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SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Annual Mikvah Awareness Shabbat

Friday Evening

- 6:46pm: Earliest Candle Lighting
- 6:45pm: Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Services led by **Chazzan Yanky Lemmer**
- 8:00pm: Candle Lighting
- 8:05pm: Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary
- 6:45pm: Shir Hashirim followed by Sephardic Minyan in Belfer Beit Midrash

Shabbat Morning

- 7:45am: Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by Kiddush and shiur with **Rabbi Moshe Soklow**
- 8:30am: Parsha Shiur with Rabbinic Intern **Jared Anstandig** in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary
- 9:00am: Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Services led by **Chazzan Yanky Lemmer**. Drasha by **Yoetzet Halacha Ilana Gadish**: "Jewish Self-Doubt in Parashat Behar: Risks and Redemption"
- 9:09am: Latest Shema
- 9:15am: Beginners Service led by **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in room LL201 (Lower Level)
- 9:45am: Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash. Drasha by **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld**

Shabbat Afternoon

- 4:00pm: Herb Weiss Bikur Cholim Society meets in shul lobby. New volunteers are urgently needed.
- 6:15pm: Beginners Mishna Chavura with **Moshe Sheinwexler** in the Belfer Beit Midrash
- 6:45pm: Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur by **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld**: "Introduction to Religious Zionism - Shiur #2: *Origins of Religious Antizionism*"
- 6:45pm: Bible Class with **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in room 211
- 7:45pm: Mincha followed by Seudah Shlishit.
- 9:02pm: Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Hashkama Kiddush

Sponsored by **Manny Zareh** in commemoration of his grandmother's yahrtzeit.

Beginner's Kiddush

Sponsored by **Alexandra Vasina** in honor of our wonderful **Rabbi Buchwald** and congratulations to **Samantha Lee** on her conversion.

Main Kiddush

Sponsors welcome.

Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan Kiddush

Sponsored by **Yael and Abraham Lavi** in memory of **Shmuel ben Rav Nachman z"l**, **Elka bat Rav Avraham a"h** and **Pinchas ben Rav Avraham z"l**.

Seudah Shlishit

Sponsored by **Dr. Ira Friedman** in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of his father-in-law, **Joseph Berger, Yosef ben Zechariah z"l**.

MAZAL TOV

- Mazal tov, to great-grandparents, **Linda & Howard Sterling**, grandparents **Arielah & Yaakov Sterling** and parents **Chaya & Ohri Sterling** on the birth of a boy **Shimon** in Bnei Brak, Israel.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Jonah & Basya Lobell

Annual Dinner ^{52nd}

SUNDAY, JUNE 5 • 6:00PM
180 AMSTERDAM AVE, NEW YORK

It's coming soon, it happens only once a year, and it's looking to be one of our best ever. **Join us** as we celebrate our deserving honorees, each of whom has done so much for our Shul. **Join us** for a delightful evening with good friends, delicious food and overall bonhomie. **Join us** to support our ever-growing LSS community. Whatever your reason, just be sure to **Join us for this year's Annual Dinner**. Visit lss.org/dinner to

כ' אם עשות משפט ואהבת חסד והצנע לכת עם אלקיך

Weekly Prayer Schedule
For the Week of May 29
Monday – Thursday Mincha/Ma'ariv: 8:10pm

Sunday	Monday	Tues, Wed & Fri	Thursday
Shacharit: 7:10am	Shacharit: 7:00	Daf Yomi: 6:20am	Daf Yomi: 6:15am
Daf Yomi: 7:45am	Daf Yomi: 7:45	Shacharit: 7:10am	Shacharit: 7:00am
Shacharit: 8:30am	Shacharit: 8:30	Shacharit: 7:50am	Shacharit: 7:50am

If either you or your children volunteered in any of Wendy's countless Chesed activities over these many years, please consider adding your name to the Volunteer Journal Page in her honor. Also, if you have any photos of Wendy supervising these activities, please contact the Shul office or Gloria Kestenbaum.

Women's Talk Time • Thursday, June 2nd • 11:30am

Women are invited to attend an ongoing discussion group facilitated by Ruth Riemer. All ages are welcome. Our last topic was: "When is it Lashon Hara? When is it Protection?"

Celebrate Israel Parade • Sunday, June 5

Take a stand against BDS by showing your pride in Israel's many accomplishments. March in the annual parade. As we did last year, LSS will march under the banner of United Congregations for Israel; this is a consortium of neighborhood synagogues of different denominations united in our love of Israel. The whole world will be watching, including our brothers and sisters in Israel. You will be back in ample time to attend the LSS Annual Dinner. To register for the parade and to purchase T-shirts, visit www.lss.org/event/celebrateisraelparade

Mishnah Siyum Lunch • Shabbat, June 11th • 12:30pm

Join us for a Siyum luncheon in celebration of this year's communal study of Mishnah on Shabbat, June 11th (the Shabbat before Shavuot). Everyone is invited to this special luncheon that will include learning, games, and prizes. Advance registration is required. To register to learn, see Bill Greenbaum, Gabe Gershowitz, Rabbi Charlie Savenor, Nathan Vogel, or Julie Walpert, or email mishnah@lss.org.



For thousands of years, Jewish women have cherished the mitzvah of Mikvah as an opportunity to infuse their lives and their homes with spirituality and holiness. According to tradition, water symbolizes purity, life and the abundance of G-d's blessings. Participation in the mitzvah of Mikvah is a bond between each Jewish woman and the generations who have preceded her, between husband and wife, and between each of us and G-d. The mitzvah of Mikvah affords us an opportunity for introspection and renewal.

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BEGINNERS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Save the date!** The **FINAL Beginners Luncheon of the season** will be **NEXT Shabbat, June 4th, 2016**. The cost is still only \$25. Please make your reservations by **THIS Tuesday, May 31st**. You can register online at www.lss.org/beginners or call 212-874-6100.
- **Save the date!** **Saturday night, June 11th, 12:00am-7:00am – All Night Shavuot Learn-A-Thon**. The keynote opener will start at **12:00am** and Rabbi Buchwald's class starts at **1:00am and continues to 4:45am**. **Topic: "The Taryag Mitzvot: A Survey of the 613 Commandments," starting with mitzvah #426: "Prohibition Against Inter-marriage."** Refreshments will be served. No reservation necessary.
- New sessions of the **Hebrew Reading Crash Course Levels I and II**, will begin **Monday, June 20th at 6:30pm**. **The classes meet for 1 1/2 hours, and are free and open to all. Register at www.lss.org/beginners Co-Sponsored by NJOP.**

**MISHNAH IMPOSSIBLE CAMPAIGN
MISHNAH IMPOSSIBLE (WITHOUT YOU)**

We will once again be learning Mishnah leading up to Shavuot. We will have a siyum to celebrate. This year we offer the opportunity to learn in the memory of Israeli victims of terror. Please respond to the email that you received earlier this week from the shul and register. For questions, email Mishnah@lss.org or contact Bill Greenbaum, Gabriel Gershowitz, Rabbi Charlie Savenor, Nathan Vogel or Julie Walpert.

Meet the West Side Yoetzet Halacha, Ilana Gadish



Ilana Gadish serves as the Yoetzet Halacha for a number of synagogues in Manhattan, and is a graduate of Nishmat's U.S. Yoatzot Halacha Fellows program. Ilana also teaches Talmud and Tanakh at the Ramaz Upper School. She previously served as an intern on the clergy of Lincoln Square Synagogue, and before that as a congregational intern at United Orthodox Synagogues in Houston, Texas. Ilana received her M.A. in Biblical and Talmudic Interpretation at the Graduate Program in Advanced Talmudic Studies (GPATS) at Stern College for Women, where she also received her B.A. with a major in Judaic Studies and a minor in Biology. She spent a year studying at Midreshet Lindenbaum in Jerusalem, as well as two summers at the Drisha Institute. Ilana currently lives on the Upper West Side with her husband Moshe Peters.

Ilana can be reached by email at nycyoetzet@gmail.com or by phone at (646) 598-1080.

The following article has links to important information; please consider reading the online version of the Echod after Shabbat.

Advocating for Israel

NORPAC has identified four key areas for lobbying Congress:

- Supporting continued security assistance for Israel
- Ensuring Iranian accountability
- Opposing efforts to bypass direct negotiations between Israel and Palestinians
- Fighting boycotts against Israel
- To learn much more about these topics, **including what you can do**, please visit

www.lss.org/advocacy

BUYcott Israel

Missed former Member of Knesset and Talmud scholar Ruth Calderon's lecture? Her wonderful book "A Bride for One Night", is available on Amazon. You will see Talmud in a whole new light while helping Israel's economy.

Dry Bones



WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY

Coffee & Responsa w/ Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld • After Second Minyan (9:15am) **Topic:** "Excuse me, I'm Shomer!" *Shaking Hands With the Opposite Gender*

MONDAY

Invitation to Tefillah w/ Rabbinic Interns Rabbi Jared Anstandig & Rabbi Mark Weingarten • 7:30-8:15pm
Each week, we explore, uncover, and understand a new aspect of the daily prayers, with the ultimate goal of making Tefillah a more intimate and meaningful experience.

TUESDAY

Parsha Shiur with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 10:30am

Gemara B'Shana with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 7:00 pm
A program dedicated to the memory of Bruce Ritholtz a"h with the ambitious goal of studying and completing an entire tractate of Talmud, focused on analysis and group discussion. This year we will be studying tractate Ta'anit.

Beit Midrash Night:

- **Samuel Group Chabura facilitated by Ron Platzer** • 7:05pm
Adultery, incest, rebellion -- the travails of David, the greatest Jewish king -- A great story, complex characters, a subtle, sophisticated text.
- **Tanach Survey: The Books of Samuel and Kings** • 7.00 pm -
Facilitated by Marcy Zwecker and Robin Mitchnick (Meets in a private residence, please call office for details)

WEDNESDAY

Beit Midrash Night • 8:40pm

Facilitated by Sara Brzowsky. The Subversive Religious Poetry of Yehuda Amichai: We continue to analyze the Israeli poet's final masterpiece, Patuach Sagur Patuach.

THURSDAY

Parsha Class with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 6:45pm

Join Rabbi Shaul Robinson for an exciting and timely look at the weekly portion utilizing contemporary and ancient commentators to uncover new depth in Torah study.

Cholent Chabura with Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld • 8:45pm

Welcome Shabbat early and explore a challenging new topic in Jewish thought each week in this informal and friendly gathering. Chabura meets in a private residence. *Please contact office for location.*

Rabbi Robinson now gives two Lunch and Learn Classes - on Monday in Midtown (5th and 52nd St) and on Wednesday near Wall Street - please speak to him for more details



D'var Echod B'lev Echod

Insights into the weekly Parsha and other matters at the heart of the LSS community

20 Iyyar 5776 • May 27-28 , 2016
Parshat Behar

By: Michael Laufer

"Parshat Behar"

Right out of this week's Parsha Behar - Support the Shul Dinner

LSS provides a beautiful, welcoming, spiritual home to a large and very diverse membership. We have one goal: to help Jews, regardless of their background, connect to Judaism and the Jewish people.

Lincoln Square Synagogue is at the center of the Jewish Community. No one is ever turned away and thousands of people every year turn to us for everything from a place to daven or sell their chametz or to seek spiritual counseling or with Halachic questions. And our Hospitality Committee helps hundreds of people every year find their way to a warm Shabbat or Yom Tov table.

If you would like to help support our work or say "Thank You" to LSS, please be part of our Annual Dinner and Journal Campaign. The dinner is on June 5th and we are honoring individuals who have done so much for our community and the wider community - Janice and Stuart Shorestein, Debra and Adam Verstandig, and Wendy Baker.

Here are some proofs from this week's Torah reading.

Leviticus 25.

1 *And the Lord spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai, saying - The extra phrase on Mount Sinai comes to teach us that the concept of contributing generously to the journal and attending the dinner was mandated already at Mt. Sinai*

8 *And you shall count for yourself – everyone needs to participate and be counted towards supporting the shul as best we can.*

10 *It shall be a Jubilee for you, and it will surely be the best dinner as we all celebrate together*

12 *It shall be holy for you - come listen to the stories of our exalted honorees – it will inevitably uplift you.*

35 *If your brother becomes destitute and his hand falters beside you, you shall support him and how much more so our shul which reaches out to all nooks and crannies of our community near and far.*

26:2 *You shall keep My Sabbaths and fear My Sanctuary. The wonderful Sanctuary called Lincoln Square Synagogue.*

Please don't miss the opportunity to attend the dinner, and please consider making a contribution at whatever level you can even if you are unable to attend. This is the shul's largest fundraiser of the year and with your help we can continue our work of strengthening the Jewish community.

You can find more details and sign up at - <http://www.lss.org/dinner>