

SHOFAR



Jewish Center of The Moriches

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The Jewish Center of the Moriches

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***Please join us on 9/6 for a Hot Dog BBQ and
a Welcome to our new Rabbi, Jack Shlachter***

It is with anticipation and some trepidation that I write this, my first message to all of you at the Jewish Center of the Moriches (JCM). My wife, Beverly, and I visited JCM last December with a vague idea that I ***might*** get a job offer from Brookhaven National Laboratory some day and that we ***might*** end up relocating to Long Island from New Mexico. Lo and behold, I recently started my job at Brookhaven Lab and we now also have the privilege of serving as the rabbi and rebbitzin for the congregation. While some of you have already heard my story during the interview process, others are likely completely unaware who is writing this message. You can find some of my background at www.physicsrabbi.com, but the shortened version is that I have been a full-time physicist my entire career, working at Los Alamos National Laboratory in northern New Mexico for several decades. I acquired rabbinic ordination nearly 25 years ago, inspired by my love of Judaism and the dearth of rabbis to serve our community. I've been following simultaneously these two seemingly disparate paths, in physics and the rabbinate, for many years, and I am excited to begin the next chapter with two new positions, at Brookhaven Laboratory and at JCM respectively.

Although Beverly and I are far from settled, I've already launched into preparations for the upcoming High Holidays. The saddest day on the Jewish calendar, Tisha B'Av, marking the destruction of the First and Second Temples in Jerusalem, is rapidly approaching, and only a few weeks afterwards we begin the preparatory month of Elul leading up to Rosh HaShanah, then Yom Kippur, Sukkot, and finally Simchat Torah in quick succession. I'm hoping to offer a few evening discussion sessions before Rosh HaShanah to help remind ourselves of the High Holiday liturgy and share some insights about this special time of year. Elul is a time to ask forgiveness for anything hurtful we may have said or done to those around us.

My thanks go to Cantor Erica Rubin for providing me with documentation on services at JCM, as well as to Board President Michael Leselrod for his encouragement during the rabbinic search. Steve and Sherry Schwartz graciously opened their home to me with delicious meals and a welcoming demeanor...much appreciated as I've been eating my own cooking while waiting for Beverly to arrive.

I am truly looking forward to leading what is obviously a very special community, rich in tradition and with an admirable mix of backgrounds and experiences. Please be sure to introduce yourselves to me when we see each other at shul, and you are always welcome to e-mail me at physicsrabbi@gmail.com if you have questions or just want to chat.

By the way, there is a tradition of blowing the shofar once each morning in Elul to wake us from our lethargy and remind us that we should be examining our lives and making course corrections as appropriate. If you catch wind that a ram's horn was heard on the Laboratory site, now you'll be among the very few who know why.

B'shalom,

Rabbi Jack

Familyhood Greeting

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events that are open to the entire JCM community. Hope to see you soon!

- **Annual Rummage Sale** - Sunday August 18, 9am to 3pm. Donations are still needed. Volunteers needed for set up (August 17th, 9am to 12pm) and clean up (August 18th, 3pm to 5pm). Contact Barbara Kiss for information and sign up at (631) 874-4928 or the3kisses@optonline.net.
- **Potluck Dinner, Take 2** - Sunday September 1, 2019 at 4pm @ The Kisses' Home. Families welcome. Bring a Vegetarian, Dairy or Dessert dish to share. RSVP to Barbara Kiss at (631) 874-4928 or the3kisses@optonline.net.
- **Book Club** – Sunday September 22, 2019 at 9:30am, *Casting Lots: Creating a Family in a Beautiful, Broken World* by Susan Silverman
- **Next Meeting** - Sunday September 22, 2019 at 10:30am. Everyone is welcome!

If you have not yet sent in your membership dues, it is not too late! Please mail all payments to Sherry Schwartz. Checks can be made payable to "Familyhood of the Jewish Center of the Moriches". Annual membership is \$25 individual or \$50 for families.

Any questions, please contact Co-Presidents Janet Bossert and Jennifer Heitman.



Covered Dish with the Kiss Family
Sunday September 1st at 4pm
6 Bradley Lane, East Moriches

RSVP: the3kisses@optonline.net



Friday 9/6 at 6:30pm

Enjoy a BBQ at the Jewish Center
followed by Friday Night Services
And
The Official Welcome to
Rabbi Jack Shlachter

2019 Rummage Sale!

Please donate to our 2019 Rummage Sale to be held
on August 18th at 9AM
Clothing and other items can be dropped off at the
Temple on Friday night when we have services.

Call Barbara Kiss @ 874-4928 or email
the3kisses@optonline.net for more information.

Volunteers to help setup on the 17th or to help sell
and clean up on the 18th are welcome and
appreciated.



Plant a tree in Israel

Anyone who would like to plant a tree in Israel in honor or
memory of someone, please call Stuart Bossert at 848-7192.
The person should have the name of the person that they want
honored, and the person's name and address that you want the
certificate for the tree sent to.

The donation for this honorarium is \$18.00 and the check made
out to sisterhood. Please mail your check to
Stuart Bossert
424 N. Midland Pond Ct., Moriches, 11955





Contributions to The Jewish Center of the Moriches

Judy Hean	in memory of mother Belle Bernstein
Elaine Bernstein	in memory of mother Belle Bernstei
Harriet Matysko	in memory of mother Anna Rebecca Kuhl
Gwen & Morton Stark	in memory of father Murray Stark
Gwen & Morton Stark	in memory of Roberta Zucker
Martin Zucker	in memory of wife Roberta
The Kiss Family	in memory of father
Judy Hean	in memory of father Abe Bernstein
Stuart Ringe	in memory of mother Honey Ringe
James Reiss	in memory of father
Gwen & Morton Stark	in memory of father Solomon Levine
Judy Minkin	in memory of mother
Ruth Scharf	in memory of mother
Martin & Pamela Edel	in memory of mother Rosalind
The Kiss Family	in memory of mother Selma Kiss
Louis, Susan, & Paul Glazer	in memory of parents Esther & Will Glazer
Steve and Sherry Schwartz	in memory of Anne Kirsch's two sons and daughter-in-law
Madeline Shakin and Kevin Sheren	in memory of Suellen Shakin, Mother, grandmother, wife
James Reiss	in memory of mother
Elaine Bernstein	in memory of Father Abe Bernstein
Jen & Joel Heitman	in honor of Lindsey Rusakow
Jen & Joel Heitman	in honor of Jen & Joel's Anniversary
Jen & Joel Heitman	in honor of Max Heitman's Birthday
Jen & Joel Heitman	in honor of Cantor Erica
Judy Hean	in memory of Grandfather
The Leselrods	in honor of Temple Cleanup Day
Steve and Sherry Schwartz	in memory of father Edward Loeb and mother Thelma Loeb

Don't wait for Rosh Hashanah to see the Torah

We have a Saturday Morning Torah Service about once a month. Our Saturday crowd is typically different from our Friday night crowd. Why not come to one of our Saturday services and try something new if you haven't already? You don't have to wait until Rosh Hashanah to see the Torah again.

Would you like to make a donation?

Donations have always been welcomed and are greatly appreciated. We keep our dues as low as possible and thrive through the generous donations of our congregants.

To properly designate your donation please write on your check or attach a note to where you might want the fund deposited, such as Kol Nidre, Memorial, Sanctuary, General or specific fund raising accounts and so on. By doing this it will enable Farra, our treasurer to correctly distribute all monies.

Thank-you all for such tremendous donations and contributions that help benefit the future of our Jewish Center

Have an announcement for the Shofar Newsletter?

As always, if you wish to see your happy occasion listed in our Shofar, send an e-mail to [jewishcenterofthemoriches@gmail.com](mailto: jewishcenterofthemoriches@gmail.com) or use the contact form on our website at www.jewishcenterofthemoriches.com.

Corresponding Secretary

Please send all birth announcements, deaths, change of address or all other **imperative information** for the Jewish Center to **Donna Ash**, our Corresponding Secretary at 631-395-3346 or e-mail desj1975@hotmail.com . This will allow all information to be distributed to the right board member or committee.

Sponsor an Oneg on Shabbat

Sponsoring an Oneg can be a great way to celebrate simchas such as birthdays, anniversaries, graduations and other commemorations. Interested in sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat through the Deborah Sisterhood? Call :Sherry Schwartz @ 631-878-4880

Would you like to Participate in a Service?

As members of the Jewish Center know, we welcome participation of members of the Congregation and guests to participate in the service to the extent of their capabilities and desires. We are fortunate to have several members of the Congregation who contribute by leading the singing of some of our most familiar prayers. Others contribute by reading the Haftarah. Another contributes by blowing the Shofar. Many contribute by leading English readings or by opening the Ark. Still others help by greeting Congregants and guests and by assisting with the proceedings on the Bimah. But we can always benefit from more participation.

Perhaps there is a role you would like to play and are just waiting to be invited. We invite you to let us know what you would like to do and we will make every effort to accommodate you. Please contact Steve Schwartz, chair of the Ritual Committee (ss12@optonline.net; 631-878-4880) or Rabbi Jack Shlachter (physicsrabbi@gmail.com) and let us know how you would like to participate.

Looking forward to seeing you all at Services.

Steve Schwartz

Friday Night Shabbat Services

In an effort to keep the services from ending too late at night, and thus to make attending services more attractive to families with children, we will be starting services **promptly at 7:30 pm**. The building will be open from about 7:15 onwards to allow socializing before the services. Please make every effort to arrive promptly. Thank you for your cooperation. Steve Schwartz, for the ritual committee

Almost every Friday night people attend services specifically to say Kaddish. In order to recite the Kaddish, a Minyan (minimum of ten adults) is required. Unfortunately there are times when fewer than ten people attend services. This is very upsetting to those who are denied the opportunity to say Kaddish. Friday night services only last about an hour and a half. Please try to attend as often as possible so we have a Minyan.



East End Jewish Community Council was formed to unite Jewish people, synagogues and organizations on the East End of L.I. for their mutual benefit & to promote Jewish cultural & religious identity.
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August, 2019

The following are names of individuals whose yahrzeits are memorialized by plaques in the sanctuary and the dates of the Friday evening services on which their yahrzeits will be observed and Kaddish recited in their memory:

August 2	Mac Janis
August 2	Toni Forsch
August 2	Nathaniel Zobler
August 2	Fannie H. Cohn
August 2	Moses Helfant
August 9	Joseph Allen Ash
August 9	Rose Makransky
August 9	Louis Berkowitz
August 16	Minnie Cohen
August 16	Richard Isidore Bernstein
August 23	Louis Nooger
August 23	Solomon Simon
August 23	Gertrude Ash
August 30	Joseph Kirsch
August 30	Rose Shapiro
August 30	Mae Laube
August 30	Nathan Bley

Worshippers who are observing a yahrzeit and who would like any additional name mentioned at the time of Kaddish are asked to present that name in writing to the Cantor prior to the service.

“The memory of the righteous is a Blessing”



September, 2019

The following are names of individuals whose yahrzeits are memorialized by plaques in the sanctuary and the dates of the Friday evening services on which their yahrzeits will be observed and Kaddish recited in their memory:

September 6	Perry Sheren
September 6	Rose Rudnetsky
September 13	Annie Bernstein
September 13	Charlotte Stark
September 20	Isidore Jacobowitz
September 20	Donald Berger
September 20	Louis Cohn
September 20	Paul Alter
September 20	Augustus H. Bergmann
September 20	Charlotte Ober
September 27	Rhoda Harrison
September 27	Annette Susan Pribut-Smith
September 27	Benjamin Fingaroot
September 27	Howard Robert Pribut

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Upcoming Schedule

August

Friday 8/9 – Rabbi Shlacter's first service

Sunday 8/18 – Rummage Sale

September

Sunday 9/1 – Covered Dish with the Kiss Family

Sunday 9/6 – Official Welcome Shabbat for Rabbi Shlacter and Hot Dog BBQ

Hebrew School Dates to come

High Holiday Schedule

Selichot & Shabbat Evg.Service	Fri	9/27	8:30 PM
Rosh Hashanah Eve	Sun	9/29	8:00 PM
Rosh Hashanah 1st Day	Mon	9/30	9:00 AM
Tashlich			1:30 PM
Rosh Hashanah 2nd Eve	Mon	9/30	8:00 PM
Rosh Hashanah 2nd Day	Tue	9/11	9:00 AM
Shabbat Evening Service	Fri	10/04	7:30 PM
Memorial Service, Mt. Pleasant Cem.	Sun	10/06	11:00 AM
Kol Nidre	Tue ..	10/08 ...	6:30 PM sharp
Yom Kippur	Wed	10/09	9:00 AM
Yizkor			11:00 AM
Mincha			5:15 PM
Break the Fast			7:30 PM

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