SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15
9:15 am services
Jewish Disability Awareness and Inclusion Month (JDAIM)
AVNET KLEINER, Jewish National Fund (JNF)
As ALEH Negev’s Director of Development in the USA, Avnet Kleiner works to promote JNF’s pioneering rehabilitation village in Israel’s Negev that provides medical and therapeutic care to residents with severe cognitive and physical disabilities, as well as outpatient rehabilitative services to children and young adults. ALEH Negev-Nahalat Eran, a 25-acre, state-of-the-art rehabilitative village in Israel’s Negev Desert offers unparalleled care for people with severe disabilities, empowering residents and outpatients to help them reach their potential for communication and development.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21
9:15 am services
HEBREW ROOTS: JEWISH ROUTES
DR. JEREMY BENSTEIN
In partnership with the Jewish Book Council, SPS members will hear from esteemed environmental educator Dr. Jeremy Benstein. Dr. Benstein is a co-founder of the Heschel Center and former director of its Environmental Fellows program. He holds a PhD in environmental anthropology from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Jeremy’s interests focus on the interplay of religion, culture and values with the environment, topics he has explored in his book “The Way into Judaism and the Environment.” The book will be available for purchase from the synagogue.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4
9:15 am services
ISRAELI SHALIACH FROM THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR ISRAEL
KARIN LAGZIEL
As a representative of the Jewish Agency for Israel, Karen will share her personal story of growing up in Israel and what it has been like working in NYC as she strengthens the bonds between Israeli and American Jews.