

SHABBAT SCHEDULE	PARSHAT ZACHOR			
 6:45pm Shabbat Candle Lighting Friday Night 6:50pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary led by Chazzan Yanky Lemmer. Dvar Torah given by Rabbi Shaul Robinson. Shabbat Morning 	Everybody above the age of Bar/Bat Mitzvah should hear the special Torah reading this week, where we remember the wickedness of Amalek. Zachor will be read at every service, and will be read in the Main Sanctuary three times— at approximately 10:15am, at the conclusion of Musaf (approximately 11:30am), and again at the conclusion of Mincha which begins at 6:30pm on Shabbat afternoon.			
7:45am Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by a	THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS			
shiur given by Rabbi Moshe Sokolow 8:30am Parsha Shiur given by Rabbinic Intern, Zac Schwartz on <i>"Killing</i> <i>a Neutralized Terrorist: A Torah Perspective"</i>	Hashkama Kiddush: Joel Tenenholtz in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of his father Benjamin, Benyamin ben Moshe Yoseph z"l.			
9:00am Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary led by Chazzan Yanky Lemmer. Drasha given by Rabbi Shaul Robinson followed by Musaf.	Main Kiddush: Sponsored by Golda, Shira, and Hanna Hudes in gratitude to the LSS community and for a refuah shleima for Shimon ben Yehudis and everyone who needs it.			
9:15am Beginners Service led by Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald in Rm LL201	Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan Kiddush:			
9:45am Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash 10:00am Youth Groups for children ages 2-12	The participants of Rabbi Rosenfeld's Shabbat afternoon, Sunday morning, and Monday evening shiurim with Hakarat Hatov to Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld and in celebration of his Bar Mitzvah parsha.			
10:04am Latest Shema	Sara and Elie Kravitz in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Elie's father,			
11:00am Pre Purim "Baby & Me" (ages 0-24 months, 3rd floor gym)	Philip Kravitz, z"l.			
Shabbat Afternoon4:00pm Herb Weiss Bikur Cholim Society: Meets in the Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer to visit patients at Mount Sinai West. (New volunteers needed and welcome)	Beginners Kiddush: Deena-Kristi Hays and Ira Weinstock in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Deena's grandmother, Helen Bernice Fields a"h. Bryant Macaraeg in honor of the past and present cast, crew and supporters			
5:00pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler in the	of the LSS Beginners' Purim Play.			
Belfer Beit Midrash 5:30pm Samson Raphael Hirsch Bible Class and the Book of Esther with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald in Rm 211	<u>Seudah Shlishit</u> : Joyce and David Friedman in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of David's mother, Debby Friedman, D'vora bat Yehoshua Heschel and Rachel a"h.			
5:30pm Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shabbat Pre-Mincha Shiur in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary given by Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld on <i>"What is Amalek?" A Two-Part</i> Lesson on Torah and Morality pt. 2	Dassa and Bill Greenbaum in commemoration of the yahrtzeits of their fathers, Benyamin Moshe Ben Eleazar Gerber z"l, Reuben ben Velvel Greenbaum z"l, and Bill's grandmother, Minna bat Yaakov Greenbaum a"h.			
6:30pm Mincha/Seudah Shlishit.				
7:46pm Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends	NEXT SHABBAT & WEEKEND			
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS	Shabbat, March 23: Minyan and Meaning: The Soulful Experience: 9:30am Join LSS and Kol HaNeshamah on a unique and unforgettable spiritual			
Lauren and Naftali Schuss	journey to the heart with prayer, enchanting melodies, and fascinating,			
HAKARAT HATOV	modern explanatory insights into the service and weekly parsha. Hear insights from Rabbanit Adena Berkowitz and Rabbi Robinson, with a fusion			
Perry Davis for writing this week's Dvar Torah.	of R&B/jazz from the renowned chazzan and artist Mo Kiss and enjoy our famous mid-service Kiddush.			
REFUAH SHLEIMA	Sunday, March 24: Reforming UNRWA – The Master Initiative: 11:00am			
Please daven for our beloved Chaz, Chazzan Sherwood Goffin, Shimon	David Bedein, Director of the Center for Near East Policy Research will			
ben Yehudis. Cards of encouragement and support can be passed along.	present the latest initiatives of his organization in exposing how the United Nations Relief and Works Agency misappropriates donations to indoctrinate			
PLEASE HELP US HAND OUT MISHLOACH MANOT	Arab students in Gaza and the West Bank and what is being done to combat			
3/20 following megillah reading and 3/21 from 10:00am-3:00pm	this. Cost: \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. To register, please visit <u>www.lss.org/event/reformingunrwa</u> .			

If you have availability please email <u>info@lss.org</u>.

PURIM! PURIM! PURIM! DON'T DELAY AND REGISTER TODAY!

The LSS Mishloach Manot Campaign: You Don't Want to Miss This! Last chance to register before our Sunday, March 17 deadline! www.lss.org/campaign/purim2019 \$10 per family (6 family minimum, \$60), \$370 (maximum cost)

Sunday, March 17:

• Spring Food and Clothing Drive: 10:00am - 1:00pm Join LSS to clothe the needy and help feed the Jewish homeless. Volunteers still needed, including a driver for transportation of food. If interested, please email wbaker@panix.com.

• Purim Carnival: 1:00pm—4:00pm Join LSS for our annual fun & festive Purim Carnival. \$25 at the door.

Wednesday, March 20:

The Beginners Purim Bash: 7:30pm - **11:00pm** Maariv and Megillah reading followed by Purim Bash featuring renowned musical artist and performer Psachya Septimus. Cost: \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. To register, please visit <u>www.lss.org/beginners</u>.

UPCOMING EVENTS	WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES
 *Wednesday, March 27: Medicine, Halacha and the Modern Woman: 7:30pm <i>Please note this is an offsite event</i> Please join Yoetzet Halacha, Shiffy Friedman and Dr. Theresa Linsener in a group discussion and presentation about common issues relating to women's health and mikvah observance. Location: Congregation Ramath Orah, 550 W 110th St NY, NY 10025 Sunday, March 31: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm: The LSS Youth Department Presents: Babies & Brunch: Jungle Babies Thank you to our sponsors, The Kuzniecky and Kanarfogel families 	 Sunday: *(Cancelled this week) Sunday Morning Responsa with Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld; Takes place after the 2nd Minyan Location: Belfer Beit Midrash. Monday:
March 31: Early Bird Deadline for the NORPAC event taking place on May 21 NORPAC's Mission to Washington is an annual event where close to 1,000 citizen activists meet with members of Congress on both sides of the aisle in order to advocate for a stronger U.SIsrael relationship. Buses will leave LSS early in the morning and return later in the evening. This year's mission is especially important given that many of the new members of Congress need to be educated about the importance of the U.SIsrael relationship. To register, please visit <u>www.norpac.net/mission-to-washington</u> . For questions, please contact Dan Feder at <u>dfeder613@gmail.com</u> .	 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 Jewish Living Workshop: 7:30pm-8:30pm Led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum. Topic: Purim. To register, please email jlworkshop@yahoo.com. Location: Rm 208/210 Tuesday: The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the weekly Parsha" led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 10:30am – 11:30am. Location: Rm LL201 Introduction to Bible: The 10 Commandments with Rabbi Ephraim
 Monday, April 8: Naomi Shemer: The Honey & The Sting: 7:00pm Naomi Shemer's songs reflect Israel's history, the good times and the sad times. In this program, Roy Rimshon brings light and life to Naomi's story. The program will combine live music, well-known songs, videos and rare photos. Cost: \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. To register, please visit www.lss.org/event/naomishemer. Beginners Model Seder: 7:00pm Join Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald and Psachya Septimus for an intimate and exciting early rendition of the traditional Passover Seder. Refreshments will be served. Cost: \$15 before April 8th, \$20 at the door. For information or to make your reservation, contact LSS at 212-874-6100 or at www.lss.org/beginners. 	 Buchwald: 6:30—8:00pm: Cost: \$90, Free to LSS Members. To register, please call 212-874-6100 or register online at www.lss.org/beginners. Beit Midrash night, The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group led by Ron Platzer: 7:00pm-8:00pm. 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. To register please click on the link in the Echod electronic version or email teens@lss.org. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash
HOSPITALITY NEEDS	Jewish History Series: Israel & Zionism led by Paul Shaviv: 8:00pm- 9:00pm Topic: Three Giants: Herzl, Weizmann and B-G Location: Belfer Beit Midrash
 Please host our Rabbinic Intern and Community Educator for Shabbat meals and/or lodging. Please email <u>hospitality@lss.org</u> with the subject line "intern" and your availability to meet our current needs. LSS Teen Directors and Rabbinic Intern, Zac & Rachel Schwartz are in need of meals and lodging on March 29-30 and April 12-13. Community Educator, Zissy Turner and her husband, Sam, are in need of meals on April 5-6. 	 Wednesday: *(Cancelled this week) Beit Midrash night: The Subversive Religious Poetry of Yehuda Amichai given by Sara Brzowsky: 7:30pm-8:30pm. Location: Rm 207 <u>Thursday:</u> *(Cancelled this week) Women's Talk Time: led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer: 11:30am-12:30pm. Last Week's Topic: Dealing with Inefficiency Location: Rm LL201. *(Cancelled this week and please note this is an offsite event) Lunch
SHMURAH MATZAH SALE	& Learn: led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 12:45pm-1:30pm. If you are interested in attending, please email Micah Bloomfield at <u>mbloomfield@stroock.com</u> . Location: 180 Maiden Lane NY, NY 10038
LSS will again be selling Shatzer Shmurah Matzah for Passover. Cost: \$25.25 per pound for both regular and whole wheat. Place your orders at <u>www.lss.org/form/matzah2019</u> .	 *(Cancelled this week) The Jacob Adler Parsha Class: Explorations in the Weekly Parsha with Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 7:00pm–8:00pm. <u>Location:</u> Belfer Beit Midrash
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Day	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday Taanit Esther Erev Purim	Thursday Purim	Friday Shushan Purim
Fast Begins				5:48am		
Daf Yomi	7:45am	6:15am	6:20am	6:00am		6:20am
Shacharit	7:10am, 8:30am	7:00am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am	6:50am, 7:30am	6:15am, 7:30am, both including Megillah reading	7:10am, 7:50am
Mincha	6:55pm	6:55pm	6:55pm	6:40	1:45pm, 6:55pm	6:55pm
Maariv	Following mincha	Following mincha	Following mincha	7:30pm	Following 6:55pm mincha	Following mincha
Other Megillah Readings				Please see Purim Schedule on third page	Please see Purim Schedule on third page	

YOUTH CARNIVAL APPEAL

Dear Youth Echod Reader,

This Sunday, March 17th the Purim Carnival will feature superheroes, princesses, face painters, balloon twisters, bounce houses, a Purim Show, reptiles, cotton candy, Tkiya for babies, and a calming Sensory Room.

The Purim Carnival is the catalyst for raising as much of the youth budget as possible to help defray the cost of shabbat youth groups and other year round youth events. The carnival enables us to expand the reach of our community, attract new families, and strengthen our core by uniting us around shared values.

We want to take this opportunity to thank all those that have joined us in our mission. Your support means the world to us and to LSS at large.

It's not too late to show your support! Email <u>youth@lss.org</u> All sponsorships are tax deductible. Thank you for your consideration and Shabbat Shalom.

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday (\$25 at the door)

With Gratitude, Ariella and Mendel

EDNESDAY, ARCH 20

5:48am FAST BEGINS 6:40pm Mincha MAIN SANCTUARY

7:30pm Ma'ariv – Children's Costume Parade, Purim Pekalach and Megillah Reading MAIN SANCTUARY (following megillah reading, please join us for a collation in the ballroom and Mishloach Manot pick up in the pre-function room) 7:30pm Beginners Ma'ariv, Megillah Reading and Purim Bash ROOM 206/207 7:40pm Young Professionals Megillah Reading BEIT MIDRASH 7:40pm FAST ENDS

PURIM

9:15pm Late Megillah Reading MAIN SANCTUARY



THURSDAY, MARCH 21:

6:15am Shacharit and Megillah Reading MAIN SANCTUARY 7:30am Shacharit and Megillah Reading MAIN SANCTUARY 9:30am Magen Avraham Teen Department Shacharit and Megillah Reading MAIN SANCTUARY followed by Breakfast BALLROOM 9:30am Women's Tefillah Group Megillah Reading BEIT MIDRASH 10:00am-3:00pm Mishloach Manot Pick Up LOBBY 10:30am Mishloach Manot Delivery With Rabbi Robinson LOBBY 1:00pm Late Megillah Reading MAIN SANCTUARY 1:45pm Early Mincha MAIN SANCTUARY 6:55pm Mincha and Ma'ariv MAIN SANCTUARY

SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

All listings of the Main Sanctuary refers to the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary All listings of the Beit Midrash refers to the Belfer Beit Midrash All listings of the Lobby refers to the Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer

THANK YOU TO OUR PURIM CARNIVAL SPONSORS!!!

Queen Esther: Revital & Ariel Ackerman

Mishloach Manot

Talia & Liron David Allison & Yitzy Rubin Vivian Glueck & Henry Rosenberg

<u>Megilla</u>

Becky & Eitan Kimelman Yael & Avraham Lavi Naomi & Gary Stein Ariela Jaglom (Megillah Plus)

Mordechai: Laura & Jonathan Heller

Seudat Hamentashen

Dr. Susan Ungar Mero & Mr. Steven Mero, *Ungar Dermatology* Debra & Adam Verstandig Tehila & Nadav Kidron Jocelyn London & David Adelsberg Miriam & Jesse Izak Laurie & JJ Lando (S.H. Plus) Tanya Gershon & Joseph Warshawsky (S.H. plus)

Matanot Le'evyonim

Marina & Michael Roxland Marci & Zachary Salzbank Caroline & David Klatt Hadas & Amir Richulsky Estee & Elli Friedman Dr. Gerin & Shai Zelering Jackie & Jonathan Kotler (M.L. Plus) Chelsey Kotler, *Speech Zone* (M.L. Plus) Shira & Avi Spira (M.L. Plus) Kayla & Jon Moerdler (M.L. Plus) Daniella Kahane & David Levy (M.L. Plus) Parshat Vayikra/Parshat Zachor March 15-16 Written by: Perry Davis



"Moving In"

Any landlord will tell you that real estate becomes real when the tenant moves in and starts paying rent. In Sefer Vayikra, the Jews move in. Put another way, our grandson, Akiva is about to celebrate his Bar Mitzvah. He is quite interested in the Beit HaMikdash. He is a Cohen. For him, it is real – God willing – a future workplace.

Workplace or domicile, we have read over and over again that the Mishkan is the place where God and the Jewish people meet and where the nation pays its rent in the form of korbanot. While much of Sefer Vayikra will outline the dedication ceremony of the Mishkan and elaborate on the korbanot that are to be offered, another more encompassing theme is unfolding.

To return one more time to the landlord analogy: God is not interested in his Jewish tenants trashing his Makom (designated place.) He has set certain standards for his newly established nation and those are elaborated extensively in Vayikra. Throughout the Sefer, we learn what it takes to consecrate the Mishkan and how to keep it from being defiled.

But the user manual goes beyond the activities of the Cohanim. As we have learned, the nation is a mamlechet Cohanim v'goy kadosh - a nation of priests and a holy people; holy for the Mishkan and later the Temple, and holy in our daily lives, so that we merit the relationship with Hashem that is epitomized by the Mishkan and Temple. In a fundamental command, God says: "You shall be holy: for I the Lord your God am holy" (Vayikra 19:2.) As we recite every morning, "Oh God, the soul that you gave me is pure."

Purity and holiness are thus the themes of Vayikra. We behave differently as holy people. Thus, we need laws to govern what we eat (so Parshat Shmini spells out the laws of kashrut); how we stay physically and spiritually intact; how impurity (like tzaraat) can be detected and removed; and how our marital relationships can be sexually pure. We have a forgiving God, and so we are not expected to remain without the blemish of sin. Thus, in Vayikra, we will learn how to seek atonement – individually and with the help of the Cohen Gadol on Yom Kippur. We are taught how to deal with the ultimate impurity – death. To keep our souls pure, we are warned about avoda zara (idol worship.) The festivals and Shabbat are enumerated so that our days and years are sanctified. We are also instructed how to behave with fellow Jews and with the strangers who will be welcomed in our land. The laws of shmita and other agricultural restrictions bring an extra measure of holiness to the most ubiquitous occupation our forefathers engaged in – farming.

This is a benevolent covenant but all encompassing. It acknowledges our debt to Hashem – which is total. The story of Breishit was the formation of a holy Jewish family, and Shmot relates the birth of a nation. Vayikra describes how, as individuals and as a nation, we try to preserve the pure soul God gave us by being unique and separate. We are certainly part of the world's nations, but we are special by being a goy kadosh, a nation apart.

Shabbat Shalom!

For more information about writing a Dvar Torah, see Bill Greenbaum in shul, or email <u>dvar@lss.org</u>, or leave a message for him with the Shul office at 212-874-6100.

We are currently looking for writers for Parshat Tzav, Parshat Shmini, and Parshat Tazria.