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	Shaul Robinson	Mindy Schwartz Zolty	Yoni Zolty	Sherwood Goffin z"l	Yanky Lemmer	Tamar Fix	Morey Wildes
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SHABBAT SCHEDULE				THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS			
<p>Friday night:</p> <p>4:26pm Candle Lighting</p> <p>4:30pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat</p> <p>Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.</p> <p>Neirot Shabbat Shiur and Kiddush</p> <p>Following Maariv join us for a shiur given by Assistant Rabbi Yoni Zolty in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary followed by a hot kugel kiddush in the Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer.</p> <p>4:43pm Sunset: Latest time to daven Mincha</p> <p>5:14pm Repeat Shema</p> <p>Shabbat:</p> <p>7:45am Hashkama Minyan; Location: Belfer Beit Midrash. Hashkama Kiddush to follow; Shiur by Dr. Moshe Sokolow on the third floor.</p> <p>9:00am Chazzan Sherwood Goffin Memorial Minyan; Drasha after Musaf by Rabbinic Associate Daniel Gottesman. Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Cholent/Kugel Kiddush to follow in the Ballroom.</p> <p>9:00am Women’s Tefilla Group</p> <p>Location: Pre-function room</p> <p>9:30am Beginners Service led by Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald; Location: 3rd Floor. Beginners Kiddush to follow.</p> <p>9:40am Latest Shema</p> <p>9:45am Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan</p> <p>Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.</p> <p>10:00am Shabbat Groups; Location: Second Floor Classrooms.</p> <p>12:30pm Beginners Luchon</p> <p>Location: Belfer Beit Midrash</p> <p>2:45pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler; Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.</p> <p>3:45pm Louis and Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur by Associate Daniel Gottesman in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.</p> <p><i>The Louis Rhoda and Iazar Memorial Shiur is Sponsored this week by Sally Sultan in honor of the upcoming marriage of Miriam Leff and Daniel Dimont.</i></p> <p>4:15pm Mincha; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Followed by Seudah Shlishit.</p> <p>*Hebrew only* shiur with Lloyd Epstein Torah Mitzion Kollel Fellows. Led by Yechiel Rozenberg in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.</p> <p>שיעור שבועי בעברית אחר מנחה בשבת עם חברי כולל תורה מציון!</p> <p>4:44pm Sunset: Latest time to daven Mincha.</p> <p>5:27pm Ma’ariv/Shabbat Ends</p>				<p>Hashkama</p> <p>Jeffrey and Yehudit Neuman in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Jeffrey's mother, Malka bat Yitzchak a"h.</p> <p>Perry and Margy-Ruth Davis in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Perry’s mother, Zelda Davis a”h.</p> <p>Cholent/Kugel Kiddush</p> <p>Dr. Lu Steinberg and Dr. Michael Schulder and family in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Lu’s parents, Lillie and Milton Steinberg z”l.</p> <p>Beginners Kiddush</p> <p>Yedidya Flaquer in honor of Rabbi Buchwald for his leadership and service to all Beginners.</p> <p>Seudah Shlishit</p> <p>Nussbaum and Verschleisser families; in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of their father, brother in law, uncle, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Asher Ben Eliezer z”l.</p> <p>Joyce and David Friedman and Rachel Neumark Herlands and Jonathan Herlands in commemoration of the yahrtzeits of Edith Jaskoll a"h and Debby Neumark a"h.</p> <p>Barbara Spero in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of her beloved father, Shmuel Zanvil H'Cohen's z”l 9th yahrtzeit.</p>			
				MAZAL TOV			
				<p>Gabi Zweig, daughter of Bernie and Naomi Zweig, on making aliyah this week. We wish her much hatzlacha!</p> <p>Great Grandparents Joan Papier and Dr. Henry N. Lieberman on the birth of a girl, Michaela Prie, to Daniella and Duvi Grumet.</p> <p>Rabbi Elihu Abbe, son of Judy and Cyrus Abbe, on the publication of his second book, Torah Leadership.</p> <p>Joyce and David Friedman on the engagement of their daughter Rachel to Babak Somekh, son of Akhtar and David a”h Somekh of Great Neck.</p>			
				75 DAY COUNTDOWN TO ISRAEL’S 75TH			
				<p>During 2023, we commemorate the State of Israel’s 75th anniversary. We will be celebrating with a 75 day countdown (see what we did there? ;) and it will all culminate on April 25/26 in an LSS Yom Ha'Atzmaut celebration.</p> <p>Establishing and sustaining the State took the collective work of thousands of people, some are well known, some less so. As part of our countdown we will send out daily emails, highlighting different organizations and activists, and put on a variety of events. We hope you'll take part in the events that we offer over the 75 day period and enjoy reading the informative emails as well.</p> <p>To kick things off we will be displaying a blue & white paper chain in the lobby with 75 links. Each link will have a note folded up with your favorite memories from Israel, your hopes and dreams for Israel or what you love most about Israel. Each day, we will take off one folded note and share it with you via our Instagram account. Follow us on Instagram! @lincolnsquaresynagogue. Please take a moment to submit your thoughts on Israel by clicking the link in the electronic Echod or email info@lss.org. We encourage you all to participate and spread the word! It all begins on Shabbat, February 11 so stay tuned!</p>			
WEEKDAY MINYAN							
<p>Shacharit:</p> <p>Sunday, January 8th @ 7:10am & 8:30am</p> <p>Monday, January 9th @ 7:10am & 7:50am</p> <p>Tuesday and Wednesday, January 10th-11th @ 7:10am & 7:50am</p> <p>Thursday, January 12th @ 7:00am & 7:50am</p> <p>Friday, January 13th @ 7:10am & 7:50am</p> <p>Mincha/Maariv:</p> <p>Sunday–Tuesday, January 8th - 10th @ 4:35pm</p> <p>Wednesday and Thursday, January 11th - 12th @ 4:40pm</p>							
WELCOME NEW MEMBER							
Cherie Zucker				<p><i>*Please note by taking part in the paper chain project you agree to have your memory shared on our Instagram account.</i></p>			

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, January 10th: 7:00pm-8:30pm: Join Jewish Climate Action Network NYC at a very special meeting to hear from New York City Comptroller Brad Lander! Lander, who serves as the city's budget watchdog and chief accountability officer, comes to the office with a strong track record of partnering with community advocates to win transformative change for a more just and equitable city. Lander views confronting the climate crisis as an essential part of his work; check out the Climate Dashboard and learn more about how the Comptroller's office is championing the cause of a just, livable future for all New Yorkers. For the Zoom link and more information see the online Echod.

Wednesday, January 11th: Welcome to Israel! Ready to serve? 7:00pm. Location: Rooms 206/207. Speaker: Isha Hadad, director of the Harel organization. The Harel organization was established in 2016 with the aim of helping teens who made aliya from the Former Soviet Union to integrate into Israeli society. The program helps acculturate these teens into their new home country while instilling within them a sense of responsibility, belonging and the desire to contribute to the State of Israel. They also help many of these teens prepare for the rigors of serving in the IDF (where many of its graduates serve in elite units), as well as assistance with reentering civilian life post-IDF service. Independent research found that graduates of the program overwhelmingly experience a positive integration in Israeli society, become actively involved in their local communities, complete their military service in high ranking positions, and have very high graduation rates from Israeli universities. How does Harel accomplish this? Come and find out!

Friday, January 20th: Young Professionals Oneg: 8:00pm: A great opportunity to reconnect with old friends, make new ones, share some Torah, and be inspired by the holiness of Shabbat! All while enjoying some delicious cholent and kugel. Email assistantrabbi@lss.org to RSVP.

Motzei Shabbat, January 21st: The Future of Israel and its Defenders: 7:30pm: This unabashedly pro-Israel documentary encapsulates contemporary perspectives of critical issues affecting Israel today. It features experts, military strategists, "start-up-Nation" leaders, journalists and current and former political leaders. The film focuses on internal and external existential threats to the safety and security of the Jewish State; a behind-the-scenes look at peacemaking from the architects of the Abraham Accords.

We will be joined by Avi Benlolo, the writer and producer of the film. Avi is the founding Chairman and CEO of The Abraham Global Peace Initiative, a Canadian NGO which promotes human rights. Cost: \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Refreshments will be served.

Register at www.lss.org/form/future-of-israel.html

Sunday January 22nd: Young Professionals Sunday Morning Shiur Series: 10:30 am: Seeing Family Relationships Through a Torah Lens. First topic: Towards the Perfection of the Sibling Relationship, given by Aliza Penn. Complimentary breakfast provided. If you have any questions or would like to give a shiur in this series email Rabbanit Mindy at rabbanit@lss.org.

Shabbat, January 28th: International Holocaust Remembrance Day: Scholar in Residence: Dr. Hedy Wald will be speaking in honor of International Holocaust Remembrance Day. She is a clinical professor of family medicine at the Alpert Medical School of Brown University and commissioner, Lancet Commission on medicine and the holocaust.

Drasha following Musaf: Topic: Legacy of Medicine During the Holocaust: A Holocaust Survivor's Daughter Teaches German Medical Students at Auschwitz.

Lecture at 3:50pm: Dr. Hedy Wald will be speaking to health professionals and health profession Trainees. Topic: Medicine During the Holocaust and Its Contemporary Relevance for Health Professions and Education and practice: Perspective of an Auschwitz Survivor's Daughter.

Shabbat January 28th: Young Professionals Women's Seudah Shlishit: 4:30pm: Hosted at the home of Sarah Couzens (Turek). Dvar Torah by Community Intern Tzophia Stepansky. Email Rabbanit Mindy at rabbanit@lss.org for address.

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Upcoming Learning Opportunity:

Shakespeare and the Bible : Wednesday, February 8th: 12:30pm. Dr. Shaina Trapedo is a lecturer in English at Stern College and a Resident Scholar at Yeshiva University's Status Center for Torah and Western Thought.

Daf Yomi: Sunday at 7:30am Monday & Thursday at 6:10am and Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday at 6:20am:

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash and virtual: When Rabbi Meir Shapiro proposed the idea of Daf Yomi — reading a page per day of the Talmud until you had completed the entire Talmud, he was seeking community and a way to unify the Jewish people. Help us realize his vision and unify our own Lincoln Square Synagogue community by joining us in this important tradition. Learning Daf Yomi has never been easier-join us in person or via Zoom.

Schedule: Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday— virtual. Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday— in person and virtual. Dial instructions: Step 1: dial in #: 646-558-8656. Step 2: dial in code 83765052291. Step 3: password # 1948

Wednesday's: conference call only. dial in instructions:

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Monday, January 9th

- ***CANCELLED* 11:00am-1:00pm: Gemara Class Bava Kama: Laws of Personal Injury led by Rabbi Robinson:** Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.
- **7:00pm: Chug Ivrit Chadashot (News from Israel) with Gali Rabin:** The class is taught almost exclusively in Ivrit. This week's class will be held on Zoom. Meeting ID: 835 3789 4515 Passcode:701985.

Tuesday, January 10th

- ***CANCELLED* 11:00am-12:00pm: The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the Weekly Parsha" led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson:** Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.
- **7:00pm-9:00pm: Weekly Beit Midrash Night:** Location Beit Midrash. Featuring Chaburas from LSS Clergy and Kollel Fellows! Dinner included. Sponsorships welcome.
 1. **7:00pm:** Fundamentals of the Parsha with Rabbinical Associate Efraim Tepler.
 2. ***CANCELLED* 7:00pm** Fundamentals of Avodat Hashem through the lens of Chazal with Community Intern Tzophia Stepansky.
 3. *** CANCELLED* 8:10pm** The Kaddish Class with Rabbi Shaul Robinson.
 4. **8:10pm** Ezra- Nechemia: with Kollel Fellow Yehonatan Kahana.
 5. **8:10pm** Jewish Sages Throughout the Ages with Kollel Fellow Yechiel Rozenberg.
- **8:00pm: The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group led by Ron Platzer:** If you are interested in joining, please contact Ronald Platzer at RPlatzer@citytech.cuny.edu

Wednesday, January 11th

- ***CANCELLED* 11:00am: Shmuel Aleph (1 Samuel) led by Assistant Rabbi Yoni Zolty:** Location: Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer.

Thursday, January 12th

- **11:00am-12:00pm: Women's Talk Time: led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer.** Meeting ID: 972 4054 8238 Passcode: 142533
- **7:00pm: Jacob Adler Parsha Class: Explorations in the Weekly Parsha by Rabbi Robinson.** Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.

Sunday, January 15th

- ***CANCELLED* 9:15am-10:15am: Sh'eilot and Teshuvot by Assistant Rabbi Yoni Zolty.** Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.

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In this week's parsha, just before the blessing of the tribes, Jacob blesses Joseph and his two sons, and says "And I have given you one portion over your brothers, which I took from the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow."

Rashi comments: "with my sword and with my bow: i.e., his wisdom and his prayer." The connection between the sword and wisdom is its own topic, but we can gain insight into the link between the bow and prayer, and specifically to the prayer innovated by *Yaakov Avinu, from the writings of Rav Moshe Shapira.*

We know that the three daily prayers, in concept if not specific wording, were instituted by the *avot* — *the morning prayer by Avraham, the afternoon prayer by Yitzchak, and the nighttime prayer by Yaakov. Each prayer reflects something different in the world and is linked to its time of day. In short, Avraham's prayer is that of beginning, that the day and all that comes of it should be directed correctly. Yitzchak's prayer is that of ending and destiny, that all should come correctly to its final destination.*

Yaakov's nighttime prayer is different. A person engulfed in true night (which we generally lack in the modern, industrialized world) has no ability to perceive anything beyond himself. The most profound feeling is that of aloneness. The sages in Bereishit Rabbah comment that when the verse says, "Yaakov remained alone," he emulated the attribute of Hashem, as it says, "G-d alone shall be exalted on that day." His aloneness is the awareness of his own being and that comes to include the awareness of the True Existence. Whereas Avraham attaches himself at the point of origin, and Yitzchak at the point of destiny, Yaakov attaches himself to existence itself.

This is the link between the bow and prayer. While the archer needs to draw the bow taut, the arrow

doesn't fly from this action directly. Rather it flies from the force of the bow returning powerfully to itself. And this is the exact nature of what prayer truly is and is meant to be; it's the experience of a person returning powerfully to his or her truest self and standing in the presence of G-d, who is the true existence. We can see this also in the reflexive nature of the Hebrew word to pray "*lehitpallel*" *which has the connotation of "to stand in judgement of oneself."*

Rav Shapira points out another fascinating insight which is also mentioned by the Ben Ish Hai and others: The word for human being in Hebrew is *adam*. *If you actually spell out all the letters, Aleph, Daled, Mem (Aleph=Aleph, Lamed, Phei; Dalet=Dalet, Lamed, Taf; Mem=Mem, Mem), the "hidden" letters included in the full spelling of the characters has all the letters in mitpallel, indicating that man's inner and hidden essence is that of one who prays.*

Whether it's through a connection to our traditional liturgy, our own personal words, or something in between, may we all merit to return powerfully to ourselves and to Hashem in true and meaningful prayer.

Shabbat Shalom!

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DVAR TORAH

The next Shabbatot available to write are: Va'eira 1/21 .

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