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### From The Rabbi's Desk...

Prayer is generally understood to mean personal communication with God in terms of praise, petition and thanksgiving. However, Jewish prayer has a much deeper connotation. The overwhelming majority of our prayers are in the plural ("Heal us, O Lord, that we may be healed . . . Grant peace upon us . . ."), and the very first Biblically recorded prayer is that of Abraham's request that the Almighty save the sinners of Sodom and Gomorrah. Even on Rosh Hashanah, the Day of Judgment, when every Jew stands in individual supplication before his Maker, he finds himself addressing God in the plural.

The reason for this seeming peculiarity is simple yet profound. The Jewish people have always taken literally and seriously the rabbinic dictum that "every Jew is a co-signer for his brother." We each feel ourselves intimately bound up with every human being — for are we not all children of the same Father and do we not all share the same Image of God? (Continued on Page 3)



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## Schedule of Services

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Friday, November 24		
Kindle Sabbath Candles Mincha and	4:14	P.M
Kabbalat Shabbat	4:25	P.M
Oneg Shabbat	8:30	P.M
Saturday, November 25		
Sabbath Morning Service	8:45	A.M.
Talmud Class	3:35	P.M.
Mincha	4:20	P.M.
Friday, December 1 Kindle Sabbath Candles Mincha and	4:11	Р.М.
Kabbalat ShabbatOneg Shabbat	4:20 8:30	P.M. P.M.
Saturday, December 2		
Sabbath Morning Service	8:45	A.M.
Talmud Class	3:30	P.M.
Mincha	4:15	P.M.
Friday, December 8		
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Kabbalat Shabbat	4:20	P.M.

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Oneg Shabbat .....

Saturday, December 9	Saturd	ay, Dec	ember 9	,
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Sabbath	Morning	Service8:45	A.M.
	Class	3:30	P.M.
Mincha		4:15	P.M.

#### Friday, December 15

Kindle Sabbath Can	dles4:12	P.M
Mincha and		
Kabbalat Shabbat	4:20	P.M.
Oneg Shabbat	8.20	

#### Saturday, December 16

Sabbath	Morning	Service	8:45	A.M.
Talmud	Class	***************************************	3:30	
Mincha	***************************************		4.15	PM

#### Friday, December 22

Kindle Sabbath Candles	4:14	PM
Mincha and		
Kabbalat Shabbat	4:25	P.M.
Oneg Shabbat		DM

#### Saturday, December 23

Sabbath Morning Service8:45	A.M.
Talmud Class3:35	
Mincha	PM

#### **Daily Minyan**

Monday	through	Friday7:15	AM
Sundays	& Legal	Holidays 8:30	A M

Rabbi Riskin teaches a halacha (Law) each morning, five minutes before minyan.

#### Important Note:

The Sabbath is terminated Saturday evenings one hour after the candles were lit on the previous Friday.

SEUDAH SHLISHIT, the delightful third meal of the Sabbath, may be enjoyed at our Synagogue each Sabbath afternoon following Mincha.

THANK YOU TO LAST MONTH'S SPONSORS:

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Tiefenbrunn

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Katz

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jungreis

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taks

#### \*\*\* PLEDGES \*\*\*

Please remember your pledge to the synagogue . . . An early check is appreciated.

#### From The Rabbi's Desk (Cont'd)

The Prayer Book attempts to instill this basic truth by making us understand that one cannot feel well when his brother is ill, that one cannot enjoy prosperity when his neighbor is in want. The only true prayer is that which encompasses all of Israel and ultimately all mankind. (Aleinu).

As your Rabbi, I am especially sensitive to the well-being of each one of my congregants. I rejoice in your *simchot* and empathise with your misfortunes. Certainly much of what occurs to each of us is beyond our control and is dependent upon the inscrutable will of He who called the world into Being. However, I appeal to you from both a personal and halachic stand-point to take special precaution in at least the following two circumstances:

- (1) Look carefully when you cross the street, cross at corners and only with the light. We have already sent letters to Mayor Lindsay and Commissioner Barnes concerning the deplorable traffic conditions on West End Avenue. Hopefully the situation will soon be alleviated. However, each of you must be aware of the imminent danger whenever you cross the street. I would further counsel that you try to wear lighter colors at night.
- (2) Scientific evidence has conclusively proven the health hazards of cigarette smoking. I am completely dismayed and bewildered that cigarettes are still being advertised and continue to enjoy such wide usage by otherwise intelligent people. The gift of life and six years of life is far too precious to risk for the momentary "pleasure" of a smoke. The Bible enjoins us to guard our lives, and I would submit that on the basis of recent evidence, it is halachically forbidden and intellectually absurd for anyone to continue smoking.

May the Almighty grant us all many years of health and well-being and may we find the strength and common-sense to preserve our gift of life.

## President's Message

The other day, I read an article in the New York Times, which described the events which led to the establishment of one of our neighboring Synagogues. It said: "Founded in 1939, the ground breaking ceremony was not held until March of 1952, because of further difficulties, construction did not begin until 1957 and finally in March of 1958 their building was completed and dedicated."

Imagine the difficulties and heartache these leaders suffered for those 19 years. While I expect no such similar history for LINCOLN SQUARE SYNAGOGUE, I believe this to be a lesson in patience and fortitude that must be learned in order to succeed.

"We have a good thing going — pass the word". This paraphrase is particularly fitting for us and suggests that we take a look at our record and sing praise for the deeds accomplished and pray for that which is to come.

An undertaking such as ours is never easy. No one expected it to be. We are now on the threshold of fulfillment of our long dream and impatience could cause serious mistakes.

In a recent newsletter to our congregants, I reported that the architectural plans are nearly complete and ready for bids. These plans are now completed, and the bids will be opened by the middle of December.

All of the legal work required for our easement is almost entirely concluded (thanks to our devoted Julius Kahn), and we can realistically look forward to construction in January. Your generous gifts so far assure us that at the very least we shall soon have a roof ever our first level and that, with God's help and barring unforeseen elements, we should all be praying together this Rosh Hashanah.

## SISTERHOOD

The celebration of Sukkot at our Synagogue was greatly enhanced by the attractive and appropriate decorations made and donated by Henriette and Cele EDELMAN. Words cannot express our deep gratitude and appreciation for the long hours and creative imagination they expended on this labor of love. It is a source of great satisfaction to know that we have two such conscientious and capable ladies who consistently volunteer their time and effort on our behalf.

Sophie TAKS undertook the important task of serving refreshments in the Sukkah — morning, noon and night — and she worked effectively and tirelessly, with a small committee, to accomplish this. Our very sincere thanks to Sophie and those who helped her, for a difficult job well done.

By the time you read this, our Membership Tea, under the able Chairmanship of Estelle Harris and her Committee, will be a fait accompli. We hope you joined us for a delightful afternoon. I'm sure Estelle knows how much we appreciate all she has done to make the afternoon so enjoyable.

Our next project — our BAZAAR — is most important. It will take place on Sunday and Monday, December 3rd and 4th, again under the capable supervision of Henriette and Cele Edelman. We have complete confidence in their ability to repeat last year's miraculous success, and we know we can count on your cooperation and assistance.

We hope this will be a New Year of endeavor for Sisterhood, with personal participation by all. It is imperative that each and every member attend meetings and join the various committees. Won't you please volunteer your services for whatever task you wish to help. Thank you.

Mrs. Harry (Ann) Goldman Mrs.	Frank	(Sophie) Taks Mrs. Gerson (Bea) Wald
BIRTHDAYS:	Jov.	Betty Tepper
Metta Lewin	2	Annette Langer 29
Lillian Pomerantz	4	ANNIVERSARIES: Nov.
Rose Greenberger	6	Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mars 3
Jean Pavenick	8	Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Belsky4
Marly Lefkowitz	9	Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Caracushansky 14
Julia Mazor	11	Mr. and Mrs Frank Taks 16
Sarah Albert	15	Mr. and Mrs. Julius Golding 20
Deborah Tiefenbrunn	29	Dec.
Dorothy Bernard	30	Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kaufman 2
Bessie Cohen	30	Mr. and Mrs. Norman J. Harris 12
		Mr. and Mrs. Irving Chesnin 20
I	Dec.	Mr. and Mrs. Al D. Myers21
Florence Kantor	19	Mr. and Mrs. John Greenberger 27
Lillian Steren	27	Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Orleans 28

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#### L. S. S. NEWS AND NOTES . . .

We certainly sent quite a delegation to Israel, and welcome back from the Western Wall Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bergman, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Feld, Mr. Elmer Klein, and Mr. and Mrs. David Moed. Rumor has it that our spirited singing and dancing (which began with a Men's Club Shmini Atzeret Party, arranged by Morton Langer and under the direction of Messrs. Reichard and Wach and concluded with a vigorous Simchat Torah Hakafot) could be heard all the way to Jerusalem . . . Our youngsters (fifty strong) visited the Lower East Side of New York and thrilled to the numerous Jews choosing their etrogim for the Festival of Sukkot. They visited the oldest Synagogue in New York, smiled at the notion of a Kosher Chinese Restaurant, which is closed every Sabbath, and - most important of all - they will never consider Sukkot a minor holiday . . . Despite the tireless work of Cele and Henriette Edelman and Adolph Katz in the erection and decoration of our Sukkah, the Almighty chose to test its durability with a heavy downpour the day before the fes-Mervin Frankel, Howard and tival. David Langer and Rabbis Riskin and Cohen aided the Edelman Sisters and Mr. Katz, demonstrating that neither our human stalwarts nor our Sukkah are made of sugar. Miracle of miracles, it stopped raining in time for each of the Sukkah meals . . . Kudos to Mrs. Pine, for suggesting that the neighboring Public Schools allow their classes to visit our Sukkah. We explained the significance of the festival and its ritual to more than 350 children, many of whom (and whose teachers) were Jewish and were visiting a Sukkah for the first time . . . As was to be expected, L.S.S. was filled to overflowing with adults and youngsters for the Simchat Torah hakafot. Mrs. Max Belsky provided the children with flags, apples and sweets, and was aided by our omnipresent Sophie Taks and Mrs. Eugene Neuberger . . . Every time someone else leads the prayers, we discover a new Chazan. But Mr. Herring and Mr. Asher beware: it looks like the Galizianers are winning. The

Rabbi seems content with this state of affairs. Better an excess of Chazanim than an excess of Rabbonim . . . Wolf Reichard is leading the competition for the catering concession in our new Synagogue. In addition to a delicious Sunday Morning Sukkah breakfast, he arranges almost all our Kiddushim as well. May God give him continued strength to maintain his marvelous work . . . Our Adult Education Institute seems to be more popular than the Smothers Brothers. Some collegiates may be going to Hippieville, but around L.S.S. the collegiates (and congregants) come to Rabbi Riskin . . . Question of the month: When does our Secretary Martha Cohn manage to sleep? . . .

#### Meet Manhattan Day School

It is a tribute to the future prospects of our ever-expanding neighborhood that Manhattan Day School - one of the foremost Yeshivot in America - plans to move from its present location on Manhattan Avenue to 75th Street and West End Avenue. The Day School, under the dynamic leadership of Rabbi Sholom Rephun, numbers almost four hundred students, and plans to begin their construction in the Lincoln Square area in April '68. Many of our congregants have their children in attendance at Manhattan Day, and such an institution will be a fine addition to our community. Their annual Dinner will be held at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel Sunday evening, January 14.



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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jungreis, on the birth of a granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. David Moed, on the birth of a grandson.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Orleans, on the Bar-Mitzvah of their grand-nephew.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Rose on the marriage of their daughter.

Mr. Bernard Skolnick, former Vice President and presently Trustee of Lincoln Square Synagogue, on his engagement to Florine Fineberg.

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Weinstein (nee Linda Politi) on their marriage.

#### Welcome home from the Hospital:

Mrs. Soyna Chesnin Mr. Jay Golub Mrs. Eva Margolis

May you enjoy many years of health and happiness.

#### Refugh Shleima:

Mr. Maurice Edelman, brother of Henriette and Cele.

Mrs. Hershel Weinrauch.

#### Our Sincere Condolences to:

MRS. FRANCES SUKENIK, on the untimely passing of her beloved sister and our devoted member of our Board of Governors and regular worshipper, Cecile D. Sobel.

Dr. David Klebanow, on the tragic passing of his wife.

Miss Ruth Turberg, on the loss of her mother.

May the Almighty comfort them among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

#### Thank You:

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Orleans, for donating a Sefer Torah for our Junior Congregation.

Miss Ruth Turberg, for donating Books for our library and a Chanukah Menorah for our Hebrew School.

The following Congregants have presented a *Kiddush*:

Rabbi and Mrs. Steven Riskin, in honor of Simchat Torah.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Caracushansky, in honor of Shabbat B'reishit.

Mr. Barry Weinstein, in honor of his marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taks, in honor of their anniversary.

Cantor and Mrs. Sherwood Goffin, in honor of their daughter Nisa's first birthday.

The Sisterhood under the direction of Mrs. Sophie Taks.

## **Yahrzeits**

MORRIS SOBEL

Tuesday Evening, November 28

Wednesday, November 29

PAULINE ARGANZA

Wednesday Evening, December 6

Thursday, December 7

DAVID BLUM

Friday Evening, December 8

Saturday, December 9

ABRAHAM NEUWIRTH

Wednesday Evening December 13

Thursday, December 14

LOUIS FISHMAN

Friday Evening, December 15

Saturday, December 16

LOUIS GOODMAN

Friday Evening, December 22

Saturday, December 23

ANNA DRESKIN

Wednesday Evening, December 27

Thursday, December 28

SIDNEY CHESNIN

Thursday Evening, December 28 Friday, December 29

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

We are pleased to welcome into the fellowship of LINCOLN SQUARE SYNAGOGUE the following new members:

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Altneu

Mrs. Jeanette Zevin Aptheker

Miss Lois Einbinder

Mr. and Mrs. David Fefer

Miss Stella Freiheiter

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Glazer

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Miss Gene Greenspan

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8:30 - 9:30 P.M.
THE MESSAGE of the PROPHETS
RABBI RISKIN

THURSDAY EVENINGS
8:00 - 9:00 P.M.
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