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From the Rabbi's Desk

A broad and ambiguous Rosh Hashana prayer for life, health, and a good year, seems too generic to use on the Day of Judgment. Such a prayer would reflect a lack of proper preparation for a serious moment in which our very lives hang in the balance. We would be approaching the moment of determination of our futures with a callous standardized text. It would seem as if we were not sufficiently concerned to take the time to prepare our appeal and supplication.

Ironically, the preparation itself reminds us of the need for a broad rather than a specific prayer. As we reflect on the past year, we realize that each year is so filled with surprises, unexpected opportunities, and challenges, that it is almost impossible to offer anything other than a generic prayer. A prayer based on the present realities of our lives cannot possibly address the facts of our lives ten or twelve months from now. How can we predict what gifts we will need from God over the course of the coming year?

It is not only our inability to predict the future that frustrates the preparation of our Rosh Hashana presentation. We often ask for things that are not really that important. We even ask for things that are not good for us. To prepare a proper prayer seems impossible. To pray without preparation is unthinkable. How are we to prepare our Rosh Hashana prayers?

There are those who suggest a well-prepared prayer accompanied by a meta-prayer; a prayer that our prayers be acceptable to, appropriate before, and adjusted by God when necessary. The acknowledgment that the source of the potency of prayer is God, empowers the prayer itself and the one praying. A famous story of a shepherd boy who knew only the aleph-bet, reciting it over and over, requesting that God take the letters and form them into the proper words, is used to illustrate the approach of meta-prayer.

I believe that, when possible, a more sophisticated approach is necessary. It is possible to use the unexpected challenges of the previous year to enhance our prayers for the coming year. Those surprises are the most visible signs of God's involvement in our lives and God's care and concern for our success. That

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which was unforeseen reminds us that we are in God's hands. It is not enough to acknowledge that we reflect over the past year and understand how actual experiences were the result of God's hand and how necessary God's involvement was. The intellectual acknowledgment must be accompanied with a statement of recognition of how such a truth was actually realized in our lives. If we fail to appreciate those times when God's involvement has already been demonstrated, how can we possibly ask for more?

Rosh Hashana is not only a time of judgment. It is a time when we coronate the King, the Milchey Malchei HaMilachim. A prayer accompanied by a deep and personal recognition of God's involvement in one's life is not only a prayer. It is an act of adoration. May our prayers penetrate the heavens. May they find favor before God so that we will be granted a year of growth, happiness, and good health.

Rabbi Simcha Weinberg



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we ready ourselves for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, we take a number of steps in preparation. We think about our actions of the past year and reflect upon how to improve ourselves. We give a bit more charity than usual, some of us take an extra class or two, and, as the day of judgment draws closer, we also prepare ourselves spiritually.

And then we pray. . .

We pray for forgiveness. Each of us prays for our own concerns and needs. We pray for our families, our people, our land of Israel, and the entire world, and yet, with all this to pray for, it is often hard to have our prayers flow naturally. We should be drawn to Hashem, to beg for a year of happiness - yet we know how difficult it is to make our prayers meaningful. The ability to stay focused on Hashem, to concentrate on our words and to allow ourselves to feel the spirituality of the day, are not easy things to achieve. But all this is made easier at L.S.S. Our rabbis and our chazan, our בעל שחרית and our בעל תפילת, all help us to reestablish our connection with 'ה and with other Jews wherever they may be. Davening at L.S.S. adds a dimension to our High Holiday experience. We daven not only as individuals, but as a community. We ask for our own forgiveness and for that of our people. Our davening together as a community helps us to bond together. Our prayers and those of our brethren, wherever they may be, are united on these special days. L.S.S. helps to make this bond even stronger and confirms our oneness with and connection to Am Yisroel. In our community, we daven together, we share our s'machot, and we support each other in times of needs. And, we pray that Hashem will help us to become a strong people and to lead meaningful and enriched lives.

I wish everyone a בתיבה ודתימה טובה.

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Marc Penner - Who Is He?

When I heard the name Marc Penner, I asked myself two questions: "Who is he? What is he doing at LSS?" I believe I found the answers.

I can answer the first question in one sentence - Marc Penner is the new Rabbinic Intern. The second question requires a lengthier answer and may not even be possible to answer fully until Rabbi Penner has finished his year as Rabbinic Intern.

Rabbi Penner will be working on the Eruv, religious and educational programming, the mikva, kashruth, and most likely many other areas that he does not even know about yet.

While he is doing all of the above, he will also be studying full time at the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary to complete his last year of smicha.

During his spare time, Rabbi Penner is husband to Adeena and father to his 13-month-old daughter, Elisheva. Adeena is an occupational therapist in Staten Island to multi-handicapped children. Elisheva is deeply involved with a big purple dinosaur who will remain nameless (due to the personal choice of the writer).

So, let us all give Rabbi Penner a warm LSS welcome to the community. Rabbi Penner, we know you will have a year full of great learning and experiences.

New Year's Resolution

As the old year draws to a close and the new year draws closer, every Jew draws up a "balance-sheet" for the past year, which should direct us in our resolution for the forth coming year.

In order for the "balance-sheet" - and the resolutions structured on it to be as close to the truth as possible, a person must be careful of overestimating ones accomplishments.

This past year was ה"ב a fantastic year for our Outreach programs - T.F.N.I.S., Just One Shabbos, U.J.A. Young Leadership Lunches, Beginners Shabbatons, Crash Courses, etc. However, we must do more! We must search inwardly and by indefatigable effort touch our own spiritual resources to touch more of our Jewish relatives, friends, and neighbors.

Have confidence in your fellow Jew and give his Jewish neshama what he truly wants and needs. . . a Shabbos dinner invitation, a beginner class suggestion, an invitation to T.F.N.I.S., etc.

Only through this approach can we enter this holiday season with a clean balance sheet and a resolution to bring our people back to fiscal spiritual health.

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During the Yizkor service, there is a passage in which one pledges an offering to charity in the name of the deceased who is being remembered. Lincoln Square Synagogue will once again be publishing a Remembrance Book in which names of departed friends and relatives may be listed.

Please return the form below to LSS with the names of those friends and relatives you wish to include in the Remembrance Book. The Remembrance Book will be published in time for our Yom Kippur services.

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Phil Sussman



In a stunning come-from-behind victory, the Singles beat the Marrieds 12-to-9 in the annual "Marrieds vs. Singles" softball game held on Sunday, July 18th.

Losing pitcher Nathan Kruman's infield support fell apart in the top of the ninth, when winning pitcher Jerry Blitzer's hitters suddenly came to life. Blitzer is the founder of LSS softball, a summer tradition that has been carried on in recent years by catcher Phil Sussman.

Players this summer included third baseman Matt Bobman, first baseman Jack Brown, shortstop Robi Grossman, right fielder David Freedman, pitcher Janet Weinberg, and left fielder Eli Salig. Short center fielder Lisa Korman played with a lefty's glove she had borrowed from second basewoman Deborah de Winter Sussman.

Missing from this season's lineup was utility outfielder Simcha Weinberg, who had to work weekends. Also missing was center fielder Art Blazer, who insisted that as a newlywed he neither had to go to war nor play in LSS softball games.

After the July 18th season finale, winning captain Steve Schnipper was seen leading a contingent to Kosher Roma Pizzeria, while another group led by first baseman Elly Goffin was seen congregating by the Good Humor stand near the Delacorte Theater. A fun time was had by all!

What's New with the Eruv?

Rabbi Marc Penner

One of the big questions this fall is sure to be: "What's new with the eruv?" Work has begun again at full speed on the West Side Eruv, and we are closer than ever to its completion. The delay has been caused largely by the complex nature of the project, but many of the problems and details have been worked out.

Why has it been so difficult to complete the eruv? Besides the technical and legal issues unique to building in New York City, there are halachic considerations that need not be dealt with in most cities. In order to comply with as many rabbinic positions as possible, we are actually enclosing our area with two eruvim - or, more correctly, an "eruv," using "tzurot hapetach" ("doorframes" consisting of 2 lampposts and a connecting string) to close gaps between buildings and park walls, and a "mechitza," filling those gaps with "doors" or "delatot" which can be pulled out of canisters. The delatot, which will also be attached to lampposts, are somewhat of an engineering feat, pulled off by Ed Stark, Karen Luchter, and others, and are still being developed and completed. In order not to waste materials, we must know exactly how long each door must be before constructing them, and this measuring has also taken a lot of time.

Early this summer, the maps were completed, final measurements taken, and most technical details worked out. We found, however, that while we had 100 delatot in stock, we would need 160 to close all of the gaps on the original eruv plan. Since ordering new parts would take upwards of six months, we have rerouted the eruv - for Phase I, from 125th street to 109th street - and are busy making all the necessary changes and asking the appropriate questions. We have every intention of finishing Phase II, extending to 125th street, once we get the necessary supplies.

As soon as the last few details of the new plan get squared away, we will be ready to finish the assembling and winding of the delatot, a project started a few years ago. At that point, we'll need your help; the more volunteers we have, the faster we can finish the delatot and the faster we can begin construction.

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SEPTEMBER

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Saturday, September 11 Early Selichot - 10:15 pm Rabbi's Pre-Selichot Lecture: <i>True Confessions</i> 11:30 pm Selichot - 12:30 am Saturday, September 25 Public Yizkor Services at 1:30 pm, 2:30 pm, & 3:30 pm in the Annex			1 Mincha & Maariv Services 7:20 pm	2 Mincha & Maariv Services 7:20 pm	3 7:07 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 7:10 pm	4 Ki Thavo Daf Yomi & Bible Class 6:05 pm Mincha 7:05 pm
5 Daily Mincha & Maariv 7:10 pm	6	7	8	9	10 6:55 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00 pm	11 Nitzavim - Vayelech Daf Yomi & Bible Class 5:50 pm Mincha 6:40 pm See schedule above.
12 Morning Services 7:10 & 8:30 am Daily Mincha & Maariv 6:55 pm	13 Selichot & Morning Services 6:40 & 7:30 am	14 Selichot & Morning Services 6:40 & 7:30 am	15 Erev Rosh Hashanah Selichot & Morning Services 6:00 & 7:00 am Eruv Tavshilin 6:48 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Rosh Hashanah	16 Rosh Hashanah Service - 7:45 am Beginners 9:00 am Tashlich Walk 5:45 pm Mincha - 6:45 pm not before 7:48 pm	17 Rosh Hashanah Service - 7:45 am Beginners 9:00 am 6:44 pm Daf Yomi - 5:45 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 6:45 pm	18 Shabbat Shuva - Haazinu Mincha 6:00 pm followed by Rabbi Weinberg's Shabbat Shuva Discourse
19 Fast of Gedalia Fast begins 5:28 am Selichot & Morning Services 6:35 & 8:00 am Mincha - 6:30 pm Fast ends 7:30 pm pam	20 Selichot & Morning Services 6:35 & 7:15 am Daily Mincha & Maariv 6:35 pm Colloquium - check below	21 Selichot & Morning Services 6:35 & 7:15 am	22 Selichot & Morning Services 6:35 & 7:15 am	23 Selichot & Morning Services 6:35 & 7:15 am	24 Eruv Yom Kippur Selichot & Morning Services 6:50 & 7:30 am Mincha 1:30, 3:00 & 4:10 pm 6:32 pm Kol Nidre 6:35 pm	25 Yom Kippur Main Sanctuary - 8:00 am Auditorium & Beginners - 9:00am Final Shofar Blast - 7:32 pm
26 Daily Mincha & Maariv 6:30 pm	27	28	29 Eruv Sukkot Morning Services 7:10 & 7:50 am Eruv Tavshilin 6:24 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Yom Tov 6:30 pm	30 Sukkot Morning Services 8:00 & 8:45 am Daf Yomi 5:25 pm Mincha 6:25 pm not before 7:24 pm	Manhattan Eruv Hotline 212-362-2602	

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OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Friday, October 8 Simchat Torah Hashkamah Minyan - 6:45 am Yom Tov Morning Service - 8:45 am Family Service - 9:00 am Women's Tefillah Group - 9:00 am Late Minyan - 9:30 am			Mikvah of Mid-Manhattan 234 W. 78th Street (212) 799-1520 HATZOLOH (212) 230-1000		1 Sukkot Morning Services 8:00 & 8:45 am Daf Yomi 5:25 pm Mincha 6:25 pm 88 6:21 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat - 6:25 pm	2 Morning Services 8:00 & 8:45 am Daf Yomi 5:15 pm Mincha 6:15 pm
3 Chol Hamoed Morning Services 7:00 & 8:30 am Daily Mincha & Maariv 6:20 pm	4 Chol Hamoed Morning Services 7:00 & 7:30 am	5 Chol Hamoed Morning Services 7:00 & 7:30 am	6 Hoshana Rabbah Morning Services 6:30 & 7:30 am Eruv Tavshilin 88 6:12 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Yom Tov 6:15 pm	7 Shemini Atzeret Morning Services & Yizkor 8:00, 8:45 & 9:30 am Daf Yomi & Bible Class 5:10 pm Mincha 6:10 pm 88 not before 7:12 pm	8 Simchat Torah Morning Services See schedule above. Daf Yomi & Bible Class 5:10 pm 88 6:09 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 6:10 pm	9 Bereshit Morning Service 8:45 am Daf Yomi & Bible Class 5:05 pm Mincha 6:05 pm
10 Daily Mincha & Maariv 6:10 pm	11 Columbus Day Morning Services 7:05 & 7:50 am 	12	13	14	15 Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan Morning Services 7:00 & 7:40 am 88 5:58 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 6:05 pm	16 Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan Noach Hashkamah Minyan 7:40 am Daf Yomi 4:25 pm Bible Class 4:55 pm Talmud Class 5:10 pm Mincha 5:55 pm
17 Daily Mincha & Maariv 5:55 pm	18	19	20	21	22 88 5:48 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 5:55 pm	23 Lech Lecha Morning Service 8:45 am Daf Yomi 4:15 pm Bible Class 4:45 pm Talmud Class 5:00 pm Mincha 5:45 pm
24 Daily Mincha & Maariv 5:45 pm	25	26	27	28	29 88 5:39 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 5:45 pm	30 Vayera Morning Service 8:45 am Daf Yomi 4:05 pm Bible Class 4:35 pm Talmud Class 4:50 pm Mincha 5:35 pm
31 Clothing Drive Daily Mincha & Maariv 4:40 pm Mon.-Thurs. Maariv only 6:20 pm	Bikur Cholim Shabbat The Coordinating Council on Bikur Cholim of Greater New York has designated Saturday, October 30, 1993 (Parashat Vayera) as Bikur Cholim Shabbat. Too many homebound people, physically handicapped or blind, too many senior citizens in nursing homes are neglected by the Jewish community. Bikur Cholim Shabbat is meant to quicken the conscience of the Jewish community to care for such unfortunates; to urge fellow Jews to hear the still, small voice vented pathetically and to even make their lot a little bit easier. This is our task.					Turn your clock back 1 hour. 

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Election Day Morning Services 7:10 & 7:50 am 	3	4	5 4:30 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 4:35 pm	6 Chaya-Sara Daf Yomi 8:00 am Morning Service 8:45 am Talmud & Bible Class 3:45 pm Mincha 4:30 pm
7 Daily Mincha & Maariv 4:30 pm Mon.-Thurs. Maariv only 6:20 pm	8	9	10	11 Veterans Day Morning Services 7:05 & 7:50 am  Blood Drive Cong. Ansche Chesed	12 4:23 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 4:30 pm	13 Tolodot Daf Yomi 8:00 am Morning Service 8:45 am Talmud & Bible Class 3:35 pm Mincha 4:20 pm
14 Rosh Chodesh Kislev Morning Services 7:00 & 8:30 am Daily Mincha & Maariv 4:25 pm M-Th Maariv only	15 Rosh Chodesh Kislev Morning Services 7:00 & 7:40 am	16	17	18	19 4:17 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 4:25 pm	20 Vayetze Daf Yomi 8:45 am Morning Service 8:45 am Talmud & Bible Class 3:30 pm Mincha 4:15 pm
21 Daily Mincha & Maariv 4:25 pm Mon.-Wed. Maariv only 6:20 pm	22	23	24	25 Thanksgiving Morning Services 7:05 & 8:30 am 	26 4:13 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 4:20 pm	27 Vayishlach Daf Yomi 8:00 am Morning Service 8:45 am Talmud & Bible Class 3:25 pm Mincha 4:10 pm
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MRYC

Welcome back from what I am sure was an enjoyable and relaxing summer!

Last year's Youth Department enjoyed a very successful year and I am confident that we will have an even better one this year. The MRYC staff has been working throughout the summer to plan and set up programs for the 1993-94 year.

Resumption of Shabbat groups will be on September 11. Morning child care will begin at 9:30 am and morning groups will begin at 10:00 am. Times for afternoon groups and the High Holidays schedule will be announced.

An integral part of last year's success was due to the tremendous input and support of the parents. I would like first to thank you for that and secondly to ask and encourage you to, once again, play an active role in ensuring another fun and exciting year at the MRYC.

I look forward to working with you and offering the best year MRYC has ever experienced.

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New Bites

The Jewish community has been lucky enough to have a new kosher restaurant open - Joseph's at 50 West 72nd Street, (betw CPW & Columbus), 595-5004. And open it did on Sunday night, August 22nd. I wanted to be the first on the block to try it but I was definitely not the first one! The place was filled to capacity.

At Joseph's there is something for everyone - from salads to pastas to pizzas to fish. The food is both the traditional kosher dishes - Hand-Sliced Nova and Cream Cheese on a Bagel, Blintzes, Pirogens, etc. - to the more unique (for a kosher restaurant) - Greek Salad, Fettucini Salmonate, Calzones, etc. There are dishes for the calorie counters, including a Flaky Dough Pizza which even for the "non-counters" it tastes great!

I did not have a chance to sample all the dishes but what I did taste was delicious. It was hectic on opening night especially since it was practically sold out! I hope Joseph's will continue to be sold out but not so hectic.

Kosher restaurants with such a variety of great tasting food are not always accessible. I suggest to all the members of the Jewish community to come on by and give Joseph's a try! It is under the rabbinical supervision of the Midtown Board of Kashruth. Joseph's is open from Monday through Thursday, 8 am to 11 pm, Friday 8 am to one hour before sundown, Saturday night from one hour after sundown until 2 am, and Sundays 8 am to 11 pm.



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High Holiday Laws and Customs

Hadlakot Hanerot - The woman of the house lights candles in honor of the New Year so that warmth and love may permeate the home. Just before the nightfall which ushers in each evening of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, the following two blessings are recited upon the candles:

"Blessed art Thou, Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe, Who has sanctified us with His Commandments and has commanded us to kindle the Festival lights." On Yom Kippur substitute: "the lights of the Day of Atonement."

"Blessed are Thou, Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe, Who has kept us in life, preserved us, and enabled us to reach this season."

Apple and Honey - at the beginning of the holiday meal, it is customary to dip the challah and then a slice of apple into honey with the prayer: "May it be Thy will to renew unto us a good and sweet year."

Shofar - ram's horn, blown during morning services and at the conclusion of the Yom Kippur fast. Blown to rouse the individual to repentance and to remind God and ourselves of Abraham's willingness to sacrifice his only son, as well as proclaiming God's sovereignty.

Tashlich - literally, to cast away (one's transgressions). The first afternoon of Rosh Hashanah usually marks the Tashlich ceremony, which takes place on the bank of a river or near some body of fresh water. Appropriate prayers are recited, and then it is customary for each person to shake the corner of his garment.

Aseret Yemai Teshuva - the ten days of penitence. These are the days between and including Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. It is customary to ask forgiveness from one another for any transgression that may have been committed during the past year. We greet one another during this period with the blessing: "May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year (Ketiva Vechatima Tovah)."

Shabbat Shuvah - The Sabbath of Return, which is the designation for the Sabbath between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Yom Kippur Fast - In ordaining Yom Kippur, the Bible states: "You shall afflict your souls." This is the basis of fasting, the abstinence from food and drink on the Day of Atonement. The purpose of the fast is to emphasize the spiritual nature of man and demonstrate the God-like quality in each of us.

Kol Nidre - "All vows," the beginning of the dramatic prayer which inaugurates Yom Kippur. The haunting and inspiring melody speaks of God's absolution of religious vows. It is conjectured that the music was composed during the Spanish Inquisition (1492), when many Jews were forced to publicly vow their allegiance to Christianity.

Non-Leather Shoes - It is customary to wear non-leather shoes during the entire Yom Kippur period. This is because leather is a sign of luxury and the death of an animal is necessary in the production of leather shoes. On Yom Kippur we must be made aware of the dependence upon a Higher Source which unites all of God's creatures.

Other Prohibitions - On Yom Kippur, we are not permitted to engage in sexual relations. Bathing and excessive grooming are also prohibited.

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Sukkot Laws and Customs

Chag HaAsif - The Feast of In-Gathering is another name for the Festival of Sukkot. Due to the agricultural significance of the holiday, the synagogue becomes permeated with the colors and fragrances of the four species and the glories of nature.

Ethrog - The Bible commands us to take the "fruit of a goodly tree, branches of palm trees, boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook and you shall rejoice before the Lord, your God, seven days." By "fruit of a goodly tree" was meant the Ethrog, a citrus fruit which has many similarities to a lemon but is of a different species. Usually an Ethrog is imported from Israel for the Sukkot celebration, thus recalling to us the beautiful land of our fathers where the Chag HaAsif was originally celebrated. It is permissible to use an Ethrog from any other part of the world, provided it meets the halachic requirements.

There are a host of rules about the shape and appearance which an Ethrog should have. One of the important parts of an Ethrog is the Pitom, the blossom at the top of the fruit. If the Pitom has been removed, the Ethrog is no longer fit for ritual use. However, if the fruit grew originally without a Pitom, it is permissible to use it for Sukkot.

The Lulav, Hadassim, and Aravot are bound together, the Hadassim on the right and the Aravot on the left.

Intermediate Days - The third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh days of Sukkot are called Chol Hamoed, which might be translated as semi-holidays. The rules about forbidden kinds of labor on a holiday are greatly relaxed on these intermediate days. The prayers of these days have a dual character. The regular weekday prayers are recited, with the additions of *Ya'aleh V'Yavo* ("May there rise and come before Thee") in the "Eighteen Benedictions". In addition, Hallel and Hoshanot are recited every morning, as well as Musaf.

Hoshana Rabbah - The last of the Intermediate Days has a special character. It is called Hoshana Rabbah ("The Great Hoshana"). The morning service becomes infused with a solemn character similar to the Day of Atonement, and many of the prayers sound like an echo of the Yom Kippur service. According to tradition, the final seal of the decree for the New Year (*G'mar Chatima Tova*) is proclaimed in heaven on this day. Another opportunity for repentance is granted at this time.

Shemini Atzeret - The eighth and ninth days are full Holy Days, with the same restrictions as the first two days of the Festival. The eighth day is called Shemini Atzeret. The translation of this phrase is

"eighth day, a day of solemn assembly." The word Atzeret also suggests the thought of delay - to delay, as it were, the closing of the holiday season by celebrating an additional day before closing this month of holidays.

Simchat Torah - The final day of the holiday is the most joyous of all. Simchat Torah means, "the Festival of the Rejoicing of the Torah."

It is the occasion for the expression of the joy which is characteristic of every Jew who appreciates that he is one of a people to whom study and the practice of the Torah has been entrusted.

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In The Community

ENGAGEMENTS

Mazal Tov to

Lisa Carroll on her engagement to Doug Candeub.
Agnes and Jules Ehrman on the engagement of son Jonathan to Myra Guttman.

Helene and Jerry Gast on the engagement of son Charles [C.B.], living in Israel, to Naomi Stern of Israel.

Adina and Myron Greenfield on the engagement of daughter Gila Rina to Steve Stone.

Dr. Henry and Joan Papier Lieberman on the engagement of Joan's son Neil Papier to Sherri Rosen.

Belda and Marcel Lindenbaum on the engagement of daughter Victoria to Ben Feder.

Tova Richler on her engagement to Robert Thee.

Susan and Norman Ruttner on the engagement of daughter Chani to David Levin. Mazal Tov also to grandmother Greta Weinman.

Vivian Schneck on her engagement to Ira Last.

Elizabeth Shuchat on her engagement to Rabbi Jay Yaacov Schwartz of Congregation Ohav Shalom.

MARRIAGES

Mazal Tov to

Bette Barker and Ed Epstein on their marriage.

Moishe Boim on his marriage to Tzipporah Herskowitz.

Yermy Boim on his marriage to Rivka Lawrence.

Etta Brandman and Harry Klaristenfeld on their marriage.

Adam Charney on his marriage to Miriam Cardozo.

Beth Epstein and Rabbi Meir Mittelman on their marriage.

Shulamis Gardenberg and Norby Moskovits on their marriage.

Dr. Stephen Garrin on his marriage to Rachel Gottesman.

Charles Gershbaum on his marriage to Meira Weiss.
Batya and Sherwood Goffin on the marriage of daughter Tsipi to Jerry Hawk. Mazal Tov also to grandparents Judy and Herman Goffin.

Chaya and Fred Gorsetman on the marriage of daughter Atara to Brian Spira.

Dr. Milton Houpt on his marriage to Dr. Evelyn Rubin.

Helene Irrman and Ari Bousbib on their marriage.

Lois and Leslie Katz on the marriage of son Yossi to Shari Friedman.

Rose and Morton Landowne on the marriage of daughter Dina to Jay Bailey.

Donna Mandel on her marriage to Arnold Perel.

Victor Megerman on his marriage to Shelley Goldstein.

Jan Meyer and Suri Windwehr their marriage.

Nancy Mikhael and Harvey Rubinstein on their marriage

Hedda and Sheldon Rudoff on the marriage of daughter Sara to Ira Olshin.

Freya and Richard Wigler on the marriage of daughter Jacqueline to Nathan Shalom.

BIRTHS

Mazal Tov to

Nitza and Micah Bloomfield on the birth of a daughter.

Bobbie-Sue Daitch and David Landau on the birth of a daughter.

Judy and Chaim Freud on the birth of a son.

Drs. Zeva and Lawrence Herman on the birth of a daughter.

Vardi and Dr. Leonard Jacober on the birth of a son.
Mazal Tov also to grandparents Cynthia and Ashley Lazarus.

Sarah and Steve Jacoby on the birth of a son.

Ilana and Bernie Kabak on the arrival of a son.

Vicki and Sam Katz on the birth of a daughter.

Phyllis and Larry Lehman on the birth of a son.

Tamar and Irwin Major on the birth of a daughter.

Diana and Ron Platzer on the arrival of a son.

Phyllis and Dr. Ram Roth on the birth of a daughter.

Shari and Joe Sonnenberg on the birth of a granddaughter.

Drs. Priscilla and Mark Tepper on the birth of a daughter.

BAR AND BAT MITZVAH

Mazal Tov to

Amy and Jack Benishai on the Bat Mitzvah of daughter Rachel.

Tineke and Steven Kevelson on the Bat Mitzvah of daughter Daniella.

Molly Pollak and Phil Gassel on the Bat Mitzvah of daughter Miriam Gassel.

Bernie Zweig and Penny Ostreicher on the Bar Mitzvah of son Elliot Zweig.

TSETCHEM L'SHALOM

Tsetchem L'Shalom to

Mark and Linda Fischler, who have left the LSS community.

Morty, Shelley, Baruch, and Hannah Leba Goldberg, who have left the LSS community to live in Teaneck.

Mark Guenette, who has left the LSS community.

Jonathan and Toby Siegman, who have left the LSS community to live in Forest Hills.

In The Community

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HONORS

Mazal Tov to

Marie-Rose Adler and Henry Adler on son Laurent becoming an M.D. at Hahnemann University.
 Reba Geik on her daughter Iris Constance Geik graduating from Boston's Suffolk University Law School.
 Mark Guenette on his receiving his Ph.D. in Comparative Literature from Columbia University.
 Manfred and Ohra Hahn on their 10th Wedding Anniversary.
 Ann Hollander on her 89th birthday.
 Tobi Kahn who has a major painting in the newly re-opened Jewish Museum.
 Joe and Shari Sonnenberg on their 10th Wedding Anniversary

CONDOLENCES

We extend our sympathy to

Janet Abelow on the passing of her brother Nathan Enowitz.
 Rabbi Kenneth and Ruchi Brander on the passing of their newborn daughter Chedva Techya Brander.
 Helen Elbaum on the passing of her brother Bernard Berglas.
 Helen and Mark Elbaum and their daughter Ruth Elbaum Gregor on the passing of Mrs. Gregor's husband Ami Gregor.
 Helene Katz Freedman on the passing of her mother Tillye Katz.
 Esther Green on the passing of her mother Blima Binder.
 Allan Leicht on the passing of his sister and brother-in-law Rachelle Leicht and Peter LeBron.
 Henry Lipschutz on the passing of his father Sigmund Lipschutz.
 Rabbi Meir Mitelman on the passing of his father Sol Mitelman.
 the Perlstein and Grunberger Families on the passing of Benjamin Perlstein.
 Barry Spector on the passing of his father Al Spector.
 Robert Zenilman on the passing of his father David Zenilman.

NEW MEMBERS

Lincoln Square Synagogue is pleased to welcome the following new members:

Dr. Alan Berger
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Rabbi Cohen	877-1504
Danny Besdin	595-0970
Rachel Herlands	799-2176
Samuel Horwitz	496-7101
Andrea Penkower Rosen	873-9895

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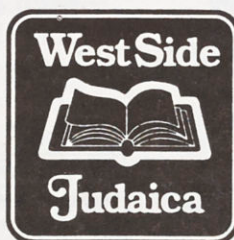
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