

ECHOD

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PARSHAT SHELACH • SHABBAT MEVARCHIM 23 SIVAN 5773 • MAY 31- June 1, 2013 Candle Lighting: 8:02 pm

Shabbat Schedule

Friday

6:47 pm: Earliest Candle Lighting

6:45 pm: Early Mincha followed by Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel

Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary

8:02 pm: Candle Lighting

8:05 pm: Mincha followed by Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman

Cohen Main Sanctuary

Shabbat

7:45 am: Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by Kiddush

and shiur with Rabbi Moshe Sokolow

9:00 am: Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary

Post-Musaf: Drasha by Community Scholar Elana Stein Hain

At Kiddush: Pirke Avot Chapter 5 with Community Scholar Elana Stein Hain

9:13 am: Latest Shema

9:15 am: Beginners Service in room LL201 (Lower Level)

9:30 am: Youth Breakfast

9:45 am: Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash. Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald.

Drasha given by Rabbi Eitan Bendavid

10:00-11:00 am: Tween Corner: with Community Scholar Elana Stein Hain

12:30 pm: Beginners Luncheon

4:00 pm: Bikur Cholim volunteers meet in front of LSS

NEW VOLUNTEERS ARE WELCOME AND NEEDED

5:00 pm: Schmorg-n-Board: Getting to know new faces at LSS 6:20 pm: Beginners Mishnah Chavura with Lloyd Epstein in the Belfer

Beit Midrash

6:50 pm: Louis Lazar Memorial Talmud Class with Rabbinic Fellow,

Rabbi Eitan Bendavid.

Topic: Listening to Secular Music: Permitted or Prohibited?

6:50 pm: Samson Raphael Hirsch Bible Class with

Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald in room 211

7:20 pm: Women's Tefillah Mincha in the Belfer Beit Midrash 7:50 pm: Mincha in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary

followed by Seudah Shlishit

9:02 pm: Ma'ariv/Shabbat ends

Thank you to our volunteer Security Guards, Greeters, and Ushers this Shabbat

Weekday Prayer Schedule

Mincha/Ma'ariv: Sun - Thurs at 8:10 pm

Tues, Wed & Fri Sun Mon & Thur 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 Shacharit: 7:50am

LINCOLN SQUARE SYNAGOGUE ANNUAL DINNER SUNDAY JUNE 16TH 2013 | 6:00PM AT OUR NEW HOME, 180 AMSTERDAM AVENUE

Thank You to Our Kiddush Sponsors

Hashkama Kiddush

Sponsored in honor of Steve Kupietzky's being selected as one of three Honorees at the Limmud Founders Day dinner on

Main Kiddush

Sponsored this week by Chavie Kahn & Heshy Kofman, Simon and Sarina in honor of Julian's upcoming Bar Mitzvah.

Beginners Kiddush

Sponsored anonymously in loving memory of

Shmuel Shoshani z"l, and in honor of

Seudah Shlishit

Sponsored by the Women's Tefilah Group in commemoration of the 15th yahrtzeit of Sandy Rotter a"h

The Molad for Rosh Chodesh Tammuz will be on Friday night 33 minutes and 17 chalokim after 8 PM. Rosh Chodesh Tammuz will be next Shabbat and Sunday.

Mazal Tov to our Members:

If you've had a Mazal Tov, let us know!

- Mazal Tov to grandparents Naomi and Bernard Zweig on the birth of a son, Caleb Max Zweig, to Elliott & Yael Zweig. Mazal Tov to aunt Gabi Zweig.
- Mazal Tov to grandparents Harry & Margaret Heching on the birth of a baby boy to their children Lanni & Josh Heching.
- Mazal Tov to Chaz & Batya Goffin on their 49th anniversary.
- Mazal Tov to Chaz on his inclusion in the new book "60 Movers" and Shakers in the Jewish World" by Elliot Resnick.
- Mazal Tov to great-grandmother Ruth Cogan on the birth of a baby girl, Naamah Tal, to parents Yonina & Elad Avivi in Israel. Mazal Tov to great aunt and uncle Naomi & Jesse Cogan.
- Mazal Tov to Gloria & Richard Kestenbaum on the upcoming wedding of their son Aron to Tamar Friedman.
- Mazal Tov to Steve Kay Kupietzky on being honored at the Limmud NY Founders Dinner.
- Mazal Tov to Karen & Michael Bruckheimer on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Benjamin Kessler.
- Mazal Tov to Manhattan Yoetzet Halacha Atara Eis for being honored at Nishmat annual dinner. Email mesh@lss.org to join the group journal ad.

ONGOING CLASSES

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES with THE JOSEPH SHAPIRO INSTITUTE

THIS WEEK

Sunday 6/2

9:00 am: Choshen Mishpat class with

Rabbi Shaul Robinson

Monday 6/3

10:30 am: Tefillah Shiur with Community Scholar

Elana Stein Hain

Tuesday 6/4

10:30-11:30 am: The Marilyn & Sam Isler Studies in the Weekly Torah Portion with

Rabbi Shaul Robinson 7:00pm: Beit Midrash Night!

7:15 Chabura on Shmuel

Wednesday 6/5

7:10 pm: 'The Kaddish Class' A learning and support group for people who have suffered loss, with

Rabbi Shaul Robinson

7:00 pm: Crash Course in Basic Judaism with **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald.** Topic: The Sabbath

and Jewish Observance

Thursday 6/6

7:10 pm: The Jacob Adler Parsha Class: Explora-

tions on the weekly Parsha with

Rabbi Shaul Robinson

Shabbat 6/8

6:25 pm: (90 minutes before Mincha)- Beginners

Mishna Chavura with Lloyd Epstein

6:55 pm: (60 minutes before Mincha)- Samson

Raphael Hirsch Bible Class with

Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald

6:55 pm: (60 minutes before Mincha)- Louis Lazar Memorial "Eighth Daf" Talmud Class with

LSS Clergy

Events at LSS

Sunday, June 2

Annual Run for Israel 4-mile run sponsored by New York Road Runners. Get out and support Israel on a beautiful day. Register at: http://www.nyrr.org/races-and-events/2013/celebrate-israel-run-4m

Come celebrate Israel at the Celebrate Israel Parade beginning at 11:00am-4pm. From 57th street to 74th street. See flyer on next page

Wednesdays, June 5th, 12th, 7:00 pm: *Crash Course in Basic Judaism* with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald See Beginners Announcements.

Tuesday, June 11

7:00pm: Rabbi Mordechai Greenberg, Rosh HaYeshivah of *Yeshivat Kerem B'Yavneh* will be delivering a shiur in Hebrew. שיע ור בעברית מאת הרב מרדכי גרינברג, ראש ישיבת כרם ביבנה Topic: "Ata Bechartanu: Why Us?"

Thursday, June 13, 7:00 pm

Singles comedy night, for singles age 35 and up. \$18 before June 6/ \$25 after or at the door.

Shabbat, June 15

Scholar-in-Residence Rabbi Shlomo Riskin



Rabbi Dr. Shlomo Riskin is the founding Rabbi of Lincoln Square Synagogue, where he oversaw it's growth into the important Jewish institution it remains today. **Rabbi Riskin** is also the founding Chief Rabbi of Efrat, Israel, where he still serves.

Rabbi Riskin is the founder and Chancellor the Ohr Torah Stone Colleges and Graduate Programs, a network of Jewish learning institutions in Israel.

Sunday, June 16

Lincoln Square Synagogue Annual Dinner. Visit lss.org to register

Shabbat, June 29

July 4th themed Lunch n' learn

Beginners Announcements

- Welcome to all those joining us at this Shabbat's final Beginners Luncheon of the season.
- Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald is teaching a free Crash Course in Basic Judaism at Lincoln Square Synagogue on Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM. The class will run for another 2 consecutive Wednesdays. To register, please visit www.beginners.lss.org or call 212-874-6100. This week's topic: The Sabbath and Jewish Observance

Jack and Martine Schenker invite you to a Parlor Meeting at their home to benefit

ORA

The Organization for the Resolution of Agunot

an extraordinary not-for-profit organization which advocates on behalf
 of agunot and ensures that a get is issued unconditionally
 and in accordance with Jewish Law.

Program to include:

Overview of the agunah crisis by Michelle Greenberg-Kobrin, Dean of Students, Columbia Law School.

Halachic perspectives on agunot by Rabbi Hershel Schachter, Rosh Kollel, Yeshiva University.

Presentation on ORA's critical advocacy by Rabbi Jeremy Stern, Executive Director, ORA.

Personal story by a former agunah freed through ORA.

Wednesday, June 5th at 7:30pm
200 Riverside Boulevard, Apt 21D

ORA operates under the halachic guidance of Rabbi Hershel Schachter, Rosh Kollel, Yeshiva University.



Job Posting: Shabbat Greeter

Job Description:

Your response to rsvp@getORA.org would be greatly appreciated.

- -wish everyone who walks in a hearty Shabbat Shalom
- -chat up people you don't recognize: they may be guests
- -direct people to minyanim, youth groups, coat room, rest room, tallit, and head coverings
- -promote our activities with our handy flyers and Echod

Benefits:

- -lots of smiles and thanks
- --closer connection with our congregation, our activities, and our new home

Oualifications:

- --ability to stand on your feet for one hour
- --love of Judaism, the Jewish people, and our West Side community

Apply via welcome@lss.org or speak to any greeter

LSS Security Message - June 1, 2013

Headline: Letters Sent to Mayor Bloomberg and President Obama Test Positive for Ricin - A Deadly Poison!

Question: How is mail handled at LSS?

Did you ever wonder how the FBI and Homeland Security suggest the we handle mail?

Do you know what to look out for if you get a suspicious package?

If you took the CSS synagogue volunteer training course that we offer you would know.

What should I look out for?

No return address or one that cannot be verified as legitimate. Unusual weight, given its size, or lopsided. Restrictive markings such as "Personal" or "Confidential." Unprofessionally wrapped or secured with combinations of tape. Exhibits protruding wires, strange odors or stains.

What to do if you receive a suspected poison or explosive device:

Remain calm. Do not get excited or excite others. Isolate, do not handle and do not try to open the parcel. If you've touched it, wash your hands with soap and water. Call 911.

Do you want to learn more? Go to: http://www.fbiic.gov/public/2010/nov/safe Mail Handling.pdf http://www.ready.gov/explosions

Questions? Contact Harvey Stein at security@lss.org.

If you see something....say something.

Act as if your life depends on it...because it does.

In Shul by Alan Zwiebel

TOP 10 CHOICES ON WHO WILL OCCUPY THE THIRD FLOOR

- 1. Ralph Lauren shatnes-free boutique.
- Korean nail spa, open 24/6.
- 3. First U.S. branch of "Kilts-R-Us".
- Vegan/Macrobiotic Kiddush Club.
- Borsalino "Men In Black Hats" shop.
- Single-Malt Scotch bar under OU, AA.
- 7. Efrat Realty office with model home.
- 8. Home Depot shtender repair center.
- 9. "Sassoon V'Simcha" shaytle Shoppe.
- ArtScroll sefer-dedication center.

Other suggestions are welcome. Send your ideas to "Close Encounters of the Third Floor"

MEMBERS HELP TD BANK TO DONATE SIGNIFICANT MONEY TO LSS, AT NO COST TO MEMBERS!!!!

Over the past 3 years the shul has received over \$28,000 from **TD Bank** as a result of our participating in their **Affinity Program**. This amount received was based on balances held in checking, savings, CDs and IRA accounts of our members who have signed up for this wonderful program. So if you don't have an account at TD Bank, please consider opening one and ask for the account to be linked to the LSS Affinity Program. If you already do have an account at TD Bank, and it is not linked, get it linked. There is total confidentiality. At no time will LSS know who has accounts there. They have a location at 68th & Broadway as well as many other locations in the city and are open on Sunday as well.

Please join us in this effort to get significant funds to LSS from TD Bank, with no cost to you at all!

Youth Announcements

Shabbat Schedule

Toddlers: 10:00 am — *room 210*

Pre-K: 10:00 am Supervised Playtime, 10:30 am Circle Time Tefillah, 10:45 am Parsha, 11:05 am Snack — room 208

Kindergarten and 1st grade: 10:15 am Tefillah, 10:30 am Parsha, 10:55 am Snack — room 207

2nd and 3rd Grade: 10:15 am Tefillah, 10:45 am Parsha, 11:00 am Snack — room 206
4th and 5th Grade boys: 10:15 am Shacharit, 10:45 am Snack, 11:00 am Musaf — room 204

2nd through 5th Grade girls: 10:15 am Tefillah, 10:45 am Parsha, 11:00 am Snack — room 217

Tween: 10:00 am: Weekly Tween (6th—8th grade) Shabbat Morning Program, with LSS Clergy — room 111

LSS Math Circle

The LSS Math Circle is dedicated to expanding, deepening, and disseminating mathematical knowledge. It is a place for kids to learn interesting mathematics and meet others with like interests. Open to children 4th grade and up, it meets from 6pm -8pm on Tuesdays. Contact Harvey Stein

(hjstein@gmail.com) for details.

If you would like to receive the Shabbat Echod in your e-mail, sign up at www.lss.org. Subscribers to the LSS email list receive the Shabbat Echod and D'var Torah every week, along with other shul-related announcements.

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d'var echod b'lev echod

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

SHABBAT PARSHAT SHELACH 23 SIVAN 5773 • MAY 31 – JUNE 1, 2013

BY: SHLOMO OFFER

Dor HaMidbar and The Greatest Generation?

In Egyptian captivity life was difficult but predictable. Every generation followed the roles of their parents without any choice available to change their position, their fate, their lives.

Sefer Bamidbar starts with a great degree of predictable order. In Parshat Bamidbar, travel through the desert was according to a highly defined order. There was a known population count of every army-ready man over age 20. Each tribe had its fixed position under its flag. Roles and activities were defined and predictable. In Naso, the roles in the Mishkan of the families of the Levi'im are laid out as well as the roles of the heads of the tribes. It may not be a comfortable place, but people are reassured; they follow the system; they know what to expect. But in Beha'alotecha, we get a hint of some trouble: the Manna isn't good enough and meat is demanded. Not a big problem; quail is rapidly provided. Miriam complains about Moshe; she gets tzara'at – but only for a week. Everything is orderly, defined, and predictable.

But this is the *Midbar*, the desert wilderness, after all. And it is not in the nature of the *midbar* to be predictable, calm, organized and unchanging. Suddenly in *Shelach*, things change drastically. There is trouble and turmoil for *Bnei Yisrael* from here until the end of the Torah, when Joshua takes over the leadership from Moshe. In the Torah, the desert is never a place of complacency and order. From the times of the patriarchs, it is the place to go to hear the voice of G-d in the most desolate of places and to be thrown into drastic change. Moshe escaped to the desert after slaying the Egyptian officer, saw the burning bush and accepted a calling that he did not expect and did not want. Jonah, a reluctant prophet escaped to the desert and there came to terms with G-d's call to prophesy. Many centuries later, Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai escaped the Romans to the desert caves, and after 12 years gave birth to Judaism's mystical tradition.

It's not clear that the "sin" of the spies in the desert was in fact a sin. Compare it to the aftermath of the sin of the Golden Calf where Moshe pleads with *HaShem* to forgive and to continue to stay with His people, ultimately if only for *HaShem*'s honor and pride. In contrast, Moshe doesn't plead for the lives of *Dor Hamidbar*. It is as if he recognized that the spies were not sent to evaluate the land, so much as their excursion was to diagnose the people's condition – psychological as well as spiritual – for the fortitude, certainty, and persistence – in short, *Emunah* – for the *Kibbush Haaretz* that was to come. If they saw themselves as insects in the eyes of others, instead of *Mamlechet Kohanim* inspired by having just experienced the presence of *HaShem*, they were not ready to assert themselves into their rightful legacy. The reason Moshe acquiesces may be that he sees the forty years to come not as a punishment, but as a prescription for the change the desert catalyzes in people.

In our time, we have a version of *Dor Hamidbar*. Tom Brokaw called it "The Greatest Generation" in his book of that title. He was of course referring to the brave soldiers who rescued Europe and who freed the remnants of Europe's glorious Jewish civilization from the death camps. We who had parents, grandparents who were destroyed or scarred by the Holocaust see the greatness of what they endured in a different, more intimate way. Whether in great yeshivas, in the shtetls, or in intellectually enlightened capitals, the Jews expected things to continue predictably as they had been in the lives of their parents and grandparents. Until 1938. The numbing disorientation, the removal from any recognizable life landmarks that was the desert of the Holocaust, changed

everyone; some to despondence and others to resolve. The resolve of the survivors of that generation catalyzed the birth of the modern State of Israel.

This week we honor the *Shloshim* of the passing of my father-in-law, Aron Jacoby z"l. Taken at the age of 14, he survived Auschwitz and Mathausen by his cunning, his resolve, and his *Emunah*. He came to this country and never looked back, never complained, just persevered to create a family, a community, and a legacy we are all proud of. My daughter, Jordana, and her peers are the last people on earth who will be able to say they knew a Holocaust survivor personally, much less that they were personally inspired by the sacrifices and achievements that Greatest Generation made. We have a special responsibility to be strong and carry on *Am Yisrael's* legacy in the same way that *Dor Hamidbar* passed the torch on to Joshua's generation.

VOLUNTEER AND CHESSED OPPORTUNITIES - LSS NEEDS YOU!

Volunteer for LSS!

Volunteer needed to assist with computer work in the shul office. Help needed inputting into our database and preparing letters. Please call the office at 212-874-6100 or email info@lss.org.

Hospitality - Be a host! Be a guest! Be a part of a warm enriching enhancement to your Shabbat experience. Visit hospitality.lss.org to explore how easily you can make a difference to others.

Tzedaka - The Lea Segre Tomchei Shabbos Fund discreetly distributes thousands of dollars to our own community members to defray the costs of Shabbat and Yom Tov meals and clothing. Help yourself and your neighbors by sending your contributions, earmarked for LSTSF to the LSS office.

Tehillim Circle – Meets every Monday at 8:00 pm at the home of Karin Feldhamer. Tehillim are recited for the sick, for *shiduchim* and for the soldiers in Israel.

Security volunteers are needed to help protect our LSS family on Shabbat and holidays. To sign up or request information, email security@lss.org or speak to any volunteer.

Security and safety are the responsibility of all shulgoers. Be aware of suspicious objects as you approach the shul and as you enter any room. Make it a habit to check under and near your seats when you sit down. And consider joining our security volunteers. Contact Harvey Stein (histein@gmail.com) for details.

Sign Language Interpreters available upon request. Please email inclusion@lss.org if you are in need of such services at LSS. We thank UJA-Federation of NY for their support through their NY Jewish Community Deaf Interpreter Fund administered by The Jewish Deaf Resource Center.

WEST SIDE MIKVAH – 236 West 74th Street, 212-579-2011, www.westsidemikvah.com. If you have questions regarding *taharat hamishpacha* (Jewish family law), please contact Rabbi Robinson or Mrs. Atara Eis, Yoetzet Halacha, at 610-639-7474 or <u>ataraeis@gmail.com</u>. Please consider making a donation to the Mikvah by making a check payable to LSS Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, with "UWS Mikvah" in the memo.

Lea Segre Tomchei Shabbat Fund - If you are aware of any LSS community member (including yourself) who could benefit from a Shabbat meal, please let us know by contacting the LSS office or by confidential email to rabbi@lss.org.

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