



# ECHOD

6 ADAR BET 5774 • PARSHAT VAYIKRA • MARCH 7-8, 2014  
CANDLE LIGHTING: 5:36PM

**Shaul Robinson**  
Rabbi  
**Sherwood Goffin**  
Senior Cantor  
**Yanky Lemmer**  
Cantor  
**Dr. Elana Stein Hain**  
Community Scholar  
**Lloyd Epstein**  
President  
**Ben Keil**  
Executive Director

## Friday Evening

- 5:36pm:** Candle Lighting  
**5:40pm:** Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary  
**6:45pm:** Beginners Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv for SAA  
**8:00pm:** Shabbat Across America Dinner in the ballroom

**WELCOME TO THE SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA ATTENDEES!**

## Shabbat Day

- 7:45am:** Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by Kiddush and shiur with **Ben Keil**  
**9:00am:** Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary. Drasha by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson**  
**9:12am:** Latest Shema  
**9:15am:** Beginners Service in room LL201 (Lower Level)  
**9:30am:** Youth Breakfast  
**9:45am:** Rabbi Hershel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash  
**10:00am:** Tween Minyan in the ballroom for boys and girls in 5th-7th grades. Includes tefillah, snacks, games, and prizes.  
**12:00pm:** Youth Shabbat Lunch in the ballroom

## Shabbat Afternoon

- 3:00pm:** Bikur Cholim Meet in front of LSS. New volunteers are needed.  
**4:10pm:** Beginners Mishna Chavura with **Moshe Sheinwexler** in the Belfer Beit Midrash  
**4:40pm:** Bible Class and Book of Esther with **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in room 211  
**4:40pm:** Louis Lazar Memorial Pre-Mincha Shiur with **Rabbi Shaya Karlinsky**: *Unity, Diversity, Individuality: Are they Jewish Values?*  
**5:25pm:** Mincha followed by Seudah Shlishit.  
Seudah Shlishit Speaker **Rabbi Ariel Konstantyn**: *Why Aliyah to Israel May Result in a Spiritual Yeridah.*  
**6:38pm:** Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends  
**8:00pm:** Screening of Shtisel (Episodes 4, 5 & 6) \$15 at the door

**The weekday prayer schedule including the schedule for Thursday Taanit Esther details can be found on page 2**

*Don't forget to set your clocks forward on Sunday, March 9th*



**Annual Pre-Purim  
Clothing & Food Drive  
THIS Sunday, March 9th  
10am-1pm**



## Thank You To Our Kiddush Sponsors

### Hashkama Kiddush

Sponsored by the Fund.

### Main Kiddush

Sponsored by **Aviva and Marvin Sussman** in honor of the birth of a grandson **Yitzchok Shimon** to their children **JJ and Aliza Sussman** in Modiin, Israel, a grandson **Phillip Judah** to their children **Shari and Josh Goldberg**, and a granddaughter **Meirav Rose** to their children **Amanda and Meir Katz**; and in honor of their granddaughter IDF Corporal **Yael Sussman** of Raanana, Israel who is visiting this Shabbat.

CoSponsored by **Maurice, David and Joyce Friedman**, in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of their wife and mother, **Debby Friedman, a"h**, and by **Judy and Cyrus Abbe** in gratitude to Hashem for all His blessings.

### Beginners Kiddush

Sponsored by **Seth, Amy and Bayla Rachel Litzenblatt**, in honor of the birth of their daughter and sister, **Sarah Leah Chava**.

### Seudah Shlishit

CoSponsored by **Grace Shevel** and **Steven Lazar** in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of **Irving Gurman, z"l**.

## Mazal Tov To Our Members

- Mazal Tov to grandparents **Mrs. Joan Papier and Dr. Henry Lieberman** on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, **Moshe Doron**, son of **Gytta and Alan Papier**.
- Happy 70th Birthday to veteran LSS Maintenance team member, **John Fox**.

**Rabbi Karlinsky** is the co-founder and Dean of the Darche Noam Institutions, Yeshivat Darche Noam/David Shapell College and the Midreshet Rachel v'Chaya College of Jewish Studies for Women.

**Rabbi Konstantyn** in the founding Rabbi of the Tel Aviv International Synagogue and founding president of ME-Tzion: The Institute of Zionism and Jewish Heritage.



## Mishloach Manot Sale- deadline is Monday

Lincoln Square Synagogue will once again be offering a **Mishloach Manot sale** for members of LSS! This year's packages have been created by "Yachad Gifts."

The cost of Mishloach Manot Packages is **\$8 per household**. You must select a **minimum of 6 people** in order to participate.

Reciprocity is also available. With a donation of **\$360**, you may send Mishloach Manot to the entire LSS membership.

**The deadline to place your Mishloach Manot order is Monday, March 10**

Purim Cards are also available for purchase at \$3 per card.

Visit [Lss.org/purim](http://Lss.org/purim) for more details and to order your Mishloach Manot and Purim Cards!

*If you are not able to sign up online, there are hard copy order forms available in the office.*



*See the full Purim Schedule on page 4*

## 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.

### Weekday Prayer Schedule Sunday, March 9 - Friday, March 14

Mincha/Ma'ariv: **Sun, Monday, Tuesday, Wed** at 6:45 pm

<u>Sun</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Thur</u>	<u>Tue, Wed &amp; Fri</u>
Shacharit: 7:10am	Daf Yomi: 6:15am	(Taanit Esther)	Daf Yomi: 6:20am
Daf Yomi: 7:45am	Shacharit: 7:00am	Fast Begins: 5:59pm	Shacharit: 7:10am
Shacharit: 8:30am	Shacharit: 7:50am	Daf Yomi: 6:00am	Shacharit: 7:50am
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		Shacharit: 7:30am	
		Mincha: 6:35pm	
		Fast Ends: 7:32pm	

### LSS Security Update - March 8, 2014

For your safety we minimize the number of entrances to our shul so that no one enters unscreened. When leaving, use only the main entrance.

Are you doing your part for shul security?

Contact **Harvey Stein** at [security@lss.org](mailto:security@lss.org).

**If you see something, say something. Your life depends on it.**

## Celebrate Purim at LSS (lss.org/purim)

### Saturday Night, March 15 (Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends at 7:45pm)

7:45pm	Beginners Megillah Reading	Room 206/207
8:00pm	Join <b>Rabbi Robinson</b> for a special <b>Costume Parade!</b>	In front of the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary
8:15pm	Megillah Reading	Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary
8:30pm	<b>Young Professionals Megillah Reading</b>	Belfer Beit Midrash
9:00pm	<b>Beginners Purim Bash</b> (See the <i>Beginners Announcements</i> for more details)	Room 206/207
After the main Megillah Reading	The entire Youth department is invited to <b>make your own sundaes</b>	Room 208/210
(Approx 9pm)	<b>Italian-themed Purim Celebration!</b> (See more details in the featured upcoming events)	Ballroom
9:30pm	Late Megillah Reading	Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary

### Sunday, March 16th

6:45am	Shacharit Followed by Megillah Reading	Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary
8:30am	Shacharit Followed by Megillah Reading	Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary
10:00am	<b>Women's Megillah Reading</b>	Belfer Beit Midrash
10:00am	<b>Teen Megillah Reading + Breakfast</b>	Room 211
9:30am-12pm	<b>Youth Purim Carnival</b> (See the <i>Youth Announcements</i> for more details)	Ballroom
1:40pm	Mincha followed by Megillah Reading	Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary

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

If you would like to receive the  
Shabbat Echod by e-mail, sign up  
at [www.lss.org](http://www.lss.org).

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You may contact our officers by emailing [Officers@lss.org](mailto:Officers@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 another **3 weeks** 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 **4 more weeks**, 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, March 11th, 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: Purim-One of the easiest and most fun holidays. What we need to do.**
- **Save the date!** The annual **Beginners Purim Bash, NEXT Saturday, March 15th, 7:45PM** - Maariv and Megillah reading, 9:05 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.beginners.lss.org](http://www.beginners.lss.org).**
- **The Laws of Prayer through the Mishnah Berurah**, taught by LSS Rabbinic Intern, **Rabbi Dr. Ben Elton**. Prayer has to be both filled with passion and directed by law and tradition. The Shulchan Aruch and Mishnah Berurah are essential guides to these laws. This course is ideal if you want to become familiar with these important texts, as well as learn more about basic laws of Jewish prayer. **Wednesday nights, 8:15-9:15pm.**
- **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

### Pre-Purim Food & Clothing Drive

Sunday, March 9 • 10am-1pm



Help the Jewish homeless at Project ORE with your donations of Kosher, ready to eat and unopened, non-perishable food. We will also be collecting clean, whole clothing and shoes for Jews of the Former Soviet Union.

### Italian -Themed Purim Celebration

Saturday Night, March 15 • After Megillah Reading (approx. 9pm)



Community-wide Italian Themed Purim Celebration in the ballroom. Includes a catered dairy dinner, wine and beer, silent auction with great prizes, music and other exciting entertainment. The cost is \$50/adult (includes 2 auction tickets), \$25/child under 18, & \$200 as a Sponsor/Family Max (includes 10 auction tickets). *Co-sponsored by Gotham Wines & Liquors.*



### In honor of the YU Chag HaSemikhah: Rabbi Baruch Simon, Rosh Yeshiva at Yeshiva University

Shabbat Afternoon, March 22 **Pre-mincha:** "*Minhagim: the Old vs. the New.*" **Seudah Shlishit:** "*Hakamat HaMishkan: Lessons for Life.*"

### Jews and the Military shiur by Dr. Elana Stein Hain in Memory of Mark Wald, z"l

Sunday, March 23 • 9:30am

Sponsored by **Shirley Wald and family**. Light refreshments will be served.

### 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: Saturday, March 8 @ 8:00 PM, Sunday, March 23 @ 7:00 PM, Sunday, March 30 @ 7:00 PM and Sunday, April 6 @ 7:00 PM. Tickets for the 4-night series are \$60. For those who missed the fantastic first three episodes, they will be reshownd this Thursday, March 6 @ 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$15 at the door.

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

Shabbat, April 4-5

**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. 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](mailto:rabbi@lss.org).**

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

### SUNDAY

- Midrash on the Upcoming Parsha (No Shiur this week)  
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
- Megillat Esther: A three-week intensive Shiur  
Dr. Elana Stein Hain • 7:15pm  
(Last Class) March 11– Intra-Tanakhic Perspective
- 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.
  - ◇ (New) Jewish Living Workshop (8-9pm) See beginners announcements  
Led by Dassa & Bill Greenbaum. Email [jlworkshop@yahoo.com](mailto:jlworkshop@yahoo.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

### 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
  - ◇ The Laws of Prayer through the Mishnah Berurah  
Led by Rabbi Ben Elton

### THURSDAY

- The Jacob Adler Parsha Class (No Shiur this week, Taanit Esther)  
Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 7:15pm

Following the success of the three part series 'Matters of Faith' led by Dr. Elana Stein Hain and Dr. Michelle Friedman, there will be a further four-sessions between Purim and Pesach on a Tuesday night led by Rabbi Ben Elton. The first class will be held on **Tuesday, March 18th**. Send an email to [belton@lss.org](mailto:belton@lss.org) to register, as there are limited places to help the discussion. We will cover more of the big and difficult issues in faith based on reading given out in advance. Sessions will be confidential and nothing is off the table.

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

### Upcoming Youth Events

#### Singing With Sivan:

Wednesdays, began March 5th and continuing for the next 5 weeks,  
11am- 12pm, \$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.

#### Chesed Opportunity

Calling all Teens and Tweens! We're looking for Teens and Tweens to help deliver Mishloach Manot on **Purim day from 9am-2pm**. Chesed hours will be granted. If you're able to help please email Avi at [avi@lss.org](mailto:avi@lss.org).

### The Chesed Corner

Would you donate blood or platelets for a LSS member if NEEDED?  
Email: Shirley Wald with your name and blood type.

[Dlawms@aol.com](mailto:Dlawms@aol.com)

Interested in participating in Chesed Activities or joining in the planning of Chesed activities as a Chesed Committee member, please email [chesed@lss.org](mailto:chesed@lss.org) and someone will get in touch with you. The next meeting of the committee is on March 18th.

### Youth Purim Celebration Details

#### Saturday Night, March 15

Join Rabbi Robinson for a very special **Purim Costume Parade** in front of the Main sanctuary @ 8:00pm.



After the Megillah Reading, the entire youth department is invited to make **Ice Cream Sundaes!** In room 208/210

#### Sunday, March 16

**Purim Carnival!** Join the LSS Youth Department for a Purim Carnival in the ballroom featuring carnival games, an inflatable jungle-gym, face-painting, ballom sculptures, hamentashen making, and more! Featuring music from the Ta Shma Orchestra! 9:30-12:30pm. \$20 per ticket.

**Teen Megillah Reading** with Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld followed by Kiddush Breakfast. 10:00am in room 211

### Request for Shabbat Greeters

Friendly people needed to expand our Shabbat greeter corps. One hour duty in the lobby welcoming all and helping out newcomers.

Email Marcy: [marcyzwecker@gmail.com](mailto:marcyzwecker@gmail.com).





# D'var Echod B'lev Echod

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

PARSHAT VAYIKRA • 6 ADAR BET 5774

MARCH 7– 8, 2014

BY: RABBI MICHAEL LEVY

Welcome to the Kingdom of Kohanim  
For My New Grandson, Yaakov Leib Negreann  
Born 26 Adar I, 5774

Dear Yaakov Leib,

In about six years, G-d willing, you will have a Rebbe. Perhaps he will give you a “parasha sheet” to bring home to your parents, with pictures and a story.

You will discover that “Pikudei, the Torah portion during whose week you were born, and “Vayikra,” during whose week you entered into the Covenant of Abraham, frequently mention Kohanim.

By then, your Tati will probably have told you that you are not a Kohen. Don't be upset!

You see, at Mount Sinai, G-d told us “You shall be a kingdom of Kohanim and a holy nation.” (Exodus 19:6) That means that can emulate Kohanim in many aspects of our lives.

## Disseminating Words of Torah

“For the lips of the (ideal) Kohain shall guard knowledge, and they (the people) shall seek Torah from his mouth.” (Malachi 2:7) True Kohanim helped our ancestors cling to Torah and resist the pull of idol worship.

We live in a society which worships wealth, beauty, fame and athletic prowess. It is all too easy to succumb to modern idols.

Any Jew who helps others cling to Torah exemplifies the character of a true Kohen. In your own unique way, may you exert a “Torah influence” on those around you. May you experience “I rejoice in Your utterances like one who discovers abundant treasures.”

\*Psalm 119:162

## Avodah—Performing Divine Service

In the days of the Mishkan and the first and second Temples, the Kohanim brought the offerings of the Israelites as “korbanot” to God. The root of korban, (Hebrew letters kuf resh bet,) means “nearness.” Individual and communal offerings brought about nearness to God, expiated sin, and expressed thanksgiving. Our souls are nourished by “kirvat Elokim,” nearness to the Divine.

Thousands of years ago, daily worship was instituted according to the times when communal korbanot were offered. As you observe others in prayer and learn our Zemirot (songs to God,) may “kirvat Elokim” resonate in you and shine out to others.

## Gemilut Chassadim—Performing Deeds of Kindness

The first Kohen, Aharon, was renowned for his love of all Jews. Let me tell you about Aharon-like love.

I was privileged to know your Bubbie's cousin, Tova Fine, aleha hashalom. When she spoke to a person, that person knew that at that moment, Tova devoted all her attention and concern to him or her. I remember Tova bonding with a lonely person in less than thirty seconds, in an elevator

It is almost inevitable that one day, you will begin receiving and sending electronic messages—texting. My prayer is that your more significant communication involve receiving from and sending to the hearts of others, and that you also reach them through acts of kindness.

## Your Precious Priestly Robe

The Kohanim of old donned special clothing when they served G-d in the Mishkan. You will never don such garments, but you do wear a priceless vestment.

R. Fischel Schachter likens the body to a robe for the spark of the Divine, the soul that infuses human beings, who are created in the image of G-d. With your miraculous robe, you can live in a way that keeps your soul warm.

You have just entered into the Covenant of Abraham our father. May you humbly wear this Holy Sign, and may many other mitzvot adorn your garment. May your robe be granted Divine Protection, and may you wear it in health—to your Bar Mitzvah, to your Chupah, and through a long healthy life in the Kingdom of Kohanim.

# YOUTH PURIM CELEBRATION @ LSS

**Saturday Night, March 15**

*Purim Costume Parade*

In front of the Main Sanctuary

At 8:00pm

*Make Your Own Sundae*

Room 208/210

After the Megillah Reading



**Sunday, March 16**

*Purim Carnival*

In the Ballroom

9:30am-12:30pm

\$20 per ticket

Featuring the music from  
Ta Shma Orchestra!



Carnival games, an inflatable jungle-gym, face painting,  
balloon sculptures, hamentashem making, and more!

*Babysitting*

Babysitting will be available during the 8:15pm

Megillah reading on Saturday night and during the

8:30am Megillah reading on Sunday morning.

**To register, visit [lss.org/youth](http://lss.org/youth)  
For questions, please email Avi at [Avi@lss.org](mailto:Avi@lss.org)**



# Join Lincoln Square Synagogue for an Italian-Themed Purim Celebration!



Motzei Shabbat, March 15, 2014  
After Megillah reading (Approx 9pm)

In the LSS Ballroom  
180 Amsterdam Avenue



## Featuring:

- . Catered dairy dinner
- . Wine and beer
- . A silent auction with great prizes
- . Make your own pizza
- . Music & other entertainment



Register at [LSS.org](http://LSS.org) or 212-874-6100

\$50 per adult (incl. 2 auction fix)

\$25 per child under 18

\$200 family max (incl. 10 auction fix)

*Co-sponsored by Gotham Wines & Liquors*