

SHABBAT SCHEDULE

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4:54pm Shabbat Candle Lighting

Friday Night

5:00pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Services officiated and Dvar Torah given by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson**.

Shabbat Morning

7:45am Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by a shiur on the third floor given by **Rabbi Moshe Sokolow**.
8:30am Parsha Shiur given by **Community Intern, Mindy Schwartz Zolty** on *"Hardening Pharaoh's Heart: How the Commentators Deal With a Crisis in Freewill"*
9:00am Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Drasha given by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson** on *"The Most Important Word You Will Ever Say in Shul"*
9:15am Beginners Service led by **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** 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, Rm 208/210)

Shabbat Afternoon

12:30pm Beginners Luncheon: Welcome to all those attending
3:00pm Herb Weiss Bikur Cholim Society: Meets in the Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer to visit patients at Mount Sinai West. (New volunteers needed and welcome)
3:25pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with **Moshe Sheinwexler** in the Belfer Beit Midrash
3:55pm Samson Raphael Hirsch Bible Class with **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in Rm 211
3:55pm Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shabbat Pre-Mincha Shiur in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary given by **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld** on *"The Righteous Live Through Faith" In honor of the 5th yahrtzeit of Rabbi Yisroel Rosenfeld z"l*.
4:40pm Mincha/Seudah Shlishit. **Community Intern, Mindy Schwartz Zolty** will be speaking on *"Hachodesh Haze Lechem: Rabbi Elazar ben Arach and Radical Renewal"*
5:56pm Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends

Hashkama Kiddush: Bob & Elissa Burnat on the occasion of the 50th yahrtzeit of Bob's father Bernard, Benjamin ben Yakov z"l as well as for his uncle Israel Wruble, Yisroel ben Shlomo z"l.

Main Kiddush:

Lenore and Glenn Richter in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Glenn's father, Harold Richter z"l.

Isaac Showman in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of his mother, Julie Showman a"h.

Shari and Joseph Sonnenberg in memory of Shari's mother, Miriam Stern, Miriam bat Lieb Mendel a"h and father, Siegfried Stern, Shmuel ben Shlomo z"l.

Beginners Kiddush:

Rhonda Weinman in loving memory of her brother, Arnie Reich z"l.

Deena-Kristi Hays and Ira Weinstock in honor of Lorraine Lipinski's birthday.

Seudah Shlishit:

Dr. Ira Friedman in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of his father, Dr. Leonard Friedman, Shmuel aryeh ben Isamar z"l.

Pauline and Evan Sehgal in commemoration of the 79th yahrtzeit of their great aunt Sophie Blumenthal a"h on 5 Shevat.

MAZAL TOV

Grandparents **Rabbi David and Helene Katz Freedman** on the Bar Mitzvah of Meir Simcha, son of Lavey and Aliza Freedman of Ramat Bet Shemesh.

HAKARAT HATOV

Maurice Spanbock and Jerry Tov Greenberg for writing this week's Dvar Torah.

Adina Goss for volunteering during the main Kiddush to help educate members about LSS' recycling efforts.

THIS SUNDAY

Sunday, February 2: LSS Presents A Mother Daughter Lunch and Learn: 12:00pm Join our Community Intern, Mindy Schwartz Zolty, for this four part mini series. We invite you to connect with your daughters through Torah study, a delicious lunch, and through the empowerment of coming together with other Jewish women. To register, please visit www.lss.org/event/miniseries.

MINYAN & MEANING SURVEY

Minyan & Meaning with Adena Berkowitz and Mo kiss has been offered occasionally at LSS. We would love to hear your feedback! Please fill out our 10 question survey linked on our home page. Visit www.lss.org.

NEXT SHABBAT & WEEKEND

WOW! We've got a lot going on at Lincoln Square!

Join us as we welcome **Chazzan Yanky Lemmer**, host a beautiful **Tu B'Shvat Women's Tefillah Group**, say goodbye to Shabbat with a **lively Musical Havdalah**, **Meet the Real Life Fauda on Motzei Shabbat** and receive **Mental Health Training on Sunday**.

See next page for details

HOSPITALITY NEEDS: Please host our Rabbinic Intern and Community Educator for Shabbat meals and /or lodging. Please email hospitality@lss.org with the subject line "Intern" and your availability to meet our current needs.

LSS Community Intern, Mindy Schwartz Zolty and her husband Yoni are in need of meals on February 7-8.

LSS Rabbinic Intern, Tzvi Benoff is in need of meals and lodging on February 14-15.

Weekly Prayer Schedule:	February 2-7					
Day	Sunday:	Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday:	Friday:
Daf Yomi	7:45am	6:15am	6:20am	6:20am	6:15am	6:20am
Shacharit	7:10am, 8:30am	7:00am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am	7:00am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am
Candle Lighting						5:03pm
Mincha/Ma'ariv	5:05pm	5:05pm	5:05pm	5:10pm	5:10pm	5:05pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Shabbat, February 8: Women's Tefillah Group Presents:

Tu B'Shvat Oneg: 3:45pm

WTG will be highlighting elements of the Kabbalistic Tu B'Shvat seder and its corresponding fruits. Ashley Emrani, JNF Director of Women's Campaign Tri-State will be speaking at this event. So girls and woman have your Tu B'Shvat fruit dessert with us!

Motzei Shabbat, February 8: Meet the Real Fauda Soldiers: 8:00pm

the Netflix series Fauda took America by storm as it depicted the operations of the special forces IDF Duvdevan unit, These soldiers specialize in anti-terrorist warfare, well behind enemy lines and are generally under cover. In this special program, you will meet two graduates of the Duvdevan unit. Please note, They are not FAUDA actors, rather real, former Duvdevan IDF Officers who will give first-hand accounts of the work of this elite unit. The Duvdevan Foundation supports bereaved family members who have lost a loved one in active combat, helps sustain soldiers on active duty and enables Duvdevan veterans to transition back to civilian life. Advance registration: \$50 (LSS members), \$60 (non-members). At the door (if still available, \$80). To register, please visit www.lss.org/event/therealfauda.

Sunday, February 9: UWS Mental Health First Aid Training: 10:00am

MHFAT provides proven practices that will help you recognize the early signs and symptoms of mental illness and substance misuse. Certificate of completion will be presented to participants. Facilitated by Blerim Cukovic. Blerim holds a Bachelors in Psychology with a concentration in Neuroscience. Since obtaining his Bachelors degree in 2016 Blerim has obtained certification as an Emergency Medical Technician. He is currently a substitute teacher for the Department of Education, an Emergency Room Ambassador at Northwell Health at the Staten Island University Hospital, is a CPR instructor and Mental Health First Aid Instructor. Since Blerim began working with the Mental Health First Aid Initiative he has conducted over 30 trainings and has certified over 400 participants. Lunch will be provided. *Space is now limited* To register, please visit www.lss.org/event/mentalhealth.

Tuesday, February 25: Wake Up Your Soul: 7:00pm

LSS is proud to host the main US book launching event of Rabbi Dov Singer's "Prepare My Prayer: Recipes to Awaken the Soul", Maggid Books' new English language translation of his best seller "Tikon Tefillati". Join us to welcome the joyous month of Adar for a musical/spiritual voyage with this Modern Orthodox Hassidic master. Refreshments will be served.

Wednesday, February 26: Our Chazzanim at the Mansion: 7:30pm

Our Head Chazzan Yanky Lemmer and Assistant Chazzan Yisroel Lesches will be doing another show of lively klezmer and jazz with the Frank London Ensemble. Their November show sold-out, here is the reprise if you missed that one. Appetizers and open bar. To buy tickets, please visit www.themansion.nyc.

MAIN KIDDUSH

Upcoming Main Kiddush Sponsorship Availability: February 15, February 29 and March 7. To sponsor, please visit www.lss.org/requestkiddush or contact Julie Rosenthal at 212-874-6100 ext. 105 or julie@lss.org.

BOOK SALE

West Side Judaica is having a book sale. All books are 10 to 60% off excluding special orders. Cash and carry only. For more information, please call 212-362-7846.

LSS BAT MITZVAH PROJECT

Women if you've never had a Bat Mitzvah or haven't read from the Torah sign up now at LSSbatmitzvah@gmail.com. Read only 3-4 sentences and we help you do it with recordings and mentors. Assignments given early February allowing for lots of prep time for the Shabbat May 9th reading.

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday:

- **Sunday Morning Responsa** with Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld; Takes place after the 2nd Minyan. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.

Monday:

- **What a Jew Believes: Practicing Faith in a Skeptical World led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson.** 1:00pm-2:00pm Topic: Prayer - Does G-d listen? And why is shul always the same?
- **Chug Ivrit led by Harel Fenigstein** 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. This year, we will have a special focus on Israeli poetry. Location: Rm 206/207
- **Deep Calling Unto Deep: A Journey into Tehillim led by Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld:** 7:45pm-8:45pm. A five part series on the history, thought, and usage of Psalms in Jewish tradition through explanation and in depth study of individual chapters. This is the first of five classes. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

Tuesday:

- **The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the weekly Parsha"** led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 10:30am- 11:30am. Location: Rm LL201
- **Beit Midrash night, The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group** led by Ron Platzer: 7:30pm-8:30pm. Location: Rm 211

Wednesday:

- **Beit Midrash night: The Subversive Religious Poetry of Yehuda Amichai** given by Sara Brzowsky: 7:00pm-8:00pm Location: Rm 207
- **What a Jew Believes: Practicing Faith in a Skeptical World led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson.** 7:00pm-8:00pm Topic: Prayer - Does G-d listen? And why is shul always the same? Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

Thursday:

- **Women's Talk Time:** led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer: 11:30am-12:30pm. Last Week's Topic: My Favorite Memory Location: Rm LL201.
- **The Jacob Adler Parsha Class** Explorations in the Weekly Parsha led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 7:00pm-8:00pm. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

Join Rabbi Shaul Robinson as he offers this exciting new mini series for beginners, intermediate, and advanced alike!

What a Jew Believes: Practicing Faith in a Skeptical World

02/10 @ 1:00pm & 02/12 @ 7:00pm

Torah From Heaven? Did G-d really speak and does He ever change His mind?

03/02 @ 1:00pm & 03/04 @ 7:00pm

The Money in My Pocket - Who does it belong to and what should I do with it?

Save the Date:

Tuesday, February 11: Introduction to Bible: The 10 Commandments with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald: 6:30pm-8:00pm

An in-depth study and analysis of the Decalogue (the Ten Commandments) and other basic biblical texts. The religious significance of the Bible, scriptural exegesis and the relationship of the written and oral law will be discussed and analyzed. To register, please call 212-874-6100 or register online at www.lss.org/beginners. Cost: \$90, Free to LSS Members. No one will be turned away for lack of funds.

Monday, February 24: Hebrew Reading Crash Course Levels I and II: 6:30pm These 5 classes last 1 1/2 hours, and are free and open to all. To register, please visit www.lss.org/beginners.

DVAR TORAH

Parshat Bo January 31-February 1
By: Maurice Spanbock and Jerry Tov Greenberg

In last week's *parsha* of *Va'era* we were introduced to the first seven plagues. *Bo* deals with the last three: Locusts, Darkness and the Slaying of the Firstborn.

Additionally it inaugurates the month of *Nissan* as the beginning of the Hebrew calendar; institutionalizes *Pesach* as a holiday in perpetuity; lays out regulations regarding the first Pesach, including the commandment to eat *matzoh*; and establishes the consecration of the firstborn, both human and animal. Indeed, this week's *parsha* is replete with particulars, any one of which would constitute a tasty morsel for further exploration — a veritable smorgasbord of *divrei torah*.

We're limiting ourselves to just two items from that buffet: 1) In the very first *pasuk*, *HaShem* states that He has hardened not only Pharaoh's heart but also the hearts of his servants (ministers). 2) Later, in Verse 9, Moshe, in poetically-inspired language, insists: "*Bin'arenu uvizkenenu nelech, b'vanenu uvivnotenu, b'tzonenu uvivkarenu nelech.*" — "We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go."

Item 1: From the outset, *HaShem* has told Moshe that He will harden the hearts of Pharaoh and his ministers. This decree is not just for Moshe alone; it's for *B'nai Yisrael*. It is important, not just for the slaves themselves, but for their descendants throughout all future generations, to understand that Egypt as a nation would be punished for its culpability in the crime of enslaving another nation.

Had He hardened only Pharaoh's heart, the lessons of the plagues might have ended there. However, the ministers' hearts needed desensitizing as well, to make sure they wouldn't talk Pharaoh out of his recalcitrance. By this time, they had become very wary of the plagues. Indeed, the looming Plague of Locusts is described as "a plague unlike any other."

Item 2: Just prior to the pronouncement of the impending plague, Pharaoh's ministers counseled him to start working out terms of how to broker a deal with Moshe. They advised him to start by offering to let only the men go. But Moshe's position is all-inclusive and non-negotiable: Everyone will leave, including the cattle. No one will be left behind. To Pharaoh, this is a non-starter.

Interestingly, in the midst of the locust infestation, he calls Moshe back and says, "I have sinned, please forgive me." Pharaoh's "apology" uses all the right words. After all, he thinks of himself as a skilled arbiter and realizes that to stop the plague he must appear sympathetic to Moshe's interests.

If Pharaoh's tactics seem familiar, consider the way many of our contemporary politicians often respond to similar situations, say a mass shooting. In the immediate aftermath, it's "thoughts and prayers" and "stronger background checks," but soon after, their hearts are every bit as hard as ever.

In the wake of the plague of Darkness, Pharaoh changes his bargaining strategy: OK, the people can go — men, women, children — but the sheep and cattle have to stay. He's like a banker demanding a security deposit. But as *HaShem*'s ambassador, Moshe remains resolute: "*b'tzonenu u'vivkarenu nelech.*" And as Pharaoh inescapably learns, trying to bargain with *HaShem* is a futile task and a fool's errand.

On this Shabbat Parshat Bo, Maurice Spanbock is celebrating the 83rd anniversary of his bar mitzvah. It also commemorates the 16th yearzeit this coming Friday of Jerry Greenberg's father, Allan (Avraham Aharon ben Matisyahu Isser z"l).

Shabbat Shalom

We are currently looking for writers for:

Parshat Emor (5/9)
Parshat Behar-Bechukotai (5/16)
Parshat Bamidbar (5/23)

Email dvar@lss.org or see Bill Greenbaum in shul.

YOUTH AND MAGEN AVRAHAM TEEN 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

Schedule:

10:00 am Drop-Off (Rooms 208/210, 211)
11:00 am Davening, Circle Time and Baby & Me (208-210)
11:10 am Recreation, Games, and Rehydration
11:30 am Parsha & Candy: The Final Plagues
11:45 am Groups End

Dvar Torah:

Parshat Bo discusses the last three makot or plagues. Moshe warns Pharaoh about arbeh, the locusts that would eat up all the vegetation. Pharaoh agrees to release the Jews but as soon as the plague is removed, he changes his mind. Moshe then raises his hands to the sky and the 9th plague, choshech, or pitch darkness, arrives. Rashi provides commentary on Vayehi Choshech Afaylah Sheloshes Yamim (10: 22), that the first three days were regular darkness, but the next three days had a paralyzing thickness such that the Egyptian people couldn't even stand up. This commentary resolved a philosophical debate about whether darkness is simply the absence of light or whether it is a creation in itself. The commentary determined that darkness is also a creation. When Pharaoh again reversed his decision after the plague was removed, *HaShem* committed to one final plague — at midnight, the firstborn Egyptians would die.

The Parsha then discusses Korban Pesach. Moshe instructs the Jewish people that they should prepare to leave on the night of the 15th of Nissan. The people offer lambs and spread blood on their doorposts so that the angel of death will not enter. At midnight, G-d smote all the Egyptian firstborns. Pharaoh ran to Moshe in the middle of the night to tell him to leave. The Jewish people had no time to prepare, not even for their dough to rise. On the early morning of the 15th of Nissan the Jewish people departed from Egypt.

After Shul Ask Your Children:

1. How long did each plague last?
2. When did the Jewish people leave Egypt?
3. What did the locusts destroy?
4. What was the 10th and final plague?

1. Seven days
2. The 15th of Nissan—in the morning
3. All of the vegetation
4. Killing of firstborn Egyptians

Answers:

Upcoming Events: To sponsor an event please email youth@lss.org

Next Motzei Shabbat, February 8: Youth and Teen Musical Havdalah with Chazzan Lemmer: 6:05pm

Shabbat, February 15: Youth Spot it Tournament: 10:30am
Location: Room 206/207

Shabbat, February 22: Parshat Mishpatim Teen Minyan: 10:00am
If you'd like to lead any part of the Shabbat service (Kriyah Hatorah, Haftarah, Shacharit, Musaf) please speak directly to Mendel or email youth@lss.org.

Sunday, February 23: Babies & Brunch: Yoga with Sarah: 10:00am
To register, please visit www.lss.org/event/yogababies.

Sunday, March 8: LSS Annual Youth Department Purim Carnival
The Purim Carnival is the main fundraiser for the LSS Youth Department. We need your support for another incredible decade. To donate, please email youth@lss.org.

Sunday, March 1: Words to Action Part 2: 5:00pm-7:00pm

Sunday, March 29: Dorot Passover Package Delivery (Volunteer Mission) Save the date. More information to follow.

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12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

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Musical Havdalah

WITH CHAZZAN YANKY LEMMER

MOTZEI SHABBAT, FEBRUARY 8
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MA'ARIV
BEGINNING AT 6:05 pm

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If you would like to receive the Shabbat
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WOMEN'S TEFILLAH GROUP: TU B'SHVAT ONEG

SHABBAT, FEBRUARY 8
TIME: 3:45PM
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Women and Girls join us for an
Oneg focused on Tu B'Shvat!

Highlighting elements of the
Kabbalistic Tu B'Shvat seder
and its corresponding fruits. A
representative of JNF will also
join us to celebrate the New
Year of Trees.

Come enjoy Tu B'Shvat with us!



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LINES AND ARE GENERALLY UNDER COVER.

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TWO GRADUATES OF THE DUVDEVAN UNIT.
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OF THE WORK OF THIS ELITE UNIT.

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Motzei
Shabbat,
February 8th

@ 8:00 PM Light Refreshments will be served



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