

CONGREGATIONAL ROOFTOP BARBECUE

Tuesday, August 22, beginning at 6:30 pm



We'll fire up the grill & prepare your burgers & franks just the way you like it! Sides, dessert, of course, plus soda & beer. (If you'd like something else B.Y.O.B. - wine must be kosher!)

Member: \$18 per person (children under 13: complimentary)
Guest: \$25 per person

Advance reservations required. Call 212-593-3300 or email
sps@spsnyc.org

HIGH HOLIDAY INFORMATION

IT IS THAT TIME OF YEAR! Please make sure to send back your membership information, your High Holiday seating requests, and the names for the Book of Remembrance by **August 25**. If you have any questions, please call the synagogue office at 212-593-3300.



Rabbi Rachel Ain | Cantor Dov Keren | Shari Pochapin, President
Minna Schneider, Executive Director | Harriet Janover, Director, Programming
and Member Services | Lesley Goldenberg, Education Director
Lindsay Bennett, Kaplan Nursery School Director

Parashat Ekev

Torah (Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25): Etz Hayim p. 1037-1054

Haftarah (Isaiah 49:14-51:3): Etz Hayim p. 1055-1060

TORAH READING SUMMARY

Picking up from where he left off, Moses exhorts the Israelites to follow God and God's commandments. Fear of neighboring nations or victories against such peoples are not valid excuses to lessen their devotion to God. And the stakes for the people are high: they are about to enter a bountiful land where they can be fully satiated — all of which can be taken away if they are not religiously resolute. Moses knows that the Israelites' track record is not good. He recalls how the people once so brazenly built a calf and made it an idol at the same time that Moses was receiving the commandments. God nevertheless gave Moses a new set of tablets of the Law to replace those he broke during the Golden Calf incident, and allows the march to the Promised Land to continue. In order to conquer and maintain control of the land of Canaan, the Israelites must erase their stubbornness, provide for the needy, and worship God only. Doing this, coupled with following the other commandments, will enable the land to produce prosperously; failing this, Israel's bounty will disappear.

FROM THE WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Send Honey to family, friends and colleagues for a Sweet and Healthy New Year. **Guaranteed delivery by Rosh Hashanah for all orders placed by August 31.** To order go to www.spsnyc.org and click the link for Honey Jars.



Women's League will be sending holiday gift packages to the college students of SPS through our College Connection program. Each student will receive packages for Rosh Hashanah, Purim, & Passover. **The last date to order is Friday, September 8**

Save the Date: Wednesday evening, November 1
PAID UP MEMBERSHIP DINNER



READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL?

The 4th Annual SPS Fantasy Football league is now open for sign up. The draft will be held at the synagogue on **Wednesday, August 16 at 7:30 pm.**



Every member is welcome to participate, but you must sign up **BEFORE** the draft. Please contact Commissioner David Pochapin at dmp219@lehigh.edu or Shari Pochapin spochapin@spsnyc.org if you are interested in participating. Entry is \$36. \$18 is a contribution to the synagogue and \$18 will go to the winner.

FROM THE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

**Flywheel Event: Renew your Body and Soul for the New Year
Tuesday, August 22, 8 pm Check-in, East 60th Street Studio**

Meet other 20's/30's for a full-body indoor cycling workout and help support our YP programs. The 45 minute ride, followed by a post-ride reception, will prepare us for a confident, joyful & healthy start to the High Holiday season! Visit www.spsnyc.org for more information.

JOIN US SUNDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 10

AS WE WELCOME EVERYONE TO



That afternoon there will be programming throughout the day from 1-7 pm for people of all ages as we come together, reconnect, and introduce SPS to those looking for their Jewish community!

There will be lots to do for everyone including:

*Men's Club football party *Interactive food demos *Kids K-4 interactive cooking program and Kadima and USY (5th-12th grade) kick-off event
*Shofar blowing class *Pre-school kids concert and Family Center Craft Studio Demo *Documentary (Hava Nagila) *High Holiday Crash-Course with Rabbi and Cantor *Baby Boomers Rooftop Happy Hour

Stay tuned for more details and plan on bringing friends!

SELICHOT AT SPS

Saturday evening, September 16 THE GATES ARE CLOSING

SPS members perform a reading of a powerful dramatic play followed by the Selichot Service.

DOROT ROSH HASHANAH PACKAGE DELIVERY

Sunday, September 17 from 10 am – 12 pm at Temple Israel

See flyer in the lobby for more details.

FROM THE MEN'S CLUB

SAVE THE DATE Saturday, November 11 for the inaugural **MEN'S CLUB SHABBAT!** See flyer in the lobby for more details.

The following members are celebrating birthdays and/or anniversaries this week. (August 12 – August 18)

Birthdays

Judy Agata • Linda Cohen • Jayla Davis • Jordyn Davis
Laura Dorfman • Susan Drucker • Fanny Efron • Ann Goldman
Robert Gomer • Lois Horowitz • Dahlia Isaacson • Jacqueline Isaacson
Maxine Kahn • Adam Kamenetz • Lauren Konigsberg
Oliver Kupferman • Ann Lindenbaum • Gabrielle Mager • Adam Mager
Michael Palin • Joshua Pine • Zachary Schurkman • Liz Schwab
Sandy Strom • Richard Swersky • Howard Unger
Harvey Weitz • Aiden Woolf • Karen Woolf

Anniversaries

Richard & Judy Agata • Arnon & Lynn Finger
Donald & Irene Rabinovitch • Bernard & Hazel Strauss

The following members will be observing Yahrzeit this week. (August 12 – August 18)

	<i>August</i>	<i>Av</i>
Randy Cooper	12	20
David Morewitz	12	20
Daryn Schnipper	12	20
Celia Sachs	13	21
Elaine Goldstein	13	21
Kathy Braun	13	21
Cathy Kaufman	15	23
Richard Coopersmith	15	23
Bernice Snyder	16	24
H. Rosenblatt	16	24
Ester Szechtman	17	25

SPS Southern Civil Rights Journey Feb 4-6, 2018!

Throughout this year we will be learning about key moments in Jewish history. One important time for us as American Jews was the role we played in the Civil Rights Movement. Join members of SPS as we travel to Atlanta, Montgomery, Selma, and Birmingham as we recreate the steps of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr and Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel and discuss issues that are still relevant today.

Land Cost: \$995/person based on double occupancy. \$125 supplement for single room. This is based on 15 registrants. If more than 20 register cost could be reduced.

If you are interested in going, please let Rabbi Ain know.