



# ECHOD

27 ADAR BET 5774 • PARSHAT TAZRIA • PARSHAT HACHODESH  
SHABBAT MEVARCHIM • MARCH 28-29, 2014 • CANDLE LIGHTING: 6:59PM

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Senior Cantor

Yanky Lemmer  
Cantor

Dr. Elana Stein Hain  
Community Scholar

Lloyd Epstein  
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Executive Director

## Friday Evening

- 6:59pm:** Candle Lighting  
**7:05pm:** Friday Night Lights Teen Shabbat Dinner  
**7:05pm:** Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary led by **Rabbi Robinson** and **Chazzan Lemmer**

## Shabbat Morning

- 7:45am:** Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by Kiddush and shiur with **Rabbi Moshe Sokolow**  
**9:00am:** Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary led by **Rabbi Robinson** and **Chazzan Lemmer**.  
Drasha by **Dr. Elana Stein Hain** at the end of services  
**9:15am:** Beginners Service in room LL201 (Lower Level)  
**9:45am:** Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash. Drasha by **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld**.  
**9:52am:** Latest Shema

## Shabbat Afternoon

- 4:00pm:** Bikur Cholim Meet in front of LSS. New volunteers are needed.  
*Please Note new time*  
**5:15pm:** Beginners Mishna Chavura with **Moshe Sheinwexler** in the Belfer Beit Midrash  
**5:45pm:** Pre-Mincha Shiur with **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld**: "Water That Has No End: A Halakhic Inquiry into the Flight 370 Mystery."  
**5:45pm:** Bible Class with **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in room 211  
**6:45pm:** Mincha followed by Seudah Shlishit  
 Seudah Shlishit speaker **Sasha Friedman**, Director of the Ronald S. Lauder Foundation/ JDC Camp  
**8:00pm:** Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends

Chazzan Yanky Lemmer will again be leading the services next week.

The Molad for Rosh Chodesh Nissan will be on Monday morning 54 minutes and 9 chalokim after 3 AM. Rosh Chodesh Nissan will be on Tuesday.

## Shmurah Matzah Sales

As in previous years LSS will be selling Shmurah Matzah. The price will be **\$23.50** per box for both regular and whole wheat. Purchase online at [lss.org/matzah](http://lss.org/matzah). The deadline to place your order for Shmurah Matzah is **Thursday, April 3rd**.

Any member for whom we do not have an email address will receive our full **2014 Passover packet** by mail. See [lss.org/passover](http://lss.org/passover) for All Pre-Passover and Passover information and programming, including the chametz sale form.



We would like to express our profound gratitude to our Community Scholar **Dr. Elana Stein Hain**, - teacher, friend, and spiritual leader to all in our community. We wish her much hatzlacha in her new position as the Director of Leadership Education at the Shalom Hartman Institute. Join us for a very special community-wide Kiddush to honor **Dr. Elana Stein Hain** following services.

## Thank You To Our Kiddush Sponsors

### Hashkama Kiddush

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### Main Kiddush

Sponsored by LSS members in honor of **Dr. Elana Stein Hain** and in appreciation for all of her incredible accomplishments over the past 6 years at LSS. See the full list of Contributors posted outside the Main Sanctuary.

### Beginners Kiddush

Sponsored anonymously in loving memory of **Shmuel Shoshani z"l**, and in honor of **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald**.

### Seudah Shlishit

Sponsorship Welcome

## Mazal Tov To Our Members

- Mazal Tov to **Linda and Howard Sterling** on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandsons' **Moshe and Shua Schwartz**, sons of **Rabbi Stuart and Fannie Schwartz**, in Jerusalem this Shabbat.
- Mazal Tov to **Bluma Snyder**, recipient of the Charles and Els Bendheim Distinguished Service Award, and to **Tamar & Eric Goldstein**, the guests of honor, at Manhattan Day School's (MDS) 71st Annual Scholarship Dinner this Sunday night.
- Mazal Tov to **Barbara Ribakove Gordon** on being honored at the Hazon Benefit next Tuesday.
- Mazal Tov to **Anne and Martin Hochberg** on their 5th Anniversary.
- Mazal Tov to Great-Grandfather, **Dr. Ira Friedman** on the birth of a baby boy, born to his grandchildren **Mr. and Mrs. Asher Gross**, children of **Dr. and Mrs. Richard Friedman**. Mazal Tov to Great Aunt **Joanne Friedman**.
- Mazal Tov to grandparents **Susan and Avery Neumark** on the birth of a baby boy, born to their children **Alyse and Joshua Rozenberg**. Mazal Tov to Great Uncle and Aunt **Jonathan and Rachel Herlands**.
- Mazal Tov to **Irina Stein** upon graduating the rigorous CSS Cadet Security course.

## Weekday Prayer Schedule Sunday, March 30 - Friday, April 4 Mincha/Ma'ariv: Sun-Thurs at 7:05pm

Sunday	Mon& Thurs	Tue (RC Nissan)	Wed & Fri
Shacharit: 7:10am	Daf Yomi: 6:15am	Daf Yomi: 6:20am	Daf Yomi: 6:20am
Daf Yomi: 7:45am	Shacharit: 7:00am	Shacharit: 7:00am	Shacharit: 7:10am
Shacharit: 8:30am	Shacharit: 7:50am	Shacharit: 7:40am	Shacharit: 7:50am

## WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES – [lss.org/classes](http://lss.org/classes)

### SUNDAY

- Midrash on the Upcoming Parsha

**Rabbi Ben Elton • 9:15am**

### MONDAY

- Hebrew Reading Crash Course Levels 1 & 2 • 6:30pm

### TUESDAY

- Parsha Class w/ **Rabbi Shaul Robinson** • 10:30 am

- Introduction to Bible

**Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** • 6:30pm-8:00pm

- More Matters of Faith

**Rabbi Ben Elton** • 7:40pm

**April 1st** – 'Revelation - did the Infinite speak to the finite?'

**April 8th**– Suffering- why do bad things happen?

Email [Belton@lss.org](mailto:Belton@lss.org) if you would like to join. (Space is limited)

- Tuesday Beit Midrash Night

8:15-9:15pm • *Chavurot led by LSS members*

- ◇ Tanach Survey: The Books of Samuel and Kings.  
Led by **Marcy Zwecker** and **Robyn Mitchnick**.
- ◇ The First Book of Samuel: Politics and Kingship.  
Led by **Ron Platzer**.
- ◇ The Subversive Religious Poetry of Yehuda Amichai.  
Led by **Sara Brzowsky**.
- ◇ Jewish Living Workshop (8-9pm) *See beginners announcements*  
Led by **Dassa & Bill Greenbaum**. Email [jlworkshop@yahoo.com](mailto:jlworkshop@yahoo.com)

### WEDNESDAY

- Talmudic Methodology w/ **Rabbi Dennis Weiss** • 7:30pm

- Nach B'Iyun: Sefer Shmuel 1 (Semester Began on Jan. 29th)

With **Rabbi Hayyim Angel** • 7:15pm

\$20 in advance/\$25 at the door. Sign up at [lss.org/rabbianangel](http://lss.org/rabbianangel)

- Wednesday Beit Midrash Night

8:15-9:15pm • *Chavurot led by LSS members*

- ◇ Yiddish Writings of the Rav. (7pm)

Led by **Moshe Sheinwexler**.

- ◇ Your People Shall be My People—Now What?

Led by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson**

### THURSDAY

- (NEW) Three-part pre-Pesach Series:

"Seder Night Throughout History"

**Rabbi Shaul Robinson** • 7:30pm

**April 3rd**- The Seder of Rav Huna – 'Let all who are hungry come and eat' – How Seder night changed

**April 10th** - The Seder of Rabbi Akiva 'To include the days of the Messiah' -The Seder of the Future

## Youth Announcements– [lss.org/youth](http://lss.org/youth)

### **Upcoming Youth Events**

#### **Singing With Sivan**

Wednesday March 19th and continuing weekly for the next 3 weeks, 11am-11:45am, babies/toddlers. \$15 per session.

Singing with Sivan is an interactive music and movement class for children ages four months to four years and their caregivers. Each class includes instrument playing, balls, scarves, story time, puppets, parachute, bubbles, Shabbat & holiday songs.

#### **Matzah Factory at LSS**

Sunday April 6, 10 - 11 AM, All Ages, room 206/207, \$5.

Get into the Passover spirit and experience the fun of the mitzvah of baking matzah. All participants get to roll, prick and bake their own matzah under the direction of Rabbi Fried of Chabad.

#### **Pre-Pesach Movie Marathon**

Sunday April 13, 10am-6pm, ages 6 and up, room 206/207, \$10.

LSS will be hosting an all day movie marathon, allowing you to have some free time to clean for Pesach. We'll be seeing The Prince of Egypt and other great films. There will also be pizza, snacks and games.

#### **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 Mondays. **For more information, or to register, please contact Harvey Stein** ([hjstein@gmail.com](mailto:hjstein@gmail.com)).

### **Youth Groups Shabbat Schedule**

**Youth Breakfast** at 9:30

**Pre-K:** 10:00 am — Room 206

**K and 1<sup>st</sup> grade:** 10:00 am — Room 207

**2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade (girls):** 10:00 am — Room 217

**2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade (boys):** 10:00 am — Room 208

**Tween Minyan:** 10:00am— Ballroom

### **LSS Security Update**

A new CSS Cadet course will begin after Pesach. Please sign up. To learn more contact Harvey Stein at [security@lss.org](mailto:security@lss.org).

Please support CSS financially without any cost to you, by using Amazon Smile. CSS, Community Security Services is the organization that trains shul security teams. Make any purchase on Amazon from now until March 31st and Amazon will donate \$5 to CSS in addition to their usual donation of .5% of purchase price of all eligible purchases. Instructions: Enter Amazon through:

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/26-0803826> and then

login and shop as normal. While you are at it, bookmark this page and do all your Amazon shopping through this link. **If you see something, say something. Remain alert at all times.**

### **Pesach Hospitality**

Honoring the ancient tradition of *kol dichfin yetei v'yechol*, LSS would like to ensure that all members have an opportunity to participate in a traditional seder in a warm home environment. We are reaching out to identify members who are conducting seders at home and may be able to invite one or more guests, as well as members who would like to receive invitations. We hope to be able to match hosts and guests in a way that will enrich the holiday for all. Email [hospitality@lss.org](mailto:hospitality@lss.org).

### **The Chesed Corner**

If any LSS member is interested in being a friendly visitor to someone in our community or would like to receive a visitor, please contact [chesed@lss.org](mailto:chesed@lss.org).

## **Beginners Announcements – beginners.lss.org**

- You may still register for Rabbi Buchwald's **Introduction to Bible: The 10 Commandments, Tuesdays, 6:30-8:00pm**. This course, which meets for **1 more week**, provides 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.
- **Hebrew Reading Crash Courses Level I and Level II** began on **Monday, March 3rd at 6:30 pm**. The classes meet for 1½ hours, for **1 more week**, and are free and open to all. Register at [www.beginners.lss.org](http://www.beginners.lss.org).
- The next session of the **Jewish Living Workshop** led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum will be this **Tuesday, April 1, 8pm-9pm**. The Jewish Living Workshop, a 10 session series, is a "hands-on" experience, we learn by doing. The workshop is free; register at [JLworkshop@yahoo.com](mailto:JLworkshop@yahoo.com) or [www.lss.org](http://www.lss.org). **Topic: Thursday night prep for Shabbos—Tolls of the trade. Preparation for Shabbos looks daunting—are there any hints to cope? Field trip to a Kosher home (workshop meets offsite).**
- **Save the date: Beginners Model Seder**, scheduled for **Thursday, April 10th, 7:00pm**. Join Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald and Cantor Sherwood Goffin for an intimate and exciting early rendition of the traditional Passover Seder. Refreshments will be served. Cost: \$10 before April 8th, \$15 at the door, payable to LSS (earmark Model Seder). For information or to make your reservation, contact LSS at **212-874-6100** or at [beginners.lss.org](http://beginners.lss.org).
- **Save the date: Beginners Passover Shabbaton** scheduled for **Friday and Saturday, April 11th-12th**, devoted to the theme of Passover. Reservations must be made by **Friday, April 11th**. Cost is \$40 (includes two meals). Register online at [beginners.lss.org](http://beginners.lss.org).
- **Passover Hospitality:** LSS Beginners, interested in hospitality for Passover sederim and/or Shabbat or Yom Tov meals, may contact Rabbi Buchwald at **646-871-0012** or e-mail [jessica@njop.org](mailto:jessica@njop.org). Please leave an accurate message with dates of meals & specify lunch or dinner. Deadline for requests is **Wednesday, April 9th, 12 noon**.
- **Save the date!** The next **Beginners Luncheon** will be **Shabbat, May 3rd, 2014**. The cost is still only \$20. Please make your reservations by **Thursday, May 1st**. You can register online at [www.beginners.lss.org](http://www.beginners.lss.org) or call **212-874-6100**.

## **Featured Upcoming Events—lss.org/events**



### **Screenings of *Shtisel***

It's a hit! The remaining episodes of the hit Israeli TV series, *Shtisel*, will be shown over the next few weeks: Sunday, March 30 @ 7:00 PM and Sunday, April 6 @ 7:00 PM. Tickets for the 4-night series are \$60. Tickets are \$15 at the door.



### **Are We Still Alone?: In a Time of Crisis, will there be Christians standing with Jews?**

Tuesday, April 1 • 7:30pm

Presented by the Jewish Christian Understanding and Cooperation, an Affiliate of Ohr Torah Stone. Presented by **Rabbi Shlomo Riskin**, *Chancellor of Ohr Torah Stone*, and **Joel C. Rosenberg**, *NYTimes Best-Selling Author*. RSVP to Ohr Torah Stone at (212) 935-8672 or [ohrtorahstone@otny.org](mailto:ohrtorahstone@otny.org)



### **Scholar-in-residence, Dr. Alan Kadish, President and CEO of Touro College**

Shabbat, April 4-5

Shabbat Morning Drasha: "*Elitism and Condescension: The Role of Bnei Yisroel.*"

Pre-Mincha Shiur: "*Free Will and Divine Providence: Understanding the Reality.*"

Seudah Shlishit: "*Questions and Answers of Jewish Education and Continuity.*"



### **Pre-Pesach Boker Iyun**

Sunday, April 6 • 9:15am-1:00pm

Ideas and songs for the Seder from the LSS clergy, deep insights into the Exodus from Rivke Pianko and kashrut advice from leading expert Rabbi Avraham Marmorstein. Full program of fun kids' activities! Kelim Kashering on premises.



### **Chametz Drive**

Sunday, April 6 • 10am-2pm

Bring your opened and unopened Non-perishable Chametz or any food that you are looking to discard. We will be distributing to non-Jews at a food pantry, soup kitchen, and senior center.



### **Shabbat HaGadol Community-Wide Dinner**

Friday, April 11 • 8:00pm

Does the thought of eating Challah in your home that has just been freshly cleaned-for-Pesach give you anxiety? Join our community for our annual Shabbat HaGadol dinner. *More details coming soon...*



### **Remembering and Not Remembering the Shoah; A Conversation for Yom HaShoah**

Sunday, April 27th • 8:15pm

How do we deal with memory, especially painful memory? As Jews we have constant conversation with the past, which commemorates tragedy, and builds community. Emily Kuriloff Psy.D., author of a recent book on the impact of the Shoah on psychoanalysis, and LSS congregant Michelle Friedman M.D., director of Pastoral Counseling at Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School, will lead a conversation to find a space between tragedy and memory.



# D'var Echod B'lev Echod

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

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BY: MARK HUS

This week, as we are mid-way between Purim and Pesach, we read *Parshat Hachodesh*. Inasmuch as the special *aliyah* which we read begins with the words: "This month shall be first among all the months of the year", the concept of the sanctification of time is often understood to be the major theme of this Shabbat. This is particularly true because one of the many things a slave does not possess is time.

I submit, however, that there are several other revolutionary messages which this Torah reading imparts to us. Initially, to this point, every single task which led to the exodus from Egypt had been performed by Moses and Aaron. Now suddenly, G-d says to the people: Hold on guys, the free ride is over. G-d tells the people, through Moshe and Aharon that from this point forward, YOU must participate actively in this process in order for you to reap the benefits of the miracles which I have performed. YOU (each and every one of you who is able) must get a sheep and bring it to your home. YOU must guard it for four days. YOU must slaughter it and spread its blood on the lintels – which is as much a sign for the Egyptians as it is for G-d. (In other words, you have to stand up for, and proclaim, your Judaism, and not try to hide it.)

And, as if that is not enough, not only do you have to worry about yourself, but YOU have to find out if your neighbor has a sheep of his own, and if he does not, YOU must invite him to partake of yours.

These sentences define and articulate principles which are at the very core of the Jewish experience. Ours is a participatory society. Everyone is expected to pull his or her own weight to the extent that he or she can and, just as importantly, to assist those who need help to make it over the finish line. A community requires the active involvement of all of its members.

If you do everything as G-d commanded, then, the "entire congregation of the assembled Jewish people" (ch. 12, v. 6) will slaughter their Paschal lambs, as one, on the evening before they depart from Egypt -- as a unified force. The power of mutual responsibility is palpable in the dictates of these sentences.

Moreover, after you have lived through this experience, YOU must convey its significance to future generations. YOU are to transmit first, abhorrence of even one man or one woman subjugating another human and you must impart the fact that no person may ever deny another the right to human dignity. Second, YOU must pass along to future generations your sense of gratitude to the Almighty for the miraculous way in which he restored your humanity. Maintaining traditions and bestowing them in a meaningful way to future generations are well recognized as focal points of Judaism.

Thus, at the heart of this week's special leyning are two mutually consistent messages: not only must we actively strive to sanctify time, we must also seize those moments which are presented to us to stand together with our brothers and sisters to work hard to make the world a better place for everyone.

*Shabbat shalom and chag sameach v'kasher.*

## STAND WITH ISRAEL

LSS is offering an exciting opportunity to stand with Israel and advocate on her behalf to the people that make a difference- The U.S. Congress. Help to solidify America's commitment to its greatest ally in the Middle East. At a time when Israel is under attack from the BDS movement, academic groups and anti-Israel lobbying groups your voice needs to be heard!!

**NORPAC:** Join with over 1000 participants on the NORPAC one day mission to Washington on April 30<sup>th</sup>. The bus will leave from in front of LSS. Three Kosher meals will be provided. Register at [www.NORPAC.net](http://www.NORPAC.net). Contact Dan Feder [dfeder02@aol.com](mailto:dfeder02@aol.com) for more info.

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