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PURIM AT LSS

Kids & Can Openers Making Purim Special

With Purim coming, the Lincoln Square Synagogue Food Funnel is gearing up to help you and your family fulfill the Mitzvah of Matanot Evyonim. The pre-Purim Food Drive is coming on Sunday, February 20, from Shacharit - 2:00 pm.

We have a special extra Mitzvah this year, as we are collecting CAN OPENERS for the homeless. We will accept used or new can openers during the drive's hours.



This drive offers an excellent opportunity to perform a family Mitzvah, educating your children while doing good.

This is the drive for Project ORE when we collect only kosher, ready-to eat, sealed packages of food for individuals who have no place to cook.

Melanie Ross Youth Center Event

Family Purim Program for Children of All Ages

Thursday, Feb. 24, 1994

6:00 pm - 10:30 pm

**Ma'ariv will begin at 6:00 pm
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Mishloach Manot - LSS Style

Once again LSS is offering you the opportunity to send Mishloach Manot to members of the synagogue. A packet is in the mailing with all the information. The deadline for the orders is February 14th. Please contact the synagogue office, if you have not received the packet as of yet.

Please note that the following non-resident members were on list 2 of the Shalach Manot List and would like it to be known that they will be present for the Megillah reading and are eligible to receive a basket instead of a card.

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Tefillah for Children

Shabbat Morning Children services meet in the Annex and Main Building at 9:30 am and are divided by grade - 1st & 2nd grade group and 3rd-6th Grade Group.





Junior High & High Schoolers meet every other week at Manhattan Day School for Teen Minyan.

Childcare begins at 9:30 am and 1-3 year olds meet in the library and 4-5 year olds meet in Classroom 1.



Daily Mincha & Maariv Services

Week of Feb. 6th	5:10 pm
Week of Feb. 13th	5:15 pm
Maariv only Mon-Thurs	6:20 pm
Week of Feb. 20th (Mon-Wed)	5:25 pm
Maariv only Tues-Wed	6:20 pm
Week of Feb. 27th	5:35 pm
Maariv only Mon-Thurs	6:20 pm
Week of March 6th	5:40 pm
Week of March 13th	5:50 pm
Week of March 20th	5:55 pm

FROM THE ECHAD Staff

On this Purim may
your hearts be filled with
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from the  and 
and your stomachs be filled with



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MESSAGE

Rabbi's Message

The story of Purim is a tale of surprises. It begins with a surprise for Queen Vashti and moves quickly to her unlikely successor Esther. The Megillah continues with a shock for the Jewish people and ends with a fateful turn for Haman the wicked.

And what an unlikely heroine, in Esther the Queen. Not that anyone doubts her character or charm - even the misguided King Achashverosh is able to see her inner and outer beauty - but she seems to lack the skills or desire to be a leader of her people. Even once elected Queen she must consult with Mordechai daily, and "Esther did the commandment of Mordechai, like as when she was brought up with him" (2:20). When she hears that Mordechai is dressed in sackcloth she is flustered and confused, and even upon hearing of Haman's plans she is unwilling to get involved.

But then, a surprise. A short "pep-talk" from Mordechai and suddenly everything is different. "If you hold your peace at this time, relief and deliverance will come for the Jews from another place, but you and your fathers' house will perish. And who knows if you have not come into royalty for such a moment as this?" (4:14)

With the conclusion of this speech a complete change comes over Esther. She orders a public fast and prepares for a meeting with the King. She manipulates Haman and with the hand of Hashem guiding her orchestrates the rescue of her people. And now she tells Mordechai what to do. "And Mordechai went, and did all that Esther commanded him." (4:17)

What had changed? Why were Mordechai's words so

effective? Perhaps, Mordechai inspired Esther by pointing out to her two simple things: Who she was, and who she could be. He knew Esther well and he knew what she could do. To him it was no surprise. When Esther took the first honest look at herself, her goals, her direction and her talents, her mission became clear.

Now don't be surprised, but Mordechai may be talking to us as well. "Relief and deliverance will come to the Jews from another place." If we don't get involved in the Synagogue, supporting its programs, going to its classes, volunteering our time so many others will be there to continue the work of this great institution. Lincoln Square Synagogue, we may think, will continue to thrive even if we each play a lesser role, but "what will be of you and your father's house" - will we grow and thrive? If the Synagogue moves forward, but we don't play a part, we give up on a precious opportunity.

Mordechai also reminds us of how much we can each give to the community. "Who knows if you have not come into royalty for such a moment as this?" Who knows if the special talents we each possess may be the key to our Synagogue's growth. Who knows what we can each accomplish in our own life and in the lives of our family if we choose a path of spiritual growth. God has given each of us a unique set of tools to build our futures.

The story of Purim teaches us how to look outward to the needs of our people, and inward to see the beauty within ourselves. Try it. You might be surprised.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Hebrew School News



As the "second semester" of Hebrew School begins let's take a look back at some of the past highlights, and a look ahead at what we have to expect at the Lincoln Square Synagogue Hebrew School. The Hebrew School staff started out on the right foot by taking part in a special Lincoln Square Synagogue workshop provided by the New York Board of Jewish Education. The workshop focused on curriculum development and alternative teaching methods. The school sessions got under way on September 20th, when we held our annual opening day assembly.

The High Holiday season ended with our annual Succoth party. Parents as well as students were treated to a special Succoth program, and entertainment by the Cantor and Morah Rachel Levitt, (Level III).

With our commitment to "keeping Hebrew School fun" new methods of teaching and learning are evident. Singing, dancing, role-playing, puppet shows, and arts & crafts are just some of the methods used for innovative and exciting classroom activity.

Our bulletin board is a constant tribute to our creative juices and that of our students. Their work is proudly displayed in the classrooms as well as on the main bulletin board on the second floor.

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Lincoln Square Synagogue Nursery

Perhaps the single most important principle of education in our school is that, in order for children to learn and to become life long learners, they must interact with their environment (people, places and things) and interpret their experience. In our school, cooking, block building, dramatic play, painting, and music are the basic experiences from which their understanding and knowledge are constructed.

Much of the time children collaborate with each other or share individual responses about an activity, a story, a song, or other shared experience.

In order to contribute to Echad, I asked the children about our school. These are their ideas.

Talia: We made stone soup.

Sam Z.: We put in a stone, long carrots, big broccoli, juicy beefy bones, and yellow onions.

Sarah L.: We played with the blocks one day.

Dina: We played with the blocks for 48 days. We played candyland.

Natalie: We have charts. I like all my teachers

Eliana: We play memory. I love everybody that I know in the whole world.

Reba: I love everything in this school.

Jake: I play blocks all the time.

Sarah B.: We played checkers. I like all my teachers.

Sam M.: I play trains every day.

William: We have Tefillah. There are blocks in our school.

Yedidya: We always play. We play with hollow blocks.

L.S.S. Nursery is open now for enrollment for the 94-95 school year. We accept children ages 3-5. Please make an appointment with the Nursery School to visit our warm, nurturing and stimulating school.



INTRODUCING

Welcome to Michael Spingarn

The Lincoln Square community would like to welcome our new executive director, Michael Spingarn. Michael comes to our congregation with a long history of involvement with the Jewish Community. He has a varied background which includes youth work, Hebrew school, Day School, and Synagogue administration. In addition, he has been involved with NCSY and is a founding member of the metropolitan area NAASE Executive Directors Group.

Michael has endless energy and a flow of new ideas for our congregation. Here are just a few of these innovations that Michael has implemented or is planning to (which has probably already been completed by the time you read this article).

Michael has on the top of his priority list safety and cleanliness. Our main building has all of its emergency lights and exit signs in working order. He has begun a thorough cleaning and repainting (by our in-house staff) of our public areas. He has also reactivated some of our heating and lighting timer systems for both security and energy efficiency.

Many of our office procedures are being revised. He is installing a multi user calendar system which will track all of our events and allow us to better use our space. In addition, the new facility management form allows the support staff to better arrange each room for programs and charge for space and supplies if applicable. In the area of staff management, Michael is in the process with the personnel committee of creating job descriptions, personnel evaluations, and a personnel manual for the synagogue.

Michael will also act as a resource person for new programs for both outreach and in reach. Michael is working with Tiki at this time to create several new Nursery programs for our 12 to 30 month old children. Including a once a week music program, "mommie and me" or "care giver and me" program. More information on these new programs will be forthcoming.

Michael is planning to publish a monthly Echad. The monthly publication of Echad will allow us to be more timely with our announcements and will eliminate a separate monthly or by monthly flyer mailing. (Please see the new colored "center fold").

Michael has two children, Aryeh who is 26 months and Akiva who is 11 months. A special member of his support "team" is his wife Sandra, who is not only raising two children, but is now defending her dissertation for her Ph.D. in history.

We wish the entire Spingarn family a warm LSS welcome and what is a rapidly appearing to be a bright and fulfilling future with Lincoln Square Synagogue. Please remember to stop in and have a cup of coffee or tea and visit.

A Few Short Blocks from Lincoln Center

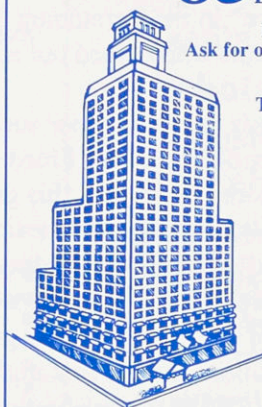
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This year, in cooperation with the Belz School of Jewish Music at Yeshiva University, we are serving as a training facility for a cantorial intern. Michael Cohen, who is a candidate for the Associate Cantor's Certificate at the Belz School, is spending the year with us, working together with Cantor Goffin, while observing and participating in the various functions of our synagogue's day to day routine.

Michael recently earned his Master's Degree in Jewish Education from Gratz College in Philadelphia, where he also studied towards a degree in Jewish Music. This year he is attending the Belz School - a division of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary at Yeshiva University, and is teaching High School classes at Temple Israel in Great Neck.

Michael has already officiated at the Main Service for Shacharit on Shabbat, is working on the Annual Youth Concert, and will be giving a class at the Joseph Shapiro Institute of LSS in the Music of the Haggadah for the Spring Term.

We welcome Michael and his new bride, Rosalynn, to the Lincoln Square Community and look forward to a year of success, learning and achievement.

Cantor Sherwood Goffin

YOUTH NEWS

Melanie Ross Youth Center

Where do I begin?!

Our Youth Department has been tremendously and positively busy with weekly programs and events for toddlers through 12th grade!

The two child care programs meet every Shabbat morning at 9:30 am. The leaders are Rachel Koch, Teri Eishler, Bella Schenker, Tamar Wachs and Shefa Davis. This program includes davening, singing, storytelling and playtime. In the afternoon the 4-5 year olds meet every week for additional creative playworks and Shabbat activities. Recently, on Sunday, January 9th, over a dozen 3-5 year olds enjoyed an afternoon at "Sesame St. Live" in the Paramount Theatre. Thank you to all those parents who helped out at this event.

Our 1st & 2nd grade group is enjoying super success on all levels. Led by Ephraim Bendheim, Lavey Freedman, Emile Berman, Uri Goffin & Leora Gorsetman, this group can be heard through the halls of the Annex enthusiastically davening with all their might. Afterwards, our leaders test the groups knowledge with the weekly Parsha Quiz in which each person accumulates points for special prizes. This group has also enjoyed many fun activities. On the first night of Chanukah, the 1st & 2nd grades began the celebration by lighting the menorah at the L.S.S. candle lighting ceremony. And on Sunday, Jan. 16th, this group tested their bowling skills at the bowling lanes.

The 3rd-6th grade group partakes in a myriad of special events. Led by Yedidiah Buchwald, Mark Smith, Tova Kranzler, & Shulamit Drazin, this group is constantly busy in the mornings. Every week after Tefillah, another member of this group gives a Dvar Torah that is prepared during the week. The best part is that the parents sponsor a tasty kiddush. Besides the popular movie night & bowling, this group recently enjoyed an outing to the indoor skyrink for a fun-filled day of ice skating.

Our Junior High & High Schoolers are enjoying a fine year as well. Led by Yoni Epstein, Rachel Goldstein, Lea Alter & Uri Goffin, these two groups meet every other week at Manhattan Day School for Teen Minyan. Additionally, on Friday nights each group gets together at a home or at the Synagogue for a special Oneg. Trips & events scheduled for these groups include: skiing, sports world, a baseball game and much, much more!

If you have any questions or want additional information, please do not hesitate to call me at the Synagogue or at home (724-0971).

Purim Sameach! Avi Lopin, MRYC Director

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The Wednesday Night Lecture Series - Faith And Doubt

February 9	February 16	February 23	March 2	March 9	March 16
Faith and Tradition During the Holocaust and Post-War Years Prof. Yaffa Eliach	Reward and Punishment Rabbi Dr. M. Mitchell Serels	Da'at Torah - A Fearful Dictatorship or a Gentle Guide? Rabbi Simcha Weinberg	Good and Evil: G-d's Ominpotence Rabbi Shlomo Riskin	Life After Death Rabbi Maurice Lamm	Providence: The Hand of G-d in History Rabbi Berel Wein

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Feb. 11/12, 1994

Shabbat Shekalim/Parashat Terumah

Professor David W. Weiss

Chairman - The Hebrew University-Hadassah
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Weekend Theme:

**A Judaic Perspective of
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Shabbat Morning Lecture
immediately after Morning Services
Shabbat Afternoon Lecture
after Mincha

The Jews of Sarajevo

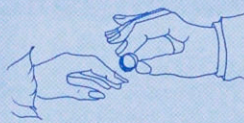
Sunday Evening

February 20, 1994

7:30 pm

Learn about the 685 Jews who are trapped in the crossfire and what their lives are like.

Jeanette Friedman-Sieradski, Education Coordinator of the International Network of Children of Jewish Holocaust Survivors, Inc. will make the presentation.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Hatzolah - 212-230-1000 Mikvah of Mid-Manhattan 234 W. 78th Street, 212-799-1520		1	2 Lecture: Faith in Moshiach Rabbi Shlomo Riskin 8:00-9:30 pm see pg. 7	3	4  4:59 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 5:05 pm	5 Mishpatim Svcs 8:45 am Talmud & Bible Class 4:10 pm Mincha 4:55 pm
6	7	8	9 Lecture: Faith and Tradition During the Holocaust and Post-War Years Prof. Yaffa Eliach 8:00-9:30 pm	10	11 Rosh Chodesh Adar Scholar-In-Residence  5:08 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 5:15 pm	12 Terumah/Shekalim Rosh Chodesh Svcs 8:45 am Talmud & Bible Class 4:20 pm Mincha 5:05 pm
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20 Pre-Purim Food Drive Shacharit-2:00 pm Lecture: The Jews of Sarajevo 7:30 pm	21 President's Day Svcs 7:05 & 8:30 am	22	23 Lecture: Da'at Torah - A Fearful Dictatorship or a Gentle Guide? Rabbi Simcha Weinberg 8:00-9:30 pm	24 Taanit Esther Fast begins 5:26 am Svcs 7:00 & 7:30 am Mincha 5:15 pm Fast ends 6:12 pm Maariv & Megillah 6:10 pm Late Meg. 9:15 pm	25 Purim Svcs/Meg. 6:30 & 7:45 am Late Meg. 12:45 pm  5:25 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 5:30 pm	26 Ki Tisa Svcs 8:45 am Talmud & Bible Class 4:35 pm Mincha 5:20 pm
27	28	<u>Remember:</u> Saturday, Feb. 5th Women's Tefillah Group Schwab House, corner of West End Ave. & 74th St., 9:00 am Saturday evening, Feb. 12th LSS Third Annual Pre-Purim Judaic Arts & Crafts Festival Thursday, Feb. 24th			A Kiddush Every Week! Better Food! Less Expensive To Sponsor! How Is This Possible? <u>The Plan</u> By allowing several people to co-sponsor at the same	



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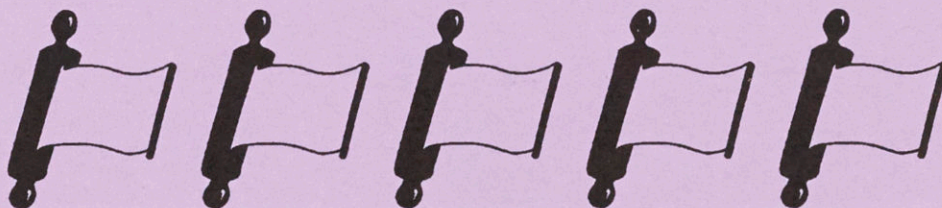
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Lincoln Square Synagogue

Mishnah Study Program

Dear Member:

We are again organizing a **Family Mishnah Study Program**. Last year, well over one hundred and fifty individuals participated. The participants ranged from elementary-day-school students to retirees and from beginners to people who learn on a virtually full-time basis. The program is designed to foster chavruta style learning in a home setting. Each family or group of friends will be assigned a different portion of the Mishnah for study. We hope to collectively complete the **entire Mishnah by Shavuoth** and to celebrate with a siyum at that time.

Everyone, regardless of their level of learning, is encouraged to participate. We will provide materials and a learning partner if you need a "group". The program will culminate with a luncheon for all participants on the second day of Shavuoth.

If you are interested in participating, please complete the form below and return it as quickly as possible. Please make sure to indicate the name(s) of your group members, the group's level of learning, whether you need materials in Hebrew and/or English, and whether you need a partner or wish to have a tutor available. If you have any particular Mishnayoth which you are interested in studying, please call us immediately so that we can attempt to accommodate your interest.

We would like to begin making the study assignments as quickly as possible, but need your cooperation in order to do so. If you have any questions regarding the program, please call us during the day at (212)-732-4888.

Sincerely,

Lloyd and Judith Weil Epstein

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6	7	8	9 Lecture: Life After Death Rabbi Maurice Lamm 8:00-9:30 pm LSS Theatre Party Carousel	10	11  5:40 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 5:45 pm	12 Pekudei Parshat Hachodesh Daf Yomi 8:00 am Svcs 8:45 am Talmud & Bible Class 4:50 pm Mincha 5:35 pm
13	14	15	16 Lecture: Providence: The Hand of G-d in History Rabbi Berel Wein 8:00-9:30 pm	17	18  5:48 pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 5:55 pm	19 Vayikra Daf Yomi 8:00 am Svcs 8:45 pm Mincha followed by Shabbat HaGadol Drasha 5:10 pm

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PURIM LAWS & CUSTOMS

The Significance of Purim


The story of Purim represents the faith of the Jewish people in the operation of God within human history, by the use of human action in what appears to be the normal course of historical events. The book of Esther represents to the rabbinic mind the prime example of "Nes Nistar," the hidden miracle.

The Fast of Esther is designed as a reminder of the fact that Esther asked the Jewish community to fast and pray on her behalf before she went to the King to ask that the Jews not be killed.

The Fast of Esther is one of the four Minor Fasts, of relatively short duration, from sunrise until the stars emerge, in contradistinction to Yom Kippur and the fast of the Ninth of Av which last from sunset until the emergence of the stars on the next evening, a period of approximately 25 hours.

There is an avoidance of the use of God's name in the Book of Esther. One reason suggested for this omission is that "since the Megillah was to be read at the annual merrymaking of Purim, when considerable license was permitted, the author feared that the Divine Name might be profaned if it occurred in the reading."

The Seven Mitzvot of the Day of Purim



Reading of the Megillah: The central obligation of the holiday of Purim is the reading of the Megillah, the Book of Esther, in the evening and morning. A special blessing was instituted for this Rabbinic Mitzvah which is binding on men and women alike.

Mishloach Manot: The sending of gifts to friends on the day of Purim is one of the ways in which we express the joyousness of our celebration. It is obligatory to send at least two food products which are immediately edible, to at least one of our friends on Purim.

Gifts to the Poor: It is characteristically Jewish that no celebration is complete without providing for those members of the community who are destitute. Therefore, we send money or a food item to at least two needy people.

Special Torah Reading: On the morning of Purim we read the passage from Exodus which describes Amalek's vicious attack on the Jewish people immediately after they left Egypt and his ultimate defeat. This reading is appropriate not only in general terms because it describes the rescue of the Jews, but as well because of the traditional assertion that Haman was a descendant of Agag, King of Amalek.

Al Ha-Nisim: During the day of Purim, a brief paragraph which begins with the words "al ha-nisim," concerning the miracle, is added to the Shmoneh Esrey, the Amidah (in each service) and to the Grace After Meals. This paragraph tells concisely the en-

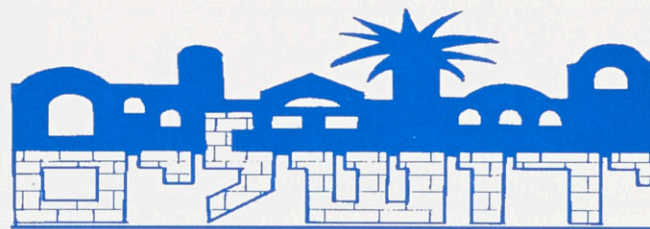
tire story of Purim.

Purim Feast: On the afternoon of Purim it is customary to participate in a feast in celebration of the Holiday. This, too, is part of the usual fashion of celebration and is referred to in the Megillah itself (9:22).

Prohibition against Fasting and Eulogies: The various positive forms of celebration are accompanied by their negative correlates; forms, which are normally indicative of sorrow and mourning, may not be partaken of on the days of Purim.

Purim in the Synagogue

Machatzit Ha-Shekel: Just prior to the reading of the Megillah on the night of Purim, it is customary to fulfill the obligation of the payment of the tax of three half-shekels (three half-dollar coins - the modern equivalent), which was announced in the synagogue a number of weeks earlier on Shabbat Shekalim.



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COMMUNITY NEWS

The Haskamah Minyan Gemara Shiur

Two men are eating in a restaurant, and the time comes for birkat hamazon - what are their options? Can they form a zimun together if they wish? Can they call someone over from another table to join them? What if there were three women—can they, or must they, form a zimun at the end of a meal they eat together?

These and similar questions are the topics discussed early every Shabbat morning in the Rabbi's study at Lincoln Square Synagogue. After the Hashkamah minyan, and the kiddush which follows, a few hardy souls trek back upstairs to spend an hour in Talmudic discussion and debate. The text is the seventh chapter of Berachot, and the general topic is bentshing, the grace after meals, and the special form of bentshing performed when three people have eaten a meal together.

Why do these people choose to drag themselves out of bed early on one of the few mornings in a week that they could rest and relax? One member of the shiur, who asked to remain anonymous, said "It's an excellent chance to spend an hour in serious Talmud study, something I really don't get enough of an opportunity to do during the rest of the week. Rabbi Rothstein reads and translates all of the relevant sources, so that my reading skills aren't

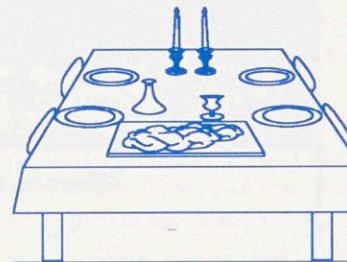
a barrier to my enjoying the shiur. And if I need sleep, I still have time between the end of the shiur and when lunch begins anywhere on the West Side!"

So if you want an opportunity to learn gemara in a friendly atmosphere, and are up early on Shabbat morning with no other responsibilities, join the hashkamah minyan at 7:50, followed by Rabbi Rothstein's shiur in masekhet Berachot. Of course, if Talmud isn't your particular interest, you are still invited to the early minyan, and can attend Rabbi Sokolow's excellent shiur in parshat hashavu'a, to be described (again) in a future issue of Echad.

Most Meaningful Shabbos

Whenever possible, my husband and I take the opportunity to "pickup" one or two people in Shul to bring home with us for Shabbos lunch. As former beginners, we remember what it was like to go home alone after an inspiring morning at synagogue.

From personal experience, we wholeheartedly recommend the practice of inviting someone into your home to share your Shabbos. Besides providing a wonderful Shabbos experience, it also has the potential to add so much joy to your



own Shabbos table. We have met many wonderful people this way, and besides...it is the ultimate of Hachnasat Orchim!!!!

Following, is a letter my husband and I received this week from someone who we "picked up" at Shul this past Shabbos. We were so touched by it that we felt we wanted to share it with the community.

Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. You gave me a wonderful feeling a most meaningful Shabbos. You are beautiful hosts. I was overjoyed to see and hold your precious baby. He is beautiful and I fell in love with him. What joy he must bring to you. I enjoyed my afternoon so much that words fail me. Your warmth, your love, and your most delicious food filled me with a beautiful Shabbos feeling. It was what Shabbos is all about. I didn't know you are a perfect cook and baker. Everything was so delicious and your lovely guests all added to a wonderful Shabbos afternoon. (Please forgive my writing. I have trouble with my fingers.)

I felt overwhelmed with all the love that was given to me. Thanks again for making me so happy.

Turn Friday Night Into Shabbos

"Turn Friday Night Into Shabbos," the semiannual outreach program first created at LSS fifteen years ago by Rabbi Buchwald and Jesse Cogan, was held once more at LSS on October 29, 1993. A record number of people participated in this year's program. More than three hundred of our unaffiliated friends, neighbors and colleagues were hosted by the LSS community for a special beginner's Kabbalat Shabbat and Shabbat Dinner.

The participants in the program were greeted by Rabbi Buchwald and Steve Eisenberg, who chaired the program with Steve and Sharona Spivack, Ida Langsam and Nina Wohl. Our Chazzan treated our guests to a beautiful rendition of Kabbalat Shabbat which was complemented by Rabbi Buchwald's insightful comments about the structure and significance of the evening service.

Following Kabbalat Shabbat, a wonderful Shabbat dinner was held in the ballroom. Rabbi Weinberg delivered a stimulating message to our guests during dinner. In addition, one of our guests, Steven Gerber spoke to the group of how he has found both Jewish meaning and renewed religious belief because of programs such as TFNIS. After Steven spoke, all of the participants got on the dance floor for spirited dancing and singing in celebration of Bonnie Keehn's engagement to Ed Weintraub. It was truly inspiring to watch our guests enveloped in the warmth of Shabbat.

SCHOOL NEWS

Hebrew School News, continued from page 4

This year the Hebrew School staff reestablished the Hebrew School weekly Torah Portion Newsletter. Our first issue was written by Morah Rachel. Now every week without fail one of the Hebrew School teachers writes about the weekly portion. Parents and students have also expressed an interest in submitting Torah articles for our newsletter.

One of the biggest events of the year was our Chanukah party. After gathering together for skits, singing, and Chanukah Schmoozing, the Hebrew School students and their parents made their way to the "Menorah on Broadway". This added an extra dimension to our celebration. The students actually had the chance to be the teachers at the lighting when they handed out Chanukah packets and answered questions for some of the onlookers. Once again Cantor Goffin entertained as only he can.

The second half of the year is even more action packed than the first. Parent teacher conferences were held to enable our teachers to better meet the needs of the students. Future events include our annual Hebrew School Shabbaton, a "dress up" Purim party, our annual model Seder, as well as programs to celebrate Israel Independence Day and commemorate the Holocaust.

Special field trips are also being planned. The Hebrew High School will be spending two days in Washington, D.C. visiting the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, as well as the sights. Level IV is planning a trip to the Yeshiva University Museum, and some of the other grades will be visiting the Jewish Museum.

We feel that every Jewish child deserves a chance to learn about their heritage; therefore we welcome new students at any time during the year. If you know of any potential students, please contact Barry or Cantor Goffin at the synagouge office, 874-6100.

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Take Out - Meat

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Grocery - Meat

Sarah's Market (Glatt)
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Take Out - Dairy

Miller's Cheese
2192 Broadway
496-8855

Restaurant - Dairy

Chez David Pizza
494 Amsterdam (84 St.)
874-4974

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ENGAGEMENTS

Mazal Tov to

Richard Dukas on his engagement to Gail Katz.
Binyamin Gold on his engagement to Rona Weiss.
Felice and Hillel Gross on the engagement of their son
Pesach Shmuel to Rachelle Halberstam.
Ora and Manfred Hahn on the engagement of their
son Aaron Rubin to Felicia Schantzer.
Bonnie Keehn on her engagement to Ed Weintraub.
Heshy Kofman on his engagement to Chavy Kahn.
Beatriz and Jacob Muntz on the engagement of their
daughter Sandra Judith to Paul Abelow.
Judy and Bob Rappaport on the engagement of their
daughter Lisa to Sean Deson.
Avraham Schmeidler on his engagement to Rochelle
Altolz.

MARRIAGES

Mazal Tov to

Emily Blum and Leon Metzger on their marriage.
Ben Chanowitz and Judy Feinstein on their marriage.
Helene and Jerry Gast on the marriage of their son
Charles [C.B.] to Naomi Stern.
Barry Gelman on his marriage to Gabrielle Fisch.
Belda and Marcel Lindenbaum on the marriage of their
son Bennett to Rebecca Rothschild.
Monica Marks on her marriage to Henry Aboodi.
Dr. Jack Shershow and Deborah Jackson on their
marriage.

BIRTHS

Mazal Tov to

Jaya and David Abecassis on the birth of a son.
Itta Brief on the birth of a grandson.
Alice Harvey Eigner and Dr. John Eigner on the birth
of a son.
Judith and Dr. Michael Goldberg on the birth of a son.
Felice and Hilly Gross on the birth of a granddaughter.
Roberta and Robert Hadi on the birth of a son.
Gila Leiter and James Lavin on the birth of a daughter.
Jennifer and David Ottensoser on the birth of a son.
Mazal Tov also to grandparents Gale and Steven Spira.
Michelle and Bruce Ritholtz on the birth of a daughter.
Mr. and Mrs. Max Schwarz on the birth of a grandson.
Evy and Sam Shechter on the birth of a granddaughter.
Deborah and Philip Sussman on the birth of a daughter.
Liane and Ira Wolff on the birth of a son.

BAR AND BAT MITZVAH

Mazal Tov to

Donna and Philip Bendheim on the Bat Mitzvah of
their daughter Ephrat.
Elliot and Debbie Gibber on the Bar Mitzvah of their
son Marc.

HONORS

Mazal Tov to

Wendy and Sidney Baker on their 30th Wedding
Anniversary.
Claudio and Debbie Beller on their 10th Wedding
Anniversary.
Herman and Judith Goffin on a special anniversary.
Ben Herschaft on his 90th Birthday.
Ashley and Cynthia Lazarus and Vardi Jacober on
becoming American citizens.
Barbara and Myron Smith on their 35th Wedding
Anniversary.
Gwen Straus on being honored as Woman of the Year
at **Amit-Women's** 25th Annual Dinner.

CONDOLENCES

We extend our sympathy to

Daniel Cohen on the passing of his wife Beulah Cohen.
David Feldman on the passing of his wife Lillian Feldman.
Dr. Lawrence Herman on the passing of his mother Frieda
Herman.
Bernard Kabak on the passing of his mother Jeanne Kabak.
Meyer Kabot on the passing of his father Jack Kabot.
Gale Kaufman on the passing of her mother Doris Packer.
Elliot Lasky on the passing of his father Isak Lasky.
Janet Weinberg on the passing of her step-father
David Goldenhersh.

NEW MEMBERS

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

Judy and Martin Braun
Dina and Jerry Cahn
Jodi Kaplan
Feige Keehn
Adina Lazar
Edward Lowinger
Bryant Shapiro
Ernst & Hanna Wimpfheimer

COMMUNITY NEWS

In Case of Emergency...

Members, please call the office, 874-6100, with a telephone number of a relative, friend or neighbor we can call in case of emergency.

Special Thanks

I would like to extend a thank you to all those members of the Congregation who have expressed concern for my well being and who have said prayers for my recovery from my recent surgery. It has been an experience.

I too pray that Hashem will return me to the Congregation soon.

Isaac Mandel

Scholarship Fund

Nechamah Chapter of AMIT is establishing a scholarship fund in memory of our beloved friend and member Helen Sherman. Contributions to AMIT can be mailed in c/o Helene Horwitz, 185 West End Ave., # 5R, NY, NY 10023

Eruv Hotline

Information on the status of the Manhattan Eruv is available on a recorded message at 362-2602.

One Hour Needed

Julie Goodman (teenager) was brain damaged a few years ago and needs people to help her move, encourage and cheer her on in her efforts.

If you have one hour, once a week, to help please contact Leni Goodman, Schwab House, 11 Riverside Drive, 799-0193.

Bikur Cholim Society

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National Council of Young Israel is also accepting donations for the "Young Israel of Northridge, California Emergency Fund" at the above-listed address to help provide assistance to the 5 families who have been left homeless as a result of the recent earthquake.

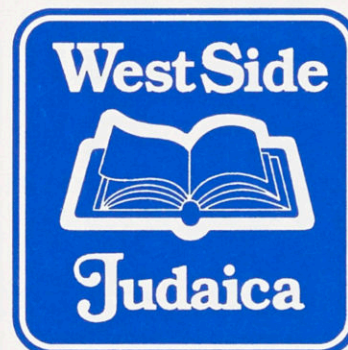
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