC has to pay to transport and landfill the waste material hundreds of miles outside of NYC. The raw materials must be obtained and manufactured again, and every step along the way means more mines, more pollution, more greenhouse gas emissions, more trees cut, and more wildlife habitat destroyed. But if we recycle, there is really much less of the bad stuff and we create jobs right here in New York, such as at the SIMS Recycling Facility in Sunset Park, Brooklyn.

In order to meet our objectives, we have started providing some recycling education in EMJC's e-mail newsletters. We also hope that you and your friends will get involved so we can increase our outreach and education efforts within the building and out in the community, and thereby increase recycling rates.

INTERFAITH PROGRAM UPDATES & EVENTS

Sunday, November 20, 4pm At Our Lady of Refuge Church: A Special Invitation, and Also See Flyer on Next Page:

Come one and all, bring family and friends and neighbors to the 16th annual Thanksgiving service sponsored by East Midwood Jewish Center and Our Lady of Refuge Roman Catholic Church interfaith committee on Sunday, November 20 at 4pm at Our Lady of Refuge RC Church, corner of Ocean and Foster Avenues. This year's service will highlight prayers and readings about gratitude and healing read by our friends from OLR, and the Brooklyn Amity School, and our new friends from the Turkish Cultural Center and the American Council of Minority Women. Join us as we lift our voices and sing along with the EMJC choir under the direction of Cantor Sam Levine and the OLR choir under the direction of Glen Balck. And we will, again, hear the enthusiastic and delightful youth choir from Church of the Nativity under the direction of Patricia McKinney, along with the EMJC and OLR youth choirs.

Father Michael Perry, who has been at Our Lady of Refuge Church for 14 years, said:

"When I tell my friends from other cities here and in Europe about our Interfaith program they are literally astounded. They think I am exaggerating, because what we do is almost unheard of in many places and would be illegal in some parts of the world. In our group we are living out a unity that not only respects differences, but honors them."

As always, we are happy to have your financial support for this important, meaningful event:

You can send your checks to EMJC's Office (1625 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11230) and put "interfaith sponsor" in the memo. Also, you can bring a canned or packaged food donation for the OLR food pantry when you join us for the service on November 20th.

Make sure you mark your calendars and join us on November 20th for the 16th year we have been having this service. It is sure to uplift and enliven and kick off the holiday season in a most meaningful and significant way!

THE INTERFAITH COMMITTEE
of THE EAST MIDWOOD JEWISH CENTER,
OUR LADY OF REFUGE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH,
and CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY
invites one and all to our
**16TH ANNUAL INTERFAITH
THANKSGIVING SERVICE**
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2016 at 4pm
Our Lady of Refuge Roman Catholic Church
Ocean Ave & Foster Ave

join us with your family, friends, & neighbors

**Our free holiday event also supports the OLR Food Pantry!
Please bring your non-perishable or canned food donations.**

**To support the Interfaith Service as a sponsor, please send your check,
made out to EMJC, *attn: interfaith sponsor*, to the main office.**



**For nearly two decades, the Interfaith Committee has worked together
to help educate our community about our culture and faith traditions.
We welcome your participation.**

NIGHTSHUL'S THIRD SEASON

The third season of NightShul, EMJC's innovative adult education program, is now underway. Each month, from November through May, will feature several sessions focusing on a single topic.

Classes are held in the 4th floor board room and are preceded by a free wine and cheese social hour in the Regency Room. The price for a month long series is \$35 or \$180 for the all the classes.

Here is the schedule to date (subject to additions):

November & December 2016: "The Intellectual History of Zionism," taught by Dr. Dan Bronstein (Wednesdays, Nov. 2, 9, 16 & 30 and Dec. 7 & 14)
(See Flyer on the following page)

January 2017, dates to be determined: Jewish Attitudes towards Animals

February 2017, dates to be determined: Jewish Ways of Mourning & Healing

March 2, 9 & 16, 2017: "What We Learn from the Mistakes of Biblical Leaders" with Prof. Linda Weiser Friedman & Prof. Hershel Friedman

April 6, 13 & 20, 2017: Classes by Rabbi Matt Carl & Cantor Sam Levine. Details to be announced.

May 11, 18 & 25, 2017: "Two Is Better than One: 3 Classic Comedy Duos Who Happened to be Jewish" with Prof. Ira Epstein, well known lecture, performer and musician. The 3 comedy duos are Mel Brooks and Carl Reiner, Elaine May and Mike Nichols, and Ann Meara and Jerry Stiller.



2016-2017

NightShul



“An Intellectual History of Zionism:

From its European Origins to the Dawn of the State of Israel”

a six part lecture series taught by Dr. Daniel Bronstein

Wednesdays, November 2, 9, 16 & 30 and December 7 & 14

And future classes in January-May, to be announced

\$15 per class, \$35 for entire November-December series,

or \$180 for full NightShul season November-May

Wine & Cheese Social Hour at 7 pm; Class from 8-9:15 pm

Whether discussing the Israeli-Arab conflict, questions of religious pluralism, or Israel-Diaspora relations as a whole, the welfare of the state of Israel is indisputably a central concern for contemporary Jews. Passions run high both in Israel and the Diaspora over differing visions of what a “modern,” “democratic,” and “Jewish” State should “look like.”

This series offers a framework for understanding the origins of Zionism and how some ideas came to be actualized through the establishment of the State of Israel, while other intellectual streams of Zionism have been set aside. Close readings of primary sources of various — and often conflicting — Zionist schools of thought will anchor discussions. The series will center on the writings of foundational Zionist thinkers including Theodor Herzl, Leon Pinsker, Max Nordau, Ber Borochov, Rabbi Abraham Isaac Kook, and Ze’ev Jabotinsky.

Dr. Bronstein was ordained at the Hebrew Union College and received a doctorate in Jewish history from the Jewish Theological Seminary. He was a legislative assistant at the Religious Action Center in Washington, DC, the Congregational Historian at Congregation Beth Elohim, and Director of its high school and adult learning program. Dr. Bronstein is the author of Torah in the Trenches: The Rabbi Chaplains of World War II, 1940-1946, Our Journey: Congregation Beth Elohim at 150 Years, and a contributor to many publications. He lives in Prospect Heights and currently teaches at Hunter College.

This series is payable by check or credit card in advance (www.emjc.org) or at the door.

Join **Cantor Sam Levine** & **Rabbi Matt Carl** for a lively **Shabbat service** followed by a **kid-pleasing, adult-appealing dinner** that's served with **play, fun, & friendly conversation.**

Shabbat-a-BimBom!

EMJC's monthly Friday evening Shabbat service & celebration for kids & their adults

Warning: it's noisy.

10 Friday evenings 2016-2017

September 9, October 7, November 4, December 2, January 6, February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5, & June 2 (bbq!)



services begin at **6:30pm**
in **The Little Tent Family Room**



Shabbat-a-BimBom is free for EMJC members with young families * & by subscription for nonmembers.



\$180 family subscription (up to 2 adults + 3 kids)
\$ 90 mini-subscription (select any four dates)
\$ 25 single visit

we love to welcome first-time families as our Shabbat guests at no charge**

*** To help cover costs, a donation to Room J is appreciated! Suggested contribution: \$100 for the year.**

**** Sorry, does not include the June bbq.**

Everyone is invited to attend our kid-centered service.

To join us for our family dinner, **reservations are required**
by the **Thursday morning before BimBom.**

We regret we're unable to accommodate families who do not reserve for dinner in advance.

We're available for a confidential discussion with any family concerned about program costs.

for more information about Shabbat-a-BimBom
plus other Room J programs for kids & families
including our arts-based congregational school

contact roomj@emjc.org

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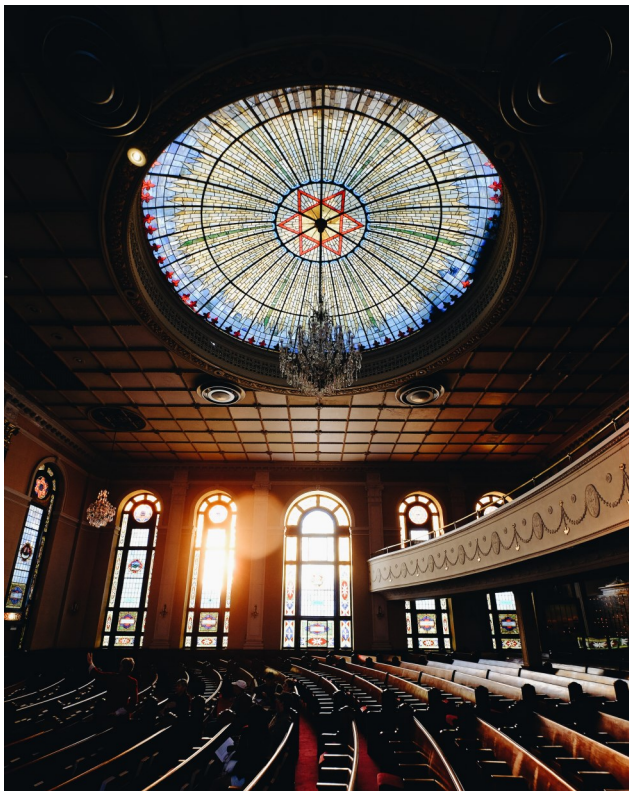


EAST MIDWOOD JEWISH CENTER

OPEN HOUSE NEW YORK RECAP

Recently EMJC was one of several hundred historic sites on the annual Open House New York Tour. Among our 75 visitors were 2 people who had personally known the architects of our buildings, Louis Allen Abramson and Maurice Courland. One visitor had worked in Mr. Abramson's office when he was a student at Pratt Institute and the other visitor had worked in an office next door to that of Mr. Courland, early in her career. Each remembered these 2 important architects, both well regarded in their field, as very kind and generous to young persons.

For unknown reasons, neither architect has been given proper credit for the creation of EMJC. The plaques in the vestibule listing the names of the founders and the building Committee do not include their names. Very soon, we will rectify that omission by erecting a plaque with their names and dates.



Architect Bob Cuk, AIA, LEED AP, and Associate at FXFOWLE, attended and said: “You have a wonderful building. It truly rivals the Congregation KJ/Ramaz that I helped renovate over the past several years. They certainly don’t have a domed rose skylight! I hope to visit again for one of your events.”

Thank you, Bob, for your kind words and the above photos of our sanctuary!

CHALLAH BAKING INTERGENERATIONAL EVENT RECAP

Thank you to Sisterhood for organizing this fun-filled event for all ages, which was part of our Barrier-Free Day of Learning!

“Before & During Photos” courtesy of Amy Nitzky — thank you!



“After Photos” courtesy of Bill Fried — thank you!



SUKKAH DECORATING FUN!

Thank you to Harold Klein for taking such wonderful photos capturing the fun of our Sukkah Decorating Party!



INTERFAITH TOUR THANK YOU!

*Thank You to attendees of our past interfaith programs, including our Columbus Day Tour of Greenwood Cemetery
Here are a few photos courtesy of Sally Hipscher!*



On Columbus Day, a group of twenty people from EMJC and Our Lady of Refuge Roman Catholic Church took our annual Interfaith Tour of New York City sites. This time we visited the historic Greenwood Cemetery. Our informed and enthusiastic guide, Steve Estroff (who celebrated his bar mitzvah at EMJC some years ago), shared wonderful stories, history and personal reflections as we rode a trolley through the leafy cemetery, occasionally getting off to walk to hear about interesting gravestones and mausoleums. All agreed that Greenwood Cemetery is a New York treasure that we would return to tour, again.

SISTERHOOD BOOK TALK RECAP

Thank you to Amy Nitzky for taking such wonderful photos of Sisterhood's recent Book Talk with Author Amy Gottlieb, author of *The Beautiful Possible*.



Sisterhood's Book & Author Dinner on Monday, November 7 was both delicious and fascinating. Author Amy Gottlieb enthralled her audience by reading two chapters from her book, *The Beautiful Possible*. Many autographed copies were sold. Ms. Gottlieb's parents were married at EMJC in 1952.



MAZAL TOV



Mazal tov to **Joan and Lenny Berkowitz** on the marriage of their daughter **Naomi** to **Adam Daum**.



Congratulations to **Jordana and Daniel Morris Fried** on the birth of their new daughter, **Samantha Lielle Fried**, grandchild of **Elizabeth and William Fried**, and **Marsha and Mel Marx**.

Many thanks to **Joanne and Dr. Howard Honigman** for sponsoring a congregational luncheon in honor of the naming of their granddaughter **Ruby Isla**, daughter of **Amy and Mitchell Simon**.

Happy Birthday to **Shirley Strauss**, long-time very active member of EMJC, who celebrated her 90th Birthday with her numerous friends and devoted family. On page 20, we've copied the special birthday song prepared by Roz Pomerantz and sung by Cantor Sam Levine.

Congratulations to **Dr. Alex Trakhtman and Dr. Benjamin Lapidus** who finished the recent Marathon in 4 hours, 35 minutes, 25 seconds. Ben clocked in at 60 seconds before Alex.

Congratulations to former member **Ira Zornberg** and father of former day school student **Jonathan Zornberg** for the publication of his new book, *Jews, Quakers and the Holocaust: The Struggle to Save the Lives of 20,000 Children*. Ira is also a regular bridge player at the Senior League of Flatbush, located at EMJC.





THANK YOU



Thank you to **Pearl Berkowsky**, a busy wife, mother, and grandmother, who single handedly calls every member of EMJC before Passover and Rosh Hashanah to wish them well. These are real conversations which touch the hearts of the recipients. Thank you, Pearl. As Pearl remarks, "When you give of yourself you receive so much more in return. The response and words of thanks, delight, deep and heartfelt appreciation were expressed to me by all of our devoted members."

Thank you from **Hannah Levine**: "I am very grateful to all those who called me and sent cards during the time of my recent illness. I hope to return to Brooklyn and East Midwood soon."



Many thanks to **Cantor Sam Levine** for leading us in a heartwarming sing-along of oldies and of Israeli classics, and to **Sally Hipscher and Michelle Isaacson** for leading Israeli folk-dancing in our annual Shirah B'Sukkah party.

All the children and adults on the bima each week thank **Phyllis and Joe Rothstein** for supplying us with a new supply of Hershey's kisses, and for providing candy applies for everyone at the Simchat Torah celebration, this year as in the past.

Thanks to **Shira Stone and Murray Lantner** for leading EMJC's first children's Sukkot service.

A big thanks to **all those who planned and participated in our beautiful services during the High Holidays**. We e-mailed to our community the complete long list of all who helped.

Our High Holiday Food Drive is now complete. **Thanks to our members and friends**, we filled 24 large boxes to the top with non-perishable foods and delivered them this past week to the Food Pantries at B'Nai Raphael and Our Lady of Refuge.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SHIRLEY STRAUSS!

In honor of the 90th birthday of Shirley Strauss, long time EMJC trustee, past president of Sisterhood, frequent dinner dance chair, and all around wise counsellor, Roz Pomerantz, her dear friend, created another of her memorable musical tributes. This one was sung on November 13 at Shirley's party by Cantor Sam Levine, to the tune of "Hello Dolly."

To the tune of "HELLO DOLLY"


*Well Shalom, Shirley
Mazel Tov, Shirley
How I wish that I could be with you today
You're looking swell, Shirley
I can see clearly
Even though I'm a thousand one hundred and fifty -miles
away!*

*It's been my greatest pleasure,
You and Carl-what a treasure,
Fifty years of lovely memories to share,
And now that you've turned 90
No way on earth do you look 90!
A milestone blessed by G-d, Shirley, my dear.*

*Just 3 words, Shirley,
Sums you up, really,
Those words are commitment and devotion true.
You've always been a champion
You've always worked with passion
For your Hadassah and all your shuls
Truly you're a faithful Jew!*

*Your first priority
Is your delightful family
You and Carl planted a solid family tree
With roots firmly embedded
I offer this prayer most wholehearted
May G-d watch over the family Strauss
May G-d bless the fabulous family Strauss
As you celebrate this simcha in Hashem's divine house.*

With much love, Roz





LET'S CELEBRATE!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joseph Abada
 Stephen Appell
 Pearl Berkowsky
 Laura Berlinerblau
 Flora Bloom
 Harriette Cohen
 Howard Dankowitz
 Paula Engel
 Howard Feldsher
 Blanche Finkelstein
 Stephen Finkelstein
 Ryan Goldberg
 Miriam Goldhaber
 Janet Gurvitch
 Max Gurvitch
 Ann Kranis
 Hannah Levine
 Janet Marcus
 Roslyn Pomerantz
 Daniel Septimus
 Susan Serota
 Daniel Shapiro
 Joseph Sherman
 Joe Slott
 Shirley Strauss
 Jacob Young
 Janet Young

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Norman Abes
 Carole Bloomfield
 Rochelle Eckstein
 Melvin Girshek
 Susan Girshek
 Ethel Gold
 David Hammerman
 Rabbi Alvin Kass
 Eugene Krakowski
 Leah Krakowski
 Benjamin Lapidus
 Dena Levinson
 Amy Liebov
 Michael Marcus
 Nathaniel Mosery
 Jeremy Mushlin
 Leonard Nurkin
 Joseph Rothstein
 Mitchell Schechtman
 Martin Shelton
 Phyllis Silverstein-Silbert
 Eda Solome
 Jacob Solome
 Arthur Susnow
 Nonna Tolchinkaya
 Henry Traktman
 Irving Wiener

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Stephen & Madeleine Appell
 David & Rochelle Eckstein
 Philip Klein & Joan Greenberg
 Jon & Beth Jacobs
 Nathaniel & Alba Mosery
 Joseph & Lisa Rothman
 Leonid & Tziona Royzman
 Michael & Aviva Sucher
 Irving & Barbara Wiener

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Joseph & Renee Abada
 Morris & Carole Berman
 David & Gail Hammerman
 Murray & Moran Lantner
 Ephraim & Estelle Leibowitz
 Robert & Seema Rosenthal
 Jacob & Eda Solome
 Eliot & Marsha Solomon
 Jacob & Janet Young

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In honor of Joanne & Howard Honigman on the occasion of the baby naming for their granddaughter Ruby Isla Simon

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Ina Cooperman

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In honor of a Refuah Shlemah for Anne Brandstein

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Janet & Jacob Young

In honor of a Refuah Shlemah for Michael Shamah

In honor of a Refuah Shlemah for Brenda Rosenbaum

In memory of Lynn Reicher

In memory of Shayndee Altman

BUILDING FUND

Rose Adler

In honor of Michele & Larry Isaacson on the birth of their first granddaughter Eve Liora Sumberg

Miriam & Karen Ansis

In memory of Murray Ansis

Madeleine & Stephen Appell

In honor of Rochelle & David Eckstein on the birth of their grandson Max Brian

In honor of Joanne & Howard Honigman on the birth of their granddaughter Ruby

In honor of Edith Maiman on her retirement

In memory of Florence Bickell, mother of Dr. Nina Bickell

Minda Arrow

In honor of Phyllis & Joe Rothstein on the birth of their great grandchild

Pearl & Harvey Berkowsky

In honor of Barbara & Stan Hopard on the engagement of their son Daniel to Amanda Roxland

In honor of Rebecca Grossman's H.S. graduation

BUILDING FUND CONTINUED

Pearl Binder

In honor of Michele & Larry Isaacson on the birth of their first granddaughter Eve Liora Sumberg

Rochelle & David Eckstein

In honor of a Refuah Shlemah for Hannah Levine

Robin & Mark Finkelstein

In memory of Shirley Berkowitz, mother of Dr. Harry Berkowitz

In honor of Amy & David Liebov on the birth of their granddaughter

Frances & Avrom Fischer

In honor of a Refuah Shlemah for Hannah Levine

In memory of Shirley Berkowitz, beloved mother of Dr. Harry Berkowitz

In honor of Barbara & Stan Hopard on the engagement of their son Daniel to Amanda Roxland

In honor of Rabbi & Miryom Kass on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Judah

In honor of Michele & Larry Isaacson on the birth of their first granddaughter Eve Liora Sumberg

Reva Friedman

In honor of Lily Friedman's birthday, my granddaughter

Rachelle & Randy Grossman

In honor of Shirley Strauss's 90th birthday

Ann Kranis

In memory of Ernest Posen

Hannah Levine

In honor of Dr. Leonard Berkowitz for his patience & kindness and for being my friend

In memory of Shirley Berkowitz, mother of Dr. Harry Berkowitz

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