



# ECHOD

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## SHABBAT SCHEDULE

### Friday Evening

- 4:44pm: Candle Lighting  
4:50pm: Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary  
4:50pm: Shir Hashirim followed by Sephardic Minyanin the Belfer Beit Midrash

### Shabbat Morning

- 7:45am: Hashkama Minyanin the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by Kiddush and shiur with **Rabbi Moshe Sokolow**  
8:30am: Parsha Shiur with Rabbinic Intern **Jared Anstandig** in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary  
9:00am: Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Drasha by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson**  
9:15am: Beginners Service led by **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in room LL201 (Lower Level)  
9:40am: Latest Shema  
9:45am: Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyanin the Belfer Beit Midrash

### Shabbat Afternoon

- 1:00pm: Young Professionals Lunch in the Beit Midrash  
3:00pm: Herb Weiss Bikur Cholim Society meets in shul lobby. New volunteers are urgently needed.  
3:15pm: Beginners Mishna Chavura with **Moshe Sheinwexler** in room 207  
3:45pm: Louis Lazar Memorial Shiur with **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld**: "Do You Believe in Miracles? Yes!": Reflecting on the Foundation of Faith  
3:45pm: Bible Class in room 211 with **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald**  
4:30pm: Mincha followed by Seudah Shlishit  
5:45pm: Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends

## YOUTH GROUPS

Youth Breakfast  
@ 9:30am in room 208/210

Groups Start at 10am  
Pre-K: Room 208/210

K-1 Room 211  
2nd-tweens— Room 206/207

### Upcoming Youth Events:

Family Musical Havdalah—January 30th. Ice cream Party  
Melava Malka to follow

### Weekly Prayer Schedule—For the Week of Jan 24-29

**Sun- Thurs** Mincha/Ma'ariv: 4:50pm

**Late Ma'ariv** Monday-Thursday: 8:30pm

Sunday

Mon & Thurs

Tues, Wed & Fri

Shacharit: 7:10am

Daf Yomi: 6:15am

Daf Yomi: 6:20am

Daf Yomi: 7:45am

Shacharit: 7:00am

Shacharit: 7:10am

Shacharit: 8:30am

Shacharit: 7:50am

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## THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

### Hashkamah Kiddush

Sponsored by **Linda and Morris Shamah** to commemorate a Torah scroll dedication in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary. The gift is made by their daughter **Naomi Esses and husband Steven**. The dedication will take place in Efrat on January 29th, at 10:00 AM, at 18 Rechov Koresh.

### Beginner's Kiddush

Sponsored by **Ira and Deena Kristi-Hays** celebrating the life of Ira's mother, **Evelyn**.

### Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan

Sponsored by **Naomi and Bernie Zweig** in honor of the birth of their grandson, **Leon Isaac (Leib Kalman)**, to parents **Yael & Elliot**.

### Main Kiddush

Sponsored by **Jerry Tov Greenberg** in commemoration of the recent yahrtzeits of his mother **Lillian Greenberg, a"h** and his father **Allan I Greenberg, z"l**.

### Seudah Shlishit

Sponsors welcome.

## MAZAL TOV

- Mazal tov to **Gail Propp, wife of the late Ephraim Propp, z"l**, on the birth of twin grandchildren, **Effie Aurora Riesenber** (Efrat Orah) and **Ezekiel (Zeke) Propp Riesenber** (Yechezkel Sender). Mazal tov to parents **Anna and Gedaliah Riesenber**.
- Mazel Tov to grandparents **Miryam and Amos Alter**, on the birth of a girl to their children, **Avraham and Tammy Alter**.
- Mazal Tov to **Howard and Linda Sterling** on the marriage of their grandson, **Yishai Sterling**, son of **Ariella and Yaakov Sterling** of Bnai Brak to **Ahuva Kohn**, daughter of **Rivka and Ephraim Shraga Kohn** of Jerusalem.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Roger and Susan Hertog

## GREET SOMEONE NEW THIS SHABBAT

Let's make our shul an even more welcoming place. If you see an unfamiliar face, introduce yourself and say "Shabbat Shalom."

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Bone Marrow Drive • Sunday, January 31st • 11:30am-3:30pm

Pauline Sehgal's mother needs a bone marrow transplant as soon as possible! We have teamed up with Gift of Life Registry to hold a drive January 31 2016 11:30 AM-3:30 PM at Lincoln Square Synagogue. If you are between 18 and 44 years old, it is FREE! SCREENING ONLY REQUIRES A CHEEK SWAB. PLEASE COME AND HELP SAVE A LIFE!

**Jonathan H. Spanbock Lecture in Jewish Ethics • Shabbat, February 6, 2016. Service at 9am, lecture at 11:15am** The LSS Community invites you to the eleventh annual Jonathan H. Spanbock Lecture in Jewish Ethics: Schisms Within Orthodoxy: Religion, Ethics and Politics. Delivered by **Dr. Elana Stein Hain**.

### Third Annual Benefit Concert • Saturday Night, February 20th at 8:30pm. Free concert tickets to first 40 Israel Bond purchasers!

LSS will offer one complimentary concert ticket to the first 40 online purchasers of an Israel Bond at a minimum purchase price of \$54. This applies to new purchases beginning Jan 2016. Visit [israelbonds.com](http://israelbonds.com) for current rates and prospectuses or contact our synagogue representative Robert Lunzer at 212-446-5835 or [robert.lunzer@israelbonds.com](mailto:robert.lunzer@israelbonds.com) for additional information. If making a purchase online, please advise Mr. Lunzer in advance. Once you get your confirmation, please send a copy to Leah@lss.org, and a complimentary ticket will be reserved for you. Please note that bonds can be purchased for many of your favorite charities. For help with any online questions call 888-764-2632.

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## ISRAEL CORNER • פינת ישראל

### NORPAC MISSION TO WASHINGTON, DC

Previous articles in the Israel Corner have encouraged you to register for the AIPAC Policy Conference in Washington March 20-22.

There is another very important event in Washington that we urge you to attend: the 2016 NORPAC mission to Washington which will be held on **Wednesday, May 18**. This annual event brings over 1000 citizen activists to Washington, DC in order to advocate for a stronger US-Israeli relationship with Members of Congress. Attendees will first attend a brief plenary session with presentations by Congressional leadership. Afterwards, they will go in small groups and meet with Members of Congress and their staffs to discuss pressing legislation on US-Israeli concerns. Bus transportation from LSS and back will be provided. There is an early bird discount for those who register by February 14: \$125 for adults, \$75 for students (eighth grade and above). To register, please visit [www.norpac.net/mission-registration](http://www.norpac.net/mission-registration) If you have any questions about the mission, please speak with Dan Feder.



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### SCHISMS WITHIN ORTHODOXY: RELIGION, ETHICS AND POLITICS

delivered by

**Dr. Elana Stein Hain**



**Lincoln Square Synagogue**

180 Amsterdam Avenue

**Shabbat February 6, 2016**

Services at 9AM • Lecture at 11:15 AM

**LINCOLN SQUARE SYNAGOGUE**  
in association with **OHHEL** [ohelfamily.org](http://ohelfamily.org)  
Presents its Third Annual Benefit Concert

**הנה מה טוב**  
**THE LEMMER BROTHERS**  
in concert together in New York for the first time

**Motzei Shabbos**  
**FEBRUARY 20TH**  
**8:30 PM**  
@LSS 180 Amsterdam Avenue

**YANKY LEMMER** **SHULEM LEMMER**

Special guest stars With Chazzan Sherwood Goffin And the Featuring Comedian Marc Weiner

**Soulfarm** **SHOLO Dachs**

Sponsored by **SEASONS**

Dessert reception to follow, generously donated by Seasons Market all-new catering department.

\$500 sponsorship includes 4 premium reserved seats, VIP coat check, gift bag  
\$50 per ticket, \$36 Seniors and \$25 for Students

Reserve online at [www.lss.org/concert](http://www.lss.org/concert) or by phone at 212-874-6100



Source: The Israel Cartoon Project

## BEGINNERS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next session of the **Hebrew Reading Crash Course Level I** will meet on **Monday, January 25th at 6:30pm**, and continue for **2 more weeks**. The classes meet for 1 ½ hours, and are free and open to all. **Register at [www.lss.org/beginners](http://www.lss.org/beginners).**
- The next session of the **Hebrew Reading Crash Course Level II** will meet on **Monday, January 25th at 6:30pm**, and continue for **3 more weeks**. The classes meet for 1 ½ hours, and are free and open to all. **Register at [www.lss.org/beginners](http://www.lss.org/beginners).**
- **Save the date!** The next **Beginners Luncheon** will be **Shabbat, February 6th, 2016**. The cost is only **\$25 per person**. Register and pay online at [www.lss.org/beginners](http://www.lss.org/beginners). Please make your reservations and payment by **Wednesday, February 3rd**.
- **Save the date!** Register now for **Introduction to Bible: The 10 Commandments** with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald (**Begins Tuesday, February 9th, 2016, 6:30-8:00pm**). 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](http://www.lss.org/beginners). Cost: \$90, Free to LSS Members. **No one will be turned away for lack of funds.**
- The Jewish Living Workshop starts Monday March 7 at 7:30pm. In this "hands on" experience, we learn by doing. Want to join? Email [JLworkshop@yahoo.com](mailto:JLworkshop@yahoo.com)

## WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

### SUNDAY

**Coffee & Responsa w/ Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld • After Second Minyan (9:15am)**

- Journey through the fascinating and compelling world of rabbinic responsa literature, navigating the historical, sociological, and psychological nuances of the Halakhic process through study of a seminal responsum each week - all accompanied by a strong cup of delicious coffee or tea.

*Sunday Morning Responsa #10 - R. Aryeh Tzvi Frummer on the Relief of Unbearable Urges*

### MONDAY

**Invitation to Tefillah w/ Rabbinic Interns Rabbi Jared Anstandig & Rabbi Mark Weingarten • 7:30-8:15pm**

- Each week, we explore, uncover, and understand a new aspect of the daily prayers, with the ultimate goal of making Tefillah a more intimate and meaningful experience.

**Gemara B'Shana with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 7:15pm**

- A new program dedicated to the memory of Bruce Ritholtz a"h with the ambitious goal of studying and completing an entire tractate of Talmud, focused on analysis and group discussion. This year we will be studying tractate Ta'anit. **(Class will be meeting on Mondays, starting January 18th.)**

### TUESDAY

**Parsha Shiur with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 10:30am**

**Beit Midrash Night:**

- Samuel Group Chabura facilitated by Ron Platzter • 7:30pm  
Adultery, incest, rebellion -- the travails of David, the greatest Jewish king -- A great story, complex characters, a subtle, sophisticated text.
- Tanach Survey: The Books of Samuel and Kings • 7:00 pm -  
Facilitated by Marcy Zwecker and Robin Mitchnick (*Meets in a private residence, please call office for details*)

### Tuesday (Cont.)

**LSS Winter Visiting Scholar Series 5776 - Rabbi Dr. Daniel Sinclair. Begins 1/19. \$20/session, \$75/four sessions 7:30pm-8:30pm**

*1/26 - Is National Affiliation Sufficient for Halakhic Conversion?*

*2/2 - The Changing Face of Jewish Bioethics*

*2/9 - Does Jewish Tradition Recognize an Ethic Independent of Halakha?*

**Sign up at [lss.org/Classes](http://lss.org/Classes)**

### WEDNESDAY

**Talmudic Logic with Rabbi Dennis Weiss • 7:30pm**

- An in-depth look at a single Talmudic subject matter, starting from the relevant biblical texts and delving into the logic system of the Gemara. This year's Topic: **"Double Jeopardy: A Study of Kim Lei B'd'raba Minei"**

**Beit Midrash Night • 8:40pm**

- Facilitated by Sara Brzowsky. The Subversive Religious Poetry of Yehuda Amichai: We continue to analyze the Israeli poet's final masterpiece, Patuach Sagur Patuach.

### THURSDAY

**Parsha Class with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 7:30pm**

- Join Rabbi Shaul Robinson for an exciting and timely look at the weekly portion utilizing contemporary and ancient commentators to uncover new depth in Torah study

**Cholent Chabura with Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld • 8:45pm**

- Welcome Shabbat early and explore a challenging new topic in Jewish thought each week in this informal and friendly gathering. Chabura meets in a private residence. *Please contact office for location.*

*Rabbi Robinson now gives two Lunch and Learn Classes - on Monday in Midtown (5th and 52nd St) and on Wednesday near Wall Street - please speak to him for more details*



## D'var Echod B'lev Echod

Insights into the weekly Parsha and other matters at the heart of the LSS community

13 Shevat 5776 • January 22-23, 2016  
Parshat Beshalach

By: Jesse Cogan

### The Yin and Yang of Kedusha

Funny thing about water. God hovered over it at creation yet ten generations later He used it to destroy the world. He gave it purifying powers but it carries disease. Water relaxes, inspires and rejuvenates, yet it can torture. In this week's parsha, water saves, drowns, creates strife, tastes bitter and then sweet.

Salty water drips from your eyes at *simchas* and likewise at funerals. Water is crucial to life but it closed down an entire city. *Mayim mayim bisasson* but oh how it can spoil an outdoor wedding.

How then does the Gemara in Baba Kamah famously explain that water is Torah? Can the Torah be likened to such inconsistent, two-faced, insincere matter?

Yes, you thirst for Torah, its words purify, heal the spirit, and hydrate your soul. But does it destroy, kill and devastate? Can it poison or cause sickness? Is there something about Torah we are missing?

Like God with water, how you use Torah makes all the difference. Allow its truth to flow and its words to purify, it refreshes as the rushing waters from a mountain on high. Use Torah to ridicule the uniformed, justify *machlokes*, divide people, it can sink you to the *mezuloss* like a stone in Yam Suf.

Hide behind Torah to cheat, parade it about town with haught, master it for *kovod*, it's as poisonous as a pool that stagnates. Use her to guide you through life, it can invigorate like the Dead Sea.

How you interact with people, places and things, is how you create holiness. You can choose to love or hate, pollute or preserve or turn swords into plowshears. Holiness is making the right choices and living the life of the choices you make.