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OUTSTANDING UPCOMING WEBINARS PRESENTED BY FAS - VIA ZOOM

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DAVID SCHOEN,
Attorney at Law, Federal Criminal Defense and Civil Rights Lawyer

March 7, at 7:30 PM:
" Trump's Second Impeachment"

JAMES S. TISCH,
President & CEO of Loews Corporation

March 14, at 7:30 PM

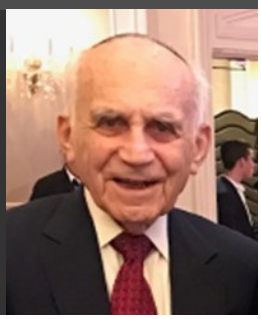
RABBI AHARON KAHN,
Rosh Yeshiva at Yeshiva University & Rav of Knesses Bais Avigdor in Flatbush.

March 21, 2021 at 7:30 PM:
"The Upcoming Holiday of Pesach"

FAS Members & Holocaust Survivors
ROSE ROMEROVSKI & JACK JOSEPH

April 11, 2021

"Yom Hashoah 5781"



STUART EIZENSTAT,
US Diplomat & Attorney, Senior Counsel at Covington & Burling LLP

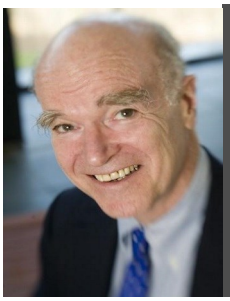
April 18, 2021 at 7:30 PM:

"Holocaust Justice: Past, Present, Future"

MARK MEADOWS,
Former White House Chief of Staff

April 25, 2021 at 7:30 PM

OUR MOST RECENT WEBINARS PRESENTED BY FAS IN FEBRUARY - VIA ZOOM



JOEL L. FLEISHMAN,
Professor of Law and Public Policy at the Sanford School of Public Policy at Duke University, Director of the Sanford School's Samuel and Ronnie Heyman Center for Ethics, Public Policy and the Professions, & Director of the Center for Strategic Philanthropy and Civil Society.

"The Life of Joel Fleishman"
presented on February 21 at 7:30 PM

ARTHUR CHABON,
Arthur Chabon Architects

"FAS Synagogue Renovations"
Presented on February 28 at 7:30 PM

**This webinar was not recorded*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Shabbat
	1 S 8:00 AM M 5:35 PM	**2** S 8:00 AM M 5:35 PM	**3** S 8:00 AM M 5:35 PM	**4** S 8:00 AM M 5:35 PM	**5** S 8:00 AM **C 5:34 PM** M 5:40 PM	**6 Ki Sisa** **Shabbat Parah** S 9:00 AM M 5:20 PM **E 6:34 PM**
7 S 8:30 AM KS 9:13 AM M 5:45 PM	**8** S 8:00 AM M 5:45 PM	**9** S 8:00 AM M 5:45 PM	**10** S 8:00 AM M 5:45 PM	**11** S 8:00 AM M 5:45 PM	**12** S 8:00 AM **C 5:41 PM** M 5:45 PM	**13 Vayakhel/Pekudei** **Shabbat Hachodesh** **Birchas Hachodesh** S 9:00 AM M 5:25 PM **E 6:42 PM**
14 Rosh Chodesh Nisan *Daylight Savings Time* S 8:30 AM KS 10:07 AM M 6:50 PM	**15** S 8:00 AM M 6:50 PM	**16** S 8:00 AM M 6:50 PM	**17** S 8:00 AM M 6:50 PM	**18** S 8:00 AM M 6:50 PM	**19** S 8:00 AM **C 6:49 PM** M 6:55 PM	**20 Vayikra** S 9:00 AM M 6:35 PM **E 7:50 PM**
21 S 8:30 AM KS 10:00 AM M 7:00 PM	**22** S 8:00 AM M 7:00 PM	**23** S 8:00 AM M 7:00 PM	**24** S 8:00 AM M 7:00 PM	**25** S 8:00 AM **Siyum Bechorim 8:30 AM** M 7:00 PM **Bedikat Chametz After 7:55 PM**	**26** S 8:00 AM **C 6:56 PM** M 7:05 PM	**27 Erev Pesach** **Tzav/Shabbat Hagadol** **S 8:00 AM** M 6:50 PM **C 7:57 PM** **First Seder**
28 Pesach Day 1 S 9:00 AM KS 9:53 AM M 7:00 PM **C 7:58 PM** **Second Seder** *Omer Count 1*	**29 Pesach Day 2** S 9:00 AM M 7:00 PM **E 7:59 PM** *Omer Count 2*	**30 Chol Hamoed** S 8:00 AM M 7:05 PM *Omer Count 3*	**31 Chol Hamoed** S 8:00 AM M 7:05 PM *Omer Count 4*			

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Rabbi Shmuel Fishelis……**Daf Yomi**
Rabbi Dr. M. Rosensweig……**Resident Scholar**
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APRIL 2021 **NISAN 19 - IYAR 18, 5781**

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				1 Chol Hamoed S 8:00 AM M 7:05 PM *Omer Count 5*	**2 Chol Hamoed** S 8:00 AM **C 7:04 PM** M 7:10 PM *Omer Count 6*	**3 Pesach Day 7** S 9:00 AM M 7:00 PM **C 8:05 PM** *Omer Count 7*
4 Pesach Day 8 S 9:00 AM KS 9:46 AM **Yizkor 10:00 AM** M 7:10 PM **E 8:06 PM** *Omer Count 8*	**5** S 8:00 AM M 7:15 PM *Omer Count 9*	**6** S 8:00 AM M 7:15 PM *Omer Count 10*	**7** S 8:00 AM M 7:15 PM *Omer Count 11*	**8** S 8:00 AM M 7:15 PM *Omer Count 12*	**9 Yom Hashoah** S 8:00 AM **C 7:11 PM** M 7:10 PM *Omer Count 13*	**10 Shemini** **Birchas Hachodesh** S 9:00 AM M 6:55 PM **E 8:13 PM** *Omer Count 14*
11 S 8:30 AM KS 9:40 AM M 7:20 PM *Omer Count 15*	**12 Rosh Chodesh Iyar** S 8:00 AM M 7:20 PM *Omer Count 16*	**13 Rosh Chodesh Iyar** S 8:00 AM M 7:20 PM *Omer Count 17*	**14 Yom Hazikaron** S 8:00 AM M 7:20 PM *Omer Count 18*	**15 Yom Ha'atzmaut** S 8:00 AM M 7:20 PM *Omer Count 19*	**16** S 8:00 AM **C 7:18 PM** M 7:10 PM *Omer Count 20*	**17 Tazria/Metzora** 9:00 AM M 7:05 PM **E 8:21 PM** *Omer Count 21*
18 S 8:30 AM KS 9:34 AM M 7:25 PM *Omer Count 22*	**19** S 8:00 AM M 7:25 PM *Omer Count 23*	**20** S 8:00 AM M 7:25 PM *Omer Count 24*	**21** S 8:00 AM M 7:25 PM *Omer Count 25*	**22** S 8:00 AM M 7:25 PM *Omer Count 26*	**23** S 8:00 AM **C 7:26 PM** M 7:10 PM *Omer Count 27*	**24 Acharei Mos/ Kedoshim** S 9:00 AM M 7:10 PM **E 8:29 PM** *Omer Count 28*
25 S 8:30 AM KS 9:28 AM M 7:35 PM *Omer Count 29*	**26 Pesach Sheni** S 8:00 AM M 7:35 PM *Omer Count 30*	**27** S 8:00 AM M 7:35 PM *Omer Count 31*	**28** S 8:00 AM M 7:35 PM *Omer Count 32*	**29** S 8:00 AM M 7:35 PM *Omer Count 33*	**30 Lag B'Omer** S 8:00 AM **C 7:33 PM** M 7:10 PM *Omer Count 34*	**May 1 Emor** S 9:00 AM M 7:20 PM **E 8:38 PM** *Omer Count 35*

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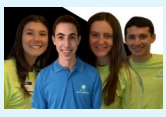
Mittler Senior Tech: Technology During COVID-19

Please join us for this special computer training course geared for seniors, taught by **Jordan Mittler, Director and Founder of *Mittler Senior Technology***. This complimentary course strives to help senior citizens feel connected with the new world of technology, and educate seniors how to communicate with friends and family in the manners we are accustomed to today. Each week is spent exploring topics that are specifically relevant during the time of the Coronavirus. Past lessons have included online entertainment, shopping online, online banking, and using FaceTime.

EVERY SUNDAY FROM 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Zoom Link: https://mittlersenior.technology/zoom
Zoom Meeting ID: 838 464 615



If you need assistance downloading or using Zoom, please call 917-708-0501 or email **jordan@mittlerseniortech.com**.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES TO COMMEMORATE THE YAHRZEIT OF A LOVED ONE

It is a meaningful gesture to give charity in memory of a deceased loved one, as a source of merit for his/her soul. In this regard, please consider sponsoring one of our special virtual classes or programs. At a level of $360, you may sponsor one of the weekday classes taught by Rabbi Babich, Cantor Malovany, or Rabbi Rosensweig, a Video Insight from Rabbi or Lisa Babich; a Daf Yomi class with Rabbi Fishelis, or a Youth program. You may sponsor a Sunday morning/ evening, community-wide program for $1,000. Your generosity will be noted in the Synagogue bulletin, and a *D'var Torah* will be dedicated in memory of your departed family member on Monday or Thursday when the Kel-Malei prayer is recited. Please contact the synagogue office at 212-838-2122 or **email sheila@5as.org** or **tanya@5as.org** if you wish to sponsor. *We also welcome the sponsorship of classes and programs to mark simchas, such as births, graduations, birthdays, anniversaries, Father's Day, etc. Please contact the shul if you have any questions.

A LETTER FROM FAS LEADERSHIP

Dearest Friends,

With Purim behind us and Pesach ahead, the Fifth Avenue community has much for which to be grateful.

Our three Megillah readings were joyous and lively. Many of you participated in our Purim-themed activities through the week, including a musical Havdalah and Parent/Child Learning led by Youth Director Yosef Itzkowitz and Rabbi Babich, a special class led by Rabbi Rosensweig, a cooking class with Renee Cohen and Doris Schechter, and a fabulous Purim night zoom for FAS kids and parents led by Youth Director Rivkah Halpert and her mother Toby Einsidler. We again express our thanks to Eddie and Rebecca Sugar for sponsoring the beautiful Purim gift packages.

We are also delighted that we have been able to continue offering our community a very high level of programming, with speakers such as Alan Dershowitz and Joel Fleishman addressing us on Sunday evenings about world events and philanthropic efforts to build and strengthen the global Jewish community. It has been wonderful to hear from members of our own community like Bellanca Rutter about her career experiences within a family business and as a Broadway producer.

This past Sunday, it was exciting to hear from architect Arthur Chabon as he shared the details of the much-needed shul renovations that have now been approved by the FAS Board of Directors and Board of Trustees. BH, these renovations will allow our community to thrive and grow for many, many years to come. We will look forward to hosting Mr. Chabon for another community update in May or early June.

We have been delighted to welcome more members back to Fifth Avenue Synagogue as an increasing number of you have completed the vaccine process. If you are a senior in need of assistance with making a vaccine appointment, please reach out to Harry Honig, Ramaz 6th grader, who can assist you through the process. Harry can be reached through the shul at 212-838-2122 or at fasvaccine@gmail.com. In the meantime, we continue to maintain all social distancing standards, including masking and requiring the submission of health screening forms.

We are here to assist you in any way possible and hope that you will reach out as needed. Thank you for all that you are doing on an individual basis and as part of the whole to contribute to the strength of the Fifth Avenue Synagogue. We are deeply grateful.

Warmest regards,

Rabbi Eli Babich
Chairman Walter Molofsky, MD
President Jacob D. Gold
Vice President Shaun Honig
Chief Operations Officer Rachel Akrongold

ZOOM WEBINAR
"***FAS Renovations***" with
ARTHUR CHABON,
Arthur Chabon Architects.

The program was introduced by Rabbi Eli Babich, with a special introduction given by FAS Construction Committee Chairman William Friedland, and moderated discussion led by Tamara Winn, FAS Design Committee Chairman, and FAS President Jacob D. Gold.

Presented on Sunday, February 28.

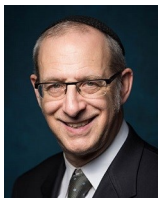
SCHEDULE OF REMOTE CLASSES

CLASSES with RABBI ELI BABICH

Classics of *Mussar* Literature - *Mesillat Yesharim* - Monday and Wednesday from 11:00 AM - 11:20 AM via Zoom.
Meeting ID: 315 202 916 Password: 905909
Optional Dial-In: (929) 205-6099; same meeting ID.

***Pirkei Avot - Ethics of our Fathers* - *Mondays at 7:30 PM.**
Please join us for this fascinating series via zoom.
Meeting ID: 818 6446 5310 Password: 721867
Optional Dial-In: (929) 205-6099; same meeting ID.

Please note that this class has changed to Monday nights, instead of Wednesday nights.



TALMUD CLASS with RESIDENT SCHOLAR RABBI DR. MICHAEL ROSENSWEIG

Rabbi Rosensweig's weekly Talmud class takes place on **Tuesday nights at 7:30 PM via Zoom,** and we are learning ***Tractate Pesachim.***

Meeting ID: 890 4946 3440 Password: 011941
Optional Dial-In: (929) 205-6099; same meeting ID.

CLASS with CANTOR JOSEPH MALOVANY

Thursdays at 6:30 PM via Zoom.

Meeting ID: 456 052 607 Password: 616440
Optional Dial-In: (929) 205-6099; same meeting ID.

Join **Junior Congregation leader Rivkah Halpert's *Shabbat Davening & Party*!**

Thursdays at 3:45 PM (Ages 1-4)

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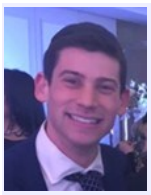

Join **Youth Groups Leader Yosef Itzkowitz** for virtual programs and fun!

Sundays from 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (Ages 4-13)

Meeting ID: 996 7616 5085 Password: 811281
Optional Dial -In: (646)-558-8656 ; same meeting ID.

DAILY DAF YOMI

Led by distinguished Rosh Yeshiva **Rabbi Shmuel Fishelis**, our Daf Yomi study group meets at Fifth Avenue Synagogue on the following schedule:

Everyday at 6:45 AM - 8:00 AM, and Sundays at 7:00 AM with Rabbi Fishelis. *On federal holidays, class will meet on the Sunday schedule.

For those who are unable to attend in person, the Dial-in number for Daf Yomi is (425) 436-6348, Access Code: 643138#.

Our Daf Yomi Group will be making a **SIYUM BECHORIM** on **Thursday, March 25**, celebrating the completion of Tractate Pesachim, just in time for Pesach. We will finish Tractate Pesachim on Monday, March 22, and begin the new Tractate Shekalim on Tuesday, March 23.

HEBREW SCHOOL with JUDY GELDZAHLER

Hebrew school virtual classes take place on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** from **3:30 PM - 5:30 PM,** and **Sundays from 10:15 AM - 12:15 PM.**

Classes are available for both youth and adults. **Call 212-838-2122, or email Tanya@5as.org to register.** References are available from Ronnie Heyman or Daniel Arbess: Please contact President Jacob D. Gold at jacob@jacobdgold.com.

NEW UPCOMING LECTURE SERIES with CHAIM STERN

Beginning Wednesdays after Pesach.

Announcing a new weekly lecture series in KETZOS HACHOSHEN given by Chaim Stern. Authored by Rabbi Aryeh Leib Heller in the 18th century, the "Ketzos" is a seminal exposition of Choshen Mishpat, the portion of Shulchan Aruch that codifies commercial Jewish law. The Ketzos's unique analytical style is considered the precursor to modern Talmudical methodology and is studied in all major Yeshivos to this day.

Chaim Stern is global head of alternative risk solutions at Goldman Sachs and is a graduate of the Talmudical Yeshiva of Philadelphia and Yeshivas Brisk, Israel. Chaim holds a JD from the University of Pennsylvania Law School and an LLM in taxation from the new York University School of Law. Previously an attorney with Weil Gotshal & Manges, Chaim gave the Daf Yomi shiur at the Fifth Avenue Synagogue from 2000-2003.

WE THANK OUR SPONSORS

CLASS SPONSORS

Rose Romerovski for sponsoring Rabbi Babich's Mesillat Yesharim class on January 20, in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her mother-in-law, Sarah Litwak ob"m.

Avi Spodek for sponsoring Rabbi Babich's Mesillat Yesharim class on March 1, in commemoration of the yahrzeit of his father, J. Leonard Spodek ob"m.

Nina Hoff for sponsoring Rabbi Babich's Mesillat Yesharim Class on March 3, in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her mother, Esther Razumnaya ob"m.

KIDDUSH SPONSOR

The Kiddush boxes on Shabbat, February 20, were kindly sponsored by Rivkah Halpert & children Estee & Zach, Dovid, Chavie & Yair, Ruthie Halpert, and Rabbi Harold & Toby Einsidler, for the Refuah Shelema of Rabbi Yisroel Halpert, and in loving memory of David Chaim Halpert on his yahrzeit.

PURIM SPONSOR

The Purim To-go gifts were kindly sponsored by Rebecca and Eddie Sugar, in memory of Eddie's step-father Sam Moss (Zvi ben Shmuel Yehuda) and father Leslie Sugar (Eliezer ben Menachem Mendel) whose yahrzeits fall on Ta'anit Esther and Shushan Purim respectively.

MAZAL TOV!

Lauren and J. Ezra Merkin on the birth of a granddaughter; mazal tov to parents Sophia Merkin and Philip Fogel, and to brother Gideon (Gino).

Linda and Prof. Barry Eichler on the marriage of their grandson Oriel Abadie, son of Rabbi Dr. Elie and Estie Abadie, to Frieda Zeitoune, daughter of Mr. Elie and Laila Zeitoune.

CONDOLENCES

FAS MOURNS THE PASSING OF
Michael and Carole Friedman ob"m, sister and brother-in-law of David (Rochelle) Hirsch and Richard (Elaine) Hirsch; parents of Jonathan Friedman, Lisa Friedman, and Debbie (Marc) Cooper; grandparents of Bradley (Adi) Cooper, Adam Cooper, Zachary (Danielle) Cooper and Jakob Friedman; and great-grandparents of four.

Fred Frenkel ob"m, husband of Ann Frenkel, and father of George, Kenneth and Richard Frenkel.

Ari Gold ob"m, son of Lynn and Sid Gold, and brother of Elon and Steven Gold.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.

IN MEMORIAM

CAROLE AND MICHAEL (MICKEY) FRIEDMAN, OB"M.

The Fifth Avenue Synagogue community mourns the loss of Carole and Mickey Friedman, ob"m. Carole and Mickey were married at Fifth Avenue and were pillars of the community throughout their lives, deeply involved with roles on the Board of Trustees and in daily shul activities. They were anchors of the current renovation efforts. The loss of two such special people leaves a deep vacuum, and we will continue our renovation efforts in their memory.

President Jacob D. Gold

CELEBRATING PURIM 5781 with FIFTH AVENUE SYNAGOGUE!

FAS members and guests enjoyed a special virtual Purim cooking class with **Renee Cohen of Cuisinarts, LLC** and her mother**, Doris Schechter,** of **My Favorite Food fame.** Renee and Doris's menu included Persian Jeweled Rice, Honey-Hoisin Roasted Salmon, and Doris's special Giant Hamantaschen.

MEGILLAH READINGS IN THE FIFTH AVENUE SYNAGOGUE BALLROOM

KIDS VIRTUAL PURIM PARTY with JUNIOR CONGREGATION LEADER RIVKAH HALPERT & HER MOTHER TOBY EINSIDLER

PURIM IS HERE!

Toby Einsidler

Rivkah Halpert

The Rosenblooms

Moshe Babich

Sabrina Rosenbloom

Molly Balsam

Alex Akrongold

Online Musical Havdalah & Parent/Child Purim Learning with Youth Groups Leader Yosef Itzkowitz and Rabbi Eli Babich

PESACH 2021 MAOT CHITIM CAMPAIGN

Dear Congregant,

Perhaps more than any other holiday throughout the year, *Pesach* spawns the greatest financial expense in its observance. Food and utensils used during the year must be replaced with "Kosher for Passover" versions of these items. Aware that these expenditures may cause an agonizing strain on families with limited financial means, our sages instituted the practice of *Maot Chitim (money for wheat)*. *Maot Chitim* refers to the communal collection of funds that are sent to needy families prior of the *Pesach* holiday. These funds serve as a much-needed relief, and ensure that the holiday is properly observed and equally celebrated by all. If you would like to participate in this year's *Maot Chitim* campaign, please make checks out to the "Fifth Avenue Synagogue Trust Fund" and mail it to the Synagogue office. In addition to providing financial relief before the holidays, the synagogue's charity fund assists countless individuals, families and organizations who approach us throughout the year appealing for financial assistance. Only after each request is carefully researched, often with outside counsel, are funds distributed. Your contribution will be of great benefit to us, as it will also assist this year-long initiative. I wish you and your family a *Chag Kasher Ve'Sameach*, a holiday filled with joy, meaning and good health.

Rabbi Eli Babich, rabbibabich@5as.org

SHMURA MATZAH ORDERS FOR PESACH

Shmura matzah is available to purchase through the shul office. Please contact Sheila at (212) 838-2122 or email Sheila@5as.org to place your order.

PASSOVER NOTES

PESACH (Passover) begins this year on **Saturday night, March 27**. During Pesach, we are neither allowed to eat, nor even own, *chametz*. *Chametz* is the general term for all leavened foods. Foods and drinks with ingredients of wheat, rye, barley, oats, or spelt, as well as derivatives of these grains, are presumed to be *chametz* unless they are reliably certified "Kosher for Passover." We are obligated to eat *matzah* on the first two nights of Pesach. Moreover, at the *sedarim*, on the first two nights of Pesach, we eat *shmura matzah*. These obligations, along with recounting the story of the Exodus at the *seder*, are Biblical obligations. In addition, there are various rabbinic obligations on Pesach. These include the recitation of Hallel and, at the *seder*, drinking the *arba kosot* (four cups of wine) and eating *maror* (bitter herbs). The *Sedarim* on both nights, **March 27 and March 28**, should not begin until **7:58 PM.**

SALE OF CHAMETZ (FORM INCLUDED PAGE 10). *Chametz* that one is not inclined to discard may be disposed of via sale to a non-Jew. You may authorize Rabbi Babich to serve as your agent to effect such a sale. You may visit with Rabbi Babich in the synagogue before Pesach and grant him authority by means of a traditional *kinyan*, a gesture of authorization. Rabbi Babich will be available for this purpose at the conclusion of Shacharit during the weeks prior to Pesach. If you are unable to meet the rabbi in person, please feel free to send your completed *chametz* form (available on page 10) to the Synagogue office by post so that it arrives by **Wednesday, March 24.** When you authorize the rabbi to sell your *chametz*, kindly advise him if you will be spending Pesach outside of New York's time zone, so that he may sell your *chametz* at the appropriate time. *Chametz* cannot be repossessed, or eaten, until *one full hour* after *Passover* has ended. Accordingly, one must wait until **9:05 PM** Eastern time on **Sunday night, April 4**, before eating any *chametz.*

INSPECTION FOR CHAMETZ. The search for *chametz* takes place on Thursday evening, March 25, no earlier than 7:55 PM. Every home must be inspected to determine that no *chametz*, other than that which will be sold, remains on the premises. The inspection takes place following the recitation of the appropriate blessing. At the conclusion of the inspection, one must make a declaration that all *chametz* remaining in the home of which the owner is unaware should be considered null and worthless. The **blessing and the declaration are available in most *siddurim* and *haggadot*.** Although *chametz* may still be consumed until 10:32 AM on Shabbat morning, it is still customary to destroy any *chametz* one does not plan to consume by noon on Friday afternoon. The traditional nullification of *chametz,* which is generally recited at the time of the burning of *chametz,* should be delayed until Shabbat morning, after the *chametz* set aside for the Shabbat morning meal has already been consumed.

FAST OF THE FIRST BORN/SIYUM BECHORIM. It is a tradition that first-born males fast on Erev Pesach. Since this year Passover falls on Shabbat, when fasting is not permitted, the Fast of the *Bechorim* - First Born - will take place on **Thursday**, **March 25.** The obligation to fast may be avoided by participating in a *simcha shel mitzvah*, an event that requires joyful eating in connection with the performance of a *mitzvah*. The completion of a *mesechta*, a tractate of the Talmud, is such an event. All first-born males are urged to participate in our *siyum* and the *seudat mitzvah* that will follow immediately after Shacharit on **March 25.**

DISPOSAL OF CHAMETZ. *Chametz* may be *eaten* until **10:32 AM** on **Shabbat morning**, **March 27.** One must *completely eliminate chametz* on Shabbat morning by **11:47 AM.**

SHABBAT EREV PESACH. When Shabbat falls out on Erev Pesach, a number of *halachic* challenges are presented. Each of the three meals that one is required to eat on Shabbat should begin with two whole loaves of bread ("*lechem Mishna*"). Being that it is forbidden to eat *chametz* on Shabbat afternoon/ erev Pesach, in addition to the prohibition to consume *matzah* on the day before Pesach, the question arises how to fulfill the *mitzvah* of consuming three meals on Shabbat. A number of options exist. If one does not wish to consume bread on Shabbat, egg matzah may be used for the first two meals of Shabbat. Alternatively, *chametz* (Challah) may be used, however, one must be careful to remove all leftovers and crumbs, and ensure that no *chametz* touches the Pesach utensils. Whether one chooses to use egg matzah or *chametz*, one must complete the consumption of these items by 10:32 AM on Shabbat morning, March 27. Whereupon, the traditional nullification of *chametz,* which is generally said at the time of the burning of *chametz,* is recited. In order to ensure that the Shabbat day meal concludes in time, it is customary to begin Shabbat morning services earlier than usual to allow people time to return home and begin their meal. Shacharit in shul on Shabbat morning, March 27, will begin at 8:00 AM, one hour earlier than usual. Regarding the fulfillment of the mitzvah to eat a third meal on Shabbat (*Shalosh Sheudas*), two options are available: (1) One may divide the morning meal into two parts by first washing one's hands, eating some bread or egg matzah, and reciting the *birkat hamazon,* followed by washing one's hands again, eating some bread or egg matzah, and continuing with the third meal of Shabbat. No bread or egg matzah should be eaten after 10:32 AM. (2) Alternatively, the third meal may be eaten later in the day, consisting of fruit, fish or meat to the exclusion of bread. According to some opinions, such food items may be used to fulfill the mitzvah of eating the third meal on Shabbat. If such an approach is taken, the meal should be consumed before the 10^{th} hour of the day and should be eaten in moderation.

PASSOVER YIZKOR The Pesach Yizkor Memorial Service is scheduled to commence at approximately **10:00 AM** on **Sunday, April 4, Acharon (Eighth Day) of Pesach.**

5781/2021 SALE OF CHAMETZ AUTHORIZATION FORM

I, the undersigned, hereby authorize Rabbi Eli Babich of Fifth Avenue Synagogue, New York to act on my behalf and to sell all my *chametz* before the coming Passover, in accordance with prevalent Jewish custom, and in whatever manner he deems proper and effective.

Said *chametz* is found especially at (list address(es))

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This authorization includes the sale of *chametz* that is in my possession, including goods that would be delivered to me during the period of **March 26 through April 4** of this year, as well as *chametz* which I may own in full or in part through shares of stock in corporations which sell or deal in *chametz*. All of the aforesaid *chametz* is to be sold to a non-Jew of the Rabbi's choosing, during the time that it is legally permitted to sell *chametz*. The purchaser has free access to the *chametz* acquired by him/her, and to any storage area in my possession which will be rented to him/her. The sale will include any *chametz* which is not consumed or destroyed by the time of prohibition on Saturday, March 27th.

The place where the *chametz* is located is to be rented to the buyer at the Rabbi's option for the period of **March 26 through April 4** of this year, and the Rabbi is authorized to act as agent for such rental. The buyer's deposit and rental fee are to be retained by the Rabbi as compensation.

This document, when accompanied by the full bill of sale and rental to be executed by the Rabbi at the time of the sale, shall be considered as the bill of sale itself with all the conditions and clauses that are enumerated in the full bill of sale. This authorization is made binding by my signature below and by a *kinyan* (formal halakhic transaction), or by either of them alone.

Done this _____ day of _____ **2021**, of the Common Era, in the city or town of

_____ without any reservations whether stated or implied, and in good faith.

Signed:_____

Printed name:_____

The key for access to the Chametz is located with: _____
Phone #: _____

Type of *chametz*: ___Groceries ___Liquor ___Medicines___Pet foods

Location(s): ___Kitchen___Pantry___Living Room___Garage___Attic___Bathroom ___Bar___Bedroom ___Office (with address)___Automobile___Pet containers (aquaria, etc.)___Other (specify)

Estimated Dollar Value of *chametz*: _____

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FOR THOSE CELEBRATING PASSOVER IN A DIFFERENT TIME ZONE

If you are celebrating Passover in a different time zone than that of New York, please provide the location where you will stay for Passover so that we can sell and repurchase the *chametz* at the time appropriate to your time zone.

City:_____ Country:_____

IN TRIBUTE TO RABBI DR. ABRAHAM J. TWERSKI OB"M

This year, the world lost a beautiful neshama with the passing of Rabbi Abraham J. Twerski, ob"m, noted Hasidic rabbi, psychiatrist, and author of 80 books. Rabbi Twerski was the descendant of several Hasidic dynasties and led the Lubavitch Center of Pittsburgh for many years. He was also an internationally-respected authority on addiction who stated that he found an "exquisite harmony" between his medical and religious callings.

Fifth Avenue Synagogue was privileged to have hosted Rabbi Twerski in February 2015. The event, pictured here, was sponsored by the Lipman family. Collation was sponsored by Jacob and Lilly Gold, in memory of Jacob's grandmother, Goldie Gold, ob"m.

Rabbi Twerski & Dr. Dennis Goodman

Rebbetzin Lisa and Rabbi Eli Babich

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Rabbi Twerski, & Mr. Nathan Gold

Rabbi Twerski &
Mr. Howard Schraub

Mr. Joel Davidson, Dr. Robert Maslansky ob"m, & Rabbi Dr. Sol Roth

Mr. Jack Joseph

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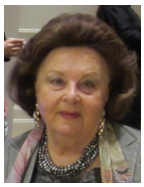
DAVID SCHOEN, Attorney at Law - Federal Criminal Defense and Civil Rights Lawyer, is a solo practitioner who focuses primarily on the litigation of complex civil and criminal cases before trial and appellate courts. David accepts only a few cases each year so that he can give full personal attention to every aspect of the case from evaluation and intake through its resolution. Mr. Schoen has offices in New York and Alabama, but takes on cases from all around the country and overseas, associating the most qualified lawyers to serve as local counsel or to provide a particular area of substantive expertise as part of the litigation team when necessary. With over 30 years in practice, David has extensive complex litigation experience as lead counsel in trial and appellate courts throughout the country. He is a member of the Bar in Alabama, New York, Maryland, and the District of Columbia and has been admitted to practice law in all state and federal courts in those jurisdictions, as well as federal trial courts in Michigan, Illinois, and Texas, many federal courts of appeals, and the United States Supreme Court. David has appeared *pro hac vice* in many other jurisdictions. He has been lead counsel in complex criminal and civil cases at the trial level in many jurisdictions and has briefed and argued appeals in the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 11th, and DC Circuits, the Texas Court of Appeals, and the Alabama Supreme Court. He has represented parties before the United States Supreme Court and has filed amicus briefs before the Court as well. Following graduation *cum laude* from Boston College Law School in 1984, David accepted a job with the Washington, DC office of a large national law firm, but deferred for a year to go to the Deep South to pursue his long-held interest in civil rights litigation, at the suggestion of his mentor, U.S. Court of Appeals Judge A. Leon Higginbotham, Jr., David served for a year as a law clerk to the Honorable Truman M. Hobbs, Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama, who had been Alabama's preeminent trial lawyer for a generation prior to taking the bench. David also benefitted greatly from the gracious support, encouragement, and mentoring from the Honorable Frank M. Johnson, one of the true heroes of the federal judiciary. Through the clerkship, David's desire to pursue a career as a trial lawyer grew tremendously. Instead of returning to Washington and a large law firm setting after the year, David asked the firm for a release from his commitment and opened the Law Office of David I. Schoen in Montgomery, Alabama and immediately began trying cases and arguing appeals in cases in both state and federal courts. In 1995, David was honored by the American Bar Association with its national *pro bono public* award. In bestowing this prestigious award on David, the American Bar Association reported that the various federal judges its Committee had interviewed during the award evaluation period had credited David with accomplishing more through his litigation than any lawyer of this era to positively change the face of public institutions in the South. Those institutions include public schools, foster care, prisons, jails, indigent defense systems, voting rights, fair housing, and more. In 2015, David was honored by Boston College Law School with its Honorable David S. Nelson Public Interest Award, named for a great federal judge and humanitarian. From the outset of opening his law practice, David combined criminal defense work with civil rights work.

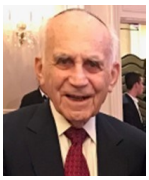
continued... He immediately began racking up wins in criminal cases ranging from capital murder to rape, robbery, narcotics offenses, and other violent crimes through hard work, thorough preparation, dogged investigation, and directed, relentless cross-examination. Retained in appeals in tough cases others had lost at trial, David immediately scored wins in state and federal courts of appeals, getting convictions reversed, often based on creative, novel legal theories not previously recognized. Experiences in some of these early cases led David to recognize systemic problems in the criminal justice system and other institutional services and he developed a civil practice designed primarily to seek remedies for some of these institutional problems, generally through class actions. Since 1990, David's criminal defense practice has extended from Alabama to Michigan, Texas, Georgia, North Carolina, Florida, Maryland, Missouri, West Virginia, South Carolina, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and elsewhere, with a heavy concentration in New York City. David has litigated a tremendous variety of criminal cases in various jurisdictions, including complicated racketeering cases, international organized crime cases, treaty transfer matters, criminal trademark infringement cases, and a heavy focus on white collar defense, involving charges of securities violations, various kinds of fraud, money laundering, and more, along with criminal and civil forfeiture cases. In recent years, a significant portion of the practice has been devoted to representing officers and directors of publicly traded and privately held companies with respect to criminal investigations they have faced. The civil litigation branch of the practice continues to include civil rights litigation, ranging from employment discrimination, to police brutality and other misconduct, to prisoners' rights, voting rights, ballot access, religious rights, free speech rights, and more, with a heavy concentration in recent years on litigating cases under the federal Anti-Terrorism Act on behalf of American victims of terrorism. In addition to his law practice, David has taught as an adjunct professor in the fields of Criminal Procedure, Trial Skills, and the First Amendment and has lectured widely in continuing legal education programs in these fields and in the fields of Legal Ethics, Civil Rights Litigation, litigation under the Anti-Terrorism Act, and Evidence. David has also served as a moot court judge at Columbia University Law School, Faulkner University's Jones School of Law, and for the American Bar Association. He holds a Master of Laws degree with a concentration in Criminal Law/Procedure and Legal Education from Columbia University Law School. David has served as a consultant to and as an Officer or Director on the Boards of a variety of public interest and civic organizations, including the Alabama Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, the Zionist Organization of America (National Board of Directors), The Center for Law and Justice (Founding Board Member), the Alabama Civil Liberties Union, the Torah Day School of Atlanta, Yeshiva Ohr Yisrael, and others. He has been honored by a leading Israeli institution for the welfare of children with its Migdal Ohr Tower of Light Award. David also has served on many professional committees, including the International Litigation (Chair, Africa and Middle East subcommittee).

JAMES S. TISCH is President and Chief Executive Officer of Loews Corporation. He has been with Loews since 1977. Prior to that he was with CNA Financial Corporation. Mr. Tisch is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Cornell University where he majored in economics. He holds an MBA with Distinction from the Wharton Graduate School of the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Tisch is a member of the Board of Directors of CNA Financial Corporation, of Diamond Offshore Drilling Company, and of Loews Corporation. He also serves as a director on the board of the General Electric Company. Mr. Tisch is Co-Chairman of the Boards of Trustees for the Mount Sinai Health System, and he serves on the Executive Committee of the Partnership for New York City. He is a Chairman Emeritus of the Board of WNET, parent of WNET Channel 13 and WLIW Channel 21, and is also a member of the Board of Directors of The New York Public Library. Mr. Tisch is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He is an Honorary Member and past Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Jewish Agency for Israel, past Chairman of the Board of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, past Chairman of the Board of United Jewish Communities, past President of UJA-Federation of New York, and a former director on the board of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

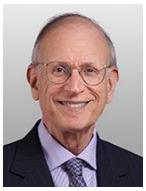
RABBI AHARON KAHN was born in Bialystock, Poland after the Holocaust to parents who came from Vilna, Lithuania. He was a student of Rav Mendel Kravitz, zt"l and Rav Moshe Feinstein, zt"l. For almost twenty years he learned under Rav Yosef Dov Halevi Soloveichik, zt"l. For ten of those years he worked as Rav Soloveichik's Teaching Assistant. Rabbi Kahn has received two Yoreh Yoreh-Yadin Yadin Smichas: one from Rav Moshe Duber Rivkin zt"l and one from Rav Mendel Zaks zt"l. Rabbi Kahn's secular education includes Doctoral studies at Columbia University School of International Affair's Middle East Institute. He is an expert in Semitic languages. Rabbi Kahn's Rabbinical positions include the Downtown Talmud Torah Synagogue of the Lower East Side (18 years) and the Knesses Bais Avigdor of Brooklyn for the past 35 years. For 13 years Rabbi Kahn served as the Rosh Kollel Elyon at Yeshiva University. Today he is a Rosh Yeshiva at Yeshiva University. He has taught many hundreds of talmidim. Rabbi Kahn has given thousands of shiurim and drashos, many of which are found at bneiavicha.org and also on YUTorah.org. He has taught in communities all over the world. Rabbi Kahn has published extensively in all areas of Torah learning in periodicals and has authored sixteen sefarim. Rabbi Kahn is married to Rebetzin Rochel Kahn, daughter of Rav Yisroel Garber, zt"l, who is the author of the sefarim series: Tal LeYisroel. Rebetzin Kahn is the Principal of Bais Yaakov in Manhattan as well as Director of Camp Bais Yaakov in Woodbourne, NY.



ROSE ROMEROVSKI is a long-time Board member of the Fifth Avenue Synagogue Women's Club, a devoted member of the National Women's Division Board of the American Committee for Shaare Zedek Medical Center in Jerusalem, and a strong supporter of many Jewish organizations and charities. Rose is a child survivor of the Holocaust. Her husband, Martin Romerovski ob"m, was President of Fifth Avenue Synagogue. Rose is the mother of Hannah Newman ob'm and Rebecca Rosenbaum, and a grandmother and great grandmother.



JACK JOSEPH is a long-time member of Fifth Avenue Synagogue and a Holocaust survivor. Jack was born in a small town in eastern Czechoslovakia, and was eight years old when the Nazis came to power in Germany in 1933. In 1938 Germany was handed the Sudeten, and the following year an independent fascist Slovakia was established. By 1945 most of Jack's neighbors and a good number of his family members had been murdered in death camps. A wise father, a remarkable brother, a magnanimous gentile, a gritty nature, and a very good run of luck saved Jack from the same fate. Jack moved to New York in 1948 and started a successful business. He married and has a son, and four grandchildren.



STUART EIZENSTAT is a senior member of Covington & Burling LLP's international practice. His work at Covington focuses on resolving international trade problems and business disputes with the US and foreign governments, and international business transactions and regulations on behalf of US companies and others around the world. During a decade and a half of public service in four US administrations, Ambassador Eizenstat has held a number of key senior positions, including chief White House domestic policy adviser to President Jimmy Carter (1977-1981); U.S. Ambassador to the European Union, Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs, and Deputy Secretary of the Treasury in the Clinton Administration (1993-2001). He also served as a member of the White House staff for President Johnson (1967-1968). During the Clinton Administration, he had a prominent role in the development of key international initiatives, including the negotiations of the Transatlantic Agenda with the European Union (establishing the framework for the US relationship with the EU); the development of the Transatlantic Business Dialogue (now the Transatlantic Business Council) among European and US CEOs; the negotiation of agreements with the European Union regarding the Helms-Burton Act and the IranLibya Sanctions Act; the negotiation of the Japan Port Agreement with the Japanese government; and the negotiation of the Kyoto Protocol on global warming, where he led the US delegation. Much of the interest in providing belated justice for victims of the Holocaust and other victims of Nazi tyranny during World War II was the result of his leadership of the Clinton Administration as Special Representative of the President and Secretary of State on Holocaust-Era Issues (1993-2001). He successfully negotiated major agreements with the Swiss, Germans, Austrian and French, and other European countries, covering restitution of property, payment for slave and forced laborers, recovery of looted art, bank accounts, and payment of insurance policies. His book on these events, Imperfect Justice: Looted Assets, Slave Labor, and the Unfinished Business of World War II, has been favorably received in publications like The New York Times, The Los Angeles Times, The Washington Post, Business Week, and Publisher's Weekly. It has been translated into German, French, Czech and Hebrew.

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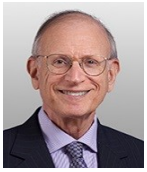

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In addition, during the Obama Administration, he served as Special Advisor on Holocaust-Era Issues to Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and Secretary of State John Kerry (2009-2017). During this period of his public service, Ambassador Eizenstat negotiated significant holocaust agreements with the governments of Lithuania (2011) and France (2014), regarding the deportation of Jews on the French railway. He was also the principal US negotiator for the Terezin Declaration with 46 countries (2009) and the agreement with over 40 countries on Best Practices and Guidelines for the Restitution and/or Compensation of Private (immovable) Property Confiscated by the Nazis and their Collaborators between 1933 - 1945. During the Trump administration, he was appointed by Secretary of State Mike Pompeo as Expert Advisor to the State Department on Holocaust-Era Issues (2018-current). His most recent book, President Carter: The White House Years, the definitive history of the Carter Administration, has been favorably reviewed by The New York Times, The Washington Post, National Review, National Interest, Minneapolis Star Tribune, Moment Magazine, and many other publications. Ambassador Eizenstat has received nine honorary doctorate degrees from universities and academic institutions. He has been awarded high civilian awards from the governments of France (Legion of Honor), Germany, Austria, Israel and Belgium, as well as from Secretary of State Warren Christopher, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, and Secretary of the Treasury Lawrence Summers. In 2007, he was named "The Leading Lawyer in International Trade" in Washington, DC by Legal Times. His articles appear in The New York Times, The Financial Times, International Herald Tribune, The Washington Post, The Los Angeles Times, Foreign Policy magazine, Foreign Affairs magazine, The Hill and Politico on a variety of international and domestic topics. Ambassador Eizenstat grew up and was educated in the public schools of Atlanta. He is a Phi Beta Kappa, cum laude graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and of Harvard Law School. He and his late wife, Frances Eizenstat, have two sons and eight grandchildren.

MARK MEADOWS is an American politician who served as the 29th White House chief of staff from 2020 to 2021. He served as the U.S. representative for North Carolina's 11th congressional district from 2013 to 2020. A member of the Republican Party, Meadows chaired the House Freedom Caucus from 2017 to 2019. He was considered one of President Donald Trump's closest allies in Congress before his appointment as chief of staff. A voice for the US - Israel Relationship and a friend of Israel, Mark Meadows worked to strengthen the relationship between our nations and counter US and international efforts that undermined Israel's security, freedom and prosperity. As the Congressional Representative to the U.N. in 2013-2014, he built relationships with over 100 ambassadors which continue to the present, including key leaders in the Middle East and Africa. These relationships and Foreign Affairs Committee work provided a platform for frequent meetings with the Trump Administration, ambassadors, foreign ministers, prime ministers and others in support of a vibrant Israel and peace in the Middle East. Friend and confidant of Israeli Ambassador to the U.S. Ron Dermer, Meadows served on the House Foreign Affairs Committee, including the Middle East and North Africa Subcommittees, and Africa, Global Health and Global Human Rights Subcommittees. He also served as Chairman of the Government Operations Subcommittee of Oversight and Government Reform Committee, and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. Meadows authored the Hezbollah financial sanctions bill which became law (under a different title). Meadows worked to pressure other nations to vote with the US and Israel at the U.N., such as Gabon which changed its vote. He also introduced a bill to pressure countries receiving US aid to support Israel. He also supported the renewal of an annual $3 billion US assistance for Israel, including advanced rocket/missile defense systems. The Congressman and his wife, Debbie, are frequent visitors to Israel. Meadows co-sponsored many pieces of legislation to support Israel and sanction its enemies. He co-signed many Congressional letters in support of Israel on a myriad of issues, including helping solve a major internal unrest that threatened Israel.

SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, MAY 9

UPCOMING WEBINAR WITH MICHAEL FREUND

Founder and Chairman of Shavei Israel

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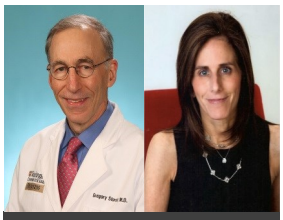
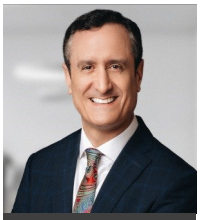


Infectious Disease Specialist **DR. GREGORY STORCH** and Licensed Clinical Psychologist **DR. BETSY SCHUR LEVY** - Presented on March 22.

"If and When Redeemed: A Gift of G-D" given by **RABBI YOSEF KALATSKY** on March 29.



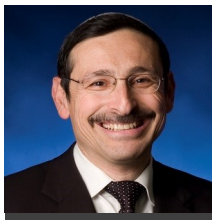
"Pesach 2020: Embracing Uncertainty and Rising Above Fear" given by **RABBI DR. DANIEL LERNER** on April 5.

"Vegilu Bire'ada - Rejoicing Even as we Tremble" given by **RABBI AHARON KAHN** on April 12.

"Redemption and Salvation" given by **RABBI DR. SOL ROTH** on April 19.

FAS Annual Yom Hashoah Program: *"Sonderkommando: Remembering the Lives of the Rarest and Most Tragic Survivors"* given by **RABBI STEVEN WEIL** on April 20.

FAS Yom Ha'atzmaut Program**:** *"Israel At 72: Threats & Opportunities"* given by **AMBASSADOR IDO AHARONI** on April 26.

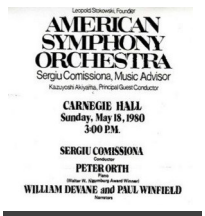


"Yom Yerushalayim and Matan Torah" given by **RABBI MEIR GOLDWICHT** on May 17.

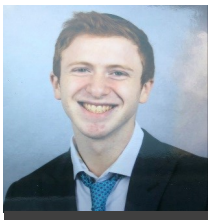
"The Torah in the Age of COVID-19: Allocations of Limited Healthcare Resources" given by **DR. ALAN KADISH** on May 24.

"The Community Security Initiative - Safeguarding Jewish Communities in New York" given by **MITCHELL SILBER** on May 31.

"Peshuto Shel Peshat: A Totally New Way Of Teaching Tanakh" given by **RABBI DR. DAVID ELIACH** on June 7.



Special Musical Performance led by **CHARLES BORNSTEIN** on June 14.



JEWISH JEOPARDY! *Game Night* led by **JUSTIN EICHEL** on June 14.

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"Happier: The Science of Torah" **given by RABBI YITZCHOK ITKIN** on June 21.

Virtual Cooking Class given by **DORIS SCHECHTER and RENEE COHEN** on June 23.

"Leadership In a Time of Transition" given by **RABBI DR. MICHAEL ROSENSWEIG** on June 28.

"The Jewish Community & The 2020 Census: Why It Matters!" given by **SAMUEL J. MILSTEIN** on July 5.

"How Coronavirus Has Changed the Face of Medicine: Is Telemedicine Here to Stay?" given by **DR. LARRY NORTON** on July 12.

"The Impact of Covid-19 on The Future of The Jewish Community" given by **ERIC S. GOLDSTEIN** on July 19.

"The Destruction of the Temple is Felt More Today than Ever; What Can We Do This Tisha B'Av to Potentially Turn This Around ?" given by **RABBI ZEVULUN SCHWARTZMAN** on July 26.

Tractate Gitin, pp. 55B -58A - *"The Talmud Related to the Destruction of the Temple"* given by **RABBI AVROHOM KAPLAN** on Tisha B'Av, July 30.

"COVID-19 and NBA '20: Jump Ball" given by **MARC LASRY** on August 2.

"Maimonides As a Physician" given by **DR. LARRY NORTON** on August 9.

"The Floating Feldmans" given by **ELYSSA FRIEDLAND** on August 16.

"Pediatric Neurology in the Time of COVID": 1. Clinical issues in Pediatric Neurology 2. Teleneurology in Pediatrics 3. Technical and reimbursement issues in Telemedicine - given by **DR. WALTER J. MOLOFSKY** on August 23.

"The Colmar Treasure: Showcasing Jewish Artistic Heritage at The Cloisters" given by **BARBARA DRAKE BOEHM** on August 30.

"AJIRI's Unique Strategy to Combat Efforts in the United Nations to Delegitimize Israel" given by **STUART SLOAME** on September 6.

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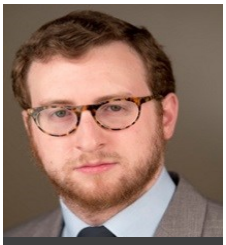
"How to Soul Search When I've Been Doing That Since March" given by **SHAINDY WOLFF EISENBERG** on September 13.

Special High Holiday Class given by **RABBI YOSEF KALATSKY** on September 23.



"The 2020 Elections - Implications for Israel" given by **DOVID EFUNE** on October 18.

"The State of New York Real Estate Post COVID - 19" given by **BARAK DUNAYER, *in conversation with*** **HOWARD LORBER** on October 25.

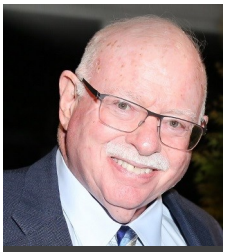
"The Torah And The Ancient Near East " given by **DR. BARRY EICHLER** on November 1.

"Anti-Semitism" given by **ABRAHAM FOXMAN** on November 8.

" Pay For Slay: How Bad Is It, Really?" given by **SANDER R. GERBER** on November 15.

"The Life of Being a Writer, Producer and Director in 2020" given by **ROBERT SMIGEL** on November 22.

"COVID-19 Update" given by ***DR. LARRY NORTON*** on December 6.

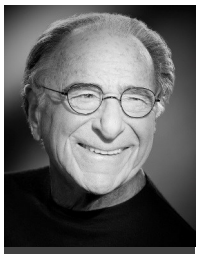


"An Evening with Michael Steinhardt: No Bull" given by **MICHAEL H. STEINHARDT** on December 13.

"The 8th Night of Chanukah: Beyond Limitations" given by **RABBI AHARON KAHN** on December 17.

"Foundations and Philanthropy" given by **MEM D. BERNSTEIN** on December 20.

Medical topics including COVID-19 vaccine & his work on prostate cancer given by **DR. MICHAEL J. ZELEFSKY**



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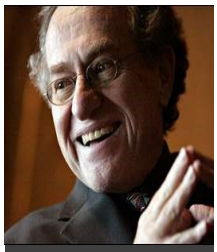
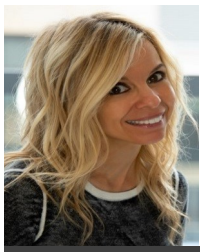


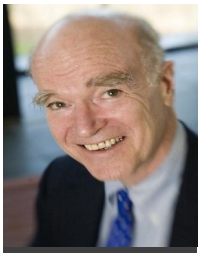
"The Future of Israel and America in a Post-Trump Era" given by **PROF. ALAN M. DERSHOWITZ** on January 17.

"Why Israel is Right to Doubt That A New Negotiation with Iran Can Be Made To Work" given by **AMBASSADOR DORE GOLD** on January 24.



"The Life of Being A Broadway Producer" given by **BELLANCA SMIGEL RUTTER** on January 31.

Pre-Purim Virtual Cooking Class given by **RENEE COHEN & DORIS SCHECHTER** on February 23.



"The Life of Joel Fleishman" given by **JOEL L. FLEISHMAN** on February 21.

Special Purim Class given by **RABBI DR. MICHAEL ROSENSWEIG** on February 23.

"FAS Synagogue Renovations" given by **ARTHUR CHABON** on February 28.

PLEASE HELP US SUPPORT THE FAS MINYAN!

Baruch Hashem, FAS is open for daily minyanim. Due to the COVID pandemic, it is more important than ever that we support the daily minyan, particularly those who are reciting Kaddish. Your attendance is greatly appreciated!

If you are interested in committing to a certain day of the week, please contact Rabbi Babich (rabbibabich@5as.org) or Jacob Gold (jacob@jacobdgold.com). Our weekly minyan meets each morning at 8:00 a.m., and at 8:30 a.m. on Sundays. Please consult the monthly calendar for Mincha/Ma'ariv times.

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Our Sages teach us that charity serves as a source of blessing both for good health and prosperity. Please consider assisting the Synagogue by participating in this year's 5781/2020-2021 Annual Campaign. Below is a list of those who have made contributions ***thus far*** to the Annual Campaign in an amount of $500 or more. Please contact President Jacob Gold, (212) 980-0140, jacob@jacobdgold.com, Vice President Kim Heyman, kimheyman@gmail.com, Rachel Akrongold, rachel@5as.org, Sheila Montgomery, sheila@5as.org, or call the Synagogue office at (212) 838-2122 regarding your contribution for the new year.

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Much gratitude and thanks to all FAS members and supporters who have so graciously contributed thus far to the 5780 Annual Campaign. Your generous contributions have made it possible for us to fulfill our mission, during this difficult time, and provide important programming to our synagogue community. May we all be inscribed for a healthy, happy and successful year.

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FEBRUARY/ADAR

13	1	Dr. Gitta Nagel, Sister

MARCH YAHRZEITS

MARCH/ADAR

1	17	Mrs. Anne Fridman, Mother
1	17	Mr. Avi Spodek, Father
1	17	Mrs. Jane Rabhan, Mother
2	18	Dr. Walter Molofsky, Mother
2	18	Mrs. Nina Hoff, Mother
2	18	Mr. Michael Kamen, Mother
3	19	Mrs. Marilyn Plitman, Mother
3	19	Ms. Irene Diamond, Mother
4	20	Dr. Jack Goldman, Father
4	20	Mr. Robert Novig, Mother
5	21	Mr. J. Ezra Merkin, Father
5	21	Mr. Martin Sanders, Father
5	21	Mrs. Claudie Tanenbaum, Mother
6	22	Mr. Jack Joseph, Mother
6	22	Mr. Joel Handel, Father
6	22	Mr. Myron Schonfeld, Mother
7	23	Mr. Robert Hadi, Mother
7	23	Mr. Sam Greenberg, Father
9	25	Mrs. Esther Goldman, Father
9	25	Mr. Charles Dimston, Father-In-Law
10	26	Mr. Edward Lee, Father
10	26	Mrs. Rose Romerovski, Sister
11	27	Mr. Andrew Lowinger, Father
11	27	Mr. Martin Klein, Father
11	27	Mrs. Linda Eichler, Father
11	27	Mrs. Ronnie Lane, Father
11	27	Mrs. Lorelei Hammerman, Husband
11	27	Mr. Natalio Fridman, Relative
12	28	Dr. Phyllis Cohen Gladstein, Mother
12	28	Mr. Robert Litsky, Mother
12	28	Mrs. Lieve Guttmann, Mother
12	28	Mr. Joseph Guttmann, Brother
12	28	Mrs. Ann Frenkel, Mother
13	29	Mr. Mark Silber, Father

MARCH/NISAN

14	1	Dr. Gitta Nagel, Father-In-Law
14	1	Mrs. Gail Propp, Mother
14	1	Mr. Murray Huberfeld, Father
14	1	Dr. Zwi Kahanowicz, Wife
15	2	Mrs. Esther Goldman, Mother
16	3	Mr. Lawrence Mittman, Mother
16	3	Mrs. Rose Present, Brother
16	3	Mr. Larry Present, Uncle
16	3	Dr. David A. Present, Uncle
17	4	Mrs. Hannah Frankel, Brother-In-Law
17	4	Mr. Paul Pocress, Mother
17	4	Mrs. Maggie Moronta, Sister
17	4	Mr. Harry Freund, Father
18	5	Mr. Michael Kamen, Father
18	5	Mrs. Ronnie Lane, Mother
19	6	Mrs. Ann Frenkel, Brother-In-Law
20	7	Mrs. Muriel Palitz, Mother
21	8	Ms. Carol Roth, Mother

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MARCH/NISAN *continued*

21	8	Dr. Lenore Kreitman, Mother
21	8	Dr. Barbara Leibowitz, Grandfather
22	9	Mr. Avi Spodek, Grandmother
22	9	Mr. Charles Kushner, Mother
22	9	Mr. Warren Sherman, Grandfather
22	9	Mrs. Linda Schonfeld, Mother
22	9	Mrs. Jane Rabhan, Mother-In-Law
26	13	Mr. Michael Goodman, Father
26	13	Dr. Gitta Nagel, Mother
26	13	Mrs. Edith Levite, Sister-In-Law
26	13	Mr. Michael Jesselson, Father
26	13	Mr. James Cayne, Father
27	14	Mr. Jack Belz, Father-In-Law
29	16	Dr. Gitta Nagel, Grandfather
29	16	Dr. Stanley Reiter, Father
30	17	Mrs. Laurie Popiel, Father
31	18	Mrs. Helaine Barnett, Mother
31	18	Mr. David Lobel, Mother

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2	20	Mr. Jacob D. Gold, Grandmother
2	20	Mrs. Gail Propp, Brother-In-Law
3	21	Mr. Lawrence Friedland, Father
3	21	Mrs. Jane Greenberg, Brother
4	22	Cantor Joseph Malovay, Grandmother
4	22	Mrs. Rose Romerovski, Husband
5	23	Mr. Barry Fruchtman, Mother
6	24	Mrs. Debra Roth, Mother
6	24	Mrs. Lauren Merkin, Mother
7	25	Mr. Laurence P. Rabinowitz, Father
8	26	Mr. Marc Schwartzberg, Mother
8	26	Mr. Evan Schwartzberg, Grandmother
9	27	Mrs. Shirley Feder, Sister
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10	28	Ms. Susanne Brody, Father
10	28	Mr. Barry Akrongold, Mother
11	29	Mrs. Lisa Babich, Grandfather

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15	3	Mr. Glenn August, Father
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17	5	Mr. Charles Dimston, Father
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20	8	Mrs. Claire Dienstag, Father
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27	15	Mr. Robert Hadi, Father
28	16	Dr. Philip Orbuch, Mother
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The Chevra at Fifth Avenue is a long-standing shul tradition and we need new members to continue the beautiful mitzvot of Tahara prior to burial and getting the shiva homes of FAS members ready for arrival after the funeral of their loved one. It is a tremendous honor to participate in these important mitzvot and to comfort our FAS family. For more information please contact:

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