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THIS SHABBAT

Friday Evening

5:57pm: Candle Lighting
6:00pm: Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary

Shabbat Morning

7:45am: Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by Kiddush and shiur with **Rabbi Moshe Sokolow**
9:00am: Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary
9:15am: Beginners Service led by **Dr. Leonard Davidman** in room LL201 (Lower Level)
9:30am: Youth Breakfast
9:45am: Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash
9:54am: Latest Shema

Shabbat Afternoon

4:00pm: Herb Weiss Bikur Cholim Society meets in shul lobby. New volunteers are urgently needed.
4:10pm: Beginners Mishna Chavura with **Moshe Sheinwexler** in the Belfer Beit Midrash
4:40pm: Bible Class with **Bernard Kabak** in room 211. *The class is given in memory of Dov Ber ben Tsvi Hirsch—Barry Youngerman*
4:40pm: Louis Lazar Memorial Shiur with **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld**
5:40pm: Mincha followed by Seudah Shlishit
6:56pm: Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends

YOUTH GROUPS

Youth Breakfast
@ 9:30am in room 206/207

Groups Start at 10am K-1 Room 208/210
Pre-K: Room 208/210 2nd-tweens—Room 206/207

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Hashkamah Kiddush
Sponsored by The Fund.

Main Kiddush
Sponsors welcome.

Beginners Kiddush
Sponsored by **Manny Henzel and family** in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of my mother, **Esther Henzel, Esther bat Yitzchak, z"l**.

Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan Kiddush
Sponsored by **Hannah and Paul Freilich** in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Hannah's father **Max Holmes, z"l**; by **Michael Laufer and Miriam Morgenstern Laufer** in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of **Miriam's father HaRav Shalom Yehoshua Morgenstern, z"l**; and in commemoration of our beloved **Rabbi Hershel Cohen, Harav, Tzvi Hersh Ben Yitzhak, z"l**.

Seudah Shlishit
Sponsored by **Shuli Cohen** and family in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of **Rabbi Herschel Cohen, z"l**.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Edith and David Englard
Abbie and Jeremy Pappas
Lauren and Daniel Rosen
Adir and Hadas Richulsky

MAZAL TOV

- Mazal tov to **Aidel and Ephraim Buchwald** on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, **Gavriel Moshe Buchwald**, son of their children, **Blanche and Yedidiah Buchwald** of Bergenfield, NJ.
- Mazal tov to **Phyllis and Stanley Getzler** on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, **Ita Newman-Getzler**, daughter of **Amanda Newman and Joshua Getzler**.

GREET SOMEONE NEW THIS SHABBAT

Let's make our shul an even more welcoming place. If you see an unfamiliar face, introduce yourself and say "Shabbat Shalom."

HOSPITALITY SHABBATON

Be a part of the LSS Annual Hospitality Shabbaton. On Shabbat, Nov. 6-7, we hope that every LSS member will share one Shabbat meal with at least one LSS member s/he didn't know before. Sign up now -- just go to lss.org/hospitality or call 212-874-6100 and let us know whether you'd like to be a guest or a host. More details to follow by email. **Friday night dinner or Shabbat lunch -- pick a meal and make new friends.**

Weekly Prayer Schedule—For the Week of October 18-23 Sun—Thurs Mincha/Ma'ariv: 5:55pm

Sunday	Mon & Thurs	Tues, Wed & Friday
Shacharit: 7:10am	Daf Yomi: 6:15am	Daf Yomi: 6:20am
Daf Yomi: 7:45am	Shacharit: 7:00am	Shacharit: 7:10am
Shacharit: 8:30am	Shacharit: 7:50am	Shacharit: 7:50am

SECURITY ANNOUNCEMENT



We are profoundly saddened by the passing of our former LSS Security Team Manager and active member Barry Youngerman z"l. May his memory be a blessing to all of us. As Barry did, feel the reward of protecting our children and community; don't neglect it until it is too late. Train with us and become a Cadet. The next class will begin in November. To find out more email LSS Security at Security@LSS.org
Remember: "If you see something, say something. Your safety depends on it."

Ian Silver, Chair, LSS security Committee

Join our LSS community. Go to lss.org/join

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fall Clothing Drive • Sunday, October 18th, at 10am-1:00pm

We will be collecting for the elderly, sheltered homeless and Morning Star Full Gospel Assembly. We need your gently-used clothing in clean, whole condition. At this time of year, coats are especially welcomed. Please note, nothing on hangers.

Women's Talk Time • Wednesday, October 21st, at 11:30am

Join LSS member and psychologist Ruth Riemer for a weekly ongoing small group discussion relevant to women in the LSS community.

The Great Big Challah Bake • Thursday, October 22nd, at 7:30pm

The Manhattan Challah Bake is a unique event that unites the entire Manhattan Jewish Women's community. Through baking challah, we as a community nurture and maintain significant long-standing traditions. Be part of this worldwide experience and learn about this powerful mitzvah. Please pre-register at: <http://theshabbosprojectnyc.org/manhattan>

Book Club Meeting • RESCHEDULED FOR: Sunday, October 25th, at 7:30pm

The first meeting of the LSS Book Club has been rescheduled to Sunday night, October 25, 2015 at 7:30PM at LSS. We will be discussing "All Who Go Do Not Return" by Shulem Deen. Rabbi Ysocher Katz who is Chair of the Talmud Department of Yeshiva Hovevei Torah Rabbinical School and Rabbi of Prospect Heights Synagogue will lead the discussion.

Cantorial Classics Concert • Motza'ei Shabbat, November 14th, at 8pm • Congregation Rinat Yisrael, 389 West Englewood Ave. Teaneck, NJ • \$36

Classics featuring our own Cantor Yanky Lemmer and Cantor Yaakov Motzen • Rsvp at rinat.org/concert

Film Screening: I Declare Allegiance • Sunday, November 15th, at 7pm.

Join us for a special evening. LSS film club presents our first film of the season, **I Declare Allegiance**, about an experimental unit in the IDF supporting young men from the haredi community. The documentary follows the new recruits through eight months of basic training. Following the film, we will hear from Prof. Benjamin Ish-Shalom, president of Beit Morasha, which implements many projects involving Jewish identity, values and ethics in the IDF. Advance reservation (at lss.org/films), \$10; at the door, \$15.

BEGINNERS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- You may still register for Rabbi Buchwald's **Introduction to Bible (Began Tuesday, October 13th)**. This course, which meets for another **7 weeks, from 6:30-8:00pm**, provides a general overview of the content and style of the Bible. We will review basic literary and theological approaches to Bible study, traditional and modern, through the analysis of the Biblical text. To register, please call 212-874-6100 or register online at www.lss.org/beginners. **Cost: \$90, free for LSS members. No one will be turned away for lack of funds.**
- **Save the date!** New sessions of the **Hebrew Reading Crash Course Level I** will begin **THIS Monday, October 19th, 2015 at 6:30pm**. The 5 classes last 1 1/2 hours, and are free and open to all. **Register at www.lss.org/beginners.**
- **Save the date!** New sessions of the **Hebrew Reading Crash Course Level II** will begin **THIS Monday, October 19th, 2015 at 6:30pm**. The 5 classes last 1 1/2 hours, and are free and open to all. **Register at www.lss.org/beginners.**
- The next session of the **Jewish Living Workshop** led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum will meet **THIS Monday, October 19th, 7:30pm-8:30pm**. Jewish Living Workshop, a 10 sessions series, is a "hands-on" experience. We learn by doing. The workshop is free, a few sessions will require a modest fee for materials; register at JLworkshop@yahoo.com or www.lss.org. **Topic: Jewish Life Cycles continued – Bris, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Jewish Funeral and Paying a Shiva Call.**
- **Save the date!** The next **Beginners Luncheon** will be **Shabbat, November 7th, 2015**. The cost is only \$25 per person. **Please note new price. Register and pay online at www.lss.org/beginners. Please make your reservations and payment by Wednesday, November 4th.**
- **Save the date! Monday, November 9th, 2015, 8:15-9:30PM**, there will be a **Beginners Schmooze**. No charge, complimentary refreshments. **Please call 212-874-6100 to confirm.**

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Youth Events:

Parshat Noach Reptile Show—Sunday, October 18th, 12:30pm

Learn about the world of reptiles with a hands-on discovery program featuring lizards, snakes, turtles and more, just in time for Parshat Noach. It's an experience that's not to be missed for kids of all ages. \$5 per child at door.



Movie Night—Saturday, October 31st, 7:30pm-9:30pm

Come watch Joseph & The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. You'll sing along to all the amazing songs in the Andrew Lloyd Weber production starring Donny Osmond and Joan Collins; enjoy pizza, ice cream and snacks; and have tons of fun with friends. Be sure to come dressed in colorful clothing. \$5. Sign up at lss.org/youth

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Assisting the Israeli Victims of Terror

Today rabbah to the many people who have already responded to Rabbi Robinson's appeal to help support the Israeli families whose loved ones perished at the hands of Arab terrorists. Thanks to your generosity over \$8,000 will be distributed to the families of Naama and Eitam Henkin, Aaron Bennett and Rabbi Nehamia Lavi. Sadly, the list of victims continues to grow as Jewish blood flows through the streets of Israel. The images coming out of Israel are horrific. The very least that we can do is to help financially. If you haven't contributed yet, please consider doing so now. To make your contributions, please go to www.lss.org/donate and select Israeli Victims of Terror from the type of donation. Or, send a check made out to LSS Chessed Fund to the shul's office. Please indicate Israeli Victims of Terror in the notes line.

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY

Coffee & Responsa w/ Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld • After Second Minyan.

- Journey through the fascinating and compelling world of rabbinic responsa literature, navigating the historical, sociological, and psychological nuances of the Halakic process through study of a seminal responsum each week - all accompanied by a strong cup of delicious coffee or tea.

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

Intro to Bible w/ Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald • 6:30-8pm

Beit Midrash Night:

- Samuel Group Chabura facilitated by Ron Platzer • 7:15pm
Adultery, incest, rebellion -- the travails of David, the greatest Jewish king -- A great story, complex characters, a subtle, sophisticated text. (Begins Oct. 20th)
- 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)

Gemara B'Shana with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 7:45pm

- A new 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.

WEDNESDAY

Visiting Scholars Lecture Series • 7:30pm

- Join leading scholars and educators for mini-semester, 4-week courses on a variety of subjects from modern Tanakh methodology to medical ethics. (Begins Oct. 29th)

Talmudic Logic with Rabbi Dennis Weiss • 7:30pm (Begins on October 21)

- An in-depth look at a single Talmudic subject matter, starting from the relevant biblical texts and delving into the logic system of the Gemara. This year's Topic: "Double Jeopardy: A Study of Kim Lei B'd'raba Minei"

Beit Midrash Night • 8:15pm

- 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 • 7:00pm

- Join Senior 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.



“הָבֵה נִבְנֶה לָנוּ עִיר וּמִגְדָּל וְרֵאשׁוּ בַשָּׁמַיִם וְנַעֲשֶׂה לָנוּ שֵׁם פֶּן נִפּוּץ עַל פְּנֵי כָל הָאָרֶץ”

“Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make ourselves a name, lest we be scattered upon the face of the entire earth.”

(Genesis, Chapter 11, verse 4)

Why did the Babelites build the tower? And if they wanted a tower, why did they need the city that surrounds it? I haven't found an answer about the city question, the commentaries all seem to focus on the purpose of the tower. Breishit Rabbah (28:6) says that the people of the time saw that there were 1656 years from the time of creation to the time of the great flood and they assumed the world would come apart every 1656 years. For some reason and the medrash doesn't explain why, the Babelites believed that their tower would give support to the heavens that would prevent the skies from opening up in another deluge after the second 1656 years. The tower was the Babelites' way of repairing the world, literally fixing the world to perfect it.

Most commentaries take a much dimmer view about the Babelites. Most commentaries focus on the words, “וְנַעֲשֶׂה לָנוּ שֵׁם,” “and let us make ourselves a name.” The consensus view is that the Babelites built the tower to promote themselves, preserve themselves, make themselves immortal, be remembered forever. The tower was just about their pride.

So what would it be like to be citizen of Babel? What would it be like to be a citizen in a city where everyone was focused on one task to be accomplished together? You'd think it would be filled with purpose and meaning and camaraderie. The commentaries, however, say that if materials fell off the tower during construction, the people would mourn, but if people fell off the tower, no one cared. The Babelites were certainly united in common purpose, but their purpose was only about the greatness of their group and the man-made objects their society created. They cared about a testimony to their ingenuity, a remembrance of their creativity. They had no values outside the tower, they didn't care about each other, they only cared about their tower.

I think Barry Youngerman would have been a lousy citizen of Babel. I got to know Barry when we were teamed together to shlep bread for Wendy Baker's bread deliveries and we rode together for several years. (If you don't know about this, Wendy assembles teams of two people three nights a week to take end-of-day bread from a bakery on the East Side to shelters on the West Side. It's a great experience and if you are interested in doing it, talk to Wendy or email Phil Gassel at Philip.Gassel@gmail.com.) The thing you learn about Barry when you spent time with him was that he cared. He cared about the homeless that got the bread, he cared about the bakery that gave it, he cared about bringing in new members to our synagogue so he took over the new membership effort, he cared about welcoming people which he was always doing, he cared about completing the books he wrote on Afghanistan, health and many other topics and he talked often about how much he cared about the promises he made and kept to his publishers. And I know he cared about this dvar torah because it was Barry who got me to write it. Barry found his way in the world in his own unique style, he had strong opinions but he never beat you over the head with it. There is no Tower of Babel with Barry's name on it because Barry didn't care about that. He cared about the people and now the people miss their towering friend.