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May 26-27, 2023

Founding Chazzan SHAVUOT AND SHABBAT SCHEDULE

SHAVUOT AND SHABBAT SCHEDULE		
 Thursday, May 25: Erev Shavuot *Please remember to make Erev Tavshillin* 7:58pm Candle Lighting 8:05pm Mincha/Maariv; Davening led by Chazzan Yanky Lemmer. Shiur by Assistant Rabbi Yoni Zolty. Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary 11:30pm-2:00am Magen Avraham Teen Department Learning Program; Location: 208/210 The Rabbi Moshe Kasirer Tikun Leil Shavuot All Night Learning: 11:30pm-12:30am Graham Robinson z"I 30th Yahrtzeit Shiur by Rabbi Shaul Robinson Topic: Can Al Hear A Baby Cry? Will Torah Survive Artificial Intelligence?; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. 12:45am-4:45am Beginners All Night Shavuot Learn-A-Thon with Rabbi Buchwald; Location: Room 206/207. Topic: "The Taryag Mitzvot: A Survey of the 613 Commandments," starting with Mitzvah #576, "Workers and Domestic animals must be able to eat of the crop while harvesting." Refreshments will be served. 12:45am-1:45am Jewish Matchmaking: Marriages of the Sages by Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. 2:00am-2:45am Rabbinic Intern Efraim Tepler. Topic: The Surprising Issue of Studying Tanach at Night?; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary 2:00am-3:45am Kollel Fellow Yechiel Rozenberg Topic: What is the Best Part of the Torah? (Hebrew Shiur) Location: Belfer Beit Midrash. 3:00am-3:45am Rabbinic Intern Daniel Gottesman Topic: Why Do We Learn Torah? Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary 4:00am-4:45am Rabbi Shaul Robinson. Topic: Did Hashem Finish Giving the Torah? Y: Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary 4:00am-4:45am Rabbi Shaul Robinson. Topic: Did Hashem Finish Giving the Torah Yet?; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary 4:00am-4:45am Rabbi Shaul Robinson. Topic: Did Hashem Finish Giving the Torah Yet?; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctu	 Friday, May 26: Shavuot 1st Day (cont.) 5:15pm Tea and Torah shiur by Scholar in Residence Professor David Flatto. Topic: Confessions, Pleading the Fifth, and Plea Bargaining: A Jewish and Comparative Law Perspective; Location: Belfer Beit Midrash, refreshments will be served. 6:05pm Book of Ruth with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald; Location: Room 206/207. 6:30pm Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial by Rabbinic Intern Efraim Tepler;Topic: Oneg Yom Tov - Is It Only for Meat-Lovers?; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary 6:45pm Earliest Candle Lighting 7:05pm Mincha/Maariv Dvar Torah by Rabbi Shaul Robinson Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen SanctuaryTopic: Oneg Yom Tov - Is It Only for Meat-Lovers?; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary 7:59pm Candle Lighting Shabbat, May 27: Shavuot 2nd Day/Yizkor 8:00am Shacharit; Location: Belfer Beit Midrash 9:00am Youth Scoops and Sprinkles; Location: Second floor 5:45pm Tea and Torah Panel: The Jewish Community of Tomorrow - The Younger Generation looks to the Future with Clergy and Kollel Fellows: Daniel Gottesman & Efraim Tepler, Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty, and Yehonatan Kahana and Yechiel Rozenberg. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash, refreshments will be served. 6:50pm Book of Ruth with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald; Location: Rabhanit@is.org for address. Dvar Torah by Shira Poliak. 7:10pm Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial by Rabbinic Intern Daniel Gottesman; Topic: Moses and Aaron-Two Brothers, One Fight; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary 7:50pm Mincha; Location: Nathaniel Ric	
Thank You to Our Sponsors:	Shiur by Kollel Fellow Yehonatan Kahana	
THE RABBI MOSHE KASIRER TIKUN LEIL SHAVUOT:	Golda Hudes with gratitude to Yehonatan Kahana, a great teacher and a	
THE KASIRER FAMILY	wonderful all around person.	
Rabbi Shaul Robinson: Graham Robinson z"l 30th yahrtzeit shiur:	Lloyd Epstein Torah Mitzion Kollel Fellow Shiur	
Rita Kozlowski in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of her mother,	Bina Presser in honor of Yechiel Rozenberg and Yehonatan Kahana.	
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Chana Bluma Kozlowski a"h.

Rabbi Shaul Robinson: Did Hashem Finish Giving the Torah Yet?:

Joseph Verschleisser in loving memory of his wife Sandra Verschleisser a"h.

Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty: Jewish Matchmaking - Marriages of the Sages:

Rita Kozlowski in loving loving memory of her father, Menachem Mendel Kozlowski z"l.

Rabbinic Intern Daniel Gottesman Topic: When did Ruth Convert?

Charlotte and Zachary Seelenfreund in memory of her father, Harley Greenbaum, Tzvi Yosef Ben Michael Ze'ev z"l

Rabbinic Intern Efraim Tepler: The Surprising Issue of Studying Tanach at Night?

Ilanna Nivasch in commemoration of her grandparents' yahrtzeit, Marguit and Shandor Nivasch z"l.

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LSS 58TH ANNUAL DINNER: SUNDAY, JUNE 4



Guests of Honor Robyn & Alan Samuels

The program will be as follows: 5:30pm: Cocktails in the Shele Danishevsky Foyer 6:15pm: Buffet Dinner Extravaganza IN THE Ballroom 7:30pm: Speeches in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary 8:00pm: Dessert reception in the Shele Danishevsky Foyer Caterer: Petak's

Register at www.lss.org/campaign/lss-annual-dinner-2023.html

Contribution to the Group Ad Page Journal

Throughout the year Lincoln Square Synagogue offers minyanim and programming all aimed at meeting the needs of a wide range of individuals.

The annual dinner is an opportunity to thank the organizers and leadership of the shul and to support the shul so that we may



Keter Shem Tov Honorees Marina & Michael Roxland



Community Service Honoree Howard Zeisel

continue to meet the needs of our community. We ask you to please consider supporting our many group ad pages.

The following are the group pages that are available;

Beginners with Rabbi Buchwald, Hashkama Minyan, Chazzan Sherwood Goffin Memorial Minyan (9:00am), Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan (9:45am), Weekday Minyan, CSS Security, Israel Programming,Youth and Magen Avraham Teen Department, Jewish History Class with Paul Shaviv, Tuesday Night Class by Ron Platzer, Classes taught by Rabbi Shaul Robinson, Spiritual Leadership Classes with Rabbi Yoni Zolty, Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty, and Interns Daniel Gottesman and Efraim Tepler, Lloyd Epstein Torah MiTzion Kollel Fellows, Women's Tefillah Group, Women's Talk Time led by Ruth Riemer.

Contribute : www.lss.org/form/Group-Ad-2023

Upcoming Events:

Offsite Wednesday, May 31st: Smash the Stigma: A Jewish Communal Conversation on Mental Illness & Suicide: 7:00pm: Held annually during Mental Health Awareness Month.

Location: Shearith Israel, 2 West 70th Street.

Register at www.shearithisrael.org/events/smash-the-stigma2023/

Shabbat, June 3rd: Final Beginners Luncheon: The cost is now \$35 per person. Registration will close Wednesday, May 31st at 5:00pm. Register online at www.lss.org/beginners.

Offsite Sunday, June 4th: Celebrate Israel Parade: 11:00am -4:00pm: *Offsite* Sunday, June 4th: Celebrate Israel Parade: 11:00am - 4:00pm: LSS will march as part of the UWS contingent that will meet on 52nd Street, between 5th Avenue and Madison Avenue, scheduled to step off at 1:00pm. The streets will be packed, so give yourselves extra time to arrive at the meeting point. There will also be a chesed project located at 63rd Street between 5th and Madison, where we will work to raise much needed funding for the Ukrainian Jewish Community. Finally, there will be a block party from 11am-4:30pm at 63rd Street and Madison Avenue. This will be a family-friendly event meant for all ages and includes Kosher food options, Jewish and Israeli tables and vendor booths, and a number of activities for children such as face painting and arts and crafts. We hope you can join us there!

Shabbat, June 3rd: COVID Bat Mitzvah Redo: During COVID there were some young women that had their Bat Mitzvah under COVID restrictions, but not in the Women's Tefillah Group as we might have wished. Women/girls, join us Saturday morning Parshat Nasso as we

celebrate with them.

Sunday, June 4: Lincoln Square Synagogue 58th Annual Dinner: Please see front page of Echod for details.

Thursday, June 8th: The Essential Guide to Purchasing Real Estate in Israel: An event designed to provide you with the necessary and important information on every aspect of Buying Israel Real Estate Register at www.israelevent.live/manhattan

Sunday, June 11th: Farewell to Our Kollel Fellows Yechiel Rozenberg and Yehonatan Kahana: 6:00pm: Join us for falafel, Israeli Beer, Divrei Torah, heartfelt goodbyes, and parting words from our beloved Kollel Fellows, Yechiel Rozenberg and Yehontan Kahana. \$30 per person. Register at www.lss.org/form/Farewell2023

Offsite Tuesday, June 20th: Tribute to the King of Cantors: 7:30pm: A tribute to the 90th yahrtzeit of the renowned cantor, Yosef Rosenblatt. Featuring Lincoln Square Synagogue's very own chazzan, Yanky Lemmer. Location: Merkin Hall Kaufman Music Center, NYC. Register at www.CantorsWorld.com.

Shabbat, June 24th: American Jews and Israelis: Can we talk? 4:00pm: Gali Rabin is the current UWS schlicha (Israel emissary from the Jewish Agency for Israel). For the past year, she has worked with UWS synagogues across all denominations and with various Jewish schools and organizations. Drawing upon her experience and unique vantage point, Gali will address two important questions: What do American Jews need to understand about Israel? What do Israelis need to understand about American Jews. Refreshments will be served. Location: Spira Family Terrace (weather permitting)

DVAR TORAH SHAVUOT

What Not to Tell your Boss About Shavuot

Written by: Jesse Cogan (2021)

1. Shavuot is the only Biblical holiday that has no date. R. Yitzhak ben Moshe Arama (1420–1494) said that the giving of the Torah is so basic to Judaism it

doesn't need a date: it is as if the Torah is constantly being given to us.

2. It is really an agricultural holiday. Jews from around Israel brought the first fruits they harvested. In gold and silver baskets, and in a procession accompanied by music, they danced at the Holy Temple. Today, many synagogues have the custom of decorating their sanctuaries with flowers and greenery.

3. The holiday has many names:

a) Chag Shavuot- Festival of Weeks

"You shall make a Festival of Weeks for yourself." (Shemot 34:22)

Also, Shavuot means oath. We took an oath at Sinai.

b) Yom HaBikkurim — Day of the First-Fruits

"...when you offer a new meal-offering to Hashem." (Bamidbar 28:26)

c) Chag Hakatzir — Festival of the Harvest

"of the first fruits of your labors". (Shemot 23:16)

d) Atzeret- Festive gathering or stoppage from work.

Called by this name in the Mishnah and Gemara (Pesachim 68b)

e) Zeman Matan Torateinu- The Time of the Giving of the Torah.

In the Kiddush and Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov, the holiday is referred to in this way.

4. Rabbi Yehoshua says that on Yom Tov you should devote your day to spiritual matters and physical enjoyment. Rabbi Eliezer disagrees. But even he acknowledges that you should involve yourself in both activities on the holiday of Shavuot. (Pesachim)

5. The Ten Commandments are read on Shavuot but not delivered until the 17th of Tammuz. On Shavuot, G-d revealed Herself (or Himself) by giving the Torah.

6. Why did G-d choose the Jews? Because none of the nations of the world wanted the Torah.

7. Shavuot is like a marriage. It is also the beginning of springtime. There were flowers on Har Sinai.

8. Shavuot is the Yahrzeit of King David. Chassidim celebrate the Yahrzeit of the Baal Shem Tov (the founder of the Chasidic Movement.)

9. There are water balloon fights throughout major cities in Israel. Torah, after all, is described as water.

10. Dairy is eaten on Shavuot. We didn't yet know that washing a meat knife over a dairy sink is a no-no. We were going to a "land of milk and honey." The

gematria of chalav (milk) is 40 (get it?). In Netanya, they eat calzones.

11. Humility is a Shavuot theme. The Torah was given at the humble Mt. Sinai. (Yes, Judaism believes in the feelings of inanimate objects).

Moses was the most humble man on Earth. And Parshat Bamidbar, which always coincides with Shavuot, tells of people "having their place." 12. Forty generations before Sinai, G-d created Derech Eretz. Torah is a value system.

13. The Jews couldn't handle The Revelation. A mountain was hung over their heads. They couldn't understand G-d's telling the whole Torah in one or two sentences. They saw the voice of G-d instead of hearing it. Moshe Rabbeinu had to go up to Hashem for 40 days to learn Torah and teach it to the Jewish people.

14. Sheloshet Yimei Hahagbolah: The "Three Days of Abstention" before the giving of the Torah was a spiritual experience so great that at the Seder we sing that it would have been enough even if we hadn't received the Torah.

15. Ish Echod Bilev Echod: "As one man with one heart" is how we camped around Sinai. We might have differences of opinion (Jews!) but, as a people, we are one. Everyone was at Sinai. You. Me. Rabbi Robinson. Rabbi Hershel Cohen. Albert Einstein. Rashi. Harpo Marx and the Rambam. Joe Lieberman and Efraim

and Menashe. Esther and Avraham Avinu.

No excuses! You were there.

17. Ruth is featured on Shavuot. She stood at Sinai with everyone else. And she is the ancestor of the Messiah. She chose our people — there was no

mountain over her head.

18. As individuals, we have opinions. As a people, however, we are undivided. Nothing will stand in our way Nothing! We are K'ish Echod Bilev Echod.

WHAT TO TELL YOUR BOSS? It is a Jewish Holiday.

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