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MINYAN INFORMATION

Lincoln Square Synagogue is happy to welcome you for prayer services. Here is how to secure a seat in shul, as we have a limited number during the pandemic - and what the rules of conduct are:

Please see electronic echod for important update from our President: In advance:

- [1] LSS members must pre-register using the link in the electronic Echod.
- [2] You will then receive a confirmation email.
- [3] Non LSS members are invited, but cannot use the link; they must email Rabbi Robinson to register: rabbi@lss.org
- [4] Beginning June 1, all are invited to attend weekday services, but non-members must sign in at the door

Once in shul:

- [5] Observe social distancing in the hallways and the distancing requirements specific to each minyan
- [6] You must wear a face mask, covering your mouth and nose
- [7] Communal singing is permitted outdoors on terrace, and low voice singing is permitted indoors
- [8] Read the complete Attendance Guidelines (see the complete Attendance Guidelines in the electronic version of Echod)

Shacharit:

Sunday, May 30 & Monday, May 31 @ 8:30am Tuesday, June 1 — Friday, June 4 @ 7:30am

Mincha/Maariv:

Sunday, May 30 — Thursday, June 3 @ 8:10pm

ANNUAL DINNER: SUNDAY, JUNE 13 @5:30PM

Mazal Tov to this year's honorees!

Rabbi Josh & Chani Rosenfeld, Guests of Honor

Alan Axelrod, Keter Torah Award

Adam Herbst and Shanna Kowalsky-Herbst , Young Leadership Award

Please visit our website homepage at www.lss.org or the electronic Echod for all annual dinner links.

Being included on a GROUP AD PAGE (i.e. a shul minyan page, class group page etc.) requires a separate donation. A link to the group ad pages is located on our website and will also be located in your confirmation email following the successful submission of dinner form. After registering for the dinner, donating to a group ad page is encouraged as a sign of support for the programs you feel a special connection to but is completely optional. The final dinner journal will be viewed at the dinner and on our website.

If you require a VEGETARIAN MEAL please email us at <u>info@lss.org</u> with your name and the amount of vegetarian meals you will need.

PROGRAM:

5:30-6:15pm Light cocktail hour in lobby

6:30-7:30pm Presentations on the terrace (presenters, honorees, and their families will be in the Beit Midrash for this portion of the evening while dinner attendees will watch the presentations from screens located on the terrace). For those not attending in person, this portion of the evening will also be available via zoom.

7:30pm: Dinner on the terrace

Please note, in light of COVID, the dinner this year is taking place on the terrace and is being capped at 150 attendees (first come, first served).

Closed captioning will be available for the presentations.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to celebrating together!

SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Friday night:

Earliest Candle Lighting: 6:46pm

Zoom Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 7:00pm (link in electronic Echod)

Cantor

Mincha followed by Kabbalat Shabbat at shul: 7:00pm

Location: Ballroom

Shabbat Candle Lighting: 8:00pm Sunset (daven Mincha by): 8:18pm Repeat Shema: after 8:49pm

Shabbat:

Hashkama Minyan: 7:45am Location: The Spira Family Terrace

(weather/temperature permitting).

Shabbat Morning Services: 9:00am Location: Sanctuary (Vaccinated only)

Latest Shema: 9:09am

Beginners Service: 9:30am Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

(pre-registration required)

Terrace Minyan: 9:40am (Location: Spira Family Terrace)

Latest Shacharit: 10:25am

Shabbat Groups: 10:00am (This week it will take place in the

Ballroom)

Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler in the

Belfer Beit Midrash: 7:00pm

Louis and Rhoda Lazar Shabbat afternoon shiur: 7:00pm Location Ballroom

Mincha: 7:45pm Location: Ballroom followed by seudah shlishit

Location: Terrace Sponsored by **Sydell Roth** in memory of her husband Joseph Roth's z"I twelfth yahrtzeit.

Sunset (daven Mincha by): 8:19pm Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends: 9:02pm

Zoom Havdalah: 9:30pm (link in electronic Echod)

MAZAL TOV

Great Grandparents **Judy and Joel Schreiber** on the birth of a baby boy, born to their grandchildren, Miriam and Seth Fein.

SEUDAH SHLISHIT

Sydell Roth in memory of her husband Joseph Roth's z"l twelfth yahrtzeit.

HAKARAT HATOV

Judy Sokolow for writing this week's Dvar Torah.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Ross Teichman



YOUTH AND MAGEN AVRAHAM TEEN DEPARTMENT

Dvar Torah:

The Jewish people have now been in the desert after leaving Egypt for about a year. We begin this week's Parsha with Aharon, the Kohen Gadol, lighting the menorah in the Mishkan, which introduces Moshe teaching the Levvim about their role within the Mishkan. At the end of the year in the desert, the Jewish people celebrated their first Pesach, but many were unable to celebrate because they were tamei, or impure. The Jewish people who aren't able to celebrate this first Pesach are upset, but Hashem tells them not to worry — they will have a second opportunity to bring the Korban Pesach the following month; this is known as Pesach Sheni. We can take away from this that sometimes in life we think it's too late to do the right thing or to make up for a lost opportunity. Pesach Sheni tells us it's never too late and that there are second chances.

Questions:

- 1. What was Pesach Sheni?
- 2. Which lesson does Pesach Sheni teach?

Answers:

1. A second opportunity to bring the Korban Pesach to the Beit

2. It is never too late to do the right thing or make up for a lost opportunity

3. Portunity

YOUTH GROUPS: IMPORTANT UPDATE

Shabbat Groups: 10:00am (Ballroom) Masks must be worn at all times.

We are thrilled to welcome groups back concurrent with davening. While we had every intention of running them in the classrooms this week, due to a high school-wide Shabbaton, we do not have ample staffing for classroom groups and instead will be holding off using our classrooms until next week. We will, however, run groups simultaneously with davening, and will do so in the ballroom. We look forward to welcoming you all back to Shul!

GRADUATION KIDDUSH

It's time to celebrate this year's graduates! To submit a graduate's name for the Mazal Tov section of the Echod please email <code>info@lss.org</code> with the name of the graduate and the school they are graduating from. We are thrilled to announce that our first main kiddush back will be in honor of our graduates and will take place on Shabbat, June 5th on the terrace. This year especially, our children have shown an immense amount of inner strength, resiliency, and the ability to overcome any obstacle. Let's celebrate them and give them a beautiful send off to college.

Thank you to our current sponsors:

Donated anonymously in honor of Rabbi Robinson, Mendel and Ariella Lazaros, Tamar Fix and everyone at LLS for seeing us through the pandemic and enabling the kiddish to take place (Summa Cum Laude')

Golda Hudes (Nachat)

Ilana and Bernard Kabak (Nachat)

Sara Brzowsky (Nachat)

IT'S NOT TOO LATE: Multiple sponsors needed and encouraged;

Summa Cum Laude': \$1,000,

With Honors: \$500 Dean's List: \$360 Nachat: \$100

Please email <u>info@lss.orq</u> if you would like to be a sponsor!

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

For access to all the Zoom links for these classes, please visit www.lss.org/learningopportunities. To dial into a class please call 646-876-9923 and enter the Meeting ID and password (if necessary) associated with the class below.

Sunday:

- **Sunday Morning Responsa** with Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld: 9:45am. *Meeting ID*: 827 823 0785 *Password (if necessary*): mds1234
- Rambam's Introduction to Mishnah: The Evolution and Eternity of Torah with Tzvi Benoff: 8:30pm. Topic: The Omniscient Mashgiach: The Role of Prophecy in Torah Part 2 . *Meeting ID: 465-268-1403 Password: shiur*

Monday:

- Chug Ivrit led by Harel Fenigstein Chadashot (News from Israel):
 7:00pm-8:15pm. This class covers news and feature stories from Israel; we discuss recent events, watch video clips and listen to Israeli songs. The class is taught virtually entirely in Hebrew and assumes a fairly advanced knowledge of the language. If you can have a conversation with your Israeli family primarily in Hebrew, this is the class for you. The class is taught by Harel Fenigstein, the Jewish Agency shaliach (emissary) for the UWS. Meeting ID: 853 8744 3723 Password: 180613
- *Canceled this week* Talmud Class with Rabbi Robinson: 8:30pm—9:30pm We will be studying the second perek of Sanhedrin, that deals with Justice, Governance, Monarchy and the Legal System. Previous background will be useful but not essential each shiur will focus on the text and classical commentaries, but will touch on contemporary and modern issues arising from the Gemara. Meeting ID: 916 3915 9514

Tuesday:

- *Canceled this week* The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the weekly Parsha" led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 10:30am—11:30am Meeting ID: 241022510.
- Beit Midrash night, The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group led by Ron Platzer: 8:00pm. Meeting ID: 974 8108 9782 Password:389511
- The World of Middot with Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld: 8:00pm-8:45pm
 A special series for Sefirat HaOmer focusing on character development and refinement, utilizing Jewish wisdom from Tanach to Kabbalah to contemporary sources. Meeting ID: 827 823 0785 (no password needed)

Wednesday:

7:00pm-8:15pm The emphasis in this class is on improving the students' knowledge of the Hebrew language. It features explanations of Hebrew words, roots of words (i.e.,shorashim), and idiomatic expressions. There are also news items and feature stories. It is taught at a slightly lower level of Hebrew than Monday's class, and includes more English translations, but is not meant for beginners in Ivrit. If you can negotiate your way through Tachana HaMerkazit or through Mahane Yehuda in Hebrew, this is the class for you. The class is taught by Harel Fenigstein, the Jewish Agency shaliach (emissary) for the UWS. Meeting ID: 853 8744 3723 (Password: 180613)

Thursday:

- Women's Talk Time: led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer: 11:30am-12:30pm. Meeting ID: 972 4054 8238 Password: 142533
- *Covered by Tzvi Benoff* The Jacob Adler Parsha Class Explorations in the Weekly Parsha led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 6:30-7:30pm. Meeting ID: 465 268 1403 Password: Shiur
- Parashat HaShavua led by Rabbi. Moshe Sokolow: 8:15pm. Meeting ID: 846 701 6968.

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DVAR TORAH

Parashat Beha'alotcha May 28-29 Judy Sokolow

Modern Zionists looked to the Bible for guidance in choosing place names and symbols while reinstating Jewish provenance over Israel. Amos Safrai chronicled many of these, parashah by parashah, in his book (in Hebrew) Mappat Shabbat; its title reflecting the dual meaning of the word mappah: tablecloth and map. He stated in his introduction that he was inspired by a sentiment expressed by R. Nahman of Breslav: "No matter where I am headed, I am going to Eretz Yisrael."

As part of the preparations for how the Mishkan would operate during the Israelites' travels in the desert, our parashah begins with instructions concerning the Menorah. As was Safrai's wont throughout his book, he noted modern Jewish communities with names linked to the Bible; in our case, some are words associated with light, among them Nehorah, Nogah and Zohar, which were established in Israel's Lachish region in the 1950s.

But Safai's main focus in his chapter on our parashah is the Menorah itself, the golden seven-branched candelabrum that "symbolized for many generations the connection between the Jewish People, the Land and the Temple." He noted that it symbolizes our Hanukkah victory but, for hundreds of years, was also a reminder of our degradation at the hands of the Romans when its likeness, along with that of other booty, was etched into the infamous Arch of Titus in Rome in celebration of the destruction of the Second Temple and the sacking of Jerusalem. For centuries, Jews would not walk through this arch to enter the city. (The Oxford Dictionary of the Jewish religion, a one volume gem very useful in beginning one's research, notes that "the Arch of Titus in Rome depicts what purports to be the Menorah of the Second Temple. It has a double-octagon base, but recent research has proved almost conclusively that this is an imaginative reconstruction since the Temple Menorah stood on three legs.")

In May of 1948, however, when Israel became a state, the Jews of Rome walked through the arch in the opposite direction; namely, out of Rome, to symbolize the return to Jerusalem. The Menorah, with an olive branch on either side, soon became the symbol of the new Jewish state. Several years later, Britain gifted Israel with a bronze menorah that today stands near the Knesset. (Frankly, it was only recently that I took a closer look at the engravings on that menorah. May I suggest that you read the Jewish Action magazine article "On and Off the Beaten Track...The Menorah--Official Symbol of the State of Israel" by noted tour guide Peter Abelow (brother of LSS member Elissa Burnat) for more details. A more comprehensive work on the subject in general is Steven Fine's 2016 book, The Menorah.)

Safrai concluded: "All that is left is for the menorah to...revert from being a symbol to becoming an actual vessel that is lit in the Temple."

Inscribed on the Knesset Menorah is a verse found in this week's haftarah. In his vision of the Menorah, the prophet Zecharya (4:1-7) offered encouragement to Zerubavel, governor of Judea under the Persians, regarding his mission to build the Second Temple and relayed G-d's message: "'Not by might nor by power but by My spirit' said the Lord of hosts." We are then told: "Who are you great mountain? Before Zerubavel you will become a plain! He will bring out the cornerstone with cheers of 'grace grace' for it." And so it was.

May we see this happen once again, with a contemporary Zerubavel, soon, in our day.

Shabbat Shalom

UPCOMING EVENTS

See event registration links in electronic Echod.

Thursday, June 3, 7:30PM: Moadon Ha'Sefer: Israeli authors book club. The next book that we will read (in either English or Hebrew) is The Literary Murder: A Critical Case (Retzach Ba'Chug Lesifrut) by Batya Gur. The book is available from both Amazon and Barnes & Noble.

Shabbat, June 5: Graduation Main Kiddush: Join us for our first main kiddush in person! More details on previous page.

Shabbat, June 5: Join us as Chazzan Yanky Lemmer spends Shabbat with LSS.

Wednesday, June 16, 8:00pm: Women's Tefilah Group Presents: Chodesh Tamuz Shiur. Join Community Intern, Mindy Schwartz-Zolty for this fascinating shiur. Women and Men welcome. Topic: Bilam: A Great Prophet of God and Also A Great Villain?

Save the date! Great news, the Beginners Luncheon is back. The first and last Beginners Luncheon of 5781 will be held on Saturday, June 26th. The cost is only \$25 per person. Register and pay online at www.lss.org/beginners or call 212-874-6100. Please make your reservations and payment by Wednesday, June 23rd. Special meal requests must be submitted no later than Tuesday, June 22nd. The Beginners luncheon is only open to those who are fully vaccinated.

DVAR TORAH

The next Shabbatot available to write a Dvar Torah are:

Netzavim (9/4) and Vayelech (9/11)

If interested, please email Bill Greenbaum at <u>dvar@lss.org</u>.

In case of a bereavement, please call our Clergy at 646-543-7485 (day or night)

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