

SHABBAT SCHEDULE
7:14pm Shabbat Candle Lighting <b>Friday Night</b> 6:15pm Magen Avraham Teen Department UWS Teens Unity Shabbat Dinner 7:20pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Dvar Torah given by <b>Rabbi Shaul Robinson</b> . 8:25pm Beginners Shabbaton Dinner <b>Shabbat Morning</b> 7:45am Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by a shiur given by <b>Rabbi Moshe Sokolow</b> 8:30am: Parsha Shiur given by <b>Rabbinic Intern, Zac Schwartz</b> on <i>"Should Yeshivah Bocherim be Conscripted Into the IDF? A Halachik Perspective"</i> 9:00am Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Drasha given by <b>Rabbi Shaul Robinson</b> followed by Musaf. 9:15am Beginners Service led by <b>Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald</b> in Rm LL201 9:37am Latest Shema 9:45am Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash 10:00am Youth Groups for children ages 2-12 11:00am "Baby & Me" (ages 0-24 months, 3rd floor gym) <b>Shabbat Afternoon</b> 12:30pm Beginners Shabbaton Luncheon 3:30pm Magen Avraham Teen Department Shabbat in the Park 4:00pm Herb Weiss Bikur Cholim Society: Meets in the Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer to visit patients at Mount Sinai West. (New volunteers needed and welcome) 5:00pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with <b>Moshe Sheinwexler</b> in the Belfer Beit Midrash 6:45pm Mincha followed by the 20th Annual Louis and Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shabbat HaGadol Drasha given by <b>Rabbi Shaul Robinson</b> on <i>"But When Do We Eat? Shulchan Orech - The Holiest Part of Seder Night."</i> 8:16pm Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends

HAKARAT HATOV
On behalf of <b>Batya, Tsipi, Elly, Uri and the entire Goffin family</b> , we would like to express our deep appreciation for the outpouring of love, devotion and care expressed by Rabbi Robinson and our extended LSS family during this difficult time. We should only share in Smachot in the future! <b>Moshe Sheinwexler</b> for writing this week's Dvar Torah.

WELCOME
Welcome to all those joining us for the Beginners Passover Shabbaton, the Magen Avraham Teen Department UWS Teen Unity Shabbat Dinner and Shabbat in the Park.

MAZAL TOV
To our Annuual Dinner Honorees: <b>Judith Weil &amp; Lloyd Epstein, Talia &amp; Liron David, and Paula &amp; Nathan Vogel</b> . Great grandparents <b>Judy and Joel Schreiber</b> on the birth of a baby girl to their grandchildren, Jordan and Kyra Schreiber. <b>Sarah Leah and Lou Vynierib</b> on the engagement of their granddaughter Miriam Adler to Shimon Golish. <b>Ruth Cogan</b> who turned 95 this week. Great Grandparents <b>Lenore and Jack Brown</b> on the birth of a baby girl, Noa Esther to their grandchildren Melanie and Kevin Ben-Ezra from Michigan. Mazal tov to new brother David, Grandparents Michelle and Jay Brown, Aunt Meryl and Uncle Benjy Brown, Sophie, and Max. Grandparents <b>Martine and Jack Schencker</b> on the birth of a baby boy to their children Bella and Menachem Levy.

SHABBAT HAGADOL
The Louis and Rhoda Lazar Shabbat Hagadol Drasha will be delivered by Rabbi Shaul Robinson this Shabbat: <b>Following Mincha April 13th at 6:45pm</b> <i>"But When Do We Eat? - Shulchan Orech - The Holiest Part of Seder Night"</i>

THIS SUNDAY & MONDAY
<b>Sunday, April 14:</b> • <b>Shmurah Matzah Pick Up: 9:00am—12:00pm</b> <u>Location:</u> Main Office • <b>Hagalat Kelim: 10:00am—12:30pm</b> <u>Location:</u> LL2 Kitchen • <b>LSS Youth Presents Matzah Bakery &amp; Passover Crafts: 10:00am</b> Join LSS for baking matzah and making fun Passover crafts. Cost: \$10 per child. To register, please visit <a href="http://www.lss.org/event/matzahbakery">www.lss.org/event/matzahbakery</a> . <u>Location:</u> Main Ballroom • <b>Chametz Food Drive: 10:00am-2:00pm</b> This is the one you've been waiting for! Collect your non-perishable Chamatz, either open or closed. Volunteers 8+ welcome. We are also looking for people with cars who can drive boxes of food to the locations on the Upper West Side this Sunday from 2:30pm to 4:30pm. If interested in volunteering please email Wendy Baker at <a href="mailto:wbaker@panix.com">wbaker@panix.com</a> . <b>Monday, April 15:</b> • <b>Shmurah Matzah Pick Up: 5:00pm—7:00pm</b> <u>Location:</u> Main Office



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS
<b>Hashkama Kiddush:</b> <b>Sandy Gross</b> in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of her father, Sherman Gross, Shimin Eliezar ben Sinai z"l. <b>Main Kiddush:</b> Sponsored by <b>Sanford and Thelma Hochberg, Gerald Kahn, Danny Sonnenblick, Marvin and Janice Katz, Richard and Gloria Kestenbaum, Ilana and Bernard Kabak, the Hudes family, Barbara Neuhaus</b> and: <b>The Kamlet family</b> in honor of the amazing LSS community. <b>Rose and Morton Landowne</b> in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Morton's mother, Barbara Landowne a"h. <b>Harriet and Gary Laveman</b> in honor of their grandchildren—Ilana, Jared, Andrew, and Ryan. <b>Ruth and Dr. Robert Riemer</b> in memory of the Chaz, Sherwood Goffin z"l. <b>Vivian Glueck and Henry Rosenberg</b> in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Jacob Glueck, Yaakov Yitzchok ben Nasson Natta z"l. <b>Adena Samowitz</b> in commemoration of the first yahrtzeit of her father, Charles Samowitz, Chaim Shimon ben Mayer and Yitta Chana Leah z"l and to thank Rabbi Shaul Robinson and the LSS community for their support and consolation. <b>Charlotte and Perry Schneider</b> in honor of the birth of their granddaughter Sarah Anne Flaks, daughter of Lauren and Sam Flaks. <b>Shari and Joseph Sonnenberg</b> in memory of the Chaz, Sherwood Goffin z"l. <b>Melanie Miller and Dani Steinberg</b> in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Melanie's grandfather, Moshe ben Yaakov z"l. <b>Elaine and Scott Liebman</b> in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Elaine's mother, Ruth Cohen מנייה רחל בת יעקב צבי ונחמה a"h. <b>The Kolinsky Family</b> in honor of their new friends at LSS. <b>Olivia and Benjy Sanford</b> in celebration of being proud new members. <b>Beginners Kiddush:</b> <b>David Simons</b> in honor of G-d and all who actively fight against antisemitism, and in honor of Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald. With much joy, <b>Sarah Leah and Lou Vynierib</b> announce the engagement of their granddaughter Miriam Adler to Shimon Golish.

Weekly Prayer Schedule:		April 14 Friday: Both Shacharit minyanim will be followed by a siyum for the first born.				
Day	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday Erev Pesach Taanit Bechorot
Daf Yomi	7:45am	6:15am	6:20am	6:20am	6:15am	5:45am
Shacharit	7:10am, 8:30am	7:00am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am	7:00am, 7:50am	6:30am, 7:30am
Mincha/Maariv	7:25pm	7:25pm	7:25pm	7:25pm	7:30pm	7:30pm

## ALL THINGS PESACH

**Pick up the Pesach schedule in the Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer**

**Pesach Hospitality:** If you will be hosting a seder, please think about including your fellow LSS members. Reach out to them directly or contact [hospitality@lss.org](mailto:hospitality@lss.org) to let us know that there is space at your table or if you would like to be hosted.

**Upcoming Event:**

**Friday, April 19: Burning of Chametz: 7:30am—11:11am**

Location: Terrace

**Selling of Chametz:**

**Sunday, April 14:**

10:00am, - 12:30pm, 6:00pm—7:00pm

**Monday, April 15 through Wednesday, April 17:**

9:00am—10:30am, 5:00pm—7:00pm

**Thursday, April 18:**

9:00am—11:00am

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Wednesday, May 1 and Thursday, May 2: These Are The Names:**

**LSS: 2:00am—2:20am**

*\*Please note this is an offsite event*

The Marlene Meyerson JCC and LSS invite you to read or listen to the names of those who perished in the Shoah during the 21st Annual West Side Communal Observance of Yom Hashoah.

Location: The Carlebach Shul, 305 West 79th St. NY, NY 10024

**Saturday, May 4: Beginners Luncheon: 12:30pm**

Cost: \$25 per person. Register and pay online at

[www.lss.org/beginners](http://www.lss.org/beginners) or call 212-874-6100. Please make your reservations and payment by Thursday, May 2.

**Monday, May 6: CommUnity Witness Theater Performance: 7:00pm**

*\*Please note this is an offsite event*

We made a promise to “Never Forget” – and we’ve kept it. Join Lincoln Square Synagogue, UJA-Federation and Selfhelp Community Services for a special performance in which Holocaust survivors are paired with local high school seniors to retell the survivors’ wartime experiences through an original and compelling dramatic production. For tickets, please click the link in the electronic version of Echod. For more information, please contact Rebecca Zimilover at [zimilover@ujafedny.org](mailto:zimilover@ujafedny.org) or 212-836-1356. Location: Peter Norton Symphony Space (2537 Broadway, at W. 95th Street).

**Thursday, May 9: Yom Ha’atzmaut Celebration: 6:00pm**

Save the date. Information coming soon.

**Thursday, May 9: Yom Ha’atzmaut Singles Celebration: 6:00pm**

Join the LSS Singles Committee 40+ as they celebrate Yom Ha’atzmaut. There will be entertainment, a foodie talk and demo, and a light dinner plus. Early Bird Cost: \$36 before April 30, \$45 after. To register, please visit [www.lss.org/event/singlescelebration](http://www.lss.org/event/singlescelebration).

**Monday, May 13: Insurance 101: 6:30pm**

This class will cover everything you always wanted to know about life, disability, long-term care, and medicare supplement insurance. We will help you understand what these plans cover, how to determine your needs, and whether any of these plans are appropriate for you. There is no cost to register. For questions, please email [lsqsingles@gmail.com](mailto:lsqsingles@gmail.com). To register, please visit [www.lss.org/event/insurance101](http://www.lss.org/event/insurance101).

## HOSPITALITY NEEDS

Please host our Rabbinic Intern and Community Educator for Shabbat meals and/or lodging. Please email [hospitality@lss.org](mailto:hospitality@lss.org) with the subject line “intern” and your availability to meet our current needs.

**Community Educator, Zissy Turner** and her husband, Sam, are in need of dinner on May 3-4.

**LSS Teen Directors and Rabbinic Intern, Zac & Rachel Schwartz** are in need of meals and lodging on May 10-11.

## WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

**Sunday:**

- **\*(Resumes Sunday, April 28) Sunday Morning Responsa** with Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld; Takes place after the 2nd Minyan. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.

**Monday:**

- **Chug Ivrit** given by Hai Piazsky and Dan Munk. 7:00pm-8:15pm. In this class, we read articles from the Israeli press, watch videos of news stories, documentaries and comedy clips, listen to (and sing along!) to Israeli songs and chat in Ivrit. Location: Rm 207
- **\*(Resumes Monday, April 29) Jewish Living Workshop:** 7:30pm-8:30pm. Led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum. To register, please email [jlworkshop@yahoo.com](mailto:jlworkshop@yahoo.com).

**Tuesday:**

- **\*(Resumes Tuesday, April 30) The Marilyn & Sam Isler, “Studies in the weekly Parsha”** led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 10:30am– 11:30am. Location: Rm LL201
- **\*(Resumes Tuesday, April 30) Beit Midrash night, The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group** led by Ron Platzer: 7:30pm-8:30pm. M'lachim, the Book of Kings - the death of David, the magnificent reign of Solomon and his fall, the split kingdom, the dramatic tales of Elijah and Elisha, and so much more. Join our lively weekly study/discussion group as we analyze, pasuk by pasuk, these exciting Biblical narratives. Location: Rm 211
- **Community Kollel:** organized by Rabbinic Intern and Teen Director, Zac Schwartz: 7:30pm-9:30pm. A groundbreaking program featuring impressive young educators. Choose between mini classes and one on one learning. Catering to aspiring learners of all backgrounds, from beginner to yeshiva veteran. To register please click on the link in the Echod electronic version or email [teens@lss.org](mailto:teens@lss.org). Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

**Wednesday:**

- **\*(Resumes Wednesday, May 1) Beit Midrash night: The Subversive Religious Poetry of Yehuda Amichai** given by Sara Brzowsky: 7:00pm-8:00pm. Location: Rm 207

**Thursday:**

- **\*(Resumes Thursday, May 2) Women’s Talk Time:** led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer: 11:30am-12:30pm. Last Week’s Topic: “Chaz Sherwood Goffin z”l” Location: Rm LL201.
- **\*(Please note this is an offsite event, resumes Thursday, May 2) Lunch & Learn:** led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 12:45pm-1:30pm. If you are interested in attending, please email Micah Bloomfield at [mbloomfield@stroock.com](mailto:mbloomfield@stroock.com). Location: 180 Maiden Lane NY, NY 10038
- **\*(Resumes Thursday, May 2) The Jacob Adler Parsha Class:** Explorations in the Weekly Parsha led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

**Happy Learning!**

## YOUTH DEPARTMENT

- זרעים** Seedlings (2 years old) Room 210  
**שורשים** Roots (3-4 years old) Room 211  
**ניצנים** Buds (K-1st) Room 208  
**פרחים** Flowers (2nd-7th) Room 206  
**ענפים** Branches (2nd-7th) Room 207



### Dvar Torah

Not only is this Shabbat Parshat Metzora, it is also the Shabbat before Pesach, called *Shabbat HaGadol*, The Great Shabbat. Why is it called The Great Shabbat? In last week's Torah portion we read that *Hashem* commanded the

Jewish people that on the 10th day of *Nisson*, every family should take a lamb and keep it in their house until the 14th of *Nisson* and *shecht* it on that day. They should spread the blood of the lamb on their doorpost, roast the lamb, and eat it together with Matzah and *Maror*, for at midnight, G-d would smite all the firstborn Egyptians and set the Jewish people free from Egyptian slavery.

On the 10th of *Nisson*, the Jews were running around getting lambs and the Egyptians were confused to see this. The Jewish people told the Egyptians what they were doing and the Egyptian firstborns were scared as they had already seen the power of *Hashem* in the first nine *Makot*. The firstborns went to Pharaoh and told him to let the Jews go. Pharaoh said no for one final time. The Egyptian firstborns then formed an army and revolted against Pharaoh. Because of this miracle that the Egyptians began fighting a civil war amongst themselves instead of persecuting the Jewish nation, is why this Shabbat is called *Shabbat Hagadol*. The custom for this Shabbat is that we learn about the laws of Pesach.

### After Shul Ask Your Children:

1. What are the items on the Seder plate?
2. How do we remember Korban Pesach today?
3. What are the different steps of the Seder?

- Answers:
1. Shank bone, charoset, karpas, egg, maror
  2. By placing a shank bone on our Seder plate
  3. Kadesh, Urchatz, karpas, Yachatz, Maggid, Rachtzah, Motzi Matzah, Maror, korech, Shulchan Orech, Tzafun, Barech, Hallel, Nirtzah

### Baby & Me:

Last week, a full crew of babies came ready to laugh and sing together our favorite Shabbat songs like *Bim Bam* and *Knead the Challah*. We read "*Something from Nothing*," a story which taught us the importance of family and being grateful for what we have, and we prepared for the upcoming *Pesach* holiday with *Dayenu* and *Ma Nishtana*. Looking forward to seeing everyone this Shabbat for more Passover prep fun!

### Security Recap:

This past Shabbat in youth groups, the Security Team led by Ian Silver assisted us with fire and lockdown drills in each room. We identified fire escapes and exits and ensured that our counselors and children are ready for anything. The kids were enthusiastic about doing something a bit out of the ordinary. We hope never to have to implement what we practiced, but we're always happy to learn how to be safe.

## YOUTH UPCOMING EVENT

### Upcoming Event:

**Sunday, May 5: Babies & Brunch Spring Time Fun: 10:00am**  
 Join us for a morning of songs, crafts, and delicious brunch for babies 0-4 years old.  
 Generously sponsored by the Gontownnik family.  
 To register, please visit [www.lss.org/event/springbabies](http://www.lss.org/event/springbabies).

## WORD SCRAMBLE: PESACH EDITION

W B A S E Q L T E S K R H U X  
 V Q C H A M E T Z G E W A Y I  
 P K Z L N S T V U D G C D U A  
 R A F F O O T V E W B X A M H  
 Z V R R M J U S U S E M G Q A  
 N P A S J R C M H S K P G A Z  
 S H P L L N E M U N E Y A D T  
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 N W N L B K M A R O R M Y M L  
 C A T I O R V F D T M N E R X  
 C F J N O H M Q D F Y V Y P N  
 D E T V Z P Z P N Q B A N E B

### Word Bank:

DAYENU	EGG	HAGGADAH	SEDER
CHAMETZ	CHAROSET	KARPAS	PARSLEY
LETTUCE	MAROR	MATZAH	SHMURAH





## DVAR TORAH

Parshat Metzora/Shabbat HaGadol

April 12-13

Written by: Moshe Sheinwexler

### For Chaz

In this week's Parshah (15:11), the Torah says: "An earthen vessel that a Zav [a person with an abnormal seminal discharge] touches shall be broken; and any wooden implement shall be rinsed with water." Rashi, qualifying the verse, says it is not mere contact on the outside of an earthen vessel that would transmit impurity. What causes an earthen vessel to become impure is movement. If the person with a discharge moves the vessel from point A to point B, then the vessel becomes impure and the only way to remove the impurity is to break it. When such a vessel remains in place, unmoved, it remains pure. Mere incidental contact on the outside has no effect on the vessel. On the other hand, a wooden vessel made of a tree, that comes into any contact with a Zav becomes impure and requires immersion in a Mikveh in order to become pure.

The Lubavitcher Rebbe OB"Y, as was his style, tries to extract deeper meanings and relevant behavioral lessons from the simple passages in the Torah. He says that the Torah's references to "vessels" are metaphors for archetypal human beings. G-d created man from earth, as is written in Genesis 2:7: "And G-d formed man from the dust of the earth." G-d used the lowliest materials in creating man. The Rebbe goes on to explain that when man comports himself in a manner consistent with the way he was created, with humility and self-nullification, then he is unaffected by exterior contact with impurity. Such contact leaves his essence and inner-self untainted. He remains pure. However, when man behaves like a tree, rearing himself upwards, spreading his branches outward far and wide, then the merest contact with impurity renders him impure.

I read these passages in one of the Rebbe's discourses within 24 hours of the passing of our beloved Chaz. The Chaz was a man whose humility and inner purity radiated from him naturally. All the years and decades that I knew him, he was self-effacing, wearing his humility like a crown of glory and never projecting himself upwards. He was an earthen vessel as G-d meant him to be. No taint ever adhered to him. He was pure. He was never beguiled to move from his place by the seductive and not quite holy opportunities that were open to him to acquire more fame and wealth. He remained in place. He began at LSS and he ended at LSS. He was never moved from his place. He was pure.

May his memory be a blessing.

*Shabbat Shalom!*

For more information about writing a Dvar Torah, see Bill Greenbaum in shul or email [dvar@lss.org](mailto:dvar@lss.org).

**We are currently looking for writers for:**

**April 27 (Parshat Pesach)**

**May 4 (Parshat Aharei Mot)**

**May 18 (Parshat Emor)**

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## PASSOVER POEM



Passover is coming, but don't be afraid,  
we will get through it,  
just like we made it through being enslaved!

Cleaning and scrubbing and sweeping around,  
and then we sing MaNishtana,  
what a beautiful sound!

Searching for the afikoman,  
where could it be?  
Following the steps of seder,  
one - two - three!

The wine? It's delicious!  
The maror? I'm suspicious.  
The matzah? Definitely not nutritious.

We were liberated from mitzrayim,  
now we are free,  
Passover is done? Bring the pizza over to me!

