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9 ADAR 5775 • FEBRUARY 27-18 2015

PARSHAT TETZAVEH/ZACHOR • CANDLE LIGHTING: 5:27PM

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SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Friday Evening

- 5:27pm: Candle Lighting
5:30pm: Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary led by **Chazzan Yanky Lemmer**

Shabbat Morning

- 7:45am: Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by Kiddush and shiur with **Rabbi Moshe Sokolow**
8:30am: The Siddur In Depth with **Rabbi Ben Elton** in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary: *The Bracha after Megillah*.
9:00am: Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary led by **Chazzan Yanky Lemmer**. Drasha by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson**
9:15am: Beginners Service led by **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in room LL201 (Lower Level)
9:19am: Latest Shema
9:45am: Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash

There will be an additional reading of Parshat Zachor after Musaf and after Mincha in the Man Sanctuary

Shabbat Afternoon

- 3:45pm: Beginners Mishna Chavura with **Moshe Sheinwexler** in the Belfer Beit Midrash
4:00pm: Herb Weiss Bikur Cholim Society meets in front of LSS. New volunteers are needed.
4:15pm: Louis Lazar Memorial Shiur with **Rabbi Ben Elton**: *Women and Parashat Zachor*
4:15pm: Bible Class and Book of Esther with **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in room 211
5:15pm: Mincha followed by Seudah Shlishit
6:29pm: Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends

Thank you to our volunteer greeters, security guards, and ushers this Shabbat.

WEEKLY PRAYER SCHEDULE

For the Week of Sunday, March 1st- Friday, March 6th

Sun — Thurs

Mincha/Ma'ariv: 5:35pm

Mon — Tues

Late Ma'ariv: 8:15pm

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tues & Fri</u>	<u>Wed (Taanit Esther)</u>
Shacharit: 7:10am	Daf Yomi: 6:15am	Daf Yomi: 6:20am	And Thursday
Daf Yomi: 7:45am	Shacharit: 7:00am	Shacharit: 7:10am (Purim) schedule is	
Shacharit: 8:30am	Shacharit: 7:50am	Shacharit: 7:50am	on page 4

Special Announcements

See the Full Purim Details on page 4

[Powerful articles about the legacy of Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld's grandfather can be viewed at lss.org.](#)

LSS is delighted to be involved in a **Sefer Torah dedication project**, with giving opportunities at the Parsha and Aliyah level. Dedications will be reserved on a first come, first served basis. Full Parshas can be dedicated for \$2400 and Aliyas can be dedicated for \$360.

To make a dedication, or to see images from the Sofer's progress in Israel, visit lss.org/torah

MAZAL TOV TO OUR MEMBERS

- Mazal Tov to **Talia and Liron David** on the birth of a baby boy.
- Mazal Tov to **James and Adina Greenfield** on the birth of a baby boy.
- Mazal Tov to **Susan and Steven Mero** on **Ariella's** Bat Mitzvah. Mazal Tov to sisters **Danielle, Gaby, Sarah, Rebecca, and Jaclyn**.
- Mazal Tov to **Rabbi David and Helene Katz Freedman** on the engagement of their son **Baruch** to **Linda Rosenfeld**, daughter of **Harvey and Pam Rosenfeld**, of Bayswater, Queens. Mazal Tov also to brothers and sisters-in-law **Lavey and Aliza Freedman**, and **Yonatan and Rachel Freedman**, and to sister **Yoanna Freedman**.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Hashkama Kiddush

Sponsored by **Meira and Solomon Max** in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Sol's father, **HaRav Moshe ben Eliyahu, z"l**; and by **Isaac Taub** in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of his father, **David Taub, z"l**.

Main Kiddush

Sponsored by **Susan and Steve Mero** in celebration of Ariella's Bat Mitzvah.

Beginners Kiddush

Sponsored in honor of **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald's** contribution to Jewish outreach.

Seudah Shlishit

Sponsored by **Mrs. Rebecca Kelson** and **Mr. and Mrs. Steven and Tineke Kelson** in memory of their husband and father, **Mr. Samuel (Shabtai) Kelson, z"l**, on his 20th yahrtzeit; in memory of Tineke's mother, **Mrs. Hillighe Van Den Berg Reijnders, a"h**; and in memory of **Mrs. Rebecca Kelson's** sister, **Mrs. Rose Schnabolk, a"h**, and brother, **Mr. Max Platt, z"l**.

Co-Sponsored by **Joyce and David Friedman** in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of David's mother, **Deborah Friedman, a"h**.

FEATURED UPCOMING EVENTS

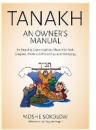
Film Screening: *Above and Beyond* & Talk by Rav Benny Lau • Motza'ei Shabbat, February 28th • 7:30pm

Above and Beyond is the story of "Machal," a group of World War II pilots, mostly American, who volunteered to fight for Israel in its 1948 War of Independence and helped found the Israeli Air Force. Following the film, at 9:15 pm we have the privilege of hearing from Rabbi Dr. Benjamin (Benny) Lau, *Senior lecturer at Beit Morasha of Jerusalem's Beit Midrash for Women and Advanced Halacha Program, a founder of the Beit Midrash for Social Justice, and head of the Israel Democracy Institute's Human Rights and Judaism in Action project.* \$10 in advance at lss.org/film



Rabbi Moshe Sokolow Book Launch and Lecture • Monday, March 2nd • 7:30pm

Join us in the Beit Midrash for Rabbi Sokolow's annual lecture in memory of his parents, Hannah and Joseph Sokolow. He will speak about the Place of Megillat Esther in TANAKH, and will launch of his new book, *Tanakh: An Owner's Manual*, which will be available for sale.



Book Launch: *Judaism and Other Religions: Models of Understanding* by Alan Brill • Sunday, March 8th • 7pm

Rabbi Dr Alan Brill will be in conversation with Rabbi Dr Ben Elton Chaired by Rabbi Ysoscher Katz of Yeshivat Chovevei Torah. Alan Brill is the Cooperman/Ross Endowed Chair for Jewish-Christian Studies at Seton Hall University, where he teaches Jewish studies in the graduate program. Dr. Brill received his BA, MA, and Ordination from Yeshiva University and his PhD from the Department of Theology at Fordham University. He is currently engaged in long term research on a book on the Varieties of Modern Orthodoxy.



Shabbat Across America • Friday, March 13th • 6:45pm

This acclaimed introduction to the Friday night Shabbat experience has provided tens of thousands with their first taste of Shabbat. It includes a full Shabbat meal together with song and dance and good discussion. The cost is \$36. Sign up at lss.org/beginners

Museum Tour: *Letters to Afar: By Péter Forgács, Films of Polish Jewish Life on the Brink* Sunday, March 15 2015 • 10:30 AM • Museum of the City of NY, 1220 Fifth Avenue at 103rd Street

Last week of this highly acclaimed exhibit, based on home movies made by New York City's Jewish immigrants who traveled back to visit Poland during the 1920s and 30s. The films document poignant family reunions and everyday life in small towns in the years before the Second World War. These "letters" bring to life a lost world in startling and moving detail. \$20. Register at lss.org



ISRAEL CORNER • פינת ישראל

Note: This article contains links and is best viewed online. If you are reading this in hard copy, please consider reading the electronic version of the Echod after Shabbat.

SHIUR B'IVRIT

Rav Benny Lau, who will speak on Saturday night after the movie, will also give a brief *shiur* in Ivrit this Sunday morning, right after the 7:10 AM *minyan*.

HOT COFFEE, COOL ISRAELI MUSIC

Saturday night 3/21 will feature the first-ever Israeli-style beit café at LSS. The evening will feature music played by a live Israeli group, coffee and dessert. Come sing along, hum along and clap along as the spirit moves you. Look for the email with the link to register coming to your inbox soon, then sign up and bring your *chevre*.

To register, please visit www.lss.org/israelcafe

Sponsorship opportunities are available! For \$100 you will receive two reserved prime seats and the opportunity to request a song by your favorite Israeli artist. In return, you will enjoy preferred seating and the chance to select a song by your favorite Israeli artist.

ADVOCATE FOR ISRAEL

In the early 1940's, even as the news of the horror of the concentration camps was coming out of Europe, many Jews were reluctant to speak out lest they be accused of a dual loyalty. Let's not be like those Jews, let our voices be heard in the corridors of Congress while there is still time to act. Here are two ways that we can help:

Annual AIPAC Conference: March 1 - 3

Last chance! To register, please visit www.policyconference.org When you register, please do so under LSS in order to be invited to the LSS luncheon during the conference. Should you have questions, please see Ann Crane.

Annual NORPAC Conference: May 13

Last chance for early bird discount! While the date of the conference may seem far away, note that there is a discount for those who register before the end of February. Buses will be leaving from in front of LSS in the morning and returning in the evening. To register, please visit www.norpac.net.

Youth Announcements

Youth Groups Schedule

Pre-k: Room 206 at 10:00am

k-1: Room 207 at 10:00am

2-4 grade girls: Room 208- 10 am

2-4 grade boys: Room 210- 10 am

5-8th boys and girls: Room 211—10:15am

Youth Breakfast @ 9:30am in room 206

Math Circle is in session-
Monday nights from 6-8pm
in room 208. Open to chil-
dren in 4th grade and up.

Contact hjstein@gmail.com

Welcome to Our New Youth Director, Joel Sichel

We're thrilled to welcome Joel Sichel, our new youth director to LSS. Joel comes from London, has a day job at NCSY, and has years of relevant experience with kids of all ages. He's fun, and creative, and kids love him! Read all about him at lss.org/youth, and meet him at a special meet and greet Shabbat afternoon, March 7, at 4pm on the 2nd floor.

Weekly Learning Opportunities

SUNDAY

Minchat Chinuch with Rabbi Ben Elton • 9:15am

Topic: ***Mitzva 113: Milk and Meat***

TUESDAY

Parsha Class with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 10:30am

(No Tuesday AM Parsha Class for this week & next)

Intro to Bible w/ Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald • 6:30-8pm

Tuesday Beit Midrash Night • 7:30-9:15pm

- Tanach Survey: The Books of Samuel and Kings (7pm)
Facilitated by Marcy Zwecker and Robin Mitchnick
(meeting in a private home – call office for details)
- Politics and Kingship: The Book of Samuel
Facilitated by Ron Platzner

There will be no Wednesday & Thursday Classes This Week due to Purim

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Beit Midrash Night • 8:15-9:15pm

- The Subversive Religious Poetry of Yehuda Amichai
Facilitated by Sara Brzowsky

Talmudic Logic w/ 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 will be "Misappropriation & Trespass"

Nach B'Iyun: Sefer Shmuel Beginning w/ Chapter 11

With Rabbi Hayyim Angel

The Spring Semester of the popular Series began on Wednesday, January 28th. \$20 per class.

Sign up at lss.org/RabbiAngel

THURSDAY

Parsha Class with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 7:00pm (Not Meeting)

Beginners Announcements

- You may still register for Rabbi Buchwald's **Introduction to Bible: The 10 Commandments**. This course, which meets for another **4 weeks** provides an in-depth study and analyses 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.
- The next session of the **Hebrew Reading Crash Course Level I** will meet on **Monday, March 2nd at 6:30pm**, and continue for **3 more weeks**. The classes meet for 1 1/2 hours, and are free and open to all. **Register at www.lss.org/beginners**
- The next session of the **Hebrew Reading Crash Course Level II** will meet on **Monday, March 2nd at 6:30pm**, and continue for **1 more week**. The classes meet for 1 1/2 hours, and are free and open to all.
- The next session of the **Jewish Living Workshop** led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum will meet **THIS Monday, March 2nd, 7:30pm-8:30pm**. The Jewish Living Workshop, a 10 sessions series, is a "hands-on" experience. We learn by doing. The workshop is free, a few sessions will require a modest fee for materials; register at JLworkshop@yahoo.com or www.lss.org. **Topic: Purim – One of the easiest and most fun holidays. What do we need to do?**
- The annual **Beginners Purim Bash, THIS Wednesday March 4th, 6:00 PM** - Maariv and Megillah reading, **7:20 PM** - Purim Bash, featuring renowned musical artist and performer Psachya Septimus. Cost includes food, music and the Purim Shpiel: \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door. **Register at www.lss.org/beginners.**
- The next **Beginners Luncheon** will be **NEXT Shabbat, March 7th, 2015**. The cost is still only \$20. Please make your reservations by **THIS Thursday, March 5th**. You can register online at www.lss.org/beginners or call **212-874-6100**.
- **Save the date! Monday, March 9th, 2015, 8:15-9:30PM**, there will be a **Beginners Schmooze**. No charge, complimentary refreshments. **Please call 212-874-6100 to confirm.**
- Please join us on **Friday, March 13th at 6:45pm** for **Shabbat Across America** as we Salute Law Enforcement's contribution to our community and our Shul. We will hear from our some our very own NYC Police Officers. **Please make reservations at www.lss.org/beginners. Price: \$36.**

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Wednesday, March 4th (Taanit Esther)

Fast Begins: 5:14am

Daf Yomi: 6:00am

Shacharit: 6:50am

Shacharit: 7:30am

Mincha/Ma'ariv: 5:25pm

Beginners Ma'ariv/and Megillah Reading: 6:00pm

Megillah Reading (Main and YP): 6:22pm

Fast Concludes: 6:22pm

Purim Fiesta: 8:00pm

Beginners Purim Party: 9:00pm

Late Megillah Reading: 9:15pm

Thursday, March 5th

Shacharit: 6:15am

Shacharit: 7:30am

Teen Minyan: 9:30am

Women's Megillah Reading: 10:00am

Mincha/Late Megillah Reading: 12:45pm

Mincha/Ma'ariv: 5:35pm

Young Professionals Megillah Reading in the Belfer Beit Midrash
Wednesday, March 4th
5:25pm: Mincha/Ma'ariv
6:22pm: Megillah Reading

Beginners Purim Bash

Wednesday, March 4th



Lively Beginners parties celebrating our special holidays. Includes dinner, live music and home-grown entertainment. One of the highlights of the year! Don't miss the food, music and the infamous "Purim Spiel."

Maariv & Megilla Reading 6:00 PM

Purim Party 7:20PM

Cost \$20 (Includes Dinner!!!) \$25 at the door

Sign up at lss.org/beginners

Join Lincoln Square Synagogue for a Purim Fiesta!

Wednesday, March 4th
After Megillah Reading (~8:00pm)
LSS Ballroom, 180 Amsterdam Avenue
Featuring a catered meat dinner with wine, beer, and margaritas, music, and a Heman pinata!

\$40 for adults, \$25 for kids ages 2-12

\$180 Sponsorship (includes two seats)

Sign up at lss.org



JOIN LINCOLN SQUARE SYNAGOGUE FOR OUR

Purim Carnival

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2015 • 1:00 - 4:00PM

AN EVENT FOR ALL AGES! 6 MONTHS - TEENS

BOUNCE HOUSES, BALLOON ART, FACE PAINTING, ARTS & CRAFTS, INFANT & TODDLER PLAYSTATION, AIR HOCKEY, PHOTO BOOTH, BASKETBALL HOOPS, PIZZA & COTTON CANDY

SPECIAL PERFORMANCES

Bubble Show: 1:30pm

Acrobatic Dog Show: 3:00pm

TICKETS

\$20/person in advance - adults & children

\$25/person at the door - adults & children

\$10/ 1 year old & younger

QUESTIONS? CALL: 212-874-6100 • 180 AMSTERDAM AVE NEW YORK, NY 10023
REGISTER AT WWW.LSS.ORG/PURIMCARNIVAL



Pre-Purim Food Drive

Sunday March 1st

From 3:30pm - 5:35pm

In the LSS Lobby

An easy way to fulfill the mitzvah of matanot le'evyonim.

Collecting for a Shelter

(Foods that can be heated on a hot plate of made with hot water)

Collecting for Street Eating

(Cold ready to eat foods in small containers)



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: Solomon Max

This Shabbat we are fulfilling the command of remembering Amalek. The Torah tells us about the events that led to the command to destroy Amalek in the book of Shmot.

וַיֹּאמֶר ה' אֶל מֹשֶׁה כְּתֹב זֶאת זִכְרוֹן בְּסֵפֶר וְשִׂים בְּאָזְנֵי יְהוֹשֻׁעַ כִּי מָחָה אֶמָּחָה אֶת זֵכֶר עַמְלֵק מִתַּחַת הַשָּׁמַיִם: וַיְבֹן מֹשֶׁה מִזְבֵּחַ וַיִּקְרָא שְׁמוֹ ה' נָסִי: וַיֹּאמֶר כִּי יָד עַל כֹּס יְהוָה מִלְחָמָה לֵּה' בְּעַמְלֵק מִדֹּר:

Hashem said to Moses, "Write this as a reminder in the Book and repeat it carefully to Joshua. I will totally obliterate the memory of Amalek." Moses built an altar and named it "Hashem is my banner". He said "The hand is on the Divine throne. Hashem will be at war with Amalek for all generations."

In Devarim the command is given to the Jewish people to wipe out the memory of Amalek while never forgetting about them. The commandment to remember Amalek is fulfilled by hearing the reading of this portion on Parshat Zachor.

וְהָיָה בְּהֵנִיחַ ה' אֶלְקֶיךָ לְךָ מִכָּל אֹיְבֶיךָ מִסָּבִיב בְּאֶרֶץ אֲשֶׁר ה' אֶלְקֶיךָ נָתַן לְךָ נַחְלָה לְרִשְׁתָּהּ תִּמָּחָה אֶת זֵכֶר עַמְלֵק מִתַּחַת הַשָּׁמַיִם לֹא תִשְׁכַּח:

Therefore, when Hashem gives you peace from all the enemies around you in the land that Hashem is giving you to occupy as a heritage, you must obliterate the memory of Amalek from under the heavens. You must not forget.

In the book of Samuel we learn of the attempt to fulfill the commandment to destroy Amalek. It is the message that we recall on Parshat Zachor.

כֹּה אָמַר ה' צְבָאוֹת פְּקֻדְתִּי אֶת אֲשֶׁר עָשָׂה עַמְלֵק לְיִשְׂרָאֵל אֲשֶׁר שָׁם לוֹ בְּדֶרֶךְ בְּעֵלְתוֹ מִמִּצְרַיִם: עֲתָה לְךָ וְהִכִּיתָ אֶת עַמְלֵק וְהִחַרְמָתָם אֶת כָּל אֲשֶׁר לוֹ וְלֹא תַחֲמַל עָלָיו וְהִמָּתָה מֵאִישׁ עַד אִשָּׁה מֵעַלְל וְעַד יוֹנֵק מִשׁוֹר וְעַד שֶׂה מִגָּמֶל וְעַד חֲמוֹר:

Thus said the Lord of hosts, I remember that which Amalek did to Israel, how he waited in the path for him when he came up from Egypt. Go and strike Amalek, and completely destroy all that they have, sparing nothing; but slay both man and woman, toddler and infant, ox, and sheep, camel and donkey.

The repeated demands that Amalek be destroyed appear at first glance to be similar to the beliefs of Islamic radicals who claim a religious license to kill all those who fail to confirm to the demands of Islam. Judaism, however, is different - It has used historical reality to change religious norms. In the Talmud Berachot, all of the nations mentioned in the Torah are effectively declared to be non-existent - thus relieving us and future generations from the requirement of annihilating nations.

כָּבוֹד עָלָה סִנְחָרִיב מֶלֶךְ אַשּׁוּר וּבִלְבַל אֶת כָּל הָאוֹמוֹת שְׁנֹאמַר (יִשְׁעִיהוּ י, יג) וְאִסִּיר גְּבוּלוֹת עַמִּים וְעִתִּדוּתֵיהֶם שׁוֹסְתִי וְאוֹרִיד כְּאִבִּיר יוֹשְׁבִים וְכָל דְּפִרִישׁ מְרֹבָא פְּרִישׁ

Sennacherib king of Assyria long ago went up and mixed up all the nations, as it says, "I have removed the bounds of the peoples and have robbed their treasures and have brought down as one their mighty inhabitants;"

Because of the passing of time, a previously demanded action was changed to a more metaphoric concept. As Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik noted in his book "Kol Dodi Dofek" -

"In the name of my father (of blessed memory)... the notion of "the Lord will have war against Amalek from generation to generation" is not confined to a certain race, but includes a necessary attack against any nation or group infused with mad hatred that directs its enmity against the community of Israel. When a nation emblazons on its standard 'Come, let us cut them off from being a nation so that the name of Israel shall no longer be remembered' (Psalms 83:5), it becomes Amalek."

This year, the yahrtzeit of my father Harav Moshe ben Eliyahu זצ"ל is commemorated on Taanit Esther. He moved to Israel in 1966, was there during the '67 War, and passed away in Jerusalem in 1976. He was a passionate follower of the teachings of Rabbi Soloveitchik, and he devoted his life to strengthening Orthodox Judaism as a legitimate tradition in the modern world. May his memory be blessed.

שבת שלום