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Lunch 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Friday Evening Shabbat Services are held at 6:15 PM.

Saturday Shabbat services are at 9:30 AM.

Thursday morning minyan at 7:00 AM

Please check the calendar each month for any special times.

Services at a Glance - June

Friday, June 1st

6:15 PM Service

Candle Lighting 8:25 PM

Saturday, June 6th

9:30 AM Service

Thursday, June 7th

7:00 AM Minyan

Friday, June 8th

6:15 Service

Candle Lighting 8:29 PM

Saturday, June 9th

9:30 AM Service

Thursday, June 14th

7:00 AM Minyan

Friday, June 15th

Candle Lighting 8:32 PM

Saturday, June 16th

9:30 AM Service 9:30 A

Thursday, June 21st

7:00 Minyan

Friday, June 22nd

6:15 PM Service

Candle Lighting 8:34 PM

Saturday, June 23rd

9:30 AM Service

Thursday, June 28th

7:00 AM minyan

Services at a Glance - July

Thursday, July 5th

7:00 AM minyan

Friday, July 6th

6:15 PM service

Candle lighting 8:34

Saturday, July 7th

9:30 AM service

Thursday, July 12th

7:00 AM minyan

Friday, July 13th

6:15 PM service

Candle lighting 8:32

Saturday, July 14th

9:30 AM service

Thursday, July 19th

7:00 AM minyan

Friday, July 20th

6:15 PM service

Candle lighting 8:28

Saturday, July 21st

9:30 AM service

Erev Tisha B'Av service

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Thursday, July 26th

7:00 AM minyan

Friday, July 27th

6:15 PM service

Candle lighting 8:24

Saturday, July 28th

9:30 AM service





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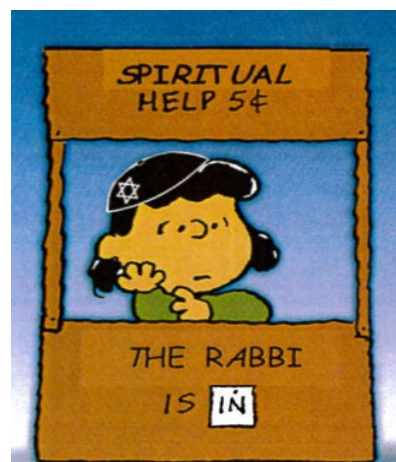
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A word of Torah From Rabbi Aaron Rubinstein



Our words, Our Deeds, Our Name

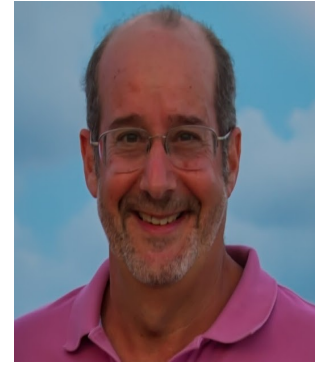
A memory implanted in my mind from my early teen years as a Yeshiva Boy — before we went home for summer break (it was called 'bein haz'manim בין הזמנים, literally, between terms), we heard some stern talk about the way we were expected to comport ourselves during vacation. Hey, I didn't say we absolutely listened like perfect little angels, but the message was clear. We were pretty clearly recognizable yeshiva boys and if we were out in public doing something...highly frowned upon, it would reflect poorly on the reputation of the yeshiva. In rabbinic terms, we heard the terms (often!) kiddush HaShem קידוש השם (making God's name holy), and the dark flip-side, Chillul HaShem חילול השם, profaning God's name) — yes, I know you've heard invoke these terms before. It's because this is important.

A Jew received a Nobel or some other highly prized award of distinction — we're proud: Look at us; our little tribe strives, we get it done! We're smart, philanthropic, compassionate, etc. A Jew becomes the center of scandal or horror — Madoff, Weinstein, Boesky, Baruch Goldstein, to name a few. We cringe. Those monstrous behaviors may belong solely to the perpetrators, but the Jewish name or face is duly noted.

Whatever you might think about this particular tribal dynamic, it's pretty old, it's baked into who we are and how we tell our narratives. I can't be the only person noting Jewish last names that pop up in the news. If I'm not naming them here, it's because I don't want to splash partisan politics into this conversation. Is it some weird Jewish neurosis? I can't say for sure but I do know that our non-Jewish friends and neighbors seem pretty much aware of highly visible American Jews (Seinfeld, Larry David? Again — I'm avoiding folks who are currently in some sort of hot water, in order to steer clear of the 24/7 chatter).

While our population numbers are tiny, our presence — for better or worse — looms larger than our numbers warrant. When some Jewish actor or politician or mogul or athlete does or says something beautiful we should feel good about that moment. And we'll cringe when one of our own makes a fool of themselves or worse. Most of my yeshiva rebbes are likely gone, but their words are still important. In the public arena, may the things said and done by 'our crowd' will represent a feather in our cap and not a stench that haunts our steps.

A Message from our President, Evan "Elmo" Koplin



Thoughts and Comments from Year 1

Hope everybody is having a great start to the summer.

As I wind down my first year serving as President I wanted to reflect on some experiences, thoughts, and ideas.

Biggest Surprise- If you are not involved in many of the day to day operations, you miss the fact that we have a very strong group of young developing leaders who work diligently to make our Shul great. I am very excited and energized by all the young volunteers we have involved. Our future looks very bright and strong!

Biggest Disappointment- I feel there are many programs and projects I wanted to get accomplished this past year and just did not get them done. Like a lot of things, I guess you need to be realistic about timelines. I plan to continue on the path of further development of leadership and tweaking our programming to meet the needs of our diverse members.

Changes to Make- I refuse to let those who speak negatively of our congregation (or the Middle Georgia Jewish Community as a whole) suck our time and energy. I suggest all members distance yourself from those who continually suck our time and energy with negativity. We have too many great things happening to allow time to be wasted on negativity. Just as we as Jews stand up for rights of others, we need to stand up to those who try to suck our energy with negativity.

We do have a wide age spread with our members. We try to figure out programming to make all facets of our kehilla feel engaged. To grow and further develop as a vibrant Jewish community, we need to be open to looking at things differently. What are those things you would like to see to enable you to feel more fulfilled as a Jew in Middle Ga?

While I have served as President this past year, I have leaned heavily this past year on our past Presidents to help me. Thank you to Theresa Rosengart, Anne Bayme, and Shelley Davidson.

It also is pretty easy serve as President with the team of Aaron and Sharona. We are so very fortunate to have these two and their family as part of our Kehilla. Thank you both for your dedication and commitment.

Lastly, how many of you knew that we have great bow and arrow expert who used this skill in maintaining the Shul. Brian, you are amazing!!! I will let him explain. It's a great story! Probably falls under you aint going to believe this type story!



“So often you find that the students you are trying to inspire are the ones that end up inspiring you!” (Sean Junkins). The close of our religious school year gives us a chance to pause and reflect back over all the fun and learning we have had with our wonderful students. The remarks the teachers made at the CSI Awards and Recognition Program was evidence of how special our students are, and how productive our time together has been. We have celebrated Jewish holidays, learned about Jewish history, traditions, and culture, and supported tzedakah projects locally as well as in Israel. In addition to learning, the wonderful friendships and connections that continue to develop are so dear and priceless. These relationships are what strengthen the core of our school!

Our last day of Religious School was May 20th. We celebrated Shavuot by learning about Moses and the Ten Commandments, and participating in a Ten Commandment Scramble. Students discussed the Ten Commandments and put them in the order they thought was meaningful. Teachers shared their class' tzedakah projects. Our youngest class, The Seedlings, learned about service dogs and how they can help people. They are contributing \$128.50 to the Israel Guide Dog Center. The First –Third Grade class is contributing \$84.86 to The Mentor's Project. The Fourth - Sixth Grade class is contributing \$70.00 to the Children's Hospital. Our Teen Class also collected tzedakah for the Children's Hospital.

Attendance awards were Olympic style with gold, silver, and bronze medals. Morgan Bernstein and Sophie Denisar received Gold medals for perfect attendance. Maya Rubinstein, Rivka Brown, and Sylvia Brown received Silver medals for only one absence. Eileen Crabtree, Lilah Hutten, and Jaden Adler received Bronze medals for only two absences. Congrats to all! Families were recognized as “Nacho Average Family” and thanked for all of their help and support. Students received a “planet earth cookie” with the message “You mean the world to CSI!” CSI expressed appreciation to teachers with a “Thanks a Latte” gift card. Thank you to Anne Bayme and Chrissy Crabtree; Jenna Denisar and Lara Geller; Pam Webster and Jay Freedman; Jennifer Bernstein and Emily Piassick; Rabbi Aaron Rubinstein and Rabbi Aaron Sataloff; and Teen Aides Isaac Crabtree, Nicole Hill, Jack Finkelstein, and Amitai Ilan for teaching this past year. Isaac and Jay did double duty, teaching both Sunday School and Hebrew. Also thanks to Hillel Kaplan for being our Librarian. Everyone invested so much of themselves into making Jewish learning fun and interactive. We wrapped up the morning of Shavuot with ice cream sundaes.

Two of our four Teen Aides are graduating from high school this year. We will miss you, Jack and Isaac! Good luck and have fun in college! Come back and visit!

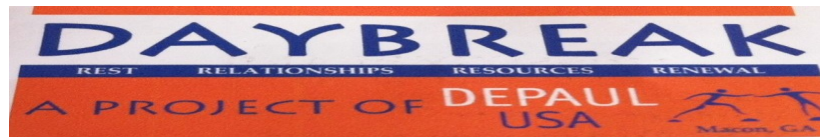
We want to wish congratulations to our Teen Class Confirmands, Sophie Denisar and Maya Rubinstein. Confirmation was held on May 4th followed by a Shabbat dinner. Sophie and Maya, with the help of Laurel Robinson, created two pieces of art to donate to CSI, and will hang in the Teen Room. Rockin' Shabbat also happened on May 4th as part of the adult service and Confirmation.

Summer is almost here! Make the most of it! Read a Jewish themed book, light Shabbat candles, say the Shema, come to Shabbat services, bake challah, continue to collect tzedakah, have fun and be safe! “Don't count the days of summer, but make the days of summer count!” See you all in August!



Macon Outreach Needs Your Support

Please everyone, remember to bring food donations for the Macon Outreach Food Pantry. Our donations will serve many families in the Middle Georgia area who are in need of help. Items such as canned fish and beans, peanut butter, macaroni & cheese, applesauce, canned fruits and vegetables, rice and pastas are all especially helpful. Please help contribute to Tikkun Olam by bringing a can with you on your way to services and/or religious school.



Congregation Sha'arey Israel is a partner with DAYBREAK, a daytime haven for members of our community who are either homeless or are in need of a place to spend a day with people; a place where they can shower, get a light snack, and feel part of a community.

Donations are needed for the following supplies: **shampoo/body wash; body lotion; paper towels; toilet tissue; 13 gallon trash bags; HE laundry detergent; bleach; disposable food service gloves; disposable razors; washcloths; spray deodorant; dish detergent; coffee; coffee creamers; coffee stirrers; sugar bags; powdered lemonade; canned fruit cocktails; crew and boot socks; tea bags; air disinfectant spray**

Daybreak has opened a boutique of gently used clothing. The store is called WEAR, and is located at 466 First Street. All donated items must be clean. Hangers are appreciated, but not required. Clothes for all members of the family are welcomed. All profits from the sale of the clothing will go to support Daybreak. You can drop off your donations at DAYBREAK, 174 Walnut Street

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NEW FLAVORS

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<p>10 ^{27 sivan}</p>	<p>11 ^{28 sivan}</p>	<p>12 ^{29 sivan}</p>	<p>13 ^{30 sivan}</p> <p>ROSH CHODESH</p>	<p>14 ^{1 tammuz}</p> <p>MINYAN 7:00 AM</p> <p>FLAG DAY ROSH CHODESH</p>	<p>15 ^{2 tammuz} </p> <p>SERVICES 6:15 PM CANDLE LIGHTING 8:32</p>	<p>16 ^{3 tammuz} </p> <p>SERVICES 9:30 AM</p> <p><i>Korach</i></p>
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