The SPS Cantorial Search Committee is excited to welcome and present CANTOR MALACHI KANFER
During the kiddush lunch, Cantor Kanfer will be available to meet and greet our congregation.

This morning we welcome AVNET KLEINER, Jewish National Fund
Avnet will speak about ALEH Negev-Nahalat Eran in honor of Jewish Disability Awareness and Inclusion Month
PARASHAT YITRO

Torah (Exodus 18:1 - 20:23): Etz Hayim p. 432 - 450

TORAH PORTION SUMMARY
In this Torah portion, Moses tells his father-in-law, Jethro, about the miracle of the exodus. Jethro proclaims that the Israelite God is greater than all other gods, and he makes a sacrifice. Jethro then advises Moses to delegate leadership roles in order not to tire himself out. The Israelites camp at the bottom of Mount Sinai. After three days, the mountain fills with smoke, and God delivers the Ten Commandments to His people.

COMMUNITY LEARNING

THE GREAT DEBATES: A JTS CURRICULUM TAUGHT BY RABBI AIN
Mondays, February 24 at 4:30 pm
Sign up for this exciting class where we will contemplate questions such as:
• Are religion and reason compatible?
• Can we change the siddur as our worldview evolves?
• The nature of brit: Is our relationship with God based on law or love?
• Does the Holocaust play an outsized role in Jewish identity today?
• How do we teach about Israel?
RSVP to sps@spsnyc.org

INTRO TO MUSSAR WITH RABBI RACHEL AIN
Saturday, March 7 following Kiddush
Looking inward and at our own characteristics, this class will delve into how Judaism helps us understand various character traits and how we can better engage in the world in which we live.

HOW TO’S OF JEWISH RITUAL AND PRACTICE WITH RABBINIC INTERN DAVID CHAPMAN
Wednesdays, March 11 & 18, April 22 & 29 at 7 pm
Sign up for a practical course on the “how to’s” of being Jewish. Topics include participating in the Torah Service, giving a D’var Torah, Bikkur Cholim (visiting the sick), Havdalah, and more.
RSVP to sps@spsnyc.org
EXPLORING THE HISTORY OF HATE

Thursday, March 5 at 7 pm
PROFESSOR STEPHEN BERK presents: OLD WINE: NEW BOTTLE
A HISTORY OF ANTI-SEMITISM, IT’S CURRENT MANIFESTATIONS

SPS will host DR. STEPHEN BERK, the Henry and Sally Schaffer Professor of Holocaust and Jewish studies at Union College in Schenectady, New York. Professor Berk will guide us through a harrowing history of hatred and violence aimed at the Jewish people. Coffee & cake will be served. Sponsored by Drs. Shari and Mark Pochapin

Thursday, March 26 at 7 pm
CHERYL FISHBEIN, PRESIDENT OF THE JCPA
CONFLICT AND COOPERATION: COMMUNAL RESPONSES TO ANTI-SEMITISM IN NYC

A panel of experts from the Jewish Council for Public Affairs & the NY Board of Rabbis, discuss the best strategies to combat anti-semitism. Event will feature CHERYL FISHBEIN and will be moderated by Rabbi Ain. Coffee & cake will be served.

Cantor Dov Keren & Friends
Celebration Concert

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Sunday, May 17th @ 3pm
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Young Professionals Hamantaschen Bake-Off
Wednesday, March 4 at 7:00 PM

Purim Carnival
Sunday, March 8 at 10:45 AM - 1:30 PM

Purim Shpiel, Megillah Reading, & Celebration
Monday, March 9 at 6:00 PM

Traditional Megillah Reading
Tuesday, March 10 at 7:45 AM

Costumes are encouraged at any or all events
For more info visit www.spsnyc.org/purim5780

Our Annual "Purim Project" is happening now!
Don’t forget to participate in this annual program.
"TEHRAN CHILDREN" WITH AUTHOR MIKHAL DEKEL, INTRODUCED BY SPS TRUSTEE MICHAEL GOTTLIEB  
Monday, March 16 at 2 pm  
"Tehran Children" is the true story of Polish-Jewish child refugees who escaped the Nazis and found refuge in Iran. MIKHAL DEKEL, the daughter of one of these children, spent eight years extensively researching and traveling around the world to write a far-reaching account of Jews who found asylum in Muslim lands.

HEBREW ROOTS: JEWISH ROUTES WITH DR. JEREMY BENSTEIN, INTRODUCED BY SPS TRUSTEE FRED MOLOD  
Saturday, March 21, during morning services beginning at 9:15 am  
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.”

"KUGEL AND FRIJOLES: LATINO JEWS IN THE UNITED STATES" WITH AUTHOR DR. LAURA LIMONIC, INTRODUCED BY SPS MEMBER ALEXIS AZRIA  
Monday, March 23 at 2 pm  
"Kugel and Frijoles" analyzes the changing construction of race and ethnicity in the U.S. through the lens of contemporary Jewish immigrants from Latin America. Since Latino Jews are not easily classified within the U.S. racial and ethnic schema, their ethnic identity and group affiliation challenge existing paradigms. DR. LIMONIC will be discussing: What countries are Latino Jews emigrating from? Why are they leaving? Where are they settling in the U.S.? How are their customs, foods, languages, and religious observances different from that of Ashkenazi & Sephardic Jews?

“MIXED MESSAGES: REFLECTIONS ON AN ITALIAN JEWISH FAMILY AND EXILE” WITH AUTHOR ELEANOR FOA, INTRODUCED BY SPS MEMBER JOSEPH BARATZ  
Monday, March 30 at 2 pm  
In post-World War II America, who ever heard of an Italian Jew? Author ELEANOR FOA, born in Italy raised in America, daughter of a brilliant father, whose Italian-Jewish roots trace back to 16th-century printers, was proud of her exotic roots yet knew little about her lineage. In 2006, accompanied by her sister, she retraces the footsteps of their ancestors through northern Italy and reconnects with relatives in Turin, Naples, and Rome. It’s both a physical and psychological journey during which the past illuminates the present.

ALL AUTHORS’ BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.
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Questions? Call Harriet Gussin 212-682-4714 or email Evelyn Gomer eviegomer@gmail.com
Advance paid reservations required & must be received prior to March 13.
Please complete and tear-off reservation form below, and mail with check, payable to:
Sutton Place Synagogue, New York, NY 10022, or provide your credit card # with payment in the amount of $51.50 per person.

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I (We) will attend the Women’s Seder on March 19. Enclosed is $_______ for _____ female guests.

Name

Address

Telephone (day)_________________________ (eve.) _________________________

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February  Shvat
Laura Dorfman   16  21
Ilene Giaquinta   16  21
Jonathan Judd   16  21
Philip Sassower   16  21
Vera Winitch   17  22
Frances Heller   17  22
Marilyn Newman   17  22
Laura Teigman   17  22
Stefanie Soichet  18  23
Irving Kaminetsky  18  23
Charlotte Frank   18  23
Cathy Kaufman   18  23
Jane Goldman   20  25
Sandra Assael   21  26
Ira Kay   21  26
Leah Gordon   21  26

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