Pack-A-Thon Captains Needed!
The High Holidays are a time of renewing our commitments and investing in *hesed* and *tzedaka*, and what better way is there to invest in both than through our Annual Thanksgiving Pack-A-Thon?

Are you energetic, organized, and a seat-of-your-pants problem solver?

We need you!

This year’s Pack-A-Thon, which will feed hundreds of people, needs Captains who can take charge and keep everything running smoothly throughout this two-hour event on Thanksgiving morning, featuring hundreds of volunteers. It is always a major logistical undertaking, but so very worth it.

If you are interested in stepping up as Captain, contact Barbara Reiss at breiss@shearithisrael.org.

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**JEWISH EDUCATION 5780**

- **Friday Night Lights | Rabbi Soloveichik**
  Returning Friday Night, October 25 | Following Evening Services

- **The Guide to the Duties of the Heart | Rabbi Sjimon den Hollander**
  Returning Sunday, October 27 | 8:45 am

- **The Road to Kingship | Rabbi David Silber**
  Beginning Sunday, October 27 | 10:00 am | see side panel for details

- **Tuesday Morning Women’s Class | Rabbi Soloveichik**
  Returning Tuesday, October 30 | 9:00 am

- **Bet Midrash | led by Steven Gotlib**
  Monday-Thursday | An hour before evening services

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**COMING UP AFTER THE HOLIDAYS**

- **Hatanim Luncheon**
  Shabbat, October 25 | Following Morning Services

- **Rita Jardim Presentation on Portuguese Citizenship**
  Thursday, November 7

- **Shabbaton to Touro**
  Veterans Day Weekend, November 8-10

- **5th Annual Thanksgiving Pack-A-Thon**
  Thursday, November 28 | 9:30 am | Levy Auditorium

- **Rabbi Marc Angel Celebrates 50 Years in the Rabbinate**
  Shabbat Morning, December 8 | See below for details

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Celebrate Rabbi Marc Angel’s
50th Anniversary in the Rabbinate

Our Rabbi Emeritus, Rabbi Marc Angel, is celebrating 50 years in the rabbinate and will mark the occasion with a seminar, “Reflections on 50 Years of Rabbinic Service.” After the seminar, congregants are welcome to wish Rabbi Angel mazel tov at the kiddush to follow.

To sponsor this kiddush in Rabbi Angel’s honor, visit shearithisrael.org/rabbinate50.

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The Road to Kingship

Sundays | 10:00 am | Rabbi David Silber

Beginning October 27

Tuition is $200, but FREE for Shearith Israel members

An exploration of the Samson story, the last 5 chapters of the Book of Judges, and Megillat Ruth as texts that prepare us for the institution of kingship. The sessions will include a survey of attitudes towards monarchy and the centralization of human authority in other biblical texts—both narratives and biblical poetry.

To register or request your member discount, visit shearithisrael.org/silber-kingship.

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CONGREGATION SHEARITH ISRAEL
The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue

**Shemini Ateret & Simhat Torah 5780**

**October 21-22, 2019**

**SHEMINI HAG ATERET EYE, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20**

CANDLE LIGHTING | 5:15 PM
EVENING SERVICES (MINNA & ARBIT) | 5:45 PM
KIDDUSS | Elias Room | Sponsored by the Sisterhood
  Followed by self-catered meals in the succah for pre-registered guests

**SHEMINI HAG ATERET-MONDAY, OCTOBER 21**

MORNING SERVICES | 8:15 AM
SERMON | Rabbi Soloveichik
TOT SHABBAT FOR THE HOLIDAYS | Ages 0-4 | 10:00 am | Fidance Youth Room
YOUTH GROUPS | Ages 5-12 | 10:00 am | Levy Auditorium
Jr. CONGREGATION | Ages 5-12 | 10:30 am | Little Synagogue
KIDDUSS | Elias Room | Sponsored by the Sisterhood, with contributions from the family of Jonathan Herland, in memory of his brother, James O. Herland
  Followed by self-catered meals in the succah for pre-registered guests

Schedule continued inside.

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Weekday Service Times

Mornings: Sunday: 8:00 AM | Wednesday-Friday: 7:15 AM
Evenings: Wednesday & Thursday: 6:00 PM

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Youth Program & Hakaot on Simhat Torah Night
Simhat Torah, October 21 | beginning at 5:45 pm | Fidance Youth Room
(moving into the Main Sanctuary at 6:30 pm for hakaot)
Hakaot at Shearith Israel are unique and special for everyone, men, women, and children. This year, we are pleased to announce that our Youth Group Leader and Programming Coordinator, Nat Bernstein, will be conducting Youth Groups on Simhat Torah night in the Fidanque Youth Room, and will then be leading our kids at hakaot in the Main Sanctuary.

Touro Shabbaton Updates—Keep An Eye on Your Inboxes!
Registrants for our Veterans Day Weekend Shabbaton to the Touro Synagogue will be receiving updated and logistical information via email, so keep an eye out!
If you would like to join the waitlist for this sold-out Shabbaton, contact Sarah Gross at sgross@shearithisrael.org.

Annual Simhat Torah Ice Cream Extravaganza
Monday Night, October 21 | Following hakaot
Elias Room
All children, whether registered for the dinner or not, are welcome to partake in our annual ice cream party in the Elias Room, following Simhat Torah hakaot in the sanctuaries. Following dinner, all ages are welcome. As usual, volunteer teen scoopers are needed, so feel free to come by and lend a hand. Dress for the mess!
Sponsored again by the Haberman and Lustig families.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS
Thank you to the Shearith Israel Sisterhood for decorating our spectacular Elias Room Succah, and for sponsoring all the kiddushim and breakfasts throughout Succot.

Women’s Hakaot
Simhat Torah, October 21 | 6:30 pm | Little Synagogue
On the evening of Simhat Torah, a parallel Hakaot ceremony for women is held in the Little Synagogue, accompanied by a choir of women congregants. Join us in this joyous Shearith Israel tradition!

Portuguese Citizenship with Rita Mayer Jardim
Thursday, November 7 | Following 6:30 pm Evening Services
While Spain has ended its Law of Return for Sephardic Jews, Portugal continues to grant European citizenship to those wishing to reclaim their ancestors’ citizenship. Close to 10,000 people have already been approved with around 40,000 pending.
Rita Mayer Jardim, a Lisbon-based lawyer specializing in this path to Portuguese citizenship, will return to our Congregation to update us on this law.
Questions abound, and you can learn the answers during an informal chat where a successful case will be discussed. This event is free, but registration is encouraged at shearithisrael.org/portuguese-citizenship2.
Note that this session is meant for informational purposes only, not as an endorsement of any business.

Composting of Lulabim and Other Succot Greens
Due Monday morning by noon, October 28
Bin outside Levy Auditorium
After Succot, rather than throwing out your lulabim, take advantage of this eco-friendly opportunity and leave your lulabim with us! The NYC Dept of Sanitation (DSNY) will collect our Succot organics for composting.
Leave your lulabim, etrogim, and any other Succot plant material in the box near the water fountain outside Levy Auditorium and we’ll do the rest.

Public Tours
Our next public tour is Wednesday, November 13, at 11:00 AM
Parnas Office Hours
Louis Solomon would be delighted to meet with you. Please schedule a visit at parnas@shearithisrael.org.

SERVICES SCHEDULE (CONT.)

Simhat Torah Eve, Monday, October 21:
Evening Services (with Tenu Shebaha) | 5:45 PM
Candle Lighting | After 6:27 PM
Youth Groups | 5:45 PM | Fidance Youth Room
Hakaot in the Main Sanctuary | Including Youth Hakaot | 6:30 PM
Women’s Hakaot | 6:30 PM | Little Synagogue
Following hakaot, all children are welcome to enjoy our Ice Cream Extravaganza in the Elias Room, sponsored by the Haberman and Lustig families.
Pre-registered guests also attend our Simhat Torah Dinner, which will take place in Levy Auditorium. After dinner, all ages are welcome to partake in the Ice Cream Party.

Simhat Torah Day—Tuesday, October 22
Morning Services | 8:15 AM
Sermon | Rabbi Soloveichik
Tot Shabbat | Ages 0-4 | 10:00 am | Fidance Youth Room
Youth Groups | Ages 5-12 | 10:00 am | Levy Auditorium
Jr. Congregation | Ages 5-12 | 10:30 am | Little Synagogue
Kiddush | Elias Room
Evening Services (Minha & Arbi) | 5:45 PM
Habdala | 6:20 PM

Register for PTTS Hebrew School
Begins THIS Thursday, October 24
For over 200 years, Shearith Israel’s Hebrew School has given children the strong educational foundation and skills necessary to access Jewish texts, understand their heritage, learn the Western Sephardic tradition, and lead a vibrant Jewish life.
Learn more and register at shearithisrael.org/hebrewschool.