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### From The Rabbi's Desk

Jewish Law insists and modern psychiatry confirms that there is an inextricable relationship between one's external appearance and internal state of mind. The one must reflect the other if the individual is to lead a well-integrated life.

It is on this basis that our tradition has placed a certain clearly defined emphasis on garb. The Jewish male should constantly wear the yarmulka (a Yiddishized contraction of yarei malkah, fear of the King) as a reminder of the God above, and tzitzit as a reminder of our commitment to the life-style of commandment. The Jewish woman should wear a head covering in public places after marriage, and individuals of both sexes are always to dress with modesty and good "Jewish" taste. Special occasions — and special individuals — must be marked with special dress. The Sabbath and Festivals require not only our best clothing, but also clothing unique to the holy days. (This is the origin of the chassidic fur hat and robe, exclusively reserved for Sabbath and Festival wear.) While everyone should be well-groomed, the religious scholar

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Happy New Year



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# The President's Message

It has always been a source of pride and inspiration to be a member of Lincoln Square Synagogue, to be associated with Rabbi Riskin, Rabbi Cohen and Cantor Goffin, and to have worked with Mrs. Martha Cohn when I was the treasurer.

Now that I start my term as your president, I look forward with optimism to a year of progress and growth. The problems are many but we have the resources to overcome the obstacles. We have many interested, involved and dedicated congregants - men and women ready to devote their efforts to strengthening our synagogue.

This organization has had phenomenal growth, from a handful of inspired pioneers to the present membership of over 500 families, from a rented apartment to the newest and most beautiful synagogue building in Manhattan. However, more important than the cement and marble has been the spiritual growth under the guidance of our Rabbi. Our synagogue has become a key Jewish religious institution in the United States.

We are told of the alienation of Jewish youth and that most religious institutions have little or no involvement by youth, yet our sanctuary is filled with young people each Shabbat, and the Joseph Shapiro Academy classes are occupied to capacity with students young and old.

Lincoln Square Synagogue is important to us as individuals; it is our past, our link to the beloved traditions of our forefathers. And yet, as it is modern and relevant enough to reach our youth, it is also our future. To perpetuate our traditions is worth all our efforts in time and money. Through our sacrifices we shall overcome our financial problems.

On the threshold of a New Year, I pray that the Almighty will give this congregation the strength to continue in His ways. As we draw inspiration from the practice of our faith, may we enlighten our congregation and contribute to our synagogue.

Arthur Morgenstern





# High Holiday Law and Lore

The month preceding Rosh Hashona (beginning of the year), the Shofar is blown each morning and everyone must prepare himself for the Days of Awe (YAMIM NORAIM). Our Sages tell us: "The thirty days of ELUL to what are they compared? To the thirty days of grace, which a court grants a debtor in which to pay his debts and be freed of his creditors."

#### Kever Avot -

The graves of the ancestors. It is customary during this period of sobriety to visit the cemetery and strengthen one's ties with the ideals of the faith of our fathers.

### Tsedaka ---

It is also the custom to liberally distribute charity to the poor. Compassion for one's fellow man is the prerequisite for any communication with God.

### Hadlakot Hanerot -

The woman of the house light candles in honor of the New Year so that warmth and love permeate the home. Just before the nightfall which ushers in each evening of ROSH HASHONA and YOM KIPPUR (Day of Forgiveness), the following two blessings are recited upon the lights:

"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 Forgiveness)."

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

### Aseret Yemai Teshuvah —

The Ten Days of Penitence or Return. These are the days between and including Rosh Hashona and Yom Kippur. It is customary to greet one another during this period with the blessing: May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year (Ketiva Vechatima Tova). It is important to note that one can only be Divinely forgiven for those transgressions committed against God. It is therefore incumbent upon every individual to seek forgiveness of his fellow man during these days for any wrongdoing he may have committed against him in the past year. The people of Israel must stand before God with hearts purified by love of man.

### Apple and Honey -

Upon returning from the Synagogue on the evenings of Rosh Hashona there is a beautiful custom to first dip CHALAH and then a slice of apple into some honey. This special hors d'oeuvre is eaten with the prayer: "May it be Thy will to renew unto us a good and sweet year."

#### Kittel -

All the sacred vestments in the Synagogue — as well as the robe (or *Kittel*) worn by the Rabbi and Cantors — are white during these ten days. The Talmud presents the following reason:

"When men are summoned before an earthly ruler to defend themselves against some charges, they appear downcast and are often garbed in the black robes of mourners. Israel, however, appears before God on the Days of Judgment in white garb of a feast in the confidence that as soon as one returns to God in repentance there will be immediate forgiveness."

White is likewise a symbol of purity, and evokes the prophetic verse: "Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall become as white as snow."

#### Tashlich -

Literally, to cast away (one's transgressions). The first afternoon of Rosh Hashona usually marks the fascinating 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. This is to indicate that it is in man's power to shake himself free of sin and to mend his ways. In the presence of an ever-flowing stream one is immediately moved to think of the infinitude of God and in contrast the finitude of man.

### Shofar or ram's horn -

It is the highlight of the Rosh Hashona morning services and signals the conclusion of the Yom Kippur fast. Among the many reasons for the blowing of the Shofar are:

- (a) To proclaim the sovereignty of God on the anniversary of the creation of the world (The Kings of Israel were coronated amidst the sounding of the ram's horn).
- (b) To rouse the slumbering individual from his sleep of complacency and to stir him to repentance.
- (c) To remind God (as well as ourselves) of Abraham's willingness to sacrifice Isaac, his only son. The Bible relates that a ram was substituted for the beloved Isaac. In such a manner do we hope to be saved from impending death.

#### Shabbat Shuva —

The Sabbath of Return, which is the designation for the Sabbath between Rosh Hashona and Yom Kippur. Its name is taken from the haftorah (portion from the Prophets) chanted on that Sabbath, which begins: "Shuva Yisroel, Return O Israel unto the Lord Thy God)" (Hosea 14:22).

### 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 Forgiveness. The purpose of the fast is to emphasize the spiritual nature of man and demonstrate the God-like quality in each of us. Children usually begin to fast at the age of thirteen.

### Kol Nidre -

"All the 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:

- (a) Leather is a sign of luxury
- (b) 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.

# Schedule of Services

Rosh	Hashai	nah
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### Yom Kippur

Sunday, September 17 —	
Mincha3:00	P.M.
Kindle Yom Kippur candles	
and Memorial candles6:40	P.M.
Kol Nidre Service6:45	P.M.
Monday, September 18 —	
Yom Kippur service	
Main sanctuary8:00	A.M.
Auditorium9:00	A.M.
Final Shofar blast7:45	P.M.

### Sukkot

Friday Evening, September 22 —	
Kindle Sabbath Festival	
Candles6:36	P.M.
Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat	
Yom Tov6:45	P.M.
Saturday, September 23 —	
Shabbat Sukkot service8:45	A.M.
Mincha6:45	P.M.
Kindle Festival candles	
not before7:35	P.M.

Sunday, September 24 —	
Sukkot service8:45	A.M.
Mincha6:45	P.M.

### Hoshanah Rabbah

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Friday, September 29 —	
Morning services6:30 & 8:00	A.M.
Kindle Sabbath Festival	
Candles6:24	P.M.
Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat	
Yom Tov6:35	P.M.

### Shemini Atzeret

Saturday, September 30 —	
Sabbath Festival service	
(includes Yizkor Memorial	
Service8:45	A.M.
Mincha6:35	P.M.

### Simchat Torah

Simenat Toran	
The children are especially invit	ed to
participate in the HAKAFOT.	
Saturday, September 30 —	
Kindle Festival candles	
not before7:25	P.M.
Sunday, October 1 —	
Simchat Torah service8:30	
Mincha6:34	P.M.
Friday, October 6 —	
Kindle Sabbath candles6:12	P.M.
Mincha and Kabbalat	
Shabbat6:20	P.M.

# OFFICIATING AT OUR HIGH HOLY DAYS SERVICES

MAIN SANCTUARY
CANTOR SHERWOOD GOFFIN
AUDITORIUM
CANTOR EUGENE SCHREIBER
RABBI STEVEN RISKIN and
RABBI HERSCHEL COHEN
will officiate at both Services.

#### FOR OUR CHILDREN

Special Junior Congregation and Nursery Services

Rosh Hashanah —
Saturday and Sunday
11:30 A.M. - 12:45 P.M.
Yom Kippur
Sunday Evening 6:45 - 7:30 P.M.

Sunday Evening 6:45 - 7:30 P.M. Monday 11:30 A.M. - 12:45 P.M. (Continued on Next Page)

### Schedule of Services (Cont'd)

Saturday, October 7 (Beraysheet)

Sabbath Morning service ......8:45 A.M. Genesis 1:1-6:8, I Samuel 20:18-42

Sunday, October 8 and Monday, October 9 Rosh Chodesh Cheshyan

Daily Minyan

Weekdays .....7:15 A.M. and 8:00 A.M. Sundays and Holidays .....8:30 A.M.

Rabbi Riskin teaches a halacha (law) following Daily Services.

Mincha and Maariy .....6:30 P.M.

 $Important\ Notice:$ 

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

### Congratulations and Mazel Tov:

MR. AND MRS. SIGMUND BRIEF on the forthcoming Wedding of their son, Dr. Paul Brief, to Rachel Frankel, Doctoral Student in Psychology at Col. Univ.

MR. AND MRS. NICHOLAS ELE-FANT, on the marriage of their daughter, Sharon, a medical student, to Richard Oberfield, medical student.

MRS. WILLIAM B. HERLANDS on the engagement of her son Jonathan, presently attending Columbia Law School, regular Shabbat LSSer and student of Joseph Shapiro Academy, to Miss Rachel Neumark, Graduate of Central Yeshiva High School and presently attending Hunter College.

MR. AND MRS. PAUL KAHN and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kahn, on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Lawrence and grandson respectively.

MR. AND MRS. J. JUSTIN ROTHS-CHILD on the birth of a baby daughter.

MR. AND MRS. MORTON LANDOWNE on the birth of their daughter Dena.

MR. AND MRS. HAROLD KAPLAN on the birth of a grandson.

MR. AND MRS. SOL L. ZAVON on the birth of a grandson.

### BACH is back

Lincoln Square Synagogue's most dynamic group is revving up for its sophomore season. Move over Sisterhood (direct challenge to you, Mrs. Abramson) — this year's top accolades will be going to the Young Singles.

"Bach" is an acronym for "ben adam l'chavero", between man and his friend. For our idealistic name, we received much flak from the Young Couples.

Yet by year's end, under the leadership of President Elissa Abelow, when our high rhetoric turned into solid contribution for the community, some members of the Couples were singing a different tune and thinking of changing their name to Mozart!

Our Bikur Cholim (Visiting the Sick) is functioning efficiently under Gail Aranoff's direction. Our Shabbat lunch arrangements, which will be expanded this year, are led by May Schulz and Mark Sonnenschein. And this year, BACH will provide coat check service to alleviate the after shul rush downstairs.

Due to circumstances mostly beyond our control, there has been some thinning of the ranks. We wish all the best to Nancy Hershkovitz and Judy Hollander on their marriages. And we heartily congratulate two BACHS, Maurice Butch Reifman and Toby Fishbein on their decision to go it together. Hopefully they will bring some BACH spirit to the Young Couples.

Ace Reporter

### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

We are pleased to welcome into the fellowship of LINCOLN SQUARE SYNAGOGUE the following new members: CAPT. & MRS. HUGO ADLER

MR. & MRS. BEN-ZION DUKER

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### Sukkot Law and Lore

### 1. Chag Ha Asif -

The feast of Ingathering, which is another name for the Festival of Sukkot. Due to this agricultural significance of the holiday, the Synagogue becomes permeated with the colors and fragrance of four species representative of the glories of nature.

### 2. Etrog -

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 G-d seven days." By "fruit of a goodly tree" was meant the Etrog, a citrus fruit which has many similarities to a lemon but is of a different species.

Usually an Etrog is imported from Israel for the Sukkot celebration, thus recalling to us the beautiful land of our fathers where the Chag Ha-asif was originally celebrated. It is permissible to use an Etrog from any other part of the world, provided it meets the religious requirements. Now that we rejoice in the rebirth of the Jewish State, one should of course seek to unite himself visibly with Israel by having an Etrog which comes from our Holy Land.

There are a host of rules about the shape and appearance which an Etrog should have. It is usually more expensive to buy than any other fruit simply because it requires supervision and care.

One of the important parts of an Etrog is the Pitom, the blossom at the top of the fruit. If the Pitom has been removed, the Etrog is no longer fit for ritual use. However, if the fruit grew originally without such a blossom it is permissible to use it for Sukkot.

### 3. The Lulov —

By "branches of palm trees" the Torah meant a Lulov, which is a branch of the palm tree. We use American-grown Lulovim, because if they were imported they would no longer retain their freshness.

### 4. Hadasim -

Leaves of myrtle are used in accordance with the statement, boughs of thick trees. Three of them are used, and they are tied to the Lulov by palm bands.

### 5. Arovot -

Two willow twigs are tied with the Lulov to complete the injunction about four species on Sukkot.

A blessing is recited over the "four species" during each of the seven days of the Festival. In colorful pageantry the worshippers march around the Synagogue holding aloft their symbols of Divine Bounty during the holiday services.

### 6. Our Sages —

Tell us that of the Four Species, the Etrog is fragrant as well as tasty, the Myrtle leaves are fragrant, the willow is tasty and the lulov has neither fragrance nor taste. The four are held together, reminiscent of the various types of Jews who comprise the people of Israel. Even those of our people who have "neither taste nor fragrance" must be included and encouraged.

#### 7. Intermediate Days —

The third, fourth, fifth, sixth, and the 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 week-day prayers are recited, with the addition of Yaaleh V'Yovoh ("May there rise and come before Thee...") in the Eighteen Benedictions. In addition, Hallel is recited every morning, and the Musaf as well.

### 8. Hoshanah Rabbah -

The last of the Intermediate Days has a special character. It is called Hoshanah Rabbah ("The Great Hoshanah"). 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 Chasimah Tovah) is proclaimed in heaven on this day. Another opportunity for repentance is granted at this time.

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

### 10. 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 the 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. "We are a people principally in the possession of the Torah," was the statement of Saadya Gaon, the great philosopher of the early Middle Ages. Similarly Rabbenu Gershom, "The Light of the Exile," writing about the year 1000, said "The only possession left to Israel is the Torah. Even though we fall short in our observance of the precepts of the Torah, whether from negligence or indifference, our glory as Jews is that we are the People of the Book, that is, the people of the Torah."

### 11. The Hakafot -

Next come the Hakafot, the processional with the Torah scrolls. All the scrolls are taken out. The *Chazan* advances in front chanting.

Great and mighty, O help us!

Kind and merciful, O help us!

The others walk behind repeating the chant. In the rear of the march are the children with their flags. Everyone kisses the scrolls as they are carried by. Upon reaching the starting point in front of the ark, the marchers strike out singing and dancing. This is repeated as many times as may be necessary to give every one a turn to carry a scroll. Each round is concluded by singing and dancing. In the morning the *Hakafot* are repeated in the same manner.

Another Torah ceremony takes place at the morning service—reading the last and first chapters from the Torah. One man is chosen to be *Chatan Torah* (Chatan means bridegroom) and another one to be *Chatan Bereshit*. Everybody in the synagogue is called up. Even boys under thirteen, several together under a *large Talit*, are honored in this manner.

Please reserve your Succot meals with LSS. We will have excellent and inexpensive catering each evening and afternoon of the Festival as well as Shabbat Chol Hamoed. Space is extremely limited so reserve early and avoid disappointment.

Joseph Shapiro Academy of Jewish Studies
New Term will Start Oct. 16th

# לשנה טוכה תכתכו ותחתמו

RABBI and MRS. STEVEN RISKIN BATYA CHAYA and ELANA SHARON wish the entire Congregation a year of health, happiness and growth

RABBI and MRS. HERSCHEL COHEN
wish the entire Congregation a
year of health and rejoicing

CANTOR and MRS.
SHERWOOD GOFFIN
NISA CHAYA and ESTHER TSIPORA
extend best wishes for a Happy, Healthy New Year

SISTERHOOD and MEN'S CLUB OF LINCOLN SQUARE SYNAGOGUE wish to extend best wishes for a healthful and prosperous New Year

A healthy, happy and prosperous New Year to our Rabbis, Cantor, their families and all our friends at LSS. JANET and ELISSA ABELOW

Our best wishes for a year of Health, Happiness and Peace. PETER and DEBBIE ABELOW

Best wishes for a Good Year
ANNE ABRAMSON
EDDIE and MIRIAM

Best wishes for the New Year to our New President, our Rabbis, the Cantor and the entire Congregation. MRS. RUTH BELSKY

Best wishes for a Happy New Year to the Congregation of the Lincoln Square Synagogue from ONE OF THE CONGREGANTS

 $\begin{array}{c} Peace\ Eternal \\ \\ \text{CHARLES}\ BLUMENFELD \end{array}$ 

Best wishes for a Happy New Year
JOSEPH BRENNER

God bless our Synagogue and Kol Yisroel FANNIE and HENRY COHEN

MR. and MRS. SAMUEL M. COHEN wish the entire Congregation a Healthy and Prosperous New Year

May the New Year bring Peace to all and continued success to L.S.S.

MARTHA COHN

May all of us be blessed with Peace and Good Health MR. and MRS. JACOB COLMAN

Happy New Year to All
THE FELDMANS

May you be inscribed for a year of joy, peace and blessing DR. and MRS. MARTIN FINKEL LARRY and RICKY

New Year Greetings
May we be granted the strength
to continue our work
MR. and MRS. AARON GLICKMAN

Best Wishes to all our people for a peaceful and healthy New Year LILLIAN GOODMAN

Best Wishes for a Healthy, Happy and Prosperous New Year to all members and worshippers of L.S.S. JULIUS H. HAINES

A Healthy, Happy and Prosperous New Year to Rabbi Riskin, Rabbi Cohen, Cantor Goffin and their families JULIUS H. HAINES

A Healthy and Happy New Year to Mr. Morgenstern and to our wonderful Martha Cohn JULIUS H. HAINES

# שוכה תכתבו ותחתמו

From the spirit of Frances and in her memory, I and my relatives wish a very Happy New Year JULIUS H. HAINES

Best wishes for a Healthy, Happy and prosperous New Year MR. and MRS. JAMES HEFFNER

To Rabbi Riskin, Rabbi Cohen, Cantor Goffin and members of L.S.S. A Healthy, Happy New Year. SYLVIA A. HELLER

לשנה טובה תכתבו ותחתמו BARBARA, MILTON and LIORA HOUPT

A Healthy New Year to the Congregation MR. and MRS. LEON LESLAU

Greetings and best wishes to the Congregation and Sisterhoo'd members for the Year 5733, and always FANNY LINDEY

Happy New Year and good health MRS. FANNIE LURIE

Greetings and best wishes for a Healthy and Happy New Year MR. and MRS. NAT MARK

> May the coming year bring peace to our country ARTHUR and HILDA MORGENSTERN

High Holy Day greetings to our friends for a good year of health and peace of mind. JOSEPH B. and JUDITH ORLEANS

Best Wishes MR. and MRS. EDWIN RINDSBERG

Best wishes for a year of health, happiness and peace

MITCHEL and CAROLE ROSENTHAL

To Rabbi Riskin and his family and to the entire Congregation A Healthy and Prosperous New Year JOSEPH SCHREIBER

Best wishes to all our friends SAMUEL and FLORENCE SIEGEL

I wish all my friends to be written in the Book of Life, for Good Health, Happiness and Peace MARGARET SPETER-GAZELSTEIN

> לשנה מוכה תכתבו THE SPANBOCK FAMILY

May the year bring peace and fulfillment WILLIAM M. STANLEY

Our heartfelt good wishes for health and happiness to all our friends FRANK and SOPHIE TAKS RUTH L. EPSTEIN

THE TIEFENBRUNN FAMILY Wishes a happy and healthy New Year to all our friends in the Lincoln Square Synagogue

To Rabbi Riskin, Rabbi Cohen, Cantor Goffin and members of L.S.S. best wishes for a good New Year MR. and MRS. OSCAR WACH

Greetings to the Congregation and friends in Lincoln Towers SADIE WASSERMAN

Holy Day greetings to all our friends at Lincoln Square Synagogue MR. and MRS. NATHAN WOLOCH

### Sisterhood Scannings

Greetings from the Sisterhood of Lincoln Square Synagogue, and from me personally as its new President. I look forward to meeting you at our first "get together" which will be supper on Monday evening, October 16. If you are not already a member of our women's group, please join and be our guest at this opening supper meeting. Of course, if you are already a member be sure to attend this "get acquainted" social evening. We want you to help make this a successful year. You will enjoy participating in our activities.

Please feel free to phone me at 362-6529 if you would like any further information.

Anne Abramson

### Men's Club

We are extremely grateful for this opportunity at this Holy Season to convey to the entire Lincoln Square Synagogue family the sincere good wishes of the officers and members of the Men's Club.

It is our fervent hope and prayer that this coming year be one of good health and happiness, a year during which the good Lord above shall impart to those in high places the wisdom to resolve the divergent ideas and aspirations of the many nations of the world so that all men may live together, everywhere, in peace and harmony.

Our sincere thanks to the High Holy Day Committee who gave so generously of their time in the sale of the tickets, i.e., Chairman Henry Moed, Co-Chairmen Peter Abelow, David Abrams, Irving Chesnin, Ben Fruhlinger, Irwin Helfeld, Herman Kaplan, Gerson Wald, Marc Wald, and Morris Weiner.

A Healthy, Happy, and Blessed New Year to all.

Frank L. Taks

# Lincoln Square Synagogue School

ANNOUNCES

# Registration for the 1972-73 School Term

NURSERY SCHOOL and KINDERGARTEN

three and four years olds —5 days a week three or five hours per day — Licensed Teachers

GEORGE and TANYA FELDMAN

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5 to 18 year olds - Sunday School

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

who has a spot on his garment is declared by our Sages to be worthy of death. The priest wears special garments during the Temple Service, and the High Priest would change robes as much as five times on the Day of Forgiveness to express his various functions. Similarly, the mourner must make a tear in his garments (symbolizing the tear in his heart), and cannot change outer clothing for the seven days of mourning.

The underlying principle behind these laws and customs is that the human being, created in God's image, is holy. "But a bit lower than God, honor and dignity crown (man)," declares the Psalmist. Because man is essentially worthy of glorification, it makes logical sense that his inner dignity be expressed by proper garb. In the case of a priest during consecrated service or every Jew on the Sabbath and Festivals, when the intrinsic dignity is being enhanced, the dress must reflect this development. And in times of mourning, when one legitimately brings into question the value of his physical being, his dress must likewise reflect this mood. How different is the halachic perspective from the typical public-relations oriented American concern with externals alone as depicted in "the clothes make the man" advertisements and "the packaging of an American President". Judaism teaches that it's the man who makes the clothes! At the same time Jewish tradition would view with alarm the total lack of concern for external appearance displayed by so many of our youth. This might well be reflecting a lack of self-respect and loss of sense of sacredness of the individual.

I take this opportunity to share with you my thoughts of proper dress in terms of an important Yom Kippur message. While the majority of our sacred days contain a blend of the physical and spiritual, the Day of Forgiveness is given to the spiritual alone. We spend a twenty-five hour period in total removal from any physical concern—eating, drinking, and even sleeping, according to some customs. This is the one day a year when man views himself as a disembodied spirit and attempts thereby to regain confidence in his oft neglected spiritual potential. One's external garb must likewise reflect this change. Leather shoes, a symbol of material rootedness, are forbidden to both men and women on the Day of Forgiveness. Rubber shoes may be substituted, or the worshipper may remove his regular shoes upon entering the Sanctuary, and pray in stockinged feet. The men, especially the married men, are to wear the traditional kittel, a white linen garment symbolizing purity and expressing the lack of concern with expensive outer garments.

The Day of Forgiveness requires preparation, as does every meaningful event in life. This year may your preparation include the acquisition of rubber shoes and a white kittel. The Synagogue Office will gladly purchase a kittel for those who will call in their request. Just as the Synagogue itself looks different in honor of the Days of Awe, so should each of us help our internal emotions by proper external appearance appropriate to the Great White Fast.

Vicky, Batya and Elana join me in wishing every one of you a healthy and ful-filling New Year!

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There yet remain to be dedicated the Chanukah, Purim and Yom Yerushalaim windows, which will be filled with light in the evening as well. We will be dedicating Bet Midrash windows, which also will represent the Festivals. Interested persons should call the Office for further information.

# Manhattan Day School

Manhattan Day School will be occupying its new building on Riverside Drive and 75th Street this coming semester according to an announcement made by Mr. Max Stern, Chairman of the Board of Directors of M.D.S. The new quarters promise to be among the finest in the nation and incorporate the latest facilities in educational technology geared towards greater individualization of instruction. Innovations include a Math Lab and small group spaces, teaching corridors, as well as a modern Science Lab with individual stations for each student. As always, M.D.S. strives to meet the individual needs of the student, and the new facilities promise to enhance this program significantly. Kindergarten and Nursery classes and also half-day Nursery classes will be available. Additional Kindergarten classes are being opened to accommodate the increased demand for enrollment.

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### **Yahrzeits**

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Friday Evening, September 8 Saturday, September 9

### AL D. MYERS

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### KASRIEL THEODORE SIMON Monday Evening, September 11

Tuesday, September 12

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Tuesday Evening, Sept. 12 Wednesday, September 13

### HYMANN HELLER

Friday Evening, September 15 Saturday, September 16

### PHILIP SCHIFFMAN

Saturday Evening, September 16 Sunday, September 17

### MAURICE P. WEISS

Saturday Evening, September 16 Sunday, September 17

### GEORGE SOBEL

Tuesday Evening, September 19 Wednesday, September 20

### REBECCA KORN

Thursday Evening, September 21 Friday, September 22

### SARA RODETSKY

Monday Evening, September 25 Tuesday, September 26

#### REBECCA WASSERMAN

Monday Evening, September 25 Tuesday, September 26

#### MINNIE COHEN

Friday Evening, September 29 Saturday, September 30

### BERTHA M. TURBERG

Friday Evening, September 29 Saturday, September 30

### HELEN WURZEL

Saturday Evening, September 30 Sunday, October 1

### JONAS FRIEDLAND

Sunday Evening, October 1 Monday, October 2

#### HELEN LOWY

Monday Evening, October 2 Tuesday, October 3

### ESTHER FURIE

Tuesday Evening, October 3 Wednesday, October 4

### SAMUEL NEUWIRTH

Tuesday Evening, October 3 Wednesday, October 4

### GITLA KOHANE

Friday Evening, October 6 Saturday, October 7

### AARON ZINN

Friday Evening, October 6 Saturday, October 7

### JENNIE FINKELSTEIN

Saturday Evening, October 7 Sunday, October 8

### CONDOLENCES

MRS. LEO BERBERICH on the loss of her beloved husband, a dedicated member and regular worshipper of LSS.

MR. ROMAN BRONHEIM on the loss of his beloved mother.

MRS. EMANUEL POSY on the loss of her beloved father.

MRS. LENORE RICHTER on the tragic loss of her brother.

MRS. MARIA RUBINI on the loss of her beloved mother Berta Borenstein.

MRS. ALFRED SCHULMAN on the loss of her beloved husband.

MRS. ESTHER and MR. MARK SONNENSCHEIN on the loss of their beloved mother and grandmother respectively.

MRS. LOTTIE WILDENBERG on the loss of her beloved sister Martha Wilson.

# Synagogue News and Notes...

Life around LSS may be taxing at times but can never be termed dull. No sooner did we conclude the stirring but busy Shavuot (with thirty of Rabbi Riskin's students swelling our already filled Synagogue and providing the bulwark for an all-night shiur and sunrise service; the shiur was even visited by Shlomo Carlebach and Lenny's "Restaurant" was working double-time) then we began an important campaign to elect Commissioner Daniel Greer Assemblyman for our District. We may not have won this time, but wait 'til next election. Rumor has it that Rabbi Riskin was sent to Miami to advise McGovern on campaign strategy - by the Republicans... In addition to a much expanded Joseph Shapiro Academy of Jewish Studies, a Teachers' Seminar and Youth Drop-In Center seem to be on the LSS drawing boards for the coming year. We may soon require a new building for all these exciting activities! Arthur Morgenstern certainly accepted a dynamic and difficult "maftir"... What do we hear about a "Burn the Mortgage Committee"? Halevai!!! Edward Davis, our veteran Baal Koreh and Bible and Talmud teacher, has left LSS to accept a pulpit in Richmond, Virginia. The Rabbi is anxiously awaiting an invitation to Richmond so that he can heckle Eddie's sermons. We shall sorely miss our wondrous Torah-Reader and his dedicated wife, and we welcome Yitzchak Rosen and Chaim Fruchter as worthy replacements . . . Eddie Abramson has received a week-end rabbinical position in New Jersey, a fledgling orthodox congregation founded by the son of our own Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kaplan. The Rabbi must derive great nachas in seeing his students assume congregations of their own, which in an important sense will have been inspired by LSS... Peter and Debby Abelow took time out from Danny's campaign to find a new apartment in the Schwab House. Mazel Tov in their new home. We are sure the expanded rooms will soon be filled by myriads of Sabbath guests... The indefatigable Sophie Taks left the hospital recently and is already planning the Senior Adults Program for next year. Frank, despite his concern for this wife, made certain to be in the Synagogue the Sabbath of the Kahn Bar Mitzvah. May the Taks' family know only good health from now on ...

The new Manhattan Day School, a stone's throw from LSS, enhances the neighborhood's aesthetic and religious landscape. Miriam Abramson appointed MDS librarian. Despite Usher Aaron's worthy efforts, the second minyan had to succumb to the summer heat. . . Shimshon Tiefenbrunn is planning an emergency air-conditioning unit for the Bet Midrash. How did he survive the Negev? Thank God for Leon Bergman, who manages to keep every one cool despite the heat... Speaking of coolness, how does Maurice Spanbock manage to so coolly and efficiently preside over our heated Board Meetings of late? Whatever the source of his strength, it was most needed and appreciated ... Richard Joselit is not merely telling us about our bills, but is even helping us to cope with them. Let's help him out as much as we can... Did Joseph Klein erect the fence around our garden himself but twelve hours after he volunteered to have the job done? He and his devoted wife Elenor (of Hadassah Fame) are fine assets to our Synagogue... A most touching Father and Son Bar-Mitzvah was held on Sunday Rosh Chodesh by the Marinoff family. A Sunday Bar-Mitzvah seems to have a special touch of privacy and genuineness ... Shlomoh and Pam Sherman hosted a fascinating Couples' discussion on "halachic consciousness raising". The couples expect to pursue this task in the fall with a discussion on Prayer and readings of personal prayers... Coffee and cake is slated to be added to Rabbi Riskin's Wednesday evening lecture marathons. Is Joel Wach's Singles Group inspiring that addition? . . . We bid a reluctant farewell to Miss Fanny Lindey, devoted and stalwart member who supplied us with our first shulchan cover. She will assume residence with her sister and brother-in-law in Miami. What with the Trompeters, Freemans, Zuckermans, Mrs. Sukenik, and now Miss Lindey, to say nothing of our winter emigres, we might as well form a Miami Branch . . . Rabbi HERSCHEL COHEN did a yeoman's job in conducting summer services, speaking dynamically and still concluding services before 11:15 A.M. That's Gut Yom Tov! real Oneg Shabbat . . .

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Saturday, September 9	Rosh Hashanah
Sunday, September 10	Rosh Hashanah
Tuesday, September 12	Morgensten Nursery School and
	Feldman Hebrew School, Fall Term begins
Saturday, September 16	Shabbat Shuvah
Monday, September 18	Yom Kippur
Saturday, September 23	Shabbat Shuvah ————————————————————————————————————
Sunday, September 24	Sukkot
Friday, September 29	Sukkot  Hoshanah Rabbah  Shemini Atzeret
Saturday, September 30	Shemini Atzeret
Sunday, October 1	Simchat Torah
Sunday, October 8 and Monday, October 9	Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan
Monday, October 9	The weekly Senior Adults Program held on
	Mondays at 1:00 P.M. begins
Monday, October 16	Sisterhood supper meeting
Monday, October 16Joseph Shapiro	Academy of Jewish Studies, Fall Term begins

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